

*Dean Snodgrass Speaks*

*On Keys And Initiation*

Miss Snodgrass, Dean of Women, was recently interviewed concerning key privileges and initiation.

On the subject of key privileges the Student Handbook states that: "Women who are classified as (a) seniors, or (b) who have reached the age of 21, or (c) juniors with a cumulative grade point average of 1.5, who have been at Ottawa University one semester and are not on probation may request key privileges subject to the approval of her parents and the Student Personnel Committee."

For the coming semester there are a total of 106 on- and off-campus girls who are eligible for key privileges. There were 63 eligible juniors and 43 eligible seniors. Of the 87 on-campus girls eligible, 57 are from Centennial Hall and 30 are from Martin Hall. The following figures show the number of eligible on-campus girls in each respective club. Zetas, 6; Tri Gams, 8; Thetas, 15; Kappa Taus, 10; Kappa Chis, 27; Psis, 19.

Miss Snodgrass was also questioned about the conflict between the dance featuring The Gentries and intensive initiation. She pointed out that any decision to rearrange dates would have to be made by Inter-Club Council. Both the dance and initiation are sponsored by this council.

When asked what she felt concerning the purposes and usefulness of initiation, Miss Snodgrass said it was ironical to try to degrade freshmen and interfere with their normal process of adjustment through initiation. She considers it contrary to good educational princi-

ples and feels that in some instances it thwarts the need of freshmen to become part of a group. Another view which she mentioned was that a freshman should be given the right to choose between participation and non-

participation in initiation.

Miss Snodgrass also cited the value of certain forms of initiation such as a formal initiation ceremony or the costume parade which is to be held this Saturday.

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