



## Fraternalities To Begin Rushing on Thursday

### 53 Social Groups Will Open Ten-Day Period of Organized 'Rushing' on First Day of Freshman Week

Fifty-three Penn State social fraternities will begin a 10-day "rushing" period at 8 o'clock on the first day of Freshman Week, Thursday, September 12. During this period the first-year men, desiring to be considered for fraternity membership, will be entertained at luncheon and dinner engagements at the various fraternities.

The "rushing" of first-year men is an organized system used by the fraternities in securing members from the freshmen class. The activities of both the freshmen and the fraternity men during this period of ten days are governed by a rushing code which has been adopted by the interfraternity council.

Every Penn State social fraternity, national and local, is represented in a group known as the Interfraternity Council. The purpose of this organization is to aid and assist in the solution of problems common to the various member fraternities, and to regulate and govern their relations with one another, with the College, and with the general public.

The way in which fraternities may rush, bid, and pledge new members is one of the important duties of the council. Each year the outgoing representatives draw up a "rushing" code which applies for the forthcoming College year. The code is revised each year in an attempt to eliminate all undesirable regulations, and to meet the changing conditions.

The 1935 Rushing Code defines "rushing" as "any communication or association between a fraternity man and a rushee" during the specified period. A "rushee" is defined as any non-fraternity man in his first year at Penn State.

Freshmen desiring to be considered for fraternity membership should go to the Student Union desk, Old Main, immediately after their counselor's meeting on Wednesday, September 11, where they may procure "date" cards which in addition to containing a memorandum of engagements for the entire rushing season, also contains the 1935 Rushing Code.

A fee of fifty cents will be charged to help defray rushing costs of the Interfraternity Council. These cards are the only legal means of making dates in the first rushing period. The making of a date consists of signing the fraternity's name, by representative of fraternity in question, in space allotted.

These date cards are the only legal means by which a fraternity may make rushing dates. All rushees not classed as freshmen—sophomore, Mont Alto, transfer students—may receive date cards and further instructions at the Student Union desk in Old Main.

At the first section meeting during Freshman Week each new student will be asked to make out a card giving his name, local address, home address and religious preference. This information will be distributed to all fraternities by the following morning.

Rushing shall begin at 8 o'clock Thursday, September 12, and shall end at 8 o'clock Sunday night, September 22. It will be divided into two periods, the first ending at 8 o'clock Wednesday night, September 18, and the second ending at 8 o'clock Sunday night, September 22.

Between these periods there will be observed a "silent" period during which there is to be no communication or association of any kind between fraternity man and rushee, from the close of each evening date until the following morning at 8 o'clock.

The schedule for silent periods is as follows: from 8 o'clock Wednesday night, September 18 to 8 o'clock Friday, September 20; from 8 o'clock Sunday night, September 22 to 7 o'clock Tuesday, September 24.

### 'Collegian' To Issue 8-Page Supplement

Beginning with the issue of Wednesday, September 12, the COLLEGIAN will distribute with every issue the *Collegiate Digest*, an eight-page, nationally circulated pictorial and news magazine covering events of importance, pictures of campuses, student leaders, and activities at colleges in all parts of the United States.

## 18 Staff Members Given Promotion

### 16 College Instructors Are Elevated to Higher Posts by Move

Promotion of sixteen staff members at the Pennsylvania State College to the rank of assistant professors, and two to the rank of instructors, was announced today by President Ralph D. Hetzel. The announcement of their promotions supplements a previous announcement that fifteen other staff members have been elevated to posts above the rank of assistant professors with the approval of the Board of Trustees.

The sixteen receiving promotions to the rank of assistant professor were formerly ranked as instructors. The two promoted to instructorships were ranked previously as research assistants. The complete list of the promotions to assistant professorships follows:

Irving C. Boerlin, from instructor to assistant professor of engineering extension; Millard T. Bunnell, from instructor to assistant professor of Engineering extension; Donald E. H. Frear, from instructor to assistant professor of agricultural and biological chemistry; Thomas B. Keith, from instructor to assistant professor of animal husbandry.

