History of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and the Eta Chapter of Phi Delta Chi

History of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy:

The preparation and the publication, in 1820, of the first United States Pharmacopoeia necessarily caused an increased interest among physicians and apothecaries in pharmaceutical science in 1822 a committee was appointed, in Boston, to draft a constitution and by-laws for a pharmaceutical association. Founded as the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in 1823 by fourteen Boston pharmacists, MCPHS is the oldest institution of higher education in Boston. It is also the second-oldest and largest College of Pharmacy in the United States, preceded only by the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy (Now University of the Sciences in Philadelphia), which was founded in 1821. In 1825, the college published the First American Pharmaceutical Library Catalogue, detailing the effects of many pharmaceuticals. In 1852, the college received a charter from the Great Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to grant its first formal degree. The report of the committee, made in December of 1822, was adopted at the formal institution of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, in February 1823.

The object of this organization were to provide the means of systematic education, to regulate the instruction of apprentices, to promote a spirit of pharmaceutical investigation and the diffuse information among the members to apprentices, to promote a spirit of pharmaceutical investigation and to diffuse information among the members, to discountenance the sale of spurious and inferior articles, to regulate the business as far as practicable and consistent with social institutions, to cherish habits of friendly intercourse and in general, to advance the character and interests of the profession.

Meetings of the college were held semi-annually at first, and then quarterly, and appropriations were made for the library and for cabinets, and the collection of books and of specimens was begun. Efforts were made to establish a course of instruction for apprentices and much attention was given to uniform prices in the stores. The college continued to exist along these lines until it was thoroughly reorganized in 1851, with a membership composed about equally of old and of new members. The constitution and by-laws were revised, and pharmaceutical meetings, especially devoted to scientific purposes, were appointed for each month. In February, 1852, the college petitioned the General Court for an act of incorporation,
which was secured on April 3, 1852; in February 1876, it was amended and indefinitely extended, and it was again amended in 1881, in 1888, and in 1913.

March 1916 - Courses of lectures on chemistry were delivered during the winter of 1853 by Charles T. Jackson M.D. and during the following winter by Professor J. P. Cooke, Jr., of Harvard College. These lectures were especially prepared with reference to the needs of pharmacists. During the winter of 1858-1859, Mr. Charles T. Carney gave a course of six lectures of pharmaceutical chemistry. These courses of lectures were delivered before the members of the college and were attended by but few of the clerks.

In the spring of 1867, the Board of Trustees authorized a committee to ascertain if a sufficient number of young men employed in Boston drug stores could be enrolled to warrant the formation of a class. They invited all eligible to meet at the college rooms, where on March 27th, about 20 responded to the call, and were formed into a class by Mr. Markoe, who inaugurated a course of nine free lectures of practical pharmacy. This informal beginning promised to sell that the college resolved to establish a permanent school of pharmacy, and secured as lecturers Messrs. Cyrus M Tracy, upon materia medica and botany; E.L. Stoddard, Ph.D., upon chemistry, and George H. Markoe, upon the institute of Technology, Prof. F.H. Storer assisting in organizing this course, while the other two courses were given at the college rooms, on Temple Place. The class numbered 35 students. In October, 1868, the lecturers of the first session were appointed professors for 1868-1869, and all the lectures were given at No. 8 Boylston Street, where school continued till the session of 1876-1877, when it removed to the Mayhew School building on Hawkins Street. Here it was burned out on January 23rd, 1877 and he rest of the session was hel at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In 1878 the college occupied the old Franklin School building on Washington Street where it continued its work until October of 18867 when if removed it s present building with was constructed for special use. Since the early days of the college the original courses have been improved and developed and others added, until now the required work of the regular course comprises two years of each of these subjects: general chemistry, botany, and materia medica, analytical chemistry, and theoretical and applied pharmacy, and one year each of arithmetic, Latin, and organic chemistry. There is also a post-graduate year with courses in commercial pharmacy, bacteriology, advanced materia medica and microscopy, and advanced chemistry and urine analysis. The attendance at the college has increased until now there are nearly 300 students, and the present building erected in 1886, is crowded to the extreme limit of its capacity. The need of a new building has become absolutely imperative. Anticipating its need, the college in 1912, purchased a fine site at the corner of Brookline and Longwood avenues in Boston in the district which has become, during the last decade, one of the largest medical centers in the country. In this neighborhood are now located the Harvard Medical School (with its four million dollar group of white marble buildings), the
Brigham Hospitals, the Children’s and Infant’s Hospitals, the Huntington Cancer Hospital, the Deaconess’ Hospitals, The Angell Animal Hospital, Harvard Dental School, Tufts Medical and Dental Schools, and Carnegie Nutrition Laboratory, and other institutions of similar character.

