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TO YOU FROM US

It's hard for us to tell you what Wisconsin is like. Its bigness, its beauty, its buildings, its students, its traditions—these combine into an overwhelming feeling that makes even us stop and catch our breath. But we can tell you that you're going to like Wisconsin. Of that we have no doubt.

Because we had problems when we came, we know you'll have a few problems too. **Wiscetiquette** is to prepare you for some of the things to come, to give you an insight into the student social customs and activities of our big University. There are some things that represent both tradition and good taste, and the purpose of this book is to make you acquainted with them.

So, here's to you. We're glad you're coming. We hope you stay. This book is for you, Wisconsin is for you, and we're for you.

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PERSONAL

ONE TO GET READY . . .

High school days will soon be in the past, the closed pages of a good book. When you come to the University of Wisconsin, you will be starting a new and altogether different kind of life. The University is big, but if you smile and show interest, you, too, will soon be a part of the campus life. Like the University and it will like you, for the campus is a community in itself, where you will find everything you need and want, with loads of fun to boot. Of course, even though you worked hard in high school, you can't overlook the fact that now you will have different kinds of classes, more competition, and will have to develop new and better study habits. There is no limit to the fun you can have at Wisconsin, but there may well be a limit to your stay, if you neglect your studies.

Actually there are about 13,000 students at the University of Wisconsin. Of these, about 3,500 live in the University dormitories which include Barnard, Elizabeth Waters, Badger Club, and Slichter for the women, and the many houses in "Boys' Town" for the men. In these dorms, all furniture—a bed, bureau, lamp, waste basket, and usually a book case per person, is supplied. Both men and women have all their bedding supplied and laundered with the one exception that women must provide their own blankets. Just about all you have to supply from home are dresser scarves, bedspreads, a curtain for the closet, and for the girls, window curtains. In addition, a two station radio (Madison stations) is built into the wall of all Liz Waters rooms. In all the dorms, except Barnard and Badger Club where the girls prefer to do their own cleaning and cut down expenses a bit, there is maid service. The men's dorms have laundry facilities and most of the women's dorms have Bendix washers. Still, a great many students take their laundry to the Laundromat. For those of you who will be living in private dorms, such as Ann Emery, Langdon, and Villa Maria, or in private homes or independent houses, this information will be sent to you during the summer by the housemother or landlord, or arrangements can be made when you arrive.

WITH BAG AND BAGGAGE

After you've checked your packing list you're bound to forget something, but don't be alarmed, for after all you're not going to some newly settled area. Take the essentials, and as for those personal items as toothpaste, soap, powder, shaving lotion, and shoe polish, refrain from packing them as they can be purchased right in Madison. If some medicinal supply is needed be sure to have your prescription filled by the family doctor since it may be difficult to get filled in Madison. Madison department stores will also come in handy for those unexpected wardrobe items. It's smart to buy a good strong laundry case, if you plan to send your laundry home, for the post office workers are none too gentle with the hundreds of cases mailed each week.



Post offices are located in the men's dorms and near the campus. You will find yourself trotting down to the Pharm, the drugstore located at State and Lake streets, to get a special letter or money order off in the mail more than once.

If you have room in your packing you can include your tennis racket, swim suit, golf clubs, record player, and favorite records, if you plan to be using them often. Otherwise leave these items behind. But, be sure to include a blanket for those picnics in the spring. An old army blanket will serve the purpose well.

It's wise to leave all the cherished high school memories behind, such as pennants, dance programs, and awards. You'll find little use for them, for you'll soon be making new friends and collecting new favors, souvenirs, ticket stubs, and corsage ribbons from social functions here on the campus. You'll find that a bulletin board will be a valuable item if you're used to collecting things. You can buy a bulletin board or make your own out of cork, pasteboard, or plywood. Be sure to bring molding hooks as most houses have a taboo on nails in the walls, and scotch tape as well.

THAT INDISPENSABLE ITEM

Another important item is your roommate. The finale of a summer's sporadic worrying about what he or she will be like will soon come to an end. If you're used to having a room of your own the adjustment may be difficult, but it can also be heaps of fun.

It might help to write your future roommate, if you haven't done so already, and get acquainted ahead of time. You might plan to wait and buy matching bedspreads and closet curtains or decide who could bring a radio. Actually, roommates are very comforting items to have around on those blue days and even when you feel "on top of the world." If you listen to them, they'll listen to you, and at length you'll become the best of friends.

Compromise and cooperation may be something foreign to you but they are very effective ways of getting along with your roommate. In any case, discovering some common basis of understanding is the first thing. It may be that you both choose the same brand of cough drops that will break the ice! At the beginning settle such things as windows and lights so as to avoid any violent explosions later in the semester. Minor troubles will creep up, but treat them in an adult way . . . remember where there is a will (and a sense of humor), there is a way.

A roommate may also be someone more than the person who occupies the other half of your room. Through him or her you can meet more friends and people. College is a great place to meet people, so start as soon as you can. The campus is a big place and it makes you feel ever so good to be able to walk up the Hill and say "Hi" to the fellow who was standing in the line with you for Freshman English. So, when you're in line for registration, start a conversation with the person next to you . . . it'll speed the time along and you'll feel less worn out.

HALF WAY HELPS

In the fall, an entire week is spent acquainting the new students with the campus. You will notice a sort of conspiracy of the orientation program to keep you occupied with one event after another. It's usually a conspiracy to keep you so busy, that you won't have time to think about your tired feet. Good psychology, they say! You will be given a map of the campus which is very good to hang on to, for there may be a time when you want to get to some back part of the campus which is hard to find. During the week you will also be given several tests and counseling services. The places and times of these tests will be listed in your program for the week, so keep it in sight.

You'll be getting stocks of bulletins and books over the summer, and it's a good thing to read them over. They may sound confusing, but read them through carefully and they will help you understand the University and the campus. They can also help you when you are looking for a place to go for special help and service.

Your college days will give you a new sense of independence, which you should find fairly intriguing, but under its influence you may find yourself becoming an entirely sort of person. Perhaps you should give this some thought. However, colleges do have their rules and regulations, but there will be no rules to make you study, keep your room clean, or wear your galoshes on a snowy day. This independence may be a dangerous thing for the person who has no common sense or inclination to accept responsibility. Independence is not to be exploited, and if you understand this you will be on the right track and off to a good start. You're now a college student, and right from the beginning, believe that you are starting four of the best years of your life. Work will pile up, but the fun at parties, meetings, and activities will soon make up for that.

