

## FRATS

A frat is an organization of which each member admits that he is the best fellow on earth, and that his frat brothers are the next best fellows on earth. All outside of his frat are absolutely nil. The word frat comes from the English "fraternity" which is simply the American term with a few useless letters added on. The English word in turn comes from the Latin; but almost all frats are Greek letter frats, so that all this business sounds good, but doesn't mean anything. A frat is composed of active, and charter members, and a few hapless individuals called pledges. A charter member is the best fellow on earth, although he is the only one who would admit it, so that he started a frat of his own. An active member is a student who has joined a fraternity, and so far has been lucky enough not to be kicked out of school. A pledge is a poor bloke who is privileged to do all the dirty work for the actives until such a time as they deem him one of the best fellows on earth, at which time they will do their best to maim him for life, and failing in this, will make him an active. The process of maiming is called initiation.

Now there are eleven frats, and so called frats, at Armour. In case any of the readers be tempted to join any of these outfits, they will do well to read the dope published below.

### PHI KAPPA SIGMA

The Phi Kaps owe their existence to John Schommer, the faculty member. John's influence with the alderman of the second ward keeps the chapter together, as he has them freed from all of their sentences. This keeps the chapter together, as they would be sent to different prisons, and the chapter thus split up. To join the Phi Kaps you must be able to prove that you have accomplished a crime of the magnitude of arson, or murder. The murder of a top sergeant will not count, however, as there were two or three in this outfit who have not been murdered as yet. The Phi Kaps have two rules which are very poor. They are:

1. Members are not allowed to commit murder within the chapter.
2. Members must return all goods which they are caught purloining from brother members.

These are bad points, of course, but the many goods points overbalance these.

This frat contains such notables as: String Bean Zingheim, the noble baseball captain; Sgt. Geisler of S. A. T. C. fame, who attains double distinction by piloting the Glee Club to financial ruin, and by wearing a misplaced eyebrow on his upper lip.

### DELTA TAU DELTA

The Delts used to be the social lions at Armour, but since Al Davis drank out of his finger bowl at a banquet, the chapter has rapidly declined. The Delts have pink teas every Tuesday and Thursday afternoon at 4 bells. Here you may meet all of the members except Reggie Maguire and Gus Wells, who are not allowed to attend, the former because he persists in spitting tobacco juice on the wall paper, and the latter because he giggles when Woods sings his soprano solo. One may also find Bradley, Gray, and Stantial dancing on a dime apiece at the Armour dances. A Delt pledge used to make a good living selling the empty bottles at one cent a piece, but since prohibition, the members have taken to drinking vanilla extract and Green River. The bottles of the former are valueless, and the latter is usually