Organizations
FRATERNITIES
PRESIDENT JOHN HESLER

A P O's, oldest fraternal organization on the campus, are under the leadership of Johnny Hesler, Upper Valley commuter and wearer of Alpha Chi and Who's Who keys. Made up almost exclusively of engineering students, the fraternity average is among the highest of the Greeks. Politically, the boys are kept in the thick of things through the efforts of Bob Havins and genial Pollard Rodgers. Football varsity men, Alpha Chi's, publications workers, and one or two embryonic socialites help maintain a proper balance of activities. The annual fraternity dance is an eagerly awaited Spring formal, held this year on April nineteenth.

FIRST ROW:
Beahler, Beckham, Britt, Compton.

SECOND ROW:
Duthie, Emerson, Forbes, Gerwells.

THIRD ROW:
Guernsey, Harshbarger, Havins, Hesler.

FOURTH ROW:
Miller, Rodgers, Salem, Smythe.

FIFTH ROW:
H. Toone, J. Toone, Wilson, Yeager.

Kappa Sigma Kappa

PRESIDENT BOB LYON

Kappa Sigs, with 15 organization presidents, S. A. Prexy, publications heads and staff members, All-Conference basketball aces, football men, musicians and speechmen, managed to more than hold their own in the activities field. The highest fraternal scholastic average, four Alpha Chi’s, four Men of Mines, five Who’s Who members, and two Alpha Psi Omega’s, testify as to the character of the membership. Athletically, the Greek cross boys finished at the bottom of the basketball race, but lost the football championship by the toss of a coin and remained undefeated for another softball season. Two pledge dinner-dances and a Spring formal highlighted the social year. A couple of the pins have been hung and some more of the boys still have hopes along these lines.

Prexy Lyon talks it over with the boys
Gilland beams for camera at pledge dinner
Paul gulps coffee as brothers impress rushees
Pledge exam, Kappa Sig style
Rho Sig Sigs are laying plans for a campaign next Fall to make people forget their old name. They want to be known as the Phi Taus (short for Phi Kappa Tau national fraternity, which at this writing is to be installed May 10). The boys ran a close second in the fraternal scholastic race and came out on top in the basketball intra-murals. Athletic Director Al DeWitt is included on the chapter roster, as are freshmen track aspirants Bill Edwards and Paul Mader. Yell king Bob Waller put fire into the rooting of Mines’ cheering section this Fall. Two Rho Sig Sigs were chosen as Men of Mines — namely well-dressed Prexy Calderhead and Tom Hope. Jovial, lazy Bill Blocker spent the whole year behind the Flowsheet camera, neglecting classes somewhat as a result.

None of the boys have hung pins for the simple reason they haven’t any, but four would give their eye-teeth to do so. Red Carlson handles the fraternity “bird-dog” assignment with finesse. High spot of an active social season is expected to be the Spring Prom on May tenth.

PRESIDENT BILL CALDERHEAD

Carlson puts pressure on rushee
Arant turns on personality
Advisor Avrett at Fall banquet
The festive board

FIRST ROW:
Arant, Barner, Bemis, Broaddus.

SECOND ROW:
Calderhead, Carlson, Casner, DeWitt.

THIRD ROW:
Edens, Edwards, Gish, Hammonds.

FOURTH ROW:
Hope, McNamee, Miller, Shapleigh.

FIFTH ROW:
Sims, Stringer, Waggoner, Waller, Webel.
PRESIDENT JACK COUNTS

Rho Tau's are the newest addition to the Interfraternal Council, being founded in May, 1940, and receiving their charter December 15, 1940. Consequently, their participation in the activity program of the college has not been as extensive as the more firmly entrenched fraternities. Nothing is lacking in their spirit, however; they back to the greatest extent any program for the betterment of the college. Being made up largely of sophomores and freshmen, they are expected to do great things in coming years, and if they follow the example set by their similarly-named seniors, we won't be disappointed.

The first annual ball was held on the twentieth of December, with a formal dinner preceding for members and dates. Rush week activities were many and varied, culminating in the pledging of seven able men.

FIRST ROW:
Broyles, Burleson, Casey, Coleman.

SECOND ROW:
Cook, Counts, Crossett, Garbrecht.

THIRD ROW:
Gantt, Herr, Howell, Hungerford.

FOURTH ROW:
LaRock, Manker, Purdy, Rosenwasser.

FIFTH ROW:
Schreck, Schumaker, Shoppach, West.
The Panhellenic Association was organized for a dual purpose: first in an attempt to form a more effective working organization out of the three national sororities and secondly, to more successfully cooperate as a group with the desire of the college authorities in both social and scholastic activities. The Association is composed of three active members and one alumnus of each sorority.

