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Studies and activities seem to go hand in hand at Iowa State with one complementing the other. Both are learning experiences—one in "book learning", the other in social contacts and experiences.

You will notice that many of the applications for activities require the student to be at least a second quarter freshman. This is meant to give you time to look over the field and select the things in which you're really interested. It is not a choice between studies and activities, but a choice of which activities will be worth the time spent after your studying is done.

Following is a list of some of the major fields of activities here on the campus. We leave it up to you to make your own choice.

Student government

Cardinal Guild, student governing body, deals with problems concerning student affairs. It is composed of the president and vice-president of the student body and representatives from each class. Each spring applicants are interviewed and those the active members feel are most qualified for membership are placed on a ballot and voted upon in an all-college election.

Thelma Ross, H. Ec. Sr., vice-president of the student body, feels "Cardinal Guild has much to offer both the representatives and the students. Being a member of this organization makes one realize what it takes to keep student affairs running smoothly."

Cardinal Guild operates the orchestra booking agency, sponsors and supervises the publication of the Freshman Handbook, directs all-college relationships with other schools and helps select chairmen for major activities.
Journalistically Speaking

The Press Building is a haven for all journalists—women and men alike. This red brick building on the east side of the campus is the home of all but one of the divisional magazines and the daily newspaper as well.

Our own Iowa Homemaker, official publication of the Division of Home Economics, selects its staff members from those who attend the training course in January. Students on the staff have an opportunity to work to a higher position each year. The latest trends in fashions, news of young alums, food tips, and other articles of interest to women are featured each month. It's a very realistic "laboratory" for journalism majors.

If you're a science major, then you may be interested in working on the Scientist, the official publication of the Division of Science. You might get the job of writing the "Science Woman of the Month" column.

The Iowa State Daily newspaper offers many possibilities to non-journalism and journalism students alike in all fields from writing through photography. Advancement might be up to women's editor or even editor, who knows.

The Bomb, yearbook of Iowa State, needs women to work on dozens of jobs—both on the business and editorial side. Volunteers are always appreciated and very generally put to work immediately. If working on a humor magazine sounds like fun to you, you might apply for a job on the Green Gander staff. There is also the Dormer, a newspaper of women's dormitory news and events, to work on, too. All the offices of the above mentioned publications are located in the Press Building.

Union activities

Memorial Union activities grew so much these last years that they'll be moved into the new addition after its completion this fall.

Union Board members are the ones that push the buttons and pull the strings to keep the intricate works at the Union running smoothly. It sponsors Union Nite Club on Saturday evenings, registration dances, reel reviews, Varieties, and social dancing lessons. This board of ten students represent the student body in all Union activities. Members are elected in the all-college election.

Social Bureau is another Union activity where membership is voted upon in the all-college election. It sponsors Union Ball (with meetings consisting of style shows, etiquette, and discussions), bridge lessons, bus trips to stage shows at the KRNT Theater in Des Moines, the Junior-Senior Prom and works with Pep Council.

Student Properties Board helps out the dorms, sororities and fraternities by renting them lights and other properties necessary for the success of their Homecoming decorations, Varieties skits, and parties. The booking agent also helps out with these big events by scheduling the "music makers." Some industrious women with musical interests have had the job as secretary in this office.

Chatter and a coke at the Union combine for a relaxing moment.

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Radio-Television

"To bring the college the best in theatre" might be the goal of three groups on campus—the drama department, Radio Workshop members, television workers.

Although each group uses a different media, all use many drama techniques which may be learned in the three-fold dramatic arts program. Membership of Iowa State Players was over 200 last spring quarter. Active members are chosen on the basis of outstanding contributions and work. The Laboratory Theatre is devoted to the production of new plays and of old classics staged in experimental ways. The third part of the program is the Film Theatre which brings outstanding silent pictures, early sound films and good foreign productions to the campus. Seven films are shown each quarter. This is a set of activities where all you have to do is volunteer your services to be put to work.

Radio workshop is open to freshmen students as well as upper-classmen. The writing and presentation of radio scripts is aimed to give each student background which can be applied to other classes as well as general living. It is an extra-curricular activity which may lead the way to a new career. The Workshop meets once a week in the studios of the college radio station WOI-AM and FM.

