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We're Delaying Our Welcome to You

Today a new freshman class arrives at Penn State, the class of '61. We welcome you—but with reservations.

You probably expected to see an editorial in the campus publication welcoming you to Penn State, but chances are you didn't expect this "but with reservations" to be tacked onto it.

Why haven't we just said "Welcome to Penn State, we're glad to have you" and let it end there? To be truthful and blunt, we just don't know whether you're what we want. We hope and think you are, but you must prove it.

That last paragraph needs some further elaboration, and when we finish, we hope you will understand why we welcome you with reservations.

We do not know how you are going to treat Penn State. We hope you will treat it well. Other classes have helped build for you what Penn State is today: a good university on its way to greatness.

However, a few classes—and mainly the fault of a few persons in these classes—have not done all they could to build a better Penn State. In fact, at times they have hurt Penn State.

We are sure you have no intentions of doing this. But then the persons in the past had no intentions of hurting Penn State either.

Here are just a few things you should remember:

• When you walk down the street in your hometown, you are Penn State to the persons who see you and know you go to Penn State.

• Whenever you wear a Penn State jersey, you're Penn State in the eyes of the persons who see you.

• Whenever you drive a car with a Penn State sticker on it, you are Penn State.

Students Will Have to Dig Deeper

Squeezed between growing costs and a state legislature which failed to appropriate the needed funds, the University again has been forced to increase student fees.

The latest increase, as you have probably noted, is sizeable. The costs to the students have more than doubled in the last decade.

Fees would have probably been increased even if the Republican-controlled state legislature had come through with the funds requested by President Eric A. Walker, but the size of the increases would have undoubtedly been much less.

President Walker had originally requested more than \$38 million, which would have enabled the University to begin meeting the crisis in higher education in the state. Seeing the going rough, he later knocked down his request to something like \$35 million. The state appropriated a little more than \$29 million.

The University needed more money and about the only place left to turn was to the students.

Besides the state and the students, the University has few other places to turn to for money. The University can borrow money, but interest must be paid. Gifts from alumni and friends give the University about 4 per cent of its income, and this can't be increased over night. President Walker has said the University is obligated to forego any possible profits from "auxiliary enterprises," which include dormitories and food service.

The University does not like to raise student fees, for it is the land-grant college of the Commonwealth. Therefore, it is obligated to provide the best possible education at the lowest costs.

Frosh—You Can Help the Football Team!

Another school year, another football season. And with both come new faces—this year some 4000-plus new faces to be exact, the new Penn State freshman class.

And you, the freshmen, are the ones we're speaking to here. We feel that one way you will find college life a bit more interesting is to follow the University athletic teams in their quest for national prominence.

To start the year, the Lion sports calendar unveils three new varsity squads—football, soccer and cross-country. Since football is the biggest fan attraction, we'll speak chiefly on that. But, what we are about to say can be applied to any sport, fall, winter or spring.

In our mind, the only way for a student to enjoy Penn State sports, unless he's an actual competitor, is to be an active follower of the squads. And by active, we mean a cheerer.

This season, in preseason ratings throughout the East, Penn State figures to have a highly successful football team. That's what the experts say, and for the most part, we agree.

The team has the material, the ability and the brains to be a big winner. But, often times, this is not enough. Fan support usually falls into

• Whenever you brag about your "wild" times here (and it's bound to be exaggerated), Penn State becomes a "party school" and you're a "party boy."

• Whenever you attend a football game or do anything and someone knows you attend Penn State, your actions reflect upon Penn State.

It's you, not the 16,000 other students, who are Penn State. And it's in your actions the persons see Penn State, right or wrong though this may be. Whatever you are and whatever you do reflects not only on yourself but on Penn State.

We love and are proud of much of what has come to mean Penn State. There's the beautiful campus, the fine sports teams, the Hetzel Union Building, the Nittany Lion Shrine, coffee at The Corner, Graham's and its supply of The New York Times.

There's more too: the student body, as a whole; the professors and even their jokes, terrible at times though they may be; the people—they're administrators—in Old Main, whom we often think are against us, but, in reality, are for us; and so much more.

But there are some things we don't like. These include "panty raids," drinking at football games, and the student who thinks he knows everything and thinks he can do what he pleases without regard for the university community.

And now you are a part of Penn State. We hope you become a part of the Penn State we can be proud of. And, judging from past experience, you probably will be.

But, as we have said, you must prove yourself. We will be most happy some day to knock that "with reservations" off the end of the welcome.

—The Editor

However, increasing costs have forced the action.

It is indeed unfortunate that the state only appropriated a little more than \$29 million for the next biennium as the University stands at the crossroads in its history. The University realizes it must meet the crisis in higher education in the state. The budget appropriation was definitely a setback, but the University, we feel, will overcome it eventually.

