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They say that anything worth having, is worth waiting for, and I am sure you will be as delighted I am with our final result.

With this volume, a personal dream of mine has become a reality. Beginning with Sid, there have been many who have played a part in having our history published. Not the least important has been you, one of the key sponsors of the actual printing and publication. It could not have been done without you, and I am grateful for your patience.

Our Foundation during the past few years has become an active partner in association with the Fraternity in making Tau Epsilon Phi one of the most innovative and dynamic of all national fraternities.

In the past 24 months, in addition to supporting the educational needs of the undergraduates, the Foundation has produced an illustrated history, sponsored our first all member geographic in almost 17 years, began publishing an annual all-member edition of the PLUME, as well as publish this historic volume of the Fraternity. I can assure you that no National Fraternity, no matter how large, has accomplished so much in so short a time.

I am proud of our Foundation's efforts and accomplishments, but more than that, I am grateful to the response and contributions of people like yourself who have made it all possible

Again, I appreciate your patience, and on behalf of all of us, thank you.

Fraternally and sincerely,

Alfred C. Versacci, President

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# 75 YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP

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## Foreward

Sidney S. Suntag  
Executive Director Emeritus



These pages you are about to embark upon contain photos, memorabilia of personalities and events (some more important than others), that took place during the first 75 years of TEP's journey through the intercollegiate path of North American universities; 1910 to the present. It is a remarkable three quarters of a century of brotherhood, friendships, and understanding of our fellow men. Although each picture in this "Illustrated History" is adequately captioned; the full story of these events which had a bearing on the triumphs and tragedies as well as the trials and tribulations in the development of this great brotherhood will be told in the first comprehensive history of the Fraternity, to be published very shortly.

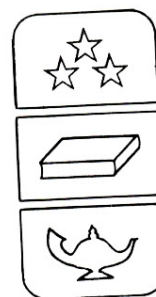
As Executive Director Emeritus, retired since 1979, I have worked for the completion of this history since that time, always keeping in mind that it should be ready for this, our anniversary year. I have now finished that task, and it is ready for the printer. When published, it will be available to all TEPmen and friends.

The casual reader might wonder why this "Illustrated History" was needed in light of the subsequent publication of the complete history of Tau Epsilon Phi, from its birth. First and foremost, the History, while containing many pictures is still primarily a written history, and

with the volume expecting to number almost 500 pages, there was hardly enough room to print all that we would wish. Secondly, this publication is meant to be a sort of teaser, which we hope will wet your appetite for more information on the development of the Fraternity and the roles that so many of you have played a part in.

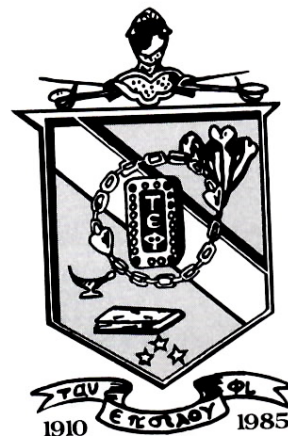
In editing this, the illustrated history, my co-editor Mike Ivers, and I have struggled to create a balance between humor, pathos, and progress. We have finally opted for a random and interesting series of photos that cover as much history as possible. Though not told in a chronological form, I believe we have captured much of the flavor of seventy-five years of friendship and brotherhood. If we have left some of you (or your chapters) out, we beg forgiveness, but photographs can only be printed from what we have on file. Perhaps many of you who served as scribe can remember the many requests we made of you for articles and photos; requests that went unheeded.

This book is dedicated to the men who are in it: A sampling of the 42,000 plus men who have worn the badge of Tau Epsilon Phi.



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**75** Years of Friendship



# 75 YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP



## Introduction

**Michael Ivers**  
**Executive Director**

With apologies to my coeditor, the idea of the Illustrated History came about when Sid, in researching his book, would come across photos in old *Plumes* and begin to regale me with stories from the past. Many of the photographs contained people who later went on to become outstanding alumni and citizens. More than once, he would laugh at some of the "candid", and tell me the details involved in them.

I had mentioned this treasure trove to then Consul Schiff, and it was through his encouragement, that we mounted a campaign to make an idea a reality. We asked our alumni to help fund its publication by purchasing advertisements, and I would be remiss in not telling you that the advertisements you see in our publication come from the men who made this dream possible. Their generosity has enabled you, and anyone who desires, to receive it at no cost. I know of no other national fraternity who has published any illustrated history of this kind.

Our Fraternity for all of its history, is nothing without its major asset: People. Excluding the Property, and its Fraternity houses, there is nothing that the National (or its chapters) own that is of real and specific value. Yet, its worth to its alumni cannot even begin to be calculated. What we own, and can never be taken away from us is the history of the men who have made

this fraternity. Even now, when I arrange financing for loans and mortgages for our chapters, when I am asked to list our assets, the very first thing I put down is, "42,000 TEPs". It may seem 'hokey', but it never fails to make a strong impression upon anyone examining our statement or audits.

It is perfectly logical to include a picture of our new Consul, Gerald Denmark, as well as a photo and comment about our 1985 TEP "Man of the Year", Harold Leviton. Both personify what our fraternity is all about. "Gerry" as newly installed International President, has worked as a volunteer in fraternity government for 20 years, beginning as a member of Grand Council. Harold has been a member of Grand Council and the TEP Board of Directors for almost twice as long. In between their careers and family, both have served this fraternity in many ways. They personify the Bridgebuilder we have revered through the decades. We who have lived this history of our fraternity must dedicate ourselves to preserving its values and sentiments for the many who are still to come.

This then, is a brief history, our "Emeralds and Pearls", and its journey of the past three-quarters of a century. ENJOY!

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Harold I. Leviton

## Tau Epsilon Phi MAN OF THE YEAR

At the Spring meeting of the Executive board the nominating committee announced the proposed recipient of the Man of the Year award. A hush fell over the room, broken only by a whispered voice; "I don't believe it". The incredulity was not in the name of our proposed honoree, but in the fact that it was assumed by everyone present that he had long ago been recognized by his Fraternity for outstanding achievements.

Harold Leviton is today what he has been for a generation — a widely respected businessman, industrialist, humanitarian, philanthropist, devoted husband and father (not to mention 9 grandchildren!); and a Bridge Builder for his Fraternity.

In researching this article, I spoke to a number of friends who have known Harold Leviton for years. All were unanimous in expressing their surprise at this belated recognition. Yet, each commented upon the type of man he is, for Harold Leviton does not pursue recognition, it has always pursued him.

Born in New York, he attended public schools, and graduated from James Madison High School. In the fall of 1936, Harold enrolled at The University of Miami. He pledged TEP as part of the first pledge class, and was assigned TAU XI Number 13. It was a lucky ome for both him and the chapter. In his sophomore year he was elected Bursar, and elected manager of the intramural program. As a junior he was elected Chancellor of the Chapter, and remained active in intramural, participating in handball (a popular sport of the '30's since replaced by racket ball [Ed.]). He also managed the Junior Varsity Tennis team. In his senior year, he was re-elected Chancellor, and again managed the J.V. tennis team. Somehow or other he found time to be chairman of the Coffin Trophy Committee, and serve as Vice President of the Interfraternity Council. Looking back on Bro. Leviton's college career, one could predict his future success. Here was a display of leadership, competence, and action. The fraternal principles of Tau Epsilon Phi Democracy and good will to all guided his development as a college undergraduate. It would become the cornerstone of his character and would serve him as a man.



Brother Leviton went to work in the family business, The Leviton Manufacturing Company, a manufacturer of electrical devices and switches (established in 1909). Under his leadership, LEVITON grew to be one of the largest and most successful firms of its kind in the United States.

As chief executive officer of the company, Bro. Leviton undertakes other important functions. He is a leading spokesman for the electrical industry as a whole. He is an active member of the National Electrical Manufacturer's Association (NEMA) and has held important chairmanships in the organization which serves to improve the standards of this important and vital industry. Currently, he is a member of the NEMA's Board of Governors, and chairman of the Electrical Manufacturing Council. The Name Leviton is one of the foremost in an industry of giants, respected for both product and quality.

Harold Leviton is not the sort of man to confine his executive abilities to business alone. His civic activities are many and varied. He was a trustee and acting Mayor of the Village of Hewlett Harbor, in Long Island (NY), for over ten years. He continues to serve his community as Chairman of the Appeals Board and Chairman of the Recreation Committee. He has been a member of the Grand Council of the Fraternity and served on the Board of Trustees of the TEP Foundation. For a number of years, he was a member of the Awards Committee. Our Fraternity asks that we serve for the love of service: What better display of the Creed than to discover that this giant of a man spends many well-deserved leisure hours away from directing a huge corporation by giving service to his community, his friends, and his Fraternity.

There is more to greatness than success and service: There is social responsibility. It is in this category that Harold Leviton manifests his concern for youth and the future citizens of our country. The Leviton Industrial Arts Award is the most prestigious accolade for New York City high school students of electrical vocations. He comprehends that healthy bodies and active recreation are vital to the development of young people and he has freely given his time and energy to the "Y'S" in Long Island. Bro. Leviton's devotion to education is shown when we learn that he is a founder of the Albert Einstein College of medicine, which presented him with its Humanitarian Award in 1976. He is also a founder of Israel's highly respected Technion.

Harold Leviton's dedication to service and philanthropy is often rewarded by the grateful recognition of those to whom his help has been generously given. He has been honored by the United

Cerebral Palsy Men's Council, The United Fund, The American-Israel Friendship League, and the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies. The list of those who have benefited from his concern and care would fill this page, and tax his modesty. He has been nationally recognized for his many achievements and in 1979 received an Honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Beaver College.