Mavis Paxton served as president during the past year. Each year a scholarship cup is offered to the sorority having the highest grade-point average and annually each individual group strives to encourage both old and new members to higher goals of scholarship.

The Panhellenic Tea held at the beginning of each fall and spring semester is always a colorful affair and eagerly looked forward to by all freshmen rushees. The greatest contribution of the organization lies in control over important rushing activities.
Gamma Gamma chapter of Zeta rose definitely in campus prominence in 1941, climaxing a year that included construction of a sorority lodge, placing three members in Alpha Chi, four among the campus Who's Who, and attainment of the highest scholastic record on the campus, by capturing two out of three beauty spots in the Flowsheet-sponsored contest, and putting Zeta Margaret Woods in the spotlight as All-Mines Favorite.

In the activity field, Zetas are well represented on staffs of both publications; Muriel Parker was selected Queen of the now-famous Snow Fiesta; Dorothy Woodley served efficiently as Gold Digger president, and Wilma Meyer made a highly adequate Band Sweetheart. A couple of the gals are sporting frat pins now, and it's only a question of time till more badges join the ZTA ranks.
SENIORS: Kate Haisley, Sheila MacFarlane, Rosita Martinez, Mary Anne Mitchell, Dorothea Peterson, Betty Stark, Dorothy Woodley. JUNIORS: Katherine Arnold, Nellie Hanson, Charles Hendricks, Wilma Mae Meyer, Altanell Oden, Rosemary Walker, Mamie Lee Wood. SOPHOMORES: Charlotte Adkins, Mary Anderson, Marian Bainbridge, Charlotte Boykin, Marilyn Carlock, Ophelia Chapman, Edith Feuille, Constance Harrington, Mary Alice Himel, Lois Hudson, Marianne Kissel, Mary Lou North, Muriel Parker, Betty Seawell, Margery Tanner, Jean Thede, Elizabeth Tucker, Margaret Woods. FRESHMEN: Mardee Belding, Bettie Blakemore, Ann Crombie, Marion Ponsford, Nancy Jane Potter, Susie Small, Gloria Smith. PLEDGES: Harriet Ann Austin, Margaret Dawson, Donna Herrell, Doris Knight, Elaine Overlock, Mary Frances Sadler.
Tri-Delts started off the '40 season with a bang, pledging some sixteen innocents. With that for a beginning, the sisters plunged into a heavy social season that included football teas, a Homecoming Tea, and receptions for several Trident bigwigs.

Construction of a new sorority lodge located next to the Chi O house is well under way, and the building is expected to be finished by the time of publication of this book. Theta Psi sisters managed to capture their share of the campus spotlight and then some, numbering on their chapter roll three Alpha Chi's, two campus Who's Who, the President of the Co-ed Association, and Vice-President of the Student Association. A Delt was honored by being selected Junior Favorite, and the College Princess to the Sun Carnival wore the crescent and stars, as did one of the three campus beauties for the year.

FIRST ROW:
Andre, Byron, Cobbs, Cooper, Cotlingim.

SECOND ROW:
Curtiss, Davis, Duncan, Frazier, Fruit.

THIRD ROW:
Fryer, Galbraith, Gibson, Gilland, Griffin.

FOURTH ROW:
Hadlock, Hall, Hardy, Hays, J. Kennedy.

FIFTH ROW:
R. Kennedy, Kerr, Lange, McCormac, McCutchan.

SIXTH ROW:
McDonnell, Naylor, Niblack, Patridge, Purkey.

SEVENTH ROW:
Roberts, B. Sparks, N. Sparks, M. Thurston, P. Thurston, Tillery.
Chi O's, under the leadership of Panhellenic proxy Mavis Paxton, swapped a two-year hold on the sorority scholarship trophy for the distinction of being the first Greek chapter to complete construction of a lodge on the campus. A three-day open house beginning April 5th was held in celebration of the event. An aggressive, well-knit organization, the chapter boasts the Senior and Sophomore campus favorites, secretary of the Co-ed and Student Association, president and three members of Alpha Chi, three wearers of the Who's Who pin. The Duchess to the Sun Carnival from the college wore the horseshoe-shaped Chi O pin.

FIRST ROW:
Alexander, Alford, Andre, Beahler, Bynum.

SECOND ROW:
Casey, Crow, Decker, Drees, Fox.

THIRD ROW:
Fulcher, Hines, Hoffer, Howle, Jackson.

FOURTH ROW:
Jones, B. Kennedy, D. Kennedy, Knox, McKinney.

