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The Big Six —A Tartar.

SPORT circles are still buzzing about the moral victory Kansas State boasts of having achieved over Nebraska in holding the favored Huskers to a scoreless tie. It seems that some sort of Nebraska record was broken by the tie, this being the first time that a Nebraska team had failed to come back and win after a loss the preceding game. This unusual state of affairs immediately brought forth much criticism, much of it unfounded.

Various and sundry reasons have been advanced by the many pseudo-sports experts for the listless game played by the Huskers: They were tired from the Minnesota game, they did not give their all, there was poor quarterbacking. Any or all or none of these reasons may be right. Probably it was the expected case of an unavoidable letdown following a crucial struggle.

The Nebraskan, however, does not intend to pass judgment on the cause for the tie. Rather it desires to point out one thing this school and its followers must become conscious of and that is the fact that every other Big Six team plays over its head when it meets Nebraska.

This is not to make an excuse for the tie by Kansas State or previous conference defeats, for the Wildcats are undoubtedly one of the strongest teams in the conference. It is merely to observe a too evident truth which causes the Huskers no end of trouble annually.

Nebraska is the big game of the year for Kansas, Kansas State, Iowa State, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Lose all the rest of their games they may, but if they beat the Scarlet their season is a huge success. All season long they point for the Nebraska battle. Their schedules are arranged to give them plenty of time to prepare for the Huskers. Their coaches pound "Beat Nebraska" into their respective players' heads until that slogan fairly oozes out of every gridster. And when the Nebraska game comes around, the Huskers find themselves pitted against a bunch of keyed-up, fighting players who keep them on the move every minute. That's what the Big Six has in store for Nebraska usually—every opponent a Tartar.

Yet that is not Big Six football. The Big Six conference is consistently given one of the lowest ratings of any grid loop in the nation. Nebraska is the only team in the conference that maintains a non-conference schedule that is top-notch. Kansas and Kansas State are coming up rapidly by scheduling more important opponents than heretofore, but they still lag, while remaining schools of the conference content themselves with playing second-rate non-conference teams.

They sit back playing easy teams like St. Benedict's, Upper Iowa, Cornell college, Northeast Missouri Teachers, Wm. Jewell, Warrensburg, Washington university, Hayes Teachers (this year a surprise), and New Mexico. Right there is where the Big Six gets its low rating. More than half its teams play too many breathers which every so often provide them with unexpected reverses.

One of two things is wrong here: Either they haven't the material or they haven't the nerve to play a strong non-conference schedule as does Nebraska. But that doesn't keep them from firing both barrels at Nebraska when the time comes.

In the face of this concerted "get Nebraska" movement, however, the Huskers have still brought home the Big Six pennant five out of seven times, which is a remarkable record and one which seems to conclusively indicate that so far the Huskers have played a brand of football superior to that of their conference opponents. In fact, it is regularly advocated that Nebraska seek admittance into the Big Ten since every indication is that the Huskers are too good for the Big Six and should travel in faster company.

It is questionable whether Nebraska wants in the Big Ten although it is certainly of Big Ten caliber. For Nebraska doesn't need to get into the Big Ten to get stiff competition even though Big Six teams are more or less mediocre for she gets something in every Big Six tussle that other conference teams are lucky enough to escape as a rule—an opponent who is pointing for her.

Nebraska fans have got to educate themselves to this fact. That the Big Six conference presents a formidable barrier to Nebraska hopes as has been capably demonstrated on several occasions. Half of the Big Six is on the way up, and when or if the other half follows suit the Big Six will be tougher still. In addition, more and more men are turning out for football at other Big Six schools, an indication that they are not content with the too-frequent reign of Nebraska teams, and Nebraska is going to have to do something to match their strides.

The Cornhusker public must realize these facts and remember that when Nebraska plays a Big Six team it is playing an opponent who

for that day at least is no second rate aggregation.

The Nebraskan has faith that the Cornhuskers will continue to dominate the Big Six no matter how difficult the job may be, but it will take the co-operation and understanding and backing of all Cornhusker followers. If they will give these things no fear need prevail for our fate in the conference.

STUDENT PULSE

Brief, concise contributions pertinent to matters of student life and the university are welcomed by this department, under the usual restrictions of sound newspaper practice, which excludes all libelous matter and personal attacks. Letters must be signed, but names will be withheld from publication if so desired.

Why a New Song? TO THE EDITOR:

Lester Palmer's new Nebraska song and the failure of it to meet with general approval have started several embryo songwriters composing something that will do for Nebraska what "Anchors Away" has done for the naval academy. Palmer's song was not accepted as the proper thing, and the writeup in the current Awgwan will probably put it out of existence.

