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Montana Co-eds' Campus
"MONTANA CO-EDS' CAMPUS"

A Handbook for Freshman Women

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Welcome, freshman women; we are glad you are in college. We know that you are prepared for work along many lines. College is a place to broaden your scope intellectually, morally and socially and make of you a better citizen who will fit into a social system that is becoming increasingly complex.

It is difficult to limit good advice, but there is one thing to remember—the reputation which you establish during your first year at the university, socially as well as intellectually, is almost impossible to change.

Greetings,

Jean Kountz,
President of A W. S.
Welcome to you, who are entering the Montana State University. This greeting comes to you from the students and faculty. Particularly interested in your coming are the Associated Women Students, for you will soon be a part of their organization and will largely determine their policy—a strong factor in the foundation of student opinion. We place at your disposal the university, with its traditions and many opportunities for group living, activities and academic training. You are asked to participate in its life, and to help carry forward its ideals. May we all work together to accomplish greater achievements for our university.

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Introduction

Every girl who enters the university is anxious to know the answer to those five "W's" of her new college life— "Who, what, when, where and why." We are attempting to answer your queries by giving you a brief survey of the "Montana Co-ed's Campus." May our suggestions help you to become acquainted with the activities, honorary societies for women, traditions, school clubs, A. W. S. regulations—and give you a few ideas concerning conduct and dress on the campus, so that you may be, in the true sense of the words, a Montana Co-ed.
Main Hall, Center of Campus Traditions
What Is the A. W. S.?

The Associated Women Students' organization governs the activities of all women who are enrolled in the university. This organization is composed of all campus women who pay an annual fee of one dollar for membership which entitles them to vote in spring elections. The governing board is composed of the four officers, president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, the chairman of the standing committees and representatives from each sorority, the women's dormitories, Mortar board, Tanan-of-Spur, Women's Athletic association and Central board.

A. W. S., a chapter of the National Federation of Associated Women Students, is devoted to the advancement of college ideals and standards.

One of the prime duties of A. W. S. is to enforce the rules and regulations which have been established for university women, in an attempt to make the university a better school, above criticisms.

Rules and regulations—the very term brings a chill to the blood and "I-won't-abide-by-them" reaction. However, you'll save yourselves lots of trouble if you do abide by the rules which the associated women students have set up, and they really aren't so bad after all.

Of course all women not living with their parents are expected to comply with the co-ed's commandments. Perhaps you will be most interested in the out-of-town and overnight permissions. If you are anxious to spend the week-end out of town, be sure to have your parents write to the Dean of women in ample time. Otherwise you are apt to see a longed-for vacation become an empty dream. After your letter has come, stop in at the Dean's office for a signed card to be presented to your housemother. All that done, you're off for a grand time, and with a clear conscience.

Don't ask to spend the night with town friends. Such permissions are granted only when your parents are in town.

Now for the question of dates. Men are not allowed in North hall on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday before 4 o'clock. That doesn't mean that you can't see your man of the hour, but do remember that you are not allowed to have dates except between 4 o'clock and 6 o'clock and 9:30 and 10:30 o'clock on week days. Also, it would be a good idea to get the final word on that from the housemother. Rules on dates for freshman women are sometimes changed at the beginning of the year and as the old adage has it, "it's better to be safe than sorry." One more thing—if you want to keep your dates, don't forget your grades. Love is nice, but so are grade points, and low marks mean that you will spend your evenings studying.

It may be something of a trial, but you'll have to forego shows on week nights. Console yourself with the fact that the best shows come during week-ends anyway. There's one way around this rule. A scholarship average of 25 grade points after the first quarter will fix things so you can attend any show you want to see.

University women shall not enter fraternity houses unchaperoned. And it will be found out if you transgress this ruling—so don't take any chances because the "glare" isn't pleasant.

We've listed the major rules—now you learn your house rules and they
aren't so many in number either. Accept these rules, they really aren't so bad, and you'll have a good time as well as make grades that will rate a new formal from a doting father.

The A. W. S. constitution, rules and regulations may be found in the last section of this booklet. Every Freshman woman should read them carefully and abide by them in all ways. Remember, you are now a member of this organization.

Activities of the A. W. S.

A. W. S. activities during the year are participated in by all university women.

Are you qualified to play Santa Claus or can you at least converse easily with him? A. W. S. holds a Christmas party every year for the needy children of Missoula. Many children are invited. The girls assist Santa Claus in entertaining the little guests.

Do you have aspirations to be someone on the campus? How would you like to be May Queen and reign over May Fete, an annual event during senior week? The queen who must be a senior, is elected by the women of the university.

Also during senior week is A. W. S. lantern parade—a beautiful tradition in honor of senior women. All graduating women in cap and gown march in a parade around the oval carrying lighted lanterns. They are followed by all other university women, also carrying the graceful lanterns.

