

Editorial—Comment—Bulletin

Ag vs. Miss Smith

How about the ag college cafeteria?

Numerous ag college students have wandered in the past several weeks to file complaints and just plain "gripes" against ag college's only place to eat.

The chief gripes against the cafeteria were as follows:

1. The cafeteria serves meals to anyone, whether connected with the university or not, and for this reason, the students who have to eat there have trouble getting in the place.
2. The cafeteria does not serve breakfast, which leaves no place for many of the students to eat, particularly those who do not live in organized houses.
3. The cafeteria's prices are higher than they need to be.

On the basis of these gripes, we spent last Tuesday afternoon talking to Miss Florence Smith, foods' instructor in charge of the ag cafeteria. We explained the gripes to Miss Smith and gave her the chance to justify the policies of the cafeteria.

Miss Smith stated that the cafeteria served outsiders as well as students and faculty because during the war there had not been enough students to take care of the daily output of the cafeteria. She went on to say that the cafeteria had the job of feeding many out-of-town groups, such as attend various agricultural meetings in Lincoln. She further stated that the cafeteria was now opening at 11:30 instead of 11:45 at noon to enable more students to get through the line.

Now to us, her explanation seems inadequate. She herself stated the cafeteria has two purposes—to serve the college and to provide experience in institution management for the foods and nutrition students.

There are now plenty of students at ag to keep the cafeteria busy. There is no other public place for the students to eat except one very small cafe. Consequently, it seems to us that the cafeteria should serve the students, faculty and staff of ag college, first, and then worry about the outsiders. The outsiders can eat somewhere else, but the students can't, and the college's first duty should be to its own.

The second gripe, that the cafeteria does not serve breakfast, is no longer a legitimate complaint. Miss Smith explained quite completely that the labor situation, which is at present tighter than it was at this same time last year in the food business, has prevented the cafeteria from opening for breakfast. However, she said, the boarding club is being revived and the cafeteria will be able to serve breakfast in the very near future.

The third gripe concerns prices. The students who eat at ag maintain that the cafeteria prices are higher than those at the Union or other similar eating places. From a cursory check, there seems to be some truth in the gripe. We do know that the ag cafeteria figures that 40% of the price covers the cost of the food served, and that much of the help in the cafeteria is furnished by the institution management classes which actually pay a course fee for working in the cafeteria. Now we do not know anything about cost of the hired labor or the overhead of the ag cafeteria, which may account for the prices charged the customers. The Union catering department, however, manages to support itself and yet keep its prices on a lower scale, and the Union catering department does not have the advantage of free student labor.

A general summing up of the facts on the side of the cafeteria as given by Miss Smith and the facts on the sides of the students seems to indicate that the ag college students have reason to feel that the cafeteria is not fulfilling as it should its obligation to serve the campus.

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Snipe Huntin'

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JUDGE MASON

The physical education department at UN is a very privileged group!

Physical education is a course required for all students. There are many other subjects at UN which students must take to fulfill group requirements and to complete the course in a particular college. Of these other requirements the alternative situation is this: either take the subjects or you don't get your degree.

We have no quarrel with this policy, as we understand the necessity for planning a course in order to confer a degree. By this system a student who does not intend to get a degree may

come to university and take whatever courses he feels are necessary to prepare him for his job. If a degree is the important thing, the student can conform to the requirements of the college, most of which are subjects he would have taken during his four years anyway.

The physical education requirement, however, is an entirely different story. This is a course which the student must take, whether he or she intends to get a degree or not, or else he will be literally thrown out of the university.

There are students who come to college with neither the financial resources to continue four years and get a degree, nor the necessity for doing so. These students with limited money and time are here to gain knowledge of a certain subject thru a directed course of study by an authority with whom they would have no contact if following a

Scuttlebutt

by

"DUFF" BECK

Well, long time no see, but here I am again and I'll be back to stay this time. Right now I'm lost for words. Yes, that's right, a navy man without out something to say.

Troubles

Seems we have a little trouble started already. NRO Herring has been beating his brains out trying to get a date with a certain Joanie. Seems as tho a "Frat" man is beating his time. Tell you what you had better do, get together with Hanks as he seems to be doing alright. Whatever you do boys, don't let the navy down as they have a tradition of never losing a battle or a woman.

Pat Cristel is having his troubles, too. Better watch yourself, Pat, as somebody will be stealing your one and only Jo Thurlson. As a word to the wise Pat, seems as if women have a way of finding out things, especially if the man in question is dating somebody's roommate. Bill Hunter is having his share too. They call him "Lonesome" Bill now that Alpha Xi Lorraine Kinney has turned him back.

system of self education. These students are required to spend three hours out of every week taking physical education, whether they like it or not!

If they don't like it they will have to find another school, because they will be dropped from their classes at UN unless they register for physical education.

Why can't the physical education requirement be placed on the same basis as every other requirement? That is: either you take it or don't get your degree. Why must students who are interested in knowledge, not the title which accompanies it, be forced to take a certain course or drop everything?

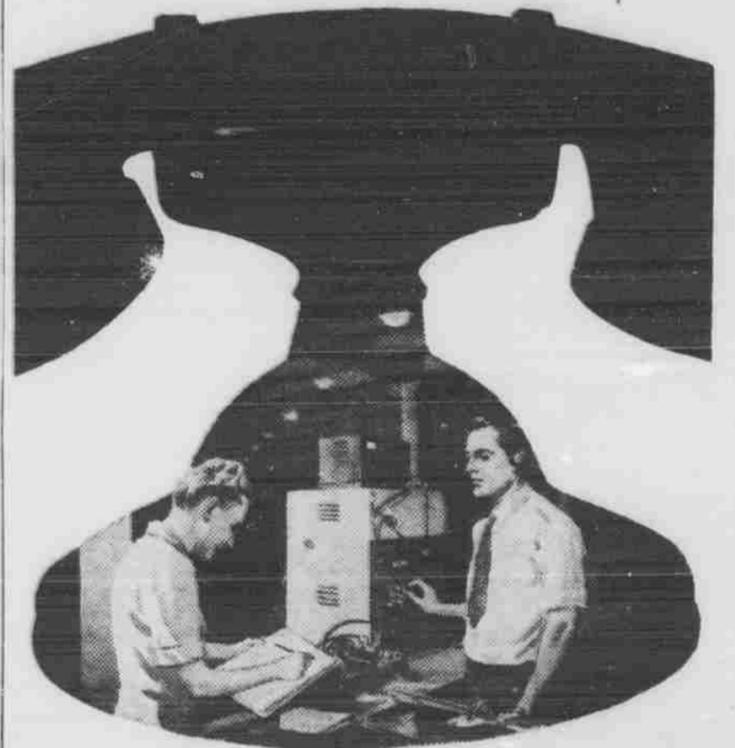
Chancellor Boucher once made the statement that "American colleges and universities are a training ground for democracy." What kind of a democracy would the United States be if the authorities forced an individual to take a certain prescribed job or get out of the country? The University of Nebraska is certainly a poor example of democracy when the administration can tell its students to take a certain prescribed course or get out of school.

If the chancellor and administration want to make UN as democratic as they say, then it is their duty to make it possible for the students to enroll in the courses they wish and take the consequences. This can be done by putting the physical education requirement on the same basis as every other requirement.

The principle involved is well worth the consideration of the administration

The most serious type of vehicular accident is the grade crossing collision. Poor visibility accounts for nearly one-half of such accidents.

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