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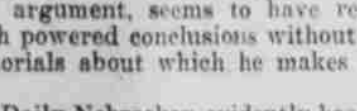
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Weird Tales.

Student editors with "messages" should be
forced to stay after school and siphon out
the ink wells, if we may take an inference
from John Bentley's sport column "I May Be
Wrong." Mr. Bentley, just as many others
who have entered The Nebraskan's jobs for
athletes argument, seems to have reached a
few high powered conclusions without reading
the editorials about which he makes edifying
remarks.

"The Daily Nebraskan evidently has another
editorial writer with a 'message,'" decides
Brother Bentley in his Friday evening blowoff.
"This time the school paper is hanging its
head in shame because of the crass proselyting
campaign which it says the athletic depart-
ment has gone in for this past summer and
the next moment it is flaring up with indignation
because all the jobs available are given to
athletes."

Much as we hate to contradict the local
commentator, The Nebraskan has never ac-
cused the University of Nebraska of proselyting
athletes. We maintain that Nebraska is
one of the squarest, fairest schools in the
country when it comes to amateur athletics.

But we still contend that athletes do not
deserve all available part time jobs in Lin-
coln. Good students should have a chance at
them.

Bentley, gathering more steam, continues:
"The editorial writer declares that we are
living in an 'athletic age.'" Here, again, the
sportsman is off his journalistic base. The ath-
letic age statement appeared in a letter writ-
ten to the editor by a Nebraska athlete who
defended the athletic department's job filling
campaign. Mr. Bentley must have read The
Nebraskan's editorials by remote control.

"It is simply the case of one more editor-
ial writer with a message," concludes the
columnist. "And you can't stop those boys,
once they get rolling."

That seems to be the only right statement
in "I May Be Wrong."

Unfortunately, many students have taken
the same impression from The Nebraskan's
editorials that Mr. Bentley has expressed. The
athletic department feels that we have a per-
sonal grudge of some sort against them. Quite
the contrary. The blame for this athletic
flooding of jobs cannot be placed entirely
upon the athletic department.

The University of Nebraska administra-
tion should attempt to encourage promising
students to attend this institution. If that
were done, the university would regain its bal-
ance. At present, however, the athletic de-
partment is entering prep school fields as a
lone wolf, bringing its choice of athletes to
the university. No attempt is being made to
corral brilliant students.

Difficulty seems to rest in the fact that
the athletic department is awake to the neces-
sity of bringing good material to Nebraska.
The rest of the university is dozing.

Why not organize a personnel depart-
ment to assist in the discovery of promising
students and to help provide them with jobs?
Other schools have found this system effec-
tive; but Nebraska seems content to let her
athletic department do all of the promoting.

Athletes do not deserve all of the outside
job consideration—but they are getting it.

Assistant Dean W. C. Harper takes issue
with The Nebraskan in an interview granted
the Omaha Bee-News yesterday.

"We make no attempt to show favorit-
ism in conducting our employment bureau,"
he explains. "Any boy who signs up for a
job has just as good a chance of getting one
as his fellow students, regardless of whether
they're athletes or not."

This refers to the university employment
bureau, which attempts to provide work for
needy students. Its efforts on their behalf,
however, are not strenuous enough. The em-
ployment bureau cannot compete with high
pressure men who get in touch with prospects
and take a personal interest in securing posi-
tions for them. After the athletic department
gets through canvassing Lincoln, the employ-
ment bureau gets the remains.

Put the blame where you will, the univer-
sity is losing many valuable students because
the athletic department engages so actively in
its job campaign.

Last Dance

Just when the A. W. S. board has college
girls checking themselves out and double check-
ing in at 12:30, E. W. raises another howl. He
fears that parties will edge over the 11:30
closing time, thus putting the check-room-
lunch-counter battle back in circulation.

We feel confident that Greek social chair-
men will rally to the cause of 12:30 nights and
order their parties closed at 11:30. Perhaps
they feel that a discreet shoving up of the
party deadline will bring another fifteen
minutes of social appreciation for coeds.

Such action would put The Nebraskan, the
Student council and the Associated Women
Students board in embarrassing positions, for
they banked on the support of party throwers.
The rational, logical objection of 12:15
nights rested in the impracticability of rush-
ing back to sorority and rooming houses a
scant forty-five minutes after the close of a
party. 12:30 is late enough. Social chairmen
who attempt to snake out an extra quarter-
hour may be cutting their own throats.

Last week it looked as though the drill
field tennis courts were to be used as parking
spaces, judging from size of the holes in back-
stops.

MORNING MAIL

Editor Answers.

TO THE EDITOR:
We appreciate your Morning Mail criti-
cism of the September number of the Ne-
braska Alumnus. We are only sorry that it
came to us in such an indirect manner.

T. W. I. is correct in assuming that one of
the functions of our magazine should be the
devoting of space to those who have achieved
marked success in their chosen professions.
From the conclusions at which he arrived, I
take it that he did not read the article, "These
Sixty Years" by Chancellor Burnett, nor
glance at the pictorial section, "We're Proud
of These Nebraskans." In such sections as
these we hope to bring out a pride and loyalty
such as that to which he refers. And in de-
veloping such sections we would be only too
glad to receive any suggestions or any such
information that he might have which would
enable us to give publicity to those who are so
richly deserving of it.