Helmut Landsberg, from instructor to assistant professor of geo-physics; William M. Lepley, from instructor to assistant professor of psychology; Mabel C. McDowell, from instructor to assistant professor of clothing extension; Arthur C. McIntyre, from instructor to assistant professor in forest research; Russell C. Miller, from instructor to assistant professor of agricultural and biological chemistry.

William H. Pfeiffer, from instructor to assistant professor of forestry; Albert P. Powell, from instructor to assistant professor of electrical engineering; A. O. Rasmussen, from instructor to assistant professor of ornamental horticulture extension; R. D. Reid, from instructor to assistant professor of bacteriology; G. J. Stout, from instructor to assistant professor of vegetable gardening; A. H. Zerban, from instructor to assistant professor of mechanical engineering; and O. W. Pflueger, from instructor to assistant professor of forestry.

The two staff members to receive promotions from research assistants to instructors are: Dorothy Quiggle, chemistry; and C. O. Tonberg, chemistry.

## Penn State First Founded As Farmers' High School

### Refounding Through Acceptance of Morrill Land Grant Act Caused Development

The Farmers' High School, baptismal name of the Penn State College, was a pioneer in agricultural education; its roots go back as early as 1850. Its development, if not its very existence, is due to its re-founding by the acceptance of the Morrill Act, signed by Governor Andrew Gregg Curtin, April 1, 1863, pledging the "faith of the State to carry the same into effect."

The first quarter of a century was marked by a struggle to hold the Land Grant, and by drifting and experiment in educational aims. Six presidents in twenty-three years was scarcely compatible with continuity of plan or purpose. Dr. Evan Pugh, a man of rare vision, trained by six years of study in the universities of Germany, France, and England, the first great president, died at the early age of 36, just as he was laying the foundations of Penn State. His successor, Dr. William H. Allen, formerly and later president of Girard College, served two years with no marked internal changes but with important activities in disposing of the Land Serp.

### Will Register Freshmen



William S. Hoffman, College Registrar, who will supervise the registration of freshmen during the first three days of Freshman Week.

## Groups Reward High Scholarship

### 2 Freshman Honoraries Select New Members For High Scholastic Rating

There are two honorary fraternities for freshmen with scholastic ambitions, one for the men and one for the women. Forty-three upperclass groups recognize further achievement along various lines later in the collegiate career.

Phi Eta Sigma awards membership to all freshmen men who at the end of their first semester have attained a 2.5 scholastic average or better. Those who have raised their grades to the minimum mark on the basis of work for the first two semesters, membership is also extended. With chapters in twenty-three colleges and universities throughout the country, the freshman honorary elects from thirty-five to forty new members each year.

Alpha Lambda Delta, sister organization of Phi Eta Sigma, honors high-standing freshmen women. Each year from five to eight women fulfill the 2.5 requirement.

Honorary fraternities usually set up a minimum standard which a student must attain before he is considered for membership. Fulfilling the minimum requirement does not automatically make the student a member of the society. An election must first be held among the active members of the organization.

Nearly every branch of collegiate activity—scholarship, journalism, dramatics, debating, or a departmental interest—has its honoraries which usually elect members from the junior and senior classes on the basis of their achievements. When undergraduates have been outstanding in the field and the society ruling permits, exception is made to the custom of excluding freshmen and sophomores. Elections are in most cases held twice a year, once in the fall and once in the spring.

For freshmen with scholastic ambitions.

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## Worthy Students Will Receive Aid Thru NYA Work

### Appropriation Provides \$15 a Month for Each Job

### 12% of Student Roll Eligible for Relief

Approximately six hundred students here will be able to earn a part of their college expenses as a result of the new National Youth Administration set up by the federal government and replacing the FERA work. Officials received notification today that Federal aid would again be available at the College under conditions similar to those obtaining last year for students not otherwise able to attend college.

The aid will be provided by the Federal government through the National Youth Administration and will be allocated to the College under regulations laid down in Washington. A total of 12 per cent of the student enrollment as of October 15, 1934, will be eligible to receive the average sum of \$15 per student month. Those receiving aid are expected to total more than 600.