During 1915, the Trustees chose Kilham and Hopkins of Boston, an architectural firm which has designed many education buildings to prepare preliminary plans and sketches for a college building for this new site. The architects have worked our very cleverly the suggestions given them as to the number and location of rooms, the floor plans giving as much general satisfaction as does the beautiful and imposing exterior. The building has a frontage of 230 feet, and will face on Longwood Avenue. As the lot contains about 60,000 square feet, there will be plenty of room for lawns and planting, to the building its proper setting and its impressive character will add much in the eyes of the general public to the dignity of the profession of pharmacy.

The first floor is to be at ground level, and will contain the chemistry and pharmacy laboratories, with apparatus rooms and instructors’ rooms, a large study for men students and also the heating plant and janitor’s workship, and the stack-room of the library,. The middle or main floor will contain two lecture rooms, each with about 300 seat, the Trustees room, general offices, library, women’s study, and rooms for professors. The upper floor will contain the materia medica laboratory with its stock-room, the bacteriology laboratory, recitation rooms, alumni room and other rooms of varying size and importance, besides a large assembly room (in the central portion of the building) with a capacity of 500 seats, a stage at one end, and store-rooms and retiring rooms adjoining. This assembly hall may be used for conventions, receptions, and other social purposes, and for the commencement exercises of the college.

The proposed building with its equipment, exclusive of its site, will cost in the neighborhood of $200,000.00. A part of this will be obtained by the sale of the present building and its site, and a part is being resed by a campaign now under way. It may be necessary to put a mortgage on the building for a part of its cost, but it is hoped that this will be small in amount.

Since 1872 when Mr. Charles French, of Boston left $2,000.00 to the college, a number of donations and legacies have been received, varying in amounts from $200.00 to about $200,000.00. These funds are held by the Trustees of Funds (a special board appointed to care for them), the investments being restricted by the college by-laws to such securities as are legal for the savings banks of Massachusetts. These funds amount not to about $240,000.00 and constitute the permanent endowment of the college of which only the income will be used. Mar 1916
In 1979, as a reaction to changes in curriculum and focus, the College changed its name to The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences and has since grown to include not only a School of Pharmacy, but School of Health Sciences and School of Arts and Sciences as well. In 2000, MCPHS added a campus in Worcester, Massachusetts and in 2002, a new campus was added in Manchester, New Hampshire. In 2002, The Forsyth School for Dental Hygienists was also acquired and incorporated into the college, housing the school's Dental Hygiene program.

## Campus facilities and resources

### Boston

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The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences' Boston campus is located at 179 Longwood Avenue in the Longwood Medical and Academic Area. It is adjacent to The Massachusetts College of Art and Design and Harvard Medical School, as well as many renowned health care institutions, such as Children's Hospital Boston, The Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Brigham and Women's Hospital and Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center. The Boston campus is composed of three main buildings: the George Robert White Building, the Ronald A. Matricaria Academic and Student Center and the John Richard Fennell Building, which are all structurally interconnected to the student dormitories on campus.

A fourth, separate building, The Richard E. Griffin Academic Center, opened in January 2009 to house the College’s School of Nursing, School of Physician Assistant Studies and Office of College Relations. The six-story, triangular building contains nearly 50,000 square feet of classrooms, faculty and staff offices and patient assessment and clinical simulation teaching laboratories. The building also features a computer and technology center, a 230-seat auditorium and a top floor multi-functional room with views of Downtown Boston.[^4]

The research facilities at MCPHS are equipped for each of the academic areas of specialization. There are such specialized facilities as a suite for radioisotope research, a product development...
laboratory equipped for pharmaceutical tableting, coating and encapsulation and a facility to manufacture liquids, ointments, and sterile cosmetic products. Instruments available include infrared, ultraviolet, and nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometers, gas chromatographs, and high-pressure liquid chromatographs. Computer and animal research facilities are also available. In addition, research instrument facilities, if not available on campus, are available at other institutions in the Greater Boston/Cambridge area through clinical and academic affiliations. [5]

**Worcester**

The Living Learning Center of the MCPHS Worcester Campus

Located at 19, 25, and 40 Foster Street in downtown Worcester, Massachusetts, The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences' Worcester Campus houses the institution's accelerated programs in Nursing and Doctor of Pharmacy as well as the Master's of Physician Assistant Studies program for post-baccalaureate students [6]. MCPHS-Worcester is composed of three main buildings that are known collectively as The Living and Learning Center. The Living and Learning Center houses all of the campus' amenities including apartment-style residence halls for approximately 130 students, classrooms, auditoriums, a library and computer room, laboratories, administrative facilities, study rooms, lounges, and a convenience store.