We have, however, other duties to per-
form. One of these is the providing of a me-
dium in which alumni may keep in touch with
one another. It is to meet this need that each
September we devote considerable space to
the listing of occupations and addresses of the
class which graduated the previous spring. In
doing this nothing would have pleased us more
than to be able to display a picture of "Sam
Smith, who, unknown in college, stepped into
a position as president of some growing busi-
ness concern. But in writing this article we
were limited in that we could use only such in-
formation and pictures as we had been able
to gather. And so far as we could find out,
none of the graduates of '30 stepped into such
a position as president of a growing concern.
So we had to content ourselves with informa-
tion concerning those who started out in a
humble manner as teachers, farmers, clerks,
and other such "mediocre jobs" as you would
have us ignore.

A letter from a certain alumnus which came
to my desk this morning brings out, I believe,
the difference between your point of view and
that held by one who has been away from the
university for years. This alumnus stated that
he enjoyed glancing over the cover, the stories
and pictures about those who were achieving
great things. But his real interest did not lie
in any of these. He wrote asking for more
class notes and, in particular, information
about "Bill Jones" who has been out of school
for eight years and now, with a family of
three, is living in Chicago where he is just an
ordinary bank clerk on a salary of \$175 a
month.

OSCAR NORLING, EDITOR.
The Nebraska Alumnus.

Bad Time.

TO THE EDITOR:
Now what shall be done? First the stu-
dents complain that they don't have time to
eat, or get their coats from the check girl, and
still get in before 12:15. Then an obliging
A. W. S. board moves the time limit down to
12:30 o'clock. One is satisfied, and departs for
parties or the park over the weekend with con-
fidence that he will not starve or go home bat-
tled from lack of time to eat or collect wraps.

A shock awaits him. Instead of playing the
final number at 12:30 o'clock, as has been the
custom, the orchestra leaders delay the last
foxtrot until approximately 11:45, leaving only
the all-too-short forty-five minutes for the
homeward rush.

One of two things could be done. Either
students must leave in the midst of the dance,
or else the orchestras must be turned off
promptly at 11:30. Of the two alternatives, the
latter seems the best method. Students simply
will not leave until the last dance is ended.
On the other hand, with a little co-operation
from fraternity and sorority social chairmen,
the music can very easily be stopped at the
usual time giving the party-goers "that extra
fifteen minutes" that they did their best to
get. E. W.

On Sororities.

TO THE EDITOR:
Greek-letter organizations come in for a
lot of condemnation, much of which is ex-
aggerated and unwarranted, but the treatment
of pledges after rushweek deserves all it gets,
speaking from a sorority point of view. This
does not refer to the conduct of individual
sororities in beginning the discipline of their
own freshmen, but to the snobbery shown by
some sorority members towards girls they have
rushed and lost.

Every sorority can't have the same pledge.
She has a big choice to make in a short time,
and the good old rush line claims that friends
are friends no matter what rushweek does, and
as a general rule this is true. But every lodge
contains someone who makes a particularly
good impression on the freshman girl, some-
one whom she feels she would like to make a
friend, and when such people snub her after
her decision has been made some other way, it
is very disheartening.

Older coeds would do well to remember
that there are many disillusionments in col-
lege life, as well as many bright spots, and
when they show their own hypocrisy by high-
hating freshmen, who are due for a general
let-down anyway, they are being unnecessarily
cruel.

This campus seems to be overrun with lit-
tle children and our dogs. We know where
the little dogs go.

SWEZEY, 70, HAS BEEN
COLLEGE PROFESSOR
FOR FIFTY YEARS BUT
NEVER ABSENT ON AC-
COUNT ILLNESS.
(Continued from Page 1.)
Andover, Mass. He attended that
institution for four years, receiv-
ing his bachelor of divinity degree
in the spring of 1880.
Occupied Pulpits.
During the summer following
his ordination into Congregational
ministry, he occupied several pul-
pits in eastern United States, trav-
eling from place to place. But
somehow he felt the urge to be an
educator, and as luck would have
it he received an offer from the
Congregational college in Ne-
braska, located at Crete.

Coming to Crete in September,
1880, he immediately took up his
work as a professor of general
sciences. He had really no inten-
tions of becoming an astronomer,
he said, until the new observatory
was built later on. After that, he
added, he could not resist the
temptation to study the heavens
and all its glory.

Hence Professor Swezey has
now come to be recognized as one
of the leading men in his line, and
naturally the curious reporter
could not keep from questioning
him on a few matters. For in-
stance, there's the matter about
the sun.

"How hot is the sun?" was the
first question to be raised.
"The temperature of the sun it-
self is about 5,700 degrees centi-

grade and by mathematical divi-
sion the sun is found to be fifty-
seven times hotter than boiling."
"If it is so hot, why doesn't it
burn up?"

Sun Explained.
To which query Professor Swe-
zey offered the following explana-
tion:
Scientists have long known that
the sun is too hot to burn, in the
way a match, a pinch of gunpow-
der or a pan of gasoline burns.
The sun would tend to dissociate
rather than combine a vaporized
body.

When gasoline burns, the hy-
drogen and carbon of which it is
composed combine with the oxy-
gen of the air and give off heat.
Hydrogen and oxygen combine on
the earth to form water. They do
not do that in the sun. The heat
there is so intense that if water
could be poured on the sun it
would instantly break up into its
basic elements—hydrogen and
oxygen.

Like the earth's atmosphere, the
sun gets cooler higher up, the
astronomer explained. The chro-
mosphere, as the sun's atmosphere
is called, is 1,000 degrees cooler
than the solar body itself. But

anybody will agree with Professor
Swezey that 4,700 degrees are still
plenty hot.

D. G. S. SIGMA PHI
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CHOICE TICKETS
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Overcash, Roy E.
Rapp, Eugene
White, Charles
Crawford, Arthur
Gardner, Richard
Thoma, Al
Schubert, Clarence
Humphreys, Lowell
Phi Mu
Smith, Mary
Butcher, John
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Phi Sigma Kappa
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