

Pledging Hits New High At 585

Phi Kappa Sigma, Beta Sigma Rho Deadlock At 21

An all-time record of pledging was established yesterday as Interfraternity Council received 50 more names to raise the total to 585 for the official rushing season. Previous all-time high was established in 1934 when 568 students were pledged.

The present official listing credits 75 pledges more than were recorded in last year's drive which totaled 510.

Phi Kappa Sigma, pledging five yesterday, tied Beta Sigma Rho for first place with a total of 21. A three way tie resulted when Gamma Sigma Phi, Pi Kappa Alpha, and Sigma Phi Epsilon each pledged 20 students.

The final list of pledges is given below. Figures in parentheses refer to the total number pledged by each house

- Acacia (6).
- Alpha Chi Rho (8).
- Alpha Chi Sigma (13): Walter Baxter.
- Alpha Gamma Rho (10): Robert J. Ball and Bill Laughlin.
- Alpha Kappa Phi (16): H. Paul Barnes, Daniel F. Finocchio, Alford L. Trueax Jr., Robert E. Peterson, and George M. Sherwin.
- Alpha Phi Delta (3): James L. Framo Jr.
- Alpha Sigma Phi (14).
- Alpha Tau Omega (7).
- Alpha Zeta (9): Albert P. Faust.
- Beta Sigma Rho (21): Samuel Rubin.
- Beta Theta Pi (17).
- Chi Phi (15).
- Delta Chi (17): Robert R. Coleman.
- Delta Sigma Phi (11): Harold Bernhardt Jr. and Donald Kulp.
- Delta Tau Delta (16): John Graf and Charles Tobler.
- Delta Upsilon (18): Robert M. Agne Jr., Samuel E. Moore, and Andrew W. Yurick.
- Gamma Sigma Phi (20): Sheldon Baldinger and Walter Fisch.

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News Flashes

PARIS — A state of siege was declared in the former French capital last night in a German attempt to stop anti-Nazi disorders. Meanwhile, Serbian guerillas numbering 12,000 attacked the German garrison of a Balkan town to starting a battle that is still raging.

LONDON — General Archibald Wavell visited here yesterday to discuss the possibility of British aid to Russia in the Far East.

BERLIN — Leningrad is nearer to actual demolition after Nazi pincer movements around the Russian city proved successful, according to latest Berlin dispatches.

SAN DIEGO — Consolidated Aircraft strike vote has sent the latest labor dispute in defense industries before the Defense Mediation Board.

BASEBALL SCORES

- National League**
- St. Louis 4, Pittsburgh 0
- Brooklyn 4, Boston 2
- New York 4, Philadelphia 1
- New York 2, Philadelphia 0
- Cincinnati 2, Chicago 0
- American League**
- New York 7, Philadelphia 2
- Chicago 2, Cleveland 1
- St. Louis 2, Detroit 1
- Boston 7, Washington 2
- Boston 5, Washington 4



SOPH PREXY—Jack R. Grey, sophomore class president, has appointed J. Kemp Noble '44 and Jack B. Bard as co-chairman of Soph Hop, November 7.

Enrollment Total Reaches 5,858

A pre-registration expectancy of a 10 per cent drop in "on-the-campus" enrollment was shattered yesterday afternoon when officials announced the total had reached 5,858 as compared with last year's October 12 figure of 6,433.

A number of students have to register which will boost the 90.7 per cent total of last year's mark even higher.

Reports from the College's several centers and the Mont Alto Forestry School have not been received, but it was believed that these figures would not leave the College enrollment too far off last year's final total of approximately 7,000.

While definite figures on the drop in enrollment in the upper classes has not been ascertained because registration figures have not been broken down into classes, it is believed that the largest drop will appear in the junior class.

Hazing Traditions Fall As Upperclassmen Heckle Coeds

Contrary to traditional upper-class hazing, freshman women as well as men were heckled in front of Old Main yesterday afternoon when the class of '45 decorated the campus with green hair ribbons and dinks for the first time since their arrival.

In spite of the dramatic pleas of Dayton Greenly, who was forced to propose to a frosh coed on bended knee, a scornful "No, no, a thousand times no" left him a bachelor.

With their pant-legs rolled up to their knees, two freshmen were made to chase two freshman women to the end of the campus where they grabbed them and dragged them back to Old Main.

More moderate hazing was demonstrated by frosh who tried to sing their class song while holding the buttons of their dinks between their teeth.

When upperclassmen swing into classroom routine or gradually become bored with hazing amusement, frosh heckling will continue on a more subdued scale. Until then, freshmen will have to endure the embarrassment of public solos and extemporaneous speeches.

Parmi Nous To Meet

All Parmi Nous members should be present at their meeting to be held at the Delta Chi house tonight at 7:30 p. m., it was announced by William F. Finn '42, president.

Noble, Bard Appointed Soph Hop Co-Chairmen

J. Kemp Noble '44 and Jack B. Bard '44 will be co-chairmen of Soph Hop this year, following appointments made last night by Jack R. Grey, sophomore class president, at the first fall meeting of the Campus '44 party.

Along with the appointments, Grey also reported that the co-chairmen had already contacted several dance-band booking agents, and that Jan Savitt's Top Hatters had been tentatively signed to play for the dance.

The contract with Savitt, however, contains a conditional clause which will allow the substitution of Glen Gray, Gene Krupa, or Harry James, should any of these bands become available on November 7, the night of the dance. Of these three, James appears to be the most likely substitute, since he is playing in New York City.

