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ANNUAL INITIATION WILL ADD SEVEN FRESHMEN TO THE CHAPTER ROLLS

Record Crowd Expected to Attend Chapter Rites on February 21

Annual initiation ceremonies for the seven pledges of Theta chapter will be held Thursday evening, February 21, in the chapter house, as the result of their passing the rigid test of five months of pledge life.

Every effort is being made to make the initiation the best in the recent history of the chapter. Special invitations have been sent by mail to every alumnus of the chapter urging a record attendance. The perfection of the ritual work and the smoothness

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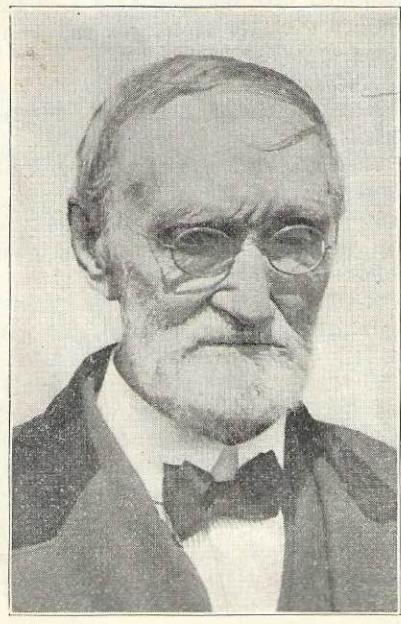
THETA CHAPTER HOST TO MEETING OF PRESIDENTS

Delegates from 3 Chapters in District Nine Attend—Needham Present

Delegates from Case, Western Reserve and Kenyon chapters in District IX were guests of Theta chapter Saturday, November 17, at a meeting of the presidents called by District Chief Delos J. Needham. Denison was the only chapter not represented.

The meeting was called chiefly to discuss the plans for the year and exchange helpful suggestions on the budget systems of the different chapters. The methods of training freshmen pledges were also given consideration.

The delegates witnessed the victory of Ohio Wesleyan's football team over St. Xavier in the afternoon and after the business session in the evening were guests of the chapter at a smoker. They joined in a serenade at Austin Hall following the smoker.



Hiram Mills Perkins

THETA'S OLDEST ALUMNUS DIES

Members of Theta chapter mourn the loss of Professor Hiram Mills Perkins who until his death on January 25, at his home in Delaware was the oldest living member of the Ohio Wesleyan chapter. He was the donor of the new Perkins Observatory and was the last of the older members of the faculty whose memory ran back to the early days of the university.

Brother Perkins was 90 years of age at the time of his death having been connected with the chapter since 1857 which is all but four years of its history. He was associated with Ohio Wesleyan all but six years of the life of the university

He came to Ohio Wesleyan in 1850 from Rarby Creek where he was born in 1833 and had spent his earlier years on the farm. He completed both his preparatory and university courses at Ohio Wesleyan graduating in 1857. From then on until his retirement 50 years later he was almost continuously a member of the faculty of his alma mater being made professor of mathematics and astronomy in 1865 and pro-

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AMHREIN WILL CAPTAIN RED AND BLACK FOOTBALL TEAM FOR '24 SEASON

Theta's Football Letter Man Unanimous Choice For All-Ohio Guard

Harold Amrhein, Theta's football letter-man and unanimous choice for All-Ohio guard, won further recognition for himself and the chapter when he was made captain-elect for the 1924 season at an election held following the conclusion of Ohio Wesleyan's second championship football year.

Amrhein, coming from Bay City, Michigan, where he starred four years on his high school team, easily won his numerals as a regular on the Uni-

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CHRISTMAS PARTY HELD AT DELAWARE SANITARIUM

Social Event Considered the Most Successful in Recent Years

The chapter held its annual Christmas party at the Delaware Springs Sanitarium, Wednesday evening, December 19 and the affair proved to be the most successful social events the chapter has enjoyed this year.

The sanitarium dining room and parlors with their beautiful appointments and excellent service furnished the proper atmosphere for the merry gathering of 20 couples. The rooms were decorated in the fraternity colors and a huge Beta pin caught the eye as one entered the dining room.

A Columbus orchestra furnished the music during the dinner and the evening which followed.

The enjoyable evening lasted longer than the usual Ohio Wesleyan fraternity parties because of the fact that the girls were not subject to a time limit by the university it being the first night of the holiday vacation.

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SCHOLARSHIP

The members of the Ohio Wesleyan chapter have been striving for the last few years to raise the chapter's scholarship record to first place among the men's groups in the school and at the same time to maintain its leadership in other activities. Although the progress has been slow there has been an advance made each year until at the end of last year Beta Theta Pi ranked fifth among eleven national fraternities, having moved up to that position from eighth place.

