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College Centers Opened for Youth In 16 Badger Cities

In 16 Wisconsin cities high school graduates will enjoy college privileges of the freshman year, and in two of them the sophomore work as well, during the 1940-41 school year through local teaching services supplied by the University of Wisconsin extension division in cooperation with local boards. Classes started in a few cities on Sept. 9, and will begin in others on Sept. 16 and 23.

The freshman program is offered this year at Antigo, Beloit, Eagle River, Fond du Lac, Green Bay, Janesville, Kenosha, Madison, Manitowoc-Twin Rivers, Menasha, Racine, Rhinelander, Sheboygan, Watertown, Wausau, and Wisconsin Rapids. The sophomore program has been set up at Manitowoc and Sheboygan in addition to that of the first year. Newest of the college centers is Watertown.

In each city the freshman program includes English, history, a foreign language, and a science or mathematics subject. The sophomore studies are English, history, language, economics and political science.

List Faculty

The 1940-41 teaching personnel is announced as follows:

English, Katherine McMullen, M. J. Pope, H. J. Storlie, W. Howard Dawe, J. K. Evers, Gladys Jerome; geography, Elton Scott, H. Heimonen; French, Chloe Tilden, Florence Stehn Reynolds, Josephine W. Rentsz; German, Katherine McMullen, Chloe Tilden, Spanish, Kathryn Tufts, Chloe Tilden, Norman Azpell, Josephine Rentsz; mathematics, Leon Battig, A. W. May, W. W. Bigelow; economics and political science, R. J. Colbert, John L. Miller, James S. Parker, H. J. McMurray, M. H. Kuhn, L. H. Adolfson.

These courses parallel courses taught on the campus at Madison, and the credits earned qualify students to enter college or university with either sophomore or junior standing. All instructors were appointed upon the recommendation of their respective departments in the University, and all have had previous experience in college teaching.

Local Cooperation

The college program in the cities is offered in cooperation with either the local board of education or the local board of vocational and adult education, and student fees cover only a part of the cost of instruction. The various centers are linked in circuits, and the instructors travel to their classes in the cities to which they are assigned. As a rule they establish their homes in cities where they teach.

Since this program was started in 1933, upwards of 4,500 young people, most of them facing financial difficulties, have been able to begin a college education at home at a cost within their means. Last year's total enrollment was 755 students in the first semester and 655 in the second semester. Under the stimulus of this teaching in the communities where they live, more than a thousand young people during seven years have found ways and means for going on to college, where records attest to generally superior scholastic ratings and to high honors to an increasing number.

Film Library Seen As Need of Future By Cities' Schools

City film libraries, stocked to supply the current visual instruction needs of Wisconsin schools, are discerned as a development of the future in school planning. The possibility was suggested by Dr. J. E. Hansen, director of the bureau of visual instruction of the University of Wisconsin extension division, in discussing the future of visual instruction before educational groups this summer.

Some schools now own films for their classroom needs, especially in their science departments; many others rent them. There is a possibility of many more short subjects being placed in schools. But the most likely development in distribution was foreseen in the establishment of film libraries, probably administered jointly with the regular city libraries.

"I believe that before many years," he ventured, "most cities of more than 12,000 or 15,000 will be operating their own film libraries. County libraries, to serve the schools outside the larger cities, also are possibilities."

Dr. Hansen forecast the development of distribution systems for educational films to include local libraries in the schools of cities larger than 15,000, together with a large central state library and a number of branch libraries located at strategic centers. He estimated that a system of central and branch libraries would be capable of serving schools more effectively and economically than by independent county libraries in most regions. Using a truck delivery service, the branch libraries would serve every community in a large area once a week, he estimated, at a cost not greater than is parcel post today.

TEACH JOURNALISM

Two young men who recently completed graduate study at the University of Wisconsin have been named to new university positions in the teaching of journalism. James L. C. Ford, who received his master of arts degree in 1939, has joined the staff of the University of California department of journalism, while Henry Ladd Smith, who obtained his master's degree in 1938, has been appointed lecturer in journalism at the University of Minnesota.

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High Schools Open Season of Forensic Training for Youth

With every Wisconsin high school a potential participant, organized forensic activities were renewed this month in the statewide program of speech training embodied in the schedules of state contests sponsored by the Wisconsin High School Forensic Association and the University of Wisconsin Extension department of debating and public discussion.