CLASSES

TWO TO GET SET . . .

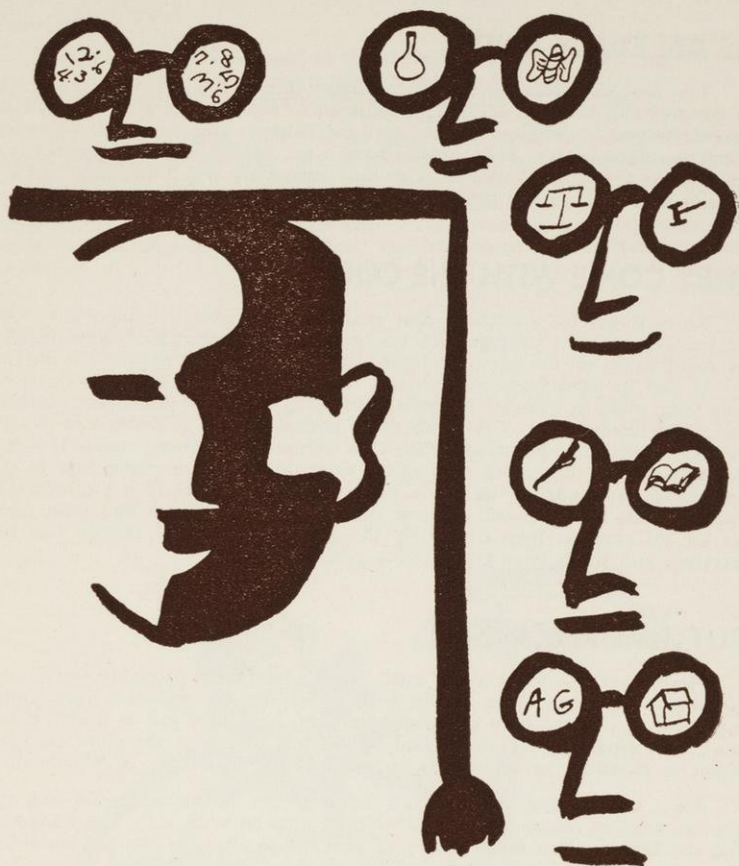
Your first big problem connected with University life is registration. The foremost rule here is to keep calm, cool, and collected. Take your time. You have all day and more if you need it.

Here is the procedure you'll probably follow. A packet of registration cards is first on the agenda. This is obtained at Bascom Hall. After you have your packet of cards, your next stop is your adviser's office. There he will help you plan your program for the coming semester and also answer any questions which may be puzzling you. Next is the job of signing up for classes. But remember, while you are standing in those 'eternal' lines, talk to people and make friends. That's what makes registration fun. After your class schedule has been checked (at the Armory), your final stop is the Burser's office, where you pay your tuition and really become a part of Wisconsin. Payments can be made by check or cash, and don't lose your receipt . . . that's your fee-card, needed for all campus participation. It's an old custom around here to whip it out for all identification purposes as well as for admission to various events, checking out library books, cashing checks, buying tickets, voting—you'll use it everywhere except church. If you still have some energy left, you can buy your books at the private book stores near campus. Just tell them what classes you have, they'll know what books you need.

When you walk up the hill the first morning you'll discover that classes are an important part of life at the U of W. They will take up most of your time. No wonder all the fuss and bother about them at registration. Classes are what you came to school for. They are usually fun, and interesting, but occasionally boring. They may be huge; they may be small. Either way they are a good place to make friends. So don't forget to say "Hello" to the person sitting next to you.

The first day, start a little early to your first class. It may be in a building at the other end of the campus. The room might be a little hard to find, too. But don't let the vastness of the campus scare you. Ask someone if you get lost. That handsome fellow over there, yes, the one in the blue sweater. He may know that your English class is tucked away in that basement room in the far north corner of the building. And he'd love to show you the way. Of course, that works the other way round, too, for you fellows who are confused.

After you've been to a few classes you'll realize that high school classes are only "shirt-tail relatives" of classes at a university. You will have to learn to take notes and to study on your own. After a week or so, taking notes will come easily. It's another case of "practice makes perfect." And you will need good notes to study from, for many of the exams are based largely on the lecture material. So start practicing the first day. Try to get to know



as many of your instructors and professors as possible; it will help solve your problems and they are willing to help. By the way, try to always be on time to lectures—it's very disturbing to a prof when stragglers wander in after he has begun.

BE AN EARLY BIRD

The first six weeks exams will be upon you before the wink of an eye, so beware! and keep up on daily assignments. Many times a D or a B may be determined by whether or not you got behind, and depended on cramming the night before. Most courses have a six, twelve weeks, and final exam with quizzes thrown in between. The final exams are two hours long and are already scheduled in the time table you received at registration.

THEY COME WITH THE COURSE

Never forget for a moment that grades, good grades, are important. Oh, we know straight A averages are few and far between, (and confidentially, an awful strain on the nervous system) but a C average is required to stay at the U and to participate in activities. A grade point of 1.3 is necessary to keep your room in a dorm. If you're wondering about the grade point system, here's the scoop. Each A is worth three points; each B is worth two points; each C is worth one point; and each D is counted as 0. Every course is worth so many credits, three, four, and so on, as recorded by the course title in the time table. In figuring the grade point you earn, multiply the number of course credits by the point value of the letter grade you got and total these up for all courses; then divide by the number (total) of credits you are carrying, and that's your grade point average.

CUTTING REMARKS

Here, too, is a word about cuts. Your best friend probably won't take as complete a set of notes as you will, so rely on yourself—not him. Don't cut classes if you can help it. Also remember, you know just as much, if not more . . . especially if you studied, than your neighbor; therefore cheating either in classwork or exams has no place at the University of Wisconsin.