Lest we are lulled into thinking that Bro. Leviton finds little time for his family, or his personal interests, we introduce his lovely family. Serving at his side, as mother and grandmother, is his wife Shirley. Mrs. Leviton is immediate past National President of the National Council of Jewish Women. Mr. and Mrs. Leviton are proud parents of three daughters, Patricia, Adrienne and Elizabeth. As proud grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leviton can boast of both quality and quantity, with nine beloved and cherished grandchildren; Patricia's Scott, Pamela, Lee, Jackie, and Amanda (Sokolow); Adrienne's Ian, Noah, and Sarah (Hendler); and last but not least, Elizabeth's brand new Katherine (Kreigman).

His many interests include salt water game fishing, and golfing. Recently, TEP Foundation President Al Versacci paid him a courtesy call, and Bro. Leviton shared his passion for creating colorful latch hook rugs that he often gives to friends and business associates. Bro. Leviton has promised to weave the TEP Crest, which we hope will proudly adorn the entrance wall of our proposed new headquarters. Harold Leviton is also an avid collector. His subjects comprise stamps, post cards, jigsaw puzzles, and toy soldiers, with special emphasis on marching bands.

How does one sum up a life such as this; a life far from finished. We compose no eulogy here, instead we write a tribute to a special kind of man; the kind of man popularly known as — "A Renaissance Man": A Humanist who succeeds in Business, An Industrialist who is a Humanitarian. Active in commerce, involved in his community, a true philanthropist, a caring man. Harold Leviton has always tried to personify the ideals of universal democracy, fidelity, sincerity, devotion, friendship and service, the same guiding principles of Tau Epsilon Phi. By these standards, the ones subscribed and sworn to by those 10 men of vision 75 years ago, Harold Leviton has indeed succeeded.

We honor Brother Harold Leviton not for one outstanding accomplishment of his life, but because of many. He has shared his unique talent and gifts with many, benefiting all who have experienced his care and devotion to the cause of good will and democracy. To Harold Leviton, TEP Man of the Year, our gratitude, our appreciation, and above all, our love.





## *Forward* *The History of Tau Epsilon Phi*

**W**ell-intentioned or not, the truth is that at the turn of the century with few exceptions, an overt form of discrimination was practiced by the National Fraternities that existed on college campuses.

The primary victims of this discrimination were Catholic, black, and Jewish students, most of them first-generation college men. Catholic youth found a haven in the many Catholic universities of the northeast metropolitan areas, while blacks attended segregated colleges, primarily in the South. It was then left to the young college men of the Jewish faith to provide a fraternal system that operated within definitions and patterns non-existent at that time. Through their efforts, all men of good character are able to join any of the 58 National Fraternities that exist today.

As with most major universities, there had existed in the Department of Pharmacy at Columbia University, two fraternities who denied membership to minority races, religions, or creeds. During the college year of 1909-1910, two small groups of men aspired to create a bond between themselves that would cement their collegiate relationships for the remainder of their lives. As professional men, a permanent association of some kind seemed to be the answer to the question posed. Neither group had an inkling of the other's existence until the fall term of 1910. One group based their idea of linkage to a social club of some sort, while the other group felt that a fraternity, of which they knew little, except for observation on campus, was the correct solution.

And so on October 10, 1910, during a lunch period, a conference between these two groups was held in a vacant lecture hall. In order to express approval and yet not disturb others in adjoining rooms, the snapping of fingers was used instead of applause or hand clapping. Thus was born on the very day of its inception, the first tradition of the yet unnamed fraternity . . . a tradition that is still in practice today.

At five o'clock that same afternoon, an extended meeting was held and the plans they had dreamed of began to approach reality. The first recorded meeting was held in the library of the Department of Pharmacy at Columbia University, on Friday afternoon, October 14, 1910. In this library surrounded by volumes dedicated to the pursuit of knowledge, stood 10 men who each in turn took unto himself a solemn and binding oath pledging himself to secrecy and fidelity, sincerity and devotion, eternal friendship and brotherly love.

The ten founders of Tau Epsilon Phi were: Robert I. Blume, Julius M. Breitenbach, Charles M. Dreisen, Ephraim Freedman, Leo H. Fried, Harold Goldsmith, Samuel Greenbaum, Julius Klauber, Israel Schwartz and Julius Slofkin.

After election of officers came the naming of the group. With little knowledge of fraternities, they discussed their purpose for existence and wisely chose the name of Tau Epsilon Phi to signify that for which they were founded. Inspired by their mission, the group began to structure a set of rules and regulations by which the





*"Doc" Schwartz, Alpha #1*

would be governed. So careful and meticulous was the work done by these young men that the framework of the original constitution, like that of our country, remains in use today. Most important, the declaration of membership requirement was based upon the democratic principle that all men are created equal, and as such, judgment of all candidates would be based upon their worth as men, and not as members of a particular race, creed, or religion. Thus, Tau Epsilon Phi began, and has remained to this day, a pioneer in fostering the brotherhood of man. The ritual, mystics and initiation ceremony, based upon those same beliefs, were crafted with a sense of continuity in mind, and to this day, remain virtually untouched with the passage of time.

It was then that the young group encountered its first crisis: Recognition by the college authorities. Because their concept of non-restriction was so radically different, many in the University Administration refused to consider them as a fraternity. However, through the efforts by two fathers of the original ten, Max J. Breitenbach, Sr., and Jacob Weill, as well as sympathetic members of the faculty, pressure was exerted on the university until recognition was finally given.

Toward the end of the first year, Maximilian Nemser was pledged and initiated. The first year was a struggle for this fledgling group, but as the second year passed, the strength and purpose of the organization grew, and soon expansion beyond the confines of the single institution became the next order of business.

Expansion was mainly the idea of Monroe Weill and he quickly convinced the others that it was a necessary and right move. Beta and Gamma Chapters were formed by friends of the original group attending The New York College of Dentistry and New York University. Delta Chapter began at Cornell through the efforts of Ben Pologe who had originally pledged the Alpha Chapter before his transfer to the Upstate institution. The outstanding Catholic University, Fordham, was next; Epsilon being founded in 1912.

But expansion ceased until a definite plan could be formulated to govern the fraternity body and establish the preeminence of a National Chapter Organization. The controversy raged for almost four years, and finally in 1916, the First National Constitution of the Fraternity was ratified. Armed with an organization that was truly National in scope, expansion resumed in earnest. Shortly after, two Boston Chapters, Boston University and Tufts were established, followed quickly by Iota at Yale.

A year after the end of World War I, the South was welcomed aboard with Mu, Nu, and Phi Chapters. New chapters were being added at a rapid rate, and in 1920, Tau Epsilon Phi became an international fraternity with the installation of Omicron Chapter at McGill University in Montreal, Quebec. In slightly less than ten years, Tau Epsilon Phi boasted 15 Chapters.

The "Roaring 20s" saw an explosion of chapter charters from one end of the country to the other. Now included were Big Ten universities, almost all Ivy League schools and great private institutions. At the end of the second decade, the National Fraternity was composed of thirty chapters that spread from Maine to California. Most important, the fraternity had proven to even the most skeptical, that "elitism" and a prejudiced membership were not the requirements for a fraternity's success.

From those first 25 years, Tau Epsilon Phi has grown and prospered and stands as a major force in the National Fraternity system; a member of the National Interfraternity conference, respected by all who now acknowledge the wisdom and foresight of TEP's founding fathers and the democratic ideals they insisted upon. It is a great National Fraternity, and one you can be truly proud to be a member of.

History is still being made, and still being recorded in the Tribune's minutes to be filed in our archives at the central office. Today, Tau Epsilon Phi numbers almost 40,000 initiates, residents of every state of the Union as well as 38 countries throughout the world.

From that long-ago day when ten men conceived an idea of universal brotherhood, the 75-year journey of progress by the membership would have made our founders proud.





*A group of Rho (Penn) brothers in 1938*



*At Tau Alpha's (Florida) 50th anniversary celebration in 1975 the fabled Robbins brothers pose. (l to r) Leon "Rabbit," Alex, Robbie, and Irvin*



*Omega (North Carolina) poses in front of its house in 1936. Incidentally this is the same house occupied by the chapter today, albeit with a wing added.*



*Consul Haskett "Hutch" Ostroff, Theta (Boston) signing the city of Montreal's "Golden Book" during the 1957 convention "North of the Border"*



*Bro. Ben Alperstein, Tau Beta (Maryland), '39 NCAA boxing champion in 1937 and 1938. Bro. Alperstein later served the fraternity as chairman of two Washington conventions, and was a member of the Grand Council for two terms*

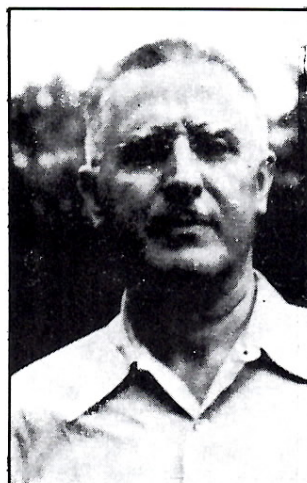




*Sid Sontag has his say at the stag banquet of the 1957 convention in Montreal. TEP's first convention "North of the Border." (l to r) Convention chairman Max Kalman; Founder, "Doc" Schwartz; toastmaster, Bill Slatkoff; the writer; and Member of Parliament and founding member of Omicron (McGill) chapter, Leon Crestohl*



*Bro. Herman Gerber, one of the founders of Tau Beta (Maryland) relates the early history of the chapter at its 50th anniversary celebration banquet in 1975. Looking on are chairman Howard Perlow, and chancellor Bruce Block*



*Founder Harold Goldsmith who was the first president of the TEP founding group in 1910*



*Founder Julius Brettenbach, the rebellious "Young Turk" of the original 10 founders of the fraternity. He later served three terms as consul*



