

Panhel Workshops Offer Sorority System Changes

Several suggestions for improvement in the sorority system for the future emerged from the Panhellenic Council workshops held Sunday.

To improve cooperation and unity among the sororities, more inter-sorority projects and socials were recommended.

The possibility of holding Greek Week in the fall in conjunction with Mardi Gras was discussed. It was felt that such an event would be one way of acquainting freshmen with Greek life early in the year.

To replace the IFC-Panhellenic Ball, a jam session with a big name band would be held since this type of social event seems to be more popular with college students, Cynthia Talbert, workshop chairman, said.

A discussion was held on the structure of Panhellenic Council and there was general agreement that the council should exercise more power and have a greater say in sorority activities. It was suggested that the council meet in a larger place and have pre-announced agendas.

The committee on cooperation and unity within the individual sororities found that fines presented a problem to many of the groups. Fines are not effective because they are difficult to collect from the women and they are a burden to the treasurer, the committee reported.

The loss of a vote in chapter or rush meetings was suggested as a possible substitute for fines.

The group also recommended that the sororities do away with "help" weeks and have weeks that would bring the sisters and pledges closer together while revealing the "true meaning" of belonging to a sorority.

Tryouts to Start Today For WRA Sports Day

Tryouts for WRA Winter Sports Day will be held today and tomorrow in White Hall.

Volleyball tryouts will be held today from 5:15 to 5:45 p.m., basketball and bowling tryouts, tomorrow from 5:15 to 5:45 p.m.

Those interested should sign up on the WRA bulletin board in White Hall and come to the tryouts at the specified times.

The sports day will begin at 12:45 p.m. March 12.

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PRR to Abandon Branch in County

WASHINGTON (AP)—An Interstate Commerce Commission examiner yesterday recommended that the Pennsylvania Railroad be permitted to go ahead with a proposed abandonment of its 22-mile Snow Shoe Branch in Centre County.

The ICC authorized the abandonment last March on the company's showing of steadily declining business. However, the permit was stayed for further hearing when a group of area coal operators protested.

The examiner who reviewed the case, T. W. Forbes, said yesterday that although the coal operators were objecting to the line being abandoned, they had in fact shifted their patronage to trucking concerns.

The line runs from Boggs Township to Snow Shoe.

Pre-Med Group to Hear Pittsburgh Medical Dean

Alpha Epsilon Delta, pre-medical honorary fraternity, will present a talk by Dr. C. H. William Ruhe, associate dean of the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine at 7:30 tonight in 317 Willard.

Air Patrol to Hold Training Classes

The State College Civil Air Patrol will conduct the first of a series of classes on Observer Training for members and interested personnel at 7:30 tonight in the National Guard Building on the University Farms.

Classes will be held every Wednesday evening.

Instruction will be given in navigation and map reading, communications, search and rescue procedures, survival, first aid and meteorology.

—People who like to be waited on are the hardest ones to be cured of their ailments.

Army Plans Change In ROTC Next Fall

By CAROL BLAKESLEE

Advanced Army ROTC students next fall will probably be allowed to substitute several academic subjects for about 20 per cent of their courses in military instruction.

Col. Ellis B. Richie, professor of military science and tactics, said yesterday that modifications in the Army ROTC curriculum will probably be started, at least, next fall. The complete change may be put into effect gradually in several phases, he said.

Students enrolled in basic ROTC will be taking fewer courses in weaponry, he said. More importance will be placed on courses in the socio-humanistic field, he said. These include courses such as the role of America in world affairs, Richie said.

Modification in the University's ROTC program are in line with an announcement made by the Department of Army in Washington Monday which was reported in

the New York Times yesterday.