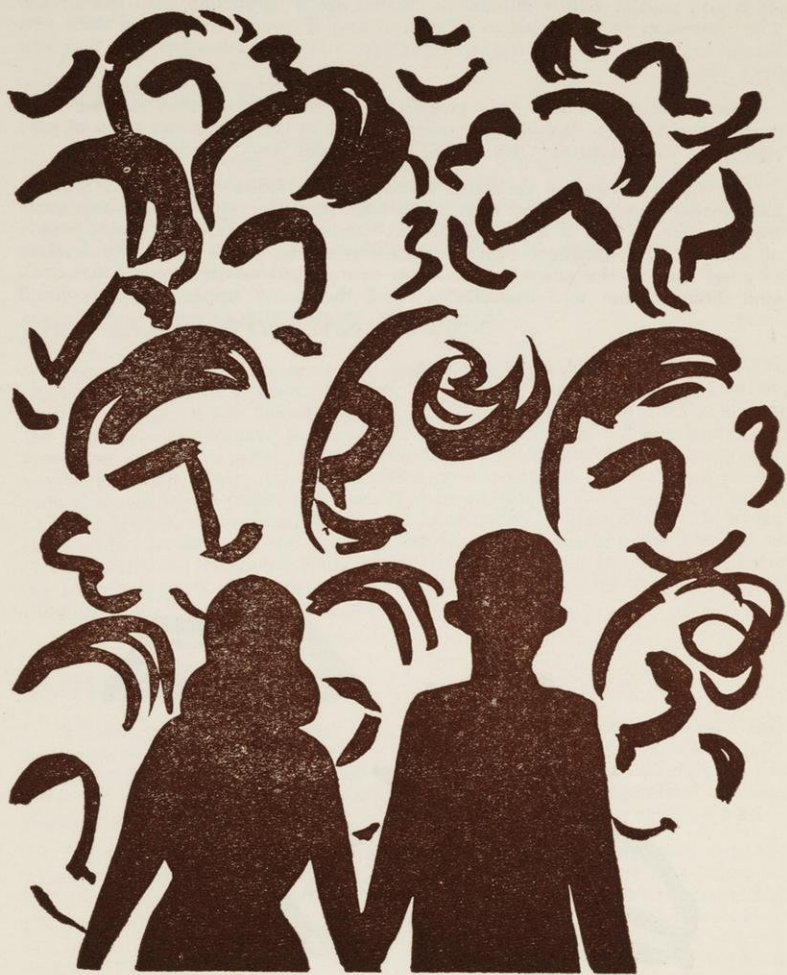
Some of the first places you'll want to get acquainted with are the quonset reading rooms (those multi-colored huts between State and Langdon) and the library. You must have your fee-card to take out books from either place. Any book put on reserve for the use of an entire class will be found in the quonset huts. Most of these readings have a limited withdrawal period, so get them back on time. Incidentally, the penalty for overdue books is enormous; starting at fifty cents the first hour overdue, it gets worse every minute!

The University has a very good counseling service located in the YMCA, which is next door to the Memorial Union. Here students can get help by taking comprehensive tests for personality, aptitude, and preference. Bad study and reading habits can also be cleared up by competent help and advice. The personnel is very glad to help you, and if you're wondering what you should major in, give the counseling service a try and it's a bet that they can help you.

For those of you who need to spend some of your free time earning some money, the Student Employment office located in the Union has a list of part time jobs. About 50 per cent of the students get work this way.

If you are planning on a job, schedule your classes first and the Student Employment office will find work to fit your free time. If your classes should trouble you, in fact if anything should trouble you, there are many people on campus just waiting to have you call on them. Don't forget the Student Counsel Service, the offices of the many deans, your adviser, your instructors, your housemother and housefellow, and the many upper classmen you'll meet.





SOCIAL LIFE

THEN LET'S GO . . .

The University is well known for its wonderful social life. You will soon find yourself in the midst of this collegiate atmosphere wondering how you can become a part of it. In high school, meeting people was no problem. But now you're one of 13,000 students, most of whom you don't know. How do college freshmen meet people and get dates?

Well, the best place to begin is at the Freshman Open House, which is given especially for you. Here is a chance to meet new people, and to become acquainted with the Union's facilities. Go alone or with a friend and don't be ashamed to introduce yourself, have a good time, and be escorted home by someone you've just met. It's not a pick-up, but perfectly acceptable procedure. We've all done it.

Throughout the year, the Union offers many further informal mixers which are dateless: coffee hours, jazz sessions, Sunday afternoon sings, Schuffle Shop, At Ease, and many more. Shuffle Shop is a stag record dance held every Thursday night from 8 to 10. Free dancing lessons are offered the first hour, with open dancing for the second. At Ease is also stag, held every other Sunday afternoon, with students and Truax airmen invited. Both are record dances, without charge. You will be reading about these events in the Cardinal.

FALL MEANS FOOTBALL TIME

Sports interest is high among Badgers, so get out and root for your team. To save money and to be assured of good seats for all events, don't delay in getting your season's booklet. Coupon books are \$9 and include tickets for all Badger sports except basketball, where you get to see one-half of the games because of the limited capacity of the field house. You can get your book at the stadium ticket office after you have completed registration and paid your fees.

When the leaves turn red and gold and the air has that certain nip to it, Badgers turn out en masse to Camp Randall. Homecoming is the highlight of the fall season with its parties, return of the alums and the colorful decorations. The weekend begins on Friday night, with pep rallies on the Union steps followed by Kick-off ball, an informal date or dateless dance at the Union.

On Saturday, after the game, many of the organized independent and Greek houses have open houses and coffee hours. Coffee and doughnuts never tasted better than after hours spent cheering at the game. People start singing and chattering; you won't have a chance to feel alone.



TO BEER OR NOT TO BEER

Right now might be a good time to bring in the question of beer. Beer is a popular beverage up here, so if you're planning on meeting the gang at one of the popular spots, you'll have to be prepared to show identification proving you're 18 or over. To obtain this information, go to the Dane County court house, 207 West Main Street, with a small photo of yourself and your birth certificate. It is not necessary to drink to feel a part of the crowd, but it is necessary to adjust yourself to people who do, so that you still can have as much or more fun at a party as people who do drink. However, if you like beer, take it easy. It's easy and not very flattering to be tagged a habitual drinker or a hard liquor man or woman.

