

Where's My Pipe?

Absent-Minded Professor Visits

Are professors absent-minded? Those who have read the comic strip, "The Absent-Minded Professor" in the past may tend to agree that they are but many of us may pass it off as just another saying.

Recently, however, that professor's may actually be absent-minded, was demonstrated with amazing clarity in the office of the Tundra Times.

A professor from the University of Alaska came in to discuss the orientation of the VISTA volunteers for field work in the outlying areas. As he talked, he fiddled with his pipe which he put in his business case as the conversation ended. He left thanking the staff politely.

About an hour later, the educator came back to the office.

"I think a man left a pipe in here somewhere," he said, glancing around.

"I saw you put it in your case just before you left," the editor pointed out.

The professor looked in his case and there was his pipe.

"Well, I'll be—," he said with a faint sign of embarrassment. "You're very observant—and here I've been looking all over town for it ever since I left your office."

He broke into a laughter and left.