

# FMA Outlines Furniture Plans

Details involved in the purchase of furniture through the Fraternity Marketing Association have been revealed in a letter to member fraternities sent out by the FMA board of trustees.

In the letter, written by Harold W. Perkins, board secretary, for FMA President Robert K. Murray, it was announced that O. W. Houts, Inc. of State College has granted a discount of 27 per cent below retail prices to the group.

Murray has pointed out that individual fraternities are currently receiving only about 10 per cent discounts. He said the large discount was granted exclusively to FMA because of its expected volume of business. The procedure to be followed by fraternities using the plan as explained by the letter requires only that the cost of the purchase be deposited with FMA before the order is delivered. When the goods are purchased, Houts should be informed of the group's membership in FMA, the letter stated.

### Explains Plan

In explaining the plan, which goes into effect immediately, Murray said the classification of furniture also included draperies, rugs, bedding, and lamps. He said the marketing group hopes to add electrical appliances to this list in the future.

Murray stressed the advantages of the buying plan other than just obtaining a sizable discount. Fraternities will now be able to deal at home, have satisfaction guaranteed by FMA, avoid the cost of freight and handling, and not have the danger of breakage in shipment, he said.

### Current FMA Members

The furniture plan is automatically open to all current members of FMA and Murray urged other fraternities interested in the program to contact the organization. He said fraternities need not participate in the food buying plan to be eligible for the benefits of the furniture buying program.

While Houts is now the only supplier of the organization's furniture needs, Murray said FMA will be willing to handle the accounts of any furniture house interested in supplying goods to fraternities at a reasonable discount. It will not be on a competitive bidding plan such as now employed for the food buying program, he said.

### Daylight Saving Time Will Begin April 25

Students will be faced with the same old problem of whether to turn clocks one hour ahead or one hour behind when Daylight Saving Time returns at 2 a. m., April 25. The right answer is to turn clocks and watches one hour ahead.

State College Borough Council adopted Daylight Saving Time for the community Tuesday night. It will terminate at 2 a. m. Sept. 26.

# NISA Plans Discussion On Duties

"What are the responsibilities of independent students in the college community?" will be one of eight discussion topics at the National Independent Student Association Convention, April 12-15, Richard Rigling, NISA committee chairman, reported to the Association of Independent Men's Board of Governors Wednesday night.

AIM and Leonides, independent women's organization, will act as discussion group leaders at the convention. Rigling said he had asked that St. Lawrence University serve as discussion group leaders for representatives of colleges of less than 5000 students.

Other topics to be discussed are "Should NISA affiliate with the National Student Association?; How can NISA best serve the local independent organization?; How can communications be facilitated between local and national organizations?; What services should NISA perform?; How can the local organizations best aid the national organization to perform these services?; What is our responsibility to the unaffiliated student, as opposed to his worth to the organization?; What should the relationships of the local independent organizations be to other groups on campus?; and What is our role as independent students in protecting American freedom?"

Joe Somers, AIM president, withdrew the nomination of Steven Jordan, second semester industrial engineering major, as chairman of the AIM elections committee when Thomas Kidd, acting parliamentarian, informed him Jordan had pledged at a fraternity.

Stuart Horn and Chester Chervinski were appointed to the awards committee. Somers told Ross Clark, awards committee chairman, to make selections strictly on the basis of the three separate awards—scholarship, athletics, and activities. A possible plaque award project was given to Clark.

# 10 Phys Ed Majors Attain Dean's List

Dean Ernest B. McCoy has announced that ten students in the College of Physical Education and Athletics achieved dean's list averages last semester.

They are William Anderson, 2.63; Patricia Gilbert, 2.52; Mary Hudcovich, 3; Beate Maron, 2.58; Dean Mullen, 2.75; Lois Piemme, 2.56; Martha Rojahn, 2.77; Mary Kerr, 2.5; and Margaret Porterfield, 2.57.

### Inkling Meeting

Candidates and the editorial staff of Inkling will meet at 8 tonight in 201 Willard.

# Scientific Food Buying



GRACE BOYD, director of the experimental kitchen in the Food Stores Building, explains the process of testing dealers' samples of beefs for quality to James Greer, Bruce Kuntz, Forrest Sittig, and Leland Diehl during an open house tour of the building Saturday.

# Feeding Students Is Full Time Job

By NANCY WARD

Feeding students is a full time job. It takes three men two days to prepare the 10,000 hamburgers consumed during one meal in the University dining halls. Students living on campus eat approximately 100 loaves of bread and 500 dozen eggs in a day.

These figures—and impressions of gleaming white coats, sparkling chrome and tile, efficiency in every detail of production—were gleaned during a tour of the Food Stores Building located just behind the Water Tunnel.

Approximately 200 people toured the fascinating building Saturday during an open house sponsored by the All-University foods committee and the Food Service department.

First stop on the tour was the experimental kitchen where recipes are tested for quantity cooking and foods are tested for flavor, color, and quality before a brand is selected for buying. Grace Boyd, director of the kitchen, said a student recently submitted a recipe for Hungarian goulash which kitchen supervisors will begin testing this week. Some recipes that yield delicious results when prepared for three or four persons do not lend themselves to cooking in quantity, according to Robert C. Proffitt, manager of the Food Stores Building.

