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## Adult Citizenship Training Fostered By State and Nation

The University of Wisconsin Extension division and the U. S. Office of Education are cooperating in bringing to the people of Wisconsin a program of adult civic education and new voter induction. This is part of the Wisconsin plan of adult citizenship training that will be climaxed with Citizenship Day next May 19.

To help make this possible, the U. S. Office of Education has set up a forum counseling service in Wisconsin with Richard C. Wilson, Madison, as state forum counselor. Working closely with Mr. Wilson on this program are Prof. R. J. Colbert of the Extension division, father of the Citizenship Day plan, and Prof. Paul H. Sheats of the University department of education.

Forty-nine of the 71 counties in Wisconsin have asked for assistance in setting up and conducting civic education programs for their men and women who are reaching their 21st birthdays this year.

### List Counties

Under this cooperative plan, such programs are now being conducted in Winnebago, Fond du Lac, Sheboygan, Dodge, Green, Walworth, Dane, Jefferson, and Racine counties, and will be started shortly in Waukesha, Grant, and Richland counties. Additional counties will be added to this list during the second semester of this school year.

The U. S. Office of Education and the Extension division are assisting these counties in setting up county-wide committees through which they can carry out their own education programs for new voters. This counseling service, according to Mr. Wilson, is available to every county in the state.

Included is assistance in enumerating the new voters, in setting up community organization for the purpose of establishing and conducting discussion-leader training institutes, in determining ways and means for all organizations and agencies in each county to participate in the program, in organizing the new voters in each community, and in planning for countywide Citizenship Day ceremonies to be held next May 19.

### Make Plans

Prof. Colbert is preparing governmental charts, outlines, maps, and other materials to be used in the discussion-leader institutes, and to be distributed to all of the new voters. He and Prof. Sheats are conducting the discussion-leader institutes. Wilson is assisting counties in setting up the organization machinery essential to conducting the institutes and for training the new voters. He also is assisting the counties in developing programs of publicity through which they inform the people in their communities as to what the counties are doing, as well as to inform the people in other counties of their activities.

A radio series entitled "We, The Government" which is heard over the state stations on Thursdays as part of the Wisconsin College of the Air, is being conducted by Wilson as part of the adult citizenship training program.

## Off-Campus Extension Students at U. W. Most Numerous In 33 Years

With total registrations of 27,339 in courses taken by 19,620 students, the Extension division of the University of Wisconsin offered instruction in 1938-39 to the largest number of off-campus registrants for any year in the 33-year history of this extra-mural activity.

The teaching load, according to annual figures compiled by Mrs. A. H. Smith, extension recorder, involved 10,117 registrations for 9,024 students of correspondence courses, 6,963 registrations of 4,662 students in state classes, and 10,258 for 5,934 students in Milwaukee classes.

Computed on a credit-hour basis, instruction given through extension courses was equivalent to an enrollment of 1,750 fulltime students.

Among the extension students who pursued special educational programs beyond the normal school age were 210 World war veterans who took courses at state expense through a subsidy voted by the legislature.

### Badger Enrollments Lead

By far the larger number of extension students were residents of Wisconsin. In the correspondence-study field, 3,028 were in-state and 712 were out-of-state registrations.

Courses for college credit were in largest demand. A total of 16,142 students, or 53 per cent of all registrants, were in this classification, while 11,197, or 41 per cent, were students in non-credit courses.

In keeping with annual trends, the largest volume of enrollments for correspondence courses was in the field of English studies, with 712 registrations. Mathematics enrolled 573; mechanical engineering 395; business courses 320; history 332, and economics 221.

Months of largest enrollment were June and July, when many college and university students enrolled for credit courses at the close of the academic year.

### Growth of Class Work

Also revealed in the report was the large expansion of state classes in the decade. Where 1,465 students were enrolled in 1,477 class courses in 1928-29, the number 10 years later rose to 4,662 students enrolled in 6,964 courses—a student increase of 218 per cent.

