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## Two Women's Buildings To Be Opened This Semester 1,800 FRESHMEN ESTABLISH NEW CLASS RECORD

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### Mass Meeting Wednesday To Open Program

#### Student Leaders To Speak At 2nd Assembly Thursday; Dance On Saturday

Preceded by a welcome mass meeting Wednesday night, the annual Freshman Week will open at 8 o'clock Thursday morning.

The welcome meeting will be held in the Schwab Auditorium at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday night under the auspices of the Penn State Christian Association.

Following the meeting, freshman men will begin the first of a series of counselors' meetings designed to orientate the incoming students to the campus.

Meanwhile, freshman women will be visited by upperclasswomen as the first Pop-In night of the week begins at 9 o'clock.

Two more mass meetings will be held the next two days, with the student leaders' mass meeting slated for Schwab Auditorium at 8 o'clock Thursday night.

Scheduled to speak at the meeting are the leading student figures on the campus, including Raymond S. Coskery, president of Interfraternity Council, Dois-Blakemore, president of Women's Student Government Association, John C. Rev, chairman of Finance Committee, Vyman S. Doty, president of Pan-Hellenic Council, Joseph A. Peel, senior class president, Rachel M. Bechdel, president of Women's Recreation Association, Harry S. Harrison, president of Men's Athletic Association, Italia A. DeAngelis, president of Penn State Christian Association, John A. Troanvitch, editor of Collegian; Francis A. C. Vosters, Jr., business manager of Collegian, Robert L. Smith, president of Penn State Club, and Nicholas Kay, chairman of Honor Society Council.

Featuring the social calendar will be the Freshman Mixer and Dance, sponsored jointly by Student Union and the sophomore class, to be held in Recreation Hall from 9 to 12 p. m. Saturday, September 10. Charles Smith and his orchestra will play.

Freshmen men will obtain tickets at Student Union Desk, first floor, Old Main, the day before the dance. Matriculation cards must be presented. Women—both freshman and upperclass—will be admitted free.

Heading the committee in charge are Arnold C. Leach '41, class president, and George L. Donovan, assistant manager of Student Union, assisted by Druids, sophomore honor society.

Introducing a new feature to the Freshman Week program, Student Union also will hold afternoon dances from 4 to 5 o'clock in the Armory Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, September 9, 10, 12 and 13. Admission will be free to all.

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"There will be more freshmen here this year than there were students in the whole College 29 years ago," Registrar William S. Hoffman said yesterday. In 1909, the enrollment, including Summer Session, totaled 1,417.

Refusals Also Rise  
Meanwhile, as indications pointed to a record number of freshmen entering Penn State, the number of applicants refused admission also threatened to create a new high.

Out of 2,657 applications received, 1,800 were accepted. Latest figures have been rejected. Latest figures showed 1,442 had been accepted.

"The women's quota of 250 "has been filled to overflowing," the Registrar reported.

Liberal Arts Tops List  
Heading the list of admissions is the School of Liberal Arts, which has accepted 378 out of 750 applicants.

Following, in order, are the Schools of Engineering, 279 out of 396; Agriculture, 266 out of 464 (including over 100 at Mont Alto Forestry School); Chemistry and Physics, 237 out of 341; Education (industrial education and home economics only), 158 out of 235; Mineral Industries, 58 out of 83; Physical Education and Athletics, 38 out of 82; no course, 28 out of 326.

As was the case last year, two men have enrolled in home economics.

Centers Set Record  
"Considerably ahead of schedule," the undergraduate centers at DuBois, Uniontown, Hazleton, and Pottsville expect the largest enrollment in their history.

Already 249 applicants have been accepted. Applications are received up to the last minute.

Heading the freshman enrollment among the centers is DuBois with 101. Pottsville has 73. Hazleton, 43; Uniontown, 32.

### Don't Carve Desks, Freshmen Requested

The cooperation of the incoming freshman class is requested in refraining from carving fraternity insignia, initials, etc., on desks and tablet arms of all classrooms.

"For the sake of the future and the pride of the Class of 1942, please refrain," Ray V. Watkins, College scheduling officer, requests.