*The stag banquet of the 1938 New York convention*





Bro. Ben Klein, Delta (Cornell)  
who designed and produced  
the TEP crest in 1913



At the 40th anniversary celebration of the founding of the fraternity. (l to r)  
Fdr., Ephraim Freedman; First Pledge, Max Nemser; Fdr., I. Schwartz; Fdr.,  
Julius Slofskin; Fdr., Leo Fried; Consul, Joe Ginburg (1949-51); First Consul,  
Monroe Weil (1917); and Fdr., Bobby Blume



The 1978 meeting of the Fraternity Executives  
Association in New Orleans when Sid Sontag  
assumed the presidency of the association

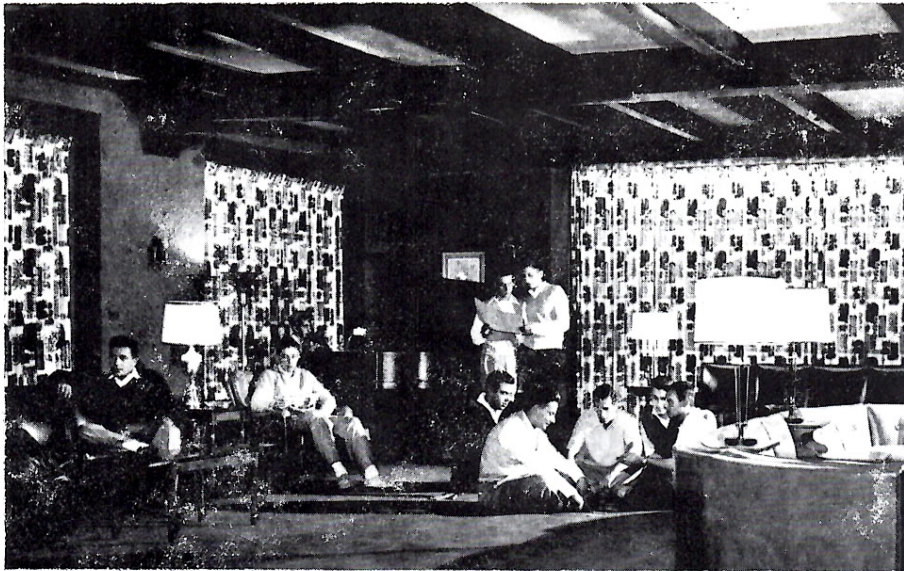


Alpha #1, "Doc" I. Schwartz

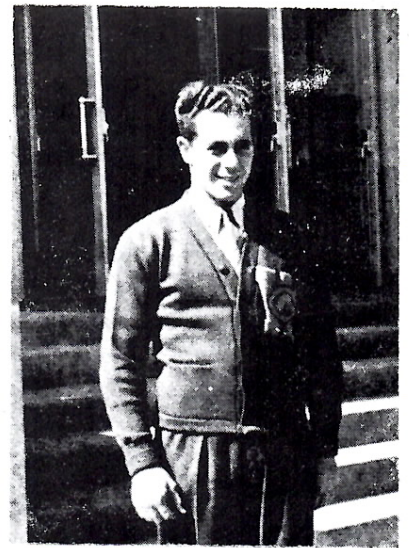


A Rho (Penn)  
house party in 1954





*The beautiful Psi (Illinois) chapter living room. Considered to be one of the most beautiful in the fraternity*



*Bro. Arnold "Red" Auerbach, Tau Theta (GWV) as the star basketball player in 1938*



*Ground breaking for the new Tau Alpha (Florida) house in 1956. (l to r) Consul I. Heiman, chapter advisor; Sam Proctor, chancellor; David Hyman; alumnus, Gerry Rudderman, and Dr. John Allen, vice president of the University of Florida*



*Three past consuls enjoying a repast following a 1956 grand council meeting. (l to r) E. J. "Mutt" Evans, Omega (North Carolina); Louis Manes, Tau Delta (Ohio State); and Isadore Heiman, Nu (Georgia)*



*A picnic in Pelham Bay Park, N.Y. circa 1912 of TEPS from three chapters — Alpha, Beta and Gamma*





Bro. Arnold "Red" Auerbach, Tau Theta (G.W.U.) speaking at the 1967 convention following his investiture as "TEPman of the Year" for 1967



Bro. Harris Jacobs, NU (Georgia) is formally installed as Consul of the fraternity by past Consul Joe Gerson at the 1975 convention in Atlanta. In the foreground is former congressman Elliott Levitas, MU (Emory) toastmaster the the installation banquet

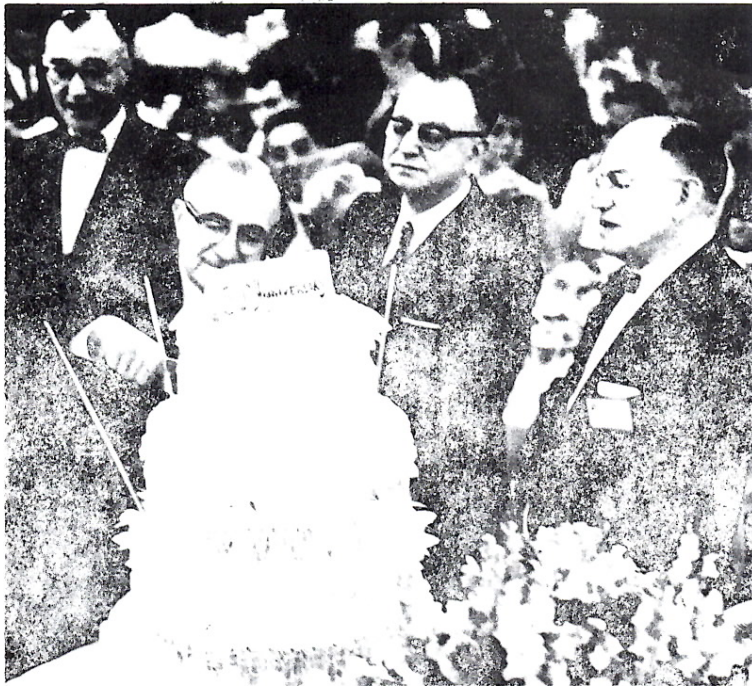


Founder "Doc" I. Schwar with 1949 Chicago convention chairman Geo Goldstein, PSI (Illinois)

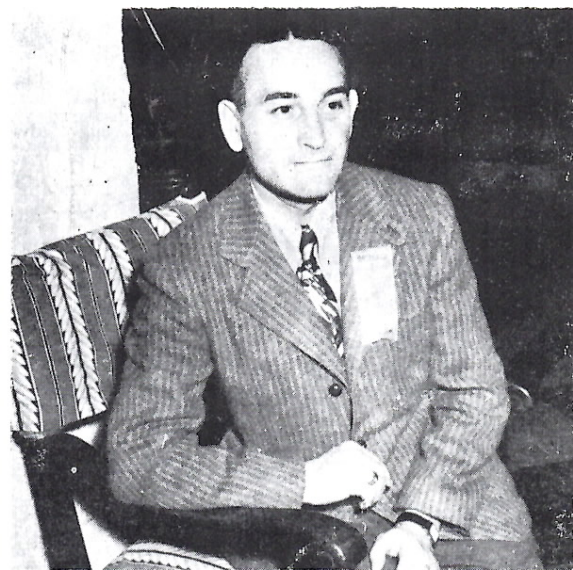


Former president Dwight D. Eisenhower autographing copies of his book for the committee of Epsilon Eta (Drexel) brothers following his acceptance of honorary membership in Tau Epsilon PHI





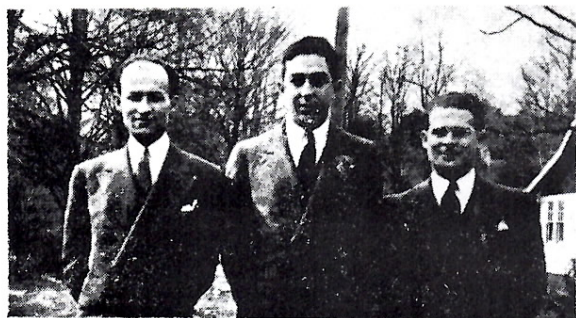
The surviving founders of the fraternity cut the cake at the 50th anniversary convention held in Grossinger's (l to r) Harold Goldsmith, "Doc" I. Schwartz, Bobby Blume, and Ephraim Freedman



Bro. Louis S. Lebenthal, Gamma (NYU) who was TEP's World War II consul serving from 1941 to 1945



The 1932 Grand Council meets in Alexandria Bay, N.Y., the home of consul Julius Brettenbach



At Tau Pi (Massachusetts) installation in 1938 (l to r) Tribune Sid Suintag, (later to become executive secretary), executive secretary Irving Klepper, and S. Earl Gordon, Tau Delta (Ohio State) then regional governor and consul from 1977-1979



A Delta (Cornell) house party in February, 1947





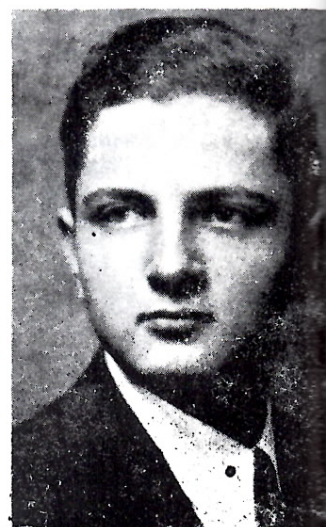
*The morning after the May, 1927 Tau Alpha (Florida) house party*



*Bro. Sol D. Shaman, Tau Delta (Ohio State) — the first consul of the fraternity from the midwest 1954-1955*



*The charter members of Tau Upsilon (UCLA) chapter following installation in May, 1947*