By the way, do you have a formal with pockets—nice roomy ones? A wrap with pockets will do as well. It is very necessary that you acquire such a costume for Co-ed formal—the one evening when the girl plays cavalier. The purpose of the pockets is to accommodate any little articles your date deems necessary for improving his appearance during the course of the evening, for instance a shaving kit, or a comb, corresponding to the girl's usual contribution of compact or evening bag. A gardenia must be sent to the man (usually the price is 75 cents).

The young lady may order the flower from someone taking orders or a florist down town. Call for the gentleman in a taxi. If you have a girl friend who has a car, so much the better. If your legs shake as you walk up to the steps of his fraternity house, stop on the bottom step to regain that nonchalant air that you must have. It really isn't such an ordeal. Ring the bell. Once inside and seated you may have to wait. Right then and there resolve to be ready next time he calls for you. Be sure to take some pocket money, for at the dance during the intermission you both may feel the urge for a coke. Bring him home and be sure to escort him to the door.

One of the major interests of A. W. S. is the maintenance of a loan fund for upperclass women. Students who have a high scholastic average and require financial assistance in order to complete their education may borrow money from this fund. Information concerning loans of this type may be obtained from the Dean of women. Use of the money is restricted to Juniors and Seniors except in unusual cases.

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Newly inaugurated by A. W. S. is the point system applied to activities. This year, A. W. S. will experiment with the system to determine whether or not it is practical for this campus. The purpose of the point system is to stimulate and regulate participation of women students in extra-curricular activities, in order to increase efficiency of student organizations. The point evaluation is based on the work entailed by the particular activity.

A point system committee, composed of Associated Women Students' board and special representatives from Spur, Mortar board and Pan-Hellenic shall keep a complete record of women students and activities. This committee will approve all elections and appointments.

No student shall carry more than 30 activity points at any one time. Exceptions will be made for students having an index of 2.00 and above, and on special permission from the dean of women or point committee.

When points are recorded, if a girl is found to be carrying too many points she will be brought before the point committee and required to drop to a total of 30.

The committee shall also make suggestions and recommendations when requested.

Following is the list of activities and points to be earned in each: Permanent points, major activities (20) for each—President of Associated Women Students, President of Women's Athletic Association, Editor of Kaimin or Sentinel, Business Manager of Kaimin or Sentinel, President of Associated Students of the University of Montana, and President of Pan-Hellenic or Independents. Sub-major (15) for each; other officers of Associated Women Students, other officers of Women's Athletic association, chairman of point system, officers of Associated Students of the University of Montana (except president), President of Spurs, President of Mortar board, President of sororities, President of Alpha Lambda Delta, class presidents and dormitory presidents. Minor (10) for each—Independent council members, Central board delegates, and junior advisor of Spur. Sub-minor (5) for each—member of Spur, member of Mortar board, members of Executive board of Associated Women Students, members of Executive board of Women's Athletic association, representatives of Student-Faculty Council, officers of campus organizations, and members of other permanent committees on the campus.

Temporary points, major activities (15) for each—Co-ed Prom chairman, Big Sister chairman, leads in plays and operettas and May Fete chairman. Minor (10) for each—Lantern Parade chairman, other members of play casts, work on production staff of university productions, and Sentinel staff. Sub-minor (5) for each—other officers of dormitory, and other officers of sororities.

A student must have a consistent index of 1.00 or above to maintain a major office. No girl may carry activity points while she is on probation for discipline or scholarship.

Other activities not listed above will be given points as determined by the point committee.
Campus Activities

If you want to get your money's worth and really get something out of your four years at college, you must take part in extra-curricular activities. Get into things. If you are ambitious, there are a number of outside activities you may participate in, so that those higher up will know that you have arrived. In a few short years the campus will be yours and the affairs will be under your management.

Try out for any contest in which you think you have a ghost of a chance. If you lose, what of it? Someone always does, and you can do better next year. There are essay, poetry, play and other contests. Watch the Kaimin for announcements. Experience is priceless and the only way to get it is by trying.

Some of you may be good in arguments. Don't waste your talents. Get in touch with Professor E. H. Henrikson, debate and oratory director. There are campus contests and a tour of the state for the debaters. Prizes are given in the Aber Oratorical contest every year. All debaters and declaimers are included in the Debate Union.

Were you in a high school orchestra? If so, you have a good chance to be in the university symphony orchestra. Anyone who can play any orchestral instrument sufficiently well to keep up is urged to join. Professor A. H. Weisberg is the orchestra director and he is always on the lookout for new talent.

No restrictions are put on glee club, that is, if you can sing. Do you really know what kind of voice you possess? Dean DeLoss Smith can tell you. The Dean is a very likeable fellow, with an ear for warblers.

The Sentinel is the yearbook which is published every spring. If you want to have a part in the work on it, turn in your application during the fall quarter. Just state your qualifications and preferences of work. If you like to chase ads, there are ads to chase. If you are interested in photography or editorial material, apply for that type of work. The Sentinel staff works hard, but “yearbookers” enjoy slaving for their anxious public. Bear in mind that you may work up to the editorship by the end of your junior year.

