#### **EDITORIAL PAGE**

# Why Not Revive 'Cornshucks?'

After reading copies of the Missouri "Showme" and humor magazines from other universities, several students have asked The Nebraskan, "Why don't we have a humor magazine at the University of Nebraska?

The question is a good one. Students here are fully capable of doing the work necessary for a magazine, humor or otherwise. That there would be a market for the magazine is questionable for several

First, the subscription rates for the old

### The Colorado Plan

Psychologists say that the greatest relief of frustration is exercise-good, hard exercise. They say you can work off tension this way, for exercise serves as an outlet for emotion.

Perhaps Colorado University officials are more wise than we thought. Each spring on the Colorado campus, as a part of CU Days, the fraternities and sororities get together and have what they call a "grudge fight." This activity consists of slinging mud, rolling in the mud and a general muddy chaos until the participants are exhausted.

What a way to settle all the hard feeling caused by broken dates and returned pins during the year. This kind of dirty work has a beneficial end.

Rivalry between the engineers and law students at this University used to be soothed by grudge fights. A street was blocked off and the students were permitted to do their worst short of homicide, so reports go. And the strange thing was that everyone came out of the fracas feeling like a million dollars because the worries and frustrations were forgotten for the bruises and aches resulting from the fight.

What this all adds up to is the fact that today we are content to sit in our chairs, let our troubles accumulate and refuse to seek a way to relieve them. Instead of physical exercise as a means to "let off steam" we are content to exercise our tongues. All this accomplishes is to incite someone else, who is also subject to physical laziness, who then begins to tongue-lash back in defense.

Look at our country today-full of babbling idiots whose only interest is to see who they out-babble. They sit back in their plush office chairs and tongue-lash over the telephone; they tongue-lash to the press; they tongue-lash on a television show; they tongue-lash in Congress.

Wouldn't it be much easier to set aside a time for a good old mud grudge fight and after thorough exhaustion, go back to work, free from all the frustrations and worries that have piled up through tongue-lashing?

It is possible that grudge fights are the only solution to the current controversies in the news. And the tongue-lashing now going on couldn't be much dirtier than mud.

### Wear Green-Begorry

Now I'm a dyed-in-the-wool Scandinavian myself, and this is too good an opportunity to miss. I'm referring, of course, to the traditional Wearin' O' The Green.

Begorra, and it's a colorful sight to see the O'Tooles and McNammaras and O'Shaughnessys dressed in light green, olive green, Kelly green, avocado green, mint green, sage green, hunters green and just plain green.

And all this delightful attire in memory of an immortalized snake-chaser and out of patriotism for the fabulous Emerald Isle, which most Irishmen in America have never seen, or would not recognize if they did!

Many are the tales of St. Patrick, the Irish patron saint, and so clouded in folklore Tresses Trouble and fantasy that I'd be willing to bet my favorite shamrock that many of the most red-headed Irishmen don't know the true history of his accomplishment in freeing Ireland from those pesky snakes. (Not that I do, either, but then I'm not Irish.)

All true countrymen are obliged on this day, four days before spring, to sport forth in green ties, green socks, green shirts, green dresses, green sunglasses, green hair . . . See, there's no end to this thing once you get

But does all this enthusiasm commemorate St. Pat's birthday, or even the day on which he drove the snakes frr n Ireland?

No, 'tis a day when the likes o' you shud be a'praisin' the good man for dyin', for \*twas on March 17 that St. Pat was buried. And, according to records impartially compiled by representatives from neutral nations, the honored saint was not even a native of Ireland, for England, Scotland, Wales and France all claim to be his birthplace.

Now that I have made myself thoroughly pular with the wearers of the green, I uid have my head examined for signing my initials to this. But in self-defense may I protest that I, too, am green-with envy that we Danes don't have a special day of our own on which we can broadcast the glory of our country.

Perhaps every Dane could wear blue or mething-we look particularly good in blue.