Reports for the first semester of the present school year have not been made out but it is hoped that the incentive of the Perkins Scholarship Cup among the freshmen and the marked interest in scholarship among the upperclassmen have proven successful in aiding Theta's advance to the top.

PERKINS' GIFT

The chapter was the recipient of a gift, more than a month ago, from the late Hiram M. Perkins, who up to his death was the oldest living alumnus of Theta chapter. Brother Perkins gave his life to the service of Ohio Wesleyan University and provided the funds for an observatory that will offer unlimited study to future Ohio Wesleyan students in the field of astronomy.

Since his gift to the chapter was in the form of a generous sum of money, the chapter decided that it should be used in perpetuating his memory and should serve as representative of his interest in old Theta's home. It was therefore voted that a loving cup, known as the Perkins Scholarship Cup, should be purchased and that

ALUMNI NOTES

'83—James T. Pickering is still connected with the New York Life Insurance Co. He is located in Lancaster, Ohio.

'86—Frank P. Irvin is cashier in the Citizens National Bank of Piqua, Ohio.

'95—Fletcher Moffett is professor of history in the Piqua High School.

'96—Dr. Clark B. Hetherington is still practicing medicine in Piqua, Ohio.

'07—Dr. James Carr is a member of the staff of Wesley Hospital, Chicago, Ill.

'99—Lewis O. Hartman recently visited the chapter. He spoke in chapel and also to a body of students in the afternoon on the situation in Russia.

'00—George B. Harris and Wells K. Stanley, '95, were members of the committee from the Bar Association endorsing candidates for the election of municipal judges in Cleveland recently. Brother Harris is being considered as a possible candidate for the Republican nomination for Governor in Ohio.

'08—Roi De Lancey is manager of the De Lancey Lumber Co., in Lancaster, Ohio.

'11—Robert E. Watson has just recently been elected president of the Chamber of Commerce of this city. He has taken a very active part in civic affairs as well as holding his position in the chapter affairs.

'13—Eddie Powell is now located in Columbus, Ohio.

'14—Clarence Cone is now manager of the Delco Light branch in Quincy, Ill. The branch is located at 20th and Main streets.

every year the name of the pledge having the best scholarship record during his pledge life would be inscribed upon it. The remainder of the gift is to be used in buying a president's pin to be worn by the holder of that office each year. The pin is also to be named in honor of the donor.

The chapter has taken this means of acknowledging the interest that Brother Perkins has taken in Theta's history and the members feel that his cup and pin will be a memorial to the ideals which he cherished.

'14—Raymond Cheseldine, at present a major in the Ohio National Guard, has been working for about a year securing information in the anticipation of publishing a history of the Rainbow Division of the American Expeditionary Forces. This book is now in the hands of the publisher and will be released soon. It is the first attempt of any member of the A. E. F. to undertake such a task and will be quite a tribute to the members of the Rainbow Division.

'14—Robert Warren is now connected with a national accountancy firm, having passed the Certified Public Accountants examination.

'14—William Dawson, who has for the past few years been practicing law in Cleveland, has formed a partnership with Maurice Myers, also a Wesleyan man. They have opened offices in the Leader Building in that city.

'15—Winchell Craig is on the staff of Mayo Bros. Clinic of Rochester, Minn.

'16—Paul Bonner is still connected with the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., in Columbus, Ohio.

'23—Donald M. Maynard is attending Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill. He was formerly connected with the Y. M. C. A. in Los Angeles, Cal.

'23—C. Yantis Neher is principal of the high school in Millersport, Ohio.

Ex-'23—Robert Smith is now in California.

Ex-'23—Douglas D. Reid has a governmental position in Conneaut, Ohio.

Ex-'24—Eugene Willey is manager of the drapery department of the Uhler-Phillips Department Store, Marion, Ohio.

Ex-'25—Robert L. Chaney is in the Madison National Bank, London, Ohio.

Ex-'25—Donald W. Hornbeck, a student in Ohio State Law School, has recently been elected to Phi Delta Phi honorary law fraternity. Brother Horace Reigle is also a member of the same fraternity.

Ex-'25—Robert Watson is connected with an advertising agency in Dayton, Ohio.

SWIMMING BECOMES MINOR SPORT AT O. W. U.

Three Men Represent Theta In Meet With Case and Wooster

Swimming was revived as a minor sport at Ohio Wesleyan during the past season and a team representing the university participated in three intercollegiate meets and the fifty yard A. A. U. State Championship meet at Columbus.

