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**Year of Extension
Class Counseling
Aids City Groups**

Personal conferences with a University adviser aided University Extension students in 16 class centers in Wisconsin to obtain a helpful understanding of their school problems and of their place in the general scheme of University work during the last school year, according to an official appraisal of the first year of extension counseling on its present full-time basis.

Some of the results of the new counseling plan were revealed in a report made to Dean F. O. Holt by Dr. John L. Bergstresser, assistant dean, who acts as the Extension class adviser.

Dr. Bergstresser's findings were based on his own conferences with approximately 550 students in class centers, where the complete freshman credit program was given, and with students in two sophomore groups.

These conferences involved many student problems, including study habits and methods, choice of courses, financial troubles, personality adjustments, vocational objectives, aptitudes for specialized work, relations with teachers and parents, and future educational plans.

The class centers were visited by the adviser at least twice—following mid-semester reports in each semester. About half of the centers were visited three or more times.

Group conferences were held at most centers, and there were other conferences with class instructors and with school administrators concerning scholastic deficiencies, personnel records, and counseling with students.

The adviser reported that promising students invariably were urged to continue their education at some institution of higher learning, with academic degrees as their goal. Helpful information was given concerning the procedure of transfer, college offerings, the expenses for a year of campus work, and opportunities for working one's way.

A study is in progress to reveal the academic achievement of former extension class students in their campus courses, and conferences are planned with a view to the analyzing of problems of adjustment experienced by some students in transferring from class centers to the campus at Madison.

The extension counseling service has elicited many voluntary statements of approval from students, instructors, and school administrators, who have found in it a contribution of real significance in the development of an off-campus credit program, comparable in practice and results to that made by counseling on the Madison campus.

**U. W. Journalism
School Publishes
Alumni Directory**

The first directory of its journalism graduates, just published this summer by the University of Wisconsin school of journalism, reveals that 1,046 men and women, exclusive of recipients of graduate degrees, have been graduated from the Wisconsin journalism school during the period from 1905 to 1937. The figure does not include 1938 graduates of the school.

The Wisconsin school of journalism directory was published under the supervision of Prof. Grant M. Hyde, director of the school, and is now being sent to all journalism alumni of the University. The school was started in 1905 by the late Dr. Willard G. "Daddy" Bleyer, its first director, who died in 1935.

The directory shows that since 1916 a total of 67 master's degrees have been granted for advanced work in journalism at Wisconsin, and that since 1929, eight doctor of philosophy degrees have been granted for advanced work in journalism in combination with one of the social sciences.

**U. W. Ag Students
Join Summer Soil
Conservation Work**

Fifteen agricultural students at the University of Wisconsin have received three summer appointments as student assistants in the Soil Conservation Services, announces Ira L. Baldwin, assistant dean of the College of Agriculture.

The students are assigned to the various soil demonstration projects and CCC work areas in different sections of Wisconsin, explains M. F. Schweers, state coordinator for the soil service. They will do practical work in agricultural engineering, forestry, wild life conservation, agronomy, soils and farm management under the supervision of the federal project leaders.

Those appointed include: Zenas H. Beers, **Elmwood**; Robert T. Bilstein, **Foxboro**; Howard Ferris, **Sturgeon Bay**; Ward K. Foshier, **Oshkosh**; Harlow J. Hodgson, **Mazomanie**; James V. Kilmer, **Oconto Falls**; George O. Kohler, **Madison**; Glen E. Page, **Berlin**; Roscoe H. Premo, **Prairie du Sac**; Charles I. Rich, **Madison**; Norman E. Schmeichel, **Two Rivers**; John M. Slatensek, **Wauwatosa**; Marion Skaley, **Hillsboro**; Lyle K. Sows, **Darlington**; and Alvin F. Vogt, **Mt. Hope**.