FIFTH ROW:
L. Martin, N. Martin, Maynew, Miskimis, Mithoff.

SIXTH ROW:
Moran, Mussey, Palm, Park, Paxton.

SEVENTH ROW:
Sigrist, Stowe, West, White, Wilson.
HONORARIES
Although resented by a majority of the unbelievers, Alpha Chi is one of the major organizations of the College. Members are chosen from the cream of the crop, scholastically speaking—with provisions made for activities, character and leadership, it says in the handbook. Students who rank in the upper five percent of the senior and junior classes, and who are approved by a faculty committee, are eligible for the club, which is a small edition of Phi Beta Kappa for small colleges.

Two official delegates are sent to the national convention each year, accompanied by an undetermined number of unofficial delegates. Drs. Nelson, Sonnichsen, and Zimmerman are faculty sponsors.
Alpha Psi Omega is composed of the better grade of "ham" if the official propaganda has been interpreted correctly. Without a doubt, the fraternity represents the best dramatic talent of the campus and members of the national fraternity are recognized throughout the entire nation as outstanding student actors and actresses.

The organization is of an honorary nature, and is one of eleven chapters in Texas. All members of the group are graduates of the weeding out ground, College Players, and are proud of their new and important status.
If for two years a student sweats away nightly, learning to conjugate Spanish verbs, and manages by this studying to maintain a "B" average or better in the Spanish department, he is eligible for membership in Sigma Delta Pi, national honorary fraternity. This does not explain the large enrollment in the Spanish classes, but it does mean that the best students of those classes are enabled to study the whole culture of Spain and Mexico and are not confined to mere analysis of the mechanics of the language of those countries. Meeting monthly, Sigma Delta Pi hears reports on various phases of the literature, music, and art of Spanish-speaking countries. Climaxing the year is a banquet at which the program consists of the outstanding music of Mexico and Spain.

The organization is unique in that its membership is not confined to undergraduates, but is extended to various faculty members and teachers of Spanish.
In the fall of this year, students were treated to the sight of rough and tough engineers dashing around the campus in hard hats and stopping occasionally to chisel some Greek letters, Sigma Gamma Epsilon, into various boulders. All of which was a sign that another group of engineering students had been honored by being accepted as members of the national honorary engineering fraternity known by those Greek letters.

Founded in 1915 at the University of Kansas, Sigma Epsilon installed Alpha Lambda chapter on the Mines' campus on April 22, 1940. In its first full year on the campus, the fraternity has done much to promote fellowship among its members and to increase interest in the various fields of engineering.
ACTIVITIES
The Round Table Conference is composed of the presidents of all recognized organizations on the campus. The purpose of the body is to coordinate the activities of the various clubs and to help in the furtherance of the aims of each group. Because of a general lack of interest, the organization was of little value in the past, but at present the group has been set up in accordance with the revised Student Association Constitution, and actually holds meetings and gets something done. What matter if their power is limited to expressing opinions and making recommendations? Nine times out of ten their wishes are carried out.
Some of the more active and definitely beautiful independent women on the campus banded together this year to form the Co-ed League. The Constitutional purpose of the group is to take an interest in social welfare, but the most noticeable efforts of the Club to date have been in the political front where, if the accusations of the Engineers have been correct, they have supported the Academs much too well. The future of the club at the present remains in doubt, for their stability has not been established, but as a political power they may someday inherit the influence which has been traditionally held by the Independent Women’s Association.
What can be said about the Boy's Dorm? They just aren't consistent, unless in that people live there—and in some cases there is a slight doubt as to that. Both sides of the political life are represented. Some people keep their rooms clean, too. Some of the boys are even presentable in nice society. Oh yes, there is one thing on which they agree—the quality of dormitory food. However, steps were taken to remedy the supposed evil, and after a war council was held, a truce was declared. At the present, the gentlemen are allowed to look after their own welfare by making up the menu.
They can change the name and say “Benedict Hall” when they answer the phone but it is still “Women’s Dorm.” As the powers wouldn’t allow a thorough and personal investigation by this writer, no complete details can be given as to what goes on in the place, other than the fact that the inmates have created a social program out of thin air to entertain themselves and the residents of Benedict Hall; however, we can rave about the women who live there. On the whole, this year’s crop was the best in the organization’s history. It was no surprise to find that the dorm had a large percentage of the final ten beauties in the annual contest.

Benedict Hall
Lacking a sewing circle on the campus, the women students organized the Co-ed Association to increase social relations among the fairer ones of the college. Governing the Co-ed association is the Co-ed Council, officers of which are elected annually in the same manner that S. A. officers are chosen. 

