

'Safeguard, Not Whip' AWS Court Purpose

Not an ultimate whip, but a safeguard is how Vicki Dowling, AWS vice president, describes the purpose of the AWS Court which meets every Thursday afternoon at 4:30 p.m.

"People seem to think the court is the ultimate whip or bad guy of AWS," she said. "Actually the purpose of the court is to consider individual cases in light of individual circumstances. So you see, the court really acts as a safeguard."

Miss Dowling explained that there are two different classifications of cases — those that are called to court involving women who have accumulated 30 or more demerits or have taken an illegal overnight and those that are brought to court involving appeals because demerits have been accumulated because of mitigating circumstances.

The court hears anywhere from two to 14 cases a week, she said, and usually the majority of them are appeals.

"Usually people don't come to court unless they feel they have a justifiable excuse," Miss Dowling pointed out. "We try each case on its individual merits and have no laid out way of deciding a case, but the cases usually follow a path."

Excuses, too, usually follow a pattern, she continued. Car trouble, not getting picked up on time to get back to campus and getting stuck in the mud are three circumstances commonly cited.

Certain times of the year—such as migration and weekends of out-of-town football games—seem especially conducive to late minutes, she said.

"At the beginning of the year, almost all we heard was that someone came in late

from Omaha on Sunday night because the 9:30 p.m. bus was late," she smiled. "The extended hours should change that."

One of the more amusing cases that the court heard recently concerned a girl who was bitten by an animal on the way from Missouri and had to go back to Columbia for treatment, Miss Dowling commented. The girl was excused.

"It is the attitude of the court," she said, "that a woman should do everything she reasonably can to get in on time or at least notify authorities of some difficulty. Also she should attempt to get some verification of her story—like a receipt from a gas station or whatever."

"One problem is that people just don't know what to expect," she added. "They should have the details carefully figured out, have the times straight and verifications ready."

"Also, many people come in thinking 'I just can't tell them this or that,'" she continued. "We consider it none of our business what anyone was doing. We're not here to pass moral judgments but to see whether or not the rules have been obeyed."

According to the AWS constitution, the court has the power to impose campus and privilege probation and to remove demerits or punishments it may have imposed.



Three University coeds check their watches to make sure they're in by new AWS hours which went into effect this week. Week night hours for sophomore women are now 11 p.m. Freshmen hours are 10:30 p.m., but will revert back to 10 p.m. once grades come out for those freshmen on scholastic probation. Midnight closing hours for Sunday nights also go into effect this week.

Guidelines Needed

Senators, Executives Re-evaluate Methods

The ASUN senators and executive board round-table Thursday night revolved around a re-evaluation of first semester procedures and a projection of ideas that may be incorporated into second semester plans.

Much of the discussion revolved around the relationship between the Senate and the executive branch of student government.

Kent Neumeister, ASUN president, noted that there has been much criticism at the beginning of the year toward the executive board stifling creativity and initiative of the senator by excessive control.

"At first I thought this was so," said Sen. Curt Bromm, "and perhaps not so much railroading at the first would have made the senators feel better. But now I realize that the guiding was necessary at least at first."

"The Senate would have been chaos without guidelines at first," agreed Sen. Gary Larsen.

Neumeister explained that the role of the executive committee was to anticipate problems that might arise over certain issues and obtain the answers before the questions were asked on the Senate floor.

Discussion on the Senate floor and what lines it should take was also considered.

Sen. Kathy Weber said, "Senators have a right to know why certain issues are brought up. Granted, complete discussion on the Senate floor could get rather drawn out yet senators should be given the opportunity to fully understand what we are voting about."

Sen. Bill Hansmire suggested that perhaps fuller understanding of proposals could be obtained if on large issues the bill could be introduced at one meeting and voted on at the next.

"This is the way other student governments in the Big Eight handle this problem," he added.

Larry Frolik, ASUN vice president, said that too often Senate approves something too fast without considering the consequences.

"If no alternatives are offered, of course measures are passed," replied Sen. Dave Snyder, who added that too often senators do not know enough about a specific measure to think of alternatives right away.

