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UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA
VERMILLION

February 1, 1924.

To the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi:

We, the undersigned members of the Delta Sigma Club of the University of South Dakota, hereby respectfully petition you that we may be granted a charter of Delta Sigma Pi.

We pledge ourselves to obey all the rules and regulations of the International Fraternity and to work earnestly in its behalf. We agree, further, to do all in our power to promote the professional interests of commerce both here in the University and in the business world.

We attach hereto information concerning the University and the petitioning group, and also the sanction of the proper university authority.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank T. Stockton Hon.
A. C. Wagner Asc.
Darton E. Tiffany Asc.
Barth Giffiss Asc.

Actives

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| <u>R. P. Bowdon</u> | <u>Jack B. Tuman</u> |
| <u>J. H. Hart</u> | <u>Roscoe Frieberg</u> |
| <u>Clayton B. Craig</u> | <u>L. L. Briggs</u> |
| <u>Claude J. Whitlow</u> | <u>David Dykstra</u> |
| <u>Franklin R. Hyde</u> | <u>Burdeth Frieberg</u> |
| <u>Elmer A. Tenbrun</u> | <u>Howard Kramer</u> |
| <u>Elmer H. Groepel</u> | <u>David M. McGahay, Jr.</u> |
| <u>Frank S. Hopkins</u> | <u>D. W. Beatty</u> |
| <u>R. S. Howay</u> | <u>E. C. Eyster</u> |
| <u>Harold E. Fisher</u> | <u>Lorin J. Callmer</u> |
| <u>Verne C. Kingsbury</u> | |

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COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

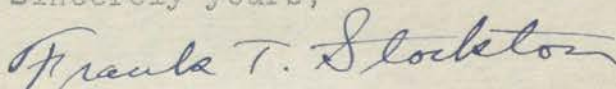
March 3, 1924

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

To the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi:

At a meeting of the Committee on Student Organizations on February 25, 1924, it was voted to recognize Delta Sigma as a local, professional, commerce fraternity at the University of South Dakota. Authority was granted to this organization to petition Delta Sigma Pi. The movement for the establishment of a commerce fraternity at this university has the hearty indorsement of the President and all other administrative officers.

Sincerely yours,



Chairman of the Committee
on Student Organizations.

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OFFICE OF THE
PRESIDENT

INTERNATIONAL

FRATERNITY OF



DELTA SIGMA PI
1502 FISHER BUILDING
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

March 23, 1924

To: Board of Directors

FROM: University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio

Some time ago the Board approved the granting of a Chapter to the University of Cincinnati, College of Commerce, Cincinnati, Ohio. The writer made a special trip to Cincinnati, conferred with Brother Stevenson, Epsilon, Head of the Accounting Department, and together with members of our Phi and Xi Chapters now residing in Cincinnati, we interviewed our petitioners in the evening. They proved to be a representative college bunch, seriously interested in Commerce and in our opinion, exceptionally well qualified to further the interests of a professional commerce fraternity at the University of Cincinnati. Their petition reads as follows:

"We, the undersigned, being members in good standing, of the Delta Sigma Club, upon this day being properly registered students of Commerce at the University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio, realizing the worth and benefit accruing from membership in an international fraternity, do hereby respectfully petition you to place us upon your accredited list for the purpose of receiving the guidance and supervision of your national officers,

AND, FURTHERMORE, feeling the strength and having admiration for the progressive spirit of your brotherhood and also having a strong desire to compete with other Greek letter fraternities at this institution, do hereby petition that when we fulfill the position of dignity, customs and usages maintained by the average chapters of the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi that we be granted a chapter in regular form establishing us as a brotherhood in good and regular standing, subjects to the laws, rules and regulations and equipped with all the privileges and usual working implements of a chapter of the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi.

