

international fraternity of  
**delta sigma pi**

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**ALPHA XI**

University, Virginia.  
March 9th, 1925.

We, the undersigned, respectfully petition the Delta  
Sigma Pi Commercial Fraternity to establish a Chapter in the  
McIntire School of Commerce of the University of Virginia.

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J. Phillips Coleman.  
Henry E. Thomas  
John J. Corson 3rd.  
A. G. Simmonds  
Carroll Lynn  
Boyd M. Steele  
Henry M. Eubank.  
G. Lawrence Rigly  
F. W. McComar, Jr.  
J. H. Wainwright  
W. J. Boyce  
R. W. Moore  
J. Herbert Hinman  
Paul Garner

THE MEMBERS OF THE PETITIONING GROUP

John Jay Corson, 3rd

Age 19

Born at Washington, D. C. on December 5, 1905.

Native born American

Religion; Episcopalian

Graduate of Chestnut Hill Academy, Philadelphia, Pa.

Second year in college.

College address; Theta Delta Chi House, University, Va.

Home " : 1923 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Member of Theta Delta Chi National Fraternity.

College Activities

1. Swimming Squad 1925.

Henry Evan Thomas

Age 21

Born at Philadelphia, Pa. on February 15, 1904.

Native born American.

Religion: Episcopalian.

Graduate of Roanoke High School, Roanoke, Va.

Second Year in college.

College address; Theta Delta Chi House, University, Va.

Home " : 812 Henry Street, S. W., Roanoke, Va.

Member of Theta Delta Chi National Fraternity.

College activities

1. Assistant Manager Wrestling Team 1925  
Manager Elect " " 1926

George Lawrence Rigby

Age 20

Born at Yonkers, N. Y. on May 16, 1904.

Native born American

Religion; Episcopalian.

Graduate of Daytona High School, Daytona, Fla.

Third Year in College.

College Address: Preston Place, University, Va.

Home " : Ormond Beach, Fla.

John Carroll Flynn, Jr.

Age 22

Born at Alberene, Va. on ----- 1902.

Native Born American

Religion: Catholic.

Graduate of Saranac Lake High School, Saranac Lake, N. Y.

Fourth year in College

College Address: Theta Delta Chi House, University, Va.

Home " : 48 Franklin Avenue, Saranac Lake, N. Y.

Member of Theta Delta Chi National Fraternity.

THE MEMBERS OF THE PETITIONING GROUP

Albert Gordan Simmonds

Age 22

Born at Lynchburg, Virginia, April 27, 1902

Native born American

Religion; Methodist

Graduate of McKinley Manuel Training School, Washington, D.C.

Fourth year in college

College address; 217 - 14th St. University, Va.

Home address; Cherrydale, Va.

Member of Golf Team.

Paul Farmer

Age 24

Born at Leesville, Virginia, March 27, 1900

Native born American

Religion; Presbyterian

Graduate of Altavista High School

Third year in college

College address; Theta Delta Chi House, University, Va.

Home address; Altavista, Va.

Member of Theta Delta Chi National Fraternity.

Member of Jefferson Literary Society

College Activities

1. Member of Varsity Baseball Team.

Henry Mercer Eubank

Age 21

Born at Richmond, Virginia, September 6, 1903.

Native born American

Religion; Baptist

Graduate of John Marshall High School

Third year in college

College address; University Inn

Home address; 801 Lake Road, Richmond, Va.

Member of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity

College Activities

1. Lacrosse Candidate.

Charles Paul Neuhaus

Age 23

Born Houston, Texas, November 28, 1901.

Native born American

Religion; Episcopalian

Graduate of Frasso Preparatory School, Houston, Texas.

Second year in college

College address; R.F.D.#4, Charlottesville, Va.

Home address;

Member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity

THE MEMBERS OF THE PETITIONING GROUP

Fredrick William McComas, Jr.

Age 19

Born at Baltimore, Maryland on June 30, 1905.

Native born American.

Religion: Episcopalian.

Graduate of Gilman County School.

Second year in college.

College address; Sigma Phi Epsilon House, University, Va.

Home address; 1203 Cathedral St. Baltimore, Md.

Member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity.

College Activities

1. Member of Washington Literary Society.

Douglas Marshall Braxton.

Age 21.

Born at Newport News, Virginia, July 1, 1903.

Native born American.

Religion; Presbyterian.

Graduate of Virginia Episcopal School.

Third year in college.

College address; Care of Mrs. L.P. Booker, University, Va.

Home address; Newport News, Virginia.

Member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity.

College Activities

1. Member of Track Squad.

John Gilman Hinman.

Age 20

Born at Portsmouth, Virginia, June 8, 1905.

Native born American.

Religion; Methodist.

Graduate of Woodrow Wilson High School.

Third year in college.

College address; University Terrace, care of Mrs. Sparks.

Home address; 161 Broad St., Portsmouth, Va.

John Phillips Coleman.

Age 22

Born at Roanoke, Virginia, January 21, 1903

Native born American.

Religion; Baptist

Graduate of Roanoke High School.

