

Bridge Tournney Sunday

A bridge tournament will be held Sunday in the Nebraska Union, with the winners being rated against other major school tournament winners across the nation.

The hands are pre-dealt and picked, with all schools playing exactly the same hands, exactly the same contracts and with the same opening lead, according to Jerry Farrell, who is conducting the tournament here.

The tournament is open to all full-time graduate and undergraduate students. It starts at 2 p.m., but Farrell said that participants should come to the Union about 1 or 1:30 p.m. in order to become familiarized with the rules.

There is a \$1 entry fee. A national winner will be named from the local contests in addition to regional winners who will compete in a tournament in late April or early May at Bradley University in Peoria, Ill.

Regional winners will receive all-expenses paid trip to the tournament in Peoria. The region which includes the University also includes all the Big Eight schools and a few others.

Farrell said that the hands are constructed by well-known bridge experts and that after the tournament is over, pamphlets analyzing all of the hands and how the experts would play them will be distributed to the contestants.

The American Contract Bridge League handles the nation-wide contest.

Farrell said the playing skill has increased to such a degree that most of the players who make it to the Peoria contest have achieved the Master rank in bridge.

If students are not full-time, they may still participate if there is room, but are not eligible to participate in the Peoria contest.

NROTC Offers Shorter Course

A new two-year Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps program will be offered at the University this year.

The program, which is in effect at 52 colleges and universities across the nation, leads to an officer's commission in the Naval or Marine Corps Reserve.

Sophomore men having "C" averages, who are single and at least 18-year-old, are eligible. Candidates for the NROTC program must enroll in a special six-week summer session which consists of academic instruction, laboratory drill, and physical education.

Officers commissioned under the program serve on active duty for a period of not less than three years.



HISTORY . . . lectures and emphasis differ depending on the instructor.

History Staff Stresses Individual Approaches

By Julie Morris
Senior Staff Writer

While leading their classes down the ages from prehistory to the modern ages, history professors infuse the material with their own concepts, ideals and personalities.

Presentation and emphasis differ from teacher to teacher, but the student is basically given "the facts and the best interpretation we have of historical events," according to Dr. Steven Ross, associate professor of history.

Ross said the student is then expected and encouraged to take the facts and the different interpretations he has absorbed and formulate his own working theory of the nature of history.

History, the story of man, is basically the study of change. "History is a dynamic thing, there are patterns of change that can be understood," Dr. Robert Manley, assistant professor of history said.

Ross said history is concerned with studying the way "you get from the cave men to civilized man and what factors impel change."

A teacher's concept of the actual role of history influences his presentation. "History should give the student a better grasp of the flesh, of what man is so we study all of man," Donald Nugent, instructor of history said. Nugent said he emphasizes the "cultural" angle of history attempting to "stress what is general, universal in history."

War, diplomacy, economics and politics often pertain only to one or two countries at a time, he said. "I want to submerge students in the entire waters of history," he added. Ross, on the other hand,

emphasizes "essentially economic, political, military and scientific factors rather than moral, religious factors leading toward change."

"I like art just as well as the next man, but it didn't really change things very much. 'I'd sooner devote time to politics, economics and so forth — the guts of history,'" he said.

Bruce Pauley, instructor of history, hits something of the mean between Ross' and Nugent's presentations. He noted that he concentrates on the cultural aspects more in earlier ages and on political and diplomatic affairs in more modern ages.

"In later periods people weren't too different culturally than ourselves," he said. "The further you go back in history the less interested I am in politics," he said. Pauley said he includes "a lot about religion, entertainment and daily life" of the people. He said he also includes comments about the role played by women.

"It gives the girls today a perspective of how the kind of lives they lead are different or similar with other ages and of how we arrived at what we have today," Pauley said.

History teachers are greatly concerned with making their subject meaningful to students. Manley said he tries to teach with the idea that he has two groups of students before him, future teachers and future citizens.