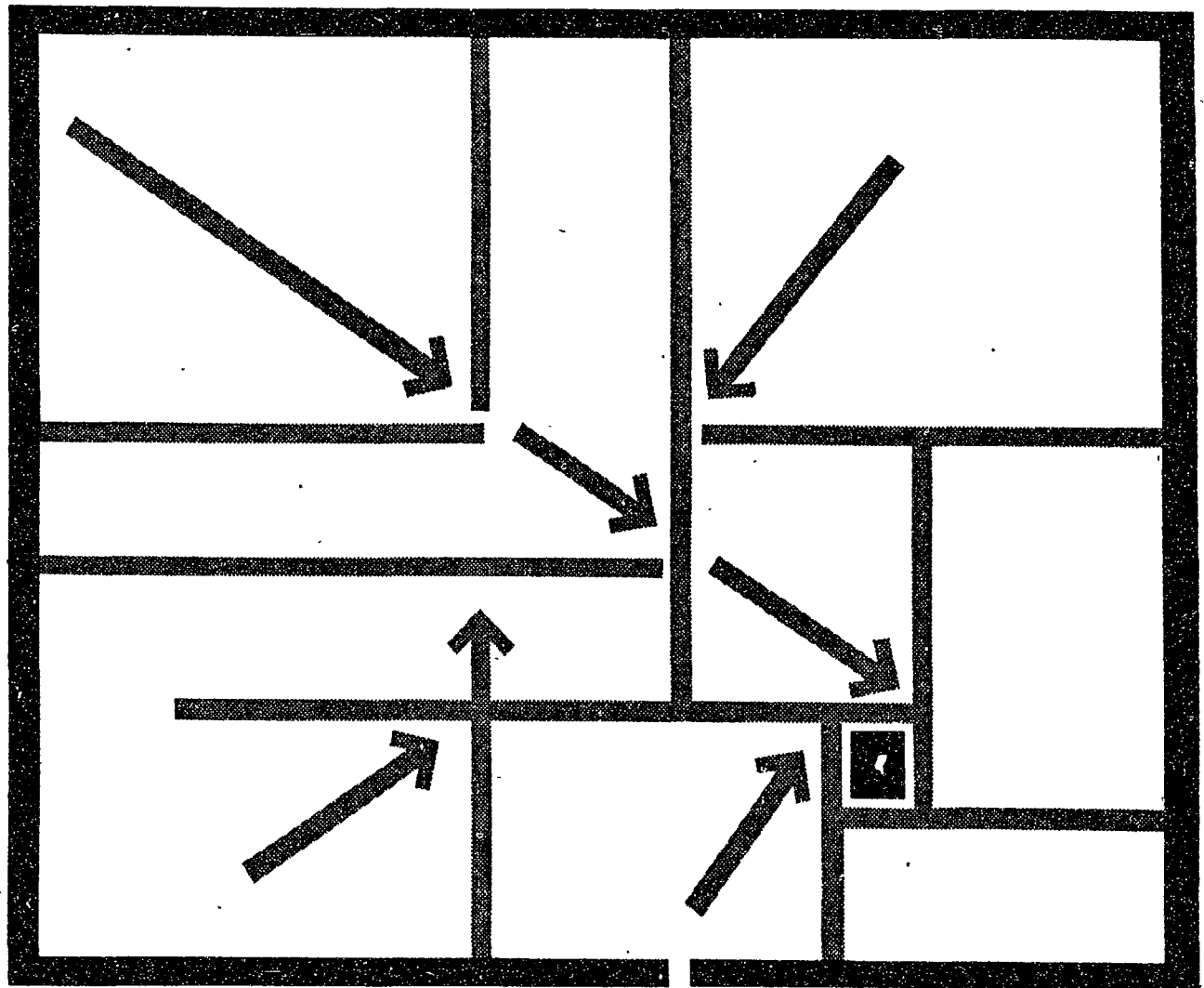
Although the content of the program will be changed, the Army reaffirmed its belief in compulsory ROTC for freshmen and sophomore men, the Times reported.

The Army feels that ROTC courses "instill interest where none existed before." A compulsory program, too, provides a better foundation for selection of cadets for advanced training, the Army said.

Compulsory ROTC has been an issue at the University for about three years. An extensive study was made on the subject by the former All-University Cabinet (predecessor of the SGA Assembly) and was approved by the Assembly this year.

It recommended that ROTC be compulsory for one year only.

Several other schools of the 168 which have compulsory ROTC have debated the issue. The faculty at Michigan State University last week voted to make ROTC an elective course, and a decision is pending at the University of Wisconsin.



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