Montana Masquers

Girls are naturally barred from the Druids, the forester’s fraternity, but they really do their stuff as members of the Montana Masquers, the local dramatic group. The Masquers present three major productions during the year, and a number of one-act plays. You may not be an actor and yet be a Masquer, if you want to earn the required points working on “props” —that is, costuming and all of the back stage goings-on.

You must earn 30 points in theatrical activities to become a Masquer and 65 points will make you eligible for initiation into Masquer Royal. Only two women in the history of the university have made Masquer Royals— will you be another? The Masquers are a good gang and they are always looking for a new face which is hiding an actress or worker. Don’t be afraid to attend the first tryouts for parts in the various productions.

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Women’s Athletic Association

The Women’s Athletic Association is the organization governing all athletic activity among women on the campus. W. A. A. has as its purpose the development of a higher degree of interest and sportsmanship in women’s athletics and to promote interest in school sports. So if you are athletically inclined, go out for one of the many sports offered by W. A. A. and earn your numeral by being on a first team in a major sport.

The outing club, hikes and picnics as well as individual sports, including everything from ping pong to horseshoes and croquet are sponsored by W. A. A. During the winter, basketball tournaments both interclass and intersorority, catch the campus spotlight. Then of course there is riflery, hockey, team baseball, archery, golf, tennis, the annual swimming meet and the play day for valley high school women. W. A. A. is one of the most active of the women’s organizations on the campus—so name your sport and win your laurels.

Our University Traditions

What are college traditions? Things to be scoffed at and avoided? Indeed not, they are the things that form the background for school spirit and add color to college life.

One of the most loved and cherished traditions on the university campus is S. O. S. It might well mean “Sing On, Sister,” but “Singing on the Steps” is the official name. You can show your loyalty and fellowship by going to each S. O. S. and yelling and singing as loudly as you can. There is a feeling of pride that borders on sentimentalism when you stand before the steps of old Main hall, a tradition in itself, and reflect on the heritages of the students of the past, and like those students when S. O. S. comes to a close at the chiming of eight in the Main hall tower, sing “College Chums” with a real significance, then leave the campus quietly. Love for your school will grow with each S. O. S. and it is up to you to keep that love from waning.

In the spring a much anticipated day is the one set aside in memory of “Daddy” Aber, a much-loved professor who took great pride in making the campus beautiful. Aber Day is an annual cleanup day with each student assigned to do a certain job. If you take pride in your campus, and it is a beautiful one, don’t be a shirker. It isn’t all work, either. Lunch—and plenty of it—provided by A. S. U. M., is followed by high court, athletics, games and a mixer. It’s all fun, so when Aber Day comes round next spring, don your slacks, get hold of a rake, and help to keep “Daddy” Aber’s memory alive.

Do you like to be in a friendly atmosphere? Why not help to create one by remembering “Hello Walk” between the library and the law building? Say “hello” whether you know him or not. This is just another one of those traditions that makes for better comradeship and more friends.

You’ll love Montana traditions. Carry them through.

Eleven
Women's Honorary Fraternities

In order to be pledged by one of the honorary fraternities students must be majoring in a particular school, have a high scholastic average and be active in the affairs of the school or department. To be a member of an honorary fraternity a girl must be just a little above the average student, and “in the know.”

Kappa Epsilon is the women’s national pharmaceutical fraternity for those who plan to be pharmacists and offers functions of an educational and social nature.

If you are a master mind at figures, Pi Mu Epsilon is the fraternity for you. The Pi Mu’s have three aims for their group—scholarship for the individual, advancement of mathematics and the mutual and personal advancement of its members. Five quarters of mathematics will make you eligible.

For those girls who think they like tramping in the woods, collecting rare plants and discovering new species of plant and animal life, Phi Sigma national honorary biology fraternity was established. Phi Sigma is for you who have a definite interest along the biological line and possess a capability for future scientific work.

Psi Chi, the psychology honorary is for the mind readers. To make Psi Chi you must be working for either a major or a minor in this department and rank in the upper two-thirds of your class as well as have a “C” average in your other studies. Both social and business meetings are held regularly and problems in psychology are discussed.

For aspiring newspaper women the school of journalism offers Theta Sigma Phi, the only national honorary professional fraternity devoted to the advancement of women in journalism. An annual Matrix Table is sponsored by the group. They endeavor to bring a noted writer to the banquet as a speaker and all of the prominent women in Missoula and on the campus are invited.

Kappa Tau, the local scholarship fraternity, pledges students at the completion of their junior year who have maintained a scholastic index of 2.1 (that is better than a “B” average) during their three years in school. This fraternity is similar to the national scholastic fraternity, Phi Beta Kappa and revered are the Kappa Tau’s for their intelligence.