**725 Enroll in U. W. Music
Clinic; Plan 5 Big Concerts**

With a record enrollment crowding their classes, teachers in the University of Wisconsin's ninth annual Music Clinic are more than busy these July days giving their students in band, orchestra, chorus, and opera the most intensive of training preparatory to five big public concerts to be given during the next two weeks in **Madison** and in **Milwaukee**.

Enrollment in the 1938 Music Clinic reached an all-time record high last week when more than 725 high school student musicians and directors of music from all parts of Wisconsin and half a dozen other midwest states registered in classes as the clinic opened. The previous high enrollment mark in the clinic was set last year when slightly more than 600 students registered.

Four of the five big public concerts to be given by the clinic's student musicians, who are members of either the All-State band, orchestra, chorus, or opera, will take place on the University campus in Madison. The fifth, by the All-State band of more than 300 pieces, will be given during the closing program of the annual mid-summer festival in Milwaukee next Saturday, July 23. Last summer the clinic band played before an estimated audience of 150,000 persons at the huge Milwaukee festival.

The clinic's All-State band will also give its annual concert in Camp Ran-

dall stadium on the closing night of the clinic on Saturday, July 30. This annual band concert constitutes a climax of the clinic, topping off the three weeks of intense music training through which the students have gone.

The All-State chorus, composed of both student singers and high school music directors, will give its annual concert next Wednesday, July 27, in Music hall auditorium on the campus. The chorus this year is under the direction of David Nyvall, director of all chorus work in Chicago high schools, and professor of music at DePaul university.

Four performances of the clinic's annual opera will be given in the Parkway theater in Madison next Thursday night, July 28. The opera to be performed this year is "The Bohemian Girl" by Balfe. Both cast and chorus for the opera, all high school students, have already been selected following try-outs by Prof. Manning, of the Utah agricultural college, who is director of opera work in the clinic.

The Clinic's All-State orchestra of several hundred pieces will present its annual concert on Friday night, July 29, in the University's stock pavilion. The orchestra is under the direction of Henry Sopkin, director of the Lake View high school orchestra in Chicago, and conductor of the national champion high school orchestra for the past several years.

**U. W. Home Ec Grads
Placed in Hospitals**

Fourteen of the 18 University of Wisconsin home economics June graduates, who specialized in dietetics, have been appointed as student dietitians in hospitals in the East and Middle West. All of the others are expected to be placed before the end of the summer.

"The demand has been good for young women specializing in this field," reports Miss Helen T. Parsons, of the home economics department at the State University. "Openings for dietitians have been numerous as well as opportunities for the one year training period in hospitals, required of those who enter the profession."

The 1938 graduates and the hospitals in which they will get their training include: Doris Annear, **Richland Center**, Cincinnati General Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio; Rose L. Bolotin, Sharon, Pennsylvania, Cook County Hospital, Chicago; Catherine Clark, **Oregon**, St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester, Minnesota; Ruth T. Gilling, **Green Bay**, Mercy Hospital, Chicago; Ruth L. Hueneman, **Juneau**, University of Chicago Clinic, Chicago; Ethel Katz, **Janesville**, Beth Israel Hospital, Newark, New Jersey; Catharine A. Kulas, **Superior**, Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts;

Estere R. Nelson, **Cashton**, Lincoln General Hospital, Lincoln, Nebraska; Beatrice M. Peplinski, **Palaski**, Ancker Hospital, St. Paul, Minnesota; Elaine S. Plous, **Kenosha**, Beth Israel Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts; Gene M. Runke, **Algoma**, Harper Hospital, Detroit, Michigan; Mildred B. Sanders, **Marshfield**, University Hospital, Ann Arbor, Michigan; Jennie Sopstyle, **Madison**, Lincoln General Hospital, Lincoln, Nebraska; and Genevieve J. Strutt, **Ridgeway**, Michael Hospital, Chicago.

**Extension Students to
Have Orientation Period**

For the first time the University of Wisconsin will have an "orientation" period for its extension students who are coming to the campus to enter the University as regular resident students this fall, it was announced today by John L. Bergstresser, assistant dean of the University Extension division.

