SIGMA BOARD HOLDS MEETING HERE WITH NATIONAL PRESIDENT

The national board of the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity held a meeting at the offices of the national president, Arthur W. Mitchell, at 417 E. 47th St., last Monday. Representatives from Washington, D. C.; St. Louis, Mo.; Louisville, Ky.; Tuskegee, Ala., and Chicago were in attendance.

Reports by the general officers of the fraternity showed that while the fraternity, like all other institutions, has been hit by the depression, it has nevertheless continued to function and has maintained its financial standing. The secretary-treasurer reported about $1,500 in cash on hand at this time; about $700 of it belongs to the special scholarship fund. Many of the chapters during the year paid their full assessment, practically all of them paid some part of their assessment.

Prepare for Conclave

The report showed 52 active chapters and 13 inactive chapters, making a total of 65 chapters with memberships of about 6,000, more than 5,000 of whom belong to the active chapters.

Much business was transacted preparatory to the holding of the conclave next December. The following cities were considered as the next meeting place for the conclave: St. Louis, Mo., Washington, D. C., New Orleans, La., and Nashville, Tenn., with strong odds in favor of New Orleans.

The president spoke very forcibly on the practical program now being followed by the Sigma fraternity as contrasted with the highly social program characteristic of many of the other fraternities and sororities. A

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letter from Dr. R. R. Moton, a member of the fraternity, was read in which his approval of the practical program of the fraternity was expressed in strong terms.

A letter from Dr. Alain Locke of Geneva, Switzerland, was also read to the board meeting. A special drive for funds with which to foster a scholarship fund for deserving Sigma men will be launched during the month of October. It is the purpose of the fraternity to award 10 scholarships during the next school year.