Along this same line, we might mention a few ideas about smoking. A girl who smokes should carry a pack of cigarettes with her on a date instead of smoking those of her fellow. And you guys are not obliged to keep her in cigarettes on a date if you yourself do not smoke. Another thing that is frowned upon, is a woman smoking on the streets. Believe us, girls, it's a mistake.

On the subject of blind dates, fellas and gals, don't be deadheads. It is a firmly established Wisconsin institution, and we believe it's here to stay. We figure that you have a 50-50 chance. If you happen to pick a lemon, please be a good sport about it and chalk it up to experience. Your best bet is to double with a friend and plan something for the evening. There is no disgrace in accepting a blind date . . . everyone at sometime feels the urge to meet someone new, and the blind date is as good a tactic as any.

HERE COMES RUSHING

Whether or not to join a fraternity or sorority is often a big question. Panhellenic and Inter-Fraternity booklets will be sent to you, with information on rushing schedules and individual expenses. Even if you decide to live in a dorm group or independently, we think it's a good idea for you to go through open rushing at the beginning of the semester as a valuable experience in social poise, if for no other reason. If you choose to look over fraternities and sororities, answer their invitations promptly, even if you regret. By the time you've reached college level it is assumed you know the rudiments of good manners, but if you've forgotten the fine points, be sure to check on them for you'll be using them often the first few weeks. Know how to make introductions by all means. When you attend these affairs, be neat appearing and act natural. At any rate, you must decide for yourself whether or not to pledge. Many students wait a semester to get their bearings before definitely deciding about pledging or about which group is the right one for them.

If there's any doubt in your mind about what procedure to follow in a social situation, remember, "When in Rome, do as the Romans do." Some customs vary from place to place, so keep your eyes peeled; you may have to adapt yourself somewhat.

THE GREAT GAMBLE

There's no particular trick in asking for a date—if the request isn't made at the last minute. If you want to take her out Friday night, call her the Monday or Tuesday before, not any later. And if you want to date her on Saturday night, Wednesday is the latest day you should call her. When you call, don't ask, "Are you doing anything this weekend?" If she wasn't, she wouldn't want to admit it to you. Rather, mention specifically what night you are calling for and what you have planned. You might ask her if she has any suggestions. If the girl says she has another engagement, believe her and take a rain check. If the procedure is repeated three or four times, take the hint—you're not her type. To the girls—if you really have another date and are truly sorry, let the young man know and you will be asked again. As to the question of breaking dates, we say DON'T! Believe us when we say that news of a broken date gets around. And here's something else important: be on time for dates and get home on time. This means not staying at that party til 12:25 and having your date collect late minutes for being late.

And when it's time to say goodnight, won't you please use a little discretion before going into a mad clinch? Maybe you are madly in love and walking on a pink cloud, but try to keep your love affair to yourself and don't air it in public.

WHAT TO DO

Madison has many places and events which are ideal for dates. For sporty occasions, Madison furnishes the opportunity and Hoofers in the Union furnishes the equipment. Hikes to Picnic Point, skiing at Cross Plains, swimming, canoeing and sailing on Lake Mendota, bicycling in the country, golfing, tennis on the University courts, bowling in the Union, and ping pong in the dorm recreation room are all popular activities for the athletic minded. It's even perfectly proper to show that gal how to play pool or billiards in the Union pool room. And it's fun and different.

For more conventional dates, Madison and the Union offer many movie choices. Plays in the city and the Union, free concerts in Music Hall, university dances, and fraternity and dorm parties will fill your dating program. The Wisconsin Players offer five usually excellent plays during the school year, which can be seen by purchasing season tickets at the beginning of the year. Concert season books also offer a relatively cheap opportunity to hear the best in the top performers of today. The Union Music committee presents six outstanding artists during the yearly season.

The prime requisite for good date behavior, we think, is common sense. Please, we ask you, don't talk about high school. Those days, although they may have been the best of your life, are gone forever. Hang your high school letter sweater, Hi-Y and sorority pins, and high school memories in the closet back home. You're in college now.



CLOTHING

IT'S AN INDIVIDUALIST'S WORLD

First of all, let's get the frame of mind prevalent on Wisconsin's campus before deciding the "what to buy" and "what to bring" question. Informality is the keynote of campus life here, both in dress and manner; people generally wear what they're most comfortable in and what fits their fancy, rather than conforming to a set standard of dress. Wisconsin seems to be known for its individualists—where else can you find some girls attending classes in good wool dresses and nylons, others going in their sweaters and skirts and saddles and sox, and still other trudging the hill in blue jeans?

However, there's another point we want to make. Here, as everywhere, some people look neater and impress us as better dressed for the occasion than others—and are often able to achieve it by mixing a minimum of clothes with a bit of good taste. Knowing what to wear when can help, so we veterans would like to pass on a few suggestions.



A further word before getting into concrete situations is this: the "typical collegiate styles" seen in magazines and show windows are often extreme or involve fads of the moment. They're usually nice, but you can get along without them if the budget squawks at the squeeze.

TIPS FOR COEDS

Coed clothing for class wear differs little from what you've been wearing in high school. Sweaters, blouses, and skirts still rate high. Ski suits and jeans are popular too for cold days and for those times when your schedule calls for just one or two classes for the day.

Several separates combinations that go especially well together are excellent wardrobe choices. This is a practical idea, for with each blouse change, a basic skirt can assume the appearance of an entirely new outfit and can take you to all informal doings.

COEDS CAN'T

OCCASION—	CLASSES	INFORMAL	FOOTBALL GAMES
	Freshman Week Coke Dates	Movies Beer Parties Open Houses	Here Away
DRESS—	Cottons in the Spring and Fall, Sweaters, Blouses, Skirts, Jump- ers, Suits, Very Casual Dresses, Jeans for Rain	Casual Wool Dresses, Suits, Good Skirts and Blouses	Sweaters, Skirts, or Slacks Suits, Wool Dresses
SHOES—	'Saddles,' Loafers, Any Other Casual Sport Shoe	Flats or Heels and Always Stockings	Sport Shoes Flats or Heels
ACCESSOR- IES—	Billfold or Small Purse, Scarves, Pins	Scarves, Jewelry, Billfold or Purse	Billfold or Purse Maybe a Blanket Purse, Gloves

COME PREPARED

More special occasions such as Homecoming in the fall, Pan-hel Ball, or dressy parties call for dressier clothes. The girls again often wear separates—blouses and skirts that can be interchanged. An off-the-shoulder dress with a companion jacket is another practical wardrobe item. Keep in mind that only a few dressy clothes are essential. Good basic suits or wool dresses that can be dressed up or down can take you to practically all of the university functions.