Signed this 5th day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and twenty four." (Here follows the signatures of the twenty-three petitioners)

Our petitioners are of the following ages: 18-1; 20-1; 21-5; 22-3; 23-6; 24-5; 25-1; 26-1; and 30-1. They are very well organized, about half are from the day division and half from the evening division and in my opinion, are extremely well qualified to properly represent Delta Sigma Pi with credit in Cincinnati. Brother Hoyt, Chairman of the Extension Committee, has approved the granting of a charter and I request such approval from the Board. This letter is being sent you in duplicate; please indicate your vote on one copy and return to me at once, as our petitioners are quite anxious to learn of their "fate". Retain the other copy for your files.

Fraternally yours,

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President

March 13, 1924

Mr. Clayton B. Craig
Vermillion, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Craig,-

I am glad to officially inform you that the petition of the Delta Sigma Club of the University of South Dakota has been accepted and our Alpha-Eta Chapter granted to you. The installation can take place at any time that proves mutually satisfactory.

Very truly yours,

HG:L

President.

March 13, 1924

Mr. Frank T. Stockton, Dean
College of Arts and Sciences
University of South Dakota
Vermillion, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Stockton,-

I am glad to inform you that the petition of the Delta Sigma Club of the University of South Dakota has been accepted and we have granted a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi to the University of South Dakota.

We have likewise granted our Alpha-Theta Chapter to the Delta Sigma Club and the installation will take place at any time that is mutually satisfactory.

Saturday April 5th has been tentatively selected and if this is satisfactory to your group, please let me know promptly.

Very truly yours,

HFW:L

President.

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February 7, 1924

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President H. G. Wright
1502 Fisher Building
Chicago, Ill.

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Fraternally yours,

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Member, Board of Directors

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*Don't approve
J. Kenney
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February 7, 1924

TO: Board of Directors

SUBJECT: University of South Dakota

I want your approval for the granting of a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi to the University of South Dakota, and the granting of a charter to the Deltasig Club, organized there for the purpose of petitioning us for a chapter.

South Dakota is a state institution, with about 1100 students, located in the southeastern corner of the state at Vermillion, S.D., about 55 miles from Sioux City, Iowa. The work offered in Commerce is quite satisfactory, and I am enclosing herewith copy of their schedule of courses with the pages marked showing the courses offered in Commerce. There is no brief description of any of these courses; this is found only in the large catalog, and any director can secure one of these by writing direct to the University. I felt, however, that the small bulletin was sufficient for the purpose at hand.

The writer made a trip to Vermillion recently to confer with Dean Stockton and members of the Senior Class he had interested in our work. I have been corresponding with him since last year. Here is the situation: The work in Commerce is offered as a department in the College of Arts and Sciences. This semestre there are between 240 and 250 students registered in Commerce, of which over 200 are men. The university was established in 1862 and is one of the best medium-sized state universities in the middle west. Naturally it does not rank with the Big Ten colleges -- Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio State, Minnesota, Iowa, Northwestern, etc. -- but it is a good medium-sized school. I conferred with the seniors and faculty representatives there, and after an all-day investigation came to the conclusion that everything was satisfactory from our point of view and I suggested they organize and petition us. The Deltasig Club was organized, notice was given that a petition was being prepared and this is now ready for your vote. We have 22 petitioners, over ~~the~~ half of whom are Juniors. The school can very easily support one commerce fraternity, as there are 200 men in the department. The interest is there, and I believe that if we put a chapter at South Dakota, we will always have a good chapter of medium size. There will be no trouble in maintaining a membership of 24 to 28 at all times.

I therefore, ask your approval of (1) the granting of a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi to the University of South Dakota, and (2) the granting of a charter to the Deltasig club. I might state that South Dakota is about half way between Minnesota and Nebraska, and from a geographical point of view, is situated most excellently. With chapters in Iowa, Drake, Minnesota, Nebraska, Missouri and South Dakota we will have the upper part of the Missouri Valley very well covered.

Fraternally yours,

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THE UNIVERSITY

The first legislative session of the territorial legislature in 1862 located the University of Dakota at Vermillion. It was not until 1882, however, that funds were obtained for the construction of the building. In that year citizens of Vermillion, aided by an issue of Clay County bonds, provided money for erecting the west wing of University Hall. During the construction of this building, classes were held in the Clay County court house.

