

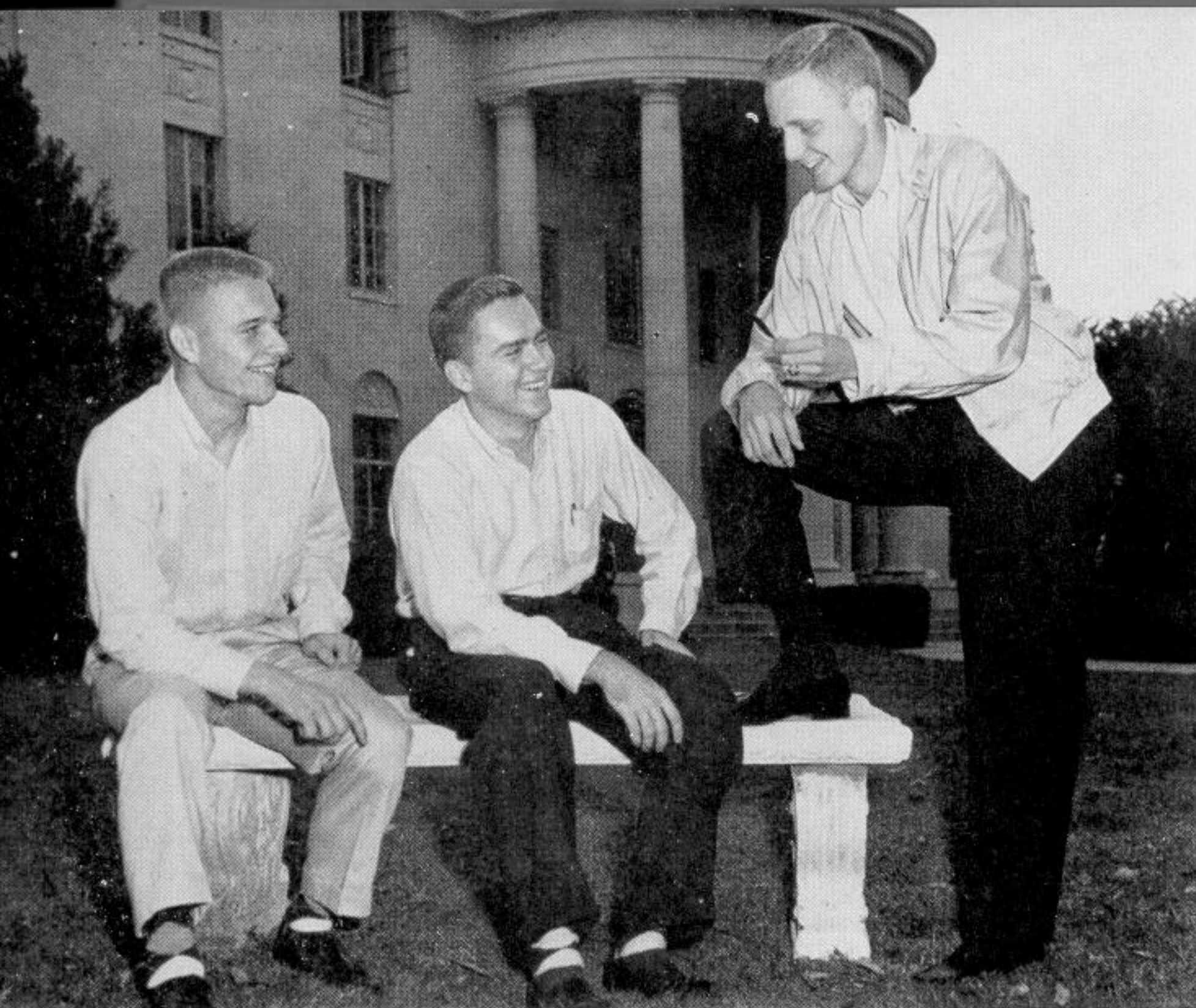
BETA THETA PI

Gamma Phi Chapter

FIRST ROW, left to right: Mrs. W. P. Vick, Bill Athey, Joe Latimer Bell, Overton Brent Berlin, Richard L. Boone, William R. Broach, Robert Brown, Lester J. Burkett, John M. Burzio, John F. Cailloux. SECOND ROW: Robert M. Caron, Bob L. Casey, Steve B. Cathey, Bob Champion, Lonnie Chesnutt, J. Don Cies, Robert Clapp, Benton Clark, Samuel S. Clower, Davis A. Coppedge. THIRD ROW: William Lee Epton, Ellis R. Downs, Jimmy F. Drake, Pat E. Durkee, William D. Durkee, John H. Dykes, W. Lawrence Eakin, Jr., James H. Finney, Jerry Fronterhouse, Sam R. Fryer, Jr. FOURTH ROW: John L. Gibson, Bryan E. Gillispie, Fred A. Gipson, Gaines L. Godfrey, Charles C. Green, John F. Griffith, Stephen W. Haines, Kent D. Hanson, Bob Webber, Philip Hart. FIFTH ROW: Jared E. Hazelton, Benjamin Ames Huey,

Larry Don Jensen, Philip E. Kendall, E. Gordon King, Philip W. Kyle, William Walter Lindsay, Max Paul Lorenz, Ed Albert Luke, Ted McCarter. SIXTH ROW: William H. McCoy, William James McKinney, Jay D. Magness, Rick Mathews, Virgil Bryan Medlock, Jr., Frank G. Mitchell, T. J. Nance, Jerry Nelms, Haskell Newman, Thomas G. Norris, Jim R. Oliver. SEVENTH ROW: Robert P. Osborne, Grover C. Ozmun, III, Bill Pearce, Dick Porter, Al Pugh, Charles Priddy, George C. Quincy, Billy K. Reed, Robert A. Reid, Theodore Joseph Semrod, Joe T. Shelton. EIGHTH ROW: Dale Byars Sherrod, Don A. Smith, Neil Stanfield, Ralph G. Thompson, Thomas M. Wakely, James Heber Warram, Jr., Jim White, Sam L. Wilhite, Roy C. Williamson, Jr., Owen D. Wilson, Sam E. Wilson.





Betas get a chuckle out of Thompson's photo identification card. Left to right, Robert Osborne, Frank Mitchell and Ralph Thompson.



OFFICERS

President . RALPH G. THOMPSON
 Vice-president . FRANK MITCHELL
 Secretary PHIL HART
 Social Chairman ROY WILLIAMSON

The first chapter of Beta Theta Pi was founded at Miami university, Oxford, Ohio, in 1839. The national chapter roll is currently made up of 97 chapters. The local chapter, Gamma Phi, was established on the campus of the University of Oklahoma in 1907.