But before the students of Nebraska have another song, they should learn what to do with the ones they have now. "There is No Place Like Nebraska" should meet every requirement of a rousing pep song. It has been played in medleys with other college songs by dance bands in the state and comes up to most of them. What the students should do is to get behind this song and make it known over the entire country.

"The Cornhusker" also has all the qualities that an alma mater song should have. The reason these songs are not so popular as some of those of other colleges is not that they are not good enough to compare with them but because the student body is not backing them. The alumni of the university do not want the school songs changed. Hearing either of these two songs is what brings back memories of their alma mater. A new song would not do this. What connection can a song first released in 1935 have with the school days of someone who was here in 1910?

There is no reason why Nebraska songs are not played over the radio like other college songs except the fact that they have not been given the proper publicity. When Lawrence Ely was chosen for Grantland Rice's All-American eleven for Colliers magazine, the selection was announced over the Columbia broadcasting chain. The college song of each man was played immediately after his name was read. The song played in connection with Ely was something few Nebraskans had ever heard. Something that was written probably by a fraternity brother of the president of the broadcasting company back in 1915 was heard by the listeners. If the song had been "There is No Place Like Nebraska," everyone would have recognized it, the Nebraska fans as a Nebraska song, and others as a college song.

Where is the University of Nebraska department of public relations when college songs are being called to the attention of broadcasting stations and dance band directors? The Nebraska football team is no detriment to the school. It probably brings as many students here as any agency. The school and the team would receive more publicity if a song was known that could be played in connection with broadcasts about the Nebraska eleven.

The students should do their share of advertising a song. Evidently they will have to do all of it. They should expect to give it their whole-hearted support at least while they are in school. All the current attention on new songs might result in neglect of those they have now, and the situation grow even worse than it is—if that is possible.

L. L.

Seems Like Home. TO THE EDITOR:

The editorial by "G. P." was of special interest to me. It was so different from anything I should have contributed three years ago. At that time I was an import from one of the state's smallest colleges, having attended it for one year.

At the beginning of my University of Nebraska career it seemed almost incredible to me that people were so friendly. They really seemed interested in me. They were not "high hat." They were willing to help me, even were glad to do so.

There seemed to be an endless number of organizations—that were inexpensive—with which a "barb" could affiliate himself and so facilitate becoming acquainted.

(These were my first reactions. Sometimes a halo becomes a bit rusty after looking at it for three years, especially if a person sees how it is made.)

However, one of my impressions about Nebraska which I feel will be most lasting is: "It's always seemed like home." A. C.

Campus Friendship. TO THE EDITOR:

Congratulations, and a few Winchell's orchids to you, G. P. In stating in a recent Student Pulse that Nebraska is a friendly school, but coldly so, you hit the well known nail on its equally well known head. Nebraska is friendly, but it is certainly friendly in a cold, distant way.

The student union was one solution, but as you stated, it was taken from us. The fraternity standpoint might be argued. It is obvious that fraternity members have more opportunity to make social contacts and consequently acquire a wider range of friendship than do the unaffiliated students.

Activities help in making contacts, and there is the Barb organization for unaffiliated students. That is one thing that would be of great aid if interest and enthusiasm could be aroused for the matter. The poor attendance at the mass meeting for Barb men held last week was proof that general interest has not been aroused as yet.

Some organization such as the Barbs is perhaps the best bet to make Nebraska a friendly school in the true sense of the word, G. P., but certainly it will have to be worked up to a point where there is a little co-operation and support for the organization. Then perhaps one will have more than a dozen or

so speaking acquaintances and four or five friends that are a little more than just speaking acquaintances.

As one enters his last year here, it is surprising to find that those persons whom he does know are the very ones he started out with three years ago. A few new ones come upon the scene as he goes along, but not many. The majority of his friends are those he made as a freshman. If this Barb proposition could be worked out successfully, that would be changed. He would make new friends as he went along, and by the time he was a senior, he would have many more friends than just those he made upon entering Nebraska.

D. S.

Let There Be Quiet! TO THE EDITOR:

Serious students spend much of their time in the reserve room of main library. Even students who would resent being called "serious" spend an occasional hour there. These periods of study are prone to interruption unless the student concentrates on the page before him without a flicker of interest when two sorority sisters run up to each other, or someone goes from window to window to adjust the draft.

Unless the student has unusual powers of concentrating, or the material is exceedingly interesting, the bare wood floor which creaks and groans under footsteps will continually rouse him from his work. The room is large, and echoes, once started, take minutes to die down. This combination of noisy floors and lasting echoes is enough to make any student who wants to study give up in despair.