In 1889, upon the division of the territory, the school became the University of South Dakota. In 1901 the College of Law was added, in 1906 the Colleges of Medicine and Engineering were created. Later on, a College of Music was established. In addition to these units, the University now has an Extension Division, a Summer Session and a University High School.

For many years the University grew rather slowly. Its total enrollment for 1914-15 was 421. After this date expansion came rather rapidly and the total enrollment for 1923-24 is now 1238. The appropriations for the current year are \$397,800.00 for maintenance and salaries. An additional \$60,000.00 is received from rentals and tuition. The 1923 legislature also voted \$250,000.00 for the first unit of a \$700,000.00 administration building. There are now 96 members of the faculty, down to and including assistants. One-third of the staff hold the Ph. D. degree.

The University is a member of the North Central Association. In the spring of 1923, by vote of the Regents of Education, it was made the accrediting agency of all state schools. Its credits are accepted at par throughout the country. In all probability it will obtain a charter from Phi Beta Kappa in 1925.

There are four national social fraternities and four local. There are two professional fraternities in Law, one in Medicine, and one in Engineering. There are also a considerable number of honorary organizations. It may be interesting to note that word has just been received to the effect that Scabbard and Blade will establish a chapter here.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

There are now five persons giving instruction in the Department of Economics. Next year the Department will offer a total of 74 semester hours of work. A number of courses will be offered in addition to those given in the 1923-24 schedule. The Regents of Education recently authorized the College of Arts and Sciences to confer the degree of Bachelor of Science in Commerce. Announcement of this fact will soon be made and students will be allowed to enroll for the new course next fall.

For the first semester of the present year, there were 191 registrations in economics courses. For the second semester, 232. There are 56 students of sophomore rank or better who are majoring in the department. Of this number 50 are men and 6 are women. The division as to classes is as follows:

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| Graduates | 5 |
| Seniors | 10 |
| Juniors | 17 |
| Sophomores | 24 |

A number of departments in the University offer work which is very closely related to the Department of Economics. Such are the departments of Journalism, Political Science, History, Psychology, Mathematics and Hygiene. In some of these work is given which is frequently found to be allotted to the Department of Economics. For example, the Department of Mathematics gives the course in Statistics, and the Department of Journalism gives the courses in Advertising.

DELTA SIGMA CLUB

In December, 1923, letters were exchanged between President H. G. Wright and Dean F. T. Stockton relative to the establishment of a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi at the University of South Dakota. Subsequently, at a conference of the Economics Department, it was agreed that the movement for the establishment of such a chapter should receive faculty sanction. The matter was then taken up with a number of students and was found to meet with their enthusiastic approval. On January 31 President Wright met with the faculty members and a select group of graduates and seniors in Vermillion. At this time a temporary organization was formed and it was formally decided to organize the Delta Sigma Club and to petition Delta Sigma Pi.

At later meetings, additional active members were added and invitations were extended to certain faculty members to become honorary or associate members. On February 25 the University Committee on Student Organizations formally recognized Delta Sigma as a local professional fraternity and granted it authority to petition Delta Sigma Pi. On the evening of the 25th permanent officers were elected as follows:

President....Clayton B. Craig
Vice President....Donald W. Beaty
Secretary-Treasurer....Leland S. Hopkins

The following is a statement concerning each member of the organization:

Honorary member...Frank T. Stockton, Ph. D., Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and Professor of Economics.

Associate members: Frederick C. Wagner, A. M., Professor of Economics.
Burton E. Tiffany, A. M., Assistant Professor of Economics.
Bartow Griffiss, Ph. D., Assistant Professor of Economics.

Active Members

Leland Lawrence Briggs

Age, 30. Graduate. Byron, Minnesota.
A. B., Cum Laude, 1923. Odd Fellows. American Legion. Band. Orchestra. Commerce Club. Philosophy Club.