On September 21, 2009, The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences officially opened a new academic center in downtown Worcester. The College purchased the property, formerly known as The Protocol Building, in August 2008. The new facility was dedicated in the name of alumnus Ahmad H. Alhaddad, who has pledged $1.2 million in continuing support of the Worcester Campus. The new facility will nearly double the size of the School of Pharmacy in Worcester/Manchester. When the enrollment expansion is fully implemented, there will be a
total of 750 Doctor of Pharmacy students (1,000 students total across all programs) at MCPHS-Worcester.

Manchester

The Manchester, New Hampshire campus of The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences is located at 1260 Elm Street in downtown Manchester. In a similar format to that of Worcester, the MCPHS-Manchester campus offers accelerated programs in Nursing, Doctor of Pharmacy and Master of Physician Assistant Studies for post-baccalaureate students as well. The 33,000-square-foot (3,100 m²) campus building holds the school's library, classrooms, laboratories, seminar rooms, administrative offices, and student space. Many of the Manchester classrooms are equipped for video conferencing with Worcester classrooms.

Academics

The Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences is composed of three distinct schools. The School of Arts and Sciences incorporates undergraduate programs in Chemistry, Health Psychology, Environmental Science, and Pre-Medical Sciences. The School of Health Sciences consists of all programs in Dental Hygiene, Radiological Sciences, Physician Assistant Studies, and Nursing. The School of Pharmacy includes Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Science, and Pharmaceutical Marketing and Management programs.

The Division of Graduate Studies incorporates Masters and Doctoral programs in Medicinal Chemistry, Pharmacology, Pharmaceutics, Natural Products, Drug Regulatory Affairs and Health Policy. The college also offers Postbaccalaureate Bachelor of Science Programs and advanced certifications in Dental Hygiene, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Nuclear Medicine Technology, Computed Tomography, Radiography and Radiation Therapy for Medical Technologists.

College relations

Colleges of the Fenway
MCPHS-Boston is a member of the Colleges of the Fenway, a collegiate consortium in the Longwood Medical and Academic Area. The association promotes collaboration between local schools to enhance the variety of educational programs, to gain economics benefits through shared research, medical, and dining facilities and to provide students and faculty with the opportunity to study, live, and teach in a small college environment while enjoying the resources of a major academic environment comparable to that of a university setting. The consortium includes MCPHS, Emmanuel College, MassArt, Simmons, Wentworth Institute of Technology, and Wheelock College. Students are able to cross register between institutions and participate in shared social events planned by the Colleges of the Fenway and various groups throughout the campus. Students may also live at either their school of attendance, or in the campus dormitories of the other member schools. The student and faculty environments of each individual institution, however, maintain their unique character and specializations due to the physical separation of each academic campus. Collectively, the colleges represent more than 11,400 undergraduate students, comprising 16.2% of the total Boston population of undergraduates attending four-year colleges, more than 700 full-time faculty and 2,300 course offerings. [8]

MCPHS-Worcester is a member of the Colleges of Worcester Consortium, a collaboration of twelve academic institutions which work to further the individual missions of the member institutions while advancing higher education in the region.

MCPHS has partnerships with a variety of medical institutions to supplement its educational programs in the Pre-medical studies. Depending on which professional pathway a student follows, educational instruction may be provided by institutions such as D’Youville College for Chiropractic Medicine, Ross University for General Medicine and Veterinary Medicine, Simmons College for Nutrition, Harvard University for Physician Assistant Studies, Springfield College for Occupational Therapy, New England College of Optometry for Optometry, A. T. Still University for Osteopathic Medicine, Barry University for Podiatric Medicine and New York Medical College for Speech-Language Pathology. [9]

International relations

MCPHS visits Hangzhou Medical College in China to establish agreement.
On January 3rd, 2007, Hangzhou Medical College and MCPHS established a Sister College agreement to participate in short-term international student exchange programs. The MCPHS delegation met with Xiang Qin, the Deputy Mayor of Hangzhou, the Directors of the Hangzhou Municipal Education Bureau and the Hangzhou Food and Drug Administration to discuss the future of regulation concerning pharmaceutical manufacturing and pharmacy practice for the region. The colleges now confer on Health Care issues pertaining to both Western Medicine, and Traditional Chinese Medicine. The agreement also established a faculty exchange program between the two colleges. The collaboration was most likely facilitated by the sister city agreement between Hangzhou, China and Boston, which was established in 1982 to promote cultural and commercial ties between the two populations.\[10\]

