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Pipe courses and the reason they are pipes

Funny, isn't it, how foolish college students are. Now take a lot of them right here at Nebraska. When registration time comes around, their first thought is to find a couple of pipe courses to take, so they won't have to work the next semester. By pipe courses, they usually refer to courses that are easy to get 70's or 80's in. After all, what's the difference between a 70 and a 90, so long as you're healthy.

Pipes are those courses which you didn't have to study. Usually you don't need a textbook; and maybe you have to hand in a notebook that you copied from years before...and you come out with a 78 or 85...or some standard grade.

We don't exactly blame the students for taking the courses. After all, they're offered at the same price as a lot of other courses; and anyway, economists say there isn't such a thing as a downright truly economic man, or one who always gets the most for his money.

The sad part about it all is that students lose so much when they take a pipe course. Another course, maybe a little tougher, but one in which a fellow can learn something that may help his process of thought, or even come in as a practical advantage some day should be his course.

Probably one way in which the evil of the pipe course, which creates a

lazy type of student, one whose indolence may some day really hurt him, may be abolished is for professors and instructors to make every course they teach one that requires study and work. Yes, we've even taken courses that didn't require anything but class attendance, and that, not too often. We could write down a list of about a dozen professors on this university's faculty who use the same old exams, the same old lectures, and who have the same "I don't give a damn" attitude in teaching classes today that they probably had five or ten years ago.

Generally, the faculty here is a capable one. Probably every man on the faculty has the ability and knowledge to make every course taught a good course.

But professors, like students, aren't all good; they don't all do their jobs the way they should be done. Professors are sometimes inclined to take it easy and let things slide too.

Funnier than the student taking a pipe course however, is the professor teaching the course. He usually loses the respect of his students, and he's wasting a lot of money that might otherwise be put to work where it would do some good.

Incidentally, there are not as many pipes listed in the class schedules this year as there were last year; and, incidentally, there will probably be fewer next year.

An enlivened administration at this school has done more in the last two years to safeguard the real interests of the students than anything we have had here for probably fifteen years.

But there are still enough pipes listed and taught at Nebraska to convince us a lot of the money expended is being wasted. And the students aren't wasting it.



John L. Champe, anthropology instructor, is shown as he examines an Indian ossuary burial at Loretto, Nebr.

University crew . . .

Researchers discover Indian lodges, relics of Omaha tribe

John L. Champe, university anthropology instructor, heading a research crew, was rightfully pleased one day last summer when he looked down upon an old Omaha Indian skeleton holding a two-foot sword on his chest. The skeleton was found in the burial ground which was part of the first known Omaha Indian diggings to be found in many years.

The Omahas still live on their reservation near Winnebago, Neb., and comparatively little is known of their history except from the few records the tribe has handed down. To learn of this phase of early American history, university anthropologists have started with the recent location of the Omahas and are working further backward in time.

Use air photos.

Last spring Stanley Barots, jr., working at the laboratory of anthropology as WPA project supervisor, was able to trace the old Omaha creek bed from some AAA air photos of Dakota county. Investigation revealed fragmentary evidence of Indian villages and the university laboratory party began excavation on July 9.

After the location of the village was established the next step was the finding of the floors of the old earth lodges. One of the men noticed a piece of burned earth in a cornfield and, when the loose plowing was scraped off, more was found. Champe laid off a ten foot square and started slicing down one-half inch of dirt at a time. At 18 inches depth a posthole was found. It was decided that the holes must be at the edge of the round earth lodge floor. Thereafter it was simple to uncover the

entire lodge floor which measured about 35 feet in diameter.

Estimate age.

Archaeologists estimated the age of this lodge at about 125 years. No other lodges were found in the village until Sept. 15, altho the village is believed to have contained at least 150 lodges.

The crew moved on to some bluffs about a mile to the west and found two earth lodges of an older type, probably about 500 years old which were built by some tribe earlier in Nebraska history than the Omahas.

Cathedral choir holds vespers

Program at Cornhusker today opens 1941 series

The Lincoln Cathedral choir, directed by John Rosborough, will begin its 1941 series of Sunday afternoon vespers today in the Cornhusker ballroom at 5:30 p. m.

The program includes a prologue by Don Neier, student in the speech department, songs by the composers Christensen, Sullivan and Lugkin, and an address by Ruth MacMillan. All reveries for this season will be built around the theme, "The Fountain of Living Waters."

The organist for the choir is Don Truesdell, a student of Earnest Harrison.

The choir will make reservations for individuals or groups. Reservations will be held until 5:15.

YM nominates two for prexy

Committee picks Warren Lyness, Hugh Wilkins

Warren Lyness, Lincoln, and Hugh Wilkins, Geneva, have been selected as candidates for the office of president of the university YMCA for the coming year. Dr. C. H. Patterson, chairman of a nominating committee, announced yesterday. Candidates are nominated by this committee, and elected by vote of the entire membership, thru ballots sent by mail.

