



2000 Students Stricken by Flu

Fraternities Up to 80% Incapacitated

Members of fraternities and State College doctors last night reported hundreds of cases of ill students who had not reported to the University Health Center for treatment.

Many of 18 borough doctors contacted said it was impossible to estimate how many they have treated. Others said they have treated only six to 10 cases this month.

Fraternities reported up to 80 per cent of their members incapacitated by respiratory illnesses. One, Alpha Epsilon Pi, set up a special ward at the house. It reported a four-fifths sickness rate.

Three fraternities were reported to have sought mass inoculations from borough doctors last night. Another, Phi Sigma Delta, did so Monday night.

Other hard-hit fraternities included Phi Epsilon Pi, with 28 to 30 illnesses reported; Sigma Alpha Mu reported 75 per cent "not well"; Alpha Kappa Lambda had 75 per cent "out" and Phi Gamma Delta reported at least half its members "not up to par."

Other fraternities with substantial numbers of illnesses are Tau Kappa Epsilon, Beta Theta Pi, Zeta Beta Tau and Phi Kappa Psi.

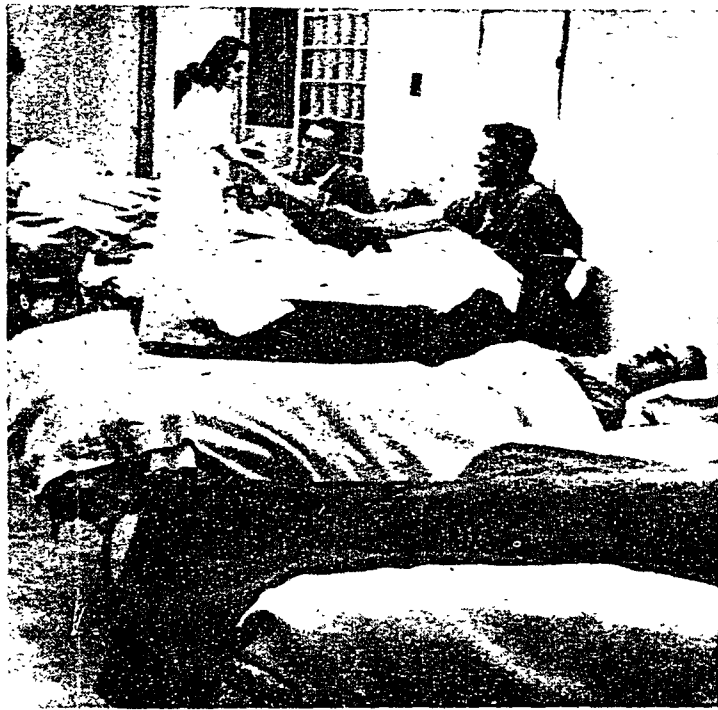
The Associated Press last night said influenza, some of it the Asiatic kind, was reported definitely on the increase in Pennsylvania.

Juniata College's Homecoming Day has been postponed until Nov. 2.

Dr. Robert A. Matthews, the state's mental health commissioner, disclosed that five children died in an epidemic of flu at the Pennhurst State Training School in Spring City, Chester County. The school is for mentally retarded children.

Matthews said 838 of the 3149 children in the school and 56 of the 400 attendants were ill. Four of the children were said to be in critical condition.

The state Welfare and Health Departments are trying to determine whether the flu is the Asiatic species.



'DORMITORY STYLE'—Students fill even the waiting rooms at the University Hospital. The hospital has borrowed 60 beds from the Department of Housing. The nurse in the picture declined to release her name or names of the students.

Lines Jam Health Center; Others Treated in Town

An estimated 2000 students have been stricken with flu, colds, grippe or other respiratory illnesses.

About 1300 to 1400 have been treated at the University Health Center. Others—including whole fraternity houses—have been treated by town doctors.

Many students are believed to be suffering from flu and have sought no treatment. Students still were lined up at the Infirmary late last night for the second time in two days.

About 104 students were in the hospital at 5 p.m. yesterday. More than 200 were confined to their rooms and other students were served box lunches yesterday.

Dr. Herbert R. Glenn, director of the Health Center, yesterday said most of the students were suffering from what he called "extremely ordinary flu." He said the illness has not reached epidemic proportions.

Women students were not being admitted to the hospital last night but were told to return to their residence halls, where they will receive a special diet of soup, fruit juices and tea for at least 24 hours.

Men students were being admitted to the hospital on the basis of their complaint.

Glenn met last night with men's residence hall counselors to make arrangements for care of ill students similar to the arrangements in the women's halls.

Students are not required to pay us for the special meals.

Authorities said the Health Center staff has not been increased except for kitchen workers. One nurse last night said, "We've been too busy to count how many students are ill . . . they just keep coming."

In order to be served the box lunch, a student must receive medication from the Dispensary and strict orders to stay in bed. Students need no note from a doctor to present to residence hall hostesses or counselors, but the name is on record at the Dispensary.

Robert C. Proffitt, director of Food Service, said no change in the dining hall meals is planned. He said his staff believes the diet is strong enough in citrus juices not to require change.

BusAd Council Will Meet

The Business Administration Student Council will meet at 6:45 tonight in 205 Boucke.

Freshman's Condition Unchanged

The condition of George "Larry" Sharp, second-semester freshman in the division of counseling from Drexel Hill, still is listed as "guarded" at the Geisinger Memorial Hospital, Danville.

Sharp broke his neck Friday when he fell on the trampoline in a physical education class. He has been paralyzed from the neck down since.

