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Tower Manners

Here's one time you frosh can teach the upperclassmen something. And that something is good manners!

Good manners as far as defacing college property is concerned, because now you frosh are going to be deprived of the opportunity of seeing the Penn State campus from the tower of Old Main. And that condition has arisen through the "worldliness" of the upperclassmen.

Closed through the order of George W. Ebert, superintendent of grounds and buildings, until the obscene and smutty carvings on the soft stone walls are obliterated, the tower now lords over the campus without the familiar faces of students peering over its parapet. Locked for several days now, the tower will not be opened until the students can behave themselves as befits their position, instead of acting like high school cut-ups.

Perhaps it is a good thing that the tower is closed. Maybe in that way some sense will be driven into the heads of the offenders. Even in the days of "old" Old Main, when peg-trousered students occasionally put a horse in the tower, such a situation as exists now never arose. Perhaps they had more manners in those days, or was it that a fellow didn't want to take his best girl friend to view the campus and read Penn State "literature."

In the same class falls the sophisticated students who had to deface the Old Main mural by striking their matches on it. Expulsion is the least punishment for such deeds, and the guilty ones can certainly feel honored at the notoriety they've brought on themselves.

A consoling thought, however, is the idea that the carvings may not have been caused by Penn State students. Since a great number of visitors normally used the look-out post, perhaps it was some of them who found it vastly amusing to inscribe the calling-card of their breeding on the tower walls. At least, let's hope so.

So you see, frosh, even upperclass collegians are not to be emulated in everything. You might even drop them a hint or two about how Not to behave.

—M. B. D.

Breaking The Spell

Now that College is about to resume for the Fall semester, it is not difficult to see that the past week's vacation has had terrific influence on the attitude of many upperclassmen. While at home, students began to realize more completely that Penn State is still a haven of complacency.

Of course, Penn State did complete an accelerated third semester. Students knew that they had been under extra strain, and were ready to enjoy a week's vacation. They felt that by attending the Summer semester, they had done their part in making Penn State's greatest contribution to America's war effort. But in that short period of one week, many students began to think about their contribution. Maybe they hadn't been doing such a big part after all.

Upon returning to campus during the last couple of days, students have admitted that they felt much closer to the war while they were at home. But now they wonder why they aren't as war conscious while here at Penn State. Is it the fault of the College, or is it because of their own shortcomings? There is no doubt that this question has been uppermost in the minds and conversation of many students, since their return from vacation.

But what is more unusual is the fact that these same students will freely admit that they do not know any reasonable answer to this question that is bothering them. Why don't we buy more defense stamps, or should we say, why don't we buy a defense stamp? Why don't we conserve gas and tires, instead of rushing across the ration boundary to "fill up the tank"?

Someone has said that Penn State will snap out of its complacency when classmates' names begin to appear on the casualty lists. Its a crude way to wake people, but it's one of the few solutions that has been found to Penn State's own particular problem.



Native Hues

Note To The Freshmen

Different, isn't it? College, I mean. The big differences haven't begun to show themselves yet, but I would say there are a lot of little ones that are rearing their strange heads around you. Exciting ones and discouraging ones, differences that make you stop for a moment and wonder what you've got yourself into.

You've been running around for about three days now, meeting countless new people, comparing schedules, wondering whether to take French or Spanish. You are probably old hands at walking up to strangers and quizzing them on the names or locations of streets. Some of you have been busy writing letters home for more money, more blankets, your gym shoes; a few of you cried yourself to sleep last night; the difference is too big to just pass over.

You will get over all these things though. You'll wear green dinks or ribbons, and a name card so people can get to know you faster. You'll get into a routine of classes, studying, group meetings. And one of these days you'll discover that all the hullabaloo is over and here you are—as settled as anyone else at Penn State.

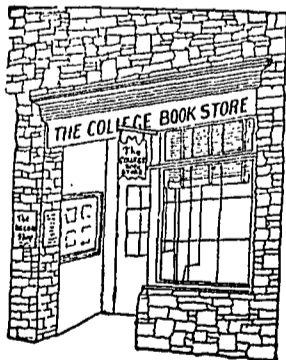
But before you get yourself into this 'college rut' there's something I want to tell you. These people who are advising you are O. K. They realize that all this is new to you, and they are trying to help you find yourself and the things you want. But being people in an academic institution, they are helping you mostly with academic work. And there are a few other things, apart from the ordinary every-day stuff that you will find out anyway, that you should get to know. One is the Cathedral. It's kind of a private thing, not many people know about it. That is, people know about IT, but they don't know it's the Cathedral.

