

## Semester Review

# Deferred Rush Plan Causes IFC Strife

The Interfraternity Council's deferred rushing plan encountered its first serious opposition this semester resulting in a close inspection of the system's merits and faults by the fraternity men.

Those against the plan insisted that it had not accomplished its intended goals and was detrimental to the preservation of a sound fraternity system at the University.

"Most fraternities have not experienced a decrease in expenses under the plan; the first semester freshman averages have not shown appreciable improvement; and there has been increased isolation of freshmen from the fraternity system," James Alexi, president of Phi Kappa Sigma, said speaking against the plan.

Many of the fraternity men argued that the plan had not been in effect long enough to give it a fair trial. They believed that a "closed" system of rushing was the best way of operating a rushing program.

"Three years have been spent in drawing up the plan and it is still in the experimental stage," Don Orr, IFC rushing chairman said.

At an IFC meeting on Nov. 9 the IFC voted on whether or not to drop deferred rushing. The council voted 33 to 20 in favor of retaining the plan.

One of the facets of rushing carried out by the IFC during the last semester was a series of four fraternity open houses for freshmen. The fraternities were open on Sundays and this was the only time freshmen men were permitted in fraternities.

On Oct. 20, 21, and 22 the IFC held its annual workshop program. The workshop opened on Oct. 20 with a banquet at the Nittany Lion Inn. Following an address by Robert W. Kelly, a member of the executive council of the National Interfraternity Conference, three trophies were presented to fraternities for scholastic achievement.

Alpha Zeta was presented the Social-Professional Trophy for the highest fraternity average of the spring semester of 1959. Their average was 3.09. Alpha Phi Delta received the Social Scholarship Trophy for the highest social fraternity average of 2.79. The Sigma Chi Scholarship Improvement Trophy was presented to Lambda Chi Alpha.

Beginning Dec. 14, 23 fraternities participated in the annual IFC Christmas parties program for area children. They provided Christmas cheer for 625 children in the form of movies, refreshments, games and toys.

## Construction Worker's Death Called Natural

'Natural causes' were apparently responsible for the death of a 19-year-old construction worker, who died last week while atop the new roof of the skating rink.

An autopsy performed last Wednesday by Dr. M. J. Pophal of Williamsport tentatively showed that Robert D. Dietz of Blanchard died following a brain hemorrhage. There was no indication of bruises which may have caused the rupture, indicating the condition had existed since birth, the physician reported.

Complete laboratory reports from the autopsy will take another week, at which time a final determination of cause of death will be decided.

Dietz was stricken about 10 a.m. on Jan. 26. He was removed from the sloping roof of the rink and was taken to Centre County Hospital, where he was dead on arrival.

He had been employed by the G. M. McCrossin Construction Co. of Bellefonte.

### Arnelle Is Coach

Jesse Arnelle, former Penn State basketball and grid star, and later a professional footballer, is coaching the freshman basketball team at Dickinson College, where he is attending Law School.

## Student Fined \$10,000 to Continue Journalism Grant

Nearly five months of investigation were ended Wednesday when a student was brought before Justice of the Peace Guy G. Mills on charges of disorderly conduct and public indecency.

The student, Russell H. Foss Jr., senior in counseling from Dallas, was fined \$100 plus costs on the disorderly conduct charge and posted \$500 bail to appear at the next term of Centre County Court on the public indecency charge.

The investigation started in September when residents of the College Heights area complained of several instances of public indecency in the presence of grade-school age girls. Chief of Police John R. Juba said Foss signed a statement saying the instances had been going on for the past two years.

### Prof Presents Paper

Dr. Vernon V. Asaturian, associate professor of political science, presented a paper recently on "The Evolution and Organization of the Soviet Diplomatic Service" before a special seminar composed of faculty, staff, and advanced graduate students of the Russian Research Center.

## \$10,000 to Continue Journalism Grant

A grant of \$10,000 will help to continue the Howard J. Lamade Scholarship awarded each year to an entering freshman in journalism.

The grant has been provided by the estate of Lamade, who was a trustee of the University and a past director of the Penn State Foundation Lamade, who also was co-publisher of the Grit Publishing Co., Williamsport, died last May.

The scholarship provides a grant of \$300 for each of the student's four years if the scholastic requirements are met.

### Prof Co-Authors Book About Garment Industry

Dr. Roy Helfgott, assistant professor of economics, is one of the authors of the new book "Made in New York." Helfgott, who was research director for the New York Coat and Suit Joint Board of the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union, discusses the garment industry in that city.

Before coming to the University, he was an economics lecturer at City College of New York and an economist with the New York Metropolitan Region Study.

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by Alpha Phi Omega and Gamma Sigma Sigma, service fraternities, Wednesday morning. New students were introduced to campus activities yesterday afternoon at the Activities Information Center in the HUB.

All new students have been meeting with their orientation week counselors in their residence halls this week.

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