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**Educational Offer
Finds Wide Favor
With Unemployed****Training Courses of Extension
Division Reported in Demand
Throughout State**

The operation of the 1933 educational relief act, appropriating \$30,000 for scholarships in extension courses for unemployed persons, is now in full effect and meeting all the expectations of its sponsors, Dean Chester D. Snell, of the University of Wisconsin Extension division, reported this week.

This plan, which was the first state recognition of the educational as well as the material wants of the unemployed, was initiated by the Executive Council in co-operation with the Industrial Commission, and found quick acceptance by the legislature. It provides for free extension courses for persons whose opportunities were curtailed by the depression.

This legislation has a parallel in the soldiers' bonus act which, immediately after the war, opened the training courses of the University Extension division to thousands of ex-service men of Wisconsin.

All Courses Available

Provisions of the 1933 act extend scholarships to unemployed for the study of any of the 400 extension courses given by correspondence; for admission to extension classes in any city where enough students can be enrolled to warrant sending an instructor weekly; and to the evening classes at the Milwaukee extension center.

Extension classes already have been organized in every section of the state—some in cities of 3,000 or less. Leading in popularity in both class and correspondence study are courses in business, freshman English, economics and sociology, history, and mathematics.

Emphasize Recovery Act

Anticipating the keen interest in the NRA and the new industrial codes, the department of economics and sociology has adopted several courses to deal with these steps and with the results expected from the gigantic recovery program. One such course is entitled "Current Economic Trends and the NRA."

At Beloit, co-operating with the vocational school, the Extension division is offering a class course in this subject solely for unemployed persons.

Best Use of Leisure

"This period of economic readjustment has forced a great many people to seek other means of earning a living," Dean Snell commented. "Re-training is often necessary. But most important, perhaps, is that by

**Drawing of Sketches for
Three New Buildings is
Ordered by U. Regents**

Drawing of preliminary sketches for three new buildings—an Electrical laboratory, a Law building, and an agricultural short course dormitory—was ordered by the executive committee of the board of regents meeting recently.

The board adopted a recommendation by Business Manager James D. Phillips providing that the preliminary sketches be made in accordance with the terms of the federal government's make-work public building program.

A proposal for the erection of these three buildings on the University campus, under the terms of the national government's program, has been before the regents for several months. Under these terms, the federal government provides the total funds needed for the construction work, with the state government paying back 70 per cent of the total over a period of years.

Explaining that the drawing of the preliminary sketches does not necessarily mean that the buildings would be constructed at this time, Pres. Glenn Frank told the regents that the agricultural short course dormitory was needed and would be a self-liquidating project, that the Law building was the greatest physical need of the campus at the present time, and that the proposed Electrical laboratory would play a leading part in the industrial and economic development of the state during the next 10 years.

The actual cost of the building program will not be definitely determined until the preliminary sketches are completed.

The regents also ordered bids be obtained on the construction of the new chimneys tower which has been under consideration for the past year. Funds for the tower, furnished by \$30,000, have been furnished by graduating classes from 1916 to 1927. Erection of the tower, which will be about 85 feet high and will contain 36 bells, will involve no expense to the University whatever. It will probably be built on the high knoll just northwest of Bascom hall.

studying educational courses the unemployed are occupying their time to good advantage, are maintaining their morale, and are not drifting into undesirable habits."

To qualify for these free courses, an applicant must obtain the signature of the local relief official signifying that he is unable to pay for the course.

**Sanely Disciplined Minds, Sound Characters
Are Need of Future, Frank Tells U. W. Frosh**

The young men and women entering the University of Wisconsin this year must bring to the complex affairs of their time two things, sanely disciplined minds and soundly developed characters, if they are going to furnish an intelligent leadership for the future, Pres. Glenn Frank declared in a message of welcome to more than 1,500 first year students entering the State University during the past week.

The message from Pres. Frank was contained in a Handbook given to all freshmen during their first day at the University. The Handbook also contained personal messages from Dean of Women Louise Troxell and Dean of Men Scott H. Goodnight.

"I hope the peculiar significance of the period through which state and nation are passing will filter into the minds of all Wisconsin students and inspire in them a new devotion to those rigorous disciplines of mind and character which alone can produce the kind of men and women who can rescue our generation from the political, social, and economic confusion into which it has fallen in these days of worldwide depression," Pres. Frank asserted.

Give Future Leadership

"You will have to live your lives and practice your professions in a world disturbed by something deeper than the after-effects of a market crash, in a world that has become so complex that it is baffling the managerial skill of its leadership. We must look for the leadership of the future to you who are now undergoing university training. And you will fail your generation unless from your university training you bring to the affairs of your time two things: (1) sanely disciplined minds, and (2) soundly developed characters."