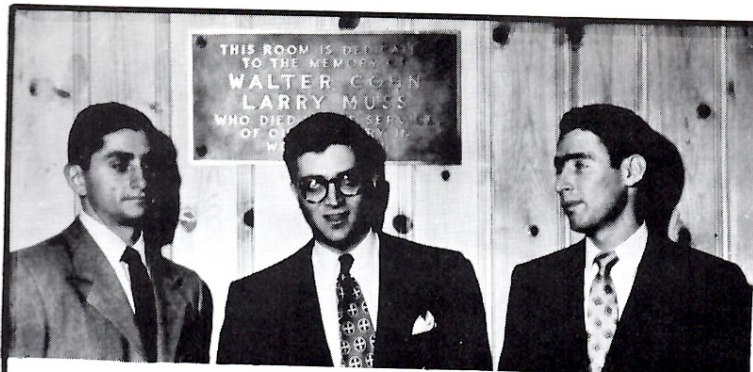


*Bro. Fred Steiner, Jr. Gamma (NYU), TEP's first full time Executive Secretary, 1933-34*



*Sigma (Syracuse) in 1936*





At the dedication of the World War II Memorial Room in the old Foundation House in 1951. (l to r) Steven Furst, Richard Kuh, and Stan Rubinfeld, all of Alpha (Columbia) chapter



TEP boys "On the town" circa 1913. Among those pictured are: Founders "Doc" I. Schwartz, Robert Blume and Ephraim Freedman. Also posing are: Monroe Weil who later became TEP's first national president and Julius Samkoff, later to become tribune of the Grand Council



Bro. Harold Rome, IOTA (Yale), the first TEPman of the year in 1939



Alpha chapter's celebration of its 50th anniversary on October 19, 1960. Stanley Schachter, Alpha '52 ribbing Sid Suntag





Alpha (Columbia) chapter gathers for an informal photo in "618" circa 1936



At the New York alumni club's formal dinner dance in February, 1941. Past executive secretary Irving Klepper, and executive director Emeritus Sid Suttgart enjoying the festivities

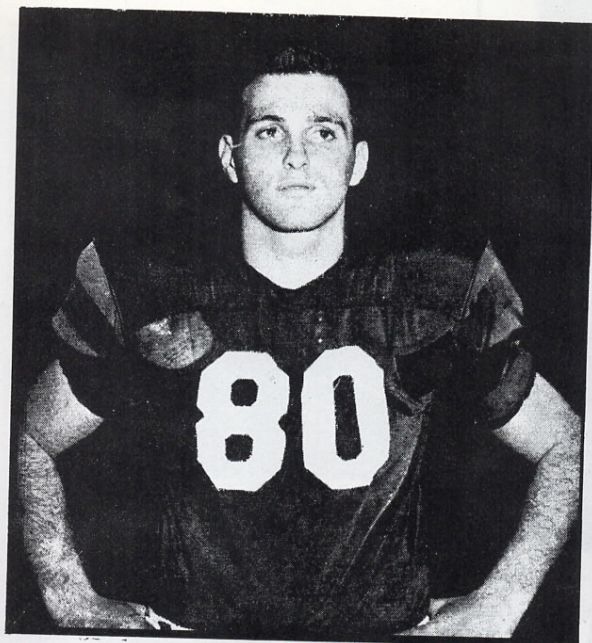
75 Years  
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## AT THE GRAND COUNCIL DANCE

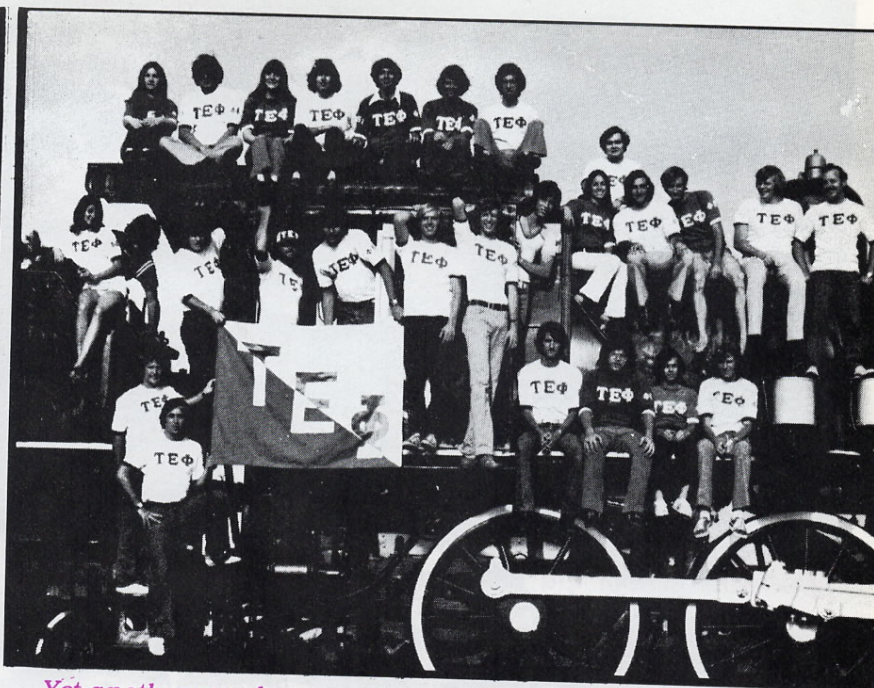


The 1921 Grand Council dance as seen by Bro. Abram Polay (NYU Dental), TEP's favorite cartoonist of the era





*Bro. Dave Weixelbaum, Rho '58 captain of Penn's vaunted football team*



*Yet another novel composite was posed for by Phi Beta (South Florida) during a visit to Disney World by the entire chapter in the fall of 1974*

## 75 Years of Friendship

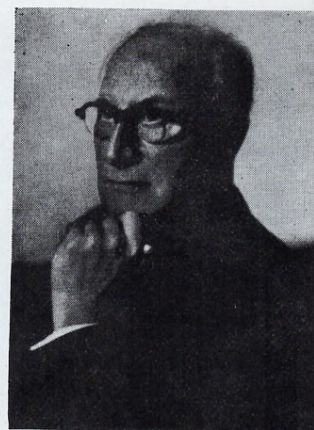


*The Metropolitan Sigma (Syracuse) Alumni Club meets in N.Y. in 1956*

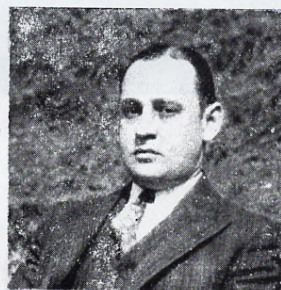




USC alumni from mid '60's pose for a "20 years later" photo (1985). (top) H. Singer, Ralph Pinkert, Dave Diamond, Ed Lewis, D. Lemon, S. Baker, J. Helman, Jeff Kaplan, Lou Rosenmeir, R. Shipp. (seated) D. Goldsmith, H. Wortzel, Warni, Marantz, Greenwald, Mike Levine, Rosenmayer



Bro. Monroe Well, Alpha (Columbia) who became TEP's first Consul in 1917



Michael C. C. Lillienfeld, Zeta-Gamma (NYU Medical) '19. Consul 1919-20 first president of the Tau Epsilon Phi Foundation, Inc.

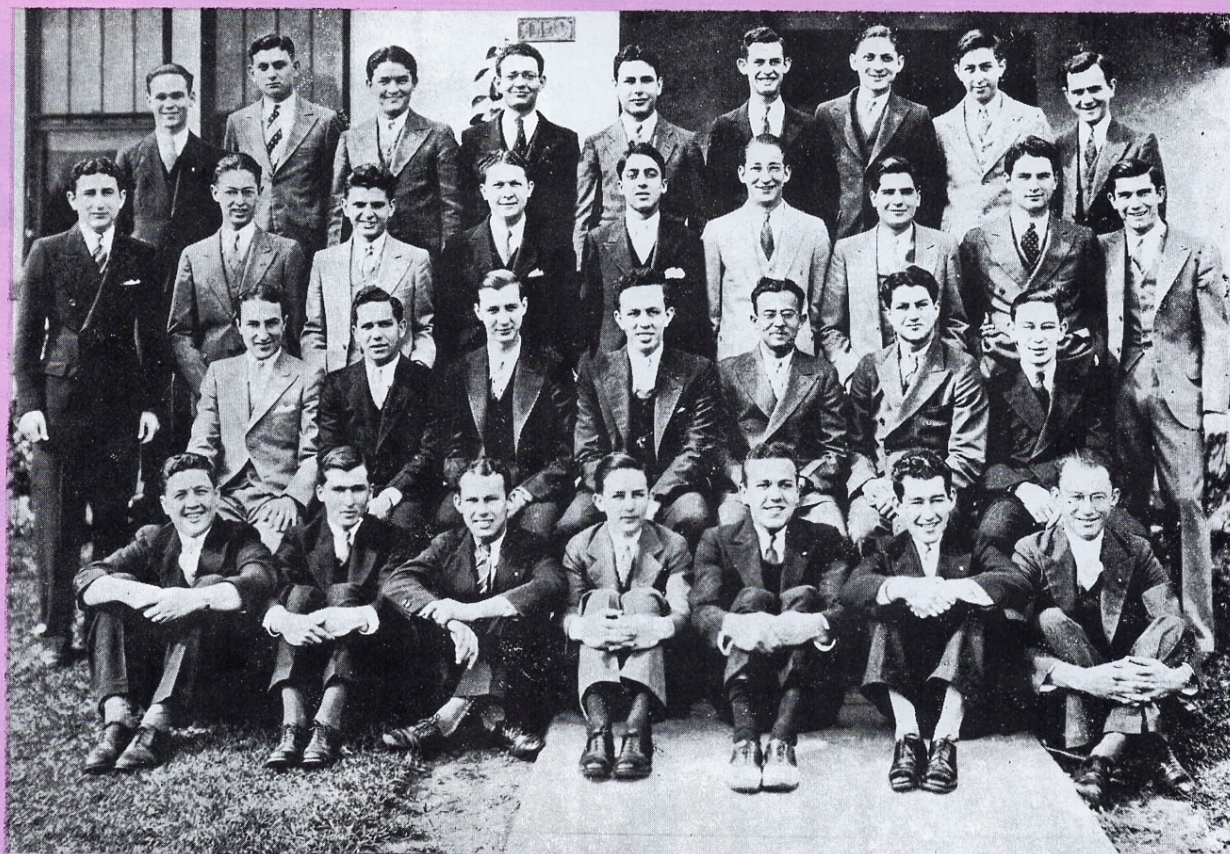


Delta (Cornell) chapter's spring house party in 1922



The late Bro. I. Heiman, was chiefly responsible for formation of the TEP Scholarship and Student Fund, Inc. and later served as Consul of the fraternity 1951-53