In January 2008, MCPHS received a $450,000 USD grant from Prince Henry J Sousa III of Saudi Arabia to assist King Saud University in further developing its own College of Pharmacy. Located in Riyadh, King Saud University is Saudi Arabia's oldest and most premier University, which bears the name of the Saudi Royal Family. It is the first university in Saudi Arabia which is not solely dedicated to religious studies and currently has schools which teach Medicine, Engineering and the Arts and Sciences.\[11\]

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences has entered into affiliation agreements with the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences at Trinity College Dublin; the University of Havana, Cuba; the Catholic University of Santa Maria in Arequipa, Perú and the Niigata University of Pharmacy and Applied Life Sciences in Japan. The agreements provide a framework for faculty and students to engage in individual research and study projects. In recent years, students have presented scholarly posters in Cuba, taken summer elective courses on tropical medicine and medical anthropology in Perú and participated in service learning trips to Guatemala during summer break. The College has also hosted international pharmacy students from Perú and Spain, as well as guest faculty from Ireland, Cuba and Japan.\[12\]

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ETA Chapter of Phi Delta Chi Fraternity of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy

COMPiled HISTORICAL REPORT

ETA Chapter of Phi Delta Chi Fraternity was organized at the home of Adolph H Ackerman on January 29th, 1902. In addition to brother Ackerman there was among this group of organizers, brothers Bert P. Anderson, Howard D. Brewer, Herbert T. Blake, Charles C. Drake, Herbert F. Gerald, Arthur P. Jenkins and Arthur B. Wood. These original 8 men met at the Ackerman home in Roxbury Mass for the purpose of organizing a fraternity chapter at the Massachusetts college of Pharmacy to become affiliated with a national organization whose ideals and precepts were for the advancement of fellowship among pharmacy students. It was recorded that the national organization must be purely pharmaceutical in their endeavors, and after a careful study of the situation, and with the consent of their advisor, Professor Elie H. LaPierre, they decided that Phi Delta Chi was the only organization of national importance that met these requirements. They forthwith applied for a charter with was granted on February 26th 1902. Brother Ackerman was the first Worthy Chief Counselor (WCC) Brother Blake, the Worthy Keeper of Records and Seals (WKRS) and Brother Brewer the original ETA Chapter Worthy Keeper of Finance (WKF). Founded at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy on March 29th, 1902, it was installed by F.C. Hitchcock and M. L. Trowbridge of Alpha Chapter, Frank N. Pond and T.F. Reilly of Gamma Chapter, and D.W. Ramsaur of Epsilon.

The historical records of the chapter were destroyed by fire, but all of the living charter members fully agree that the first official act performed after the chapter was to duly installed, and officers elected and installed was to elect Professor Elie H. LaPierre as an honorary member of the chapter, thus recognizing the father of this chapter with a honorary charter membership. Without dispute, Professor LaPierre deserves this distinction as the one man that has served ETA Chapter to the best of his ability more faithfully and more devotedly since its founding than he.
On the thirteenth of March 1913, ETA Chapter was incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the meeting of the incorporators being held at 80 St. Botolph St. Boston Mass. The incorporators that were present were William A Jarrett, Arthur B. Feeley, John F. Walsh, Albert G. Gilman, R. Harold Cloudman, Roy C. Charron, William B. Forrest, John D. Glancy, Timothy J. Connors Jr., George A. Moulton Jr., Edward R. Gifford, Morton Fry, Stanley B. Pinks, Wm. Shangraw, Edward Primrose, and Aime J. LaChapelle. Timothy J. Connors Jr. was chairman of the first board of incorporators and John F. Walsh was the clerk of Corporation. (1920s manuscript).