One of the newest activities on the campus centers around the first educational television station in the nation—WOI-TV—situated here on the Iowa State College campus. Many students have supplemented their major course work by working at the station writing scripts, building sets and perfecting production techniques. All this experience may someday come in handy when they are out on the job.

Home Economics

Turning to Home Economics extra-curricular activities, students have a wide range to choose from. Freshman Home Economics club is open to all freshmen in the Division of Home Economics. It's one of the few activities you will be able to participate in during your first two quarters. The meetings consist of style shows, discussions and special speakers. It's a good get-acquainted time, too.

It's a good idea to visit several of the departmental clubs while you are a freshman. These clubs will give you a peak into the possible major fields in home economics and might help you decide which you like the best. Each department from Applied Art through Textiles and Clothing has a club. The home economics clubs sponsor the Home Economics Ball, bazaar and the faculty reception held during Freshman Days.

Even during the first week of college it's a good idea to notice the two home economics honoraries—Omicron Nu and Phi Upsilon Omicron—and work toward them. Membership is based upon grades, activities and service.

If you like sports

Athletically inclined women will find many clubs to keep them busy in the Women's Gymnasium. Women's Athletic Association fosters good sportsmanship among college women. One can participate in Bowling, Archery, Dance, Official's, Racquets, Naiads and Camp Counselor's clubs under the direction of WAA. Some of the clubs require try-outs, some do not. An award is given each year to the outstanding sophomore woman athlete which is based on participation and skill.

Winter Sports Club may hold a fascination for many of you. Both men and women may belong to this club which sponsors toboggan parties, ice skating on Lake LaVerne and instructions in skiing during winter quarter.
For the peppy ones

What would be a ball game without a cheer squad and a pep section? Members of cheer squad are chosen by tryouts each spring and serve the following year. Needless to say, they attend all home games, have expense money to travel to several out of town games, and generally lead the spirit and pep of Iowa State at all pep rallies, games, bonfires and welcoming committees.

The pep section at Iowa State is boosted by members of Twisters, women’s pep organization. Members work closely with cheer squad to plan rallies, make decorations and signs, and serve at the Homecoming Pep Bar-B-Que besides attending all games.

The coordinating group of all the pep organizations on campus is Pep Council which has representatives from varied groups including Panhellenic Council, WAA, Twisters, etc. This group operates on a budget set up by Social Council.

Musically minded

Those who are musically inclined will want to look into campus music activities. Membership in the marching band is limited to men with only two women glockenspiel players and a baton twirler gaining admittance. However, there is greater opportunity for women musicians in the concert band which makes an annual concert tour of Iowa between winter and spring quarters. Those who have interest in symphonic music will want to join the symphony orchestra which also takes an annual tour.

Vocally there are several groups to consider. Iowa State Singers is composed of members of both the men’s and women’s glee clubs and other students interested in singing who try out for the organization. The tour group is a selected section of Singers which travels to various Iowa towns during spring vacation. A smaller group, the Octet, otherwise known as the double mixed quartet, sings at banquets and programs all over central Iowa and accompanies the singers and Orchestra on tour.

Female song birds on campus can work toward becoming a member of Sigma Alpha Iota, national music honorary. Membership is based on a satisfactory grade point, ability in music and membership in at least one musical organization on campus. Active members serenade prospective members—a sure sign they will be asked to pledge.

At the YWCA

The YWCA gives much personal satisfaction and is one of the busiest organizations on campus. "Something is happening at the YW every minute of the day," commented Jean Lundblad, H. Ec. Sr., president. There are special interest groups, teas, firesides, music programs, style shows, parties and campus speakers.

The YWCA has a program especially planned for freshmen women. All members are divided into special interest groups, or small commissions, with each having its elected head and devotions leader. This is planned to make it easier for sophomores to adjust to the newly formed commission plan of All-YWCA for upper-classmen.

Committees

A word must be said about the numerous special events that happen on campus all year. These events give any student ample opportunity to take as much responsibility as she desires. Dance committees, the Homecoming celebration, Veishea—the annual campus-wide open house, or Parents’ Day—all need workers in all kinds of jobs. Applications are always available at the Main Desk, Memorial Union, for these jobs.

Women take a minute for prayer at the YWCA.

Rah! Rah! Rah! at the Homecoming pep bonfire.