"I hope that, in the selection of your courses and in the persistent questions you put to your professors, you will demand that the University give you a genuine insight into the problems that now haunt the social order."

"I hope that, in your social life outside the class room, you will consciously practice that self-control and subject yourselves to that self-discipline which alone can produce the strength that the strains of the future will demand. We shall do everything within our power to help you in this enterprise of self-development," he promised.

Search for Good Life

Addressing part of her message to parents of freshmen, Dean Troxell said:

"No doubt the publicity the University has received during the past few years has caused many of you great concern for your children. We have been accused of fostering atheism,

immorality, and radicalism; of permitting immature students to direct their own lives without regard to the consequences.

"My duties are purely advisory, discipline being administered by the Women's Self-Government association, and by a faculty committee, but in spite of this, I know quite well, as do most of the faculty people, the situation here at the University."

"I am convinced that you will not find in any community of 8,000 young people higher standards or a more earnest searching for the good life than we have here," she declared. "I am heartened every day by my contacts with the students, and I do not see among any group of the older people I know more courage, more integrity, or a more wholesome desire to get the best out of life than these young people show."

Discussing the question as to whether or not the University is a "safe place" for young people, Dean Goodnight said that "in a very strict sense of the word, no place is safe for young people."

U. W. "Safe Place"

"If we mean by safe, a place in which no young person ever encounters temptation or danger; in which no one ever makes a mess of life and has to start all over again to build 'with worn-out tools'; in which there are no vices, no failures and no automobile wrecks, then no city, no village, no farm home is 'safe', to say nothing of schools, colleges, and universities."

"If, on the other hand, we use the term relatively, and understand by it a place in which a big majority of the young men and women are attending to the business of getting an educational training which will fit them for useful living; in which the failures and wrecks are relatively few in number; in which smoking, drinking, and 'petting' are indulged in in probably smaller proportion, considering the numbers involved, than they are among the young people of your home community; in which there is much freedom of discussion, in which there are foreigners, aristocrats, and plebeians, children of wealthy parents and of poor immigrants, intellectually gifted and plodders, with an admixture of 'play boys' and of 'play girls', but in which the great majority are leading normal, wholesome lives of work and play, then the University may be considered a safe place for a young man or a young woman to seek development."

"It is probably quite as safe as your home town, and probably a much larger percentage of the students here are improving themselves and consciously preparing for useful lives than in your home community," the dean of men told the frosh.

**New Experiments in
Education Started
as U. W. Opens Doors****To Train Students for Public
Leadership; Try New
Graduate Study System**

Two new experiments in education, one designed to train young men and women for public leadership and the other inaugurating a new and more economical system of graduate study, will be started at the University of Wisconsin when classes begin Sept. 20.

One of the experiments, involving the training of students for public leadership, will consist of a four-year course in classical humanities, providing for the study of Greek and Roman civilizations in a manner that will provide an indirect attack on modern American problems.

The other experiment, made possible by a grant of funds by the Wisconsin Alumni Foundation, a non-profit corporation organized by Wisconsin alumni interested in the development of research, involves a new method of graduate study under which the University will commission 36 of its productive scholars to the direction of between 60 and 70 important researches.

Master-Apprentice Set-up

In this experiment, the traditional system of graduate study, consisting of formal lectures and regularly-scheduled seminars will be supplanted by an informal master-apprentice relationship between the 36 scientists and scholars directing the researches and their graduate students.

Grant of funds by the Foundation has not only made possible the inauguration of this new experiment in graduate study, but has also helped to save the University's research program which, due to lack of funds, otherwise would have had to be drastically curtailed.

The experiment in training young men and women for intelligent public leadership is made possible by members of the University classics department staff, who are contributing their spare time to the additional teaching required in the new course.

10 Prodigies to Learn

Enrollment in this new course will be limited to 10 students per year for four years, so that a total of 40 students will be the most enrolled at any one time. Students in the course will be trained in Greek and Latin language, in literature, art, philosophy, history, economics, politics and religion.

They will be trained to see these human activities in their proper context, according to Prof. A. D. Wisphear, who will direct the new course, and not divorced from the unity of human experience and treated as abstractions, but rather as bearing upon and influencing one another in the unity of the whole of human life.

The tutorial method of instruction will be used in the new experiment, and students in the course will be required to pass a comprehensive examination covering everything taught during the four years. Only those students who have had good high school records will be permitted to enter the course.

**High School Students
to Hold State Contest
Madison, October 27-28**

Wisconsin rural boys, students of agriculture in high schools throughout the state, will match their talents at the annual state judging contest to be held at Madison, October 27-28, according to an announcement by the committee in charge of the event.