Jan Binger added, "There is no time to think and take the other view. That's why a system of first and second readings would seem preferable."

Sen. Liz Aitken said that some things like the Faculty Evaluation could wait to be read several times and thus any system of first and second readings has to be flexible.

Sen. Terry Schaaf pointed out that rather than complicate matters with addition of by-laws which would have to be suspended in such cases, matters which required more thought or study could simply be tabled until the next meeting.

Inter-committee communications and special reports were also discussed at the roundtable.

Sen. Tom Pickering suggested that a booklet be published containing reports from various ASUN committees in order to let all committees know exactly what the others are doing.

"Chairmen could turn in their goals at the beginning of a semester," Miss Aitken added, "and if a special issue comes up it could be added on. This would not only aid in communication between the committees but could serve as a check on the individual committees."

The idea of presenting formal committee reports at every meeting was disregarded as being useless and a waste of time.

Sen. Bill Coufal suggested combining the philosophies of meetings and roundtables so that various committees and

senators would be well acquainted with the workings of each other.

"The meetings may be longer but about twice as much could get accomplished," he added.

Pickering noted that such an arrangement might tend to "degrade the prestige of Senate" and added that understanding could be reached by other means.

Schaaf said, "Senators shouldn't be afraid to question, table or vote down a proposal unless it is completely understood. Just because a committee presents a proposal, doesn't mean it has to be voted through."

Miss Aitken suggested that lobbying would be an asset to ASUN because it would allow the senators to see both sides of particular issues.

"This is one thing that has been sadly neglected," she added.

Frolik said that he thought speeches should be made on particular problems that would not necessarily lead to a vote.

"We tend to think we're up against stone walls at times and that is when there should be people speaking out," he noted.

Other discussion hinged upon expanding areas of Senate interest more into the educational and cultural area.

Nebraskan Applauds

For the second year, the University will offer an eight-week Summer Institute in Mathematics for 40 high school teachers in Nebraska beginning June 13.

The purpose of the Institute, made possible by a National Science Foundation grant, is to help weakly trained but scholastically able mathematics teachers update their training.

Hyde Park Discussion Turns to Campus Topics

The issues argued and discussed at Hyde Park Thursday revealed a change in the tone of the forum.

The subject matter of the speakers' talks was not of Viet Nam, nor of ideology, nor of metaphysics, but of the situations, problems and nature of the University campus.

Among the speakers was John Atwood who set the tone of the forum with his comments that the "unusually dressed" students in the crowd were beatniks or "Communists." Atwood asked, "Do you people really want to dress like this or do you do it so people will look at you?"

The subsequent speakers then took Atwood's words and argued, dissected and rehashed his ideas, finally discussing the questions of toleration, on-sight character judgment and freedom of the individual.

Liz Aitkin, chairman of the Union Talks and Topics committee said, "With the change of subject matter Hyde Park may become more of a battle ground for actual tangible issues."

John Schreking commented, "It's been a clash between the well-dressed and the not so well-dressed; it's not really as simple as that but that is basically what has happened."

Another student enthused,

"I like a Hyde Park like this because it presents a complete spectrum of opinion."

Approximately 200 students jammed into the Union lounge and the crowd overflowed into the hallways. Audience participation was lively with much laughter, many questions from the floor, heckling and applause.

Carl Davidson, president of the campus Students for a Democratic Society and a regular speaker at previous forums, did not speak at Thursday's session.

Viet Nam was not discussed in moral or political terms; the only allusion to the topic was by men who were discussing their personal relations with the draft.

Some of the issues discussed were school spirit, traffic lights on 14th St. and AWS elections. One speaker put in a plea asking students to go hear Sen. Wayne Morse speak this weekend.

Pam Harris, a member of the Talks and Topics Committee, summed up her reaction to Thursday's forum: "I think it's a lot better as far as the average student's participation goes."

Schreking said, "It took some time to break down the barriers" so that the average student would talk at the forum.

Skirting Other Campuses

At Oklahoma State University recently, snow fell and the pipes froze one winter's day last month. The pipes cracked under sub-zero temperatures leaving part of the college campus without water for three hours.