The Extension orientation period will be held at the same time as the State University's regular Freshman orientation period which has been held for a number of years at the University as a means of helping new students become acquainted with the Wisconsin campus before upper class students return for classes. Each year the period is held during the week preceding the opening of classes in September, and this year will be held from Sept. 14-20.

The extension students who become resident students next fall will take part in many of the Freshman period orientation activities in which the freshmen entering next fall will participate. But the entering extension students will also have a convocation of their own on Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 20, in the Home Economics building on the campus, at which they will be addressed by Dean Frank O. Holt, of the Extension division, and Assistant Dean Bergstresser.

TO VISIT U. W.

About 70 members of the West Shore Water Producers' association, made up of waterworks operators in communities stretching from **Two Rivers, Wis.**, to **Hammond, Ind.**, will be guests of the hydraulics and sanitary engineering laboratory staff at the University of Wisconsin on Wednesday, July 27, Prof. Lewis H. Kessler of the laboratory staff has announced. The waterworks men will view demonstrations of various types of filter media and the new water hammer arrester during their laboratory visit.

**Parents Will Study
Teaching Techniques
for Home and School**

Teaching parents to help in teaching children is the purpose of the Parent Education Institute, which is to be held at the University of Wisconsin Laboratory school, July 26 and 27.

"Education is no longer a matter of teaching the three R's. We are now coming to realize the importance of training in the home and good family relationships in the general educational system," observes Mrs. Alathena J. Smith, director of the Behavior Clinic for the laboratory school which is sponsoring the meeting.

This short course is designed to follow the pattern of several other states in showing scientific developments made in schools and of interest to parents. Advances in parent education, research in child development, and training for family life will all be a part of the program.

Study groups in the various school levels will be observed by parents, educators, and students attending the meeting. They will also watch children being given intelligence tests, reading instruction, and following other school procedures. The new responsibilities of the modern school in guiding pupils and arranging a program that can be followed in the home, as well as in the school, will be considered in the discussions.

Radio as a tool in parent education will be analyzed. The value of study groups, leadership training, and contributions from the field of home economics will also be pointed out.

Joint responsibility of the home and the school will be emphasized by the parent education institute. Mrs. Smith expects that the meeting will show the significance of closer cooperation between the home and the school as educational agencies. Parent-teacher groups throughout the state are especially interested in this meeting and their particular role in the education field is to be discussed.

**Make Democracy Work to Gain
Security, Freedom, Says Dykstra**

American education will lose its liberty and its opportunity if it does not face the challenge of making the democratic idea and process work in such a way that America can achieve security in a social organization which will maintain freedom.

Such was the warning given University of Wisconsin summer students by Pres. C. A. Dykstra at the annual All-University summer school convocation held on the State University campus recently. Speaking on "Democracy and Education," Pres. Dykstra told the students that "education is now concerned with the individual in society and with the cultural values which sustain and enrich life in society. This is the way of freedom and, it is to be hoped, of security," he asserted, explaining that "mankind has always valued both but it has never been able to join them for a considerable time."

"The challenge America faces today in a world of warring philosophies is clear cut—can we make the democratic idea and process work in such a way that we can achieve security in a social organization which will maintain freedom?" he asked. "Do we have to kill one to get the other? Education must face this issue or lose its liberty and its opportunity. It must lead the way or degenerate into a set of routines guarding a status quo or even as it has in some parts of the world, into an instrument of regimentation and tyranny."

The University's president pointed out that, in the largest sense, democracy is education, and that universal education, if a free instrument, must eventually bring about the democracy

**U. W. Students Write
Enough News to Fill
120 Newspaper Pages**

Journalism students at the University of Wisconsin during the past school year wrote 19,231 column inches of news copy printed in Madison newspapers and the Daily Cardinal, student newspaper on the University campus, a survey of journalism school "string book" totals for the year has revealed.

