

course they will want to get in to this service. Many of the people are saying, "Well, the college kids are having a snap", but if you look at it from the angle that the government works on it is not such an easy snap after all. The boy must pay his tuition, his board and all expenses of getting an education, and as soon as he graduates he is automatically in the armed services, while these boys over here as Navy mechanics are getting a salary, so much per month, and their board, room and everything is furnished while they are taking training.

Uncle Sam has figured it out this way. That only 5% of these college graduates fail to become officers, when heretofore 43% failed under the old plan. So while the active induction of these college students has been postponed, nevertheless the training process is going on at the student's expense. Therefore, I believe everything about equalizes itself.

Now, Winey, just a few more lines of gossip. Chick Pontius has returned from working for Lonnie Phillips as a welder and is a guard at the Sunflower Ordnance Works. He came out to the Country Club and hit the jack-pots on the machines about six or seven times, and they asked him not to come back. Chick rather remonstrated because a professional is in good standing for a number of years at almost any golf club he wants to play, but I believe the invitation is for golf and not for slot machines. Some of the boys think that Chick has his own system of hitting the jack-pot.

Now this is off the record and I am saying it to you because it has caused quite some unpleasanties among Chick and some of the Board of Directors and other members. When he hit the last jack-pot they definitely told him that they did not want him to come back. I was dressing in the shower room and I heard Chick say that he was going to pay a year's membership and then tell them to jump in the lake and not come back, but up to date I think that Chick has failed to pay that year's membership and he is still coming back. But I believe that the termination is near when his absence is apt to be prolonged.

I like Chick but it is difficult to maintain a golf course at the present time and the fact that he comes out and plays, and never pays and generally takes, has rather worn out his welcome. Chick's wife is working at the First National Bank as a clerk and I think is doing a good job. She always was a fine woman and a hard worker, and I hope that her work proves both satisfactory and pecuniarily successful.

Now a word about basketball. Our prospects are fair to good. John Buescher has been inducted into the Army and left last night for his home in Beardstown, Illinois, to be examined for his induction. Charlie Black, Ray Evans and Jack Ballard will return. But Vance Hall, Marvin Sollenberger and many of the others will not. So we will have several new faces on the team, but I believe we will have a good team. Of course we will miss Buescher as he was a star at basketball. I am sending you a basketball schedule, together with our football schedule, and doubtless you can keep up on the doings of the major sports here at the University.

Our school opens September 16th, and football practice starts on the 7th. They are hoping for a better team than they had last year, but I believe that the opposition is just as strong or stronger, so Kansas