

Wagon Boy Fight

Editors

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Dear Mr. Edwards:

I have had another letter from our dubious friend, Mr. Rosebush. I don't know whether he sent you a copy, but at any rate, here is a copy of my reply.

I did not mean to imply that the error in our figures was yours, but only that the two printed copies did not tally. Probably the error was mine.

I do hope you will come to Oklahoma. I shall be happy to see you. You can generally reach me by telephone in the afternoon. The University number is Jefferson 4-6900; my extension is 488. My office is in Kaufman Hall, 127. I live at 536 South Lahoma. The phone is under the name of John Alley, number Jefferson 4-6561. My colleague, Professor Harris, is a gun fancier. You may have seen his book The Look of the Old West, published last year. I should think he would be good for a piece in your magazine. He has published enumerable western stories. We have been teaching professional writing together for nearly twenty years.

It occurs to me also that it would be find if you could spend an hour while you are here on the campus talking to my class in Professional Writing. I don't know whether any of them are qualified to offer you acceptable copy just yet, but it would be a favor to me and a benefit to them to hear something of your experiences and policy, and perhaps your summing up relations of editors and writers.

We think we have the most successful writing school in North America. Certainly our pupils and graduates publish more copy than those of most of the other writing schools combined. Recently, we made a check of the sales reported to us during the past ten years. We found that our graduates and students have published over 150 books, and have reported sales to more than 900 different magazines published here and abroad. Of course, this is all free lance, as we have no record of the volume produced by staff writers.

Should you come down here at the time of our Writers' Conference, or Short Course (I enclose a copy of last year's program as a sample),