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SORORITY RUSHING

Under an improved Panhellenic code, rushing among sororities will begin tomorrow. The changes incorporated in this year's regulations should prove more satisfactory to both sororities and rushees than previous codes.

The shortening of the silent period, a term of agony, comes as the greatest change and at the same time the greatest blessing. Formerly extending over a period of four days, the silent period this year will be of twenty-four hour duration. Certainly that is sufficient time for rushees to reach a decision when they have had a whole year to think of and to inquire about sororities on the campus. It is an entirely different situation from that which the men face at the close of their rushing period. Date cards, allowing each group four dates with any one rushee, are also an innovation which should make for a smoother working system of rushing. Increasing the amount of money which each group may spend during rushing is another revision in keeping with elimination of unnecessary stringency of the code.

The success of the rushing system depends upon the power and the justice meted out by the enforcing body, the Panhellenic rushing committee. It has too often been the custom in previous years to proceed like the proverbial three monkeys—seeing, hearing, and speaking no evil of any sorority and punishing violations lightly if at all. Each sorority is conceded, of course, its share of honesty and fair play. It cannot be denied, however, that in human affairs a stiff penalty in the hands of an alert and powerful agency of justice is good insurance for fair competition.

To many who view with alarm expenditure of College money on curbing and the construction of Malls explanation is due before they give up all hope for economy along the proper lines. The emergency building grant of the legislature was not entirely spent on the projects designated because of economy in fulfilling contracts. As a residue this money would naturally have been diverted to improvements, but before that time the cut for the College was announced. Much to everyone's surprise even this money was returned to the College when the cut was removed. First designated for construction it was further emphasized that the money be used to place men at work.

UNTIMELY

Five days ago rushing officially began. Now comes the announcement that the practice of fraternity men signing into the second period of a date card when there are first period dates still available is unethical. It is granted that there is no mention of this rule in the code.

It is a little late to bring on new interpretations of a rushing code that has been mulled over and made subject for so much publicity both among fraternity men and freshmen. Nothing but confusion of the more important restrictions can result from this further regulation. It is a difficult task to groom fifty-six fraternities to the point where they understand all the regulations of a code such as is in effect for rushing. To complicate matters when the boat is in the middle of the lake is to endanger the entire stability of the craft.

Council officials would better have made the correction in next year's code than have added to their difficult task of enforcement a relatively piecemeal regulation which will, at best, be well-nigh untraceable in its violation.

Discontinuance of the all-College convocation on the opening day of the semester comes as a good thing. By some quirk in student nature the convocation in past years has come to be attended by freshmen only. Obviously that was not its purpose. The president has always had important things to bring before the entire student body. It is to be hoped that later in the year the student body may have an opportunity to hear what President Hetzel has to say.

OLD MANIA

When we do a job, we want to do it right. Some people think that all a man has to do in order to turn out a column full of casual wit and humor is to stuff a typewriter full of copy paper, burn a pipeful of matches, and let his fingers translate the effortless flow from his mind in something of the fashion of a glorified Ouiji board. Not so. We studied all summer about wit and humor, from banana peels to Rabelais.

The only satisfactory thing we found was the definition that 'humor is a sense of the flexibility of things.' This pleased us very much, but we don't know what it means so it is no practical help. For a long time, we despaired, thinking unhappily about salesmen, farmers' daughters, professors, and mothers-in-law.

But it's all right now. We found a little booklet whose impeccable taste is certified by the number of times the name of this paper is glorified in it. It has revealed the secrets of wit and humor to us.

It is really easy. And we can't begin to tell how good we feel about discovering it. One just has to apply some simple little formulas to simple little thoughts and, presto, wit and humor. A nice thing about it, too, especially for us who can't afford to make up pictures, is that pictures don't seem to mean anything in the life of humor at all. They're just some rather tired lines wandering around the page taking up space so people won't have to think up funny things to put there. This is shown in our booklet.

Here are the secrets:

FORMULA NO. 1: Use strange spellings and abbreviations.

Example: Nw ise Thuhee tme. f'r awl (veidy) ghooed mn. two come (heh, heh) two Thuhee ahide o've there counteree (Oh, Mother Macherees).

Remarks: There should be no stint in this type of reading matter since people enjoy deciphering it. It gets to be sort of a game.

FORMULA NO. 2: Make verse with abbreviated endings.

Example: They're dimmr.
This smmr.

FORMULA NO. 3: Mention the editor's brothers plenty often. (This needs no example).

FORMULA NO. 4: Toss in a few swear words.

Example: Now, by god, is the damn time for (why the hell not) all good damn men to come, by the bells of hell, to the aid of their party (heavens, yes).

