

Coeds Doff Green Bows

Freshmen coed green hairbows and name cards may be removed at 8 a.m. today. Of the 136 freshmen girls taking the bluebook only three got grades which were below passing.

Commenting on this excellent showing Dean Charlotte Ray praised the instruction work of this semester's senior sponsors.

Instead of the former policy of granting one 11 o'clock per month, first semester seniors, juniors and sophomores may now take four 11 o'clocks at any time during the semester. This will apply to the number of 11 o'clocks that a coed is still entitled to for this semester. Since move-up day has been granted to second semester freshmen this ruling will also apply to them.

A nominations meeting for freshman senator will be held in 110 Home Economics Building at 6:30 p.m. Monday. All first semester freshmen are urged to attend primary elections which will be held in the first floor lounge of Old Main all day Thursday.

Men in 1880 Like Coeds' Cottage With Hammock

"Now our coeds are to have a cottage all to themselves with big porches, cozy rooms, and lots of hammocks — mmmm, mmmm." This is said to have been the comment of undergraduate students (male, of course) on a proposal in the 1880's to provide separate housing for women students at the College.

The story of the growth of the College as a co-educational institution began in those early days when women first began to be recognized as a part of the student body.

Miss Harriet McElwain is said to have been largely responsible for having the women moved out of their quarters on the top floor of the Old Main. This amazing woman, according to information found in the library's Penn State Collection, came to the College in 1883 and simultaneously was lady principal, instructor in history, secretary, registrar, and in charge of all correspondence in the president's office.

First Dormitory Causes Changes

When the women students moved to the Ladies' Cottage, rules were changed, too. If they had not been, College men would now have to invoke Prexy Hetzel's permission every time they want to enter Atherton Hall lounge. The rules made when women first came to Penn State forbade any undergraduate to "walk or ride with students of the opposite sex or to meet such students in the parlor, or any other

Even Rabbits Want To Enroll In College Nursery School

The College is justly proud of its reputation in many fields. But until recently no one realized that the fame of its nursery school had even spread to the animal world. But one morning three baby rabbits were found in the sand-box at the school, apparently left there by their mother for training.

Of course, the purpose of the school is not to serve as training course in how to tell the best carrots for rabbits. It serves as a laboratory in the child development courses, explained Dr. Wilona Morgan, director. It has an educational purpose for both the student teachers and for for the children.

School Helps Teachers, Pupils

The school is not just parking place for children but a place for them to learn at a very young age how to adjust themselves to the world and to other people. All home economics students in option II are required to take courses in this work. The work is usually taken in the junior and senior year. Graduate work is also offered. The course is open to students in all schools and many students, especially those in psychology and education, enroll in it.

Parents often enroll their children in the school at an early age. Recently Dr. Morgan stopped at birth of the children. At the present time there are 68 boys and 58 girls on the waiting list. There are usually 10 boys and 10 girls from the ages of 2 to 4 in the school.

The school gives students an opportunity to work with young children and to learn better methods of guidance. Some of the assistant teachers are a little hesi-

tant at first and Dr. Morgan admitted that experience with a younger brother or sister is often helpful.



Stephen Dantzscher gives Nicky Koepf-Baker a ride at nursery school playtime.

place, except by special permission of the president or the preceptress."

Home Ec Course Started in 1907

The first modification of this rule was at the time the Ladies' Cottage was built, when the College Parlor, in Old Main, was opened to both sexes on Wednesday night "from the close of Rhetoricals to 9 p. m." In 1890, the ban against dancing in College buildings was removed, and Penn State's social life began to grow.

Home Ec Course Started in 1907

The Ladies' Cottage, first separate women's dormitory at the College, resembled the modern home management houses more than the dormitories. Although a course in home economics was not started until 1907, women students from 1878 on were taught plain sewing, dressmaking, starching and ironing, and fancy needlework. When the Cottage was built it was decided to operate it on a cooperative, home-like basis, so that "Domestic Economy" would be learned by experience.

This cottage type of dormitory was the forerunner not only of the practice houses but the sorority houses. The large dormitory did not come until the College expanded too much for small cottages with lots of hammocks.

Snappy Comeback

Snappy comebacks on the part of a child may make even an experienced teacher stop and think. Miss Della Avery tried to persuade Ann Riley to put away a jigsaw puzzle and take her nap.

"Miss Avery, I will come as soon as I am through puzzling," Ann said.

Miss Avery tried to help her with the puzzle and while doing this got one piece in wrong.

"Miss Avery, you are just wasting your time," Ann said, shaking her head.

The children's schedule includes inspection when they arrive in the morning, fruit juice, play in which they are permitted to choose their own activities, rest at 10:45 a.m., and lunch at 11:10. At lunch there is a special allergy table for those children who are allergic to certain foods. Play activity may be outdoors when the weather is suitable. Some mornings this period may be spent in the outdoor pool. Indoor play includes working with clay, puzzles, and finger painting.

Besides Dr. Morgan other full time teachers in the school are Miss Della Avery and Mrs. Lloyd Jones. Miss Jane Bovie is the graduate assistant.

Panhel Sponsors Mixed Card Party

Panhellenic Council will sponsor a card party for both men and women students in Atherton Hall lounge, 7:30 p. m., August 31, with refreshments and games of all kinds. Tickets may be purchased for 30 cents.

