



Work delayed on ramps...

Eating about

For the past two weeks, two *Gateway* reporters have been sampling the wares at eating places on campus and within easy walking distance of major campus buildings. Much to our surprise, and contrary to popular belief, there is good food available on campus. But you do have to pay the higher price to get it.

Everything from Chinese to Italian food is available, as well as regular north American fare. There is something for everybody and every budget. This article will point out what can be had and at what cost.

SUB Cafeteria

Relatively clean, large seating capacity. Noisy. During noon hour line-ups can be long. Food is nothing to write home about. It's reasonably priced and usually edible, nothing more.

CAB

Comments are similar to those for SUB. More food is prepackaged than in SUB. Alright for a coffee break or for chatting with friends, but the food isn't all that hot (take it both ways).

Vending Machines

Just about everything you need for life on campus is available somewhere in a machine. Most machines work quite well—this reporter has lost only 20 cents in the last two years. Food is alright but of questionable quality. Stick to prepared goods and avoid the hamburgers and hot dogs.

Lister Hall

Large capacity seating with reasonably clean tables and carpeted floor. Prices are reasonable compared to what is available elsewhere on campus. Meal ordered was plain hamburger, french fries, pie and milk, all for \$1.25. Hamburger was good but fries arrived with a coating of grease and were soggy. Pie was about average. Menu is varied. Lister Hall has both meals and a short order service. Food is decorated (my hamburger came with an olive garnish, five potato chips and a pickle on the side). Overall, I'd say it's a good place to eat regularly during the winter session so long as you don't mind the walk to that corner of the campus when the temperature is 20 below.

Dairy Delite (HUB)

Has a good selection of ice cream at low cost and tables for the customer's convenience.

Ho-Ho Chinese Food (HUB)

Clean, self-serve style. Informal atmosphere with paper plates and plastic utensils. Air-conditioned. Food fairly inexpensive. I ordered a combination dinner plate for one person which included fried rice, chop suey, sweet and sour spare ribs (they were very dry) and a choice of egg roll, shrimp or chicken balls (which tasted like fish), all for \$1.45. Personally, I was unimpressed with the quality of the food, but if you want a change, this place is as good as any.

Riffs (HUB)

Hamburger stand type set-up. Clean but no place to sit down to eat. Hamburgers are charcoal broil which is different from what is usually offered on campus. The hot dogs are a little on the tough side, but tasty. It's a good idea to put them in the micro-wave oven to make them piping hot. Prices are due to rise shortly but, according to the management, the size of the portions will also increase. Service is fast—it's a great place to eat if you're in a hurry.

Picadilly Pizza (HUB)

Clean, fast efficient service and good food. A little expensive for day-to-day eating but a very good place to go when looking for something a little better than the standard campus fare. Meal ordered was spaghetti and meatballs, but no meatballs were available so meat sauce was substituted. A tray was brought carrying salt, pepper, two spices and some grated cheese. The meal arrived just seven minutes after I sat down. I received a reasonable-sized portion and the sauce was tasty and spicy. The accommodations are not suited for mass feeding as they are in SUB or CAB, but the slightly higher prices will keep some of the crowds out. That's a pity because the food is better than in SUB or CAB.

Smith and Baccus (off campus)

Very nice, but expensive. You do get what you pay for, though. The food is excellent, service fast and friendly. Atmosphere is quiet, calm and relaxing, although the lights are kept quite dim. There is background music but it's kept low so people can talk. Unless you can afford to lay out two or three dollars a day, it is not a place for regular eating, but for special occasions. As long as Smith and Baccus maintain their high standards, this will be a popular eating place.

Hereford House (off campus)

The Hereford House is located in the Sir John Franklin building on 87th Street. It is licensed and uses a cafeteria-style layout. Prices are slightly high and service is slow. Hot food is available, but you must take a number and wait. Hot sandwiches are also served. The decor is attractive and the place is quiet, no piped in music. Being a little out of the way, this place might not get a large portion of the campus trade.

Course changes; the easy way

It is easy to change courses, provided you use the right channels, says William Blanchard, assistant dean of Arts.

A student can add or delete courses upon the approval of the dean of his faculty. Approval is generally a bureaucratic formality, he says.

Deadlines for adding courses are Sept. 19 for the first term and Jan. 10 for the second.

For dropping a course, the deadlines are extended in the first term to Nov. 16 and March 8 in the second.

Forms for registration changes are available at your faculty. Once completed, the forms are sent to the dean for approval.

For adding a course, there is one more step. When the dean approves the change, a copy of the form should be taken to the department that offers the course. There you will receive a permit to register card.

Blanchard stressed that students should report all changes to their faculties since unrecorded withdrawals result in a final grade of "one."

Books, building delayed by strike

Effects of the strike of 56,000 non-operating railway workers are being felt in all parts of Canada and the University of Alberta is no exception.

Only a week before classes begin, delays in construction and landscaping projects and shipment of books from eastern Canada threaten to frustrate students.

A shortage of cement caused by the strike could prevent the paving of walks before registration week, said Blake Pratt, assistant project officer of campus development.

"We're working overtime to make sure the east link between Rutherford II and the Quad is finished," he said.

The biggest concern was that stairs at the west of CAB wouldn't be completed if forms weren't put in Thursday.

Most walks, however, will be ready by registration week, he said.

Inland Cement, supplier of cement to the landscaping wasn't receiving shipments of limestone from its quarry at Cadomin south of Edson.

"For now, we have enough cement stockpiled to fill our contracts but we're turning down new sales," said Paul Heaton sales manager.

Heaton said the main difficulty is that trains weren't moving excess cement from plants in Regina and Winnipeg.

In the meantime J.C. Malone, manager of the U of A bookstore, said there will be "chaos" if books weren't shipped soon from eastern Canada.

Nobody knows how long we'll have to wait. Even if the strike is settled it'll be three or four weeks before we'll be back to normal," said.

Orders have been filled but they aren't being delivered to rail terminals. And books loaded onto railway cars are stranded between here and Toronto, the clearing house for books published in Canada and the United States.

Students may have to make two or more trips to the bookstore, said Mr. Malone. But the usual no-end-in-sight line-ups may be even longer, with fewer books available.

The strike, which went national July 23, has also delayed the completion of the Education II and Medical Sciences buildings.

Already set back by an elevator strike last spring, completion of the Ed building has been delayed further as finishing materials are stranded between here and Toronto.

Materials caught up in the strike include floor carpeting and washroom partitions.

Despite the delay, workers weren't being laid off but moved to other jobs in the projects, said Martin deBeer, project manager for Alta-West construction, general contractor for Education II.

Cana Construction Co. Ltd. also softened the blow from the strike by shifting workers to other jobs on the Medical Sciences project.

"But there comes a point when you can't do this," said Bob Bodnar, office manager.

Late shipments of electrical and mechanical components and furniture have caused problems but there hasn't been any lay offs.

Bodnar said of the strike continued, there may be additional costs but wouldn't say how much they might be.

Interior work on the top floors of the ten-storey Med building is behind schedule.



Carol McLean of 511 College Plaza is presented with the new 10-speed bicycle she won in a draw sponsored by the HUB Merchants' Association. Also pictured are Fulton X. Fredrickson (left), HUB manager, and Tom Wright, president of the Merchants' Association.

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