"I'm giving the teacher a tool he can use to make history more vivid and alive and non-teachers can begin to see the breadth of their responsibility as citizens," he said.

Manley said he tries to relate history personally to his students by pointing out the connection between local

trends and national trends. Pauley attempts to personally relate history to the student and make it more vivid by relating his impressions of historical places to the class.

A continuing question among historians is whether man's nature has changed through the ages. A historian's answer to this can influence his entire orientation toward his material, Nugent pointed out. He said if man's nature has changed there would be no purpose in studying history since we would not need to know how people completely different from us reacted to different situations since we would fundamentally be different from them.

"I maintain that man's nature is fundamentally unchanged," Nugent said.

"I don't think man's any better now than he was 5,000 years ago," Ross stated. "I'm not impressed with mankind's progress except his technical progress. He started out hitting each other over the head with clubs now he drops atomic bombs," he said.

"People have changed in a fairly fundamental way," Pauley stated. He said the changes come about from age to age and that in his view, while history cannot solve today's problems because man is not the same thing he was, it can give "a little bit of perspective to our situation."

FFA Program Is 'Food Or Famine'

The state Future Farmer of America officers will present a program at the Alpha Tau Alpha meeting Thursday, at 7 p.m., in the East Campus Union.

Champion Shooter Featured For AF 'Promotion'

Al Mart, a world's champion pistol shooter, was the featured speaker at Wednesday's meeting of the Wildlife Club.

Mart related his experiences as a big game hunter in Alaska. This program was in accordance with the Wildlife Club's main purpose: "to promote better understanding of wildlife and its conservation," according to Terry Cacek, president.

The club has approximately 64 members and has recently accelerated its activities program, Cacek said.

"During the year, the club's activities include a pheasant hunt and a fishing and camping trip," Cacek stated. "A blue rock (clay target) shoot is also being planned for some future time."

In April the Wildlife club holds its annual wild game banquet where an award is given for outstanding work in wildlife conservation.

The organization is now investigating the possibility of promoting the establishment of a degree in wildlife conservation at the University, according to Cacek.

Little Colonel Vies For AF 'Promotion'

The Arnold Air Society Area F-2 Little Colonel, Barbara Atkinson, representing the University, will vie for the title of Little General at the group's national conclave at Dallas, Tex., in April.

Miss Atkinson was selected at the area conclave of the Arnold Air Society, an honorary Air Force ROTC organization.

A member of Angel Flight, (the auxiliary of the Arnold Air Society) Miss Atkinson is an Interfraternity Beauty Queen finalist and the philanthropic chairman of Pi Beta Phi sorority.

She is also a Little Sister of Minerva and a member of the Council for Exceptional Children. A junior, Miss Atkinson is majoring in elementary and special education.

Area F-2 includes the Air Force ROTC detachments from the University of Nebraska, Omaha University, Drake University, Lawrence University, Notre Dame Uni-



Barbara Atkinson

versity, University of Wisconsin, Illinois Institute of Technology, Iowa State University and State University of Iowa. Miss Atkinson will compete with girls from 16 other regions.

Quiz Bowl Schedule

The regular session of Quiz Bowl competition begins Thursday at 7 p.m. with eight matches scheduled to be held in the Nebraska Union small auditorium.

Teams must report to isolation at the beginning of the half in which they play or be disqualified, according to Larry Johnson, chairman.

Thursday's matches are: Burnette Hall vs. Thoreau House, 7 p.m.; Fairfield vs. Alpha Gamma Sigma II, 7:25; Tweed Ring vs. Gamma Phi Beta II, 7:50 p.m.; Four Ordinaries vs. Kappa Sigma A., 8:05 p.m.; We Four vs. Avery, 8:40; Misnomers vs. C.I.A. c., 9:05 p.m.; Magic Markers vs. The Medlocks, 9:30 p.m.; and Computers vs. Alpha Xi Delta Cardinals, 9:55.