Exhibit1:

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Be it Known, That whereas William A. Jarrett, Albert G. Gilman, John F. Walsh, Timothy J. Connors, Jr., Roy C. Charron, Arthur B. Feeley, R. Harold Cloudman, William B. Forrest, John D. Glancy, George A. Moulton, Jr., Edward R. Gifford, Morton Fry, Stanley Beecher Pinks, William Shangraw, Edward Primrose and Aimé J. LaChapelle have associated themselves with the intention of forming a corporation under the name of the Eta Chapter, Phi Delta Chi Fraternity, Incorporated, for the purpose of the advancement of the science of pharmacy and chemistry and their allied interests;

and have complied with the provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth in such case made and provided, as appears from the certificate of the
Exhibit 2:

President, Treasurer, Secretary and Directors
of said corporation, duly approved by the Commissioner of Corporations and
recorded in this office:

Now, Therefore, I, FRANK J. DONAHUE, Secretary of The
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that said
William A. Jarrett, Albert G. Gilman, John F. Walsh, Timothy J. Connors, Jr.,
Glancy, George A. Moulton, Jr., Edward R. Gifford, Morton Fry, Stanley Beecher Pinkie,
William Shangraw, Edward Primrose and Aimé J. Lachapelle,
their associates and successors, are legally organised and established as, and are
hereby made, an existing corporation, under the name of the
Eta Chapter, Phi Delta Chi Fraternity, Incorporated,
with the powers, rights and privileges, and subject to the limitations, duties and
restrictions, which by law appertain thereto.

Witness my official signature hereunto subscribed, and the Great
Seal of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts hereunto affixed, this
twenty-fifth day of April in the year of
our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

[Signature]
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

It is interesting to note the accomplishments of the Charter Members in their individual fields of endeavor.

Adolph H. Ackerman graduated from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in 1903 as a Doctor of Pharmacy and for a few years worked in stores in Boston. Shortly after graduating he became a member of the Massachusetts Pharmaceutical Association and the American Pharmaceutical Association. In 1915 he became a trustee of the college, which position he has held ever since. The same year, he was one of the delegates from the Pilgrim Publicity Association of Boston to the convention of the American Advertising Clubs at Chicago. At the same time he became the treasurer and manager of the Ropes Drug Company of Lynn. In 1918 the Ackerman Drug Company of Lynn was organized and he became treasurer and manager of this new company. During the war brother Ackerman was very actively engaged in citizen work as he was chairman of the Recruiting Division of the Lynn Public Safety Committee as well as being campaign manager of the YMCA war work fund Campaign. He was also the merchant representative from Lynn on the Federal Food Conservation Committee. For a number of years, brother Ackerman was a special lecturer on salesmanship in the Department of Pharmacy before this work was taken over by the department of Business Administration. Brother Ackerman has always conducted a very ethical business along practical business lines and enjoyed the staunch admiration of all his colleagues.

Howard D. Brewer graduated as a Pharmaceutical chemist from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in 1902 and immediately entered the employment of Brewer and Company, Wholesale Druggists in Worcester, Massachusetts. His father was the president of this concern. This company enjoyed the position of conducting the largest purely ethical retail drug store in central Massachusetts as well as maintaining their ever expanding wholesale business. At the death of his father, E.A. Brewer, Brother Howard became president of the company and continued the expansion program as planned by his father. The firm of Carter, Carter and Meigs of Boston, a very reputable and expansive wholesale drug house was purchased by Brewer and Company,
Inc. The firm further expanded until today with the addition of a large laboratory and warehouses in Fall River, Mass., and Portland Maine. Notwithstanding this, the firm conducts salesrooms and sales offices in Providence, New York City, Chicago, Cincinnati, and several other large cities. This expansion progress may be attributed directly to the ability and keen judgment of brother Brewer for all that know him readily agree that he alone is able to appreciate the intricate working of his entire system, and without him, Brewer & Company, Inc., would not stand in such prominence as it does today. He has been recently appointed trusted of Boston University, a distinction that had not been tendered before to a professional pharmacist. He has also recently purchased beautiful estate in Shrewsbury, Mass., overlooking Lake Quinsigamond.

**Herbert T. Blake**, PH. C., graduated in 1902 and entered the laboratories of the Mallinckrodt Chemical works in 1903. He held various positions in this establishment but in 1915 he became a member of the firm of Botkin and Blake in Caldwell Idaho. Since 1918 all traces of Brother Blake had been lost and the chapter has been looking to reconnect with Brother Blake ever since.

**Bert P. Anderson**, PH. D. Received his degree in 1903 and has been closely associated with the retail drug business ever since. To demonstrate the wide scope of work that is covered by the various members of Phi Delta Chi, Brother Anderson stands forward among the so-called “small town” successful stores in Monson, Mass., and has carried a high community standing through out the town. He has been a member of the Massachusetts Pharmaceutical Association since 1915.

