

EDITORIAL PAGE

The Scent Of Victory

It's hard to play football for a student body.

If you're a football player, one minute you may be the most popular man on campus.

If you're a football team, you're appreciated only as long as you win games or lose by considerably smaller margins than predicted.

If you're a coach, every defeat is laid at your shoes, but every win passes as just a matter of course.

It's hard to play football for a student body. And it's just as hard to play for the O Street crowd.

Take the case of one of the players who works down town. Everyday a half dozen persons ask, partly in jest but mostly in seriousness, "Well, Joe, you ever going to win a game?"

Take the example of Sunday night's welcome when the team came home from Pitt. Cheerleaders had rounded up a fairly sizeable group to meet the Huskers at the station—estimated some place between 50 and 150 persons.

During a slow-starting season it's easy to lapse into the old cliché, "It doesn't matter whether you win or lose; it's how you played the game," or into the oft-heard statement, "I just hope we can manage to live through those long Saturday afternoons."

You'd think the Huskers didn't know how to wear shoulder pads. The Varsity can play football—and it has on two occasions. Its performances against Illinois and Pittsburgh were outstanding afternoons of football—for any team.

We have nothing to be ashamed of in our team. We are not consigned to "long Saturday afternoons" in Memorial Stadium.

We have a football team. We believe it can win.

Beings From Space

Chalk one up for the devotees of Science Fiction.

Flying saucers are once again under discussion.

Retired Marine Major Don Keyhoe, in a recent book, entertains the possibility that saucers are real and that some attempt to conceal the facts about them is being maintained.

His thesis, in spite of official U.S. Air Force opinion to the contrary, is that the unsolved and unexplained sightings are evidence that extraterrestrial beings are conducting a surveillance of the earth.

Let's suppose that non-earthbound beings were watching us?

What would they see?

Looking at the NU campus, they might wonder at the abundance of so-called queens; a "one-hit" charity drive which includes both a pre-drive and a follow up drive, and a faculty committee which spent 3 years trying to revise the numbering of courses, only to report that the task was too involved.

They'd notice the city of Lincoln with yearning for a city auditorium but unable to build it because of lack of agreement for a site.

And if they happened to be interested in the affairs of the State of Nebraska, they would probably ponder over the fact that everyone is for "an equitable tax assessment," yet if it means raising one's own assessment it's a different story.

If our beings were not discouraged by this time and decided to view the national scene, they might find any number of paradoxes and discordant concepts. In fact, they would probably become confused themselves trying to figure out all the confusion.

For the clincher, the extraterrestrial beings could take a look at the world situation. What they witnessed would probably convince them that earthmen were beyond hope.

After their quick survey, the visitors from space would no doubt conclude that "they never had it so good," and return to their own world.

Come to think of it, this might be our best defense against men from other worlds—just show them what we're like.—E.D.

Calling The Shots

It hurts us to say this — but the Student Council is on the ball.

At least in one matter.

Last year a member of the Council, elected from the College of Arts and Sciences, served a full term—despite the fact that he had entered the College of Law in the fall.

This year, however, the same situation arose. An arts college representative entered law. But this year he was removed from the Council.

Applications for the position will be accepted by the Council next week. Congratulations, Council. You've been reading that constitution again.—K.R.

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There is no shame in losing honorably, but there is honor in winning nobly. Victory is at least one of the objectives of college competitive sports.

The team has demonstrated that it possesses the techniques for achieving victory. But what about the spirit?

In both the squad and the student body we need to generate the psychology of victory. It is in part a frame of mind. Victory must seem possible. Victory must seem desirable. Victory must seem all-important.

It is time for the team—and the student body—to get the scent of victory in their nostrils.

The team may find it difficult to play football for a fickle student body. In fact, it is impossible to play first-rate football week after week, for a student body—when the team wins no victories and the students don't care.

It is possible to play for the thrill of victory.

But first we've got to know what victory is. We've got to approach the Miami game in a different mood. We've got to generate a spirit of victory that will be sensed throughout the stadium. We've got to make the spirit contagious for the team.

In other words, let's make this game different. Let's taste how sweet victory can be.

Selling Justice

Testifying before Congressional investigating committees may soon become the most popular pastime of criminals and Communists. Or, at least, if the Eisenhower administration gets its way with Congress, come January.

The latest proposal from Washington, announced through Attorney General Brownell, is for legislation giving Brownell as attorney general, perhaps in conjunction with congressional committees themselves, the power to grant immunity to a witness who takes refuge behind the Constitution's 5th Amendment and refuses to answer questions at a congressional investigation.

The effect of such a law, according to Brownell, would allow a second-rate Communist, or fellow traveler, to be granted immunity from prosecution—if he spilled the goods on top-notch Communists.

Perhaps the goal is honorable. Undoubtedly we would prefer to uncover the important subversive leaders than no one at all, or at best second-rate Communists.

