



BETA THETA PI

Father of Beta Theta Pi is John Riley Knox, who founded the first of the fraternity's 90 chapters at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, in 1839. The fraternity is the oldest member of the Miami Triad and the first national fraternity to achieve a solid hundred years of constant and progressive activity. It also holds the distinction of being the first national fraternity organized west of the Allegheny mountains. The local chapter, founded in 1907, has been voted recognition for "sustained excellence" as one of the most outstanding chapters in the national organization. Gamma Phi chapter also has attained the Gavin Standard of "All bills paid and all accounts collected." It has permanent possession of a University Interfraternity scholarship cup, having won the cup three times in succession.

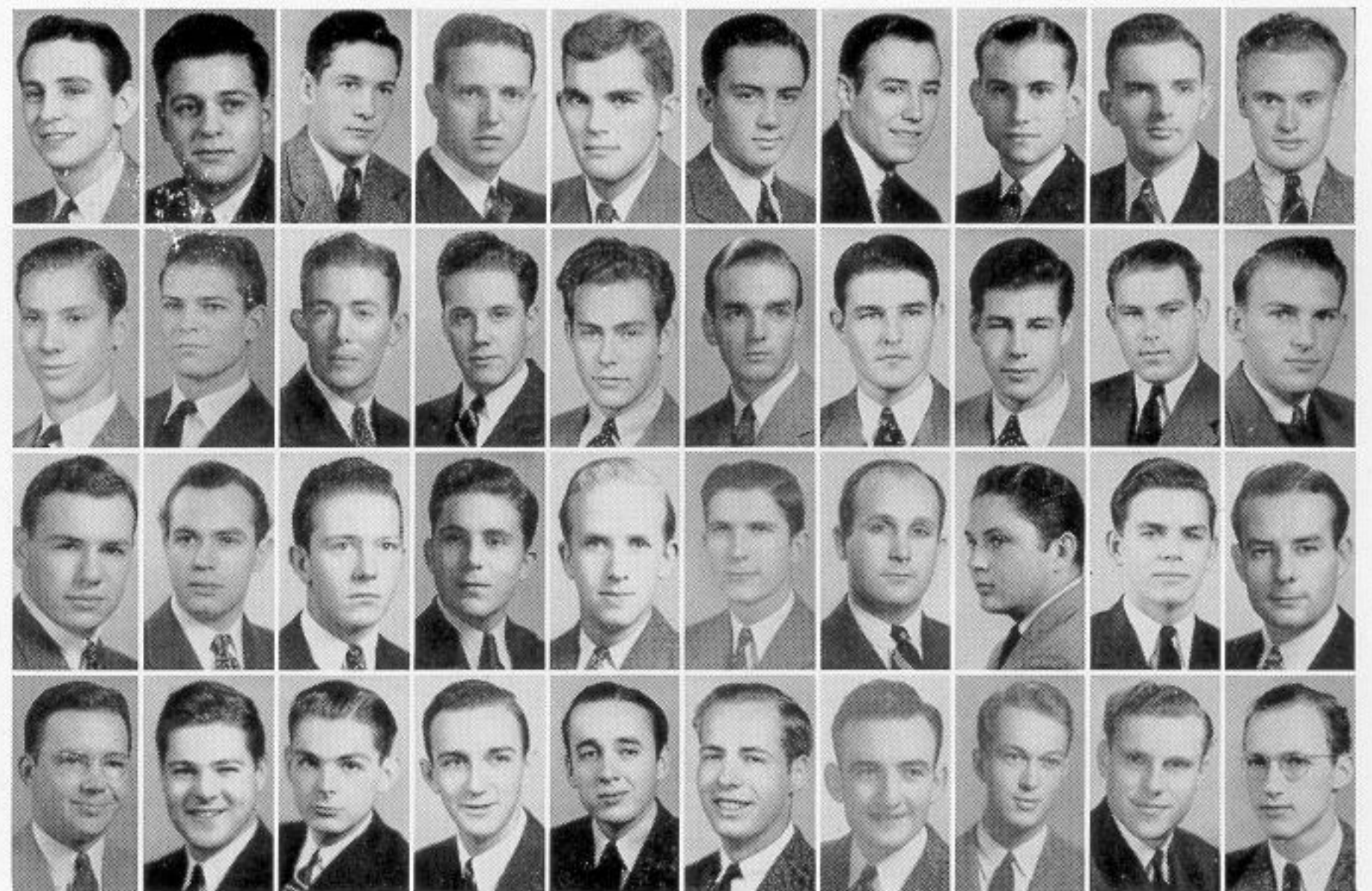
Wendell L. Willkie, Robert M. LaFollette, Jr., Paul V. McNutt, John H. Perry, Samuel N. Stevens, and Joseph P. Ripley, all men of national prominence, are members of Beta Theta Pi. The Sooner chapter is proud of a senior member of the varsity basketball team, Hugh Ford, lanky center . . . Dean Walker holds down a regular berth on the swimming team and is a member of the President's Class along with Tom Conner . . . Chief specialty of the chapter is its "Silver Lounge parties" . . . Dean "Shyster" Hart, the foremost whacky member, finally made it through law school, but it took all his hair to do it. Dean was voted the group's biggest bull thrower . . . Numbered among the Beta's pet hobbies are singing "You Are My Sunshine" with a questionable harmonious touch, playing Mah Jong with Mrs. Thomason, educating the neophytes, and watching Snooky Schaller and Lib Ambister spend a quiet evening in the sun room . . . The famous quads, Hastings, Houston, Cook, and Coogan, hung around all year, toasting to every likely lass on the campus.

