

# Off-Campus Court Tries Male Violators

Off Campus Tribunal, one of three courts to try men who violate campus and town rules, hears cases of students living outside residence halls.

The other courts are the Interfraternity Council Board of Control and the residence halls system consisting of three boards—Nittany, West and North Halls.

The name, Off Campus Tribunal, was first used last year when the constitution was revised. Until then it was called Student Tribunal. Its essential duties have not changed from last year.

Tribunal is composed of eight men who are interviewed and selected from applicants in the spring of each year by a committee composed of the president of the Interfraternity Council or his representative, the president of Town Independent Men or his representative or the chairman of Off Campus Tribunal for the coming year. Under the old system senior members interviewed applicants with the chairman.

The members of Tribunal are of different class standing and have different fraternity-independent affiliations. They meet

about once a week, depending on whether there are cases.

A non-resident hall student who violates a rule is notified by the Dean of Men's Office that he is to go before Tribunal. His case is heard before Tribunal members and then he leaves the room while they deliberate and make a decision.

The student is called back to hear the decision. It is not valid, however, until the Senate Subcommittee on Discipline approves the verdict. He may appeal his case if he feels the decision is unfair.

The first Tribunal on campus was started in 1913. It was given the power of interpreting college customs and meting out punishment for campus customs violations. Its first endeavor was to abolish freshman hazing except during one night of the year, poster night.

Tribunal remained essentially the same until 1939 when the constitution was revised and men's and women's student governments were combined.

In 1948 when there were no freshmen on campus, Tribunal's main work was in dealing with traffic violations. At this time it applied, again, only to men students.

As of October 1948 it handled student breaches of town

ordinances, traffic regulations and infractions of undergraduate rulings. The Dean of Men's Office turned the violators over to this body.

Tribunal at this time was empowered to act as investigator of possibly illegal conduct when the occasion demanded.

Tribunal was given the authority to try graduate students in February 1951. No representation by graduates was necessary, however, according to the dean of men.

Tribunal was changed again in November 1953. The Senate Subcommittee on Discipline was set up as a board of appeal for students tried by WSGA Judicial and Tribunal. Formerly All-College Cabinet handled appeals. A marshal was created to present the case to the defendant.

In March 1955 Tribunal was set up with five juniors and four seniors plus a chairman and a secretary. As now, the penalties consisted of two kinds of warnings, probation or expulsion from the University.

## Campus Auto Fines Payable in HUB

Students given auto violation tickets by Campus Patrol report to Captain Phillip Mark at the traffic violations headquarters in 203 Hetzel Union Building to pay their fines.

Students not satisfied with his decision may bring their case before the Traffic Court. The court meets at 7 p.m. each Monday in Captain Mark's office.

The Traffic Court is made up of seven members, two each from the sophomore, junior and senior classes and one graduate student.

After hearing a case the court may vote guilty, for a dismissal, or for a suspension of charges.

Applications for a seat on the Traffic Court are approved by the All-University president. The student having held his position on the court longest automatically becomes chairman.

One hundred and eleven cases were brought before the court last year.

## Pattee Library Announces New Fall Semester Hours

The Fred Lewis Pattee Library, which contains almost 500,000 volumes, will be open Monday through Friday from 7:50 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday from 7:50 to 5 p.m., and Sunday from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.

On the first floor are five reading rooms which contain basic books on the following subjects; Room 102, books on art, manuscripts, rare books and industrial arts; Room 103, books on mathematics, philosophy and religion; Room 104, books on history, international understanding, political science, and sociology; Room 105, books on journalism, languages, literature, and speech; Room 107, books on physical education, psychology, and reserve books for commerce, economics, and military science.

The circulation desk, the reference department, and periodical literature can be found on the second floor. All books borrowed from the circulation

desk are in circulation for two weeks, and can be renewed if not reserved for another borrower.

The reference department, located on the south wing of the second floor, contains dictionaries, encyclopedias, almanacs, indexes, and miscellaneous reference books.

This room has on reserve such public documents as United States documents, Atomic Energy Commission unclassified and declassified reports, United Nations publications, and publications of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The periodicals reading room contains current issues pertaining to liberal arts, education, business administration, and physical education.

Special services of the library are the Audio-visual aids library, located on the ground floor, which contains over 5500 prints; phonograph records at the Stack Entrance Desk on the second floor, consisting of language records, Broadway musical records, and classical records.

## Gamma Sig, APhiO To Run Info Booth

New students with questions and problems concerning the University will find two service organizations on campus ready to be of service—Alpha Phi Omega, men's national service fraternity, and Gamma Sigma Sigma, women's national service fraternity.

Students can take their immediate questions to the APhiO-Gamma Sig information booth on the Mall at Pollock Road during Orientation Week. Members of the organizations will be wearing arm bands and crew hats for easy identification.

In addition to its part in the information booth, APhiO also sponsors an annual blood donation drive for the Red Cross. A temporary 'hospital' is set up in the Hetzel Union cardroom where donors can make their contributions.

Another yearly event which APhiO sponsors is "The Ugliest Man on Campus" contest. This is a week-long event in which fraternities and independent groups vie for the 'honor' of having their candidate judged most ugly.

A parade and a skit night are held, and students may choose their favorite monster by penny voting on the Mall. All proceeds from this activity go to charity.

APhiO also ushers at registration, the IFC-Panhel Sing and the annual High School Science Fair. Pledges in the fraternity take refreshments to students confined to the University hospital. The group also takes part in clothing drives for needy refugees.

The campus chapter of the group was organized in 1932. Its membership is open to all interested students. Pledges to the fraternity must complete a semester of training including 25 hours of service. A pledge must also have a 2.0 All-University average to be brotherized.

Gamma Sig, in addition to helping in the information booth, participates in a yearly drive to send used books to students abroad as well as other service activities. They, too, require a pledging

period and a minimum number of service hours before they initiate a pledge. Applicants to Gamma Sig are invited to a tea each semester and to a screening session with members of the group.

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