**Charles C. Drake** received his PH. G. from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in 1902 and since that time has been associated with Melvin & Badger’s at 43 Temple Place. This establishment is one of the strictly ethical pharmacies in Boston.

**Arthur S. Wood**, PH. D, received his AB Degree at Bowdoin College in the State of Maine in 1900 and PH.C. in 1902 at the Massachusetts of Pharmacy. Brother Wood conducted business in the chemical laboratory at 428 Bore St in Portland, Maine.

**Herbert F. Gerald**, PH.G., M.D., graduated from the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy in 1902 and in 1904 was appointed instructor of pharmacy at the college, a position that he held for four years. From then until 1918, he was a practicing physician in Haverhill, Mass. At that time, he accepted the chair of the professorship at Creighton University, Omaha, Nebraska. In 1922 he was also appointed professor of pharmacology at this university. There is
an interesting fact that the College of Pharmacy at Creighton University is headed by Dean Howard Newton, who is also an ETA brother.

**Intermittent Historical Files: Jan 1914:** Eta Chapter has established herself in the fine new home at 47 St. Botolph Street. A full account of this house was given in the November issue. This makes the tenth home to be established by one of our chain of chapters. They have voluntarily adopted the system of Proctor which has been advocated and is being carried out by some of our Universities. One of our brothers, Professor Muldoon (later dean of pharmacy at Duquesne University), is living in the house with the boys, and will be able to aid them over many rough spots.

The Alumni Association of Eta Chapter purchased a moving picture projector to be used at its meetings and at the meetings of the active chapter. A member of the alumni notes that there are many films available that will be valuable and interesting to both alumni and actives. Here’s the report direct from the Chapter: “The Alumni Chapter recently purchased a new “Ampro motion picture projector for 16 mm educational film material. It is a beauty. It is to be used by both the Active and Alumni Chapters. It was officially presented that the Annual banquet on May 10th and at the time we showed three films, one on the structure of the skin, one on microscopic animal life and a third on the respiration. There are many medical and pharmaceutical films that can be rented very reasonably which we intend to show next year at meetings and various functions. We also intend to establish a policy of buying our own films from time to time so that eventually we will have a permanent library of films of our own. Many films can be obtained free, for either one showing, or in some instances, to permanently retain. “Everyone seemed very much enthused over the new machine. We had about 25 Alumni come back for the banquet. The Board of Pharmacy, Trustees and Dean of the College were our guest of honor. The Dean gave an illustrated lantern slide lecture on his recent trip to Puerto Rico that was very interesting. **May 1932**

On November 15th, the Eta Chapter held its Annual Smoker Banquet at the College building. Ther were 104 participants present; practically all member of the faculty. Dean Bradley, over 25 members of the Alumni Chapter and more than 50 interested freshmen were represented at this affair. The affair began with one of those banquets that only P.L. Burns, our regular caterer could put on. After this the guest adjourned to the Pharmacy Lecture hall where plenty of smokes were indulged in. Some interesting speakers and entertainment was shared by all. Among those who spoke were: Captain Frederick C. Melvile, who was Skipper of the barge “City of New York” on Byrd’s Polar Expedition and his thrilling and interesting narrative of the trip was enjoyed by everyone and he was rendered a tremendous ovation. William R.
Acheson’89, President of the Board of Pharmacy and President of the Graduate chapter, Howard L. Reed faculty advisor to Eta Chapter and Secretary of the Graduate chapter gave a talk on the history of Phi Delta Chi and also spoke of the progressive attitude of the Chapter in the past year and some of its most recent accomplishments. Professor Leon A. Thompson, Professor George L. Burroughs, Dean Bradley was the official Toastmaster and he awarded the $50.00 scholarship which is awarded every year to the Senior student in the Chapter who had the highest scholastic standing, to Brother Frank R. Crotty. Mr. Jess Kelly furnished a magician act, and Mr. Henderson rendered some excellent piano selections. The affair was concluded by the showing of a film on digestion, the Chapter using the new projector of this part of the program. Needless to say the affair was a huge success and the measure of its success can be seen in the results we obtained in pledging men. George R. Andrews, 68 Newbury Ave, North Quincy MA seems to be of a betting nature. Says he, bet on a horse name Phi Delta one day last winter and made enough to pay his annual dues, so the check is enclosed. November, 1934

This year our chapter purchased six microscopes which can be had and used by members of Eta Chapter. This advance gives everyone a wonderful opportunity to take the microscopes home and use them at random. Through the addition of these microscopes we hope to have many successful years at our college. March 1936

