

Orthodox Church Group Is Formed on Campus



OFFICERS of the newly formed Orthodox Christian Fellowship. They are (l. to r.): Socrates Kolitsos, Gene Vansuch, Frances Pappaharalambos, and George Marsh.

A new religious organization was born on campus last week with the first formal meeting of the Orthodox Christian Fellowship. The new group will serve as the official religious club for the Orthodox student on campus.

The fellowship was established under the auspices of the Eastern Orthodox Clergy Association of Mahoning Valley. Association members, which compose the chaplain's committee, are the Rev. Mark Campbell of St. Mark's Church, the Rt. Rev. Feodor Kovalchuk of the Nativity of Christ Church, the Very Rev. William Olynyk of SS. Peter and Paul Church and the Very Rev. Nicholas Vansuch of St. John the Baptist Church.

Rev. Vansuch will serve as chairman of the group. The committee will select three additional faculty members to form the trustees.

The officers, elected at the first meeting, are: Eugene Vansuch,

president; Socrates Kolistos, vice president; Fran Papaharalambos, secretary; and George Marsh, treasurer.

In addition to regular University released chapel services, the fellowship will have weekly chapel services at noon on Wednesdays. At the twice monthly meetings faculty members and clergy will alternate as speakers.

A program of stewardship, in which students will be encouraged to train as youth and educational leaders, is planned. Social functions and conferences of the fellowship will include young people's organizations from Orthodox parishes in the Youngstown area.

The Eastern Orthodox Men's Society of Mahoning County assisted in the sponsorship of the new organization and they will provide the operating funds for this year.