

FMA May Add Meat Service

Members of the Fraternity Marketing Association Board of Trustees agreed Monday to investigate further the possibility of adding meats and furniture to their list of items they supply University fraternities.

Most urgent and logical addition, members thought, was meat since surveys show many of the 25 fraternities which use FMA services have meat bills of up to \$600 each month. Judging from this, they would be able to do at least \$12,500 worth of business monthly, a spokesman said.

Robert K. Murray, president of the organization, explained that including meats would also financially enable FMA to hire a part-time secretary to do its clerical work. The expense of about \$200 a month would be borne by a 2 per cent service charge on all sales, he said.

Twice-monthly Payments
Offers have already been made by several meat selling concerns to supply the member houses' needs, he reported, and discounts of up to 12 per cent were included. Before any are accepted, however, he emphasized, all dealers in the area would be given a chance to secure the contract by competitive bidding.

If a meat service was found to be feasible, Murray said, it would be started the coming semester—either the first of February or the first of March. At the beginning, he said, it would undoubtedly be necessary for FMA to alter its constitution and allow payments by fraternities for meat to be made twice each month.

Bids would probably be accepted at two different times during the semester, he said. This would give all dealers in meats, including fish and fowl, more chances to capture the group's business, he said.

Additional Items Planned
The probability of FMA's going into furniture supply was called even more remote than the meat. The discussion was caused by the inquiries of several interested parties who said they might be able to offer up to 35 per cent discounts for volume purchases.

Other items which the group is going to investigate as possible additions to their canned goods (Continued on page eight)

Audience Turns Critic

Coleman Play Opens Tonight As Experiment

Audience reaction will play a major role in Players' presentation of "Pillars in the Night," at 8 tonight in the Little Theater, basement of Old Main. Performances will be given tomorrow and Friday nights.

An original full-length play by William E. Coleman, former graduate student in dramatics, "Pillars" is being produced as part of the experimental program of the Dramatics division and Players. The program is directed toward helping student playwrights by showing them, through production, possibilities for improvement.

Coleman, who is now on the staff of Slippery Rock State Teachers College, will be present at the performances to study audience reaction to his play in its present form. Although he has written other plays for Five O'clock Theatre, "Pillars in the Night" will be his first full-length production completely staged by Players.

The play, which concerns a rifle squad's adventures in the last days of World War II, is based on Coleman's personal recollections of army life.

Free tickets for the three performances are available in the Dramatics office, second floor of Schwab Auditorium. William S. Smith, associate professor of dramatics, who taught Coleman in playwriting courses last year, is director for "Pillars."

Weather to Stay Cloudy, Cold

The weather today will continue cloudy and colder, with scattered snow flurries, Charles A. Weintraub of the University Weather Station said late yesterday afternoon. Temperatures were expected to drop to 20 degrees by early this morning.

The big snow storm from the Midwest which was expected to blanket Centre County moved off Monday night with strong winds, including gusts up to 50 miles per hour.

3 Admit Theft At Fraternity

The Association of Independent Men's Judicial Board of Review Monday night recommended office probation until the end of the spring semester for three students who admitted stealing food from Alpha Chi Rho Dec. 5.

Office probation means that if a student is involved in further disciplinary action, the Dean of Men's office will enter the offense on his permanent record. The Dean of Men must accept the board's recommendation before probation will go into effect.

Two of the three students appeared before the board. The third was given permission by John Ball, board chairman, to be absent on condition he would accept the penalty given the two who appeared before the board. The students paid for the stolen items, two hams and seven boxes of tomatoes, and apologized to the fraternity.

Campus Snapshots Sought by LaVie

Students may still submit snapshots taken on campus or in State College for the campus life section of the 1954 LaVie, Herman Golomb, editor, has announced.

Pictures may be submitted to the Student Union desk in Old Main, and will become the property of the LaVie. Pictures will be selected by the LaVie staff for good quality, as well as relevance to Penn State or students of the University.

Classes to Be Held In Pollock Dorm 8

Pollock Dormitory 8 will be converted into a classroom building for use in the spring semester, Charles A. Lamm, supervisor of building maintenance and operation, announced yesterday.

Four classrooms for the use of elementary education classes will be constructed in the building. The conversion, Lamm said, is a temporary measure, made necessary because the Education college has outgrown facilities in Burrowes Building. Education classes next semester are also scheduled in nine other buildings. Offices of the College of Education may also be located in the building. Pollock 8 is presently vacated.

Lamm also announced alterations presently underway in campus buildings.

New plumbing service and new laboratory equipment is being installed in Home Economics South. Plans call for the redecoration of the building.

The alteration of the second floor lounge in Old Main will probably be completed in four or five weeks, Lamm said. A conference room is being constructed in the northern part of the lounge. Approximately one-third of the lounge will be converted into the conference room. The remainder of the room will continue to be used as a lounge.

In the Temporary Union building, worn out sub-flooring is now being replaced. Lamm said no other alterations will be made in the TUB until its future use is determined.

The interiors of the Forestry Building and Frear Laboratory are currently being decorated.

Extensive repairs of housing units in Windcrest have been made, Lamm said. After the leases of present occupants have expired, the area will probably no longer be occupied, he said.

Conflict Filing Deadline Today

Students having two or more examinations scheduled for the same hour, or three examinations in one day may file conflict cards until 5 p.m. today in 2 Willard.