Girls who would like to become members of any honorary must remember that pledging is done when you are in your junior year and until that time it is up to you to see that you do your work well. Yes, it is a distinction to belong to an honorary!

Church Organizations

Remember your church organizations. Each denomination has a special club for its university students. So if you go to church (and believe us when we say that it is considered very correct) take an active part in your church club. You will become acquainted with any number of interesting people at your church clubs.

Twelve
Alpha Lambda Delta

Up until last year freshmen women were wont to work their fingers to the bone, dragging down the coveted grade points without receiving so much as a trophy or even a gold medal. But 'tis no longer thus—for now we have Alpha Lambda Delta. The need for such an organization has been recognized on the campus for many years, for a high scholastic average should be the aim of every freshman woman. This group not only encourages a girl, but gives her something to do after she has eked out her required grade points.

Last year Mortar board took things into its own hands and petitioned for the establishment of a chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta on this campus. And last spring it began—a strictly scholastic freshman honorary. The decree was issued that to become a member of this group, a freshman girl must maintain a grade point average of 2.2 for two quarters. This means an average between an A and a B—and if you make closer to the A there is no harm done.

Thirteen girls met the requirements last year. They have started what promises to be a fine fraternity. It is under way now—running smoothly. And it is made especially for you. All you have to do is apply several portions of elbow grease and ignite two-quarters’ supply of midnight oil.

Tanan-of-Spur

You may have noticed the white-uniformed girls who infest the campus with willing spirits and important mien. These are the Spurs. They made their way here in 1931 to replace the local group, "Tanan," and thus we have "Tanan-of-Spur."

Spur is a national honorary for sophomore women. They do many things besides keeping their white uniforms clean and co-operating with the Bear Paws (their masculine contemporaries). They meet new students at the train during the first week of school. They usher at concerts, football and basketball games, and plays. They serve at teas. They assist at rallies. They are inexhaustible come Track meet time. They are a versatile group, you see, because they must be.

The accepted, fool-proof recipe for Spurship follows: Average grades (but the better the better), plus activities (dramatics, athletics, music, educational clubs), plus dependability, plus pep, plus interest in school affairs (better go to games), plus neatness, plus personality.

Spurs are tapped on the Friday of Track meet week—the event of Spring quarter. Twenty girls from the freshman class are chosen. They are selected from the groups they represent. From two to five are chosen from the Independents and each sorority contributes a maximum of three and a minimum of one. New members are voted upon by the retiring Spur group.

It is an honor to be chosen a Spur. It is probably the greatest honor that a freshman woman can attain. It is worth working for, but it is not gained without work.

Thirteen
Mortar Board

Along toward the end of a girl's junior year she begins to look upon that group of black-robed seniors called Mortar board, for Mortar board is imbued with all the dignity of the senior class and all the enthusiasm of the freshman. It is the golden apple which holds the eye of most girls through their college career.

Far from being just an honorary, Mortar board has established itself as an active organization. It shines on the campus as a service group—but it shines in a different constellation from the Spurs. Last year Mortar board began a campus political cleanup which led to the establishment of the Vigilante party. Alpha Lambda Delta is the brain child of the group. The Big Sister tea is sponsored every fall by its members. Its activities are varied and interesting, and few will deny that it is a power for good on the campus.

Badges of membership are black sweaters with the Mortar board emblem in gold, and a black and gold Mortar board pin. Pledges are chosen by the unanimous vote of the members. To gain pledgeship to Mortar board is one of the greatest honors a woman can gain in the university. New members are chosen at an S. O. S. during track meet week. Not less than six nor more than twelve girls are tapped. Membership requirements are scholarship above the university average, leadership and service.

Join Your School Club

Just because you are a freshman and cannot belong to the honorary organizations in you major department, you do not have to "sit in your tent" and wish you were going some place. Be on the look-out for announcements concerning club meetings. Know everyone in your classes and enjoy school.

If you're an embryo journalist, so called by the older Shackster, go to Press club when they plead with you and tempt you with their spectacular activities. Let some of the traditional Shack spirit seep in and see if Elements isn't fun when you know others than the Dean and the girl beside you.

For you domestic-minded girls there is the Home Economics club. There you'll meet others who love to sew that fine seam and bake biscuits like Mother. "The Home Beautiful" and "How to Remove Ink Spots" are only a part of these meetings.

There is an English club and the business administration majors have a similar organization. The French club is well known for its activities, and Mrs. Arnoldson's store of foreign oddities is most interesting. They prepare French plays to be given at meetings and refreshments seem to play an important part in each meeting.

The Education and Pharmacy clubs are always planning picnics and the members are very enthusiastic about the papers prepared by students and presented at their meetings. The music majors have a progressive club.