### A NEW ERA

Of expansion has been sparked at Penn State with the launching of the five-million dollar building program which will increase the College's facilities by one half and make it one of the nation's greatest. Read all the details on all the

### NEW BUILDINGS

On Pages 7 and 9

### FRESHMAN DATEBOOK

**ROOMS**  
List of available rooms for men may be obtained at Penn State Christian Association office, Room 304, Old Main.  
Women arrange for rooms in office of Dean of Women, Room 204, Old Main.

**MEETINGS**  
Welcome mass meeting, Schwab Auditorium, Wednesday, September 7, at 7:30 p. m.  
Student leaders' mass meeting, Schwab Auditorium, Thursday, September 8, at 8 p. m.  
Hall meetings for women, Wednesday, September 7, at 6:30 p. m.  
Religious activities mass meeting, Friday, September 9.  
Counselors' meetings for men, immediately after welcome mass meeting Wednesday night.

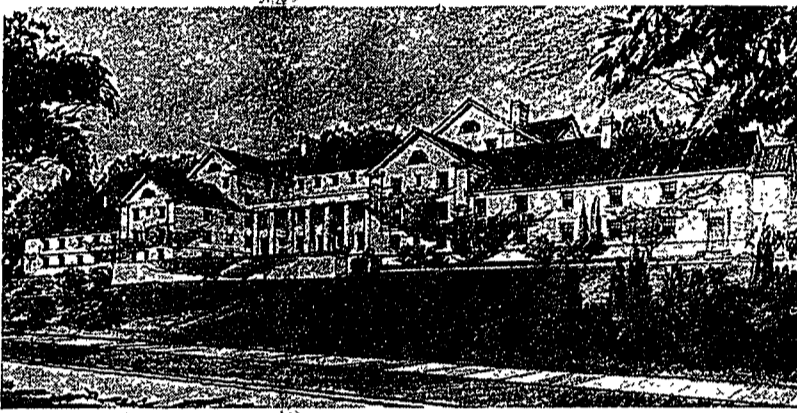
**REGISTRATION**  
Registration in Recreation Hall, Thursday and Friday, September 8 and 9.

**FEES**  
Payment of fees in Armory, Thursday and Friday, September 15 and 16, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

**SOCIAL**  
Freshman Mixer and Dance, Recreation Hall, Saturday, September 10, beginning at 9 p. m.  
Pop-In Nights for women, Wednesday, September 7, at 9 p. m. and Sunday, September 18, at 8:30 p. m.  
Open House Cabin Party for men, Sunday, September 11, leaving Old Main at 1:30 p. m.  
Donor parties for women Monday, September 12, at 10:30 p. m.  
Freshman women's mixer, Friday, September 16, at 7 p. m.  
Cabin Open House for women, Saturday, September 17, leaving Home Economics Building at 1:30 p. m.  
Student Union dances in Armory from 4 to 5 p. m. on Friday, Saturday Monday and Tuesday, September 9, 10, 12 and 13.

**RELIGION**  
Freshman Chapel, Schwab Auditorium, Sunday, September 11, at 11 a. m. Francis P. Miller, guest speaker.

### Million Dollar Dorm With 500 Phones



Here's the architect's conception of new million dollar Frances Atherton Hall, which will house 504 girls, including 125 freshmen, this year. The dormitory includes a phone and wardrobe in each room.

### Frances Atherton Hall To House Over 500 Girl Students

#### New Dormitory To Have Phone In Each Room; Activities Building Also Ready For Fall Term

See page 7 for story on building program

Four-story, H-shaped Frances Atherton Hall, women's dormitory housing 504 girls, and May Beaver White Recreation Hall, new women's activities building, will be opened this semester.

Perched on a rolling hilltop at East College Avenue and East Campus Drive, the dormitory possesses practically everything a co-ed may desire, including two up-to-date laundries and drying rooms, two sewing rooms, four informal lounges and a phone in each room.

Lobby Located in 'Axis'  
To avoid lobby congestion, the main stairways have been placed in the two wings, with the central axis of the H holding the lobby, offices and four parlors on the first floor, kitchen and two dining rooms, each with a capacity of 250, on the second floor, and rooms on third and fourth floors.

Besides the phones which have been installed in each room, 16 additional pay phones dot the hallways, all connected with a central "switchboard" in the lobby.

Each girl also will be supplied with a chest of drawers, bed, desk, easy chair and wardrobe. The furniture is of colonial nuptial.

The activities building, located directly behind the dormitory, will replace the old Armory Building, which had been utilized as a women's gymnasium during the past.

