

Busy Crib Gets Requests For Many Strange Orders

By Kent Axtell
(Editor's note—This is the fourth in a series of articles designed to acquaint University students with their student Union. Recently students organized a committee of 12 persons to investigate the possibilities of obtaining a Union addition to be included in the University's two-year building plan. A student majority vote is necessary before such an enlargement would be made.)

A cup of coffee with a glass of ice, demitasses, Boston coolers, and pepper on ice cream are some of the weird, but filled orders that have helped to make the Union Corn Crib the most popular spot on campus.

Filled to overflowing at nearly all hours of the day, the Crib stays open a total of 100 hours each week to satisfy the requests (no matter how unusual) of its student customers.

The most convincing indication of the Crib's popularity is the long line of students waiting at the noon hour or during the afternoon hours to obtain a vacant booth.

1400 Customers
It seems that the students just can't get enough of the place. On the average, there are 1400 customers each day, according to traffic counts.

Forty-one student waiters and "soda jerks" are employed during the seven days of each week. The popular social hub of the campus is furnished with booths of bright red duratone and cream colored tables with chrome trimming.

Large murals painted in 1948 by Betty Aasen, a graduate of last year, adorn all four walls. Depicted in each mural is a typical campus scene—a pep rally, football game, Ivy Day, and others.

New Juke Boxes
Solotone entertainers installed early this year, replaced the single jukebox and amplifier. The "miniature juke boxes" are provided in each booth and music may be switched on and off at will.

Back of the main counter, a black and white marble fountain dominates with several large dispensers. Probably more interesting in

the Crib, however, are the customers who inhabit it. In order to learn more about them and their quirks waiters were interviewed.

Although the Crib's menus feature a full variety of specialties, including the famous "Corn Crib" sundae, students still insist upon peculiar requests and orders.

Perpetual Strange Orders
Back in 1944, waiters would attempt to comply with such orders as raw eggs in a glass, tomato shakes and raw hamburgers; it appears that at present, students are no different.

One waiter related that he was once asked to supply a cup of hot water, so that the customer might make his own coffee. Another popular freak is the "pink lady" which is simply another name for a cherry green river.

Frequently ordered is a cherry-grapefruit-ade. Others seem to prefer ice cream in coffee, while some will not have anything but vanilla sundaes (vanilla ice cream with chocolate sauce). Another topping in demand for sundaes is ketchup. Even students who are still minors can ask for "beers," expecting—and getting the root variety.

Coffee, Cokes Tops
Coffees and cokes seem to dominate the scene now. Last year, the Crib won the distinction of selling second highest number of cokes in Nebraska

Rising now in the list of hits are lemonades and orangeades.

Once a waiter was asked whether the brownies that they were fresh. When told that they were, the customer declared that he didn't want any then, because he liked them best when very hard.

Although students seem nuisances when they order such peculiar requests or sit singly in large corner booths, stick their legs in aisles, or plug the small creameries with cigarette butts, waiters would rather work in the Crib than anywhere else.

They claim that students are humorous and fun to work for.

Law Grad Heads Hawaiian Bar

Harold W. Conroy, a '41 law grad, has been elected president of the Junior Bar association of the territory of Hawaii.

Admitted to the Hawaiian bar in 1944 while stationed at Wheeler field, Oahu, T.H. Conroy has been practicing law in Honolulu since his separation from the service in 1945.

Conroy, a graduate of Cathedral High school, is a member of the Nebraska bar.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Conroy, who with their daughter, Winn Ann, 3, will make their first visit to Lincoln since 1945 during April and May.

NU Faculty To Hold Panel

"The Graduate Student and College Teaching" will be the subject of a panel discussion at a dinner meeting of the American Association of University Professors, Monday, Feb. 20.

All faculty members are cordially invited to attend the meeting, which will begin at 6:30 p. m. in Union parlors B and C.

Panel chairman is Dr. C. H. Oldfather, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Panel topics and speakers are: "Problems Associated with the Preparation of Graduate Students for College Teaching,"—Dr. R. W. Goss, dean of the Graduate college.

"Instructional Services by Graduate Students in the University,"—Dr. Carl W. Borgmann, dean of faculties; "The Administration of Teaching Assistance in the Department of Chemistry,"—Dr. B. C. Hendricks, professor of chemistry; "The Supervision of Teaching Assistants in the Department of History,"—Dr. E. N. Anderson, professor of history. Group discussion will follow.

The dinner is \$1 a plate. Reservations may be made up to noon Saturday, Feb. 18, through F. Marion Clarke, 211 Burnett.



POPULARITY PLUS—Often crowded beyond capacity, the Corn Crib never fails to rate high with University students. Shown above are some of 1400 students who daily visit the "Crib" to relax and refresh in pleasant surroundings.

New German Club Holds First Meeting

The first meeting of the newly formed German club was held this week. It is sponsored by the modern language department of the University.

