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Campus
Calendar

TODAY

Freshman women may tryout for the College Choir, 211 Carnegie Hall, 7 p. m.

PSCA Cabinet meets, 304 Old Main, 8:15 p. m.

Freshman men customs begin at noon today.

Campus '45 meets in 405 Old Main at 7:30 p. m.

Badminton Club meets, White Hall, 7 p. m.

Important Druids meeting, first floor lounge Old Main, 7:30 p. m.

WRA Bridge Club meets, White Hall playroom, 6:30 p. m.

WRA Bowling Club meets, White Hall bowling alleys; Practice at 6:30 p. m.; meeting, 7 p. m.

WRA Badminton Club meeting, White Hall gymnasium, 6:30 p. m.

WRA Swimming Club meeting, White Hall pool, 7:30 p. m.

Lakonides will meet in WRA Room, White Hall, 6:30 p. m.

TOMORROW

Hillel Bible Study Group meets, Hillel Foundation, 7 p. m.

Hillel Coffee Round-Table discussion, Hillel Foundation, 4:15 p. m.

All men interested in ROTC Band or Phi Mu Alpha orchestra should report for tryouts in 200 Carnegie Hall, 7 p. m.

College Choir rehearses, 117 Carnegie Hall, 7 p. m.

Letters To The Editor—

Questions Code

Dear Editor:

Last week your paper carried the story of the election committee's action in removing all class officers who did not return for the Summer semester.

I wish to make a sincere if futile protest against such high-handed action through your columns. A member of the elections committee assures me that the action will be approved without a murmur by All-College Cabinet, and for that reason I feel it would be a waste of time to appeal to that group for an explanation.

In the first place, I and a lot of other students would like to know who delegated this power to the elections committee? Certainly the constitution and the elections code do not!

The chairman of the elections committee announces that something must be done about the absentee class officer who misrepresented his intentions about attending the Summer semester in order to attain that office. The committee follows up by running out of office several duly elected officers who found it necessary to drop out of College for the Summer because of financial difficulties. They were the officers we, the students, elected.

In my opinion that's reaching rather far down in the political bag for an excuse, and what an excuse!

The whole affair has a very unsavory smell, and sells Penn State's model form of student democratic self-government rather short, very short in the opinion of many of her students.

How can the committee possibly justify itself in this case when it permitted Baird to resume his post as All-College president last Fall?

This question is disturbing quite a few Penn State students who voted in the last All-College election. We ask All-College Cabinet, the elections committee, and the rest of the gang, "how come?"

Signed,
Cadmus Goss '44

Frosh Customs

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2. Freshmen must at all times wear their dress customs: green dinks and white socks, except when otherwise designated by Tribunal. The dink is to be worn at all indoor mass meetings and athletic contests.

3. Freshmen will be permitted to associate with women until 5:30 p. m. All exceptions will be designated by Tribunal.

4. Freshmen shall at no time walk on the grass of the campus. Freshmen shall not be permitted to walk on Senior Walk which extends from the Main Gate to the Pugh Street gate.

5. Freshmen are not permitted to smoke on campus except with unvarnished corn cob pipes.

6. Freshmen shall remove their dinks upon entering Old Main. Freshmen must enter and leave Old Main only by the front door, and must enter and leave Sparks only by the middle front entrance.

7. At the command "button frosh," freshmen shall remove their dinks in the manner of tipping the hat. Freshmen shall carry on the "Hello Spirit" by speaking to every faculty member and student whom they meet on campus.

8. Freshmen shall learn the Alma Mater and all College songs in the Handbook.

9. Freshmen must know the names and locations of all the buildings on campus, and must know the pictures currently playing at the local theatres.

10. Freshmen must attend all athletic contests and must remain in the stands until all other stands are clear.

11. Freshmen must lift their dinks as they pass the "Old Willow Tree" on the Mall.

All violations shall be reported to Student Tribunal or a member of Student Tribunal. No immunities may be granted to freshmen by upper classmen.

An Explanation To PSCA

This is not an apology for the blast against the PSCA that appeared in "We, the Women" in yesterday's Daily Collegian. Instead, it is an explanation.