For some unexplained reason, the women still resort to the old barbaric custom of haz ing. Under the director-ship of the Co-ed Council, first year women students have to wear green ribbons, tote their books around in buckets, and reveal themselves to the gaze of the public with no rouge, no curl, no pride. This is harder on the men than one might suppose. The council also directs numerous coffees, teas, receptions, charm schools, and other activities which make things interesting for the women. President Marjorie Thurston, who has been responsible for a great many successful undertakings, will be replaced by Altanell Oden in 1941-42.

Members of the Newman Club are those Catholic students on the campus who believe that religion is more than a one-day-per-week way of living. The local group was formed on the campus in 1933, following the same lines as the Newman Club which was founded at the University of Pennsylvania. At present, the Mines organization is one of three hundred similar groups organized on non-Catholic campuses throughout North America and United States possessions.

Stressed by the club are Catholic culture and Catholic fellowship. Retreats and the initiation ritual emphasize the first, while dances, banquets, receptions, picnics, and parties uphold the second. As a result of the active program followed this year, membership in the Newman Club exceeds seventy.
To learn the tricks of the trade, the lawyers-to-be of the campus reorganized the Pre-Law Club in the fall of 1940, after the group had been inactive for a year. At monthly meetings, prominent El Paso attorneys explained the function of the lawyer, stressed the ethics of the profession, and advised the club members to become mechanics. Despite this advise, the boys continued their pursuit of law by visiting various civil and criminal trials.

To keep in contact with the social side of things, the legal brains held a banquet in December, and several less pretentious socials throughout the year. The club was directed by Arnim Polster, president; Frank McTier, vice-president; Harvey Hausmann, secretary; and Dr. J. L. Waller, sponsor.
After cutting up grasshoppers and evil-smelling frogs for a few years, the Pre-Med anxiously awaits the day when he (or she) will go to a medical school and complete his education. For the most part the boys are sadists who can think of nothing better than hauling a body out of a tank and starting to cut. But despite their conversation, which makes the ordinary listener shudder, on a whole they make up a bunch of regular people. The purpose of the club is principally to improve the student and to create and continue interest in their chosen profession.

Pre-Medic Club
Throughout the year, on every other Wednesday, Kelly Lounge lights burned beyond the nine o'clock curfew on club meetings as members of the International Relations Club hot-aired their views on war, isolationism, Communism, and Great Britain. Arguments may have been unsound, but they were loud and sincere as the anglophobes and the anglophiles, the interventionists and the isolationists, the pro-Mayfields and the anti-Mayfields clashed. Reason entered the meetings when Ph.D.'s from the faculty tossed in their contributions.

These informal debates proved their worth in Lubbock where a ten person delegation from Mines managed to become the star group at the regional convention.
Very frankly, the girls call themselves the Gold Diggers. And, strangely enough, the men are not scared away. This is because every woman in the organization is an outstanding example of what a pretty co-ed should be. It is no wonder that the sight of the lassies in white marching down the football field produces more excitement than a Mucker touchdown, because on top of their being pulchritudinous, the Gold Diggers know how to do some tricky drilling. Every year the organization is sent on the college football trips, and as a result, the Gold Diggers are known throughout the southwest as a peppy pep group.

The girls were called upon to support every community project which needed a hustling bunch of good-looking girls, and the Gold Diggers responded willingly. All of which goes to show that the group is not mercenary.
The Independent Women's Association this year became less political and more social. Several coffees, a chuck wagon supper, a "kid" party, a Valentine party, a dance, and a banquet with entertainment as the purpose outshadowed the one picnic held with the engineers for the sake of Old Man Election.

At Christmas, the association donated candy and fruit to Roosevelt Center, a negro day nursery which is a welfare project of the independent women. To gain unity, the organization chose colors—old rose and wine with accents of silver—and has offered a prize for the best song and slogan written for the association. In the spring, Peggy Marston was elected president to succeed Margaret Des Saulles who dropped from school. Working with Mrs. I. K. Fineau, sponsor, the spring-term president continued the admirable work of her predecessor.

The Baptist Student Union was formed on the campus by a group of students who feel that religion should play more than a minor part in the educational life of the individual. A social program is designed to give emphasis on entertainment, but at the same time the spiritual improvement of the members is not overlooked. The Union was organized this year, but has already shown itself to be an aggressive, hard-working group. A club devoted to such worthy principles is sure to succeed, and the outlook for this group is bright. The remarkable growth of the B.S.U. has been made under the leadership of Tommy Adkins, president, and Jud Williams, sponsor.