

University Student;

Master Degree Candidate Studies 'Lack of Hearing'

By DICK SHUGRUE
Editorial Page Editor
Jack Smith knows, after four years of teaching in the Minnesota public schools, that there a lot

of people who never seem to hear what is being said.

And the candidate for the master's degree from the University is well aware that many studies have been made to determine why young and old alike can't hear or miss many sounds which are about them in the world.

Smith, who graduated from St. Cloud, Minn., is working for his master's degree in the Department of Speech and Dramatic Art in the Speech and Hearing Laboratory.

The topic he is writing his thesis on is "super-acute hearing," which means hearing above the average level.

He explained that many people believe they can hear better than their neighbors. "Like the young lady who wanted her desk changed in a classroom for she said the bugs crawling under the glass of the window next to her distracted her," he said.

"But that type of hearing could come under a different category. Right at the present I am interested in those people who can hear things which go unnoticed by people with 'average ears'."

Smith said such things as the horizontal bars of television sets, whistles across the room, "unbreathly" soft voices and other stimuli are some indications of super acute hearing.

"Now the problem is to find those people who could they have above average hearing and test them on our new equipment in the speech and hearing laboratories," Smith added.

Specialized occupations or hobbies might appeal to some people with super acute hearing, he noted. "Those people who can tell when the 'whoof' or the 'tweeter' of their hi-fi sets are 'off' probably have super acute hearing," he said.

The student, he added, who can hear certain mannerisms in a professor's voice which stem to be missed by his conversation-mates, might have super-acute hearing.

Such occupations as musicians, television and even speech correctionists probably have "extra-god ears." "That's because these people are always listening for very subtle changes in sound," he said.

Smith stated that he believes two major questions will be answered at the end of the study: Do people with super acute hearing have superior auditory discrimination? and Do people with s.a.h. have a lower tolerance level to loud sound than people with normal or normally acute hearing?

"Now all I need is volunteers," Smith said. "And it really could turn out to be fun for anyone who's interested besides the fact that science would be helped by these studies."

Smith plans to have finished the survey and receive his Master's degree from the University by next August. "And I'm counting on 'super-hearers' to help me reach that goal."



Nebraskan Photo

Speaking Contest Winners

Sigma Alpha Mu won permanent possession of the Delta Sigma Rho Extemporaneous speaking contest trophy Tuesday night by winning the trophy for the third year in a row. The contest is an annual affair sponsored by

the national forensic honorary, Delta Sigma Rho. Winners of the individual speaking contests were Ernest Hines, Beta Theta Pi (seated), Larry Schwartz and Howard Kenyon (standing), both members of Sigma Alpha Mu.

Music Conference:

NU Profs Combine Talents To Create Musical Number

The University Department of Music will premier a new and unusual musical work for the Music Educators National Conference, North Central Division, at the Central High School Auditorium in Omaha, Friday.

The composition is "Elegy for a Dead Soldier," the lyric for which is the Pulitzer prize-winning poem of Karl Shapiro, University English professor.

Music for the selection has just been completed by a University music staff member, Robert Beadell, instructor of theory and composition.

The solo role will be sung by Leon Lishner, bass, an opera and Broadway artist, who is now associate professor of voice at the University. The new composition will be performed by the University Singers and the University Orchestra with Professor David Foltz, chairman of the Department of Music, conducting.

"Elegy for a Dead Soldier," will be the final number of a concert the Singers and Orchestra are presenting for the Music Educators from ten states, representing the largest number of public school and college music groups in the nation.

The Singers, conducted by Dr. Foltz, will present Britten's "Hymn to St. Cecilia" and the

Orchestra, conducted by Jack Snider, will play "Symphony No. 2—Romantic," by Nebraska-born composer Howard Hanson.

Another University musical group, the men students' professional music fraternity, Alpha-Sinfonia, will present a concert in connection with the convention program at 6 p.m., Sunday, at the Omaha Y.M.C.A. The Sinfonia Chorus under the direction of William Bush of Valentine, will include another of Mr. Beadell's compositions, "Lilacs," in its program.

Also on Sunday evening the University Madrigal Singers will perform with the Nebraska-Iowa Intercollegiate chorus, and on Monday, March 18, two music department staff members, Wesley Reist and Marius Fossenkemper, will direct a woodwind demonstration.

No Rag Luncheon

There will be no Daily Nebraskan luncheon Friday. The luncheons will be continued next week, according to Fred Daly, editor.

