

12-9-32

Memorandum

To: Miss Stephens

From: Mr. Leigh

I think we must be very sure that in carrying through the meat-saving program of the students and faculty every cent of money saved by not buying meat be turned over to the milk fund of the Red Cross. I think it is the spirit of the students' plan that we figure out what meat of the higher quality costs when served at a meal and then that we eliminate the meat in that meal. Since I am sure to have criticisms from the students or faculty as to the amount saved, I believe that Miss Jones and you should go over the actual meat costs of good meals for one month, including at least one chicken meal if you have it as often as once a month, and estimate the saving from that month's expense. In that way we could get an exact figure and the exact amount to be turned over to the Red Cross. I remember that you told me \$17 a week and that amounts to more than \$50 a month, which the students announced to be the saving.

Will there be any difficulty in proceeding as I suggested, by examining the actual bills? I should much prefer seeing these bills myself when Miss Jones and you have isolated them so that I may have first-hand information in dealing with such criticisms as are likely to arise.

R.D.L.

RLB

cc to Miss Jones

INTEROFFICE MEMO

Bennington College

Date December 13, 1932

To Mr. Leigh
From Miss Lawrence

Re: Meat invoices

When you have finished with the invoices attached to Miss Stephens' memo will you have them returned to me? ✓

INTEROFFICE MEMO

Bennington College

Date 12-12-1932

To Dr R. D. Leigh
From G. R. Stephens

Re: Meatless Melas

In calculating the cost of meat at dinners I took the menus for one week, November 28th - December 4th, copies of which I have taken from my file and send herewith. They show as follows

Nov 28	Roast Beef	See Invoice	Batchelder & Snyder	Nov 21	\$24. ✓
29	Roast Chicken	" "	Mrs Flynn	22	28. ✓
30	Hamburg Steak	" "	A & P	30	4.25 ✓
Dec 1	Tongue & Corned Beef	" "	Batchelder & Snyder	2	8.66 ✓
		" "	" "	2	12.50 ✓
Dec 2	Halibut	" "	" "	30	9.00 ✓
3	Pot Roast	" "	" "	25	10.34 ✓
4	Roast Duck	" "	A&P	Dec 3	21.42 ✓
			Total for 7 days	\$	118.17
			Average	\$	17.17

These are actual figures, and from an unusually high week. Please notice that there is Roast Beef, Chicken and Duck, three expensive items which do not usually come in the same week. I explained to some of the group that the amount of \$12.50 was based on this average price, less the cost of the substitute. We gave Macaroni with cheese and two fresh vegetables on the meatless day.

Memorandum
To: Miss Stephens
From: Mr. Leigh
12-14-32

*f. dining hall
dwelling hall
gen.*

As I understand it, what the students want to do is to cut out not the average meat meal but a beef steak or chicken meal each week. It seems to me that the thing to do, therefore, is to take your three meals at cost money, that is, the beef meal at \$24.00, the chicken meal at \$28.00, the roast duck costing \$21.42, and average them which would be \$24.00. Allowing \$4.00 for the substitute this makes a \$20.00 saving each week. It is a saving resulting specifically from eliminating the meat in what might be called a high quality meal.

In my talks with the students this is what they wanted to do. I would like to know about this as soon as possible so that we can get it actually under way and the money transmitted through Miss Jones to Miss Galusha.

R.D.L.

mb

cc to Miss Jones

December 17, 1932

Miss Jones
Mr. Leigh

*f dining dwelling
halls, gym*

Miss Stephens has agreed, beginning next week, to save on a "high quality" meat meal or \$24 minus \$4 for a substitute, or \$20 a week turned over to the Milk Fund. When you send this week's \$12.50 to Miss Galusha will you tell her that we are turning over \$20 each week hereafter that the College is in session?

MB

December 19, 1932

Miss Maud Galusha
310 Main Street
Bennington, Vermont

Dear Miss Galusha:

I am very glad indeed to send you the inclosed check for \$32.50, which represents the savings from two meatless dinners at the College during the weeks of December 5 and 12.

In the future we will be able to send you \$20.60 each week that the College is in session

Very truly yours,

Myra H. Jones
Comptroller

RAJ

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December 20, 1932.

Miss Myra H. Jones, Comptroller,
Bennington College,
Bennington, Vermont.

Dear Miss Jones:

In behalf of the
Committee working in the interest of the
unemployed in the township of Bennington,
I wish to thank you, and through you the
students of Bennington College, for the
check of \$32.50, representing the savings
from two meatless dinners. This will
be used entirely for milk and will help
very materially in our efforts this winter.

Very truly yours,

Maud M. Galusha,
Office.

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December 23, 1932

Miss Maud Galusha
310 Main Street
Bennington, Vermont

Dear Miss Galusha:

I am inclosing a check for \$20.00
as a contribution to the Red Cross Milk
Fund from Bennington College. This re-
presents the amount saved on a meatless
dinner on December 21.

Sincerely yours,

Myra H. Jones
Comptroller

R. A. L.