

# New Panhel Code Allows Mid-Semester Rushing

## All Contact Banned During Final Exams

A new rushing code, with between-semester rushing as its major change, was adopted by Panhellenic Council, governing body for women's sororities last spring.

Under the code, invitations to four formal parties will be issued one week before final examinations begin. No contact between rushees and sorority women will be allowed during final week.

Formal rushing will start on January 29 and continue until February 7. Usual week-end silent periods will be in effect.

The rushing code was changed so that the intensive rushing period will be during registration and the first two days of second semester classes. According to the committee which drew up the code, class-cutting for rushing purposes will be decreased.

Two first-semester open houses were replaced by get-togethers. However, three open houses will be held by sororities early in the first semester. All freshman and transfers will be asked.

Transfer students will be permitted to visit fraternity women in dormitory rooms except during strict silent periods. Fraternity women will be allowed to visit transfer students until Christmas.

Visiting in freshman rooms is forbidden after the four-week period of free association at the beginning of the semester.

Half the men students and one-third of the co-eds at the University of Nebraska are either entirely or partially self-supporting.

## Dean Of Women



Miss Charlotte E. Ray, above is Dean of Women. Directly or indirectly she has a voice in all activities of the 1500 women students on campus.

## THE DEPARTMENT STATE'S BIGGEST

Largest in the state, the College home economics department, has numerous units, including a cafeteria, advisory council, home management houses, several honoraries and a club.

Located on the ground floor of the Home Economics Building, the cafeteria, which is open to the public, enables students to gain practical experience.

The two-year-old Home Economics Advisory Council is a student-faculty organization composed of two representatives and two alternates from each class, two members from each officially recognized home economics organization, two faculty representatives and two graduate student representatives.

In their junior or senior year, home economics students live in one of the three home management houses for either a third or a half semester, where they put into operation previous training. Students plan and prepare all meals, market, clean, launder, care for a baby and entertain. Family living is emphasized.

Home economics majors may aim for two honoraries. The Ellen H. Richards Club pledges women at the end of the sophomore year who are in the upper two-fifths of their class, possess leadership qualities and professional ability and have two activities for which they receive no college credit.

Highest honor for a home economics student is membership in Omicron Nu, a scholastic honorary comparable to Phi Beta Kappa in the Liberal Arts School.

Purpose of the Home Economics Club is to acquaint students with the various fields and to promote interest. Membership is open to students who maintain a minimum average of 1.00, attend three consecutive business meetings, work on one committee and show interest in the club.

Students publish the Home Economics Handbook which serves as a directory for freshmen and transfers. Candidates for staff positions are called second semester.

## Food Price Rise Causes Higher Dorm Board Cost

Because of the national rise in food prices, the College Board of Trustees has increased board charge in women's dining halls \$9 a semester, effective immediately, according to President Ralph D. Hetzel.

Though the charge will be \$126 a semester or \$252 a year, it is low in comparison with that of other institutions, he added. Downtown dormitories have also raised their

# PANHEL GOVERNS 15 SORORITIES

Playing an important part in a coed's campus life at Penn State are the 12 national and 3 local sororities. Each has as its aim the formation of strong friendships during college years and the building of mutual service.

Panhellenic Council is a group composed of two representatives from each sorority house. Rushing chairmen from the respective houses and delegates appointed by active members are required to attend regular council meetings.

At these weekly meetings, rushing problems, association with freshmen and transfers, and social and activity projects of the organization are hashed over and settled. Miss Mary Jane Stevenson, assistant to the dean of women, is advisor to the group. This year's president is Jean A. Krauser '42.

Panhellenic Council presidents are named in rotary fashion. This enables every house to be represented by a president.

The Council metes out punishment to sororities that break Panhellenic rules. It is a branch of the National Panhellenic Congress which is composed of 22 fraternities, comprising nationals all over the nation.

In addition to helping houses keep within the regulations of the Panhellenic code, the Council sponsors several programs during the college year. These activities include a stunt night at which each sorority vies for prizes by presenting amusing skits before freshmen, the Panhellenic dance, held at the Nittany Lion Inn after Christmas vacation for all fraternity women, the Panhellenic tea for freshmen women to meet informally with fraternity women and the Panhellenic sing.

To further help the freshmen, the Council has published a handbook which answers puzzling questions that might bother freshmen in regard to sororities.

## Two Women's Dormitories Remodeled During Summer

McAllister Hall and Women's Building received "beauty treatments" during the summer.

Both dormitories will be open to freshmen women. In McAllister Hall, modern bathrooms, new plastering, new floors, and improved heating and wiring systems were installed. Partitions were removed to enlarge some of the smaller rooms, and new locks and post office boxes have replaced the open box system.

Women's Building was similarly remodeled. One room, from which a window formerly opened onto the fire escape, was converted into a corridor to make the escape more accessible.

## Presides Over WSGA

Jean Babcock '42, above, is president of the Women's Student Government Association. All women students automatically become members of the WSGA, women's self-governing organization.

## Women In Defense—

# WSGA Plan Begins This Fall; Credit Given For Courses

Of interest to freshman women as well as upperclass coeds is the Women in Defense program which will be initiated this fall under WSGA House of Representatives with Margaret K. Sherman '43 in charge.

Last semester women enrolled for credit courses in Red Cross first aid, nutrition, elementary mechanics, sewing, and office skills and practices.

Designed to develop skills and interest in defense, courses will be open to all coeds as WSGA activities or for College credit. They will include Home Economics 13 or 309, modified for defense and work with the Friends' Service Committee.

The Overhaul Course, under Prof. Ralph U. Blasingame, head of the department of agricultural engineering, will give practical information on automobiles and repairing of home equipment such as sewing machines, sockets and electric irons. It is similar to the "hairpin" course at Cornell.

Included in a clerical course

outlined by Miss Honora M. Noyes, economics instructor, will be filing procedures, possible business machine demonstrations, postal information and switch board operations.

A similar defense program has been undertaken at Wilson College with non-credit courses in recreational leadership, sports and health, first aid and public speaking.

In connection with defense though apart from the Women in Defense program, Miss Laura W. Drummond, Miss Phyllis K. Sprague and Miss Ina Padgett, of the home economics department, and Frederick F. Lininger and Raymond A. Dutcher, of the School of Agriculture, are working on the State Nutrition Council, under the direction of the Federal Government.

Fordham University has added lecture courses on recent advances in pharmacology and practice and theory of first aid.

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