The four seasons will influence what you bring to Madison. Winters are guaranteed chilly, so pack a storm coat, furlined boots, and woolly scarves and gloves. Cottons won't come out in force until May, so don't bring them up in quantity until spring vacation although you may need a few for warm September days.

Although some girls leave formals at home and send for them when the occasion arises, it's a good idea to have one with you at the start if you're

MISS WITH . . .

PICNICS	MORE SPECIAL	FORMALS	RECEPTIONS
Hay or Sleigh Rides	Dinner Theater Informal Dances	Prom—Mil Ball Greek—Dorm	Teas Rushing Teas
Slacks, Jeans, Pedal Pushers, Sweatshirts, Ski Suits in Winter	Best Date Dress, Dressy Suits	Either a Full Length or Ballerina Dress	Best Date or After- noon Dresses
Sport Shoes	Preferably Heels; Flats Merely "Get By"	Heels or Flats	Heels
Blankets, Scarves	Purse, Jewelry and a Hat if You'd Like	Your Nicest Jewelry and Perhaps An Evening Bag, Mitts or Gloves	The Works—Purse, Hat, Gloves

interested in sorority rushing. A marquisette or nylon tulle which can be worn year-round is the most practical dress to own, but cotton, net, taffeta, and velvet are also favored.

Don't forget about the added little dashes to your costume that scarves and jewelry lend. Often they can give new life to an old or drab-looking outfit.

EVERYONE HEED

If you've forgotten anything or find there's something new you need, the Madison department stores, gift shops, and drug stores can satisfactorily supply your wants. Cleaning service and launderettes are also available to keep your clothes looking trim, if you'd rather not send laundry home.

As an anti-climax, clothes don't really make the person but as long as you've got some, make them add and not subtract from your personality.

MEN CAN RELY ON . . .

OCCASION—	CLASSES	INFORMAL	FOOTBALL GAMES	PICNICS	MORE SPECIAL	FORMALS	RECEPTIONS
	Freshman Week Coke Dates	Movies Beer Parties Open Houses	Here Away	Hay or Sleigh Rides	Dinner Theater Informal Dances	Prom—Mil Ball Greek—Dorm	Rushing
DRESS—	Slacks, Sweaters, Sport Shirts	Class Clothes, Sport Coats, Casual Suits	Slacks, Sweaters Slacks, Sport Coats, Casual Suits	Jeans, Slacks, Fatigues	Dark Suits	Tuxedos or Tails in Fall and Winter, White Coats in Spring	Dark Suits
SHOES—	'Saddles', Loafers, Brown Oxfords, White Bucks, Crepe Soles	Brown Oxford, White Bucks, Loafers, 'Saddles'	Same as Class or Informal	Sport Shoes—No Matter How Old or Rundown	Brown Oxfords	Black Oxfords	Brown Oxfords
SHIRT—	The White Shirt from Your Last Date, Other Colored Shirts, Sport Shirts, T-shirts	White or Other Dress Shirt	Sport Shirts White Shirt	Sweatshirts, Sport Shirts, Sweaters	White	White Formal Shirt	White
TIE—	No	Yes	No Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

TIPS FOR THE MEN

Good bets for the first concern, class-wear, are slacks topped by sports shirts, whether they be wool, corduroy, or cotton, or sweaters that are long sleeved, V-necked, plain, or ski. A few to mix around will be plenty unless you can afford or want more variety. And these same school clothes double for informal social wear, such as mid-week dates, listening parties, bowling, and so forth.

Jeans and army surplus pants are not nearly as popular for classes any more as well-tailored slacks, but by no means leave them at home. They're always good for general loafing around and for the sandlot baseball and football games.

Corduroy and sports jackets are always good at Wisconsin. Worn with casual pants, they can either go to classes (if you want to be more fully dressed) or to movie dates and beer parties.

One good suit will take you anywhere from fraternity rushing to our Campa and 770 Club dances and big parties. A gray flannel suit, always presentable for less formal occasions, or any other suits you happen to have will, of course, nicely pad your wardrobe. But don't forget that it's always possible to get along on the one suit minimum.

WHAT, WHEN, AND IF

Plan to take into account the mighty cold weather that prevails most of the school year. A good heavy coat, such as a storm coat, and overshoes are necessities as you out-of-staters will find out. It's a good idea to bring the bulky clothes and even wool caps and gloves with you in September. You might need them any day.

Along with our wintry weather come the winter sports. If you're a skiing or skating enthusiast, or if you plan on learning, bring those old heavy sweatshirts, sweaters, and jackets.

MAN OF DISTINCTION

Outside of minor provisions for a hoped-for Indian summer, the swim trunks, tee shirts, and picnic regalia can stay at home without being missed until May. Until that time, the emphasis is on **warm** clothing.

Any kind of shoes you like—white bucks, saddles, oxfords, or loafers—will go for informal wear along with the usual sweat socks and argyles. But don't forget to have a pair of brown oxfords on hand for dress wear.

For Prom, Mil Ball, and formals, a tux is nice to own but don't fret yet—they can be rented easily in Madison. The white spring coat is generally worn to second semester big affairs.

The final word is that quality will always do you better than quantity. All that it really takes to be a smooth dresser is a few basics, providing they're kept brushed and pressed. Neatness still goes over big!



ACTIVITIES

OH, FOR MORE TIME!

When you come to school you discover there is more offered here than merely books and parties. Every spare hour could be spent in some activity. Many people wish they could do so, but too heavy a load can swamp an old hand around here and certainly could get the best of any newcomer. There is so much to do in connection with the Badger campus that if you don't use a little discretion you'll not have time left for schoolwork.

For just that reason first semester freshmen are somewhat limited in the scope of their activities. And it's for the best, too. You need that length of time to just get acquainted with your university. Specifically, the University rules that first semester freshmen can participate in freshman athletics and forensics, as well as working on committees and holding freshman offices in their houses. Second semester freshmen and new students are welcomed into any activity which might interest them.