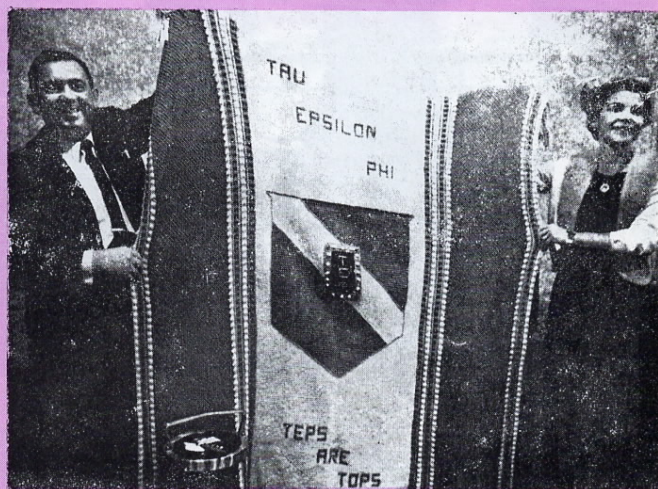




*Tau Alpha (Florida) poses in front of its new house in February, 1933*



*Initiation banquet of Delta (Cornell) in November, 1921*



*Mrs. Yale Bloom, wife of Bro. Yale, Tau Delta (Ohio State) made this beautiful TEP afghan to be raffled off at the 1961 national convention for the benefit of the TEP scholarship and student aid fund. More than \$5,000 was realized for the fund*





Gamma (NYU) chapter poses in front of their house in 1925



Bro. John Green, Rho Delta Rho (Illinois Tech) '72 (l) being presented with the Lilienfeld Award by outgoing Vice Consul Stanley Schachter, Alpha (Columbia) at the 1977 Cherry Hill (N.J.) Convention



Undergraduate of the Year Award is presented to Bro. Neil Gordon, Tau Alpha (Florida) '75 at the 1975 Atlanta Convention by Vice Consul Irving Goffman, Omicron (McGill) '54



Sigma Epsilon's (Rutgers-Camden) 1975 championship intra-basketball team





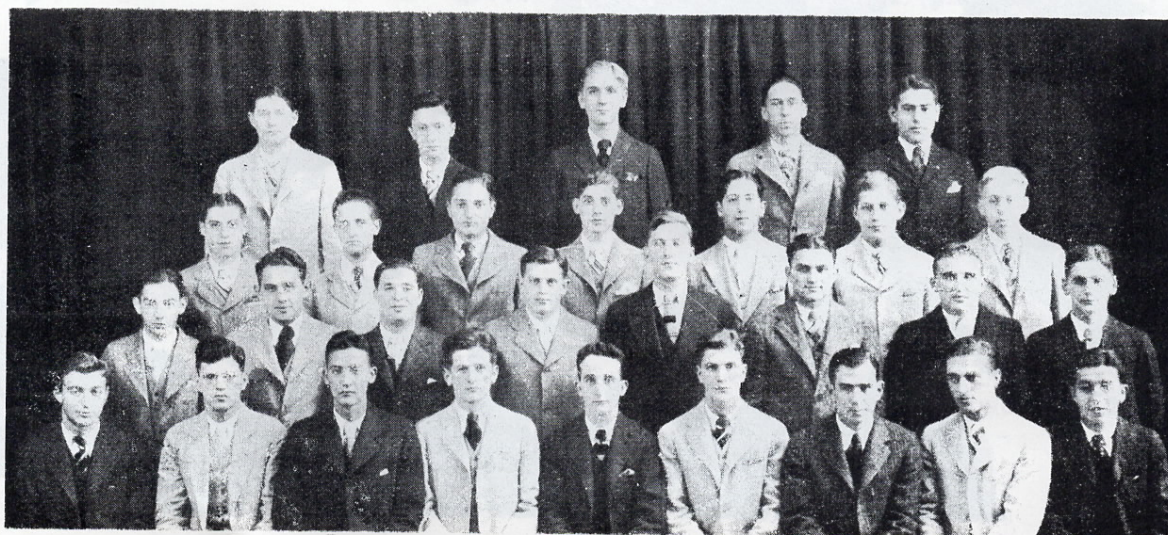
*Epsilon Pi (Marietta) pose in front of their house in the spring of 1960*



*Architect "Buck" Rosenberg explains the details of his plans for the Nu (Georgia) House that was built in 1957. Building Fund Chairman Bro. Joe Gerson, Nu '39 assists*

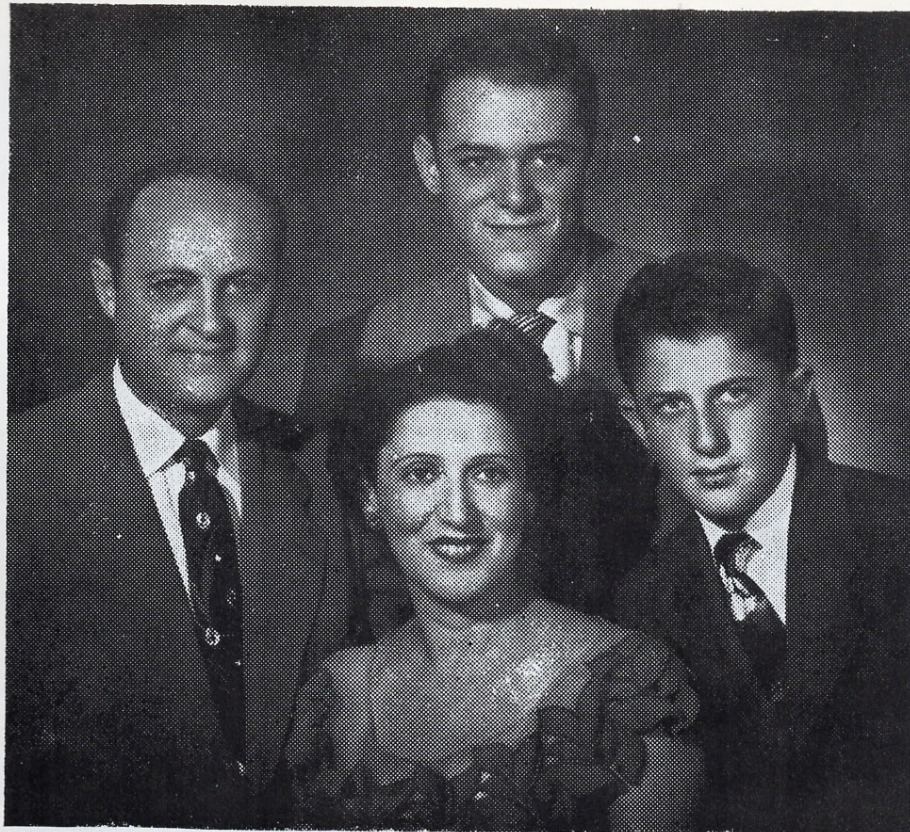


*The first TEP constitutional convention in 1928. Among the delegates shown are: Consul Fred Mann, Tribune Kleinberger, "Doc" I. Schwartz, etc.*



*Psi (Illinois) chapter poses in the fall of 1927*

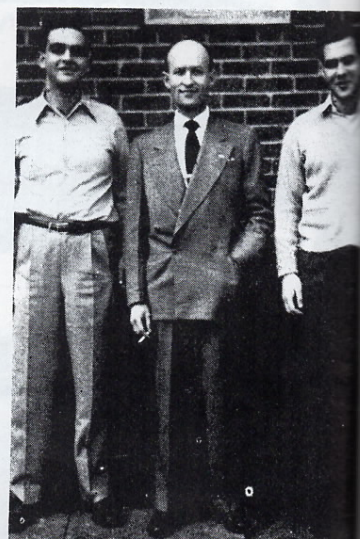




Past Consul E. J. Evans, Omega (North Carolina) '28 following his election as mayor of Durham, NC in 1951. His wife Sara and TEP sons Robert and Eli are also pictured



Joe Ober, Rho (Penn) — TEP's first All-American



Executive Secretary Emeritus Sid Sontag on his first visit to Psi (Illinois) in the fall of 1946. Flanking him are: (l) Vice Chancellor Jerry Raffel, '48 and Chancellor Mickey Barkan, '48