Dr. Robert Hardt;

Pharmacy Association To Honor NU Graduate

Dr. Robert Hardt, a native Nebraskan and University graduate who has achieved international prominence in the pharmaceutical field, will be honored at the diamond jubilee meeting of the Nebraska Pharmaceutical Association Sunday evening at the Cornhusker hotel.

At a banquet session sponsored jointly by the Creighton University and University of Nebraska chapters of Rho Chi, honorary pharmaceutical society, Dr. Hardt will be initiated as an honorary member in recognition of contributions to the profession.

Dr. Hardt is president of the National Pharmaceutical Council, a former president of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers, and chairman of the organization committee arranging for the Fourth Pan-American Congress of Pharmacy and Biochemistry which will be held in Washington next November.

Dr. Hardt was graduated from the Nebraska College of Pharmacy in 1922 and entered the practice of pharmacy with his father, the late David Hardt, at Hastings. In 1925

he was appointed to the Nebraska Board of Pharmacy Examiners, the youngest man ever appointed to board membership.

Dr. Hardt left Nebraska in 1926 to begin a 20-year association with the E. R. Squibb and Sons Co., which he served as vice president and director. In 1946 he joined another pharmaceutical manufacturing organization, Hoffman-La Roche, Inc., Nutley, N.J., where he also served as vice president and a member of the executive committee.

For his continuing efforts at strengthening the standards and prestige of pharmacy, Dr. Hardt has received numerous recognitions including an honorary degree from Rutgers University in 1956 and the achievement medal of Alpha Zeta Omega, national pharmacy organization.

Coffee Hour

A faculty-graduate coffee hour will be held today, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Union Faculty lounge.

This event occurs each week and all faculty members and graduate students may attend.

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Junior Board members include: Doris Eby, sophomore in Home Economics, is Home Economics club treasurer, Ag Union committee, Coed Counselor, Alpha Lambda Delta, BABW Board treasurer and Towne Club; Phyllis Hansen, sophomore in Home Economics, is a member of Tassels, Home Economics club council, 4-H club, Ag YWCA and Love Memorial Hall.

Marilyn Jensen, sophomore in Home Economics, is a member of Home Economics club council, 4-H club, Ag YWCA and Love Memorial Hall; Patsy Kaufman, sophomore in Home Economics, is a member of Tassels, Ag Union, Newman Club, Home Economics club and Loomis Hall.

Donna Miller, sophomore in Teachers, is a member of Tassels, BABW Board and Towne Club and Roberta Switzer, sophomore in Home Economics, is a member of Tassels, Home Economics club, Union committee, Ag YWCA cabinet, Gamma Delta and Colonial Terrace.

Sophomore Board members include: Pat Everett, Dorothy Glade, Rosalie Jacobs, Diana Maxwell, Sharon Sterner, Sylvia Steiner.

Coed Counselor Board

Senior Board members include: Mary Dee DeMars is a member of Student Council, Panhellenic Council, Farmer's Fair Board, Home Economics Club, Newman Club, president of Gamma Alpha Chi and Rush Chairman for Sigma Kappa; Jan Davidson, member of Tassels, CCRC and Chi Omega.

Junior Board members include: Sandra Kully, 2nd vice-president of Sigma Delta Tau; Marijane Raig, YWCA Cabinet, Hungarian Student Committee, Presby House Cabinet and Alpha Xi Delta; Judy Combs, an Outstanding Coed Counselor, member of YWCA, NUCWA Board and Alpha Omicron Pi; Carolyn Williams, Cornhusker section and historian of Delta Delta Delta; Sandra Foell, assistant treasurer of YWCA, BABW Board and Towne Club.

Jan Lichtenberger, NUCWA Board, District Representative of YWCA, vice president of Presby House and member of Delta Delta Delta; Dorothy Beechner, Union, Red Cross and Alpha Chi Omega and Reba Kinne, Red Cross, YWCA, Band, SAI and Chi Omega.

Sophomore Board members are: Mary Verba, Dorothy Glade, Becky Colwell, Kay Swarts, and Karen Schuster.

WAA Board

Newly-elected vice president is Sonia Sievers, sophomore in Business Administration, is a member of Red Cross, YWCA Finance chairman, Hungarian Student Project treasurer and Kappa Delta.

