

APPROVAL OF PROVINCE CHIEF

November 9, 1948
Atlanta, Georgia

Mr. John M. MacGregor
Worthy Grand Chief
70 Pine Street
New York, New York

Dear Brother MacGregor:

On November 6th and 7th a visit was made to Alpha Theta Phi, a local fraternity at Florida State University in Tallahassee, Florida. I would like to report to you the results of the inspection which I made at that time.

Florida State University has made tremendous strides since its conversion from the Florida State College for Women, and I feel confident that it will soon take its place among the greater coeducational institutions of our country. The male enrollment jumped from approximately 1200 last year to 1950 this year, and comparable expansion is expected for the next two or three years. This trend is being recognized by the school authorities by an extensive building program which is being inaugurated.

The University authorities are very sympathetic toward the installation of fraternities, and, although they intend to supervise them quite actively during the next year or two, they have expressed themselves as being extremely cordial to the fraternity system. It is my sincere opinion that we should, by all means, be represented at this University and that we should install our chapter at the earliest possible time in order to be among the very first to have an active chapter here.

Alpha Theta Phi is a colony founded for the express purpose of petitioning Alpha Tau Omega for a charter and I have high praise for it and its efforts since it was formed. Its nucleus was made up of Alpha Tau Omega brothers who had transferred to this University and they have built the group into its present size with the same high standards for membership which a chartered chapter would have used. The group spirit and morale is outstanding. It is my firm belief that they would add honor to our Fraternity if they became a part of it.

It is my sincere and hearty recommendation to you, the High Council, and the various chapters of Alpha Tau Omega, that the petition of Alpha Theta Phi be granted.

Fraternally yours,

Henry G. Palmer
Chief of Province I