Every school has its club. You will profit by these contacts.
Concerning Clothes and Places

One of the main "other" interests to the average college girl is the subject of clothes—what to wear, where, and what not to wear to the same places. While the subject should not become an obsession as it sometimes does, nevertheless one stands higher on the eligible list if she knows a few rules of "gowning." Also if she carries an air of poise and is able to meet social situations.

To look well-dressed one must practice good grooming. Of first importance is that band-box appearance, which can be acquired and kept up without having spent much spending money. Neat hair, nice hands, always-pressed-and-cleaned clothes, shoes and hose that are cared for, show that you know how to play personal maid for yourself.

Firstly, of course, one understands that clothes are always worn! (In this connection it might not be amiss to remark that promenading about the campus in shorts isn't done with approval. Save 'em to dance in, in the privacy of your room, or to play tennis in).

Secondly, and this won't insult your intelligence like the "firstly," the various places you go on and off the campus require different types of clothes, and where you are going should act as a guide in telling you what to wear. The cardinal rule is don't overdress. Maybe you don't especially care for conservative styles, but you'll make a much better entrance and impression if you allow your clothes to suggest your personality rather than advertise it. If you are a particular type, you can get away with individualism, but even then it's a good idea to be discreet for awhile.

As you've doubtless seen suggested in professional fashion sheets, the plan of having a few good-looking outfits, all harmonizing with a general color scheme is better than buying innumerable items of clothing, none of which look well together. A tailored suit to wear with simple wool dresses, a sport coat and an afternoon dress with accessories to harmonize, and a formal frock will furnish a basic campus wardrobe.

Rush Week is a time when all new girls are in the spotlight and are, sad to admit, judged more than a little by their appearances. And you can't deny that a girl who looks neat and dresses smoothly gets around whether she is really worthwhile or not.

The first social affair of Rush Week is Pan-Hellenic tea, which is formal. Printed invitations are sent out, and a reply is usually expected. The hostesses wear formal gowns, but guests wear afternoon or street dresses, with hats and gloves. At a formal tea or reception, there is a receiving line, sometimes with a special guest, in whose honor the affair is given. Each guest is introduced down the line, and when she leaves she may speak again to the honor guest, but it is not necessary.

Informal teas are less ceremonious, in that the receiving line is not always formed. The same clothes are suitable for this type of party, that is, afternoon ensembles with accessories.

It is reasonable to suppose that a new co-ed is somewhat interested in knowing what the feminine contingent wears to classes and to general campus gatherings. Suffice it is to say that sport clothes are always top-

Sixteen
notch for everyday wear. But the girl who decks out in satin and frills, just to be different, succeeds in being remarkable only for her poor taste. Save your best dress and maybe even your second-best for Sundays and evening engagements. Incidentally, contrary to some popular beliefs, co-eds at the state university do not live in spike heels, ever prepared for the social whirl. We wear nice, clumpy flat heels a large part of the time, simply because jaunting two or three or eight blocks from home to class and about the campus is much easier to do in low oxfords.

During spring quarter—Aber Day, any number of picnics, and several fraternity house-parties at the end of school. On Aber Day the idea is to get some work done on the landscape, so old clothes or slacks and sweaters are good garb. On picnics, private or otherwise, the same outfit is suitable. Some girls wear boots and breeches in preference to slacks, and they do help keep out wood-ticks!

The fraternity house-parties, usually held on Flathead or Seeley Lake, last over a week-end. Activities included may be some swimming, horse-back riding, hiking and dancing. At any rate, it's well to be prepared with a swimming suit, boots and trous or slacks, shirts, sweaters, a jacket and a couple of dresses in case you want to play lady again.

In any mixed company, picnic, house party or just plain get-together, never forget that the success of such an occasion depends upon good sportsmanship, co-operation and a sense of humor. Don't beef when things don't suit you; don't be afraid to offer assistance in getting something fixed; don't wander away from the crowd; don't chisel—on boy-friends or cigarettes or anything—and above all, don't forget that how you "go over" one time has a lot to do with whether or not you'll be invited the next time.

Among the most frequently-scheduled affairs on the campus social calendar are formal dances, each fraternity and sorority usually giving one each quarter. Such occasions, of course, demand formal apparel, and likewise formal behavior.

Other formal dances, sponsored by organizations and by the student body, include Barristers' Ball, Interfraternity Ball, Co-ed Formal, Pan-Hellenic Formal and the Junior Prom. Since the opening of the Student Union building, most of the dances are held in one of its three lovely ballrooms—the large Gold room and the two smaller Copper and Silver rooms.

The following hint has become a bromide, but it is quite to the point, nevertheless: When you go to a formal dance (or to any dance, for that matter) don't expect your escort to play red-cap and carry all your implements of war in his coat pockets. You can stow them away in an evening bag, but don't take such an assortment that you will be burdened by the weight! And, keep in mind, too, that every worm turns; on Co-ed Formal night he's more likely than not to hand you a dainty little grip containing all his equipment!

