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Fraternities To Open Rushing on Thursday

Interfraternity Council Assists Organizations In Solving Problems—Establishes Uniform Code of Action:

The beginning of Freshman Week, Thursday, September 17, also marks the first day of fraternity "rushing" when nearly sixty social fraternities entertain the new Penn State students with the purpose of sending out membership "bids" at the close of a fifteen day period.

The fraternities at Penn State, both national and local, all send representatives to an Interfraternity Council, which has as its purpose to aid and assist fraternities to solve their common problems, and to regulate and govern their relations with one another, with the College, and with the general public.

One of the primary duties of the Council is to regulate the manner in which fraternities may rush, bid, and pledge new members. For this purpose a Rushing Code has been adopted. The 1931 Interfraternity Rushing Code defines "rushing" as "the presence of a rushee in a fraternity house or the presence of a fraternity man in a rushee's room." A rushee is defined as "any non-fraternity man in his first year at Penn State."

On the first day of Freshman Week new students will be required to make out cards containing their name, State College address, home address, and religious preference. This information will be distributed to the various fraternities. The freshmen will also be supplied with "date" cards which will be used by the fraternities when "signing up" a freshman for a dinner or luncheon engagement. These "date" cards are the only legal means by which a fraternity may make an engagement with a freshman.

Rushing actually begins at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon, September 17, and ends at 8 o'clock Friday night, October 2. Fraternities are not allowed to make more than two dates at a time with each rushee, and no more than four dates for the entire rushing period. In other words, the first two dates must be completed before more dates can be arranged.

To Have Silent Period
A silent period, in which there can be no communication of any sort between fraternity men and a rushee, will take place at the close of each evening date until the following morning at 8 o'clock. Also, another silent period will begin on Friday night, October 2, at 8 o'clock, and end Sunday night, October 4, at 6 o'clock. Fraternities will send in bids to the Student Union office by Friday night, October 2, at midnight, and a rushee may receive his bids by calling at this office on Saturday, October 3, from 11:30 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock in the afternoon. According to the code a "fraternity may enlighten the rushee in any fraternity matter but shall offer him a bid only at the regularly scheduled time in the proper manner."

On Sunday, October 4, at 12:30 o'clock in the afternoon a rushee must signify his acceptance of a fraternity bid by appearing at this fraternity for dinner.

The following penalties will be imposed in part or in full upon any fraternity violating the Rushing Code, according to the severity of the violation:

- (a) Publication in the Penn State COLLEGIAN.
- (b) Notification of National Officers.
- (c) Forfeiture of fifty dollar bond previously posted.
- (d) Suspension of social privileges for semester immediately following that in which rushing occurred.

14,000 VISITS MADE FOR DISPENSARY TREATMENTS

Freshmen With 4,200 Form Largest Group; Seniors Number 2,911

Over 14,000 visits were made to the dispensary up to May 1 by students wanting treatment, according to Dr. Joseph P. Ritenour, College physician. More than 12,000 of these were made by men students, the freshmen leading with 4,200 visits. Seniors requested treatment the least number of times, totalling 2,911.

The College health service gave out 2,079 excuses from classes during the period from October 1 to May 1. Physical education excuses totalled 42, while 36 permanent excuses from R. O. T. C. were given.

STUDENT COUNCIL, BOARD CONSTITUTE GOVERNING GROUPS

Tribunal Established To Punish Violations of Freshman College Customs

LEGISLATURE MEMBERS SELECTED BY SCHOOLS

Men, Women Choose Separate Groups of Class Officers At Spring Election

Student government at Penn State is vested in two legislative bodies, the Student Council and the Student Board, composed of undergraduates elected for a term of one year.

Representatives from the three upper classes make up the Student Council, each of the seven schools in the College having at least one representative in each class. The President of the Senior Class serves as president of the Council.

The Student Board is made up of seven students and the Dean of Men. Three of its members are elected from the Council, two seniors and one junior. The presidents of the three upper classes and the editor of the COLLEGIAN are other students on the Board, and the senior class president also serves as president of this group.

Student Council is the actual legislative body of student government. It recommends, creates, maintains, and regulates the customs and traditions of the College, taking steps to support and carry into effect any policy to sustain the good name of the College, and to promote mutual understanding between the faculty and student body.

Board to Coordinate
The Student Board has a primary mission of acting as a co-ordinating body between the Student Council and the College administration. This group meets each week with the Dean of Men to discuss student problems. The Board makes recommendations to the Council for the final sanction of that body. The Student Board also has the power to serve as a disciplinary body, making recommendations directly to the College administration.

The Student Tribunal, composed of five members elected by the Student Council, has a sole purpose of meeting out punishment to freshmen who break College customs.

The women students at Penn State have their own student governing bodies, the Senate and the House of Representatives. The Senate formulates all rules and regulations governing women students, penalizing as it sees fit all offenders of these regulations.