This contest, open to all students of agriculture in high schools, will include the judging of livestock, poultry, dairying, apples and potatoes, seeds and forage, meats, and agricultural engineering, as well as contests in singing.

A new event added for the first time this year and open to juniors and seniors who have had two years of instruction in agriculture will be "agricultural facts" contest or examination.

Appropriate cups and banners, to be held for a period of one year, will be awarded to the winners in the principal events. The contest is held in cooperation with the State Board of Vocational Education and the state Live Stock Breeders association.

**Mrs. Mortenson Fills
Home Economics Post**

Mrs. Luella Mortenson has been appointed by the regents of the University of Wisconsin to be acting state leader of home economics extension work, filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Nellie Kedzie Jones from active service in this capacity.

Mrs. Mortenson received her home economics training at Kansas State Agricultural College. Since graduating from that institution, she has had considerable experience in various lines of home economics work, including teaching, restaurant management, and extension work in a number of states.

The new home economics extension leader is already well-known to women throughout Wisconsin because of her work as extension specialist in nutrition. Her early life in a Kansas farm home has given Mrs. Mortenson a keen insight into the problems of the farm homemaker.

WILD GAME

It merely Asks a Chance

Game management is the art of making land produce sustained annual crops of wild game for recreational use.

Game management pronounces no doctrine, it simply asks for land and the chance to show that farm, forest, and wild-life products can be grown on it, to the mutual advantage of each other, of the land owner, and of the public.

It proposes a purpose—the love of sport—narrow enough actually to get action from human beings as now made up, but nevertheless capable of expanding with time into that new social idea toward which conservation is working—Aldo Leopold, game manager, Wisconsin college of agriculture.

**Witte, State Library
Chief, Named Professor
of Economics at U. W.**

Edwin E. Witte, for 11 years chief of the Legislative Reference Library at the state capitol, has been appointed professor of economics at the University of Wisconsin, it was announced by Pres. Glenn Frank.

At the same time, Pres. Frank announced that Prof. John R. Commons, who has taught economics in the University for more than 50 years, has been made emeritus professor of economics.

Prof. Commons passed his 70th birthday last fall, and at that time the board of regents abrogated the rule automatically retiring faculty members at the age of 70, so that the beloved professor could continue his work. He recently returned from a three months' trip to England.

The appointment of Mr. Witte as professor of economics was one of the important changes made in the University faculty for the coming year. Besides his Legislative library duties, Mr. Witte has been a lecturer in economics, so that his appointment as professor is in effect a staff promotion. He has served the state as chief of the Legislative library since 1922, and in that capacity has helped draft into legal form many of the bills which later became state law.

Among other important faculty changes are the resignation of E. P. Appelt, assistant professor of German, who goes to an eastern school next year, and the appointment of Mrs. Nellie Kedzie Jones, state leader of home economics extension work, as professor emeritus of home economics.

Only a small number of promotions were made, and the usual number of leaves of absence were granted.

Those earning promotions in rank are as follows:

From associate professor to professor, S. M. McElvain, chemistry; C. P. Nettels, history; W. S. Marshall, zoology; and Raymond Roark, engineering. From assistant professor to associate professor, H. H. Clark and Helen C. White, both in English. From instructor to assistant professor, Stella M. Hinz, German; R. E. Johnson, engineering; and J. P. von Gruening, German. From assistant to junior dean to assistant dean, John L. Bergstresser.

Those granted leaves of absence are: Professor V. C. Finch and G. T. Trewartha, geography; M. L. Hanley, English; Andre Leveque, French; Chilton R. Bush, Journalism; Alexander Meiklejohn, philosophy; and John M. Gauz, political science.

**Magazines in High
Demand for State's
Hi-School Debates**

With several hundred high schools preparing to debate radio control, the department of debating and public discussion of the University Extension division is collecting special material to loan to debate groups throughout Wisconsin. Because of budget cuts in both public and high school libraries, many current magazines will not be available.

The department is soliciting magazines from citizens of the state to meet this need. It was explained by Miss Almere Scott, its director, that a single magazine article included in the package libraries will serve ten or a dozen communities in a year.

Magazines wanted include American Mercury, August, 1929; Atlantic Monthly, October, 1932; Christian Century, February 22, 1933; Current History, December, 1930; Foreign Affairs, April, 1933; Fortune, December, 1930; Forum and Century, February, 1932; Harper's Magazine, November, 1931; Nation, February 11, 1931; New Republic, June 24, 1931; Outlook, April 22, 1931; Review of Reviews, February, 1931; Saturday Evening Post, November 16, 1929; Scribner's, May, 1933.