Varel And Bailly Group To Sing

The Varel and Bailly Chanteurs De Paris will give a concert at the Nebraska Union Ballroom Mar. 3 at 8 p.m.

The group includes many top form entertainers headed by Charley Bailly according to the Nebraska Union.

The music of these Frenchmen is largely folk and popular songs "of pure nostalgic delight."

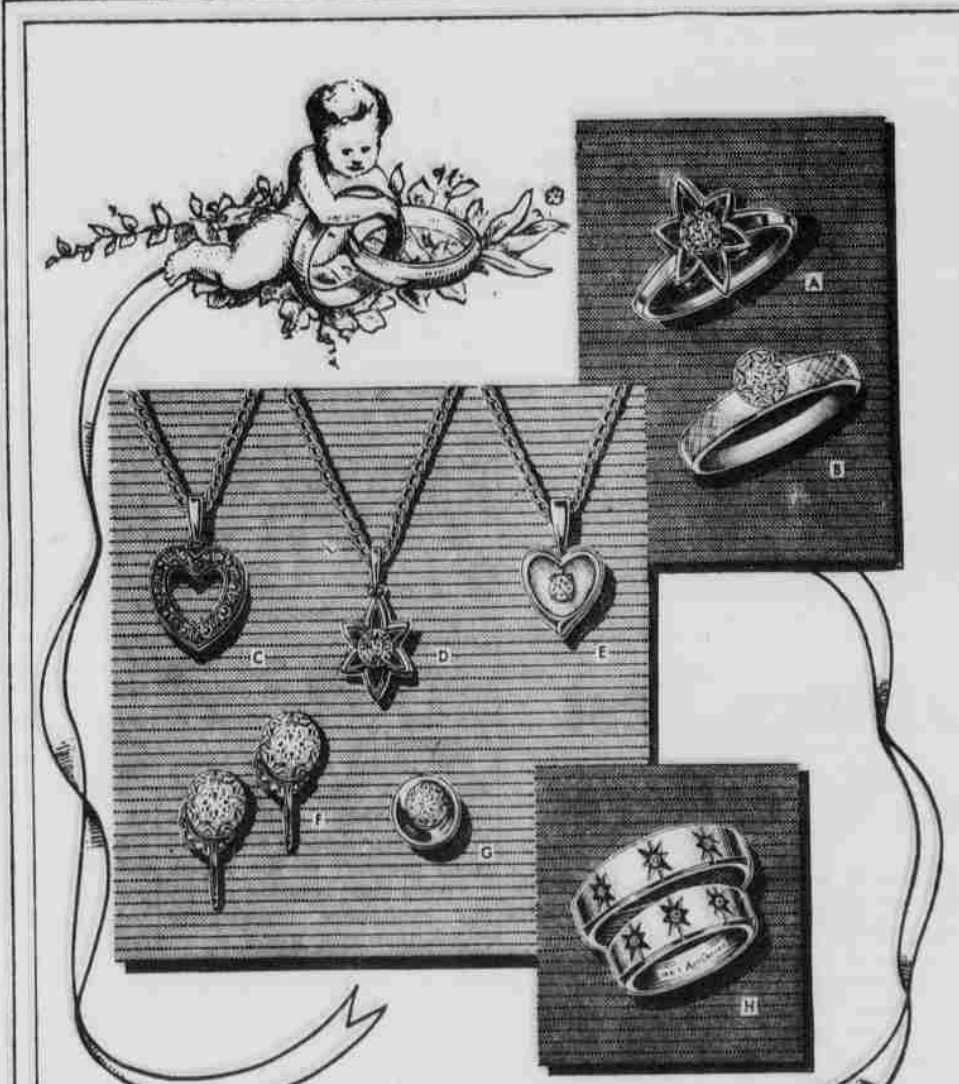
Clinic Discusses Geologic Studies

A clinic dealing with exploration of geologic formations useful as foundation and building materials was held at the University Wednesday.