We realize that a Sunday night mass meeting is not the proper place for a riotous pep rally. We further realize that religion is a very necessary part of any College education, and that every freshman should have the opportunity to meet the heads of various churches.

We are not attacking the PSCA with regard to the type of orientation which that organization feels should be directed at freshmen during the first couple of weeks in college.

But we do maintain that the orientation could have been handled more wisely—and the majority of the student body will back us in that conviction.

First of all, the Sunday night mass meeting was too long and included too much material. Any frosh will admit that his head was swimming after the one and one-half hour session. The necessary facts about scheduling and registration were essential, but much of the other material could have been omitted and included in a mass meeting later this week or at Sunday Chapel.

Needles And Pens

Patriotic coeds with enthusiasm and a little tenacity may now drop their knitting needles and pick up a real war weapon—the drafting pen.

These may be times of uncertainty and tears but they are also times of opportunity. Most recent and revolutionary on this campus is the following opportunity which is available to progressive students with three years of successful college training.

Two new defense courses will be offered by the School of Engineering beginning July 1. These are designed especially for students enrolled in courses other than engineering. This fact is revolutionary in itself. Specifically, the courses will be in ship layout and drafting and in airplane detailing and drafting.

Women students with leadership and integrity are especially desired as enrollees. Capable women are needed to replace drafted men in vital defense industries. We have heard numerous coeds in the past few months wringing their hands and wailing, "Oh, if we could only do something in the war effort; if I could only help."

Okay, girls, roll up your knitting, cut out a few dates during the week and start producing. The course on airplane drafting is especially attractive to coeds since the requirements are not too tough.

Eight hours a week for 25 weeks is not too much to ask for such valuable training which is given tuition free. Most coeds could adapt their schedules easily by dropping some useless and time-wasting activities. If the men are going to keep them flying and floating it is proper for the women to help build them.

However, don't misunderstand us. This course isn't restricted to women; men in all the curricula are eligible if they possess the fundamental requirements. It is recognized that these courses are not substituting for a 4-year college education but they are valuable as opportunities to acquire specific technical knowledge when and where it is most needed.

—H. J. Z.

A Worm's Eye View . . .



EVERYBODY'S DOIN' IT . . .

Everyone has been talking to the freshmen lately (except sorority women, who are indulging in one of their welcome "silent periods"). This is because it's the first week of the freshmen's Penn State careers. After the first week has simmered down, everyone will shut up (except the sorority women). At least there's no harm in pretending that everyone will shut up.

So, just to be conventional and live up to our Penn State "traditions" and stuff like that, we're gonna talk to the freshmen, too.

WHY SHOULDN'T WE?

Hello, Frosh. Our name is Ferdy and we're a measuring worm. We've been measuring things on this campus since before the seniors started growing up. That doesn't mean that we've seen much because we're pretty small and we can get only a tiny worm's eye view of things.

But here's what we've seen that we'd like to tell you about. You're gonna get inches of advice from everyone you meet up here, and we just wanta tell you that upperclassmen can usually tell you what not to do, but that they shouldn't be expected to tell you what you should do.

BUTTON ONE EAR, FROSH . . .

If you listen to them too much, you'll probably get involved in a lot of things that you'd be better off without. They'll invite you to coffee hours when you ought to be studying and ask you to join so many honoraries and other organizations that, if you're not afraid to be impolite occasionally, you'll spend half your college career taking vows and taking vows and taking vows.

We realize that we're defeating our own purpose by advising you not to take too much advice, but we've gotta live up to these customs and conventions around here or our editor will inch us right out of this column.

AND OPEN YOUR EYES . . .

We just want you to know that we think you're pretty smart and can make up your own minds about things. We want you to have a lot of fun, but we hope you'll space it out so that your futi doesn't stop when you wake up some morning and look at your grade sheets. It's these grade sheets that cause frustrations and psychological something or others, unless you've been smart enough to keep from taking too many vows.

Here's one you may take from us, little worm that we are: "We'll stick to the idea that worm is the universal cure-all."

—FERDY

FRESHMEN

HAVE
YOU
FOUND
IT YET?

*DON'T MISS A DAY.
REMEMBER IT'S A
PART OF YOUR
COLLEGE LIFE.*

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