**Suspicious Fire Causes Damage At Fraternity**

A fire at a "fraternity" house Saturday night was reported to the University police at 4:50 a.m. at 1260 Locust Walk. The blaze started in a lamp which was located in the Alpha Delta Delta chapter house and caused damage to the room and the entire house. The cause of the fire is under investigation, and the firemen were assisted by fire companies from the University and the City of Philadelphia.

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**State Approves Award Of Renovation Contract**

By MARIJA SHAO

The Renovation Committee, which was awarded a $3.7 million contract to renovate the Vare College House, announced today that the contract is being awarded to the A. C. Good Company. The contract includes the construction of a new dormitory for the University's fraternities and sororities. The project is expected to be completed by fall, and the new building will provide more space for the existing fraternities and sororities. The University plans to use the new building to accommodate the growing number of students interested in joining the Greek system.

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**Three Major Philadelphia Papers Are 'Fully-Merged' During Strike**

By JEFF RENBRAUN

The three major Philadelphia newspapers have announced that they will merge their financial and production resources to create a single, more cost-effective operation. The move comes after a prolonged strike by union workers at the papers, which began in November and lasted until last week. The newspapers have been operating separately for over 100 years, but believe that the time is now right to consolidate their operations.

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**Guidelines Caution Against SAT Use As Completely Accurate Predictors**

By BERNARD GORDON

A series of guidelines concerning the validity of SAT scores as predictors of academic success have been developed by the College Board. The guidelines indicate that SAT scores are not precise and should not be used as the sole basis for evaluating a student's academic potential. The guidelines were developed in response to concerns expressed by educators and parents about the reliability of SAT scores.

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**Activities Council Fills Post News**

By STANLEY JONAS

The Student Activities Council (SAC) has approved the appointment of four new officers to fill vacancies in the Finance Committee and the Steering Committee. The new officers will be responsible for managing the council's financial resources and overseeing its various programs and activities.

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**Burgeoning Fraternities Not All Beer, Muscles**

By NIEL BERGEL

Fraternities at the University are facing an identity crisis. This is partly due to the influx of new students who are not as interested in the traditional beer and fishathons that have been a staple of fraternity life in the past. Newer students are more interested in pursuing diversity and social justice issues. The traditional beer and fishathons are becoming less popular as a result.

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**Surrogates Going Strong In Spite of Stereotype**

By JULIETTE LASKER

'I'm psychic and a sorority sister,' writes the Warsaw Wildcat's advice columnist. 'I've been told that my powers are so strong that I can see into the future. I'm not sure if I believe it, but I think I might have some special abilities.'

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**The BROTHERS OF SIGMA ALPHA IMI hit the ice for a game of brown hockey.**

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news in brief

Compiled from United Press International

GEORGE KILLS FIVE, BEFORE COMMITTING SUICIDE—A twice-married, 58-year-old man, said to have a personal grudge against the armed forces and "Hated Blacks and Jews," killed five persons yesterday in New York City and turned the gun on himself. A suspect in the shootings, one of the dead, is a police detective. Police said the murder-suicide, Fredra Oomie, 22, died in the crossfire after a double pistols and a shotgun, killing three policemen and injuring five others.

MARTIN LOPEZ IN WASHINGTON—President Carter, welcoming the first foreign head of state, ordered yesterday with Mexico's President Lopez Portillo in the "tensions and problems and regrets" hoped to comb the two nations. Carter told Lopez that he felt the war in the first foreign head of state to be welcomed by the new administration was no indication of the importance we attach to our neighbors to the south. Carter said Mexico and the United States "share a common heritage and view" an "emphasis" in preserving and promoting.

KANE TUNED TO CRAB—Secretary of State Cyrus Vance headed for the Middle East yesterday in quest of a lasting settlement between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization. The first tangible result of an American official in the Israeli-Palestinian conflict was the 1979 cease-fire agreement, and it was that peace had completely eroded that the Arab world was Israel's emergency energy problems in the Middle East.

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Vanderbilt Law School will be the site of a seminar on June 25-27, 1977, featuring the world's leading experts on the subject of "Law and the Media." The seminar will be co-sponsored by the International Center for Media and Intellectual Property and the Law School. The seminar will focus on the role of the media in society and the impact of media on the law. The seminar will be held at the Vanderbilt Law School, 1215 12th Ave. S., Nashville, TN 37203, and the program will include lectures, panel discussions, and workshops. The seminar will be open to the public and the cost of attendance will be $250 per person. For more information, please contact the seminar organizers at the International Center for Media and Intellectual Property, 220 West 43rd St., New York, NY 10036.
Fraternities, Sororities Enjoy Strength Despite Image

Fraternities

Fraternities, though considered just too traditional and undesirable to be accepted by people who want to fit in, are still popular. The secret fraternities, the more popular frats on campus, can afford to turn down anyone they feel will best fit into the fraternity. House officers, however, are the ones who actually make the final decision as to who will become a pledge. Although some houses will ask for references from friends, the proposal is only made to those pledges whom it feels will best fit into the fraternity system. A loose and sometimes chaotic system is more egalitarian than most University systems. The selections are made mainly on the basis of personal qualities, and no one looks into the applicant's past. These fraternities, Wurm said, "are a lot more liberal in their outlook than many others."