University humor magazine, "Cornshucks," were so low that its publication could not be justified, even if the magazine had been in sound financial condition. However, this leads to the second reason why this University does not have a magazine-money losses. When the "Cornshucks" finally concluded publication, it was far in the red. The loss was caused by two factors in addition to the low number of subscriptions-little advertising and high production costs.

Many would counter these arguments with the statement, "But The Nebraskan has shown a steady loss over a long period of time, yet it still publishes."

True enough, but The Nebraskan has undergone some radical changes from the old, financially insolvent days. First, costs have been cut down by reducing the number of issues per week from five to four and currently three. Second, advertising has been revamped. Orders have been increased and the business functions of the paper have been modernized and streamlined for efficient, economical operation. In short, The Nebraskan has changed from the strict "activity" status to more of a business enterprise position.

In short, money seems to be the stumbling block of any student publication. Financial losses have forced The Nebraskan to change its policy radically and financial stability has enhanced the status of another student publication, The Cornhusker.

This explanation or presentation of reasons for not having a humor magazine are sufficient to explain why we do not have one now. It does not, however, explain everything. The basic problem that finally forced discontinuance of the "Cornshucks" was lack of student interest. Student subscribers, ad salesmen, editorial staff and reporters are necessary to any student publication; without them, that publication will fold-just as "Cornshucks" did.

It is possible to have student interest. Many students who have "migrated" to Missouri will testify to the popularity and readership of the "Showme" there. "Even the ads are funny," is a common observation.

There is, however, some complaint that some of the magazine is in poor taste, dirty or "raunchy." These complaints are well founded, perhaps, but the staff members of any publication write to please the majority of their readers.

The reason for not having a humor magazine are convincing and true, but they tell only a small part of real reasons. Lack of student interest and later student support have been the executioners of more than a few campus "institutions."

Action, not complaints, are necessary if we are ever going to realize those things that are prefaced with the remark, "Wouldn't it be nice if . . . "-T. W.

### Margin Notes

#### But He Admits It

One out of every six motorists in the nation has eye defects without realizing it. Connecticut and Rhode Island, with the lowest death rates per mile of travel, have the highest driver's vision standards.

One New York driver, however, went out for an original safety vision precaution. The following sign adorned the rear of a truck he was driving:

"Approach with care. Blind man driv-

The truck belongs to a firm that sells window shades.

Shades of the Kappa Sig red-head dinner! A young aircraft worker in Long Beach, Cal., went noble coeds who died their hair red for the annual pledge dinner one better. She stopped production at a huge factory by showing up for work one day with green

Reason for the vivid tresses was a bet she made - and lost - with a fellow coworker. Needless to say, the company was not overjoyed by the commotion she caused.

Ah, begorra, she should have waited until St. Patrick's Day.

#### Names, Names

Never underestimate the power of a woman-to get matters confused.

In Alabama, a woman applying for registration as a voter regarded a traditional question in a new light. The question was, What other names have you been called by in the last five years?"

She had but one answer: "Mother."

#### Two Wrongs

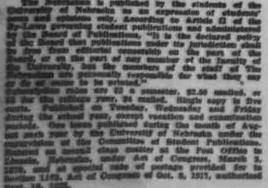
An Indianapolis woman got a ticket for jaywalking. Angered, she tore up the ticket and threw it in the street.

The next day she appeared in Municipal Court on charges of jaywalking and throwing debris on the street.

It all goes to show that two wrongs simply do not make a right.

### The Nebraskan

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"Worthal and I broke up..... I got a "C" average this term and he said he just couldn't go with a girl smarter than he was."

### The Challenge

# Scholarship, Citizenship Importance Emphasized

By FRANK M. HALLGREN Associate Dean of Student Affairs

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The survival of fraternities on the college campus depends in large measure upon the contribution which the organization makes to the scholarship and conduct of its members. though the individual student will continue to be responsible for his scholarship and conduct whether be does or does not belong to a fraternity, the worth of that membership will be evaluated in terms of what it adds to college life.