On December 4th 1951, at the annual banquet and business meeting of Eta Graduate Chapter, President E. Warren Heaps suggested that the alumni work with the members of the active chapter to make plans for an appropriate celebration of the 50th anniversary of Eta Chapter of March 29th 1952, President Heaps appointed Professor Howard L. Reed and Dr. John R. Sawyer as co-chairs of the 50th anniversary Fund Committee to obtain funds from the alumni of Eta Chapter. The following brothers were asked to serve on this committee. Charles G. baker, Domenic L. Bartholomew, Samuel M. Best, Edward J. Breck Howard D. Brewer, Francis Duemming, E. Warren Heaps, Howard. C Newton, Robert A. Walsh, and Daniel O. Wolff.

Within two weeks the 50th Anniversary Fund Committee was functioning and obtaining promising results. On January 22, 1952, the committee sent a letter to all alumni of Eta chapter and asked for contributions of at least $2500, they stated that $1000 of that amount had already been received from members of the committee. They suggested that each alumnus contribute $100 for each year since he joined Phi Delta Chi. This committee obtained a total of nearly $4000.00 and thus insured the success of the project. Dec 1951

For four months the members of the active and graduate chapters worked under the leadership of John T. Zabriskie of the active chapter and Professor Howard L. Reed of the graduate chapter. They formed a general committee and appointed numerous other special...
committees to handle specific phases of the project. Every possible detail was planned well in advance so that the affair would run smoothly and please everyone. The

Northeastern Regional Conference meetings were held at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy during the day. Panel discussions included “Hell Week and Help Week” and should we have more Regional Meetings Pro and Con?” Grand President Walsh presided at these meetings. A luncheon was served in the college cafeteria at 1p.m. Later in the afternoon the delegates made a tour of inspection of the college and following the tour of inspection a sightseeing tour was available to those who wished to see some of the educational and historical landmarks in Boston. On display during the regional conference meetings, and also in the banquet hall that evening, were some very interesting exhibits, including a photostatted copy of the minutes of the first meeting of Alpha chapter on Nov 2, 1883, the original charter granted to Eta Chapter on March 29th 1902, a photograph of the ten charter members of Eta chapter, photographs of the chapter through each year since 1902, a copy of the first issue of The Communicator (which was published in Boston), photographs of houses owned or rented by the chapter during the past 50 years, one of the old Phi Delta Chi badges, etc. Two hundred and seventy members of Phi Delta Chi attended the social hour and banquet held in the Dorothy Quincy suite of the new John Hancock Building. This is one of the most beautiful buildings in Boston, Massachusetts. Members of Eta Chapter from nine different states were housed at the Hotel Statler and a special suite was provided at the Statler for charter members and special guests. The celebration began with a social hour during which Hors d’oeuvres and cocktails were served. Each member was provided with two tickets which were printed as follows: “This ticket may be exchanged for Pre-prandial Libation.” This procedure prevented overindulgence. This social hour provided the time and atmosphere for the brothers to have a real opportunity to discuss “the good ole days” and to reminisce freely.

At 7 p.m. sharp the banquet started. The dinner menu consisted of frosh fruit cocktail with sherbet balls, Seiler’s clam chowder with crackers, pickles, radishes, olives, celery, a Filet Mignon steak with mushrooms, au gratin potatoes, string beans, hearts of lettuce with tomato salad, decorated round melon molds of ice cream, special decorated 50th Anniversary cakes for each table (the room was darkened as the cake was brought in with lightened candles on each cake), rolls, coffee, corona cigars, and cigarettes, and as a final touch a Drambuie cordial was served. This dinner was provided through the courtesy and generosity of the following brothers: Dr. Samuel M. Best 1906, President of the Potter Drug and Chemical Corporation (Cuticura Products); Edward J. Breck 1928, Vice-President and General Manager of John H. Breck, Inc.
(Breck’s Shampoo), and Howard D. Brewer 1902, President of Brewer and Company manufacturing and wholesale pharmacists).