In the battle for higher funds from the state, there was one main encouraging factor. It saw the University come before not only the state but the people of the Commonwealth and say, "Here's what we are doing. Here's what we got to do. And here's what we will need to do it."

It is quite possible that the University would have received only \$27.9 million for the next two years (the figure Governor George M. Leader recommended in his budget message) if the University had not gone before the people.

President Eric A. Walker deserves the highest gratitude of every student, the University and the entire Commonwealth for his efforts in trying to get the necessary funds for the crisis in higher education.

Another University official, who doesn't receive much publicity because most of his actions are behind-the-scenes, also deserves much credit. He's C. S. Wyand, vice president for expansion, who was in contact with Harrisburg almost daily while the funds were being discussed.

Students will just have to dig deeper when they pay their fees this week, and they will have to keep on digging deeper until the crisis is met.

—The Editor

the picture somewhere along the line.

By your cheers and songs, you, the fans—and that includes you, frosh—can add to the spirit of the club and force it on to greater heights. A well-supported team usually figures to be a winner. Take Milwaukee, for instance.

Nothing probably hurts an athlete's pride more than to know that the fans are not enthusiastically behind him. The only plausible way the fans can let an athlete know they're behind him and his team is by their vocal support.

So this year, when you're at the game, let the club know you're there and supporting it. Cheer! This year, you may have much to cheer about.

As we've said before, this applies to all sports. Whether the club's a winner or a loser, support it with your cheers—after all, it's your club. Remember, this: No fan is better than a half a fan. So, let's hear it—the team will most certainly appreciate it and you'll probably enjoy yourself more. See you at Beaver Field.

—Vince Carocci
Sports Editor

Little Man on Campus

By Bibler



"Do you every have anything on your mind besides GIRLS?"

From Here

By Ed Dubbs

Booby Traps and Coeds

University Park is a tree-shaded campus, and one of the prettiest in the country in our book.

But watch out. It's a booby trap.

The National Safety Council, that grim organization which predicts traffic fatalities on holiday weekends among other

things, has warned that tree-shaded campuses are bigger booby traps for college students than the roaring highways.

Although no specific mention was made to the University, it is tree-shaded and it is a campus. Therefore, it was probably included by this efficient organization.

The council presented some facts which may startle you, if not even send you heading for home. College campuses just are not looked upon by the council as tradition symbols of reflective tranquility and of happy, care-free living.

Actually, the council said, studies of accidents to college and university students made in conjunction with the American College Health Association have revealed, among other things, that:

• Accident toll among college students is alarmingly big and growing bigger.

• College dormitories are the scenes of more accidents than the student sports cars and jalopies.

• When you add up all the injuries from athletics, laboratory experiments and other campus hazards, the toll is greater than that caused by accidents to students in their cars or elsewhere off campus.

Well, welcome to one of the most beautiful tree-shaded booby traps in the country, and watch your step.

Although more freshman women (about 300) have been admitted this year, this will hardly make a dint in the old ratio.

Penn State men will still outnumber coeds by 3-1.

This is bad. In fact, this is terrible—for us men.

But it's a fact new students must realize and make the most of. There's no doubt the coeds will make the most of it.

To do our little part in helping you to make the most of this terrible situation, we are going to tell you what Penn State coeds like in their men.

At the top of the list is a "good conversationalist." Eighty-four per cent of the 1511 coeds interviewed last year rated this as one of the most desirable qualities of us men.

Personality was stressed by 69 per cent, and being a good dancer was considered important to 52 per cent. Fraternity membership came in a close third with 47 per cent of the coeds considering

it a necessary quality.

Less than 10 per cent wanted their dates to dress "very Ivy League."

Ugly freshmen should receive encouragement that only 6 per cent wanted their dates to be handsome, and car-less freshmen don't have that much to worry about since only 4 per cent said he need have a car.

But then there is something we haven't told you about. There are upperclassmen.

Scram, frosh, and don't try to compete with us upperclassmen who are good conversationalists, good dancers, fraternity men, gung-ho "Ivy Leaguers," good-looking and who can drive cars.

Call It Unfair, But Sophomore Governs Frosh

Call it injustice or what you will, but a sophomore is now president of the freshman class, the class of 1961.

George Smith, sophomore in agriculture engineering from Philadelphia, was elected president of last year's freshman class. Until the incoming freshman class can elect its own officers, the old officers are still in power.

Class elections will probably be held early in November. Three freshmen will be nominated by each party for president, vice president and secretary-treasurer positions.

The University uses the two-party system in elections, with the Campus and Lion parties seeking student loyalty.

The sophomore class will hold elections at the same time as the freshman class. Junior, senior and All-University officers are elected in the spring.

The freshman class president, along with the other class presidents, sits on All-University Cabinet, the highest student government body.

After the new class officers are elected, they will probably form a class advisory board. The board usually consists of about 30 members chosen by application.

The board advises the class officers and works with them in planning dances and other class activities.