

# Fraternities to Begin Pledging Eligible Freshmen February 20

Feb 20 has been set as the date when fraternities may begin to extend bids to freshman rush-ees inviting them to become pledges, and the entire week through the 27 has been set aside as "Rush Week."

The announcement was made by O. Edward Pollock Jr., assistant to the dean of men in charge of fraternity affairs, after the date was approved by the Association of Fraternity Counselors last night

## 3 Discipline Cases Sent To AIM

Two cases involving students' use of fireworks in University dormitories and one involving two students who violated University regulations by drinking in a Nittany dormitory have been referred to the Association of Independent Men's Judicial Board of Review.

A third fireworks disciplinary case has been settled by the Dean of Men's office, James W. Dean, assistant to the dean of men in charge of independent affairs, has announced.

Five students from second floor McKee Hall were referred to the AIM board by Dean for exploding iodide crystals on the floor Jan. 4, 5 and 6. Two of the five were previously serving on office probation, Dean said. Whether or not their offenses are recorded on their permanent record is up to the AIM board, he said.

The other case to be referred to the board is the case of the student who ignited a cherry bomb in the second floor lavatory of Hamilton Hall Jan. 3. The bomb destroyed a commode in the lavatory.

Two students from Nittany dormitory 35 who were involved in a drinking party the night of Jan. 3 will also be sent before the board, Dean said. Originally four students were involved in the party but two were eliminated, Dean said.

A student who was caught Friday in Pollock dormitory 14 with an unlit roman candle in his possession has been placed on office probation for the rest of the University year, Dean said. The student must report to the Dean of Men's office once every month until probation is lifted, he said.

No disciplinary action was taken in the case of five students in Jordan Hall who gave another resident a haircut Saturday night. The five furnished the money for the other student to obtain another haircut.

at Sigma Nu. They acted upon a recommendation of the executive committee of the Interfraternity Council.

Pollock pointed out the Recorder's office has assured him final semester grades will be available by then to clear up the matter of whether the prospective pledge has the required 1.0 semester average. This is the earliest the grades have been available in several years, he said, and accounts for the early pledging date.

### Grades May Be Checked

A copy of the grades of each student will be available in the Dean of Men's office for rushing chairman to check if they are in doubt about any rushees grades, Pollock said. However, he explained, most students will have their own copies by then and can inform fraternities of their own standing.

Approval by the AFC of the date for the beginning of legal pledging before it is announced is in accordance with the Interfraternity Rushing and Pledging Code.

The code also notes several other pledging regulations in addition to those concerning the date when it may begin and the average necessary. It stipulates that no fraternity may offer pledge-ship to any student not receiving resident instruction on the campus of the University.

### \$2 Pledge Fee

Although he might wear the pin of a fraternity, the code rules that no rushee is recognized as pledged until receipt by IFC of an official acceptance card and the \$2 pledge fee. It adds that each fraternity shall pay its \$10 annual dues before it receives any official acceptance cards.

If a man breaks his pledge, the code states, he may not be pledged nor remain overnight in any fraternity house for a period of at least 30 days. This section is to be in force throughout the academic year, but does not apply to pledges dissolved by sole action of the fraternity.

Men interested in joining a fraternity have been urged by Bruce Coble, IFC rushing chairman, to pick up a descriptive rushing magazine and a fraternity preference card from their dormitory counselors or at the Dean of Men's office. About 300 preference cards have already been received, he said, and lists of interested students are expected to be available to fraternities late this week.

## 50 Attend Harrisburg Farm Show

Approximately 50 faculty and staff members attended the opening session of the 38th annual Pennsylvania Farm Show yesterday at the Farm Show Building in Harrisburg.

Gov. John S. Fine made the welcoming speech at the opening exercises before a capacity crowd of about 8000. The State Police then entertained the crowd with a display of horsemanship and dog training.

The annual affair, sponsored by the State Farm Commission, will continue until Friday.

James Dunlop, director of the Blue Band, will direct the Pennsylvania Future Farmers of America Band tonight at the 9th annual rural talent festival. Theme of the festival is "Song of the Soil."

A record \$55,912 in awards broken into 9800 separate prizes will be given out to competing farmers during the week. Over \$5.5 million worth of exhibits will be on display for the 1954 show, dedicated to "The Pennsylvania Rural Home."

On exhibition are thousands of choice livestock, farm products, farm machinery, and equipment. The steady flow of beef cattle, dairy cattle, swine, horses, and sheep into the Farm Show Building ended over the weekend.

## Nittany Council Reports 20 Ill, 6 in Infirmary

About 20 residents of the Nittany-Pollock area became ill last week, suffering stomach ailments, and six were admitted to the University Infirmary, it was learned at a meeting of the Nittany Council last night.

The six students admitted to the Infirmary were troubled with stomach disorder, according to Herbert R. Glenn, director of the University Health Service. No definite attribution as to the cause of the illness could be determined, Glenn said. However, all evidence seemed to point to a potato salad eaten by the six, he said.

None of the salad was available for examination when the illness was discovered, Glenn pointed out.

James Lloyd, chairman of the food committee for the Nittany area, said there were about 20, perhaps more, who complained of stomach trouble. He said his information is indefinite and incomplete, but he will conduct an investigation.

Thomas Claypoole, sixth semester meteorology major, one of the six who visited the Infirmary, said four other men who ate in the same dining hall as he were among those in the Infirmary. Numerous others who became ill did not report to the Infirmary, Claypoole said.

## Coed Knocked Out From Fall on Ice

Carlene Samuels, third semester pre-medical major, was knocked unconscious when she fell on the ice near Carnegie Hall Saturday morning.

