

**NATIONAL SCIENTIFIC HONOR SOCIETY WAS FOUNDED AT CORNELL IN 1865**  
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dergraduates who have actually done a bit of original investigation, and to associate membership those who have given promise of research ability. Originality of mind and method, independence and initiative as exhibited by the work of the student, rather than semester grades have long been the prominent criteria upon which the eligibility of candidates for election to Sigma Xi has been judged. In few cases are class grades considered at all, and such records seldom play an important part in determining the candidate's rating.

Research ability as shown by work already done, or the promise of such ability as indicated by the work of the student in the science courses, is the primary factor upon which elections to membership in the Nebraska chapter are determined. There are now three grades of membership in the society: Active, associate and alumni. The following and no others are eligible to election to active membership: Any professor or instructor, or other member of the staff of the university, who has shown noteworthy achievement as an original investigator in some branch of pure or applied science and has published the results of scientific research conducted by them. Master's and doctor's theses of more than five years standing are not accepted as fulfilling this requirement. Any registered student, who, as judged by his actual work of investigation, has exhibited an aptitude for scientific research may also be elected to active membership. The following are eligible for election to associate membership: Any graduate student who has shown marked excellence in two or more departments of pure or applied science, and any undergraduate student who has completed the first three years of undergraduate work and who has shown marked excellence in two or more departments of pure or applied science. The following and no others are eligible to election to alumni membership: Any graduate of the university of not less than five years' standing, on conditions prescribed for election of professors to active membership; any professor, instructor or investigator connected with a neighboring educational, scientific, or professional institution not having a chapter of Sigma Xi, who would otherwise be eligible as prescribed for election of instructors to active membership; associate members who meet the requirements prescribed for student active membership within five years after they were elected associates. After five years associate members are subject to the requirements for active membership for professors and instructors, if they are nominated for active membership.

In all cases the nominations for all grades of membership are carefully scrutinized by the committee on nominations which may reject and nomination. The list of nominations is then presented to the local chapter which is the actual electing body. The Nebraska chapter elects from thirty to fifty members each year. The number of all grades of membership elected this year was thirty-five.

**PHI BETA KAPPA KEY IS HONOR MOST COVETED POLL OF STUDENTS SHOW**  
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humanities, the field of the scholar rather than the scientist; although its membership is open to both. Language and literature, history and philosophy, these have been the fields of learning most distinctively associated with the society, with their aim in the disinterested and public spirited phases of education rather than in the private and vocational. Its center has always been the liberal arts, to which the judgment of the leaders of men has generally assigned the influence in giving to our country—or indeed to any country—a broad-minded culture. The traditional Phi Beta Kappa celebration of its purposes has commonly included an address or oration devoted to some question of letters or public interest and also a Phi Kappa poem. One might indeed say that in this latter respect the society is unique among organizations devoted to scholarship, for the poem recognizes its willingness to cultivate imaginative power as well as the disciplines which make for knowledge.

Entrance to Phi Beta Kappa is via two paths. The simple and direct path is a primary interest in one's studies. Any student of average powers who brings to college a genuine concern for learning, who is really interested in books and ideas and keeps this interest in the fore during his collegiate course, is pretty sure to make P. B. K. The final selection for the senior class is nowadays almost universally made upon the basis of course averages for the four collegiate years. The method is very defective, as everyone recognizes. It means that students who have awakened to an interest in studies late in their course are handicapped, as are those who have had ill health or misfortune. It means that many with marked gifts, even high scholarship in cer-

tain fields, will fail because of a lack of interest or power in some other direction. And it means that there will always be some percentage of P. B. K.'s who have achieved the society because they set about it early, choosing their courses not because of an interest in scholarship, but because of their ability to make grades in certain lines. These are serious defects; but no more satisfactory system of selection has yet been found, and on the whole it does work in the sense that few of those students who have followed a normal college career, and have followed it with that zest for learning which is the real spirit of the society, fail to make the honor theirs. For the rest, the second path is still open. For one of the good things about Phi Beta Kappa is that from year to year it chooses from among the alumni of the college some of those who have shown by the nature of their later achievements that its membership should be theirs. In this it affords some comparison with the graduate honors offered by European universities to men who have proved themselves in the after-years of their college life.

The honor in which students hold Phi Beta Kappa is one of the most wholesome phases of our American college life. For it is one of the very few symbols which remains to remind us that the liberal education is provided by the state not for private ad-

vantage but for the cultivation of a public spirit maintained in sanity through a genuine acquaintanceship with the sources and traditions of our civilization.

**CALENDAR**  
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- Phi Gamma Delta house dance.
- Alpha Tau Omega picnic at Crete, Saturday, May 19.
- Alpha Delta Pi Founders' Day banquet, Lincoln.
- Alpha Chi Omega, dinner-dance, chapter house.
- Kappa Phi Mothers' day, Ellen Smith hall.
- Kappa Alpha Theta dance, K. C. hall.
- Omega Beta Pi dance, Ellen Smith hall.
- Phi Mu house dance.
- Phi Tau Epsilon house dance.

**Senior Picnic**

Picnic at Crete this evening, Friday, May 18.

L. A. Wolkanger, who received his Masters Degree in Geography here last spring, has received a promotion in the Department of Geography of Columbia University where he has acted as graduate assistant. Mr. Wolkanger was recently offered a position as assistant in Geography at Chicago University.

**SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK**  
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Classes meeting at 4:00 p. m., Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, or any one or two of these days.

**Wednesday, May 30**  
8:00 a. m. to 10:00 a. m.—Classes meeting at 5:00 p. m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday, or any one or two of these days.

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