FORMULA NO. 5: Use obscure terms such as: manse, youse, eatery, cleanery, scenery, hostelry, combo, mumbo, jumbo, frinstintz, Sherlockholmesing, and collegian.

FORMULA NO. 6: Write it in the form of verse.

Example: Now is the time
For all good men
To come to the aid-en
Of the rape of their time.

Note: If you're talking about love, by all means put it verse.

FORMULA NO. 7: Make it appear as if the author became intoxicated while writing.

Example: Now isthe t-@-%&-%WKUH****E *M33%

FORMULA NO. 8: Don't sign any names to the articles. Let people guess.

Example: by mungoose the mailman's female man's mungoose mungoose.

FORMULA NO. 9: Use the word 'coed' in all simple uncomplimentary clauses.

Example: Now is the time for all good coeds to come to the aid of their country—men.

FORMULA NO. 10: and on up to 100: Pick up all possible lines from that Altoona burlesque show.

(The editor says never mind if some magazines would run this stuff, he won't).

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COLLEGE GIVES 14 ABSENCE LEAVES

(Continued from page one)

In June to spend the summer visiting various stations throughout the United States and observing agricultural practices.

Ethel M. Beadles, instructor in home economics extension, will do graduate work at Cornell University, while Clyde H. Graves, instructor in mathematics will take graduate study at the University of Chicago. A Pauline Locklin, assistant professor of English literature, will work for her Ph.D. degree at Bryn Mawr College.

Prof. Burke M. Hermann, of the history department, will do graduate work in history at Columbia University. Prof. Richard H. Sudds, of the pomology department, will spend the next year in graduate study at the Ohio State University, and Edward R. Van Sant will do graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania.

Emil F. Williams, instructor in mineralogy, will spend the coming academic year in graduate study at the University of Wisconsin. Prof. Arthur L. Wright, of the mathematics department, has been granted a year's extension of his leave for graduate study at Harvard University.

MacKENZIE TO JUDGE SHEEP

Peter C. MacKenzie, assistant in animal husbandry, is judging all the sheep at the Eastern States Exposition which is being held at Springfield, Mass., this week.

Have You Tried the Italian Spaghetti at The Evergreens Bar B-Q

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28 SPONSORS TO MEET WITH FRESHMAN CO-EDS

Dean Ray Names Senior Women For '36 Orientation This Week

For the purpose of aiding in freshman orientation, twenty-eight senior women sponsors will meet for the first time with the freshman co-eds this week.

Appointed by Dean of Women Charlotte E. Ray, the sponsors are Phyllis J. Beidler, Angelin Bressler, Lucienne M. Buffard, Ruth Crowthers, Elsie W. Darlington, S. Louise Everett, Harriet R. Henrie, Helen A. Hoover, Marion P. Howell, C. Elizabeth Jones, Elizabeth M. Kalb, Margaret C. Kish, Ger-

ALPHA CHI OMEGA TO HAVE MISS LINDEMAN AS ADVISER

Sent by the national office of Alpha Chi Omega, women's social fraternity, Miss Ruth Lindeman of Purdue University, will act as adviser and help in the organization of the local chapter. The local group was installed as the Beta Mu chapter of Alpha Chi Omega last spring.

trude A. Keubler, and Anna M. Light. Esther L. McClelland, Isabel McFarland, Alice M. Marshall, Reba M. Michner, Helen E. Neff, Elsa I. Ottinger, Helen I. Pollack, A. Elizabeth Preston, Helen F. Ransom, Harriet E. Soper, Charlotte L. Summers, Mabel L. Thompson, Marietta Tregellas, and Helen A. Wood complete the list.

VALUABLE EQUIPMENT GIVEN TO ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Two airplane engines donated by the estate of Parker Cramer, who lost his life in a flight from the United States to Europe, were received by the mechanical engineering department this summer.

Two additional Liberty airplane engines together with accessories and gifts amounting to \$15,000, presented by the United States Navy, have been transferred to the engineering experiment station here.

CATHAUM

(Opening time 6:00 p. m. Last complete program starts 8:50. Matinee daily at 1:30.)

Tuesday—
Lee Tracy, Dick Powell in "BLESSED EVENT"
Wednesday—
Will Rogers, Dorothy Jordan in "DOWN TO EARTH"
Thursday—
Edmund Lowe, Bela Lugosi in "CHANDU THE MAGICIAN"
Also LAUREL and HARDY Comedy
Constance Bennett, Neil Hamilton in "TWO AGAINST THE WORLD"
Saturday—
Bert Wheeler, Robert Woolsey in "HOLD 'EM JAIL"

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