The chapter was represented on the team by three men, Roger Addison, captain, Alford Scott and James Tupper. Addison swam the 100 yard back stroke and the 220 yard free style. Scott was the utility man for the squad and a member of the relay team. Tupper performed in the fifty yard free style and the relay until forced to give up because of an operation. Scott and Addison were given the varsity swimming award.

The season opened with the fifty yard State Championship meet and the inexperienced team performed very creditably. Addison won third place in the championship race and the relay team took second.

Two close contests with Wooster were lost by the narrow margin of a few points, although Captain Addison was high point scorer in both meets. The third intercollegiate meet was lost to the veteran tankmen from Case. Addison was again high point man, making 14 points of Ohio Wesleyan's 18 points.

INITIATION

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with which the customary proceedings are performed is expected to make a lasting impression upon the minds of those present.

The seven pledges to be initiated are Winston W. Hill of Powell, Ohio; E. Mayne Noland, of London, Ohio; L. Wilson Anderson of Welch, W. Va.; Donald M. Currie of Xenia, Ohio; Edward P. Reynolds of Columbus, Ohio; Warren A. Jones of Bay City, Michigan, and Richard J. Whiting of Norwood, Ohio.

The program for the evening will begin at 6 o'clock with the Dorg scene. The ritual will be given at 7 o'clock



Harold Amrhein

AMHREIN ELECTED GRID CAPTAIN FOR NEXT YEAR

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varsity's freshman team. During his sophomore year and the past season he has played regularly on the varsity, and has been a big cog in the machine that has pushed its way to two Ohio Conference football championships.

Although not playing a spectacular position on the team, Amrhein's work during the past season was so consistent that he was chosen as a guard on every All-Ohio team selected by critics throughout the state.

With 15 letter men returning and this year's large freshman squad serving as reserve material, Amrhein is expected to captain a team that will win its third Ohio Conference championship in as many years.

Joseph Morrisey, Theta's other candidate for a football letter, was forced to leave the squad in the middle of the season with a cracked rib. He was making good as substitute quarterback until he received the injury.

Donald Currie and Richard Whiting, both pledges, received their numerals on the freshman squad and will make good varsity material next fall.

and the banquet in honor of the neophytes will be held at 8:30 o'clock.

District Chief Delos J. Needham has promised to be present and will be one of the speakers at the banquet. Robert E. Watson will act as toastmaster and each of the newly initiated men will take some part in the program.

The annual mid-year Home-coming Day for the alumni will be held Friday, February 22, and is an added incentive to come back for initiation.

FOUR CHAPTER ATHLETES JOIN IN SPRING GAMES

Hard Schedules Arranged For University Track and Baseball Teams

Members of the Ohio Wesleyan chapter are looking forward to the opening of the 1924 track and baseball season, in which four of the chapter's athletes will take part.

The track schedule this year is one of the most strenuous that Ohio Wesleyan has ever undertaken and includes besides many dual meets, entrance in the Big Six meet, the Penn relays and the Chicago relays.

James Kestle has for three years represented Theta in the 440 yard dash and holds a place on the relay team. He is a senior and is expected to be one of the big scorers on the squad.

Warren Jones is a member of the freshmen squad and is counted on to win his numerals. He had considerable experience at Detroit Junior college last year and as a member of the cross country team last fall.

The baseball schedule has been arranged for some time and Ohio Wesleyan is scheduled to meet some of the strongest teams in the Ohio Conference including Oberlin and Miami.

Joseph Morrisey is already working in the cages in preparation for a good season and will be out to retain his position at second base on the varsity.

John Hill, who won his freshman numerals in baseball last year, will try to win a place on the varsity pitching staff during the coming season.

ALUMNI FILE

The national fraternity is contemplating the publication of a catalogue this spring. In order for the officers to determine the cost and practicability of the plan it is necessary for each chapter to furnish a complete list of their alumni with the correct information regarding their address, business or profession and military record.

In order that the chapter may be in position to furnish the desired information it is necessary that every alumnus send to Max A. Hewitt, Alumni Secretary, answers to the fore-mentioned questions.

PERKINS' OBSERVATORY DONOR PASSES AWAY

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fessor emeritus of the same chair in 1907.

Following his retirement from the Ohio Wesleyan faculty in 1907 Brother Perkins and his wife traveled for six years in many parts of the world returning to their old home in Delaware where they spent the declining years of their life.