CHI (Michigan) chapter poses for group photo in the fall of 1931



Testimonial dinner to Founder "Doc" Schwartz in 1935

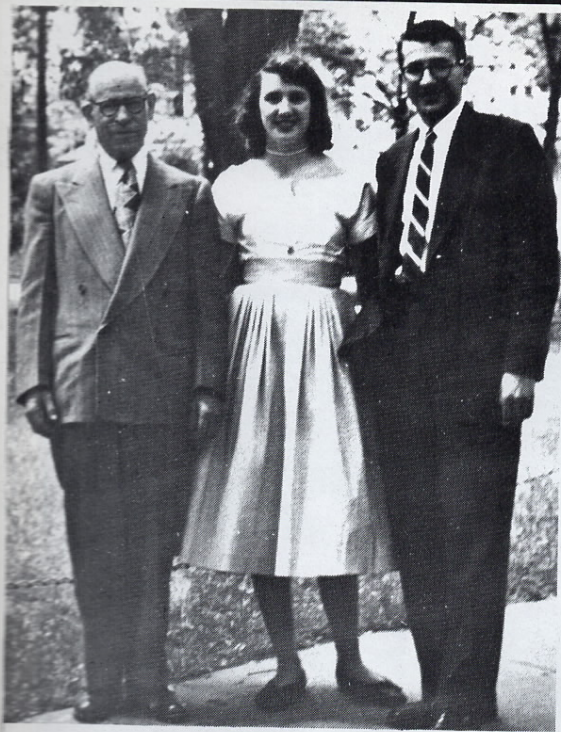


# 50 Years of Friendship



The 50th anniversary cake is cut by Founder "Doc" Schwartz. Looking on are:  
(l to r) First Pledge Maximilian Nemser, and Founders Bobby Blume, and  
Ephraim Freedman





*Executive Director Mike Ivers (r) with grandfather and sister in front of the Sigma (Syracuse) House following commencement exercises in 1953*



*In 1981 Rho (Penn) chapter was reactivated. Shown here is colony that made the rebirth possible*



*Presentation of the Epsilon Tau (Bradley) charter on February 3, 1962 to Chancellor Joel Blustein. Looking on are: (l to r) Bro. Julian Venezky, Tau Beta, Dean King of Bradley University, Psi alumni I. Ed Segal and Leonard Lauter*



*Bro. Mel Steinberg, Sigma (Syracuse) '50, a Colonel in the Marine Corps Air arm receives the distinguished Flying Cross action in Vietnam in 1968*





*The Medjuck Brothers of Tau Iota (Dalhousie): (l to r) Franklin, Ralph, and Harold. All three served as Chancellor of their chapter in different eras. A unique distinction in the annals of TEP, and possibly in the entire fraternity system*



*Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas, receives Epsilon Eta's (Drexel) "Distinguished American Award" in November, 1972. Looking on is Mrs. Douglas who was later presented with the TEP sweetheart pin*



*At the ribbon cutting ceremonies for the dedication of Tau Zeta's (Maine) new addition to its house in October, 1966. Shown are: (l to r) Brothers Irving Broder, Sid Suntag and Chancellor Lawrence Bader together with University dignitaries*

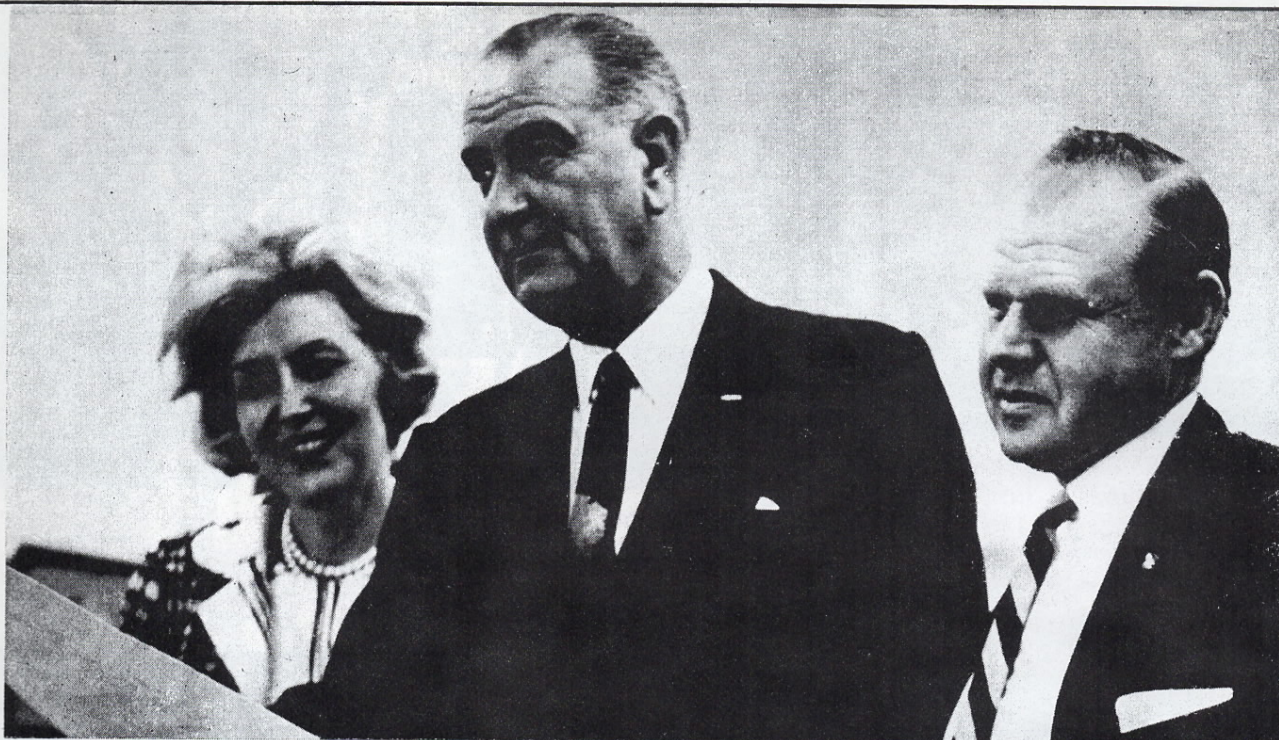


*Officers of Lambda Phi Epsilon (Clarkson College) pose with their prized charter following installation ceremonies on February 24, 1968*



*Sid Suntag presents charter to Chancellor Roy Wilson of Epsilon Nu (R.I.T.) at the chapter's installation ceremonies in January 1959*

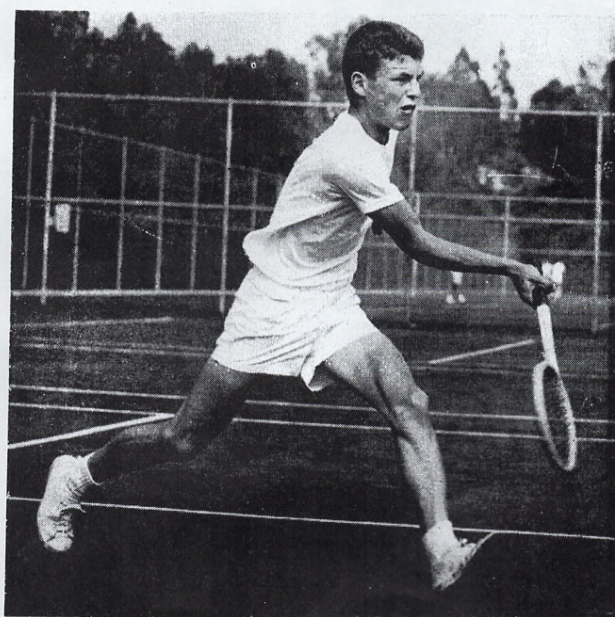




*Bro. Samuel Lefrak, Tau Beta (Maryland) '39 pledges his support of president Lyndon Johnson's fight on poverty. Looking on is Mrs. Lefrak*



*Tau Beta's (Maryland) famous Glee Club practices for the inter-fraternity sing in 1950*



*Herbie Flam, Tau Upsilon (UCLA) '49 Davis Cup team member 1947-50*



*Executive Secretary Emeritus Sid Suntag presenting the Chapter of Merit trophy to Nu (Georgia) chapter delegates Norton Melaver and Murray Goodman at the 1947 Boston Convention*





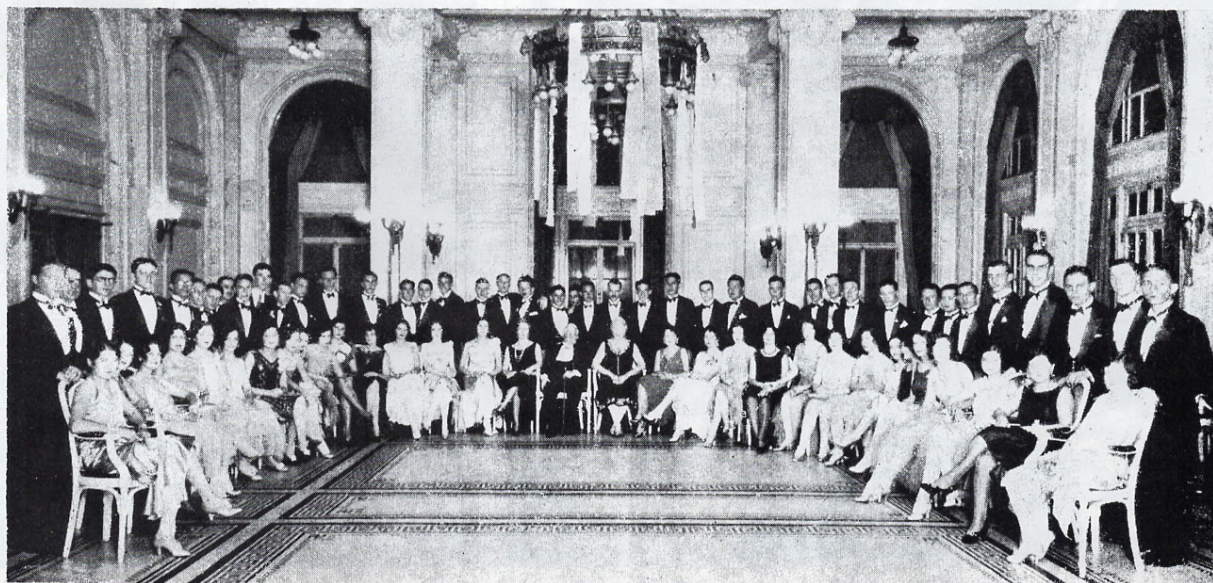
*Alpha's (Columbia) fall, 1968 pledge class, largest on the campus that year*