First row, left to right
—Askew, Barr, Basolo, Bartlett, Baugh, Berry, James Berry, Blinn, Baumert, Buchanan.

Second row—Burton, Coe, Coogan, Conner, Cook, Diamond, Ellinghausen, John Ellinghausen, Frantz, Robert Frantz.

Third row—Gibbons, Murray F. Gibbons, Glamann, Gray, Hale, Hardeman, Hart, Hastings, Hays, Hedley.

Fourth row—Houston, Hixon, Huckin, Jones, Johnson, King, Klein, Klingensmith, Laurence, Lunsford.



Gamma Phi Chapter

Among the biggest Betas on the campus are S. M. Anderson, Bombardiers, Phi Eta Sigma, Phi Delta Phi, Pe-et, varsity swimming team, Scabbard and Blade, President's Class, Ruf-Neks; Jack Luttrell, Phi Eta Sigma, Phi Beta Kappa, President's Class, Pe-et, Scabbard and Blade, Skeleton Key, and a Rhodes scholar; Robert Frantz, Senate Club, Junior Honor Class, Scabbard and Blade, Y. M. C. A., Phi Eta Sigma, and Interfraternity Council; Charles Roberts, Phi Eta Sigma, Senate Club, Y. M. C. A. cabinet, 1940 SOONER editor; Harry Frantz, Ruf-Neks, Senate Club, Scabbard and Blade, Bombardiers, Junior Honor Class.



MRS. ORA PARKS

S. M. ANDERSON

OFFICERS

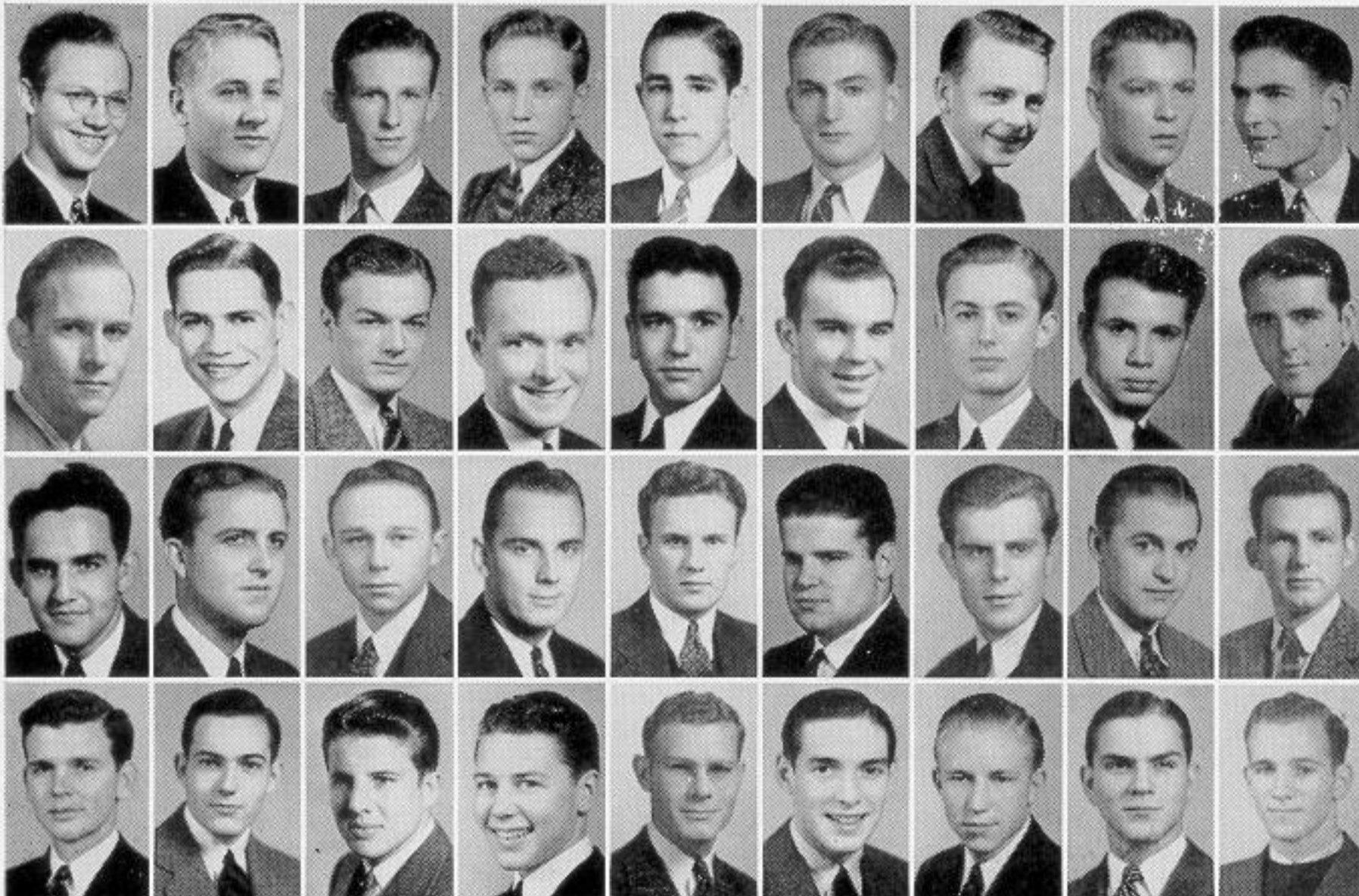
<i>First Semester</i>		<i>Second Semester</i>
S. M. ANDERSON, JR.	President	ROBERT FRANTZ
JACK LUTTRELL	Vice-President	JOHN SPRADLING
ROBERT FRANTZ	Secretary	ROGER GRAY
HARRY FRANTZ, JR.	Treasurer	TOM HEDLEY
MURRAY GIBBONS, JR.	Social Chairman	FRANK SNEED

