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COME AND GET IT

Approximately three-quarters of the freshmen entering Penn State this year were graduated in the upper two-fifths of their high school classes.

Unfortunately what is true for the class as a unit can not be predicted for each individual. The College extends its facilities, it offers countless cultural and practical advantages, it seeks to inspire love for knowledge, and even strives to do a little goading.

If education were forced down the throats of students there would be a great outcry and learning would be, at best, drudgery. The very aims and ideals of an education would be defeated by employing the harsh system that is necessary to make thoughtless children do what they must at some time come to realize is valuable and necessary.

Extra-curricular activities, as this paper indicates, are many and varied at Penn State. Activities are not to be entered into quickly. They are unquestionably beneficial to many students but it cannot be denied that in other cases activities stand between students and the realization of the purpose for which they came to college.

HAPPY DAZE

The first month of College, with the newness and consequent glamor of Freshman Week, the multitude of tests, mass meetings, lectures, to say nothing of the turmoil of rushing, has been rightly called the most colorful and active period in the four years of College.

If College is a great experience in itself, certainly, leaving home for college must not be overlooked as a major step in the life of a young man or woman. Home ties receive their first severe strain and decision after decision must be made unaided by parental advice.

Without doubt nearly every freshman coming to Penn State in the class of 1936 believes that the next four years will be the best and the happiest in his life. Experience will show that as far as happiness is concerned college is no different from other walks of life.

During the last seven years that Freshman Week has been observed at Penn State it has been undergoing many refinements. The procedure this year, even more so than in the past, constitutes a highly selected program of what has been found to be the need of the entering Freshmen.

Do You Know . . .

That Old Main housed the entire College in 1859, and until 1886 was used for dormitories, class rooms, and administrative offices.

That the original Old Main building was torn down in 1929 and that the present structure, completed in 1930, was built from many of the same old stones.

That the tradition of the Old Willow tree dates back to the time when Professor Waring planted it in memory of the earlier days. The original tree was blown down in a wind storm and a cutting was planted in 1921 and now grows near the drinking fountain on the main campus walk.

That the permission of the president together with the approval of the Dean of Women was the red-tape gone through for securing a date with a co-ed way back in the '70's.

That the polyolith in front of the Armory was erected in 1896 and contains all the specimens of known building stone found in the State.

That it has been estimated that 100,000 blue books are used by students for examinations throughout each school year.

That Owen D. Young received the nomination for president on the fifth ballot after one hundred and ten delegates bolted from Roosevelt and Thomas in a model Republicrat convention held by political science students last year.

That Penn State athletes represented the United States in the last four Olympic Games.

That the first student to enroll in the College is now living as a retired physician on a farm in Arkansas.

That there is a case of historical articles pertaining to the College on the second floor of the Library which, among other things, includes a Lincoln signature, seals of the College, and candle-sticks that were formerly used in Old Main.

That the Nittany Lion, the symbol of the College, was launched at Princeton University in 1906 on the occasion of a baseball game when a Penn State student in a flash of repartee said that nothing but a Pennsylvania mountain lion could stand before a Bengal tiger.

That in 1912 only members of the three upper-classes were permitted to kick the football between the halves of a varsity game.

That the inscription "Tiny" on a small stone near the spot where lies in state a pet dog of a College professor's wife.

That nearly 80,000 towels are needed each year by athletes and physical education students according to the attendant at Recreation Hall.

That campus politics are run with the same organization as exists in national politics, parties and all.

That all indoor athletics were carried on in the Armory until the completion of Recreation Hall in 1929.

That rushing among the women's social organizations is not carried on until the sophomore year.

That seven of the trees on the front campus are dedicated to Penn State men who lost their lives in the World War.

That many of the streets in State College are named after former presidents of the College.

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NEXT TO THE MOVIES

Customs Mould Activities Of Freshmen on Campus

4 Restrictions Removed by Student Council Revision--Dating Rule Changed

College customs at Penn State are practices which have been handed down from class to class and have now become established traditions. Originating from various sources, these practices have become ingrained in student life and undergo constant changes.

Present College customs fall under two divisions. First, general customs which are for the guidance of the whole student body. Second, freshman customs intended to discipline the activities of the freshman and instill proper respect for upperclassmen.

Prominent among old Penn State traditions is the custom of exchanging cordial "Hello's" with other students on the campus. Every student also greets the president in this manner with a tip of the hat or civilian salute.

Smoking on the campus is confined to places outside of classrooms, laboratories, and Recreation hall. Penn State men conduct themselves like gentlemen and sportsmen at all athletic events and await the singing of the Alma Mater at the close of the game.

Pasting or painting of stickers or seals bearing Penn State insignia does not receive the approval of correct usage. It is needless to say that there are far superior ways in which to distinguish one's self as a Penn State man.

Four freshman customs were removed and the Class of 1936 was given permission to date after the first semester as a result of a customs revision made by Student Council last May. All sophomore restrictions were removed by student action two years ago.

Smoking in public by freshmen will no longer be prohibited, and the carrying of matches at all times will not be required. Restriction regarding frequenting the vicinity of the Student Tribunal and talking back to upperclassmen have also been stricken from the list as unnecessary.

The remaining freshman restrictions are as follows:

- 1. Do not walk across front campus or use front campus wall.
2. Do not go without coats in public at any time.

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