*Bro. Al Versacci, Epsilon Mu (Lehman) receives the Undergraduate of the Year Award at the 1965 Atlanta Convention from Vice Consul Cooper*

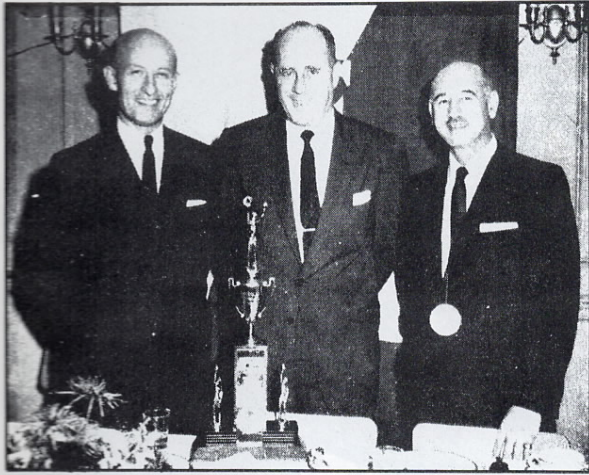


*1928 — The first central office opens in the old Alpha House. Seated at his desk is Tribune Al Kleinberger, Delta*



*The formal dance of the Southern Conclave of chapters in October, 1928*





The New England TEP Alumni Club honors Bro. "Red" Auerbach, Tau Theta (GWU) '39 in the fall of 1958. He is shown here flanked by Sid Suntag and Consul Haskell "Hutch" Ostroff



Bro. Marvin Mandel, Tau Beta (Maryland) '40 is presented with the first of his two Men of the Year Awards by Consul E. J. "Mutt" Evans at the Miami convention in 1963



Part of the throng at the formal dinner dance of the 1965 Atlanta Convention



Consul Sol Shaman, Tau Delta (Ohio State) presents the prized charter to Epsilon Eta (Drexel) Chancellor Bob Danoff and Past Chancellor Jim Hershon at the new chapter's installation ceremonies in June, 1955

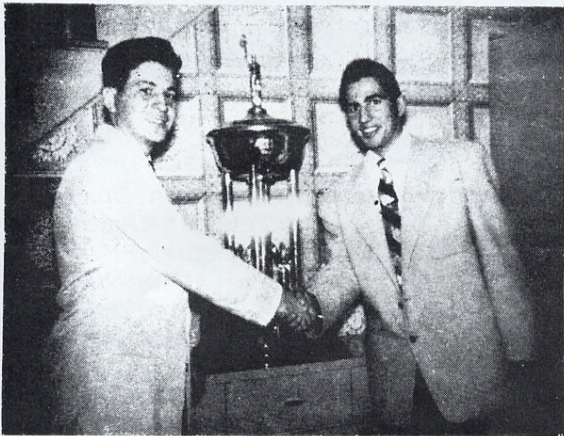




Outgoing Consul Al Versacci congratulates incoming International President Albert J. Schiff - 1983



At the New York Alumni Club's 1941 Washington's Birthday Ball on the eve of World War II. Shown are: (l to r) Charlie Tobias, Alpha and Consul Lou Lebenthal and their ladies



Former Georgia Congressman Elliott Levitas, Mu (Emory) '52 congratulates his successor Miles Alexander as Chancellor of Mu Chapter



TEP enters Penn State University in 1962. Pictured are the Colony members



The 1961-62 Grand Council is sworn in at the Installation Banquet of the 1961 convention held in the famed Concord Hotel in upstate New York





*The TEP section in the University of Maryland's Byrd Stadium during a football game in the fall of 1961*



*Bro. Irving R. Kaufman, Epsilon (Fordham) '32, 1951 TEPman of the Year and Past Chief Justice of the Federal Court of Appeals as he appeared when being sworn in as a Federal Judge in 1949*

## **75** Years of Friendship



*The 1955 Founder's Day banquet was held in N.Y. to celebrate the 45th anniversary of TEP's founding*





*Gamma (NYU) in 1921*



*Fabled Bro. Charley Tobias, Alpha (Columbia) '22 at the keyboard. It was he who wrote the lyrics and music for most of TEP's songs*



*"Uncle Miltie" Berle holding forth at the testimonial dinner to Federal Judge Irving R. Kaufman, Epsilon (Fordham), TEPman of the year for 1951*



*From north to south Tau Zeta (Maine) says "cheese" also in 1933 but of course much later into the spring*





*Supper dance of the 1928 TEP convention in Philadelphia*



*The morning after NU (Georgia) chapter's fall, 1935 house party*





*The throng at Tau Alpha's (Florida) fall frolics in 1950*



*Bro. Julius Katzen, Alpha '17, congratulates his son, Howard, Sigma '54, upon his initiation in October, 1951. There are over 2000 TEPs whose sons are 2nd generation*

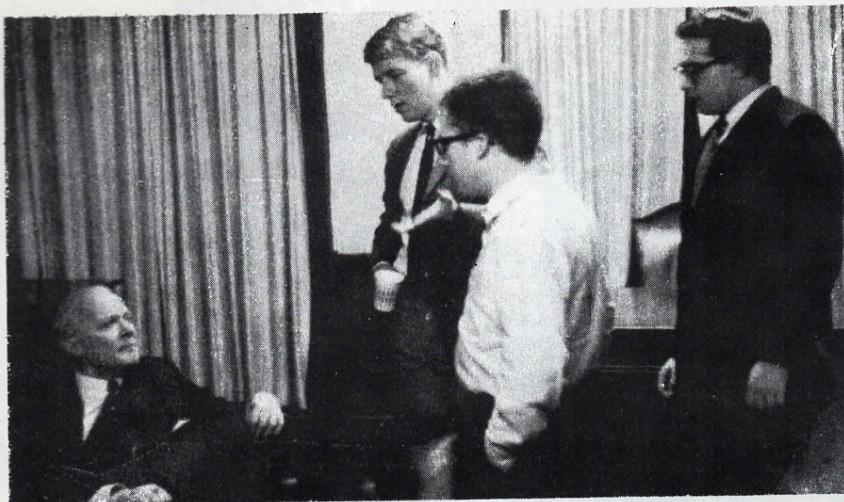


*Past Consul Sam Fein, Gamma (NYU) '20 pinning his son "Shep", Theta (Boston) following the Latter's initiation at the Yankee Conclave in 1950*

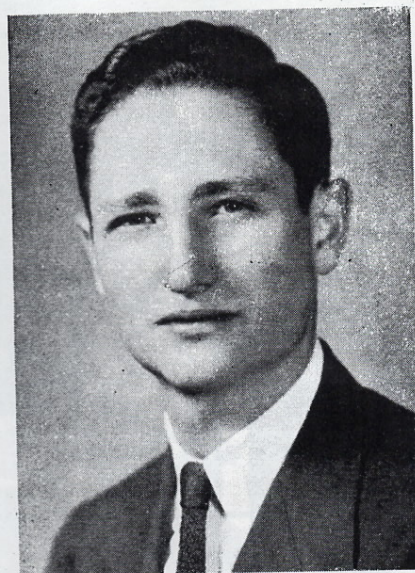


*Omicron (McGill) chapter in 1928*





Bro. Max Lovell, Alpha '23, while Executive Director of Columbia University Alumni Association in 1967 speaks to Alpha brothers and pledges



Past Grand Chancellor Sidney Haskins, NU (Georgia) '42 awarded the extra-curricular activities key in 1940



At the 1940 Hollywood Beach Convention (l to r) Vice Consul Lou Kanengieser, Gamma (NYU) '24, Convention Chairman Louis Heiman, Nu (Georgia) '22, and Sidney Ross, Tau Alpha (Florida) '38



At Tau Alpha's (Florida) 50th anniversary celebration weekend in February, 1975 the brothers sing "Through the Long and Weary" TEP's Alma Mater



Omega (North Carolina) chapter's unique composite in 1974





*Stag banquet of the 1937 Convention held in Washington, D.C.*



*Omegans (North Carolina) relax in chapter house library in 1950. The library, one of the most complete in the country was made possible through the generosity of the parents of a deceased brother*



*The Charter Group of Tau Psi (N.J.I.T.) then known as Newark College of Engineering in November, 1947*