Unlike the nine other buildings being erected under the General State Authority program, the dormitory and activities building were financed solely by money raised through a bond issue floated by the College Board of Trustees.

To Get "Punch Cards"  
In return they will receive a regulation "punch-card," which will admit them to the course.

As the student receives his utensils, the professor in charge will punch the indicated block on the card.

At the end of the semester, a thorough checkup of the student's locker will be made and an immediate refund will be available at the Bursar's office.

Whitmore Honored  
Dean Frank C. Whitmore, of the School of Chemistry and Physics, received his third honorary degree on June 13 Allegheny College, Meadville, conferred the honor on the Dean who is president of the American Chemical Society. Previously he had been cited by Franklin and Marshall College and University of Delaware.

Fry Heads Players  
Kathryn L. Fry '39 heads the Penn State Players for this school year. Others who hold important posts are Vivian S. Doty '39, vice-president, Jane C. Eames '40, secretary, Herbert S. Yanofsky '40, treasurer, and Thomas S. Francis '39, board member.

### Collegian Dance To Unveil New Beauty Queen

Don't look now, but one of you girls from the class of '42 who's packing for State right now, is going to be chosen as Miss '42, "The Most Beautiful Girl of the Freshman Class."

For the second successive year, a Collegian committee will designate the flower of pulchritude from the incoming class of 250 wide-eyed freshmen women. Miss '42 will make her debut at the annual dance sponsored by the Collegian, which this year will be held in Recreation Hall.

Our potential Cleopatra need have no other qualifications—all she needs is a winning personality, and, of course, must be "lovely to

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### New Plan Of Registration To Continue

#### Freshmen To Enroll September 8, 9

Following the procedure established last year in an effort to expedite registration, payment of fees and separation from actual enrollment at Recreation Hall.

Incoming freshmen will register at Recreation Hall Thursday and Friday, September 8 and 9, paying fees in the Armory Thursday and Friday, September 15 and 16, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Upperclass Registration  
Registration for upperclassmen will be held in Recreation Hall on Monday and Tuesday, September 12 and 13, with payment of fees scheduled for the Armory Thursday and Friday, September 22 and 23, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

The usual five-dollar fine for late registration or late payment of fees will be enforced, College authorities said.

### Col. Emery Named ROTC Commandant

Col. Ambrose R. Emery, commander of the 27th Infantry School Barracks, Hawaii, has replaced Col. Russell V. Venable as commandant of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps (R. O. T. C.) here.

Colonel Venable was assigned by the War Department to the Organized Reserves, Second Corps Area, Syracuse, New York.

### Six Periods Set For Freshman Registration

Freshman registration, scheduled for Thursday and Friday, September 8 and 9, will be divided into six distinct periods. The schedule follows:

Thursday  
10 a. m. to noon—Agriculture and Physical Education students  
11:10 p. m. to 3 p. m.—Chemistry and Physics students  
3:10 p. m. to 5 p. m.—Home Economics and Mineral-Industrial students

Friday  
8 a. m. to 10 a. m.—Engineering students  
10 a. m. to noon—Liberal Arts students (all women, men from A to E)  
1:10 p. m. to 3 p. m.—Liberal Arts students (men from F to Z)

### 500 To Pledge Social Groups

Approximately 500 freshmen are expected to be pledged to the 52 men's fraternities here during the 10-day rushing period which opens September 10—a week from Saturday.

However, with a new rushing code and the presence of some 1,000 construction workers, it was indicated the pledge lists may zoom above expectations this year and create a new record for fraternity membership.

A code—radically revised for this year—is drawn up annually (Continued On Page Six)

### Punch-Card Procedure Is Adopted

#### System Changed On Chem Deposits

A revised system of collecting deposits to insure against breakage of College instruments by students enrolled in chemistry courses will be instituted here this semester.

At the beginning of the semester, students who have slated chemistry courses requiring breakage deposits will be required to go to the Bursar's office with their schedule cards and deposit the necessary amount of money.

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## Penn State Collegian—More Than A NEWS Paper

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Two and a half dollars in a crap game may be lost with one toss of the dice.

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Not only will you be posted on all up-to-the-minute news developments at Penn State, but through the Collegian you'll be able to gain a wider understanding of what's going on and so be FULLY informed on all campus happenings.

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