During the first semester of the school year 1955-56, the officers of Gamma Phi chapter were Ralph G. Thompson, president; Frank Mitchell, vice-president; Phil Hart, secretary, and Roy Williamson, social chairman.

Second semester officers included Frank Mitchell, president; Phil Kendall, vice-president; Phil Hart, secretary, and Roy Williamson, social chairman.

Beta housemother for the last three years has been Mrs. W. P. Vick.

Current among the list of outstanding active members of Beta Theta Pi are Robert R. Champion, Phi Eta Sigma, Sigma Tau, Tau Beta Pi, Sigma Gamma Epsilon, Pe-et, Omicron Delta Kappa, Who's Who; Tom Norris, Tau Beta Pi, Sigma Tau, Phi Lambda Upsilon, Phi Eta Sigma, Arnold Air Society, outstanding junior in chemical engineering, outstanding sophomore AFROTC student, Omicron Delta Kappa; Ben Huey, student senate treasurer, Who's Who, Pe-et, president of Phi Eta Sigma, vice-president of Xi Mu, one of ten outstanding freshmen, Omicron Delta Kappa, Campus Chest executive committee; Phil Kendall, student senate, Who's Who, student manager of Celebrity Series, Delta Sigma Pi, committee chairman of career conference, Mothers' day, Homecoming, Sigma Theta Epsilon; Frank G. Mitchell, student senate, president of Delta Sigma Rho, committee chairman of YMCA, dean's honor roll, Gordon Fuller oratorical contest winner, John Rushing speaking contest winner, university debate team for three years.

Annual social events during the year include Beta Barn dance, Christmas party, spring formal, senior dinner, pledge formal, Beer Bowl (annual football game between Betas and KAs) and Artists ball.

In the fall the Betas were presented the IFC fraternity scholarship award for the spring semester of 1954-55. They also received the pledge scholarship award for 1954-55. A chapter foursome placed second in the UAB Dads' day barbershop quartet contest.



RALPH G. THOMPSON, president