There are two possible solutions to this problem, but only one is feasible. A new library is the best solution, but until one can be achieved, a mat would serve successfully to deaden sounds and provide students with a quiet room for study.

T. L.

They Don't Know We're Here. TO THE EDITOR:

The University of Nebraska has long hid its light under a bushel. It shies from publicity to such an extent that outstate citizens

Time Magazine Pays Tribute To Bible in This Week's Issue

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Coach Bible says that winning games gives him less satisfaction than it used to but losing them is more painful. At Nebraska, his football squads usually contain a plethora of oversized Nordic farm boys. Most Midwestern teams enjoy elaborate junkets lasting from two days to a week. Coach Bible's squads rarely play far from Lincoln, arrive only a few hours before the game.

A large source of income to his colleagues of comparable distinction comes from newspaper writing. Coach Bible rejects offers of this kind on the ground that it would be "chiseling" sports-writers. He seems to enjoy golf, which he plays badly. He discusses football with his wife at the dinner table, carefully avoids football jar-

wonder if Creighton isn't a larger school.

The universities of Kansas, Iowa, Oklahoma, and Missouri all burst into the rotogravure sections with some regularity, and furnish some really interesting publicity about their school. Four times a year, (sometimes), the pictures of Nebraska's sweetheart, honorary colonel, prom girl, and May queen are sent out from the university, and at those widely separated dates the attention of the outside world is called to the existence of our institution. Lately, an enterprising Omaha photographer has made some good shots of registration and rallies, but their distribution is limited to the circulation of that paper.

A disgruntled student in our frat once remarked to me that when these classic beauties do appear, they offer no startling advertisements for the pulchritude supposedly possessed by this institution. In fact, last year's Awgwan selected a number of so called "beauties" whose pictures were arranged together in a block in an Omaha paper—resembling very much a plain mud fence.

When the legislature slashes the university appropriation in two, some people say "hard times." Maybe so, but I think that if the citizens of the state were made a little more "university conscious," and had the activities of this school kept before their eyes every day, there wouldn't be so much penny pinching in the higher educational centers of our state.

Look at our campus! A fire trap library that won't accommodate the students who do venture near, decaying University hall, tottering Nebraska hall, rotting Pharmacy hall, and a landscape plan that's the envy of every college for miles around.

Then look at Iowa State or Iowa U., Kansas State or Kansas U.—odd that where greatest outside interest is centered in the school the school is kept up best.

Publicity costs very little—just the time and expense of collecting fact, features, and pictures about the school and sending them to newspapers. The newspapers want it—university news has a high market value because of a great interest group. The athletic department has discovered this, and its financial returns for the publicity devised need not be elaborated upon. Better spend less time driving money changers from the temples of education and put up some publicity props before the rotting temples cave in.

G. R.

WATSON BEECH GETS RESEARCH POSITION

Watson E. Beech, who received his masters degree from the department of zoology last June, has been given a research fellowship at Iowa State College, for work with the Biological survey on game management problems.

According to President Angell of Yale, an historical novel is like a bustle. It is a fictitious tale based on a stern reality.

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Student Council.
Student Council pictures for the 1936 Cornhusker at the Campus studio, at 5 p. m. Wednesday. All members are ordered to be there on time.

Intramural Managers.
A meeting of the intramural managers from each fraternity will be held at 7:30, Thursday, Oct. 24, in the N-club room at the Coliseum. A decision whether or not to have soccer included in the intramural sports must be reached.

Student Council.
The student council will meet Wednesday at 5 o'clock in the council rooms in U. hall.

Brackett Speaks.
"What's Ahead?" was the subject on which Prof. E. E. Brackett spoke at the A. S. A. E. meeting Tuesday evening at 7:30 in the Ag Engineering building.

Gamma Alpha Chi.
Gamma Alpha Chi will meet Thursday evening at 7 o'clock in Ellen Smith hall.

A. S. C. E. Holds Meeting.
Pictures surveying the 1935 camp at Ashland will be shown at the meeting of the American Society of Civil Engineers to be held Wednesday evening at 7:30 in the Mechanical Arts building.

Successful use of an instrument—the "Coagulating ventriculoscope"—which bores thru the brain to the skull pan and burns away tissues producing a fluid that causes hydrocephalus, a condition causing infants to become idiots, has been announced by Dr. Tracy J. Putnam of the Boston Children's hospital.

Honor systems of some kind or another exist in about 20 percent of American colleges and universities. They are more prevalent in privately-controlled institutions than in either public or denominational schools.

College lads are hitching socks to garters again, says James L. Whitcomb, Brown University student, who recently confided to the New England conference of the State Federations of Women's Clubs that the return of the garter marks a new epoch in undergraduate life.

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