Ernest B. McCoy, dean of the College of Physical Education and Athletics yesterday said he knows of no plans to discontinue use of the trampoline. He said it has been used at the University for 20 years.

McCoy said the trampoline is well-supervised and is put away whenever there is no supervision. He called it an important physical device, used to teach body control, rhythm, mechanics and coordination.

McCoy accompanied Sharp to the hospital in the University ambulance.

Dr. Leonard F. Bush, of the Geisinger Hospital, said yesterday that no further surgery is planned immediately for Sharp. An operation was performed Sunday to reduce the dislocation of the neck. Sharp's injury is a fracture-dislocation of the seventh cervical vertebra in the neck.

Bush said the student is undergoing physiotherapy treatment in an attempt to reactivate the paralyzed muscles. He is in a special bed surrounded by special apparatus.

Bell to Speak to Alumni

Louis H. Bell, director of Public Information, will speak on "Keeping Penn State Before the Public" at a meeting of the Alumni Council at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Hetzel Union auditorium.

Flu Affects Rushing; Bidding Starts Today

With many coeds unable to rush because of the flu, Panhellenic Council voted last night to change its rushing rules. Sororities will begin to send bids to rushees today.

Sororities may bring the bids, enclosed in a stamped envelope, to the dean of women's office beginning at 8 a.m. today. These bids will then be distributed through the Panhellenic post office.

Thespian, Players Tickets Go on Sale

Tickets for the Thespian and Players shows, to be presented during the Homecoming Weekend, are available at the Hetzel Union desk.

Tickets for the Thespian show, "A Great Future," are \$1.50. The show will be presented at Schwab Auditorium tomorrow, Friday and Saturday nights. The Homecoming Queen will be crowned at the tomorrow night's performance.

Tickets for the Players presentation of "The Carnival of Thieves" are \$1. The show will be presented at Centre Stage Friday and Saturday nights, and will continue for six weekends.

Barbara Rilling, Panhel rush chairman, said coeds probably will receive tomorrow the bids that are sent out today. A coed may accept only a bid that has been sent through the Panhellenic post office.

Coeds will return their answers to bids in an envelope to the dean of women's office. Coeds may answer a bid as soon as they wish, but they must answer a bid within three days of receiving it.

Sororities may pick up the answers to bids at 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday in the dean of women's office. A strict silence period will be in effect after a sorority has bid a coed. This means that only words of greeting may be exchanged between members of a sorority and the coeds they have bid. This silence period will exist until the sorority has received the coed's answer to the bid.

Two coeds have dropped out of informal rushing. They both said that it was too time consuming. Informal rushing will continue until Nov. 1. For the remainder of the rush period, a sorority may send out a bid whenever it wishes.

Russian Rocket Seen by Frosh

Robert Ball, freshman in physics from Norristown and an amateur astronomer, stood in his pajamas at 6 a.m. yesterday to watch the Russian rocket flash across the dawn sky.

Ball described what he said was the rocket as a "white dot about the brightness of a first-magnitude star." He said the object took about a minute and a half to cross the sky, going from northwest to southeast.

Its light changed brightness several times while he watched its journey across the portion of the sky two-thirds of the way from the horizon to the zenith, he said.

Ike's Advisory Committee Quiet Concerning Satellite

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15 (AP)—President Dwight D. Eisenhower and his science advisory committee conferred today on the subject of satellites and missiles but everyone concerned remained mum about what was said.

After the 45-minute conference with the President, Dr. Isador Rabi, chairman of the 13-member committee, told news-

men that "anything you want you will have to get from the President's office."

And James C. Hagerty, White House press secretary, said there would be "nothing" from the President's office.

Dr. Rabi, professor of physics at Columbia University, said it would not be appropriate to discuss what was said at the conference.

He declined to comment on whether the U.S. ballistic missiles and earth satellite programs should be speeded up now that Russia has launched one satellite and claimed to have an intercon-

tinental ballistic missile. When the conference was announced yesterday Hagerty said it had been called before the Russians successfully launched their satellite into space 11 days ago.

From Sen. Mike Mansfield of Montana, assistant Democratic leader in the Senate, came a renewed demand that all government missile and satellite projects be coordinated under a single program, something like the Manhattan Project which developed the first atomic bomb in World War II.

Mansfield said Pentagon figures show over \$850 million has been spent on missile projects subsequently shelved.

AIM Board of Governors To Air Rotation Issue

The fraternity-independent rotation system of elections issue is scheduled to be thrown open to discussion tonight when the Association of Independent Men Board of Governors holds its first meeting of the semester at 7 p.m. in 203 Hetzel Union.

A suggestion for the discussion came from the Town Independent Men council which endorsed a program to retain the present system of rotation.

Nittany council Tuesday night went on record as favoring the elimination of the rotation system. The vote was erroneously reported in yesterday's Daily Collegian as favoring the retention of the system.

John Morgan, president of AIM, will appoint a 3-man committee to study the reorganization of the association.

The committee will study the effects that the closing of Pollock dormitories and the proposed opening of Thompson Hall to male

students will have on the present organization of AIM.

Morgan said the increase of students in the West Halls area will change the representation on the Board of Governors.

He also will appoint an AIM Judicial Board of Review chairman, three additional members to AIM JBR, a parliamentarian and a cultural aspects chairman.

The Board of Governors will hear reports from the Indie Week committee, the Autumn Ball committee, the Orientation Week committee and the Executive committee.