The compilations served to bear out claims that Extension courses, organized and taught according to the standards set for residence instruction, are carried to completion in much larger ratio than in courses offered by many commercial correspondence schools. The extension figures indicated that the percentage of "success" (work completed) by Ex-

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## Plans Are All Set for Big U. W. Homecoming Weekend Nov. 17-19

The bells from the historic carillon tower on the University of Wisconsin campus will ring out "peace" Nov. 11 while European nations will be entering their 11th week of war.

Under the sponsorship of the International Guild of Carillonneurs, all of the carillons in the country will be played at 11 a. m. to commemorate the signing of the Armistice ending the first World War.

W. Norris Wentworth, University carillonneur, announced he will play O'Hara's "There Is No Death."

This year, Wentworth has been playing the carillons daily. Every morning, from 7:45 to 8, the University students have been trekking up the hill to "Varsity" or other popular campus songs. In addition, he gives half hour concerts on Sunday noons.

The six-ton musical instrument contains more than 30 bells which range in weight from the big 3,100 pound E flat bell, down to a 27 pounder. The University carillonneur pounds an oaken lever keyboard with pigskin gloved fists. The big bells require a two and half pound blow to produce a sound, while the 27 pound bells operate with only several ounces of pressure.

"The playing is wholly manual," explained Wentworth. "There is no electrical or pneumatic assistance connected with the playing. The reason why so little pressure is actually needed is that each bell is counter balanced with a 120 spring clapper."

Wentworth, who is also graduate fellow of the dormitories and commons, has been playing since 1936. The carillon is the first musical instrument he has ever played. In 1932 he headed the committee in charge of spending funds gathered by the classes of 1917 through 1926 to build a carillon.

When there was no one to play the instrument after the tower had been constructed, Wentworth took a short concentrated course in carillon playing under the carillonneur at Iowa State college and has been playing since.

### DADS PRAISE U. W.

The University of Wisconsin is "the best place in the world" said the fathers who were guests of honor at the recent Dad's day program at the State University. They praised the new Union theater as a "marvelous building" and unanimously agreed that the team deserves praise for trying. The two day event was filled with a stage play, fraternity parties, and University tours.

## Junior Livestock Sale Largest In History

The sale following the 1939 Junior Livestock Exposition at the University of Wisconsin stock pavilion, in Madison, was the biggest in the 24-year history of the show. This is the statement of Arlie Mucks, secretary of the Wisconsin Livestock Breeders' association. In his report on the show, Mucks reveals that over \$37,000 worth of fat stock was sold. This included 246 fat calves, 366 pigs, and 120 lambs.

Principal buyers at the sale were packing companies from Madison and Milwaukee. Top price for all animals was brought by the grand champion lamb, owned by Kenneth Disch, Evansville, a crossbred animal, which sold for 47 cents a pound. The champion barrow pig, a Chester White owned by Melvin Lins, Spring Green, brought 33 cents a pound and the champion baby beef, a Shorthorn calf owned by Peter Baker, Dodgeville, sold for 22 cents a pound.

## Wisconsin 4-H Teams Compete At Dairy Show

Wisconsin's 4-H club delegation to the National Dairy Show held in San Francisco recently made a good record in competition with winning 4-H club teams from 48 other states.

Placing in the first or blue award group of teams was a Wisconsin team composed of Lorraine Ostrem and Virginia Jacobson, Viroqua. They demonstrated the dairy luncheon, and especially showed choice ways of using American and cottage cheese to a large group of show visitors who watched the demonstration. They showed how to make cottage cheese and explained the place of milk and milk products in balanced diets.

The Wisconsin production demonstration team, composed of Fremont and Vivian Betts, Eagle, also placed in the blue award or first group in competition with 13 states in the Central section of the country. They demonstrated the production of clean milk, especially showing how farmers can produce wholesome milk inexpensively.

The Wisconsin dairy cattle judging team was composed of William McCarrow, Pewaukee, Joseph Tuss, Ea-

gle River, and Donald Watrud, Blanchardville. The team placed eleventh in the entire contest. Young McCarrow placed eleventh among the 51 boys and girls competing in the contest.

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