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## Fraternity Rush System Revised

Agitation that was started eight or nine years ago by campus leaders who are now out in the business world to change rules regulating the fraternity rush system was finally culminated in January with the Board of Regents approval of a new rush code which will become effective next September.

Back in 1927 and 1928, Frank Dennis, '29as, through the columns of the *Oklahoma Daily* was advocating radical alterations of a "barbarous system." In the succeeding years through the student paper, its editors, Savoie Lottinville, Paul Kennedy, Dick Pearce and those of more recent years, have annually cried for changes in the system that countenanced "hot boxes" and "high pressure salesmanship."

Although the new system which was proposed and battled through the Interfraternity council by Albert Kulp, '34 law, Norman, retains many of the features of the old plan, it is a definite improvement on an archaic system.

After preliminary skirmishes in the Interfraternity council, the plan was finally debated openly in November, adopted in December and given the Board of Regents for approval in January. The regents voted to give the plan a trial next fall.

The new system is designed to protect students who come to Norman at the opening of the rush period with determination to go through all the dates they have signed. It also is framed to make provisions for those students who already have selected the fraternity of which they wish to become a pledge.

All students going through rush must meet at an assembly in the Fine Arts building previous to the opening of the rush period. Here, they will listen to Dean James F. Findlay explain the system and the meaning of joining a fraternity. At this meeting, the students will be asked to designate whether they wish to fill all their dates. Those who do will be required to sign a card to that effect and will be prohibited from pledging a fraternity until the period of rush ends.

Thus, fraternities will be less likely to "sweat box" these students, since the fraternities will realize they can not prevent them, under a strict penalty, from filling their other dates. Rushees will be offered bids at the time they are filling dates. At the close of six dates they will report to a second assembly in the auditorium where they must decide finally which fraternity they wish to pledge.

Those who signify they do not wish to go all the way through rush may pledge at any time they wish after the

## Sooner roll call

### New Addresses

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Pierce Kelton Merrill, '32as, Comanche.  
Edwin Minter, '12as, care *World News*, El Paso, Texas.  
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conclusion of first dates. Instead of having three dates which may be split into the first half of first and second half of first, there will be six dates.

Students wishing to go through the entire period but not having six engagements will fill those they have in their proper order and then report to the house of first date and then second dates until the rush period is completed.

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### Branan in Race for Legislature

Herbert Branan, '32as, Muskogee, has entered the state legislative race in Muskogee county and promises to make pre-primary activities interesting in his county.

Branan was interested in philosophical problems when he attended the University and was one of the mainstays in the Philosophy club. He also was active in the Indian club and Y. M. C. A. work. After graduation, he organized the Sooner Alumni club in his vicinity of the state.

The *Muskogee Phoenix* said of Branan: "An active leader in work of the Methodist Episcopal church, South, Branan is an ordained minister of that denomination.

"Branan, a graduate of Muskogee Central High school and of the University of Oklahoma, said that he intended to base his candidacy on taxation reforms and a sensible school policy which would permit a full term for every school in the state.

"For the first time a candidate for any office, Branan was president of the Muskogee League of Young Democrats in 1927. He is now president of the Sooner club and active in church work. He is engaged in the real estate business."

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### The Record Speaks

(An editorial in the *Daily Oklahoman*.)

Last year both of the Rhodes scholarship winners for this southwestern district were from Oklahoma. This year two winners are selected and once more both winners may be said to be from Oklahoma. Last year the two winners were lads who had received their university training at Oklahoma University. This year one of the winners is a Harvard man, while the other is a student who received his bachelor's degree at Oklahoma University.

This record should be filed away and reviewed occasionally by those who have been prone to consider the university of the state a kind of social center and a breeding ground for manifold disturbances. It should be studied most carefully by those who never think of the state university without thinking of the kidnapping of chosen queens and of the ac-

tivities of the D. D. M. C. It should be studied a little bit by the authorities who gratify their lust for publicity by conducting football activities under military auspices. Occasionally the record should be reviewed by those who think of the university in terms of football only and who think that the university is a failure when it fails to produce a winning team.

It is unfortunate for both university and state that a goodly number of citizens judge the state's largest institution by the noise of certain noisy students whose gyrations cause an entire state to forget at times the thousands of sincere students whose work would be a credit to any institution. Hereafter when some mere university prank is about to cause some serious minded citizen to think of the entire university in terms of reproach he should remember that the school he is tempted to criticize has in the past two years won three of the four highest honors that scholarship opens to students of the entire southwest. It should be a matter of pride to all Oklahomans that all of the other schools of the entire southwestern area cannot in combination win so many honors in the realm of scholarship as students of Oklahoma University have won.

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### Radio Short-Course Planned

A two-day short course in writing for the radio has been announced for February 2 and 3 by Phantom Mask, honorary radio dramatic fraternity, through its president Bruce Wiley, '34eng. Class meetings will be held in the Oklahoma Union and will be open to the public.

The short course was designed to assist persons planning to enter original radio dramas in the state contest sponsored by Phantom Mask. The contest will close March 3, 1934.

Speakers for the short-course include Gayle Grubb, manager of WKY, Oklahoma City, Daryl McAllister, WKY program manager, Wayne Campbell, head of the Oklahoma City University dramatic art department, Rupel J. Jones, head of the University dramatic art school, Homer Heck, '31ex, dramatic coach for WNAD, University station, and John Dunn, University dramatic art professor.

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### New Fraternity On Campus

A chapter of Theta Kappa Phi, national social fraternity, has been installed at the University. The charter was granted in January to Delta Phi Epsilon, local petitioning group.

As well as eleven charter members and seven pledges Theta Kappa Phi has three honorary members: Most Reverend Francis Kelley, bishop of Oklahoma City and Tulsa, T. Austin Gavin, Tulsa attorney, and Reverend Joseph Hallissey, chaplain of Mater Admirabilis student chapel in Norman.