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INTRODUCTION

Ever since the Semi-Centennial of Zeta Psi was celebrated, in 1897, there has been a loud call, which has steadily grown louder, for a book made up of the "exercises" of that most notable occasion in the history of our beloved Fraternity. This publication has been prepared in response to that very natural demand. It contains a full report of the speeches, poems, songs and the other festivities which were inspired by the Semi-Centennial. Our orators, poets, and song-writers loyally met the best expectations of their brethren at the great jubilee banquet and the great jubilee dinner which preceded it, so that the pages which follow combine to make a veritable "intellectual treat," which cannot but make an irresistible appeal to all appreciative Zetes. It is not an exaggeration to affirm that the banquet and the dinner were indeed the most brilliant and variously interesting functions that the Fraternity has ever enjoyed.

The second part of the volume fittingly supplements the first. It consists of the best and brightest of the poems which have been written in honor of Zeta Psi. Her praises have been sung by her devoted bards ever since she was born, and the selections here gathered are in many keys and from the representatives of many Chapters.

"The Jubilee of the Zeta Psi Fraternity of North America," as thus constituted, is submitted to the members of the Fraternity with the confident belief that, for the reasons set forth, they will give it a hearty welcome.

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