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HEADS Penn State Student Body For 1931-32



H. AUBREY MYERS '32

UNION TO CONTINUE YEAR TRIAL PERIOD

Organization for Coordinating All Activities Suggested First in May, 1930

Originating as part of an intercollegiate movement for the creation of some coordinating unit for all extracurricular activities within colleges, the Student Union at Penn State will continue its trial period of one year set last December when it was ratified by the College Senate.

First suggested at Penn State in May, 1930, a committee of ten activities leaders was selected to bring about a definite organization of the Union, following discussion among students. This committee was made up of delegated representatives, one from each of the following activities: athletics, publications, religion, men's student government, women's student government, Interfraternity Council, Campus Club Council, Penn State Club, one for the various honorary and professional societies, and one for music, dramatics, and debating. In addition to the student members were the Dean of Men, the Dean of Women, the Comptroller, Union manager, and two faculty members, appointed by the president.

Organization Begun
The purpose of the Union was the advancement of each activity, coordination of these activities in service of projects which could not properly be undertaken by individual groups. The plan evolved from the investigation of a student-faculty committee on activities which was headed by Dean Arthur R. Warnock, following a study of similar organizations in different colleges.

In October last year, the chosen activities representatives met and drew up an organization requesting authorization for the establishment of a Student Activities Union at Penn State from the Student Welfare Committee of the College Senate. The organization was set forth and later approved by the Senate committee December 8 until a more detailed constitution could be drawn up, provided for representatives of the original ten activities and an ex-officio committee consisting of the Dean of Men, the Dean of Women, a Union Manager, and two members from the administration or faculty elected by the student members for a period of two years.

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SCHOLARSHIPS, 8 LOANS AID WORTHY STUDENTS

Applications for 1931-32 Awards Exceeds Available Funds

Eight loan funds and over forty scholarships of various kinds are available to deserving students in the College. In addition there are three scholarships awarded each year by each State Senator.

An effort is made to distribute all these funds to those who are most deserving. Information concerning any of these may be obtained from the offices of the dean of men or the dean of women.

Each scholarship is listed in the College catalog with the requisite for obtaining it. Applications for the present year, however, have exceeded the available funds.

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1225 New Students To Attend 7th Freshman Week Thursday; Will Register September 17-18

Enrollment Takes Place In Recreation Hall Periodically

GROUP ENTERS AS BEST FITTED SCHOLASTICALLY

Figures Include Less Than 200 Women—50 Men Living At Mont Alto

Approximately 1225 first year students will register at Recreation hall in periods on the first two days of Freshman Week, according to the number of applications accepted by Registrar William S. Hoffman.

From comparison of ranking by fifths in the graduating classes of their high schools, the class of 1935 is scholastically the best prepared group admitted in the history of the College. As in the past four years there has been a slight increase in the number of students who were graduated in the upper two-fifths of their classes. Less than 200 of the new students are women while 50 of the men have enrolled in the forestry course and will spend their freshman year at Mont Alto.

At the times designated in the Freshman Week manual, the first year students will appear at Recreation hall and receive their schedules for the first semester with complete directions for registering. The whole process should not take over twenty minutes according to estimates of Mr. Hoffman. Filing out a blank registration sheet is the first step. All questions have been placed there because they are made use of by some department of the College and should be answered completely.

Photographing Is Final Step
Cards, for each course scheduled should be secured and filled out next. Because they are sent to the professors and are used to admit students to class and, at the end of the semester for reporting grades, care must be taken that information is complete and accurate.

After submitting the blank registration sheet and the class cards for checking, the registrant passes to the treasurer's section where the amount of his fees is computed. An estimate can be gained from consulting the Freshman Week manual. In payment the treasurer will not accept checks drawn for sums more than \$10 over the total amount of the fees.

The final step in registering is the taking of the photograph for the College records. On presentation of the matriculation card which is received after payment of the fees, the Penn State Photo shop, located on College avenue, will take the picture free of charge.

Upperclassmen will register on Monday and Tuesday of the following week and classes will begin at 1 o'clock on Wednesday.

DEBATING OFFERS SPEECH TRAINING

Teams Traveled 3600 Miles During Season Last Year—Audiences Totaled Over 3500

Debating at Penn State offers to a large number of students of all classes the chance to speak in intercollegiate contests and to benefit from practice in speech development and presentation. Indicative of the numbers used in debates is the fact that thirteen out of a squad of twenty men spoke in the schedule of eighteen contests last year.

Four questions were developed by a squad chosen by competition early in the year. Audiences totalling 3500 people were addressed and over 3600 miles were traversed in meeting engagements.