Jim Hoath, guest speaker of the evening, spoke on his summer trip to a work camp in Bremen, Germany, one of the old cities of the Hanseatic league. His trip was sponsored by the Danish Red Cross.

Those attending the German work camp were students, writers, and teachers from many countries, including Austria, England, France, and Denmark. "The purpose of the work camp," Hoath said, "was to learn to work together. For three weeks we lived with thirty other teachers and students. One week was devoted to international week; the remainder of the time was spent in conferences and sessions with other people at the camp."

Meetings were to be held with members of the German political parties, but the communist party was the only one represented. The communists gave their attitude toward the American program in Germany, and criticized the Marshall plan for its generosity or lack of generosity.

A drag on the energies of the members of the work camp was noticed by Hoath, for the food in Germany was only semi-adequate and under par to insure good health.

Music School Choses Six as Top Soloists

Six School of Music seniors have been chosen by the school's seniors to appear with the University Symphony orchestra in their spring concert April 16.

They are: Mary Barton and Calvin Gloor, voice; Bill Elliott, clarinet; Jeanette Dolezal, piano; Aleta Snell, violin; and Ronald Barnes, organ.

The students were elected by secret ballot at Wednesday's recital at the Social Science auditorium.

Miss Barton sang the alto solo in last year's presentation of the Elijah by Mendelssohn. She has also appeared over the state as soloist in the Messiah, by Handel.

Gloor is a voice major from Columbus.

Elliott is a member of the University band and a senior from Lincoln.

Miss Dolezal is known for her accompanying at concerts and recitals. She also serves at Student assistant to Mr. Filtz. She is from Lincoln.

Miss Snell is concertmistress of the symphony orchestra.

Barnes is chief carillonneur at the First Plymouth Congregational church in Lincoln. He is an organ major.

Debaters Enter Midland Tourney

Seven members of the University debate squad will travel to Midland College Saturday for a debate tournament.

Participation in the four rounds of debate and discussion will be the following debaters: Paul Galter, John Gradwohl, Keith Fitch, Ralph Hunkins, Warren Wise, Gordon Pederson and Bob Jeamby.

The debate topic is: Resolved: That the United States should adopt a system of nationalization in all basic non-agriculture industries. The discussions will be held on the topic of: What should our foreign policy be in the Orient?

Both quality ratings and decisions will be given to participants.

Fur Coats, Shorts, Barkers, To Highlight Penny Carnival

Amid barkers, girls clad in fur coats and shorts, music and clamor, 17 booths will be competing for the possession of the Penny Carnival trophy Saturday.

The 17th annual Penny Carnival, sponsored by the Coed Counselors, will be open for business from 2 to 4 p. m. Saturday at the Union ballroom.

Judging will be done by a group of faculty members and by written vote of those attending the carnival. Faculty judges are: Miriam McGrew of the Art department, Sumner House, Political Science department and Lester Eidemiller, Philosophy department.

Afternoon Climax

Cokes and popcorn will be on sale during the carnival. The climax of the afternoon will be the presentation of the winner of the trophy.

Last year's trophy went to Alpha Chi Omega, which has had possession of the award for eight out of the last 10 carnivals. Two years ago the winning booth was sponsored by Alpha Omicron Pi. The Penny Carnival became an institution on the University campus in 1933 when it was in-

augurated as an annual event to raise funds for the work of the "big sister" organization.

Features of the first show included "Gypsy Tea Show," and "A House of Horrors."

New Location

Until this year, the carnival has been held at Grant Memorial gym. The themes this year will be devoted strictly to those similar to a regular carnival, in contrast to the "show atmosphere" that has dominated in past years.

Junior Panhellenic is in charge of the booths this year. It is one of the year's projects. Panhellenic was in charge last year.

Houses taking part in the competition are: Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Phi, Alpha Xi Delta, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Delta, Kappa Gamma, Phi Beta Phi, Sigma Delta Tau, Sigma Kappa, Adelpi, Towne club and Wilson hall.

Admission to the carnival is 25 cents. Tickets will be on sale at the Union until 5 p. m. Friday.

Sweden Offers 'Land Cruise' To Lapland

The Swedish State Railways will operate a series of eight day "land cruises" this summer from Stockholm to Lapland.

The trains will travel northward from Stockholm to Dalecarlia, "the heart of Sweden," then cross the Arctic Circle, on to Kiruna, site of famous open-pit mining, through the mountains to Narvik, Norway, from where it will return to Stockholm.

Many events are planned for the vacationers. Boat rides down the Torne river rapids or fishing, visits to Lapp villages and logging camps, and an excursion to the top of Mount Nuolja for a view of the midnight sun are included.

The train will be equipped with lounge and club cars, and will have facilities for movies, radios, libraries and shower baths. The number of passengers will be restricted far below the actual capacity of the train to insure good service. The passengers will sleep in single or double compartments and eat in the dining car which is large enough for all.

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