Wilkins is secretary of the YM and co-chairman of the regional commission of the World Student Christian Federation. Lyness is co-chairman of the YM-YW personal relations commission, one of the largest of all YM activity groups. Both nominees have attended Estes conference, state conference, and regional council meetings. Both are juniors in arts and sciences college. The candidates receiving a majority of votes will become president, while the other will serve as vice president.

Secretarial candidates.

Candidates for secretary are Ralph Schroeder, chairman of the Bible study commission, and Franklin Scudder, chairman of the committee on boys' work.

Ballots will be mailed to all members Saturday and must be returned to the office by Wednesday. Members of the nominating committee other than Patterson were retiring members Bob Howard, Darrell Randall, and Stanley Klein, and C. D. Hayes, ex officio.

MacMillan-

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Takes students along.

On his annual voyage to the school with food and other supplies, MacMillan takes with him a selected group of college students interested in polar science and exploration. On these trips, the commander and his party study glacier movements, animal and plant life, and meteorological conditions. Any student interested in his exploratory work may question MacMillan after his lecture.

MacMillan's achievements have been recognized by the American Geographical society and the British Royal Geographical society. He was elected to the Florence Nightingale Institute of Honorable and was awarded the Ellaha Kane Gold medal for "daring explorational scientific research."

Turnpike dance starts at 6:30

Beginning tonight the Turnpike will start its Sunday evening dances at 6:30 p. m. followed by five and one-half hours of continuous dancing. Dick Barrie and his orchestra will play for the first early dance tonight. If the plan suits university students it will be continued.

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than the 1940 version of the Nebraska football team.

First score amazes.

Many people figured that the game would be a rout. After the first five plays, when I saw Nebraska drive the length of the field for a touchdown, it began to look like perhaps the spectators were right, but the rout would come on the Nebraska side.

It is difficult to pick out individual members of a team that played collectively as well as did the University of Nebraska, but I should like to cite a few boys who created a lasting impression in California: Warren Alfson, for one, whose burly frame swarmed thru the Stanford line time and time again; Herman Rohrig, a mite of a man, and the term "mite" might well be an abbreviation for dynamite; Allen Zikmund, who on one occasion outran the fastest team in football—BUT I COULD GO ON AND ON. Sufficient to say that Biff Jones rounded a team which, as a whole, has few equals and no superiors.

Orchids to Johnny.

Now, a personal note. In broadcasting an important game, such as the Rose Bowl game this year, any announcer is naturally nervous. May I pay a very sincere and honest compliment to one individual who did more than any other to make the broadcast a success. His name is John McDermott, and he was my spotter in the broadcasting booth for the University of Nebraska. He not only knew the Nebraska team thoroly, but I had the pleasure of being with him several days before the game, and he coached me in the Nebraska offense and defense and in the one hundred and one little things that only a thoro student of the game would know about the Nebraska team. This, with great patience, he taught me, and I am greatly indebted to him for it. I have had many spotters during my varied career, but never before have I had one who was better, more capable, or at all times more gentlemanly than John McDermott.

If he typifies the youth of the University of Nebraska, all I can say is that I feel proud even to have been associated for one single day with such an organization.

Faust-

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sity may be in the chorus if they wish, either for credit or non-credit. There are no restrictions. "Everyone can sing a little," explained Dr. Westbrook in urging students to join the chorus. "It's a mistake to think that you need to have had private lessons to take part here."

"I need four or five basses with

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Uni Episcopal confirmation class meets Tuesday from 7 to 8 p. m. in the church.

GIRLS.

Girls interested in short time loans of small amounts for next semester should apply for a Mortar Board loan in the Dean of Women's office. This loan fund is open to freshmen.

INNER ORGANIZATION COUNCIL.

The Inner Organization Council will meet Monday at 12 in Ellen Smith. This council is composed of the presidents of all women's organizations on the campus and is sponsored by Mortar Board.

LUTHERAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION.

Lutheran Student Association will meet Sunday from 5:30 to 7 p. m. in parlors X and Y of the Union. Pastor Alvin M. Petersen will be the leader.

PROM COMMITTEE.

Prom committee will meet Monday at 2 p. m. in the DAILY office. All junior members must attend the meeting.

HILLEL.

Rabbi Morris Kertzer, Iowa City, will speak at a Hillel coffee hour to be held in the Union Sunday at 7:50 p. m.

deep, low voices especially," he asserted. "There aren't any boys in the school of music who can do it, but possibly some other students can."

Persons wishing to take part should see Dr. Westbrook as soon as possible. "Don't be afraid of learning the score, because Faust is very simple, not nearly as difficult as the Messiah, presented at Christmas."

The opera "Carmen" was given by the school of music last year.

Orfield attends meeting

Prof. L. B. Orfield of law college attended the Association of American Law Schools meeting in Chicago the last week in December. He was named chairman of the roundtable on equity at the 1941 meeting and also will deliver the principal paper entitled "Appellate Procedure in Equity Cases." While in Chicago, Professor Orfield also attended the annual meeting of the American Association of University Professors where he represented the University of Nebraska chapter.

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