

Nebraska Union remodeling includes vending machines

by Steve Arvanette

Students returning from Thanksgiving vacation will find the South Crib of the Nebraska Union serving food through vending machines. Addition of the machines is part of an \$8,000 remodeling project, according to Union Director Allen H. Bennett.

Kerry Winterer, Union Board president, said the decision to add the vending machines was made last spring. They were intended to be in operation when school started this fall, but a delay in delivery caused the postponement.

"WE DID THAT (buy the machines) to provide better service," Winterer said of the \$14,600 purchase.

Bennett cited two reasons in making the decision to add the vending service. "It is becoming increasingly costly to maintain a fully manned operation over all hours of the week," the director said of the food service.

According to Bennett, after 6:30 p.m. the Crib often takes in "as low as \$40-\$50" until closing time. On weekends the total day figure is sometimes only \$150.

Vending machines offer a "reasonable

alternative during low production times," Bennett said.

ON THE OTHER HAND, Bennett said, some hours find the Crib unable to handle everyone in a reasonable time. From 9:30-2:00 p.m. the line is "under considerable pressure."

The vending machines will be operational next Monday without the two cold food machines. "We are anxious that people react and let us know their feelings," Bennett said.

With the purchase of the machines, the Union Board is considering closing the regular food service line during evening hours, but early closing of the food service line will not come until second semester in order that students become acquainted with the machines.

"We are looking at 6:30 p.m. as an appropriate hour (to close the north Crib service)," Bennett said. A final decision has not yet been made.

BOTH BENNETT AND Winterer said they hope students will give the operation a "fair trial."

Another aspect of the \$8,000 remodeling

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Huskers accept Orange Bowl bid

Nebraska, as expected, will meet Alabama in the 1972 Orange Bowl at Miami New Year's night.

Nebraska football coach Bob Devaney made the official announcement Saturday at 6 p.m. in a three-way telephone hookup with officials from the Orange Bowl and the Big Eight Conference.

There was no vote by the players Saturday. The team had decided earlier in the week to accept an Orange Bowl invitation if such an offer was made.

Three other Big Eight teams also accepted bowl bids Saturday. Oklahoma will meet Auburn in the Sugar Bowl, Colorado will play Houston in the Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl and Iowa State will meet Louisiana State in the Sun Bowl.

It's the first time that four Big Eight teams will be participating in post-season bowl games.

In extending bids to Nebraska and Alabama, the

Orange Bowl is gambling that these two teams will win crucial contests this week and setup a national championship contest New Year's night.

No. 1-rated Nebraska meets No. 2-rated Oklahoma Thursday. No. 4-rated Alabama puts its undefeated season on the line Saturday against No. 5-rated Auburn.

Should both Nebraska and Alabama win this week, the Orange Bowl could again decide the national championship as it did last year when the Cornhuskers defeated LSU, 17-13, to win the mythical national title.

But should either Nebraska or Alabama lose this

week, much of the glamour of the Orange Bowl could be erased.

The Husker-Crimson Tide matchup offers Devaney a chance to revenge two previous bowl losses to Alabama coach Bear Bryant.

In their first bowl meeting in the 1966 Orange Bowl, Alabama scored a 39-28 win. The following year the Tide claimed a 34-7 win in the Sugar Bowl.

Alabama, like Nebraska's Thanksgiving Day opponent Oklahoma, runs from the Wishbone-T. Alabama is in its first year of running the Wishbone and hasn't been as devastating as Oklahoma, but is still ranked fourth in the nation in rushing offense.

NU, others may share financial crisis in '70's

by Bill Smitherman

The University of Nebraska is one of many state supported colleges and universities which will face a deepening financial crisis this school year, according to a report of the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges.

In a survey by the Association last year it was calculated that a university should have an annual increase of 10 per cent in its operating budget to maintain a current or "standstill" level of services. This figure takes into account the factors of inflation and increasing enrollment.

This year's report shows NU among 28 institutions which have received state appropriations that fall below this 10 per cent level.

Nine schools have actually received cuts in their state appropriations. NU, according to the survey, is one of three schools which received increases so small as to constitute virtually no change. NU received a 0.71 per cent increase in appropriations.

The University is also one of

36 schools which report standstill operating budgets for 1971-72. NU shows a 5.7 per cent increase in its operating budget which is not sufficient to take it over the 10 per cent standstill level.

"Behind the financial burdens which continue to plague universities are the same factors which beset the average American taxpayer—spiraling costs and an inflationary economic crisis, complicated in many cases by constantly climbing enrollments," the report says.

Figures released in the report show the crisis has widened since 1970-71, a financially troubled year for universities. In 1970-71, 56.4 per cent of the schools surveyed had standstill operating budgets. Early responses to this year's survey show a figure of 73.46 per cent with standstill budgets.

Many of the universities surveyed report that they will have operating deficits this year. Others report they have taken stringent economy measures such as freezing hiring and raises, cutting programs and increasing tuition.

Ticket sale opens Dec. 1-3

A special student sale for Orange Bowl tickets will be held at the Nebraska Coliseum December 1-3.

According to NU ticket manager, Jim Pittenger, approximately 2,000 tickets are available for Nebraska students. Each applicant must apply in person and present his University of Nebraska ID.

Married students will be allowed to purchase two tickets.

Blocks of not to exceed six tickets will be

permitted. According to Pittenger, those students wishing to buy blocks must have all members of the block present upon purchase. Tickets will not be sold to individuals presenting other than their own ID.

Tickets need not be paid for at the time they are requested. Each student or block requesting tickets will draw a lottery number

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SATURDAY'S ABORTION MARCH. . . About 100 people marched down 15th Street Saturday morning to the State Capitol to hear speakers ranging from an ex-Jesuit to a problem pregnancy counselor call on Nebraska's legislators and Governor to repeal abortion laws.