Third year in college.

College address; Madison Lane.

Home address; 1421 Rorer Avenue, Roanoke, Va.

Member of Washington Literary Society .

Member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity.

THE MEMBERS OF THE PETITIONING GROUP

Irving Huges Wainwright

Age 21

Born at Yorktown, Virginia, August 19, 1904.

Native born American

Religion; Methodist

Graduate of Randolph Macon Academy

Third year in college

College address; Sigma Phi Epsilon House

Home address; Yorktown, Virginia University, Va.

Member of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity.

Boyd M. Steele

Age 21

Born at Stevens City, Virginia, March 23, 1904.

Native born American

Religion; Methodist

Third year in college

College address; 141 House D, University, Va.

Home address; Stevens City, Va.

Graduate of Stevens City High School

William Douglas Bogue

Age 22

Born at Tampa, Florida, October 25, 1902.

Native born American

Religion; Christian Church

Graduate of Hillsboro High School, Tampa, Florida.

Third year in college

College address; 32 East Range, University, Va.

Member of Jefferson Literary Society.

Member of Virginia Players

Home address; 309 Henderson Ave., Tampa Florida.

## THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

By an act of February 14th, 1816 the Legislature of Virginia authorized the establishment of Central College, in the County of Albemarle. A board of visitors was appointed consisting of Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, James Monroe, Joseph Cabell, David Watson, and John Cocke. Later Jefferson was elected Rector of this board, and part of the present land was purchased.

The cornerstone of Central College was laid on October 6th, 1817 in the presence of Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, and James Monroe, the latter was then president of the United States.

Jefferson drew most of the sketches for the buildings with his own hands, basing them upon designs of Palladio; and his ideas of architectural effect and grouping were carried out in detail when Central College was merged into the University of Virginia.

The prime object in Jefferson's mind while Rector of the board of visitors of Central College was to get the college well under way and then have it adopted by the Legislature as the State University. Altho Jefferson's was the dominant spirit in the whole movement for the establishment of a state university, but for the influence and efforts of Joseph Cabell, the close personal friend of Jefferson, the act of January 25th, 1819 establishing the University would probably have failed of adoption by the legislature.

The organization of the university, its government discipline and methods of discipline were virtually prescribed by Jefferson alone, and in many respects they still retain the impression derived from him. For the first eighty years of its existence the supreme government of the university was administered by the faculty and its chairman, the latter being a member of the faculty. As the university grew it became more and more difficult for a member of the faculty to fill the position of chairman and attend to the duties of his office. In October 1903 the Visitors decided that modern conditions rendered necessary the creation of the office of president, and in June 1904 Edwin Anderson Alderman was elected the first President of the University of Virginia. Dr. Alderman has continued to hold this office up to the present time and the growth of the University, and its present envied position is in a large measure due to his efforts.

J. J. Corson, 3rd.

THE MC INTIRE SCHOOL OF COMMERCE  
IN THE  
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA  
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The great demand for business training developed somewhat slower in the institutions of higher learning of the South than in those of the Northern states. Due partly to this fact and partly also to an insufficiency of the funds for the establishment of new departments, the growth of business schools in the South has taken place almost entirely within the last decade.

At the University of Virginia courses have been given in Political Economy from the opening of its doors to the students in 1825 continuously to the present time. Among the courses that were given at the beginning were: the Principles of Political Economy, Money and Banking, and Statistics. Later on a course in Sociology was given. The work formed a part of the School of Moral Philosophy from 1825 to 1868, and afterwards was connected with the School of History. In 1906 a School of Economics was established separately.

The University in 1915 extended the work of the Department of Economics by the addition of courses in Business Law and Economic Geography. Along with the World War came an insistent demand for more courses in Economics. In 1918 the following courses were added to the School of Economics: Accounting, Statistics, Money and Banking, International Trade, Business Organization, and Corporation Finance. Since <sup>then</sup> several others were offered of a more specialized nature.

In 1920 President Alderman in a statement on the needs of the University spoke as follows: "The University has for years sought to train for his career the great lawyer, doctor, engineer, and teacher. It most earnestly seeks the opportunity to train the great business man for his own career in these days of great specialization and amazing opportunity which await the country and South in this field. Something much greater and wider than the ordinary business college is contemplated. The complexity of the modern industrial and commercial situation is bewildering unless special training is provided. We owe something to this vocation which absorbs two-thirds of our youths. The training we propose would not be calculated to lead a youth to look merely for a higher rate of interest of profit, but would fit him to compete with all comers in interstate and international trade, to keep faith with everybody, to understand foreign languages and peoples, and to comprehend the laws and methods of wise and just commerce".

The School of Commerce was organized in 1920 and in the spring of 1921 Mr. Paul Goodloe McIntire gave the University the sum of \$200,000. as an endowment for the School. The income from this gift became available with the session of 1922-23, and as the result of Mr. McIntire's gift, the University has been enabled to take a leading position in business instruction in Southern Universities. The faculty has been considerably increased by the appointment of new members and by the addition of several instructors and assistants. Special lectures supplement the work of the faculty from time to time. There has been



established a well defined course of study leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science in Commerce.

