

Formal Coffee Hours End Sorority Rushing Period

Following the silent period which began at 9 a. m. last night and lasts until 1:30 p. m. Sunday, rushees will attend the final rushing affair, Coffee Hours, of the Panhellenic formal rushing period.

Invitations to Coffee Hours must be turned in by sororities at 8 o'clock this morning and may be picked up by rushees from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m. today. Rushees should return invitations to Coffee Hours from 1 to 5 p. m. and sororities may pick up the answers from 5 to 6:15 p. m.

Two Coffee Hours

Invitations will be extended by sororities for one of two periods. The first Coffee Hour will be held from 1:30 to 3 p. m. Sunday, while the second will be held from 3:45 to 5:15 p. m. Times originally scheduled by Panhellenic for Saturday night were changed at a special meeting of the Council two weeks ago. Reason for the change was the presence of so many sorority alumnae who will be in town for homecoming and on Saturday night.

Rules made by the Panhellenic Council governing Coffee Hours provide that:

1. Each rushee may attend two coffee hours.
2. Girls who are interested in joining a sorority are encouraged to attend the coffee hours.
3. All rushees will be called for at their dormitories by the members of each sorority.
4. Formal evening dress is worn at the coffee hours.
5. Each sorority must send out invitations to two coffee hours.

Rule number five as listed above was under discussion at special Panhellenic meeting called last night by Delores Jelacic, president, at the request of four sorority groups. The latter all wish to obtain permission to have only one Coffee Hour.

Permission was asked on the basis of the small number of persons who will be invited to the Coffee Hours of these groups, and on the basis of the number of rushees expected to attend. Results of the meeting and the de-

Coed Corner

Sorority formal rushing is almost over and participating girls, both sorority members and rushees, are finding themselves somewhat near physical and mental exhaustion.

Much of this ending rushing dependency is to be expected, no matter in what manner the period is conducted and no matter how satisfying and beneficial the outcome appears to be. Some of the strain, however, is due to faulty construction in the rules and to lack of real interest by the sororities in the rushing rules devised.

When the rushing code was arranged by a special committee of Panhellenic Council last semester, the code was accepted by the Council without a thorough review of the principles involved. Thus the problem of the Army football game did not become so until the immediate situation became evident this semester.

Likewise, the serious problem of having rushees attend coed dates knowing that they had not received an invitation to a sorority's evening party and thereby knowing that they had been cut by that sorority did not seem evident or serious until the situation appeared during this season's rushing period.

Perhaps needless to say, the problem is embarrassing to both sorority members and especially to the rushee who has been cut. It has long been known and the fact as long criticized that sorority rushing is too complicated. The intricate system of certain hours to do this and certain to do other things, including the observance of silent periods, is a confusion capable of making the most understanding and patient give up in despair.

The problem of this complication has been raised in Panhellenic Council before and certain parts have been cleared up. This, however, was due more to members of the rushing committee than to any real participation by every sorority. Clearly, the fault lies with sororities and they may blame no one but themselves.

cision reached will be printed in Saturday's Collegian.

Sorority preferential lists are due in the Dean of Women's office at 6:30 p. m. Sunday. Rushees may sign preferential cards in the dean's office from 7 to 10 p. m. Sunday and from 9 to 10 a. m. Monday.

Rush chairmen call at the dean's office for lists of acceptances for their houses at 7 p. m. Tuesday and ribboning follows immediately.

Expense Sheets

Rush chairmen are requested to save all rushing bills to be attached to the expense sheets, which must be turned in at the time designated by Panhel. Any sorority which does not turn in an expense account within two weeks of that time will be liable for a penalty.

Tap On Shoulder Warns Frosh To Beware

A slight tap on the shoulder, a few words to the effect that, "Remember, you're a Frosh," and another Freshman has been tapped. By receiving her first so-called tap, she is well on her way to having an interview with the Freshman Customs Board.

According to the new rule imposed upon the Frosh, they may be tapped on the shoulder by any upperclassman when caught breaking rules. This is really just a warning, but if she repeats the offense a second time and is again tapped by the same upperclassman, she is reported to the Board. This may seem strict, but cheer up Frosh—it can't last forever, and better things are just ahead.

