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The Freshman Week program has always included a student convocation in the evening at which the various student organizations were presented to the freshmen and the leaders of these organizations interviewed in front of the audience. It has always been questionable whether this type of presentation has been fully worthwhile or even faintly successful and it has therefore been proposed that we experiment with some different type of student meeting.

The evening of July 3rd has been set aside for this meeting and it is proposed that a panel or round table of five or six faculty members for about half an hour might discuss some phase of University life which would be interesting to a group of students just entering college. Here is the skeleton outline of the whole proposal.

Time and Place: July 3rd, 7:15 p.m., Fowler Grove on the dance platform.

Proposed Panel: Dr. John Ashton, Chairman; Calvin VanderWerf; F. C. Allen; Dr. Raymond Wheeler; F. A. Russell.

Composition of the audience: 125 new V-12's; approximately 125 entering freshman civilian students.

Subject matter of Discussion: This would be left to the decision of the panel. One subject that has been proposed is "Why Does a Young Man or Woman Go to the University?". The choice of this subject is left, however, to the panel, knowing that they will keep in mind the make-up of the audience. The time allotted for the discussion will be about thirty minutes. The balance of the time, approximately twenty minutes, will be devoted to questions or even discussion by the audience directed to the panel. The questions from the audience will be arranged for and the panel need have no concern with this. The meeting in the event of rain will be held at the same time in Fraser Theater. A microphone will be available on the table.

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