Last year, according to the September "News Letter," published by the association, 395 high schools were members of the association and participated in one or more of its competitive speech activities—debating, public speaking, and dramatics. Every county was represented. The goal desired this year is set at 400 high schools. In last year's state contests there were 114 contestants from 69 schools in 47 counties.

Nov. 1 is announced as the latest date for registration of schools for the competitions in dramatics, with Nov. 16 the latest date for the first round and Dec. 7 the latest for the sectional contest. Arrangements for the preliminary contests are to be made by Prin. Howard M. Lyon, Chippewa Falls, for the northern section; Prin. Joseph F. Kraus, Stevens Point, for the central; and Supt. Charles A. Jahn, Elkhorn, for the southern.

Registrations for debate and other state contests are to be filed by Dec. 14. The debate question this year reads, "Resolved, that the power of the federal government should be increased."

Speech institutes for high schools are tentatively scheduled for Oct. 26 at Rice Lake; Nov. 22-23 at Madison; and Dec. 7 at Clintonville. Last year at three institutes of this type 1,430 persons were registered from 105 schools.

The annual meeting of the High School Forensic Association has been scheduled for Nov. 8 at Hotel Pfister, Milwaukee.

Water Scientists Pay Tribute to Dr. Birge And State University

Tribute to the University of Wisconsin and to its outstanding hydrobiologist, Dr. Edward A. Birge, 89-year-old president-emeritus of the University, was paid at the first session of the world's first Symposium on Hydrobiology which was held on the Wisconsin campus last week.

Both Dean George C. Sellery of the State University faculty and Prof. James G. Needham of Cornell university, who read the first of the 59 papers which were presented by 70 scientists during the three-day session, praised Dr. Birge for his pioneering work in the field, and paid tribute to Wisconsin's university for sponsoring the symposium. More than 300 persons honored Dr. Birge at a banquet held during the symposium.

Dean Sellery welcomed the scientists to the campus as "pioneers in a relatively new field of science". Praising Wisconsin's two foremost hydrobiologists, Dr. Birge and Dr. Chancy Juday, Dean Sellery asserted that the symposium was "true celebration of the pioneering work" done by them in the field. He said that the symposium was one illustration of the "ground work" which the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation is doing for science at Wisconsin. Funds for the symposium were supplied by the WARF.

Giving a brief history of hydrobiology, Prof. Needham told the more than 200 scientists from all parts of the United States who attended the opening session that the new water science is but a recent chapter in the history of biology in general, and that it is still subject to "growing pains."

Reviewing the history of hydrobiology in general and recalling some of the great scientists who had accomplished most in the field, Prof. Needham asserted that "now we are met together to participate for the first time in a symposium in hydrobiology made possible by the generous support and sponsorship of the great University of Wisconsin."

"Nothing could be more appropriate than that for such a conference we should come to this place, where the pure science of limnology has been continuously and effectively studied for so many years. Happily we come for the man who has been the guiding spirit in all that work from its beginning, Dr. E. A. Birge, is still actively participating in it."

HEADS JOURNALISM GROUP

James W. Irwin, former University of Wisconsin student and now assistant to the president of the Monsanto Chemical Co., was recently elected head of the St. Louis, Mo., professional chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, national professional journalistic organization. Irwin is a native of Portage, Wis., and was educated in Chicago and at the University of Wisconsin.

TRANSFER U. W. GRAD

George Zielke, graduate of the University of Wisconsin school of journalism in 1932, was recently transferred by the Associated Press from its Milwaukee bureau to the New York City desk.

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School Broadcasts from U. W. Campus Will Start Sept. 23

1:30 p. m. Book Trails.

The Wisconsin College of the Air, now opening its eighth year of service to youth and adult listeners who want to continue their education by radio listening, offers these courses:

Mon.	2:00 p. m. Farm Science Spotlight.
Tues.	3:00 p. m. Your Job Outlook.
Wed.	2:00 p. m. Good Reading.
Thurs.	3:00 p. m. Following Congress.
Fri.	2:00 p. m. Over at Our House.
	3:00 p. m. Wisconsin Citizenship Forum.
	2:00 p. m. Great Lives Through Books.
	3:00 p. m. Consumer Economics.
	2:00 p. m. Meet Young America.
	3:00 p. m. Your Speech.

Bulletins outlining these courses are available upon request to WHA, in Madison. The programs are broadcast over that state and originate in the Radio Hall studios on the campus of the University of Wisconsin.