But who knows who is a No. 1 Communist and who is a No. 13 Communist? Suppose a self-described "No. 13" Communist should, after being granted immunity from prosecution, turn out to be the leader of an international atomic spy ring. If he confessed these sins to the investigating committee—under immunity—he could not be prosecuted.

Of course, the attorney general would immediately answer that one of his jobs is to determine who should be granted immunity and who should not, thus implying that he knows who the important Communists are. But does he? Obviously not, since the purpose of such a prosecution-free investigation would be to uncover these very persons.

The administration appears to be playing with fire in this new suggestion. The entire judicial system of the nation conceivably might be jarred by the powerful device of administratively-granted immunity.

If the President and the attorney general want to force the testimony of witnesses who fear incriminating themselves, they had better search up another alley. The immunity alley it too long and dark.—K.R.

Margin Notes

14th And Plowed Ground

The College of Agriculture appears to be moving on to the city campus.

Plowing, harrowing and leveling north of the Student Union have prepared the ground for what seems to be planting of winter wheat.

One of these mornings we hope the lot will be overgrown with student automobiles.

Colorful Campus

With pink dawns, crimson sunsets, and gold and brown foliage, October's normally blue weather is a carnival of colors.

Not to be left behind, the campus is keeping in step with the flashing atmosphere. The red door of the ATO's and the pink portal of the Beta Sigs are typical examples. The latest addition to the color scheme is the red iron gate of the Tri Deltas, the work of some overzealous frat pledge class, no doubt.

It's Tricky

Students who have a tendency to drop asleep while studying should be forewarned.

A young man in Denver went to sleep in his room, after hiding a billfold containing \$25 under his pillow. When he awoke, billfold and money were gone.

So was the pillow.

On The Aisle | Movie Causes Rush For Classical Disc

If anyone reads this column to determine which movie they will see over the coming week-end — which I doubt — you're going to be disappointed this week. If you read it for just what it is — one man's opinion about movies — you'll probably keep on reading. And if you never read this column, but just happen to be glancing at The Nebraskan more than usual today — fine!

I didn't see a movie in Lincoln this past week. However, there are two good ones you can see if you like. "Little Boy Lost" and "From Here To Eternity" are both worth the price, I assume. Go ahead and see either one.

The movie I'd like to talk about this week is "Story of Three Loves." I missed this when it was in Lincoln. An Omaha theater played it last week, so I went up to see it. I was interested in seeing the movie for two reasons. 1. Several people I consider having opinions closely akin to mine liked it, and 2. I tried to buy the "Variations on a Theme by Paganini" by Rachmaninoff, which is used as a background music in the film. All the music stores had sold out and quickly reordered more albums.

This second reason interested

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me. Why should copies of Rachmaninoff's Variations gather dust in the music house for years, then all of a sudden sell out because of a movie using it as background music?

Well, frankly, after seeing the movie I don't know why the public would rush down and buy the music. The movie was superb. The music was likewise done well. But still I don't know why the appeal was so great. When the movie "The Outlaw" came out, I don't remember a rush on music stores for "Tchaikovsky's 6th Symphony" which was the background music for that Howard Hughes expose of Jane Russell.

There's no doubt about it. "Story of Three Loves" was an unusually entertaining picture. I'd drive to Omaha to see it again. But if you can figure out why the music from it is so popular — hurry out to Hollywood and tell them your formula — they'll pay you millions. (Thousands, things are a little tight because of TV).

See you next week, after seeing a movie. — BOB SPEARMAN.

By ARNIE STERN

Back again after a week's absence due to an overabundance of advertising, I thought I would never see the day. At any rate, I want you to know what you missed.

In the column which was not published last Friday I had devoted most of the space to an analysis of coaching in general at the University of Nebraska.

My main point was in essence this: Athletic teams need for a coach a man who takes a sincere interest in his players so that they want to play and enjoy the game. A top sergeant does not fit the needs of bigtime football or other sports.

Nebraska athletics will be successful when the coaches can make the game enjoyable for the players, and when the players want to play for their school and their coach.

THE PARKING situation has been extremely bad the last couple of weeks due to the unavailability of the Union lot. As soon as the new lot is opened, the difficulty should be eased.

I, for one, cannot understand the idea behind two hour parking places within a two block radius of the campus. These two

hour spots merely keep a couple of motorcycle cops busy all day, and in addition they flood the parking ticket market.

I NOTICED where the Innocents Society passed some regulation dealing with a \$100 valuation limit for all Homecoming decorations. From where I stand it looks like a shoddy show for the visiting alumni. One hundred dollars won't buy much these days, but I guess the devilish 13 know what they're doing.

IN CLOSING I want to leave you with this thought: Don't cab drivers take lousy pictures?

University Bulletin Board

- FRIDAY Pep Rally To Begin At Coliseum, 6:50 p.m. SATURDAY "Music Makers" Dance, 8:30-11:30 p.m., Union Ballroom. SUNDAY Potluck With the Profs, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Ag Union. Music Sorority Week Opening, 2:30 p.m., Union.

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