Naturally there are intangible values to membership in any group. Often much is said for these benefits of fraternal life. Yet no matter how fine they may be, they cannot outweigh the prime importance of good scholarship and citizenship in a university community.

What then are the major re-

sponsibilities of the college fra-

The first responsibility of the fraternity is to promote good scholarship. Good scholarship can be encouraged best by the sound scholarship is the basic conduct of their members.

measure of a successful college career. In addition to develop-ing this belief, the fraternity needs provide the proper recognition for good students. The fraternity has an obligation maintain conditions suitable for study and an activity and social program which does not encroach upon study time, Neglect of these responsibilities can make the fraternity a negative influence in the student's college life.

The second responsibility of the fraternity is to provide good citizenship.

Good citizenship can be encouraged best by the conviction of every member that there can be no compromise with the laws of the community or the standards of an educated society. The fraternity dare not encourage nor condone conduct that is illegal or immoral if it is to be a wholesome influence in the student's life.

The stated ideals of fraternities are high. Yet, all too often the actual practice betrays an ignorance or indifference to them. The future of fraternities, their continued privilege to provide the housing and social en-vironment for students, will be tied closely with their adherance to their ideals and their acceptance of their share of responconviction of every member that sibility for the scholarship and

#### From The Cornell Sun

# Sports, Education Split Proposal Taken To Task

In the March issue of the Atlantic Monthly, Harold W. Stoke, Dean of the Graduate School of the University of Washington, has written an article, "College Athletics-Edu-Show Business?" Or which offers several ridiculous arguments for an equally ridicu-lous solution to this important

problem. Stoke makes one basic and sweeping assumption on which his entire article is based—"College athletics is public entertain-We are willing to agree with this statement to some extent, but not to the exaggerated sense which Stoke believes.

In the first place, Stoke insists: "The appetite of the public cannot be satisfied by the quality of the entertainment which can be provided by athletics governed by academic regulations.

Stoke neglects to explain why this appetite cannot be satisfied, but rather proceeds to tell us that academic regulations are flagrantly by-passed by the instituions which are meeting the public's demands. True, these rule evasions take

place in some places, but we should not sit idly by and accept them as Stoke is inclined to do. Through diligent efforts by men of integrity and strong character, we should be able to weed out these dangerous influences which have crept into college athletic scene in the past two decades.

As a solution to the problem. Stoke suggests that the colleges should "make the admission, both inside and outside the universities, that our programs of intercollegiate athletics are operated primarily as public entertainiment and not as educational responsibilities." Again, we ques-tion whether it wise to simply make this admission and leave it

(This article was originally printed as a guest column on the editorial pages of the condition in those places where it condition in those places where it exists? Even Stoke is willing to admit that there are some insti-

tutions where this is not the case. Why not make these instiutions, where athletics are not operated primarily as public entertainment, the rule rather than the exception. If need be, let us revert back to the position of strictly intramural athletics and discard the intercollegiate program.

This step, we believe, would not

be necessary, however, as the intercollegiate program can be curbed and controlled by the proper authorities.

Stoke proposes to completely divorce the intercollegiate athletic program from the educational program which, he feels, is hampered and degraded by the athletic tie-in. He urges that the program of public entertainment become an acceptable and legitimate part of the college program with the contention that "self-support for athletics as public entertainment is at once a financial liberation and a restraint."

Continuing with the argument that athletes are a different breed of people than other students, Stoke submits "nothing of the obligation to meet academic requirements, if they cannot or do not wish to do so."