Consumers to Study Economical Meat Cuts

Ways of cutting and using the more economical cuts of meats will be explained and demonstrated at the series of consumers' meetings to be held in Wisconsin during September, announces J. M. Fargo, animal husbandman of the University of Wisconsin.

Conducting the meat cutting demonstrations will be R. O. Roth, merchandising specialist of the National Livestock and Meat Board, who will show how the different cuts are made and will explain their relative nutritional value. On the program with him will be Fargo and Burr Ross of the University animal husbandry department, who will deal with production and meat marketing problems in Wisconsin.

Meetings will be in charge of county agricultural agents who are making local arrangements. Meetings scheduled include: Sept. 9, Neenah; Sept. 10, Portage; Sept. 11, Wisconsin Rapids; Sept. 12, Stevens Point; Sept. 13, Green Bay; Sept. 16, Fond du Lac; Sept. 17, Beaver Dam; Sept. 18, Waukesha; Sept. 19, P. M., Rochester, evening, Racine; and Sept. 20, West Allis or Wauwatosa.

U. W. Given Two Old Athletic Award Medals

Two interesting trophies were presented to the University of Wisconsin athletic department a few days ago—a pair of gold medals won by the late John Clarence Taylor, former captain of the Badger track team, in testimony of his first place wins in the quarter-mile and one-mile bicycle races in the 1898 meet of the Western Intercollegiate Amateur Athletic Association, forerunner of the present Big Ten meet. These bicycle races were standard events in track meets toward the end of the century but were abolished a few years later. Taylor—Clarence to all his friends—was an engineering student, an officer in the R. O. T. C. and a campus leader as a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. His medals were the gifts of his widow, Mrs. Margaret Taylor, of Cleveland, O.

U. W. Given Tusk of Prehistoric Animal

Frank Branek, Casanova, recently brought the fossil tusk of a prehistoric mastodon to the University of Wisconsin geological museum. The tusk was washed loose from the shoreline of the Pine River and was found in 1896 by the grandfather of Mrs. Branek. It has been in the family since that time.

Mastodons, the "great-granduncles" of modern elephants, roamed Wisconsin some 50,000 years ago at the close of the last great invasion of the ice on this continent. The legs of the beast were short and the head was low and flat like that of true elephants. The animal had a coat of long coarse hair which fitted it for life in cold

U. Agronomist Speaks At Grassland Convocation

L. F. Graber, chairman of the department of agronomy at the University of Wisconsin, will be one of the speakers at the Regional Grassland conference in Ames, Iowa, on Sept. 11.

The conference is being sponsored by the corn belt section of the American Society of Agronomy and the Association of North Central Experiment Station directors. Graber will speak upon "Grassland Management Practices."

In the same session, O. S. Aamodt, head of the division of forage crops and diseases, United States department of agriculture, will report on "Breeding Better Plants". Aamodt was for five years at the head of the department of agronomy at the University.

25 Wisconsin Boys Win Scholarships to State University

Twenty-five young men, competing in a recent contest, won scholarships to the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture, according to an announcement by Ira L. Baldwin, assistant dean.

The scholarships were awarded to encourage young capable men to avail themselves of college training in agriculture.

Each contestant submitted a written essay on "Improvements I Would Like to See Effected in the Rural Life of My Community". In addition, each contestant submitted his official high school scholastic record, as well as several letters of recommendation testifying to his character.

Those winning scholarships, in common with other freshmen, will meet on the state university campus Sept. 12, to become acquainted with the University and its campus before instruction begins on Sept. 25.

Those winning scholarships were: Clifton E. Anderson, Frederic; James W. Armstrong, Neenah; Wm. J. Gledhill, Chippewa Falls; Lee E. Gerhard, Oconto Falls; Louis G. Goette, Merrimac; Wilfred Hemker, West Salem; Floyd R. Holloway, Union Grove; Robert S. Hulbert, Waukesha; Elroy C. Jensen, Dorchester; Gene J. Link, Ridgeland; Arthur H. Ludwig, Medford; Alton C. Mather, Prairie du Sac; Kenneth O. Nehls, Morrisonville; Joe Nusbaum, Park Falls; Lloyd L. Otteson, Waukesha; Floyd N. Petersen, Elroy; Herbert L. Portz, Waukesha; Norman D. Sawyer, Waupaca; Raphael J. Seefeldt, Brillion; Eldon D. Smith, Endeavor; Paul L. Thompson, Blanchardville; Robert A. Vance, Galesville; Earl J. Viney, Evansville; John W. Wilkins, Livingston; and Frank C. Wing, Baraboo.