Students must engage in "socially desirable work including the sort customarily done in the institution by students who are working their way through college, such as clerical, library, and research work," according to the regulations.

Many applications are already on file in various College offices for part-time employment on federal funds, College authorities stated.

A committee comprised of Stanley Mardox, administrative assistant, chairman, Dean Arthur R. Warnock, dean of men; Dean Charlotte E. Ray, dean of women; and William G. Murtorf, College treasurer, has been selected to approve applications from worthy students.

## 26 Clubs Have Many Activities

### Groups With Common Interests Form for Professional Social Benefits

Twenty-six recognized student clubs are now in existence on the campus, filling a need for assembling students with common interests. Their number is constantly increasing as new interests arise.

The majority of the clubs have no scholastic or class requirements. Their membership consists solely of those students who are interested in work that the club carries on.

One of the oldest clubs on the campus is the Penn State club, an organization of non-fraternity men. It seeks to provide for its members the same advantages that are enjoyed by members of fraternities. The club holds dances and other social functions, promotes athletic competitions, and aids non-fraternity men in becoming better acquainted. Non-fraternity men of all classes are eligible for membership.

The Social Problems club is composed of students interested in contemporary affairs and holds open forums every two or three weeks at which members of the faculty and outside speakers talk on current problems. Last year the club also sponsored virotra concerts of classical music.

### DeMolay Forms Club

The International Relations club is one of a large group of societies which was founded by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. The purpose of the club is to foster student discussions in world affairs. The local chapter has participated in regional conferences at other colleges, and last year sponsored the appearance of a famous lecturer.

Members of the DeMolay society enrolled at the College have formed a DeMolay club which sponsors social functions throughout the year. The Anzar club takes its membership from the campus police force, and endeavors to promote good fellowship and efficiency among them.

Founded in 1910, the Cosmopolitan club has a purely social function in promoting a finer spirit of fellowship among students from foreign countries. Its membership is open to all classes. In addition to this group is the Hispano-American club, composed of students who come from Spanish-speaking countries.

The Liebig Chemistry society serves as a medium of contact between the undergraduate and the graduate students and the faculty in the department of agricultural biochemistry. The Floral club performs the same

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## 1,400 Freshmen Will Gather for First Assembly Wednesday Night

### To Address Assembly



DEAN RALPH L. WATTS

## Students Here Govern Selves

### Government Vested In Board, Council Composed of Undergraduates

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

In addition to these two bodies there is a combined student board, established last year, which seeks to coordinate the legislation of the men's and women's governments by handling problems affecting both groups.

The board includes four men: president of the senior class, editor of the COLLEGIAN, a representative elected from Student Board, and one elected from Student Council. Two women are elected from the Senate.

The members of Student Council are elected by schools from the three upper classes, with each of the seven schools in the College having at least one representative in each class. The President of the senior class automatically becomes president of the Council.

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

The actual legislative duties of Student government lie with the Student Council, for this body recommends, creates maintains and regulates the customs and traditions of the College. It also takes the necessary 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.

The primary mission of the Student Board is to act as a coordinating unit between the Student Council and the College administration, meeting once a week with the Dean of Men to discuss student problems. The Board makes recommendations to the

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## Dean R. L. Watts To Welcome New Students at Convocation Thursday; Attendance To All Meetings Compulsory

More than 1,400 members of the Class of 1939 will gather in Schwab auditorium Wednesday night for the informal assembly which will officially open the eleventh annual Freshman Week of the College.

In the absence of President Ralph D. Hetzel, who is still on his vacation, Dean Ralph L. Watts, of the School of Agriculture, will represent the Administration in welcoming the incoming freshman class at the convocation at 8 o'clock, Thursday, September 12. Included on the convocation program is the singing of a hymn led by Prof. Richard W. Grant, of the department of music, and the invocation by Acting Chaplain John H. Frizell, of the department of public speaking. Following the invocation, Dean Watts will address the freshmen. The convocation will close with several announcements by Registrar William S. Hoffman.