PSCA Groups Name Officers

Re-organization of the PSCA Cabinet and naming of officers to head the various commissions was accomplished at the first meeting of that body yesterday. Sarah P. Searle '42, and A. John Currier '42, PSCA co-presidents, announced last night.

Commission 1, Intercollegiate and World Fellowship, is headed by Elizabeth Howe '42, chairman, and Paul M. Heberling '44, vice-chairman. Harriet G. VanRiper '44, will head Commission 2, Membership Groups, and Daniel C. Gillespie '44, will serve as vice-chairman.

Cae Coleman '42, who was to serve as chairman of Commission 3, Religious Emphasis, will be succeeded by former vice-chairman Howard Mendenhall '42. Dorothy K. Brunner '44, will occupy the position of vice-chairman.

Public Affairs, Commission 4, is handled by Betty Mason '42, chairman, and Gerald B. Stein '44, as vice-chairman.

A new committee, Public Meetings, was organized with Walter N. Shambach '42, as chairman. All outside speakers and public forums will be promoted by this group.

Maintenance of the PSCA cabin is in charge of Ruth Williams '43, and Warren W. Currier '44, co-chairmen.

Ritter Advocates Blue Band Trip

One hurdle was cleared last night in the student drive to send the Blue Band to Buffalo for the Penn State-Colgate football game on October 4 with the announcement by James W. Ritter '42, president of the Interclass Finance Board, that the board members were in accord with the recommendation that \$375 be transferred from its budget to help pay the \$1500 expense needed for transportation.

Previously, \$750 of the total was offered by the Buffalo Junior Chamber of Commerce. The remaining \$375 is expected from an appropriation by the Athletic Association by consent of the Athletic Advisory Board, which meets this Saturday.

If the Blue Band is successful in securing this last sum, it will be off to Buffalo to play at the joint Penn State-Colgate rally at the Buffalo Memorial Auditorium on Friday, October 3. There is also the possibility of their appearing at a Penn State smoker and broadcasting over the Buffalo radio station the eve of the game, in addition to strutting in Civic Stadium, Buffalo, before the estimated crowd of 30,000 football fans.

With trips scheduled to Philadelphia for the Temple game on October 18 and for the Pitt game on November 22, the addition of the Buffalo jaunt would make this the most widely-traveled fall season in the history of the Blue Band, with the band covering approximately 1400 miles to meet three major opponents.

Fall Fever Bubbles Over In First Pajama Parade

There's no further doubt! The college year HAS started, as was proved last night by the fall's first pajama parade in which an enjoyable time was had by all.

The procession took its traditional course, originating in the fraternity section about 10:30 p. m., milling around Locust Lane a while, then assuming major proportions and proceeding to the campus. Aided by the rhythm of a bass drum, the cheering mob visited the men's dorms, women's building, Mac Hall, and Atherton Hall, serenading the coeds enroute.

When last heard from past midnight, the spirited "night-raiders" settled down after a friendly siege with the hatmen, and scattered around town to imbibe "coke."

Students Favor Joint Weekend Plan

"Soph Hop should be a big success, and if the plan of combining this dance and Fall Houseparty is continued in coming years, the 'soph flop' will be a thing of the past," Jack R. Gray, sophomore class president, said last night, following his announcement of co-chairmen for the dance.

A consensus of both fraternity and non-fraternity students also indicates that Soph Hop should be one of the top dances of the year. Two years ago, the dance was a financial success, due possibly to the fact that it was held on the same week-end as the highly-publicized Pitt game. That year, however, marked the only successful Soph Hop in almost a decade.

Gerald P. Doherty '42, who will

take over the duties of All-College president as a successor of Robert D. Baird ex-'42 said, "The joint-week-end idea is a good one. The Student Union Board has put across a plan that should have been tried long before this."

Thomas J. Henson '42, IFC president, comments, "By combining the two big weekends, fraternities will have an opportunity to stretch a weakened budget, in addition to offsetting the usual Soph Hop deficit."

Not everyone favors the new plan, however. Occasional comments from both fraternity and non-fraternity students show that some disapprove of the joint affair, because it will cut one week-



IMA HEAD—Elden T. Shaut '42, above, is president of the Independent Men's Association which will sponsor an Independent Freshmen Mens' Banquet with the cooperation of the Penn State Club and PSCA.

IMA To Sponsor Frosh Banquet

For the first time in the history of the College, an Independent Freshman Mens' banquet for all independent freshmen will be held under the joint sponsorship of the IMA, Penn State Club, and PSCA, it was announced last night by Elden T. Shaut '42, IMA head.

The affair will be held at the Nittany Lion Inn on October 12, Alumni Sunday. Dr. Fred Iglar, of the University of Pennsylvania, will be the main speaker.

Activities of the Independent Mens' Association will get under way, Shaut stated, when the IMA Council holds its first meeting next week. A social and athletic chairman will be elected at this time, he said, and the membership drive will begin.

"Plans are in effect now," Shaut revealed, "to construct or purchase a cabin for the use of independent organizations. Location of the site will be at Whipples Dam."

Hoffer Joins Air Corps

Robert L. Hoffer ex-'42 who left college last spring to enlist in the Army for three years, has been transferred from the reception center at New Cumberland, Md., to the Air Corps at Biloxi, Miss., for basic training.