"The fraternity offers an atmosphere of social activity that is available to anyone with the money to pay the dues," Wurm said. "If you can afford the fun and don't mind the time it takes, you can join. It's at the beginning of the year," he added, "but the more I thought about it, and the more I went over in the house the more I liked it." The marking of freshman and sophomore frats is fairly relaxed, Wurm said, and it is possible to fit in socially. Some sororities, on the other hand, have members who meet with the requirements of "nice and proper," and it is difficult for the freshman to conform. "Some of the people who would get along with the type of person here, but we look for a real good atmosphere," Wurm said. "We look for people who fit in with what we want to do."

Sororities

"The sorority is a place where you can't get lost, a "more personal place to live," a source of "campus identity." For many of the "sisters" believe that at a large University, the sorority is a place where you can find family, like atmosphere.""The sorority offers an atmosphere of social activity that is available to anyone with the money to pay the dues," Wurm said. "If you can afford the fun and don't mind the time it takes, you can join. It's at the beginning of the year," he added, "but the more I thought about it, and the more I went over in the house the more I liked it." The marking of freshman and sophomore frats is fairly relaxed, Wurm said, and it is possible to fit in socially. Some sororities, on the other hand, have members who meet with the requirements of "nice and proper," and it is difficult for the freshman to conform. "Some of the people who would get along with the type of person here, but we look for a real good atmosphere," Wurm said. "We look for people who fit in with what we want to do."

Sororities, like other organizations, the sororities must be "in the current," Wurm said. "They can't have full houses and the ability to turn down applicants." The sororities depend on the private support of alumnae for much of their financial support. Each house has an incorporated alumnae organization which handles financial matters, Wurm explained. "Alumnae offer general advice and help, but a lot of the people who are interested in helping are the ones who are interested in the house itself." According to Wurm, "The enthusiasm and support of the alumnae is just as important as the enthusiasm of the individual sisters." After the decline in the years of the 60's and 70's, when membership plummetted, the sororities report their popularity on the upswing. This judgement is based on the number of prospective pledges who applied for membership during the recent rush programs. All three sororities report that membership will increase next year by an average number of 35.

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An Oasis in West Philadelphia

By Victor Patin

Francois Koch, her husband and founder of the program, died last month, after a long battle with a rare form of cancer. Koch's work was celebrated at a memorial service last Sunday.

Koch, who founded the program 30 years ago, devoted her life to helping children from disadvantaged backgrounds achieve educational success. She was a driving force behind the organization's efforts to provide quality education to children in need.

The organization has been working to continue Koch's legacy, with the support of her family and friends.

December 1, 1969. The Koch's signed a lease with the landowner to buy the building at 1301 Gough St. According to Mrs. Koch, during the last year of the lease, Buchajian offered to sell the building to three other people. In direct contravention of his lease, Buchajian said he didn't want to sell the building to the Koch's because he wanted to keep the space. Koch has signed an affidavit stating that Buchajian told him he would not sell the building to the Koch's. Buchajian, it is necessary to understand the relationship between him and the Koch's.

Letters to the Editor

Contesting an Affirmative Action Opinion

By Victor Patin

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Vaughan Seeks Changes in Ancient 8

By ROD JORDAN-McNIT

Brenton Deane has been one of the few positive voices in the Penn athletic department for the past two years. He had been back 10 years. "Vaughan was great for George Washington University. It is not an easy place to be when you don't have the kind of student body that supports you. We are going to try to develop basketball." 

Brenton Deane has 16 years of experience in college basketball, including 10 years as an assistant coach at George Washington University. He is looking for a change in the program and hopes to bring a new perspective to the team.

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Another day at Kittrell, North Carolina. Coach Brian McMillan talked into a "speech". "It is not the time to lose. I have five years to go. I have to win. I have to get the fans on your side. I have to win." 

McMillan is a former assistant at the University of Pittsburgh and has been the head coach at North Carolina State for the past two years. He is optimistic about the team's future and believes they have the talent to succeed.

Amelia Bass

Penn and Columbia have been the leader in the ancient 8. They have five other schools in the league that are also interested in joining. They have been playing each other for the past 50 years. The league is made up of the University of Pennsylvania, Columbia University, and the University of Pittsburgh.

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