The total amount of news copy written by the students and printed by the newspapers was equivalent to 961.5 standard newspaper columns, or slightly more than 120 standard newspaper pages.

The students get the news by covering "assignments" made to them through their instructors by local newspapers.

**Summer Students
Debate British
Alliance on Radio**

The high school debate question for 1939, on which thousands of youth in Wisconsin and other states will focus arguments pro and con, will have its first airing over the Wisconsin state stations, WHA and WLBL, next Tuesday, July 26. The University of Wisconsin summer school class in advanced argumentation and debate coaching will present the issue between 3:30 and 5:30 p. m. in a broadcast emanating from the Memorial Union.

The question is: "Resolved, that the United States should establish an alliance with Great Britain."

The presentation, arranged for the Old Madison room, will be open to students, coaches, and public. Following the broadcast, Profs. H. L. Ewbank and R. B. Huber and the debaters will answer questions.

Experienced debaters and coaches have been selected to present each side. The following will participate: Affirmative—Mary Elizabeth Finch, graduate of Indiana university, selected as the outstanding debater in her class; never defeated in Big Ten competition, winner of 29 contests.

Robert Gunderson, four years an intercollegiate debater at the University of Wisconsin; now coaching at **Platteville** high school.

Max Gordon, graduate of University of Wisconsin, with one year's debating experience there; for the last two years coach at **Plainfield** high school.

Negative—Harold Dressel, eleven years coaching experience in Michigan, now at River Rouge.

Dorothy Baxter, four years' debate experience at Albion college, two years under Prof. Ewbank; master's degree from University of Michigan; now working for the doctor's degree at Wisconsin; forensic coach in Michigan.

Richard Hutchings, in coaching work more than seven years, now at Springfield, O.

DIRECTS CENTENNIAL

Miss Ethel Rockwell, chief of the bureau of dramatic activities of the University of Wisconsin Extension division, has written and is directing the huge pageant which will be given during the Sauk-Prairie centennial to be held Aug. 11-12 at Prairie du Sac and Sauk City. More than 800 characters will be in the pageant. Among the speakers at the centennial, which celebrates the 100th anniversary of the first white settlement there, will be Gov. Philip F. La Follette, who will speak on Thursday, Aug. 11.

as a way of life. The merging of the two words education and democracy into one idea, he said, may appear a "counsel of perfection," but he warned that "educational leadership in America cannot strive for less."

Pres. Dykstra urged Wisconsin's summer students, most of whom are teachers in public schools throughout the nation, to consider the necessity of "firing our people once more with a sense of unity, a common cause, a clear objective, and a love of the traditional America."

"One of these days we may have to decide that all of our available facilities, schools, the press, the radio, and the screen must be marshalled together in an effort to give the American people a realistic picture of the world in which we live and an understanding of the problems facing our civilization and our democracy," he declared. "The educational devices by entirely proper and democratic means might in a brief space of time fire our people once more with a sense of unity, a common cause, a clear objective, and a love of the traditional America. For we face within our own borders and particularly through the device of the short-wave radio the missionary endeavors of the Fascist world."

Asserting that "our sense of common purpose and common sacrifice must be a lasting and constant active sentiment which does not waver," Pres. Dykstra explained that only a conscious educational program can effect such a result. He outlined seven factors which such a program should include.

**Schoolmen Discuss
Many Problems at
U. W. Conference**

Many problems facing education at the present time, ranging all the way from developing a guidance program in the high school to the adapting of school buildings to instructional needs are being considered by about 300 educators from Wisconsin and surrounding states who are attending the annual Institute for Superintendents and Principals meeting at the University of Wisconsin this week.

The Institute is sponsored annually by the State University's school of education. Among those attending the 15 roundtable discussions and the five panel discussions which make up the Institute program are city and county superintendents, supervising principals, elementary and secondary school principals, supervisors, directors of research and guidance, and many others interested in administering public schools.