Almost everyone does something in the way of extra-curricular work. It's a wonderful, "fun" way to develop your talents and meet people. And there is something here for everyone. It is impossible to drain the University dry of all it has to offer, but it gives you an awfully good feeling to try. So map your path and get on the road!

OF, FOR, AND BY THE PEOPLE

First of all, you'd probably like a sketch of how your university is put together, how this organization is coordinated with that one and what each one does. Then we'll talk about the independent group.

Each student automatically becomes a member of the Wisconsin Student Association (WSA) by paying a set fee when he registers. This entitles him to the services of the organization. Student Board is the governing body of WSA. Board is composed of 18 members, some elected by the campus and other student organizations. Board and the heads of its eight commissions meet once a week. You'll receive a booklet when you get here telling more about Board and its functions. Right now we're concerned with some of its activities.

Appointive members on Board are presidents of the Women's Self-Government Association (WSGA) and The Wisconsin Men's Association (WMA). Also represented on Board are Pan Hellenic Council, Women's Dorm Council, Independent Students Association (ISA), Inter-Fraternity Association (IF), and Men's Halls Association (MHA).

THE RULING CLASS

All undergraduate women are members of WSGA. Its officers are elected every spring and head the Administrative Council, which coordinates and helps administer WSGA projects and rules. All women's houses have closing hours of 10:30 on week nights, and 12:30 on Fridays and Saturdays. Women not on probation may have special key privileges: freshmen are allowed one extra 12:30 a month; sophomores, one 12:30 a week; juniors, two 12:30's a week. Senior women and all women over 21 may have 12:30 privileges every night except the first Monday of every month, which is closed for all women. (Closed means that no one may take a 12:30.) Sorority and fraternity meetings are held on Monday nights, as well as housemeetings. Last year WSGA got a 1:30 night for women students on the evening of Homecoming.

WSGA sponsors Career Conferences every year for all women. For three or four days noted speakers in the business world give talks on various fields of work for women. This conference has been an established tradition on campus for 35 years and is completely run by women students. There are opportunities for hostessing, publicity, or ushering; these responsibilities are acquired by being interviewed at the beginning of the semester. In the fall WSGA holds a banquet to honor freshman women who were outstanding scholastically in high school. A fairly new project is the Big Sister program, aimed to acquaint new women students with campus life. Sometime in March WSGA presents a style show . . . a preview of spring fashions. The show is written, directed, and modeled by students.

A few weeks after the style show, WSGA sponsors a Homemakers Series to advise girls who are soon to be married on planning their new homes and budgets. The school year is closed by Senior Swingout, a WSGA ceremony on Bascom Hill to honor women students who have done outstanding work on campus.

Board, through its Public Relations commission handles Orientation Week for Freshmen and new students. It also directs fall and spring campus elections and the Homecoming celebration. Homcoming offers various interested groups on campus to try their ingenuity in contriving displays and floats for a contest. Elections, by the way, cover many of the larger offices on campus, and are valuable experiences, whether you're the candidate or you're promoting someone else.

IT'S A MAN'S WORLD

The purpose of WMA is to integrate the activities of men on campus and promote their general interests. WMA sponsors many projects which are: Jobs Opportunities Conference, Men's Night, Draft Orientation, and Good-night Scholarship. WMA is the brother of WSGA except that its functions do not have to cover as many rules, since men have no hours. Jobs Opportunities Conference is similar to Careers Conference, and Men's Night might



be considered the counterpart of Spring Swingout, for it is then that outstanding men on campus are honored. At the same time awards and scholarships are presented. An intramural athletic program is also sponsored by WMA for men who are not active in University athletics.

PanHellenic Council and the Interfraternity Congress regulate rushing and serve as official spokesmen for campus sororities and fraternities, respectively. Panhel gives its annual Panhel Ball early in the second semester. There are always openings in the production of it for decorations, tickets, entertainment, or publicity. The money collected from the dance goes into scholarships for women on campus who need and deserve them.

IF programs Interfraternity Ball and Interfraternity Sing. A major event sponsored by IF is Humorology, produced in the early spring. All campus groups are invited to enter original, funny skits in the tryouts, and those not eliminated are presented the night of Humorology. Proceeds go to charity. Humorology is one of the bigger events on campus and it takes a big, big crew to put it on.

The Men's Halls Association consists of all men living in Tripp Hall, Adams Hall, Slichter Hall, and the Kronshage Unit; and through its elected Cabinet and appointed administrative and activity committees plans a number of social functions, operates a store, sponsors clubs, conducts an intramural athletic program, sponsors a choral group, and participates in the supervision of the Halls.

ISA represents all men and women who are not residents of fraternity or sorority houses, dorms or other university-operated houses. ISA elects officers, sponsors an annual December semi-formal and spring picnic, and plans activities for the independent student.

Every fall the Student Service and Relief Commission of Board holds a big charity drive called Campus Chest. Closely allied to it is Campus Carnival, a noisy, colorful sideshow contest at the Fieldhouse, presented by any and all houses and organizations on campus. Here again, the proceeds go to charity.

NEVER TO BE FORGOTTEN

Junior Prom is thought of by many as one glorious evening of fun, but those who have planned and worked on committees see the big evening develop bit by bit, starting weeks before it to do their jobs. The Social Affairs Commission of Board is in charge of this. This is the biggest dance of the year, and is held in the Memorial Union. Student Board and the Union split the profits. This commission also arranges Parents' Weekend, which is usually in May, the Saturday and Sunday when your campus is introduced to your parents.

These activities, sponsored by the larger groups on campus, in connection with the Wisconsin Student Association, are only a beginning. There are dances at the Union on Friday and Saturday evenings in the fall to help with, and of course Mil Ball, the annual dance put on by the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC), to which the boys wear their uniforms and gold trimming, adding a dignified touch to the dance. Elections are held to choose the Mil Ball King from among the ROTC cadets, and the queen of the



winner's choice reigns with him during the ball. By the way, an election is also held to choose a Prom king, an all-campus election, and the Badger Beauties are also picked at this time to serve as the court of honor at Prom. These beauties are the six finalists of a group of girls put up by all campus groups, and are picked by famous people serving as judges, such as Bing Crosby and Patricia Stevens.