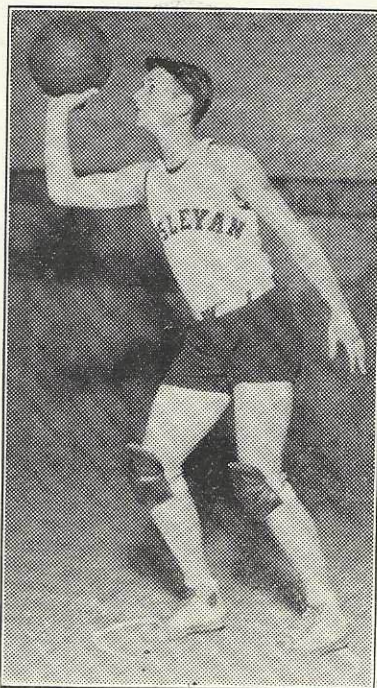
Although no profound scientific fact nor any theories to revolutionize human thought owe their discovery to Professor Perkins his name will be known for many years because of his gift to Ohio Wesleyan of the Perkins Observatory and its great telescope, the third largest in the world. Money saved from his small salary as a college professor which never exceeded \$1800 was invested and re-invested until he and his wife were able to turn over \$300,000 for the furtherance of astronomy at Ohio Wesleyan.

This great scientific contribution was made possible by his keen business ability and his cherished dream of making his alma mater a leader in his chosen field of astronomy to which he always referred as "the queen of the sciences."

While his physical gifts to the school have been munificent, his greatest contribution was the benefit Ohio Wesleyan derived by continual contact with a truly great character.

"I would not leave anyone in doubt as to what seems to me the best of our inheritance," said Professor Duvall, one of Professor Perkins' most intimate friends, at the funeral services. "There was something immeasurably big in the moral quality of his giving; in the love and sacrifice, in the idealism that sustained him during the long years of faithful planning. He put his whole life, all he was, as well as all he had, in his gift."

Although all of the members of the active chapter were not fortunate enough to know Brother Perkins intimately, those who became acquainted with him by making frequent visits to his home were impressed by the strength that lay behind the simplicity of his character. They realize that his death marked the passing of a great man whose spirit will make an indelible impression upon the future of the university and whose character was an embodiment of the highest ideals of our fraternity.



John Hill

HILL WINS POSITION ON BASKETBALL SQUAD

Plays Forward or Center Position in Most Every Game

John Hill, continuing his stellar work on the Frosh basketball team last year, made a place for himself on the varsity squad this season. He has the honor of being the only man to represent Theta chapter in basketball in recent years.

Hill has participated in almost every game of the season, and has already won the coveted "W." He generally plays a forward position but his best exhibition of the year was made in the Akron game, in which he was high point scorer, while playing the pivot position.

Ohio Wesleyan's cage men have had an unusually successful season so far and are making a strong bid for championship honors. They are at present in first place, having won one game more than Denison.

The team has won nine Ohio Conference games over Otterbein (2), Hiram (2), Wittenberg, Western Reserve, Akron, Ohio Northern (2). The

GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO BAIRD FUND

One of the most important steps in fraternity progress ever undertaken by any organization was made by our own fraternity in the establishment of the Baird Fund.

At his death William Raymond Baird left a large part of his estate to Beta Theta Pi to be used for the foundation of a fund employed in advancing the interests of the fraternity. This fund, which was placed in trust, is to be increased by subscriptions of members of Beta Theta Pi. The fund includes money for scholarships for worthy Betas and for lending necessary funds to chapters in need of financial aid.

In recent years the members of the chapter have subscribed to the fund at time of initiation. In connection with this, the alumni association has agreed to pay the amount for all initiates in the future. There are however many members of the fraternity who have been out of the chapter for a number of years who have made no contribution to the fund. The chapter is very desirous in soliciting contributions in an endeavor to increase the fund.

The method of subscription is an easy one. The payment of ten dollars makes the subscriber a member of the fund and secures for him a life subscription to the fraternity magazine. At the death of the subscriber this amount is placed in the permanent Baird Fund. Another method of subscription is through the memorial subscription, by which the contribution is made in the name of some Beta of other days.

It is admitted that the calls which are made upon the alumni are quite numerous, but it is felt that the national aspect of the fraternity must not be lost in the more or less selfish interest taken in our own chapter.

one disastrous encounter was the Mt. Union game in which the outcome was uncertain until the final whistle left Ohio Wesleyan on the short end of a 29-26 score. In non-conference games the team won from Antioch and lost to Ohio State.

Winston Hill, a brother of the varsity performer, is a member of the freshmen squad. The chapter expects to regain its old place in varsity basketball with two brothers on the squad next winter.