Participants, including contractors and highway department personnel from Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota and Kansas, took part in the series of group discussions.

The program included discussions and lectures on special drilling techniques, exploring gravel below water tables, explorations and local drilling for foundations.

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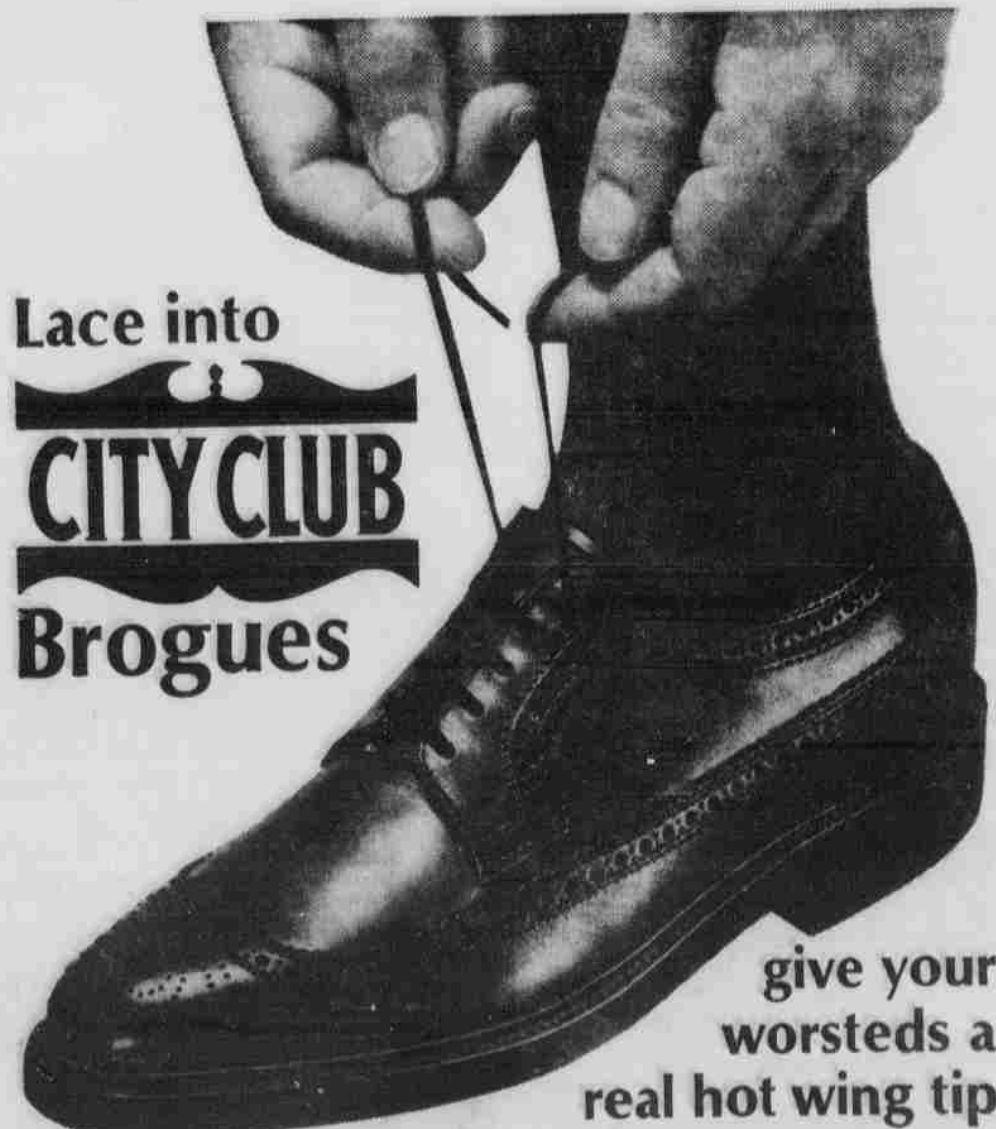
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