## Student Union Aids Activities

### Coordinating Unit Was Formed In 1930—Has Grown Rapidly

Endeavoring to serve as a co-ordinating unit for all the extra-curricular activities at Penn State, the Student Union has taken its place as one of the valuable student organizations in the short period since it was organized in 1930.

The Union has no legislative power and is not supervisory but accomplishes its work by suggestions to its component groups in the form of recommendations. Representatives from each of the major activities constitute the formal membership of the Union Board although every student engaging in activities is automatically a member of the Union.

Elected by outgoing members of the Board, new members are selected from each particular field of activity. One representative from each of the following groups is a member of the Board: men's athletics, women's athletics, religious organizations, men's student government, women's student government, publications, Interfraternity Council, Inter-Unit Council, Faculty-Student Council, Honorary Fraternities, Penn State club, and one representative from the Interclass Budget committee.

In addition to the student members there are included in the membership the Dean of Men, the Dean of Women, the Student Union manager, George L. Donovan, manager and two members from the administration or faculty elected for terms of two years. The first three are ex-officio members.

The purpose of the Union is the furtherance of the welfare of each student activity, the coordination of the activities to serve a common program, and the promotion of projects which could not properly be handled by individual groups.

In its short history, the Union has undertaken and completed many projects. Three all-College dances were held free of charge after several basketball games last winter, the Student Loan fund was aided through the Union projects, a "Dutch Treat" dinner was inaugurated to form additional plans and general services were extended through the information bureau situated on the first floor of Old Main.

### Notice To Freshmen

Registrar Hoffman requests that all incoming freshmen, as well as upperclassmen, bring fountain pens to Recreation Hall when they register. The College does not furnish pen or ink.

Freshman Week was inaugurated by the College eleven years ago for the purpose of giving new students an opportunity to become acquainted with the College and its various student organizations before starting on the routine of class work and lectures.

The informal assembly Wednesday night will be conducted by the Penn State Christian association. At this time student leaders will be introduced, and immediately following the assembly, the first-year men will be divided into groups and will meet with the student counselors or advisors who have been selected from members of the upper classes.

Thursday night's assembly will be in charge of the Student Union. Other similar assemblies will be held on the remaining nights of the Freshman Week with the exception of Sunday night, and will be conducted by one of the campus groups.

Freshmen will be separated into groups according to their courses, and will meet at assigned periods for lectures and consultations. At these meetings, information concerning the Schools and departments, as well as the courses will be given.

Physical education, internships and placement tests, and library practice hours are also included on the program for the week.

All members of the incoming class will meet in Schwab auditorium at 11 o'clock each morning for song and cheer practice under the direction of Prof. Richard W. Grant, head of the department of music. Following the afternoon meetings, an opportunity for sports and recreation is provided.

Special programs during Freshman Week have been arranged for the women. These meetings will be conducted by the Women's Student Government association.

## 3 Off-Campus Branch Schools Established

Three off-campus undergraduate centers have been established by the College at Uniontown, Pottsville and Hazleton to provide limited college facilities for those high school graduates who are unable to attend college.

The three communities were selected for the experiment after survey by the College indicated that the needs of these areas could be met in no other way. President Ralph D. Hetzel said a total of 14 invitations were received from local communities for the establishment of these off campus schools.

The three schools will be regarded as temporary expedients and plans now embrace only a single year's operation after which students may transfer here or to some other college. The plan originated with the Association of College Presidents in their efforts to find a means of enabling high school graduates financially unable to go to college to continue their education.

"These off-campus schools are ready to render an educational service, but in co-operation with other colleges and without any thought of competition with them," Dr. Hetzel said. "Prospective students should realize that from many standpoints, it is better to go to an established college."

### Greetings, Freshmen

This issue of the Penn State COLLEGIAN is sent to the members of the Class of 1939 with compliments of the staff. Contained in it are complete descriptions of all phases of student life, which may be helpful in learning more about Penn State. In this issue, as in others throughout the year, the COLLEGIAN has attempted to give an accurate picture of what is going on at the College. New students will be given an opportunity to subscribe to the COLLEGIAN early in Freshman Week.