Alpha Lambda Delta

The meeting of Alpha Lambda Delta previously announced for last Wednesday night will be held instead Wednesday night of next week, according to Miss Edith Zinn, advisor to the group. Members will meet in 105 Old Main at 6:30 p. m.

Simmons, McElwain Dorms Familiar Names These Days

Two names on the lips of hundreds these days, but which would have brought no response several years ago, are Simmons and McElwain, the home of approximately 1000 coeds.

These two Georgian Colonial styled dormitories were named for Miss Lucretia V. Simmons and Miss Harriet A. McElwain, who taught for many years at the College.

Simmons has been in use for over a year but McElwain was not opened until this fall. However, they were both dedicated on June 5, 1948.

During the ceremony a sealed copper box was placed in the cornerstone of each building. In this box were placed articles typical of the College today.

Among other things were a scrapbook on the present day coed, two dolls dressed in the costumes of Miss Penn State coed, 1948, in formal and informal attire, and leaflets on the various campus organizations.

Principal

Miss McElwain, Lady Principal and Professor of history at the College, was graduated from Mt. Holyoke Seminary in June, 1881. After two years of teaching she came to the College as the Lady Principal.

It was through her efforts that women students were taken from the unattractive quarters in a portion of the west wing of the Old Main building. She personally visited the State Legislature at Harrisburg and secured appropriations for the Ladies' Cottage, or Woman's Building, as it is now known.

For the first two or three years, in addition to having charge of the Ladies' Department and the teaching of history, she taught Latin and mathematics in the Preparatory Department. She also served as President Atherton's private secretary.

Simmons

Miss Simmons was Dean of Women at the College from 1918 to 1919 and professor of German for many years.

Miss Julia Brill, vice-president of the Penn State Alumni Association, who spoke at the dedication said of her: "As the only woman department head in the School of Liberal Arts she met so graciously the challenges facing her, Lean Stoddard used to refer to her as one of the best men I have."

Dormitories Hold Officer Elections

Elections of officers for each women's living unit will take place after 10 p. m. this Monday and Tuesday in the respective dormitories, Ella Louise Williams, vice-president of WSGA announced.

Nominations were held last week in the dorms and names of the nominees are now posted on dormitory bulletin boards.

The president of each unit, including the cottages, conducts the group's meetings and represents her section on the House of Representatives, a women's student governing body. She must have a 1.5 All-College average. Miss Williams is the chairman of the House.

The vice-president adopts the president's duties in the latter's absence and the secretary records the unit meetings.

Until this semester, sororities also sent a member to the House. This practice will now be discontinued, since the sororities are all represented in their dormitory units.

A survey of all home economics women graduates of the first ten years after women entered the College revealed that 76.6 percent obtained a Mrs. degree.

Marriages

Brown—Kapp

The marriage of Miss Mary Kapp of Butler and Hylton L. Brown Jr. of Silver Spring, Md. took place this summer in Butler. Miss Kapp, who is a member of Kappa Delta Sorority, was graduated from the School of Education in June.

Mr. Brown, a Pi Kappa Alpha, was graduated in February in electrical engineering. They are residing in Cincinnati.

Cunningham—Roth

Miss Dolores Roth of Upper Darby and John Cunningham, of Harrisburg were married in Philadelphia on September 10. Mr. Cunningham, a member of Sigma Pi, was graduated in February in electrical engineering, and is working for the Pennsylvania Railroad in Harrisburg.

Updegrove—Wiest

The marriage of Miss Nieta Wiest and Richard Updegrove of Pottsville took place in Pott-

ville on August 27. Mr. Updegrove, a junior in commerce and finance, is a member of Sigma Pi.

Cramer—Edwards

Miss Jane Edwards and Robert Cramer, of Drexel Hill, were married on August 27. Miss Edwards was graduated from West Chester State Teachers College in June. Mr. Cramer, a member of Sigma Pi, is a junior in industrial engineering.

The average woman, though statistics show her to have slightly more education than the average man, finds it more difficult to obtain a job.

Chi Omega, the first national sorority on campus, established its local chapter in 1926.

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