New secretary is Karen Krueger, sophomore in Teachers, is a member of Coed Counselor Board, Newman club, cheerleader, and Alpha Omicron Pi, and new treasurer is Billie Prest, sophomore in Teachers, is a member of Tassels, Cornhusker Section head and Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Rush Book Info Due

All copy and pictures for the Interfraternity Rush Book are due Friday in Room 29 of the Union, according to Conrad Good, editor.

Advertising Group Invites NU Senior

Wally Wiig, a University senior, has been selected to participate in a week-long advertising orientation session in New York as guest of the Association of Advertising Men and Women.

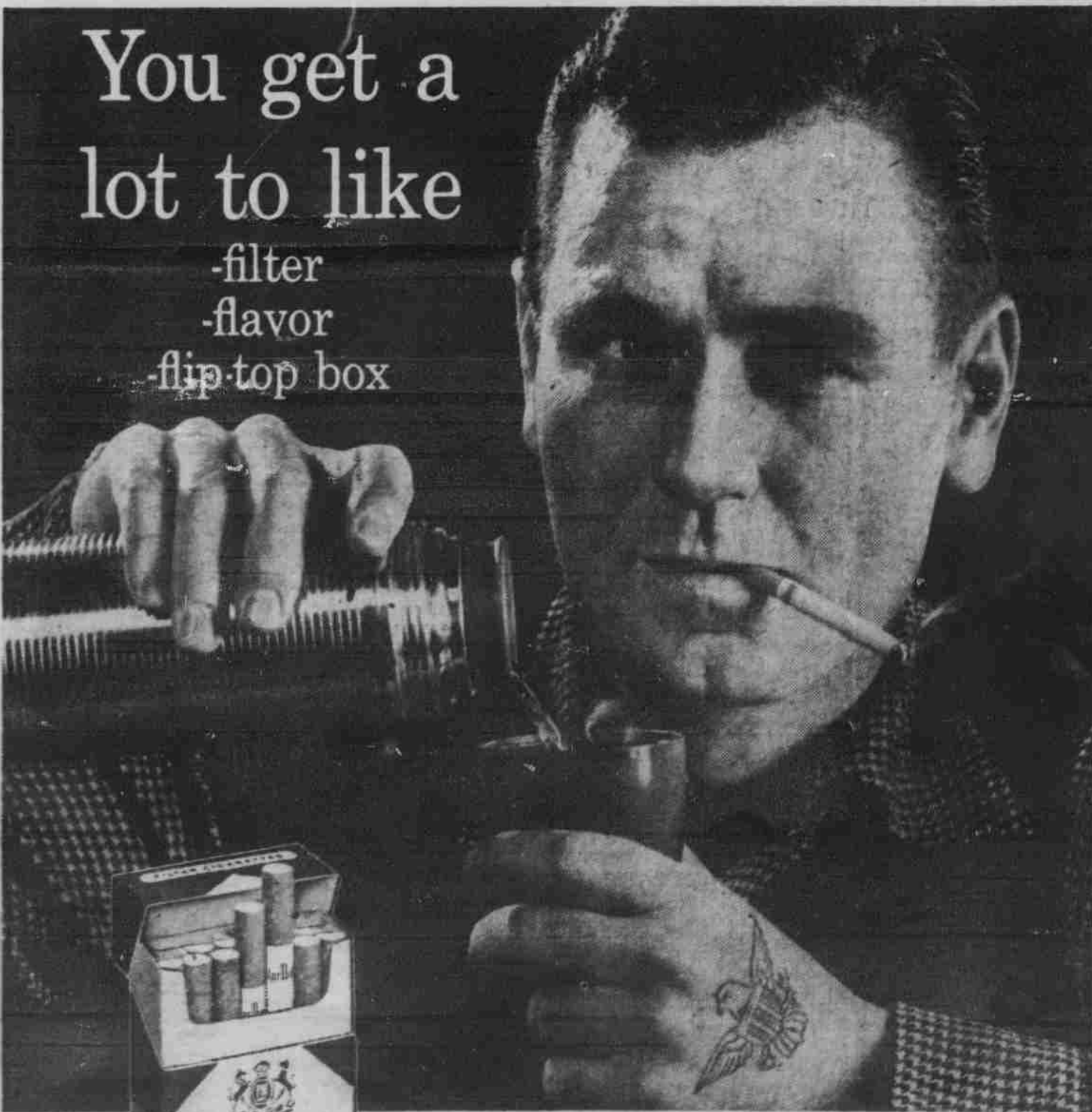
The Inside Advertising Week will be held March 31-April 5. Wiig was named by the advertising section of the College of Business Administration to represent the University.

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