

Campus Jealousy Is Held Cause Of Barring 3 Girls At U. Of Md.

Miss Virginia Flanagan, Refused Admittance, Charges
Two Local Sororities Evidently Received Protection
From College Authorities.

Pittsburgh, Oct. 25 (Special).— Campus jealousy actuated the difficulty which resulted in the barring of three girls, former students, from the University of Maryland this fall.

Miss Virginia Flanagan, one of those refused admittance, gave this explanation in an interview at her home in McKeesport, Pa., today. She is 19 years old and lives at 3416 Garbett street.

Through her father, George P. Flanagan, a jeweler. Miss Flanagan has applied for a writ of mandamus compelling her reinstatement as a student at the university. Similar action has been instituted by Miss Vivian Simpson, also refused admittance, their cases being handled jointly by William F. Broening, former Mayor of Baltimore, and C. Morris Harrison, attorneys.

Only National Sorority.

"Ten girls formed a social body and applied to headquarters of Chi Omega, a national sorority, for a charter," Miss Flanagan said. "We were granted the charter. No rules were violated and we became the only national sorority in the school.

"Two local sororities have not been hindered, so evidently they are under

the protecting wing of the school. Miss Simpson, myself, and a third girl were officers and were especially desirous of making the organization a success. Although we found the university rules did not forbid our organization, there was considerable talk and we were ordered to disband.

"Unable To See Dr. Woods."

"We understood Dr. A. F. Woods, the president, did not care for sororities, but we couldn't talk to him, as his secretary proved a barrier. We were given to understand that either the sorority or we must go. Three of us were refused registration this year, the remaining membership not returning to school."

Miss Flanagan said the national president of Chi Omega has shown an active interest and is assisting in the case. The president, she said, is a lawyer.

Because she already has completed two years of work in the university is the reason for her fight to return, Miss Flanagan said. She was graduated from the McKeesport High School in 1921 and said she hopes to become an author.