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P.F.S.

By the time most RWA seniors reach graduation, they have been accepted by a college. Everything seems to be set for a bright future. Then it happens — P.F.S. strikes!

This malady (pre-freshman syndrome) is brought on in part by the feelings of superiority these same seniors have enjoyed for the past twelve months. They have been admired and envied by the underclassmen as the seniors left school for lunch or got out of school early on Fridays. They have been looked up to as leaders and stars of athletics and have attracted quite a following.

Suddenly, all is changed. Now, these graduates must start over at the bottom of the ladder in college as they become "freshmen" again., Feelings of uncertainty arise for, this time, being a freshmen will be different. They will not have their long-time friends at their sides, but must make new friends and face new challenges. "Will I make it?" "Will I fit in?" are natural questions of every P.F.S. sufferer.

Fortunately the cure also comes naturally. The "patient" is so busy in the weeks before leaving for college that he has little time to dwell on his problem. By the time he makes his first trip home in the fall, his symptoms have completely disappeared and everything is "mahvalous."















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