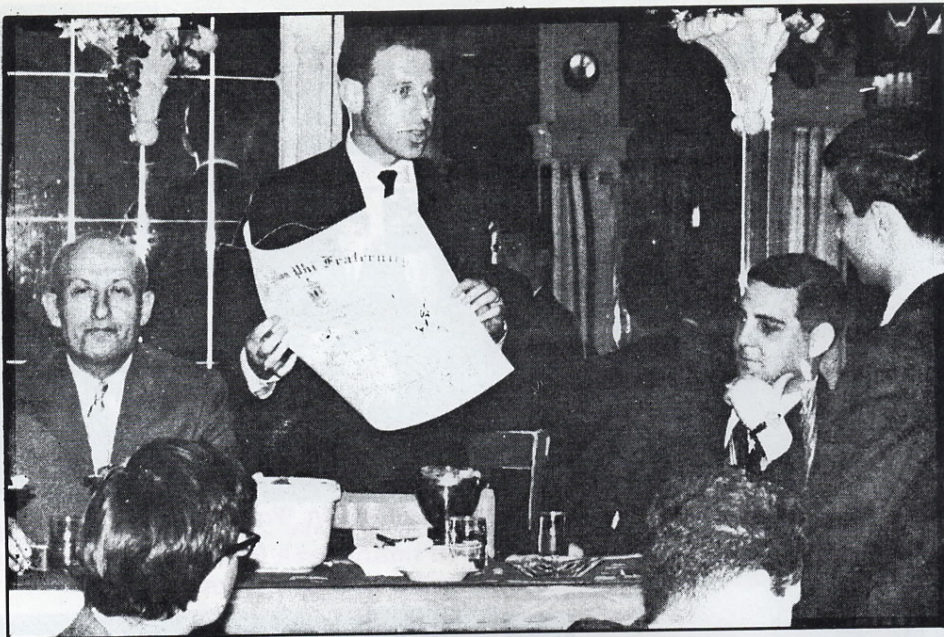


*The officers of the Rho Delta Rho (Illinois Tech) Neophyte chapter in December, 1947. In the first row (l to r) Ellis Landsbaum, Bursar; Alvin Eaton, Chancellor, and Allan Simon, Scribe. Second row: Herman Patt, Vice Chancellor; Martin Black, Warden, and Art Alterman, Recording Scribe*



*Rho (Penn) juniors pose in the fall of 1948. (l to r) Jay Kaplove, Nate Weinstein, Bernard Sharfman, Don Helman, and Bob Fox*

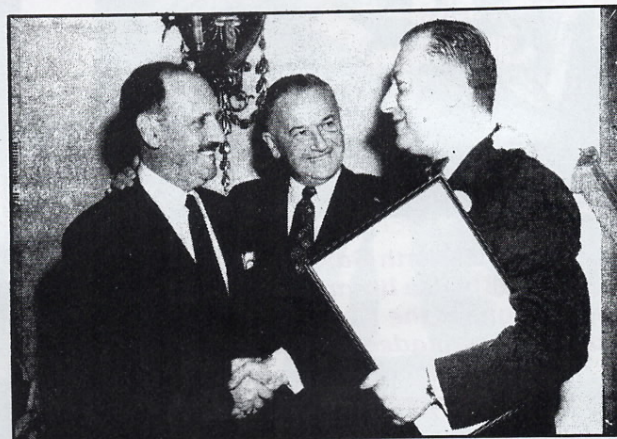




Quaestor Stanley Schachter, Alpha (Columbia) presents charter to Chancellor Irwin Lutwack of Epsilon Omega Chapter (P.I.N.Y.) on June 9, 1966. Flanking Bro. Schachter are Sid Sontag and Billy Cohen, MU (Emory), G.C. member-at-large



Bro. Stanley Schachter, Alpha (Columbia) '51 signing the guest book in TEP's first Central Headquarters apart from Alpha Chapter. This historic move took place in the summer of 1952



Consul Sam Fein, Gamma (N.Y.U.) '20 congratulates Bro. Fred Mann, Rho (Penn) '26 after presenting the "TEPman of the Year" scroll to him in 1953. Looking on is Bro. Leon Crestohl, Omicron (McGill) '20, TEPman of the Year in 1951



Beta chapter (NYU Dental) poses for its first group picture in 1913



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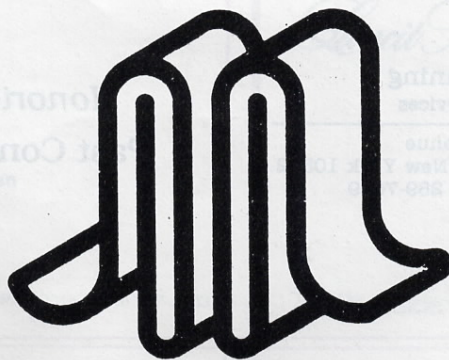
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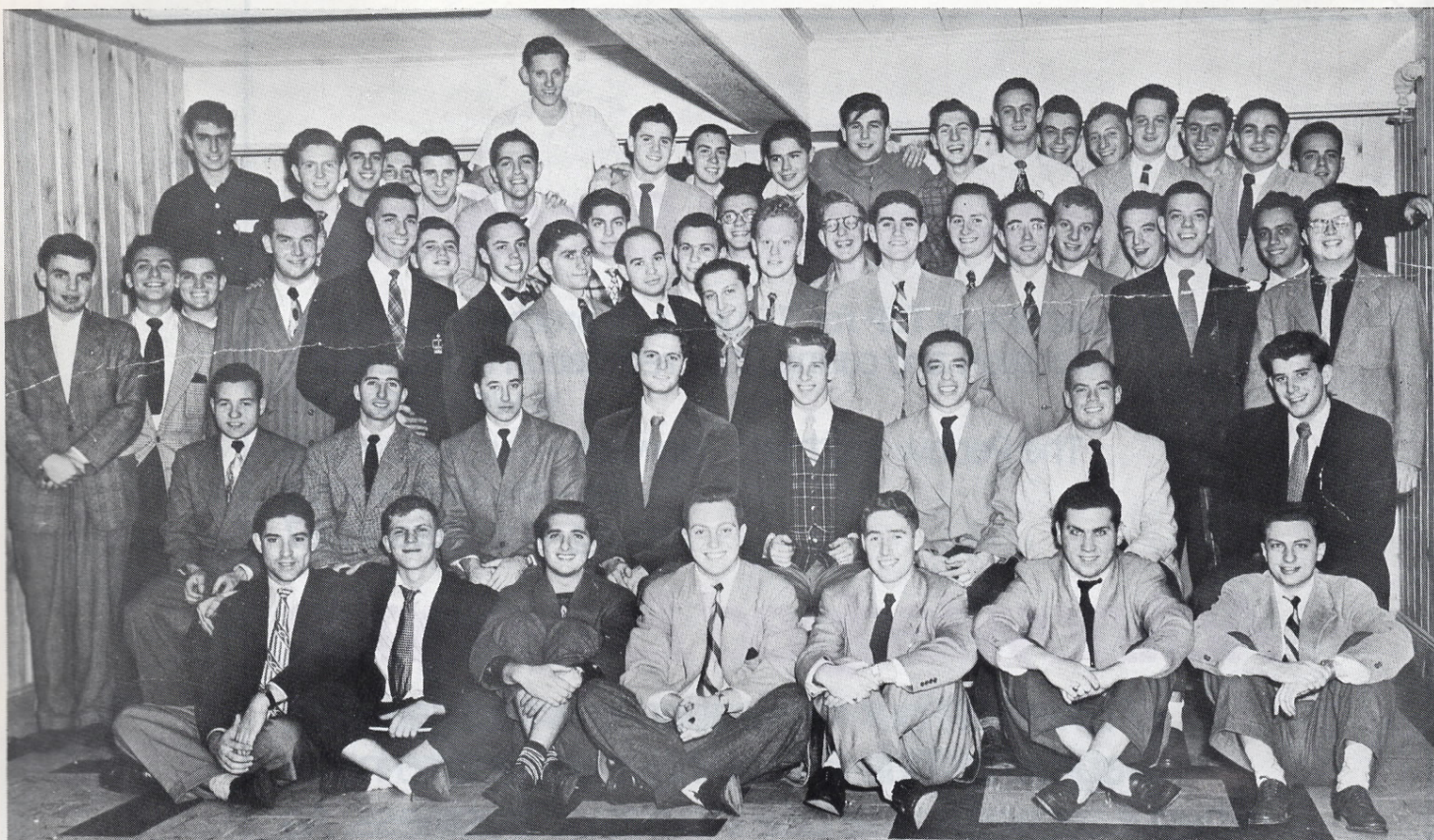
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*Past Consul Louis Manes, Tau Delta  
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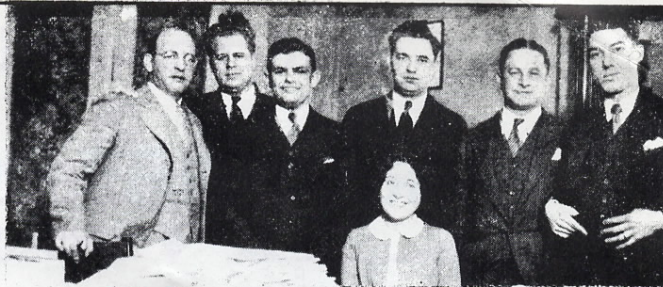




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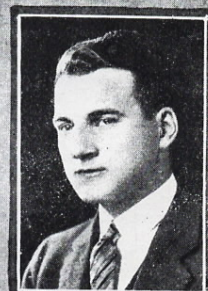
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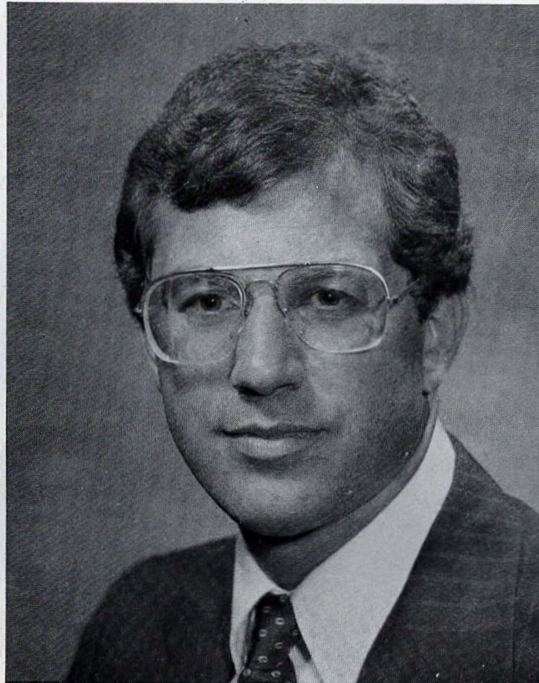
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