By all means, don't forget the Union. It is the scene of more and more varied activities than anywhere else on campus. It contains more than three hundred rooms, and is governed by the Union Directorate, composed of students and faculty members. Watch the **Cardinal** for announcements of Union committee interviews, and take advantage of them to "get active". Some of the committees are: dance, forum, games, films, news bureau, craft, library, trends, commons, activities, gallery, and house. And there are special committees, such as the one which organizes Smorgasbord, a sumptuous feast given in spring for committee members. Other special groups plan 770 Club (a monthly cabaret dance whose name is from the Union's address, 770 Langdon St.), Kickoff Ball dances, held on Friday nights before football games, and Campa dances, held on Saturday nights in the fall.

SO YOU'RE A HEEL

The sport club you'll be told about, whose headquarters are in the Union but not connected with the Union, is Hoofers. It plans outings of all types: Sailing, riding, canoeing, bike hikes, overnights, early morning picnics, and best of all, between-semester ski trips to various Wisconsin lodges. When you first join, you are a Heel, and then become a full-fledged Hooper after earning a certain number of points by participating in outings and work around the quarters.

Hoofers also sponsors Winter Carnival, a week when students and faculty alike wear plaid shirts and ski togs and make the most of the cold Wisconsin ice and snow. During the week, there are all kinds of contests: skiing, barrelstave ski meets, broom hockey, tobogganing, and the ice sculpturing. Any house on campus may order the large chunks of ice which are used, and hack them into statues. You don't have to be an expert to try any and all of these. The week is climaxed by the Snow Ball, which is a sweater and skirt dance on Saturday night.

"All Our Girls Are Men, Yet Every One's A Lady" is the motto of the Haresfoot Club, open to Wisconsin men. They put on a show every year, containing lots of dancing, singing, and a kick chorus which steals the show. We hope that you will still realize that girls are not as muscular and hairy as these lasses, who appear not only in Madison, but also tour the state with their show every year. The script is written by one of the boys, chosen best from several entries.

Now if you prefer to limit your exercise to fingers, join the staff of any campus publication. The **Daily Cardinal**, the campus newspaper, run entirely by students, and independent editorially and financially, always welcomes help, which includes reporters, business hands, and photographers. The **Cardinal**, along with the Wisconsin **Badger** (the yearbook staffed by students) and the **Wisconsin Idea**, is under the authority of a general campus publications board.

STOP THE PRESSES

For more serious literary efforts, write for, or help put out the Wisconsin Idea, a monthly magazine devoted to students' work in prose, poetry, and art. For humor, go to work for the Octopus, commonly known as "Octy". It is crammed with jokes, cartoons, and witty pieces on the lighter side. Ag and Home Economics (Home Ec) students write also for Country Mag., and engineers center their interests in the Wisconsin Engineer.

Of course, all individual schools have their special clubs and language departments sponsor their own clubs. Home Ec and Ag students have Euthenics, Blue Shield, and Saddle and Sirlin. There are professional fraternities for med, law, and engineering, to mention only a few.

Does it go without saying that athletics find their way quite easily into the lives of the students? Boys may participate in football, basketball, boxing, track, swimming, crew, tennis, and golf, along with several others, for inter-school sports. There are also intramurals, with both a dorm and fraternity division to offer men the most in sports participation. Even if you aren't an athlete, you will want to see the Badger teams in action, and to do this, the student buys an activities ticket, which assures him of a seat at football and other games. Hint: better buy yours early. They go fast, and if you wait too long, they might be all sold out.

FOR THAT HEALTHY LOOK

The Women's Athletic Association is the group for sports-minded women on campus. Beside the variety of regular sports offered, the club sponsors Orchesis and Dolphins. Orchesis is a modern dance club which presents a program every year. Dolphins is a group for top swimmers, divided into two sections, junior and senior dolphins. Any freshman or upperclassman may try out if she thinks she can pass the test of simple skills required. These swimmers put on an annual water ballet in Lathrop Hall.

Now, whether you are handy with paint brushes, costuming, or acting, there is a place for you in Wisconsin Players. There are all kinds of work to be had and membership is based on the amount of work done. This group gives a series of plays every year. Tickets for these may be bought individually or in a ticketbook. These plays are good and really worthwhile seeing, either from backstage or from the audience.

Well, now that you have a few suggestions of how you may spend the time you have left from studying, we hope you will look around and try some of these and the many other activities Wisconsin offers, for the well-rounded person is expected to know a little bit about a lot of things when he goes home for the first time on vacation. The phrase which seems to fit the idea we've tried to get across is "Get Active". We hope you will, but don't make the mistake of spreading yourself out over all of them. Be discriminating. And the best of luck and fun!

TRADITIONS

Time Honored Events

Here are just a few of the events that are as familiar to Wisconsinites as Bucky Badger. Whether you're going to college to be sentimental or just plain mental, you'll find you'll have plenty to tell those grandchildren of yours in the years to come.

Homecoming

U-rah-rah, Badgers! Let's start out with a super pep rally; then all out for Potpourri, the big University show; then walk around and see all the winning decorations. Then after the big game the next day, (we win, of course) party, party, party.

Smorgasbord and Beefeaters

Two musts to attend (taken for granted, of course, that you belong to a Union Committee) are the Union Smorgasbord and Beefeaters. Try to make both (providing purse allows) or take your pick according to what you prefer—food, food, and more food, or colorful medieval pageantry.

Winter Carnival Week

A swell time is had by all during Winter Carnival week, the time for donning your plaid shirt topped with a winter carnival button. During this week you can chip away for your house in its ice sculpturing entry or decorate its float or play on its broom hockey team, or perhaps enter the barrel stave meet or the regular ski meet and above all don't miss the Ice Cabaret, Union Winter House Party, or Snow Ball. See, lots to do!

Careers Conference

For everyone from green freshmen to know-it-all seniors, (women that is) WSGA presents Careers Conference, a full week of speeches, tours, and demonstrations, with opportunities for real job interviews in various fields.

Prom

Of course, the loveliest night of the year. Prom is big at Wisconsin, complete with big name band and two others (just so it isn't crowded). Beauty reigns with the presentation of the Badger Beauties and the Prom Queen.



Humorology

Humor (that's putting it mild) is down to earth side-splitting. Everyone goes to this show of skits presented by various houses prepared for a gala time. They are very seldom disappointed.