Both University of Wisconsin faculty members and visiting educators from within and outside the state are leading the discussions at the roundtable and panel sessions of the Institute. University faculty members on the Institute program include Dr. Max Otto, professor of philosophy; and Profs. C. E. Ragdsdale, Kai Jensen, Robert J. Francis, Oliver R. Floyd, Katherine L. Cronin, and C. H. Waller.

Other Wisconsin educators who are leading discussions on the program include: Vergil E. Herrick, director of research, **Milwaukee Country Day school**; P. H. Falk, **Waukesha**; Reinhard R. Ruhnke, **Milwaukee**; R. F. Lewis, **Marshfield**; Jennie M. Turner, **Madison**; T. S. Rees, **Racine**; J. H. Murphy, **New Holstein**; Gertrude Forrester, **West Bend**; William C. Hanson, **Stoughton**; G. E. Watson, **Marinette**; John F. Waddell, **Madison**; Roy R. Van Duzee, **West Allis**; Harry E. Merritt, **Madison**; W. E. Gordon, **New Richmond**; W. F. Waterpool, **Rice Lake**; Roy S. Smith, **Jefferson**; and J. A. Van Natta, **Sturgeon Bay**.

Among the subjects being discussed at the Institute are the following: Contemporary Implications for Changing the Curriculum; Child Development; Adapting School Buildings to Instructional Needs; Available Techniques and Instruments in the Diagnosis of Reading Difficulties; Recent Developments in the Elementary School Curriculum; Health Activities in the School Program; Recent Developments in the Secondary School Program; Remedial Reading Programs; and Recent Developments in the Legal Foundations of the School Curriculum.

**Badger Fairs to Hold
Horse Pulling Contest**

Horses, carefully teamed and trained to pull under the patient direction of experienced teamsters, will again hold the interest of the public in pulling contests at fairs during 1938. Justin Waterman, in charge of the horse dynamometer, owned by the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture, which is used to accurately measure the pulls made by the teams at these contests, has already received requests for the use of the dynamometer at 38 contests.

These contests include: **August 2, Chippewa Falls**; **August 5, Portage**; **August 6, Seymour**; **August 9, Merrill**; **August 10, Glenwood City**; **August 11, La Crosse**; **August 12, Monroe**; **August 13, De Pere and Cedarburg**; **August 15, De Pere**; **August 17, St. Croix Falls**;

August 18, Janesville; **August 19, Wilmet**; **August 22, Milwaukee**; **August 23, Wautoma**; **August 24, Menomonie**; **August 26, Platteville**; **August 27, Wausau**; **August 28, Sturgeon Bay**; **August 30, Oshkosh**; **August 31, Union Grove**; **September 1, Rice Lake**; **September 2, Baraboo**; **September 3, Durand and Galesville**; **September 4, Mineral Point**; **September 5, Luxemburg**; **September 7, Westfield**; **September 10, Wausaukee**; **September 12, Black River Falls**; **September 14, Richland Center**; **September 16, Jefferson**; **September 17, Osseo**; **September 22, New London**; **September 23, Rosendale and Oregon**; **September 24, Columbus**; and **October 1, Belmont**.

**Gives \$500 to U. W.
for Scholarship Fund**

A gift of \$500 was recently given to the Wisconsin Alumni association by Walter Alexander, **Milwaukee**, with which to establish a scholarship fund for outstanding junior students at the University of Wisconsin.

In accepting the gift, the association announced that the fund would be known as the Walter Alexander Scholarship fund, and that each year for the next five years a one hundred dollar award would be made from the fund to the junior man who has made an outstanding record both in his studies and in student activities.

Mr. Alexander graduated from the University of Wisconsin with the class of 1897. Keenly interested in the University, he has been active in alumni association work for many years. During his University career, he was a member of the Wisconsin varsity crew, and he served as a member of the University's athletic board.