The council has announced that the silent period has been lifted, and free association will be permitted between freshmen and sorority coeds. A meeting will be held in Dean Ray's apartment at 4:30 today for presidents of all sororities, active and inactive.

Miss Helen Hechler, instructor of economics, is a new advisor of Panhellenic Council.

Sorority Shorts

KALLOZETIA: An informal party was held Wednesday night in honor of Kallozetia's new sponsors, Mrs. Ruth Wimmer and Mrs. Elizabeth Reynolds.

ALEITHIA: Elsie Harwitz was initiated in the Aleithia sorority at a meeting Wednesday night.

ALPHA OMICRON PI: Mrs. Edith Anderson, advisor, gave a picnic for the sorority girls at Boalsburg on Wednesday night.

Campus Club to Meet

The Campus Center Club, organized to provide orientation for students coming to the campus from undergraduate centers, will hold its first meeting in 10 Sparks at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

A program of orientation similar to that of freshman will be mapped out for the new students who come here as juniors from the centers.

Philotes

Philotes will hold a get-together in the White Hall Playroom, 7 p. m., Wednesday.

Want A Date, Young Man? Well, Ask President First

How would you like to spend your Saturday nights entertaining your date in the parlor and chaperoned by the dean of women? According to the Frosh bible of 1883, that is exactly what you would do, and what's more, you would politely bid your young man good night promptly at 10:15.

In 1883, when the introduction of coeds to the campus only a dozen years old, the Frosh bible also states:

1. All requests to call on or accompany young ladies, and all requests on the part of young ladies to receive or accompany young gentlemen must be presented to the lady principal (dean of women) in the ladies' parlor between 6:45 and 7 p. m. daily except Sunday.

2. No young lady is allowed to receive visits from gentlemen in the parlor, or elsewhere or to accompany them outside the building without the previous permission of the lady principal. Gentlemen desiring to accompany young ladies outside of the building must first obtain written permission from the president.

How many men on campus today would relish going to President Hetzel for permission to speak with Janie in the parlor or to take her for a stroll on the campus?

Rules Forbade Steam Pipe Signals

The coeds of 1883 must have been as rule-and-regulation conscious as their grandchildren are today, for another stipulation of the old handbook says, "Young ladies are absolutely forbidden to hold any communications out of the windows, or by means of the steam pipes." Were there AST's in those days too?

Excerpts from WSGA regulations in 1923 were pretty lenient. Seniors were allowed to walk off campus during the week, and all girls were allowed to walk in

Women In Sports

Mac Hall, the freshman team, emerged victorious from the intramural softball tournament. The athletic frosh won five games, and lost only one. Runners-up, Ath East, took four games, losing two.

Winners of the three week intramural archery tournament was Alpha Xi Delta with a final score of 1926. Mary Gundel and Ann Baker were the archers for the winning team.

Runner-up was the Mac Hall frosh team shooting 1883. Eva Mae White and Ollie Kayden shot for the frosh. In third place was Gamma Phi Beta with a final total of 1665 points, netted by Margie Dunmyer and Lois Wyman.

Third week scores in this tournament were: Alpha Xi Delta, 661; Gamma Phi Beta, 568; Mac Hall, 703; and Ath East, 532.

The intramural golf tournament will start Monday, announces Ann Baker, intramural chairman.

Army and Navy teams, made up of starring coeds from the various softball teams, were recently chosen and the five game Army-Navy series started Thursday. Captain of the Army is Barb Smith, while Irish Craig is at the helm for the Navy.

GSO Names Advisor

Mrs. H. W. Thurston has been appointed advisor to the Girls' Service Organization, which will meet in 10 Sparks at 7 p. m. Thursday. Another party for servicemen, similar to the one held recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schlow, will be planned by the GSO in the near future.

town unchaperoned Friday, Saturday, or Sunday nights. Even in those days there was considerable objection to women wearing trousers, for the regulations state in no uncertain terms, "Knickers may be worn for athletic activities only." What would the 1923 WSGA president say today if she were to encounter the hoards of coeds who wear slacks to classes?

Way back in 1871, the Board of Trustees at the College was confronted with a tremendous problem. Controversies, arguments, and debates ensued but finally by September of the same year, the question was decided. Women would be admitted to Penn State with the same general conditions men were subject to. The decision seems to have been a wise one, for the number of women graduates of the College through classes of 1945 totals 4841.

First Coeds Lived at Home

The first women students were daughters of faculty members and lived at home. As women outside the town began applying for permission, they were housed in a carefully chaperoned section of Old Main where they did their own cooking. By 1889 a Cottage for Women was established which turned out to be the Women's Building, and more coeds came to Penn State to enroll in the "Ladies' Course in Literature" which had been opened two years before.

At the same time the lady principal came to be called the dean of women, 24 years, courses in Home Economics was established, and a year later in 1908 the School of Liberal Arts was opened to women. It was a long step from the day back in 1873 when the first coed, Rebecca Ewing, graduated from the College and was looked upon as an eccentric.

Up to 1910 no graduating class included more than three women, but in 1911 the number, astonishingly enough, was doubled. In 1915 it had grown to 15, a small handful in comparison with the total of 185 for June, 1945.

Even servicemen are forced to admit that the addition of coeds to the College campus has greatly improved its—achem!—appearance.

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