The water from the pipes flowed over onto the sidewalks, creating icy hazards as it froze. The water had to be shut off at the student union leaving the union with a scullery full of dirty dishes three hours later.

The Minnesota Daily reported a Polish carnival party that was sponsored by the University of Minnesota Polish Club. The party was complete with Polish pastries, Polish movies and cartoons, and Polish polkas and waltzes.

The Dailly Iowan remembers Elliot Ness because of his colleague Mr. Robert G. Cladwell, professor of criminology in the sociology and anthropology department at Iowa State University.

"My impression," says Mr. Cladwell, "is that Ness was never the kind of man that television created. He wasn't a swashbuckler, although he was undoubtedly courageous and completely dedicated to his service."

At Oklahoma State University this semester, the foreign film program will try to answer a question that philosophers have been asking throughout history: "What is man?" The first film comes up with an answer that seems to be a combination of two philosophic thoughts: "Man is his memories" said Marcel Proust and "Man is his symbols" stated a thesis of Jung.

Pastel stockings? Square-toed shoes and high boots? These things are part of the new fashion picture of 1965, but seniors in clothing and textile design at Oklahoma State are proving that there is nothing new under the sun.

The students are presenting a historic fashion comparison at a local television station. The show will prove that textured hose were worn as far back as the 15th century—by men. Granny dresses are straight from the Puritan Era, say the fashion-conscious students.

The coeds concluded that "milady's styles seem to go in cycles." An instructor at the university, Mrs. Mary Murphy, insists that everything in a woman's wardrobe can be traced back through history. Jean Harlow, Empress Josephine, Mae West and more recently Jacqueline Kennedy have led particular styles during their period of influence.

Marine Officer Announces New Corps Contract

Lt. Col. Newell Staley, University Marine officer instructor, has announced an expanded two-year contract Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps program which leads to an officer's commission in either the Naval or Marine Corps Reserve.

The program is open to college sophomores in good standing. Officers commissioned under this program serve on active duty for a period of not less than three years.

Included in the program is a six-week summer session consisting of academic instruction, laboratory drill and physical education.

The program is open to sophomore men carrying "C" averages who are single and at least 18 years old.

Pharmacognosy Lecture Series This Month

A lecture series in pharmacognosy will be held at the Nebraska Union and at Lyman Hall Feb. 15, 16, 21 and 22.

The series will include lectures by Dr. Norman Farnsworth, professor and chairman of the department of pharmacognosy at the University of Pittsburgh in Pittsburgh, Pa., and Dr. Varro Tyler, Jr., professor and chairman of the department of Pharmacognosy at the University of Washington in Seattle, Wash.

According to an announcement from the University's College of Pharmacy, the purpose of this series will be "to bring all interested persons in the immediate geographical area information pertaining to the biology and chemistry of medicinal and poisonous plants."

The lectures will be open to all faculty, undergraduate students and graduate students of the University, graduate pharmacists and personnel of local pharmaceutical industries.

Iowan Joins Agricultural Department

An Iowa State University educator who taught vocational agriculture at Pierce, Nebr. High school from 1957 to 1963 has joined the staff of the University Department of Agricultural Education.

He is Prof. Alan A. Kahler, who has been a research assistant and instructor in agricultural education at Iowa State University from 1962 to 1965, and most recently a consultant to the Center for Vocational and Technical Education at Ohio State University.

Prof. Kahler, whose appointment was approved earlier by the NU Board of Regents, will serve as associate director of the Nebraska Agricultural Education project and associate director of the research section of the Nebraska Agricultural Education project and associate director of the research section of the Nebraska Occupational Needs Research and Coordination Unit.

Both of these projects are supported by grants from the U.S. Office of Education. Prof. Kahler will collaborate with Prof. M. G. McCreight in the development of a research and developmental program in the area of post-high school vocational and technical education programs for Nebraska rural youth.

In the NU Department of Agricultural Education, Prof. Kahler will be responsible for undergraduate and graduate instruction, according to Dept. chairman Dr. John K. Coster.



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