Campus Carnival

Step right up and take a chance, folks. Barkers try to sell the different acts, anything from pie throwing to a good old-fashioned marriage ceremony. And all for charity, too!

Military Ball

There is something about a uniform and on the night of Mil Ball (military, that is) you can see what it does for your Prince Charming. Oh, that braid! Take it from me, this is really a terrific dance, held at the Union (2:30, now too).

Tournament of Song

Sing, sing, sing! Here's your chance to really flaunt your vocal chords. Join in the big all campus chorus contest. This is real fun. You'll be surprised what you can do.

Parents' Weekend

Time to show your school to your parents and vice-versa. Entertainment on this weekend has that special touch to flatter and honor our dear parents who make all this possible. Don't let yours miss it.

Beloved Alma Mater

Varsity, varsity—the strains drift up at almost all sports events with the proper arm salute (first by the band alone—they sing, too!). A beloved tradition!

Fight Team, Fight!

Pet rallies are a lot of fun—loud and louder on the Union steps. Bucky Badger, the team, Ivy and maybe Roundy are all there.

Would You Like a Haresfoot Sundae

The Haresfoot Club uses a little high pressure (what an understatement) when they take over the Pharm for a day, but don't get scared out. It's worth it. Just another promotion for Haresfoot as are the popular straw hats in the springtime.



Boom! Boom!

Also at sports events you will see the band toting our famous Paul Bunyan drum while Bucky Badger dances proudly around.

Spring Comes to Boys' Town

Dorm Duke time! Don't miss these campaigns. Always new and clever ideas and stunts, such as exile on Picnic Point and burial alive. Everyone is running for coveted title of Dorm Duke at Dormsylvania Ball.

This Little Piggy

If you're up to it and are a sporting coed, try your hand at catching a greased pig at the Little International, a big affair thrown by the Ag School.

Glug! Glug!

If you live in a dorm on the lake you'll probably find yourself guilty of helping throw a housefellow in when Mendota thaws (beware of later consequences).



Hi Ya' Baldy

Ah, Spring—and what is more fitting for crew members than crew cuts. In fact, if they don't see to it, their fellow teammates will oblige.

Drinking of the Green

Good old St. Patrick has to do with more than one tradition at Wisconsin. St. Patrick's Day isn't complete without hitting one of the favorite night spots for green beer.

An Irish Riddle

A popular question—what was St. Pat, a lawyer or an engineer? Be careful! There is terrific rivalry for this honor, manifested by the lawyers at Homecoming when they toss their canes over the goal posts to see if they win their first case or not. The engineers grow beards and top off the contest with a ball. But the question is really settled by a basketball game (the lawyers won last).

If You Cross His Path

Our statue of Abe means a lot to us. A very patient old gent is Abe who obliges the chaste coed by rising as she passes. (Try it, girls, when you're alone!)

12:00 and All Is Well

To be an official coed you must be kissed on Observatory Hill when the Music Hall Clock (our Big Ben) is striking 12:00. (A right fine old tradition.)

Sweet Bells and Chimes

Close to all our hearts is our beautiful Carillon Tower. When you're trudging home at 5:30 its sweet concert gives you a real lift and makes your books lighter.

SS-SS-SS Boom Ah!

Our traditional way of saying thanks, heralding a favorite professor, or just congratulations is the good old Wisconsin skyrocket. All join in—for it's popular with all (Profs especially).

CAMPUS GLOSSARY

Jayvees—junior varsity, please!

Greeks—none other than the fraternity and sorority members!

Beast Pool—consolation for fellows "stuck" on blind dates.

Boys' Town—sacred area around men's dorms.

Ivy—our illustrious football coach, Ivan Williamson.

HT, BT, CI—local hot spots (identification required for 3.2*) otherwise known as Hasty Tasty, Badger Tavern, Campus Inn.

***3.2**—campus version of Milwaukee export (beer, kids).

Octy—campus humor (?) magazine.

Passion Pits—Elizabeth Waters recreation room.

Point—Picnic Point—swell place for picnics.

Quonset—reserved reading room for kids who don't feel like studying.

Rennies—coffee house at corner of Park and University.

Pharm—coffee house at corner of Lake and State.

The Hill—you'll find out soon enough, up and down, up and down!

Liz or The Rock—a dignified women's Alcatraz.

The Rat—popular hangout in the Union, and home of 3.2.

R.O.T.C.—campus ground pounders, Reserve Officers Training Corps to you. (rot-see.)

Snarking—good course for men, promoted by Octy—how to use binoculars.

Campa—popular dance held often during fall at Union.

770—campus night club located at Union (770 Langdon).

Purple Lady—a famous English teacher who looks nice in the color.

Plumbers—those engineers really get around.

J-School—short for School of Journalism.

SONGS

On Wisconsin

On Wisconsin—On Wisconsin
Plunge right through that line
Run the ball clear down the field, boys
Touchdown sure this time (U Rah Rah)
On Wisconsin—On Wisconsin
Fight on for her fame
Fight, Fellows—fight, fight, fight
We'll win this game.

Varsity

Varsity, varsity
U Rah, rah, Wisconsin
Praise to thee, we sing
Praise to thee, our Alma Mater
U rah, rah, Wisconsin.

Badger Ballad

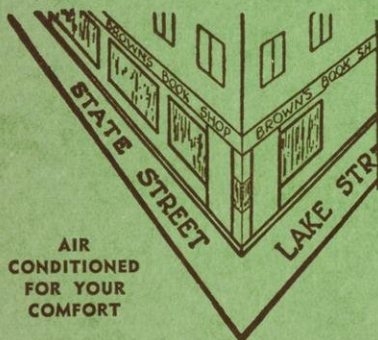
If you want to be a Badger
Just come along with me
By the bright shining light
By the light of the moon
If you want to be a Badger
Just come along with me
By the bright shining light of the moon
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By the light of the moon
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If you stop in front of Bascom Hall some day you will see a plaque which carries these words, "Whatever may be the limitations which trammel inquiry elsewhere, we believe the great state University of Wisconsin should ever encourage that continual and fearless sifting and winnowing by which alone the truth can be found." These words resolve and embody our spirit of academic freedom, here at Wisconsin, it is yours to take and to enjoy.

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