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**A Welcome And Advice**

"Hi, Frosh!"  
You will hear this greeting many times this year. Now it is one of your many introductions to the College, and our introduction to you.

In this special freshman issue, The Daily Collegian wants to do more than just present a passing review of Penn State; it wants to establish a bond between you, the incoming class, and the present student body. In these pages it pictures a kaleidoscope of activities and customs which make up the student life of the College, and establish what we like to call "Penn State tradition."

You will soon become part of that tradition. Some day you will have a hand in imparting to new classes the same information and spirit which we are trying to give you. Through you, your acts, and thoughts, Penn State will assume new character and form, as it has always patterned itself after the students who comprise it.

With this in mind, here are a few suggestions which will aid you in getting better acquainted with the College, what it stands for, and what it expects of you. They are simple suggestions. By accepting them, you will start your college career in the right way.

First of all, follow the Freshman Week program religiously. Freshman Week was planned and arranged by leading campus staff members and students—men and women deeply concerned with quickly adjusting the freshman to his new environment. All meetings and activities are designed to assist you in learning to know Penn State.

Secondly, don't allow yourself to become bewildered by the sudden transformation to a large, complex institution from a more closely-knit high school environment.

Ask questions. Penn State's "hello spirit" is not a myth, but you'll never realize it exists unless you join it. When in doubt about locations, customs—or anything else—don't hesitate to ask for information. Everyone will be glad to help.

Finally, fall in line with the spirit of Freshman Week. Enjoy yourself! Get acquainted with as many of your fellow class members as you can. Make a point of knowing what is happening on the campus, and take an active interest in these affairs. The meaning and character of Penn State tradition will in this way become evident and self-explanatory.

By all means, participate wholeheartedly in this preparatory week of adjusting yourself to the traits and whims of Nittany Lion tradition. Realization of the College's personality—and because it is outwardly built of steel and cement and bricks, don't think that it doesn't have a personality—will cause you to don your freshman dinks and hair-ribbons with a different attitude than you might have had before.

That is our bit of advice. The Collegian salutes you, the class of 1945, and doffs its editorial dink to the latest chapter of Penn State history. May it be a good one!



As green as the hills of Killarney  
As fresh as Mt. Nittany dew  
As suave as "Success Tips" can make one  
We salaam, '45ers, to you!

**WE**

And forthwith let it be understood that this is our one, our only, our homage to you. From the tip, tip top of this page way down, down, down to the ad in the middle, this column shouts out the idle whispers pruned from many a secret bull session. Our every word is your command—we predict the future, we relive the past—we ad lib when times is tough. Thrown over lassies and rebounding lads beseech us for publicity. Fraternity brothers bribe—then club—us into hush-ups for their secret affaires de coeur.

We are hated, we are feared, we are threatened, but we are read!!

**To You From Failing Hands We Throw**

And with that brief introduction of ourselves as others see us, we shall launch out upon a few tricks of the trade which old and wizened seniors are supposed traditionally to inflict upon their successors.

1. That beautiful chalk white dome extending skyward and visible for miles around is not Old Main (center of activity and home of George Donovan) but the Water Tower wherein is stored water and football paraphernalia.
2. Ali Baba and his forty wolves say not "Open Sesame" but "5051" to open the sacred portals of the women's dormitory.
3. Men wear green dinks and black ties because the sophomores think they oughta because last year somebody made them because the year before that had to because—we'll it all started, when somebody et somepun' he shouldn't have and had a bad dream or two. But yours not to reason why, of no, yours but to do—or wear a dapper skirt and a bird cage helmet for a week or two.

**Beer, Beauties, And Breakfast**

4. Freshman coeds must sport ever-so-large name cards so all the men, with or without their glasses, can be sur<sup>2</sup>. Makes for easier getting acquainted. The "Hello Spirit" we call it.

5. A chap by the name of Dogwood (Doggie) Alexander operates an establishment known as the All-American Rathskellar popular haunt of all the males and as many of the coeds who have the courage to brave the dangers. And them who's been drafted will soon enough be draughted.

And may—  
God rest ye merry gentlemen  
And would-be coeds too,  
For only He and we can know  
What you're about to do!

—MANIAC

**CAMPUS CALENDAR**

(In this issue a Freshman Week calendar takes the place of the daily calendar of campus activities which will appear in the Collegian during the remainder of the year.)

**ROOMS**

A list of rooms for men may be obtained at the Penn State Christian Association office, Room 304 Old Main, or at Student Union office, Room 101 Old Main. (Men planning to join fraternities should not sign rooming contracts. Women should arrange for rooms in the office of Miss Charlotte E. Ray, Dean of Women, Room 204 Old Main.

**MEETINGS**

- 8 p.m., Wednesday, September 10—Welcome mass meeting in Schwab Auditorium.
  - 8 a.m., Thursday, September 11—Convocation in Schwab Auditorium.
  - 8 p.m., Thursday, September 11—Mass meeting in Schwab Auditorium.
  - 8 p.m., Friday, September 12—Mass meeting in Schwab Auditorium.
  - 3:10 p.m., Saturday, September 13—Picnic in Hort Woods.
  - 8 p.m., Saturday, September 13—Dance in Recreation Hall.
  - 11 a.m., Sunday, September 14—Chapel in Schwab Auditorium. Attendance by all freshmen required.
  - 8 p.m., Monday, September 15—Mass meeting in Schwab Auditorium.
  - 8 p.m., Tuesday, September 16—Mass meeting in Schwab Auditorium.
  - 1:10 p.m., Wednesday, September 17—Classes begin.
- For other meetings see the Freshman Week booklet, and the calendar in the Student Handbook.
- REGISTRATION**  
All freshmen will register in Recreation Hall on Thursday and

Friday, September 11 and 12, at the hours listed for individual sections in the Freshman Week booklet. Upperclassmen will register in Recreation Hall on Monday and Tuesday, September 15 and 16.

**PAYMENT OF FEES**

Freshmen will pay first semester fees in the Armory on Friday, September 19, and upperclassmen on Thursday and Friday, September 26 and 28. For amounts see the College Catalog or the Freshman Week booklet. The bursar will not accept checks for more than \$10 above the amount of a student's fee.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Complete schedules are included in the Student Handbook and the Freshman Week booklet. The Daily Collegian will carry all schedule changes, additions, and announcements. Student Union, Room 101 Old Main, will provide other information.

Dr. Paul F. Kerr, professor of mineralogy at Columbia University, is on a six-month lecture tour of several South American countries.

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