Seniors who have finals scheduled after 7 p.m. Jan. 22 must also file conflicts, Scheduling Officer Ray V. Watkins, has announced.

Time for examinations scheduled "By Appointment" should not be set until the schedule for conflict examinations has been published, Watkins said.

Scheduling timetables for the spring semester are still on sale in the basement of Willard Hall for 20 cents. They list time sequences and rooms for courses planned for next semester.

Commerce Fraternity Initiates Ten Members

Alpha Kappa Psi, professional commerce fraternity, initiated ten members Thursday at Theta Chi. Initiates are John Correnti, John Carey, Thomas Wise, James Murphy, Ronald Hansen, Robert Simmons, Stanford Zeiders, Joseph Ginsberg, Lee Maimon, and Robert Gornall.

Letters to Be Placed On Campus Gateway

Metallic letters reading "The Pennsylvania State University" will be installed on the pylons flanking the new campus gateway at Pollock and Atherton roads, Walter H. Wiegand, director of the University Physical Plant, said Monday. Lights will be installed so the letters are visible at night.

The campus gateway was a gift to the University from the Class of 1903. It was dedicated last June on the 50th anniversary of the graduation of the class.

Ed Fellowships Now Available To Graduates

The Danforth Foundation of St. Louis, Mo. has announced that applications will be accepted for graduate fellowships for seniors and recent graduates who are preparing for a career of college teaching and are planning to enter graduate school in September, 1954, for the first year of study.

The foundation welcomes applicants from fields of natural sciences, social sciences, humanities and other fields of specialization.

The appointments are primarily a relationship of encouragement but carry a promise of financial aid if need is shown.

Qualifications for candidates are evidence of superior intellectual ability in college, a good health and emotional record, an outgoing personality and concern for people, choice of teaching as a Christian service, and deep religious convictions.

Ag Coffee Hour Attended by 500

Approximately 500 persons attended the Ag Hill coffee hour yesterday between 3:30 and 5:30 p.m. in the livestock judging pavilion.

The meeting, sponsored by the Agriculture Student Council, drew extension representatives and county agents from all over the state. The group will remain for a series of meetings throughout the week.

Welcome speeches were given by Lyman E. Jackson, dean of the College of Agriculture, and Russell B. Dickerson, associate dean.

Two Freshman Coeds Describe Peron Dictatorship in Argentina

By PADDY BEAHAN

A crowd gathers to watch 30 policemen make a menacing ring around an "enemy of the people." The enemy is a little boy with a toy gun. A policeman tells him grimly to "put the gun away."

That situation typifies Argentina under Juan Peron's dictatorship as described by two freshman coeds who have just left that country.

The freshmen are Gillian Hamer, who went to school in Argentina for six years, and Marian Weaver, whose father is economic attache at the American consulate in Buenos Aires.

Scene is Actual

Marian's sister actually witnessed the scene described above in front of a newspaper building in Buenos Aires. Gillian, who started school in Argentina the year Peron came to power and left Argentina the year he was re-elected, said that few dare speak against him.

"You are careful what you say even in taxi cabs," she said. "Anyone might be an informer."

The resistance against Peron, Gillian said, centers around the university students, who are always being jailed. Gillian attended an English-owned school in Argentina and the students there were told to be particularly careful what they said and to whom they talked because the government was just waiting for an excuse to close down all foreign-owned schools.

Peron has the working people behind him, largely due to the efforts of his wife, Evita, who died of cancer over a year ago. In describing how solemnly the first anniversary of Evita's death was celebrated, Marian told of one

group of men who were jailed for three days for playing cards on the eve of the anniversary. And the prayers read over the radio, she said, were not for Evita but to her.

Labor Profits Under Peron
Workers have profited by the Peron rule, the girls said, but the cost of living has risen 300 per cent and prices have risen more than wages.

Gillian, who is a citizen of Brazil, came to Penn State University because her father was a student here and a member of the varsity football team in the early 20s. He is now with the Armour Co. in Brazil. A brother, Richard, also attends the University and a younger brother at home plans to come here.

Gillian is majoring in business administration. She has gone to school in Uruguay and Argentina and can speak Portuguese, Spanish, and English.

Surprised at Football
Despite her father's coaching, she wasn't prepared for football. One thing that surprised her was that life for the football player isn't all "party party" as her father's descriptions indicated.

Marian, a rugby fan, has also been converted to football. By English standards she thinks she gets pretty excited at football games. At cricket and rugby matches, she explained, fans sometimes let themselves go with some restrained clapping and a "jolly good."

Marian's father is a former economics instructor at the University. She is majoring in languages with the idea of going into the diplomatic service, possibly the American Information Service.

From Oklahoma to Argentina
She was born in Oklahoma, lived in Washington, D.C. until she was eight, in Peru until she was 11, and in England until she

was 16 and her father was sent to Argentina.

Marian was graduated from a private school in England but attended the American school in Buenos Aires to get an American diploma.

Both girls found it hard at first to adjust to the pace of living which is faster and more mechanical here than what they were used to. They are pretty well settled now except, like any Penn State coed, they miss the home cooking, especially the meat dishes. Fillet mignon can be had in Argentina for 35 cents a pound. Imagine complaining about having steak every night!

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