This, also, is a well-known but too often neglected suggestion: Always go up to the chaperons at a dance and greet them. Remember, they are special guests and are entitled to special welcome. Often they have given up plans of their own to be present, and the least the younger guests can do is to make them feel they are truly welcome.

Another type of decorous affair is the formal dinner dance, at which
guests are usually presented with favors distinguished by the crest of the house which is host. A dinner dance is one of the more elaborate parties, and formal dress is required, needless to say. A dinner gown may have long sleeves or a jacket which is taken off at the dance.

All-university dances or mixers are informal and sport clothes are worn. Some committees specify that a dance is strictly sport, because they want the atmosphere to be without the restraint of formal dances. There are a number of annual mixers: the pledge dance at the close of Rush Week; Varsity ball, the Bear Paw-Tanan-of-Spur dances, the Independent organization's mixers and several sponsored by A.S.U.M. They are given for the purpose of acquainting new and old students and a spirit of friendliness is apparent.

Something new in the line of mixers was inaugurated last year—matinee dances in the Student Union ball room. These dances are strictly informal, and "no-date" affairs. Unless so specified by the group sponsoring a mixer, co-eds may "stag it" to any mixer.

To See Ourselves as Others See Us

Most girls want to be liked. You are entering a crowded college world where you will come in contact with the same people daily. Always be considerate of them, and they will like you. And wipe that frown off your face!

If you smoke—go ahead and smoke for the enjoyment of it, but please refrain from attempting to smoke just to be "smart." It's just as smart not to smoke, although the habit is not openly frowned upon because too many of us indulge. However, it is not customary for a Co-ed to walk around the campus with a cigarette dangling from her mouth. When you are in the Student store having a "coke" and a cigarette, bear in mind that although the copper, silver and gold ash trays are ornamental, they also have a purpose in life—so don't slight them. The same goes for use of ash trays any other place you might be. It isn't in good taste to smoke at receptions or while dancing, so we just don't do it.

When you are invited to dinner at a sorority house, don't stay all evening. University women are always busy—especially upperclass women—and although they won't be rude, they are wishing that guests would leave at least an hour after dinner so they may go to the libe or attend a meeting.

Gum chewing (particularly the noisy type) is about as popular as a hornet, so if you chew gum, keep it to yourself. Never chew gum at a formal affair of any kind.

Remember that you show courtesy to others not because they are ladies, but because you are one.

We go to the library to study, not to visit with our friends. Do not disregard the library rules.

Students are considered according to what they are rather than what they belong to socially. Never mind the name over the door of the Chapter house. Don't be prejudiced against a person just because she belong to a different sorority, or is an independent.

Anything that is conspicuous is in bad taste—whether you are picnicking,
at a football game or invited out. We definitely glare at girls who attract
attention by loud laughter or talk.

What college girl doesn't like to sit around with her friends and talk
about dates? Don't think the women are alone in this little game! Know
your fellow-classmen and the next university mixer will be a friendly
affair. Don't snub anyone. A friendly "hello" will never be turned down.
And for heaven's sake, don't break a single date! It just isn't done. Imagine
your embarrassment if the man for whom you broke the date were a frat
brother of the other one!

About blind dates—everyone fears them, and still we bite. If you take
a date please remember that perhaps the man may not like your type either.
Put yourself in the other person's place. Try to find out his likes and dis­
likes, find something interesting to talk about, be your gayest. Only boring
people are bored.

It's perfectly all right to have a good time, for that's the why of dates,
but we are college students and we do try to act a little dignified. The high
school days are gone and it is no longer the thing to steal signs and play
chase in automobiles, as well as the other idiotic games of our early youth.

Don't ditch dances if you can possibly help it. Perhaps the man doesn't
know all the latest steps, but he asked you to dance, didn't he? Be sure
that your escort understands that you aren't ditching dances. Leave the
decorations alone. They are the result of hard work on the part of a few
people and surely you can retain the desire to mutilate.

Show dates? Be thankful for them and don't demand an expensive
repast afterward. Shows cost money and the boy friend's allowance prob­
ably isn't much more cumbersome than yours.

Don't get the reputation of being a "man-chaser," because it will scare
all of your dates away. And when you are out on a date at least try to
show that you are having a good time and thank your escort for showing
you a good time.

Your Student Union

And for that tired feeling, we give you the lounge of the Student Union
building—a truly jolly spot in which to loll; but by student d.e.cree—no
lollygogging.

Upon the opening of the Student Union building, the student body fairly
burst with pride, and was well pleased with this charming spot in which
to dither away leisure hours. It was thought best that loungers should not
here revert to the primitive—and throwing cigarette ashes on the rugs and
resting feet on the furniture was frowned upon, as rough treatment of
furnishings, rearrangement of chairs, partaking of food, and rowdy conduct
in general. In fact, the idea was, and still is, that those in the lounge con­
duct themselves as ladies and gentlemen.