Active Members (Con.)

Claude John Whitlow

Age, 26. Graduate. Vermillion, S. D.
A. B., 1921. Instructor in English, 1922-24. Mason.
Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Track team. First president of the
Commerce Club.

David Dykstra

Age, 39. Senior. Running Water, S. D.
Former student at Valparaiso University. Mason.
Tau Kappa Alpha. Debating Team. Etoyoc Speaking Club.
Cosmopolitan Club. Commerce Club.

Ervan Charles Eyler

Age, 23. Senior. Sioux Falls, S. D.
Kappa Pi Alpha. Tau Kappa Alpha. Editor Volante.
Debating Team. Rostrum Club. President Board of Direc-
tors, Cooperative Book Store. Commerce Club.

Howard Kramer

Age, 21. Senior. Spearfish, S. D.
Kappa Pi Alpha. Debating Team. Cadet Major,
R. O. T. C. Commerce Club.

Lorin J. Vollmer.

Age, 21. Senior. Elk Point, S. D.
Commerce Club.

Donald William Beaty

Age, 21, Junior. Meckling, S. D.
Vice-president, Y. M. C. A. Commerce Club.

Rupert Porter Bowdon

Age, 23. Junior. Pelican, La.
Former student at the College of Marshall, Washington
& Lee, Washington & Jefferson. Lambda Chi Alpha. Mason.
Square & Compass Club. Commerce Club.

Clayton Bryon Craig.

Age, 21. Junior. Watertown, S. D.
Alpha Tau. Theta Alpha Phi. Treasurer, Mask & Wig.
Debating Team. Lieutenant, R. O. T. C. Assistant
Manager, Cooperative Book Store. Treasurer, Commerce Club.

Active Members (Con.)

Roscoe A. Frieberg

Age, 20. Junior. Beresford, S. D.
Alpha Tau. Commerce Club.

Leland Sumner Hopkins

Age, 21. Junior. Redfield, S. D.
Alpha Tau. Interfraternity Council. News Editor,
of Volante. French Club. Commerce Club.

Franklin Robinson Hyde

Age, 22. Junior. Pierre, S. D.
Former student at Yankton College and University
of Minnesota. Kappa Sigma. Treasurer of Y. M. C. A.
(Minn.). President, South Dakota Club (Minn.). Boxing
instructor (S. D.). Commerce Club.

Verne Charles Kingsbury

Age, 20. Junior. Philip, S. D.
Former student at S. D. State College. Beta Theta Pi
(pledge). R. O. T. C. Rifle Team. Cadet Lieutenant,
R. O. T. C. Geology Club. Commerce Club.

Elmer Alfred Lenhart

Age, 30. Junior. Vermillion, S. D.
Mason. Eastern Star. Square & Compass Club.
American Legion. Band. Commerce Club.

Harold Edward Fisher

Age, 21. Junior. Canova, S. D.
President Tau Kappa Alpha. Debating Team, '22, '23
and '24. President Rostrum Speaking Club. President
student body, College of Arts & Sciences. Winner Ex-
temporaneous Speaking Contest. Commerce Club.

Burdette Eugene Frieberg

Age, 19. Sophomore. Vermillion, S. D.
Alpha Tau. French Club. Commerce Club.

Elmer Herbert Groepel

Age, 20. Sophomore. Marion, S. D.
Commerce Club.

Active Members (Con.)

J. Lloyd Hart

Age, 20. Sophomore. Tulton, S. D.
Commerce Club.

Richard Sebastian Howey

Age, 21. Sophomore. Los Angeles, Cal.
Alpha Tau. French Club. Commerce Club.

David M. McGahey

Age, 17. Sophomore. Deadwood, S. D.
Former student at Spearfish Normal School. Commerce
Club.

Jack B. Tinan

Age, 19. Sophomore. Kimball, S. D.
Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Mask & Wig. Volante Staff.
Commerce Club.