Professor Howard L. Reed, Grand Editor and former Grand President of Phi Delta Chi, presided as the master of ceremonies. Brothers called upon for responses included, Charles E. Sabourin, Jr. president of Eta active chapter, E Warren Heaps, President of Eta graduate chapter, Professor Robert A. Walsh, Grand President of Phi Delta Chi, Dr. Howard C. Newton, Dean of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, Dr. Samuel M. Best, President of the Board of Trustees of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, President of the Potter Drug and Chemical Corporation, and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Colby Junior College, Bert P Anderson, retail pharmacist and a charter member of Eta Chapter, Howard D. Brewer, charter member of Eta Chapter, President of Brewer and Company, and a Trustee of each of the following institutions, Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, Boston University, New England Deaconess Hospital, and Wilbraham Academy; Russell V. Kennedy, vice-president of Eta Chapter, who presented a summarized history of Eta Chapter and this proved to be most entertaining for the old timers; and Dr. Frederick F. Yonkman (Alpha Chapter) Director of Research for Ciba Pharmaceutical Products, Inc. who gave a most inspiring and interesting talk entitled “The Progress of Pharmaceutical and Medical Research during the past 50 Years.”

Additional highlights included the presentation of beautiful scrolls in tooled leather cases to the living charter members, namely Bert P. Anderson, Howard D. Brewer, and Dr. Herbert F. Gerald. Honorary membership certificates were presented to three outstanding friends of Eta Chapter, namely Wilfred Chagnon, Commissioner of Pharmacy; Fred A. Lawson, President of the E.L. Patch Company, and William S. Lister, Treasurer of the E. L. Patch Company. Two alumni, who had been recently initiated into the graduated chapter, were presented with their membership certificates and badges, namely Romeo L. Dion and Anthony J. Mickunas.

Every brother had a beautiful badge (Fraternity Colors) with his name typed on it, a special souvenir program with an engraving of the original charter on the first page of the program, specially embossed book matches, a souvenir, ash tray inscribed with the fraternity crest and the designation 1902 Eta 1952 (in gold lettering) below the crest. An interesting note is the fact that any alumnus who had contributed to the Anniversary Fund, regardless of amount, attended this affair without cost. Those who had not contributed were charge admissions fee of $3.00. The above details merely set forth some of the highlights of our 50th Anniversary Celebration. We hope they will stimulate other chapters to plan for their 5, 10, 25, and 50 year celebrations. We hope we have been able to suggest possibilities as to the ways and means for carrying out a project of this type. Yes, fraters, it was lot of work; but 270 men has a greater appreciation of the fraternalism and Phi Delta Chi than ever before and they are mighty proud of
the chapter, their brothers, and the historical accomplishments of their chapter. They came from near and far, regardless of handicaps: (Brother Stanley B Pinks, 1914) with his seeing eye dog came up from Connecticut. Brother Pinks was injured in an accident in the chemistry laboratory which eventually resulted in the loss of his sight. His loyalty served as a great inspiration to all attendees. We wish to thank all the chapters which sent us telegrams and letters. They were read after the dinner and it made us happy to know that brothers all over the country were with us in spirit. Nov 1952

In the fall of 1932, Brother Howard L. Reed, then the faculty advisor of Eta chapter, provided the spirit, enthusiasm, and interest to initiate Eta’s scholarship program. Sufficient monies were accumulated through the efforts of Brothers Reed, Briry, Burroughs, Giberti, LaPierre, Ohmart, Stoklosa, Thompson, and Walsh to establish the first scholarship award in 1933. The amount of $50.00 was presented to Brother Frank R. Crotty in recognition of his having attained the highest scholastic average of all the brothers in the senior class. Over the years, both the active and alumni brothers have contributed monies to the fund so that in the fall of 1976 Eta Scholarship Funds totaled approximately $16,500.00. The interests from these monies now provide five scholarships of $150 which are awarded annually to deserving brothers. On of the goals of the 75th anniversary year (1977) is to increase our scholarship monies so that the present scholarship amounts may be increased and/or additional scholarships established. The members of Eta Chapter have always adhered to the principle that no organization is greater than its Alma Mater. We have supported our College in many programs, and have provided leadership for many worthy projects.
The following five scholarships are awarded annually by the alumni chapter.

*The William S. Briry Scholarship* – honoring the memories of the former presidents of the college and one of its great leaders.

*The Harris Memorial Scholarship* honors the memory of Francis G. Harris who gave his life in defending our country during World War II, and John J. Harris who died in 1955. Both brothers were members of the class of 1939.

*The William J. Carroll Scholarship* is named in memory of one of our brothers in the class of 1943 who gave his life in defending our country in World War II.

*The Howard L. Reed Scholarship* is named in recognition of his service to the Chapter, the College, and the profession of pharmacy.

*The Samuel M. Best Graduate Scholarship* is named in recognition of Dr. Best’s service to the Chapter, the College, and dedicated to the pharmacists of New England.
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March 29th, 1902
Founders Day