

IFCPA: Present and Future

IFCPA Becomes Professional With Appointment of Manager

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Third of a Series

With the appointment of a permanent manager as a member of the board of trustees, the Interfraternity Council Purchasing Association has stepped into the class of a full-time professional organization.

The permanent manager setup is an innovation with IFCPA. It was not used by the former joint-buying organization, the Fraternity Marketing Association.

The manager, Mrs. Ruth Arnold, handles the actual mechanics of the food-buying. She contacts merchants, handles complaints and sends out and receives bids.

This is the system used by IFCPA to handle the buying of food products, according to James Burns, chairman of the board of trustees:

The association sends out bids on food prices as a means of insuring the lowest possible prices on the products they buy. Although a system of buying through particular vendors already is in operation, IFCPA continues to look for lower prices than the ones they now are given. Bids are sent to companies which show some interest in becoming IFCPA vendors.

Food contracts which are now being used were set up before the actual food-buying program began operating. Bids on meats, canned goods, and frozen foods were sent to all local merchants and to other companies, both in Pennsylvania and out of state.

Vendors were chosen on a basis of low prices and high quality. Canned goods and frozen foods were analyzed thoroughly during the summer for quality, and only the highest quality brands were chosen for fraternity use.

Bids were sent during the summer to various meat suppliers, and the board of trustees chose Swift and Co. Swift meat producers meet the U.S. Government's two highest ratings for meats.

The IFCPA board of trustees consists of 11 members, five students and six non-students. The non-students include, besides the

manager, a part-time secretary. Both the student and the non-student members of the board were appointed by IFC. The non-student members of the board were chosen by interview during the summer, and were judged by their interest in the program.

Only the manager and the secretary of IFCPA are paid.

Because IFCPA is chartered by the University through IFC, it has both University and IFC backing.

IFCPA books will be audited by the University accounting department, at least semi-annually or more frequently if desired. If the program runs into difficulty, it can go to IFC for whatever aid is needed, including financial support.

Under this setup, although only about half of the fraternities are active members of IFCPA, all fraternities are backers of and, if necessary, possible financiers of the buying association.

Delta Nu Alpha Wins Honors

The University chapter of Delta Nu Alpha, national professional transportation fraternity, was named one of the outstanding collegiate chapters at the national convention last week in Atlantic City.

James Holtzer, executive vice president of the fraternity, cited the University chapter as providing excellent background education for students interested in transportation as a profession.

James Jeffrey, senior in business administration from Wilkes-Barre; Harvey Eckert, junior in business administration from Berwick; Donald Shappell, senior in business administration from Hamburg; and Dr. Robert D. Pashek, adviser, attended the convention.

Eng Prof Resumes Air Motion Study

The nature of air motion inside and outside of fuel sprays is being studied by Dr. W. E. Ranz, professor of engineering research, in a project entitled "Dynamic Conditions in a Spray Zone."

His research began in January. Dr. Ranz has received a grant of \$15,700, effective Oct. 1, which will carry his phase of the project through next Sept. 30.

Working with him is Robert W. Roberts, candidate for a doctor of philosophy degree in chemical engineering.

Fluid Mechanics Talk

"Some Fundamental Aspects of Flow in Centrifugal Turbomachinery" will be discussed by Dr. Robert C. Dean of Ingersoll-Rand Co. at the third fluid mechanics seminar at 4:10 p.m. today in 1 Sackett.

Permanent LA Scholarship OK'd for Senior Students

The Liberal Arts Student Council has approved the establishment of a permanent scholarship to aid a deserving senior student in the college.

The scholarship will be given annually, subject to revision by the student council. The previous scholarship plan was not on a permanent basis.

It will provide for \$100, \$50 to be given in a fall semester and \$50 during the spring semester, providing the student still meets the qualification.

To be eligible, a student must have finished his fifth semester and must have a 3.0 All-University average. Financial need, activities and service to the College of the Liberal Arts and to the University will be considered in awarding the scholarship.