But with all of this the cultural side of the student's education is not neglected. Among the required subjects for a degree are English, Mathematics, Social Science, Foreign Languages, and a Natural Science.

" The School aims to give thorough training in the fundamental principles underlying business. While this necessitates a knowledge of facts and methods, it is not the primary purpose to concentrate on those details of business which should be quickly grasped by the man with a trained mind after he enters his chosen field. The definite objective is to train for leadership in business, rather than to train the student merely to become a worker in a business house. It is the aim also to foster the development of the professional point of view. In keeping with the ideals of other schools and departments of the University, the student will be given every encouragement to achieve a high position in business leadership and service!"

The instruction of the School may be grouped into nine big fields, namely, Accounting, Banking and Finance, Commerce and Trade, Transportation, Business Organization, Statistics, Public Service, Field Work, And Surveys of Virginia Counties. With these various and extensive fields of study offered coupled with the standards and high quality of work demanded by the University of Virginia, it may be safely said that the McIntire School of Commerce leads the South in the field of Commercial instruction.

J. Gilbert Hinman.

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## PETITIONING GROUP HISTORY

The history of the Petitioning Group of the Mc Intire School of Commerce at the University of Virginia covers a very short space of time. This group of men was organized with the view in mind of petitioning the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi for the installation of a chapter here. The group did not arise from a commercial club, or any such organization, but is composed of men selected for their scholastic ability, and personal qualifications from the three upper classes of the School of Commerce.

Sometime during the month of January Professor Barlow spoke to two of our number, namely, J. P. Coleman and A. G. Simmonds, in regard to the possibility of Delta Sigma Pi entering Virginia. Both parties were very much enthused over the proposition, and Professor Barlow submitted their names to your central office. During the early part of February both Mr. Coleman and Mr. Simmonds received letters from your Mr. Wright in which he asked them for their views. Sometime later letters were received containing instructions for petitioning, and requesting them to organize a petitioning group.

The two afore named held a consultation with Professor Barlow and it was decided to hold a preliminary meeting to discuss the proposition, and to receive views of other parties in this connection. The preliminary meeting was held on February 26th, 1925 and the following were present; J. P. Coleman, A. G. Simmonds, H. E. Thomas, J. J. Corson, 3rd, P. Farmer, I. H. Wainwright, and J. G. Hinman. Much enthusiasm was shown at this meeting and all held high and bright hopes for the future. At this meeting there took place a general discussion of the proposition, and the information given in the instructions for petitioning. This was followed by a discussion of names and voting upon them.

A second meeting was held on the 28th of February at which time the following additional men were present; F. W. McComas, D. M. Braxton, B. M. Steele, and H. M. Eubank. This meeting was carried along on practically the same lines as the former one.

On March 4th our first regular meeting was held and at which time a temporary organization was installed. The temporary officers included chairman, J. P. Coleman; secretary-treasurer, H. E. Thomas; petition committee, A. G. Simmonds, J. P. Coleman, and H. E. Thomas. This meeting was carried on with marked interest and indicated that if a petition was granted to this group, then Delta Sigma Pi would have an active chapter here. There were fifteen men present including the afore named men and the following new men; L. Rigby, W. D. Bogue, J. C. Flynn, Jr, and C. P. Neuhaus. At this time it was decided to suspend further action until after the second term examinations were completed,

We feel that there exists in the McIntire School sufficient interest and enrollment to justify the establishment of a second commercial fraternity, hence with that in view we have organized this group for the purpose of petitioning for a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi at Virginia.

A. G. Simmonds.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA  
CHARLOTTESVILLE

J. M. PAGE, Dean

April 4, 1925

Mr. J. Phillips Coleman,  
Madison Lane,  
University, Va.

Dear Sir:

I have looked up the records of the list of young men who desire to apply for a charter of a chapter of the Delta Sigma Pi fraternity to be established in this University. It gives me pleasure to say that this group of young men stand so well in their studies, and are so creditable to the University in general, that I heartily approve of their being permitted to establish the chapter mentioned above.

Very truly yours,

  
Dean

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA  
CHARLOTTESVILLE

J. M. PAGE, Dean.

March 28. 1925

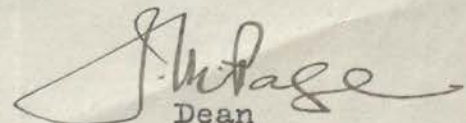
Mr. J. Phillips Coleman,  
Madison Lane,  
University, Va.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter to me, as well as your letter to President Alderman, of March 23rd, I beg to say that the University of Virginia has no objection to the organization of a chapter of the Delta Sigma Pi Commercial Fraternity in this College, provided that the personnel is selected on the ground of satisfactory scholarship. You state that this has been done; and therefore I think that you may go ahead with the petition to the general fraternity for the charter. If you wish me to write a more definite approval of your undertaking, it would be well for you to send me the list of the young men who will be invited to become members of the chapter in order that I may check upon their records, personality, etc.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

  
Dean