Then there's Ag Hill. Penn State wits have got up some corny jokes about the Hill, but don't fall for them until you have seen for yourself. If you liked "FANTASIA," walk up to Hort Woods some Sunday afternoon and see it all over again, for nothing. Go up to the Creamery and have yourself an ice cream cone. Nobody will call you a sissy. Visit the flower gardens and pull a Ferdinand on the roses. That's one form of intoxication the authorities won't object to.

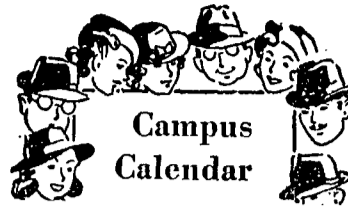
And remember this, nobody makes you do these things, Freshmen. You have to find out for yourself. *Ya pays yer money, 'n' ya takes yer choice.*

—JACKSON

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Campus Calendar

TODAY

Fall semester registration, Rec Hall, 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Freshman instruction and practice in singing and cheering, Schwab Auditorium, 11 a. m.

Booklets on co-etiquette will be issued to all freshman and transfer students.

CA Freshman Council meets, Hugh Beaver Room, 7 p. m.

Frosh Mass Meeting, Schwab Auditorium, 8 p. m.

TOMORROW

Fall semester registration, Rec Hall, 8 to 12 a. m.

Fall semester classes start, 1:10 p. m.

MISCELLANEOUS

Applicants for the advanced course in Infantry ROTC who have not taken their physical examinations yet are urged to look at the Infantry bulletin board for examination time assignments.

Men students who intend to apply for the Enlisted Reserve Corps should consult Faculty Advisor on War Service Robert E. Galbraith in Room 243 Sparks.

Second semester freshmen must get their photo-matric cards from the Registrar's office before they can register for the Fall semester.

Players Plan Party To Acquaint Frosh

Freshmen will get an opportunity to become affiliated with the Penn State Players, the only dramatic organization on campus, when the group holds its semester get-acquainted "shindig" in Schwab Auditorium, Monday night, according to Frank S. Neusbaum, associate professor of dramatics.

At the shindig, also open to upperclassmen, the newcomers will learn of the activities of the Players from the acting and back-stage outlook. Students will signify their interest in whatever phase of footlight work that strikes their fancy—both acting and technical work.

At this time also, appointments may be made to tryout for the Players' first Fall show, "The Man Who Came To Dinner," to be presented on the combined Dad's Day and Alumni Weekend, October 23 and 24. No experience is needed and freshmen are eligible to tryouts, Professor Neusbaum, who will direct the play, stated.

Exhibits of past shows will be displayed in the Auditorium and the Little Theatre at the get-together, while the frosh will be able to meet student and faculty members of Players

BUY DEFENSE STAMPS AND BONDS

Watkins Announces Time Table Changes

Changes in the official time table for the Fall semester, 1942, were announced last night by Ray V. Watkins, College Scheduling Officer.

The new times and meeting places, as well as several additional courses, follow:

Arch 490, 500, 501, 502, and 503 should be labeled Art 490, 500, 501, 502, and 505.

Civil Engineering 472, W1. Civil Engineering 473, TF 8, W 2-5, 214 Main Eng. Home Economics 426, TS 8, Th 1, 207 HE. Home Economics 468, by appointment. Math 100, MF 1. Mechanical Engineering 2, MF 10, W 3, Th 9, S 8. Mechanical Engineering 408, W 9, Th 8, F 2.

Mechanical Engineering Design 5, section A, M 3, W 8, 201 Eng. D; section B, M 3, W 8, 202 Eng. D; section C, W 3, S 8, 201 Eng. D; section D, M 9, F 11, 203 Eng. D. Mechanical Engineering Design 6, section C, M 8, Th 2, 202 Eng. D.

Metallurgy 474, M 10, 121 MI. Metallurgy 476, M 8, 229 MI. Political Science 416, T, Th, S 10, 228 Sparks.

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