We cannot agree with Stoke on these points, either. There is absolutely no reason why an athlete cannot be a student as well. True, there is no indication that athletic ability goes hand-in-hand with mental ability, but there is the same lack of proof that the opposite is true

We can only hope that many of Stoke's proposals are written with tongue-in-cheek. It is hard to conceive why any man of intelligence is willing to accept condins which he realizes are harmful and deterimental to the reputa-tion of our educational system,

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#### The Student Forum

# Where Are We?

Someone is missing out if he belives "college life" refers only to the atmosphere of the student, whether in class, at or escaping from the books, or at home reporting to his parents. There is another way of looking at things collegiate which is probably a good deal more orderly and reasonable than the student's usual

It is available to students for the nominal fee of a little curiosity and not too much work. All he needs to do is to as himself just what there is acout teaching a group of young men and women a few things about a few subjects which is attractive to the person standing in front of the class with lettue

Something must be there to justify an engineer's turning down a job in design, a newspaperman's keeping away from the smell of paper and ink, the physicist's resistance to intriguing jobs on the AEC, and the economist's rejection of a vicepresidency in some large firm. It certainly is not a higher 7 te of pay or a lack of opportunity.

As much a household joke as the absent-minded professor has become, it is that interest in and concentration upon subject matter which rewards the college instructor. He feels that what he is doing has an importance of its own which cannot be put in the budget book. He feels that transferring as much as he can of his own enthusiasm to a group of students is a job which pays for itself. He feels if he find one mind a year ready and willing to grasp the spark, he has been rewarded amply for all the lost glamour, forsaken dollars and even the ridicule

from outside the University. His concentration is not to be confused with narrowminded-ness. Although he knows he himself is particularly concerned with his own field, he knows also that the men in the next building have their intense interest and, best of all, are will-

ing to discuss it, just as he is. The discussions occur and each man goes away knowing more, thinking better, always questioning and answering, never

stagnant Instructors are willing to share the results of this in erplay of minds with any student who desires to do so. This is a kind of teaching and learning which cannot take place in classroom or be reached through a lecture. It is a perron to person thing with no absolutes, no equations—only, "This is what I have discovered what do you think of it?

And it is here that the real benefits of teaching in a university and, more important, of attending a university are to be found. Nothing much beyond what can be written down can be taught in a classroom. It is only across a table, whether a desk, in an office or a booth in the local coffee joint that students can get an inkling of what it is like to be a thinking human being all of the time as well as a good workman eight

hours day.

This is just as important a function of university life as the books and parties and activities. Taken from a life-long viewpoint, it is probably the most valuable thing a university of- ofchange ideas with someone who knows where he is,

### From The Colorado Daily

## Another College Paper Gives Student Tax Plea

ents, the National Student Association, and employers have been complaining about the low \$600 income tax exemption.

Students find the exemption places a virtual \$600 limit on their yearly earnings. Employers find that the exemption forces students to quit their jobs in order not to lose the exemption for their parents. Parents are forced to shoulder more than their share of the financial burden of sending their children to college, because the student is compelled to place a ceiling on his earnings.

Now both political parties have The Republican - dominated House Ways and Means committee has tentatively passed a tax bill which includes a proposal to allow parents to claim as an exemption any student, as long as they provide more than half of his support. The student could earn over \$600 and still could be claimed by his parents as a de-pendant. He would, however, have to pay income tax on his own income if it exceeded \$600.

Senator Walter George (D-Ga.) suggested a more liberal plan. He recently promised to fight for a proposal which would raise the entire exemption to \$800 this year and to \$1,000 next year. His proposal would enable the student to earn, tax-free, \$200 more this year and \$400 more next year than previously

Besides these plans, several bills have been introduced in Congress pertaining to this problem, Abraham Multer (D-NY) has led the fight to allow parents to deduct all reasonable expenses for a college education. Neither party has adopted this plan, however.

Although George's proposal would probably be the most beneficial to the students, and the most practical politically, any one of the three plans would be thoroughly welcomed by col-

Barring political maneuvers and Congressional horse trading, there may be a common sense answer to the tax-tied student's problem this year.

### University **Bulletin Board**

WEDNESDAY Union Seminar "Reds in Latin America," 4 p.m., Faculty Lounge, Union.

Pi Lambda Theta, Meeting, 5 p.m., 316 Union Free Dance Lessons. 7 p.m.,

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p.m., Room 108, Burnett. THURSDAY

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