HALF SELF-SUPPORTING
In 1917-18 the University of Wisconsin Extension division was only 18.5 per cent self-supporting; today self-support rates 59.3 per cent, and the annual percentage for 23 years is about 50 per cent.

There is a mounted mastodon nine and one-half feet high and 15 feet long on exhibition in the geological museum on the second floor of Science hall at the University. The skeleton was found many years ago at Richland Center. The museum also has a diorama reconstructing a scene when mastodons roamed the state.

As to whether or not it pays to do good work in the University, Dean Goodnight advised the freshmen:

Good Work Pays

"Don't let anybody tell you that it doesn't pay to put great effort into one's college work, that college work is 'impractical', and that to 'get by' is all that is necessary. Precisely the contrary is true. It pays very handsomely to do high grade work in college, both in satisfaction and recognitions obtained during the course, and in good positions which are always waiting for men who have excelled in their college work."

Knowing students personally is one of the greatest pleasures in the work of the dean of women, and in order that "we may know you as long as possible, we try to get acquainted with you as early as we can in your freshman year," Dean Greeley told the first year students.

"Your friendship is, to us, a very rewarding thing and it is always our hope that with our friendship we may combine help to you," she said. "Whether you come from a large city or from a country town, the press of life on a great campus is apt to be confusing, and most freshmen, at one time or another, are at a loss about making decisions. If that time comes to you, we stand ready to help in every way possible."

Describing himself as the official doorkeeper and bookkeeper of the University, Registrar Merriman challenged the first year students to make every effort to keep their marks on a high level because, he said, "as bookkeepers we are more interested in seeing good marks than in seeing poor marks."

U. W. Ram Truck Will Visit in 25 Badger Counties

Sheep growers and county agents in more than 25 Wisconsin counties will meet to confer on sheep management problems at stops scheduled by the University of Wisconsin ram truck during September and October.

Conferences about breed type, market conformation, and fleece quality will be explained by J. J. Lacey, extension animal husbandman or A. E. Darlow, head of the animal husbandry department of the State University College of Agriculture. Arrangements for the meetings are being made in each county by the county agricultural agent.

Carried in the truck will be from 25 to 30 purebred rams consigned for sale by Wisconsin breeders. Breeds represented will include the Cheviot, Hampshire, Oxford, Shropshire, Suffolk, and Southdown. It is expected that about 250 purebred rams will be sold or exchanged through the medium of the truck this year.

Communities to be visited by the truck include: Sept. 11, Rusk county, morning, William Howard farm, 4 miles north of Glen Flora; afternoon, fair grounds, Ladysmith; Sept. 12, Taylor county, morning, fair grounds, Medford; afternoon, Community hall, Jump River; Sept. 13, Burnett county; Sept. 14, Polk county, morning, Amery Exchange; afternoon, Luck, at the high school grounds; Sept. 16, St. Croix county; Sept. 17, Pierce county, morning, fair grounds, Ellsworth; afternoon, R. R. Mortimer Farm, Grange Hall; Sept. 17, Dunn county, morning, Henry Bates farm, 1½ miles southeast of Weston; afternoon, C. V. Goff farm, 1½ miles northwest of Boyceville; Sept. 19, Pepin county, morning, Harry Ryan farm, 6 miles east of Durand; afternoon, Franklin Peters farm, 4 miles northwest of Pepin on Lost Creek Road;

Sept. 20, Eau Claire county; Sept. 20, Clark county; Sept. 21, Buffalo county, morning, school grounds Gilman high school; afternoon, Cochrane Farmers' pavilion; Sept. 23, Trempealeau county, morning, John Kopp farm, Galesville, 2½ miles north of Centerville; afternoon, McCrory & Robertson Bros. farm, 7 miles north of Osceola; Sept. 24, La Crosse county, morning, Carl Labus' farm on Highway 162, a few miles south of Bangor; Sept. 24, Monroe county, morning, Norwalk high school; Sept. 25, Vernon county, Vernon County Fair Grounds; Sept. 25, Crawford county, Crawford County farms, H. V. McGinn, Manager, Barnum; Sept. 26, Richland county, fair grounds, all day; Sept. 27, Grant county; Sept. 28, Iowa county; Oct. 7, LaFayette county; Oct. 8, Green county; Oct. 9, Walworth county; Oct. 10, Columbia county, morning, Wyecen County Farm; afternoon,