She struck her head when she fell and was taken to the University Infirmary for examination. Infirmary officials reported yesterday she was not injured seriously and was released Saturday.

Giving servicemen free mail in World War II cost the Post Office department about \$91 million a year.

### They'll Be Blue

## Customs Revisions Would Affect Dinks

### Squalls and Chills Seen for Today

After seven inches of snowfall yesterday, guess what the weather will be today?

It'll snow. And it'll be cold.

Light snow squalls are expected to continue all day today. The high today is predicted to be 25 degrees above zero—if that can be called high. Tomorrow night the temperature is expected to dip to 5 degrees above zero.

## 54 Promotions Made to LaVie Junior Board

Shirley Stuckey, managing editor of LaVie, yesterday announced 54 promotions to the annual's junior board.

Those promoted are Aurelia Arre, Alexander Ayers, Mary Lou Benner, Arlene Borgeson, Mary Burke, David Carvey, Joan Clary, Tela Cohn, Martha Colaianni, Barbara Cotter, William Demetris, Michael Doyle.

Dorothea Ebert, Nina Finkle, Lois Freed, Joan Freyler, Gail Fromer, Richard Gordon, Jean Graham, Grace Hampel, Nancy Hicks, Doris Humphrey, Bernard Kleinstub, Mary Lee Lauffer, Julia Leichel, Gilda Lobock, John McNeill.

Beverly Marcus, Suzanne Morgan, Mary Nolt, Edith Pippenger, Alan Pomeroy, Norma Reck, Phyllis Richards, Evelyn Riegel, Gretchen Iobb, Elaine Rothstein, Joan Rowland, Suzanne Santee, Joseph Sendek.

Joyce Shusman, Gail Smith, Nancy Smith, Margaret Stevenson, Virginia Sturm, Charles Turner, Stanton Vogin, Richard Walsh, Randall Washburn, Sandra Weichel, Susanne Wescott, Dorothy Williams, Barbara A. Woodward, and Mary Lou Yandow.

### MIT Prof to Speak

Professor Milton Shaw, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will speak on metal cutting at the American Society of Metals' meeting at 8 tonight in 219 Electrical Engineering.

## Donovan Praises New SU Building

By BETTY KOSTER

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Freshman men and women would be required to wear name cards and blue dinks with the white University seal for the duration of a two-weeks customs period, according to proposed revisions of customs regulations that will be submitted to All-College Cabinet Thursday.

The revisions were approved Saturday by the Freshman Customs Board.

According to the proposed revisions, appeals of violation cases from the board and from Tribunal or Judicial would be heard by the Senate committee on student affairs subcommittee on discipline, rather than by All-College Cabinet.

Veterans would be automatically exempted from customs, regardless of age, according to the new plans. A student who falsified information to show he was a veteran and avoid customs would be considered a customs violator.

Whereas hatmen and women have been considered responsible for customs enforcement, this task would revert mainly to sophomores, according to the proposed revisions. Hatmen and women would be charged with preventing excesses in hazing. This provision would place them on the "side" of the frosh rather than on that of the upperclassmen, a customs board spokesman said.

The customs board also proposed to change its organization. If plans are approved, the board will consist of three sophomore men and three sophomore women with a junior man and junior woman as co-chairmen. The men would be appointed by Tribunal and the women by Judicial, with approval of All-College Cabinet.

Members of the customs board would not be permitted to be members of Tribunal or Judicial. However, the chairman of Tribunal and the chairman of Judicial would serve as non-voting members of the customs board.

In cases involving freshman women brought before the customs board, the junior woman would act as chairman. The junior man would be chairman of the board when it heard cases involving freshman men.

According to the regulations in effect now, there must be a man and woman from each of the three upperclasses on the board in addition to the co-chairmen. The co-chairmen are the chairman of Tribunal and the chairman of Freshman Customs and Regulations Board, a subdivision of the Women's Student Government Association.

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## Early Fee Payment Urged by Hogan

Students have been cautioned to make fee payments for the Spring semester early this month in order to avoid a last minute rush which may make it impossible for many students to pay fees in time for registration.

David C. Hogan, University bursar, yesterday urged students not to delay payments until after mid-semester recess. A receipt showing fee payment from the Bursar's office will be necessary for registration.

Students will not be admitted to Recreation Hall with the excuse that they were unable to pay fees because of overcrowding of facilities in the basement of Willard, he said.

### Mail Payments Drop

According to Hogan, payment of fees by mail or in person has dropped in the last week, and he is afraid most students are planning to make last minute payments.

"We cannot possibly handle several thousand fee payments right before registration without confusion and delay," he said. "In such an event, many students would probably have to register late."

Receipts for payments made by mail will be sent to students at their homes, and they may be picked up during mid-semester recess.

### Hogan Urges Early Payment

The new system, adopted last semester, proved successful as more than 7500 students paid fees by mail before registering. Hogan

said he did not expect such a large response by mail this semester, but hoped that students would attempt to pay fees early in this manner or over the counter at the Bursar's office.

Registration for the spring semester will start at 8 a.m. Feb. 3 for juniors and seniors. Freshmen and sophomores will begin registering at 10 a.m. Feb. 4 and will continue through Feb. 6. Graduate students may register at any time.

### 2 Hours Added Feb. 4

Juniors and seniors will be given an extra two hours for registration Feb. 4 in order to eliminate overcrowding of facilities which delayed registration last semester, H. A. Sperber, assistant scheduling officer said.

Scheduling timetables for the Spring semester are still on sale for 20 cents in the basement of Willard Hall. They contain alphabetical listings for registration and a schedule of all courses planned for next semester.

Students are asked to report to their advisers at least 24 hours before they are to register to draw up trial schedules and receive envelopes containing forms necessary for registration.