Seriously though, the lounge and other parts of the Union building offer
you advantages that aren't found on many campuses. You may go there
to write letters home, read the latest magazines, listen to your favorite radio
program, or play a game of bridge during your spare moments. Your

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extra-curricular activities will undoubtedly center around the Union building at least partially.

Freshmen have more time to spend leisurely than most upperclassmen—make the best of the Union in the opportunities which it offers as a social and recreational center—but don’t abuse it. The general office staff will give you complete information concerning the facilities of the building—and they are anxious to be of every service to campus newcomers—because the Union is yours, too, you know. Treat its lovely furnishings as you would those in your own home.

**Number Please**

*Telephones are funny things*—they can be used in the right way and the wrong way. Use them the right way all of the time (not just when you are called) and we believe that “best boy friend” will always be able to get you when he calls. Here are a few suggestions:

Don’t waste your time and the operator’s by explaining in detail just how, why and what number you are calling. Simply say: “3827, please” or Corbin second north, please”—and, by the way, don’t forget the “please”—the operator will like it and she will then be more glad to serve you.

When you take down the receiver to make a call do not immediately engage in conversation with your friend standing with you in the telephone booth while the operator all but shouts “University” and wastes many seconds that are precious to the operator and other people who, like yourself, are trying to call. Listen for the operator to say “University,” give her your number and then do your talking while she rings.

If you are calling a number, especially of a frat or sorority house, and the line is busy don’t keep calling every other second—give the line time to clear.

If you are in a dormitory simply answer with something like “North third east.” Or if not at a dorm say, “Hello” or Mary Jones speaking.”

Don’t shout when calling the party on the phone after you have answered it. Mrs. Brantly, for one, particularly doesn’t like it.

Some people have sensations of hearing bells when their particular bell isn’t ringing—and so it is with telephones. If you do make such a mistake sometime don’t slam the receiver—that makes a loud noise in the ear of the operator who has a head phone clamped on her ear. It’s nice to say: “Sorry, I thought this phone rang.”

When a telephone rings that is a signal for it to be answered. Don’t let it ring on and on hoping someone else will answer it.

The university operator is a source of information but don’t waste her time and yours by asking foolish and inconsequential questions that you, yourself, might find out with no trouble.

The University publishes during winter quarter a student directory that has oodles of information as to addresses, and telephone numbers—and it costs only 25 cents. Why not get one? You will also find a complete, up-to-date file of all students at the telephone booth at Main hall. You are free to use it.

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Constitution of A. W. S.

ARTICLE I.  
Name  
The name of this association shall be "Associated Women Students of the Montana State University."

ARTICLE II.  
Membership  
All women students of the Montana State University shall be ipso facto members of this association.

ARTICLE III.  
Section 1. The officers of this association shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.  
Sec. 2. The president shall preside at the meetings of the association, and shall be ex-officio chairman of the Executive board and a member of all other committees without vote. She shall be the official representative of the association.  
Sec. 3. The vice-president shall officiate in the absence of the president, shall be publicity manager and shall arrange for the publication of this constitution.  
Sec. 4. The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the association and of the Executive board and take care of all correspondence of the A. W. S.  
Sec. 5. The treasurer shall make monthly reports to the Executive board of all funds received and expended and all debts and balances as submitted to her by the auditor of the student organizations. All requisitions, contracts and payments must be signed by the president or treasurer. Loans from the students' loan fund will be made by the president upon the recom-

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ARTICLE IV.

Student Affairs Committee

Section 1. There shall be a Student Affairs committee in each organized house composed of the president of the organization, A. W. S. representative to Executive board and the house mother.

Sec. 2. The Student Affairs committee will determine what infringements are to be reported to the Executive board.

Sec. 3. Failure of the A. W. S. representative to submit a report to the Executive board shall constitute grounds for removal from office by the Executive board.

ARTICLE V.

Executive Board

Section 1. Members of A. W. S. shall organize into groups of not less than twenty. Each organized group shall be entitled to one representative. The representatives, together with the four officers of A. W. S., one representative from W. A. A., one representative from Mortar board, one representative from Tanan-of-Spur and one woman representative from Central board, shall compose the active Executive board. The Social Service chairman, Traditions chairman, Big Sister chairman, May Pete chairman and Co-ed Formal chairman shall be associate members and shall be entitled to vote.

Sec. 2. Executive and judicial powers shall be vested in the Executive board.

Sec. 3. The A. W. S. Executive board shall be empowered to inflict penalties for violation of A. W. S. regulations.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Board to carry out the resolutions passed by the association; to be immediately responsible for all matters which come under the jurisdiction of the association; to be directly responsible for all matters pertaining to the social life of the women; to constitute a Board of Appeal.

Sec. 5. All questions of interpretation of this constitution shall be referred to the Executive board, whose decisions shall be final.

Sec. 6. Any representative who is absent without a substitute shall be obliged to pay a fine of 25 cents, payable to the secretary.