Weekly meetings were held by the squad and the process of building up a workable debate were developed under the direction of faculty coaches. Extensive reading in the Library, the writing of briefs and

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TO GREET Class of '35 During Freshman Week



PRESIDENT RALPH D. HETZEL

COLLEGE OFFERS VARIED ACTIVITIES

Christian Association Directed By Seaman—Hammaker Leads Freshmen

An integral part of both the national and international collegiate movements, the Penn State Christian Association is a body of faculty and students furthering Christian attitude and ideals in individual and campus life. Its main purpose is the search for a satisfactory way of life.

Harry W. Seaman, as general secretary, directs the association staff while Gilbert M. Strunk '27, who has his desk inside the counter at the entrance of the quaters on the third floor of Old Main, has charge of the rooming service, book loans, Student Handbook, and employment. William E. Hammaker '30 is the associate secretary in charge of freshman activities.

Any student is eligible to participate in the activities of the Christian Association. The freshmen are organized into the Hugh Beaver club and those entering into its program are more likely to advance to the higher positions of leadership in the association proper. Officers are elected by the club members after a series of gatherings and instructive talks. In addition to the regular weekly meetings each Wednesday night, there will be joint affairs with the freshman team of the Y W C A, hikes, retreats, and special projects.

Has Many Missions

Candidates for the Christian Association cabinet take part in the phase of the program which most interests them. Serving at first on special project committees they gradually assume positions of greater responsibility as committee chairman.

By demonstrating interest, ability, and leadership qualities, men in the lower positions of the service will be noticed by the cabinet which usually elects its succeeding group in March. The newly organized cabinet then nominates members as officers for the following year and an all-college student election follows to make the selection from the nominations.

Posters on the bulletin boards as well as COLLEGIAN articles will announce campus tours, the welcome mass meeting held annually for the freshmen, open house at Andy Lyle cabin, which is situated in the mountains at Shingletown Gap, the Freshman series, Hugh Beaver club meetings and other activities of the Christian Association.

FRESHMAN FORESTERS SPEND FIRST YEAR AT MONT ALTO

Students enrolled in the Forestry course spend their first year and the following summer at Mont Alto, a branch of the Penn State school, where there is excellent physical equipment for training along practical lines.

First year men have the same customs at Mont Alto as those at State College. They organize their own activities and clubs.

Official Opening Follows Wednesday Night Assembly

CLASS ASKED TO ATTEND ALL SCHEDULED SESSIONS

Members Will Receive Physical Examination By College Health Service

Following an informal assembly Wednesday night, the seventh annual Freshman Week will officially open at 8 o'clock Thursday morning, September 17, with approximately 1225 first year students in attendance.

President Ralph D. Hetzel will welcome for the College the seventy-sixth freshman class at a convocation in Schwab auditorium at 8 o'clock Thursday night. On the preceding night the Penn State Christian association will hold an informal assembly and conduct group meetings with sections counselors chosen from upperclassmen to give intimate personal aid to the first year students.

To fulfill the Freshman Week purpose of making new students and the College acquainted, the entire freshman class has been directed to attend all the sessions in the seven day program. Each member of the Class of 1935 will follow a schedule of meetings designated in the Freshman Week manual.

To Take Physical Tests

Divided into twenty-two groups according to the currency in which they are enrolled, the freshmen will begin activities with school meetings. Five of these will be held in all and will acquaint the students with the Deans and department heads with whom they will work during their entire College career.

At scheduled hours during the week, each freshman will receive a thorough physical examination given by the College Health Service at the dispensary in the basement of Old Main. Physical tests will also be conducted at the Recreation hall and will form the basis for the program of health supervision and physical education.

Each section will meet by itself six times. Two periods will be devoted to instruction in how to study, under the supervision of the faculty of the School of Education. Upperclass student leaders will instruct the freshmen in College traditions and customs at a third period. The remaining three meetings will be with the student counselors.

Have Daily Song Practice

Every day at 11 o'clock, freshmen, unless otherwise scheduled, will assemble in the Auditorium for a recreational hour of singing and cheerleading practice under the direction of Prof. Richard W. Grant, director of music, and the cheerleaders. College songs and yells as well as special creations for the class of '35 will be learned in these periods. Participation in outdoor sports has been scheduled to follow the afternoon sessions. Facilities will be provided for football, baseball, tennis, golf, volleyball, and quads.

With the exception of Saturday and Sunday, mass meetings will be held in the Auditorium at 8 o'clock each night of Freshman Week. The first will be the opening convocation on Thursday night. Friday's program will be in charge of the religious activities of the College. On Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the entire freshman class will assemble in the Auditorium for a chapel service. The following night, student government officers will address the freshmen on topics related to the Penn State system of student government and on Tuesday the meeting will take the form of an athletic rally under the supervision of the Athletic Association.

TEAMS HAVE DUAL CAPTAINS

For the first time in about five years two Penn State athletes will serve as captains in two sports apiece. Fred C. Brand '32 jr. will captain basketball and golf while Robert W. McKune '32 will lead both the soccer and tennis teams.