In the butcher shop visitors were shown the hamburger-making machine which keeps the operators busy when hamburgers are on dining hall menus. Other meats are prepared in portions in the butcher shop for cooking in dining hall kitchens.

Visitors were led through a large meat cooler where guides explained that, because of rapid turnover, meat hangs for three days or less on racks high above the sawdust-strewn floor.

Visitors saw the huge dough mixer which, with one exception, prepares all the bread eaten in University dining halls. The exception is pumpernickle bread which must be bought because the Food Stores Building does not have facilities for making it, according to Louise Schermerhorn, production manager at the butcher shop and bakery.

Because rolls, breakfast breads, biscuits, loaf bread and all baked desserts except soft custards are prepared at the bakery, that room is a spacious one filled with giant equipment. A crane is used to lift heavy vats of cake mixture into a trough which dispenses the proper quantity into oven pans. Miss Schermerhorn said baked goods for lunch must be in trucks by 10 a. m. each day and those for dinner by 3 p. m. to be delivered to dining halls on time.

### Scabbard and Blade Elects New Officers

Vincent Skrinak recently was elected captain of Scabbard and Blade, military science honorary. Other officers are Henry Zeybel, first lieutenant; John Collett, second lieutenant; and William Wismer, first sergeant.

# Liberal Arts To Discontinue Coffee Hours

Liberal Arts Student Council last night voted to discontinue coffee hours, after the next two for freshmen and transfers, on the grounds that the coffee hours will not serve their purpose for juniors and seniors.

The council decided seniors and juniors have met most of their faculty through classes and clubs and therefore the purpose of the coffee hours, which is to promote better student-faculty relations, would not be accomplished.

The suggestion by Norma Vollmer, editor of the LA Lantern, that the first issue of the magazine be distributed free of charge was also adopted by the council. The regular price of 10 cents plus the word "complimentary" will be printed on the first cover. The second issue, to be published possibly Mothers' Day weekend, will cost the regular price.

Richard Kirschner, president of the council, explained the reasons for the free distribution as twofold: to promote the publication and to give students something for the 25 cent assessment, part of which is used to publish the magazine.

The council also voted to hold an open house probably in the first week of May. Louis Adler was appointed chairman of a committee in charge. On the committee are Betsy Jones, Roberta Weinberg, Betty Koster, Ann Lederman, Ann Leh, and Larry Gedrich.

# Six Soph Queen Photos Received

Three more entries have been received in the sophomore class queen contest, officials at the Student Union desk, Old Main, said yesterday afternoon.

This makes a total of six entries in the contest. The deadline is 5 p. m. March 17.

The contest is open to sophomore women sponsored by a campus organization. Photos to be submitted to the SU desk should be of a minimum size of 2½ by 4 inches.

A panel of judges will select five finalists to appear at the semi-formal sophomore class spring prom March 20.

# Mueller Says Swiss Share American Education Problems

By BETTY KOSTER

The people of Switzerland share many of the current American problems in education such as increased enrollment and the question of emphasis to be placed on technical specialization, according to Werner J. Mueller, post doctoral student in poultry husbandry from Switzerland.

In a speech on "Educational Trends and Problems in the World's Oldest Republic" before the Faculty Luncheon Club yesterday, Mueller explained that the Swiss take their greatest pride in their country's democracy and educational system.

### Education on Three Levels

There are three levels of education in Switzerland corresponding to those in America, he said. Public schools are similar to American six-year elementary schools and are open to all students. It is in the high school level that the Swiss and American systems show considerable differences.

High schools in Switzerland are of two types, the secondary school emphasizing the humanities and providing preparation for college, and the general continuation school which stresses the sciences and compares with American technical schools, he said.

Mueller explained that the special secondary schools require written and oral examinations for admission and are limited to only 20 to 30 per cent of the students. "The student in the secondary school level preparing for college is very loaded down with work," he pointed out, "for a basic knowledge is required in physics, chemistry, algebra, geometry, Latin, history and a working knowledge of another language and its literature, drawing, and other academic subjects."

### Competition Difficult

Besides the difficulty of the required subjects of the secondary schools, he said, the added toughness of the curriculum is due to the fact that the 40 secondary schools in Switzerland are in great competition to turn out students who will rank best on the university entrance tests.

Mueller revealed a basic difference in the Swiss educational

system on the university level. Students in Switzerland work under close supervision of their professors in the university, and thus they receive a specialized training in their field in what corresponds to American undergraduate years. In the United States he found this type of education only in graduate schools which do not exist in his country.

### Military Training Required

Another difference between Swiss and American universities lies in the area of military instruction, he explained. Every Swiss boy is required to go for a 17 week training program at the age of 20, but he receives no military training in the university similar to the American ROTC program, he said.

Because the number of graduates is greater than the amount of jobs available in Switzerland, many students go to other countries to continue their studies. Mueller emphasized that the educational system is under constant criticism. Those who travel and view other educational systems return to their country with a much more favorable attitude.



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