Sec. 7. All representatives shall have Junior or Senior standing, except the Spur representative.

Sec. 8. Each member representing a group must elect a permanent representative and a permanent alternate. The latter will take the permanent representative's place in case she is unable to attend. When the elected alternate is unable to be present, the group she represents automatically loses its vote for the meeting.

ARTICLE VI.

Elections

Section 1. The officers of A. W. S. shall be elected the first week of April for a period of one year.

Sec. 2. Requirements of A. W. S. president are that the candidates must

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present a petition bearing ten signatures to the secretary of A. W. S. not later than one week preceding the scheduled primary election and that they must have Junior standing in years at the time of election. Any member of the association may become a candidate for the offices of vice-president, secretary or treasurer by presenting a petition bearing ten signatures to the secretary of A. W. S. not later than one week preceding the scheduled primary election.

Sec. 3. The two candidates for each office receiving the highest number of votes shall become candidates for office in the final election.

Sec. 4. When only two petitions are filed for each A. W. S. office the primary election shall constitute the final election.

Sec. 5. In the final election a majority vote shall be required to effect the election of an officer.

Sec. 6. There shall be no voting by proxy.

Sec. 7. Associate members are elected by the Executive board. A notice of their eligibility must be presented to the Executive board. The two receiving the highest number of votes in the primary election become candidates for office in the final election, to be held the following meeting.

ARTICLE VII.
Meetings

Section 1. Meetings of the association shall be held at the discretion of the president or the Executive board or at the request of twenty-five members of the association.

Sec. 2. Regular meetings of the Executive board shall be held every Monday at 4:00 o'clock in the A. W. S. room, and additional meetings may be held upon the request of the president.

Sec. 3. Robert’s Rules of Order shall be the standard of parliamentary usage for the association.

Sec. 4. Meetings shall be considered properly advertised if the notices of such meetings appear in the Kaimin and are posted on the bulletin board one day before the meeting.

ARTICLE VIII.
Finances

Section 1. The finances of the association shall be supplied from an annual fee of one dollar, collected at the time of matriculation by the business office of the Montana State University, and from such funds as are derived from the activities of the association.

ARTICLE IX.
Amendments

Section 1. Proposed amendments of the constitution shall be posted at least five days before a regularly called meeting.

Sec. 2. A majority vote of the members present at such regularly called meetings shall be required for the adoption of amendments.

A. W. S. Regulations

For the protection of its members A. W. S. has legislated that:
1. On Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights

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members of A. W. S. shall be in their homes by 10:30. Men are not to re-
main later than 10:30.

2. On Friday night, Saturday night and nights preceding all university
holidays the hours are extended to 12:30. University holidays are Thank-
giving, Decoration Day and Track Meet.

3. Freshmen shall not have dates on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, or until 4:00 o'clock on Friday during the fall and winter quar-
ters.

4. Those entering the dormitories as Freshmen shall abide by Freshman
rules during the entire year.

5. Members shall not enter fraternity houses unchaperoned.

6. Senior girls in good standing may use Senior privileges, which are
11:30 o'clock on week nights and 1:00 on week-ends. Use of the privilege
is to the extent of two week nights and one week-end night will not be
considered an abuse in ordinary circumstances. Any abuse of this privilege
will be acted upon by the Student Affairs committee and in turn reported
to a standing committee composed of the dean of women and three
A. W. S. members appointed by the president. As a point of honor, girls
will inform the house mother when they expect to use their privileges.
Seniors are not to have men in the respective houses later than 10:30 on
Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights, or later than
12:30 on Friday and Saturday nights.

7. Members going on hikes or automobile trips shall inform their re-
spective house mothers as to the direction of such hike or automobile trip.

8. Permission will not be granted for members to stay away from their
respective houses over night except to stay with parents.

9. Members shall not leave the city without the permission of the Dean
of women and the permits must be received by Friday noon. In case of
extreme emergency, word should be sent at the earliest opportunity.

10. The regulations shall not be waived at any time except during the
Christmas holidays.

11. No men are to be in Corbin hall or sorority houses from 7:30 to
9:30 o'clock in the evenings or before 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon on Mon-
day, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, or before 1:00 o'clock in the
afternoon on Friday.

Big Sister Movement

The Big Sister Movement is a plan whereby upperclass girls are selected
to act as Big Sisters to the Freshman girls. They write to them during the
summer, help them to become adjusted to their new environment after
they arrive, and endeavor to make them feel that they are a part of the
university. The Big Sisters are selected by the Associated Women Students
because of their friendliness, helpfulness and sincerity. A Big Sister tea is
given by the members of Mortar board at the close of Freshman Week, and
the Little Sisters are escorted to this by their Big Sisters. Necessarily, the
greater part of the Big Sister's work comes at the beginning of the school
year, but the Freshman girls may rely upon them throughout the year for
their friendship and assistance.

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