

Today Day in PSU History: Origin of Nickname “Penn State” & Debate Squad Win (December 8th)

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From The State Collegian on Thursday December 8th, 1910

Do You Favor “Penn State” “The proper name of this institution is The Pennsylvania State College, but there are other contractions of this name, which make the matter somewhat confusing in the minds of outsiders. “State” is commonly used, but in view of the other state institutions, this is not sufficiently specific. “Pennsy State” does not have the college sound to it and is but little used. A common sentiment seems to favor the use of “Penn State,” and it is generally believed by the present student body that this is the name by which the athletic teams and other organizations should be actually known. What do *you* think about it?”

Form The Daily Collegian on Tuesday December 8th, 1959.

Debate Squad Winds 1st Place” The Men’s Debate Squad placed first in the Allegheny debate Tournament at Allegheny College in Meadville, winning over 21 other colleges and universities participating.”

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