MEMBERS

S. M. ANDERSON, JR.	ROGER GRAY	JACK LUTTRELL	ROBERT SHUTTEE
ROBERT ASKEW	ELMER HALE	JACK MARSEE	JOHN SPRADLING
CHARLES BARR	CECIL HARDEMAN	JOSEPH M. McLAUGHLIN	FRANK SNEED
THOMAS CONNER	DEAN HART	JACK MORTON	WILLIAM TANKERSLEY
FRED COOGAN, JR.	GRANT HASTINGS	ROBERT MURPHEY	STAN THOMASON
JIM COOK	THOMAS HEDLEY	JOHN POLLOCK	DEAN C. WALKER
HARRY DIAMOND, JR.	WILLIAM HIXON	JIMMY QUINN	CRAN WILBANKS
EDWIN ELLINGHAUSEN	CHARLES HOUSTON	CHARLES ROBERTS	JACK WILSON
HUGH FORD	ROBERT KING	S. M. RUTHERFORD	WAYNE WILSON
HARRY FRANTZ, JR.	WILLIAM KLINGENSMITH	RICHARD SAUNDERS	ALBERT BAILEY
ROBERT FRANTZ	JACK LAWERENCE	JACK SCHALLER	ROBERT BLINN
MURRAY GIBBONS, JR.	ROBERT LUNSFORD	WILLIAM SHORT	J. P. NEAL
JACK GLAMANN			JAMES SHOUSE

PLEDGES

TOM BARTLETT	ROSS COE	TOM LUNSFORD	KENNETH SPENCE
JOE BASOLO	RICHARD ELLINGHAUSEN	EARL P. MILLER	DAN TANKERSLEY
HOWARD BAUGH	GEORGE GIBBONS	ERDICE MULDROW	STRATFORD TOLSON
J. B. BAUMERT	WILLIAM HUCKINS	JIMMIE NICKEL	DAVID TURNER
EVERETT BERRY	JOE JOHNSON	WILLIAM PARKER	SAM K. VIERSEN
JAMES BERRY	WILLIAM JONES	REX ROOK	WALTER WEBER
JOEL BUCHANAN	WILLIAM KLINE	SAM SHACKELFORD	KENNETH WILBANKS
STEVE BURTON			K. W. WINGATE



First row, left to right —Tom Lunsford, Marsee, Miller, Morton, Muldrow, Murphey, McLaughlin, Nickel, Parker.

Second row — Pollock, Roberts, Rook, Rutherford, Saunders, Schaller, Shackelford, Short, Shouse.

Third row — Shuttee, Skaer, Sneed, Spence, Spradling, Dan Tankersley, W. E. Tankersley, Jr., Taylor, Thomason.

Fourth row — Tolson, Tucker, Turner, Viersen, Walker, Weber, Wilbanks, Wilson, Wingate.

ΒΘΠ