The recipient will be selected by George N. P. Leetch, coordinator of scholarships. The council will notify him each year during the fall semester of the amount of money to be given that year.

Patricia Evans, junior in arts and letters from Lancaster, is chairman of the scholarship committee.

The council Tuesday also approved as part of a new constitution the addition of three officers—a corresponding secretary, a recording secretary and a treasurer—to the council executive committee.

Town House

If you can't take a long break for a dinner treat, then "take 5" for a coke, sandwich or TV break at the Town House. Don't forget the Frank Telesca Jazz Combo every Fri. 9-12 p.m.

Temporary Coach Heads Debaters

Dr. Harold J. O'Brien, associate professor of speech, has been appointed coach of the Men's Debate Team, filling the position held for nearly 30 years by Joseph F. O'Brien, professor of public speaking, who is convalescing at the Centre County Hospital.

O'Brien, who will continue until the coach is again able to resume his duties, has been serving for six years as assistant coach of the team.

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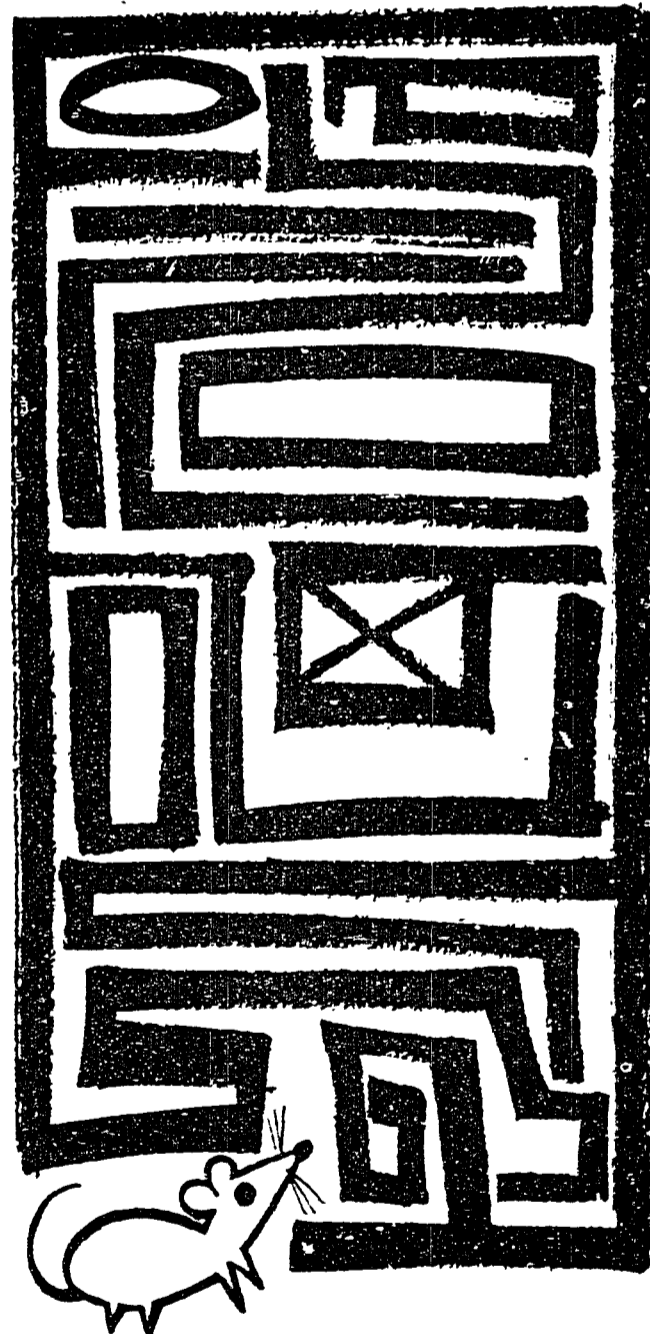
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