Other magazines will be welcomed, it was said, since the informational needs on this and other subjects of current interest are frequently greater than the supply.

**Badger Recognition Plan
is Used in Other States**

Four farm people, leaders in agriculture and rural life, were recently accorded honorary recognition by the Connecticut State College of Agriculture.

This plan, started at the Wisconsin college of agriculture in 1909, is now followed by several other states throughout the United States.

Honorary recognition is conferred

**Junior Fat Stock
Owners Hold Expo
at Madison Oct. 23****Over 1,000 Animals Entered
for Competition by
29 Counties**

The state's choicest junior meat producing animals, fed and groomed to fine market finish by their youthful owners, will compete for state honors at the 18th annual Junior Livestock Exposition in Madison, October 23-26.

More than 1000 animals have been entered for competition in the beef calf, lamb, and pig classes from 29 Badger counties, according to Arlie Mucks, superintendent. The exposition is being held under the auspices of the Wisconsin Livestock Breeders association in cooperation with the State Board of Vocational Education and the State Department of 4H clubs.

Members of the executive committee in charge of the exposition are R. E. Reynolds, chairman, and S. C. Cushman, Columbia county; M. F. Hogan, Dane county; William Miles, J. C. Robinson and Peter Templeton, Rock county; and C. H. Hulbert, Waukesha county.

Counties which will send animals to the exposition are: Adams, Buffalo, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Dodge, Dunn, Eau Claire, Grant, Green Lake, Iowa, Jefferson, Kenosha, LaCrosse, Lafayette, Marathon, Marinette, Marquette, Monroe, Pepin, Polk, Richland, Rock, St. Croix, Sauk, Trempealeau, Vernon, Walworth, and Winnebago.

**Mrs. Nellie Kedzie Jones
Known Widely for Home
Making Work, Retires**

After 15 years of work among the farm women of Wisconsin, during which time she has become one of their closest, most sympathetic and inspirational friends, Mrs. Nellie Kedzie Jones is retiring from active service as state leader of home economics extension work.

Her keen understanding of farm home conditions, gained during her girlhood life on a farm, together with her gracious sympathy and her personal magnetism have made Mrs. Kedzie Jones an inspiration and a help to thousands of Wisconsin people.

Known Over Country

Not only in Wisconsin, but in other states as well, has Mrs. Kedzie Jones done outstanding work. From 1882 to 1897, as head of the home economics department at Kansas State Agricultural College, she built up, through her charming personality, her keen intellectual interest and her unusual executive ability, one of the strongest departments of home economics in the United States. Among the leaders in home economics work who received their training under her direction is Miss Abby L. Marlatt, director of home economics at the University of Wisconsin.

In 1897 Mrs. Kedzie Jones was called to organize a similar department at the Bradley Polytechnic Institute at Peoria, Illinois. She developed the department there so that it is today one of the well known home economics training institutions.

Moved to Wisconsin

She became the director of the Illinois State Fair School of Domestic Science, and even after her resignation from Bradley Polytechnic she continued to conduct the two weeks' farm school.

After her marriage to Dr. Howard Murray Jones, vice president and professor of history at Berea College, Berea, Kentucky, and later pastor of some important churches, Mrs. Kedzie Jones continued to work for better home conditions through conference and lecture work. Later, when she and Dr. Jones moved to Smoky Hill Farm, Auburndale, Wisconsin, because of the latter's ill health, her winters were taken up with lecture tours to farm home meetings and club meetings. She was hailed as a delightful lecturer in no less than 25 states from Maine to Oregon.

Honored by U. W.

As a teacher, a lecturer, a radio speaker and writer Mrs. Kedzie Jones has an international reputation. Before she came to the University of Wisconsin as a member of its faculty, the university accorded her honorary recognition at the annual Farm and Home Week in February, 1918. Kansas State College gave her the honorary Doctor of Letters degree in 1925. Upon her retirement this year, the University of Wisconsin granted her an emeritus professorship.

as a tribute to outstanding rural leadership of men and women who, by example and intelligent devotion to rural interests, have helped to make farming more prosperous and farm life more satisfying. It seeks to call the attention of the citizens of a state to the dignity, the importance, and the permanence of its agriculture.

Counties from which Wisconsin has chosen men and women for honorary recognition are Ashland, Barron, Buffalo, Columbia, Dane, Dodge, Door, Dunn, Fond du Lac, Grant, Green, Iowa, Jefferson, Kewaunee, LaCrosse, Manitowish, Marinette, Milwaukee, Monroe, Oconto, Outagamie, Polk, Racine, Richland, Rock, Sauk, Sawyer, Sheboygan, St. Croix, Taylor, Trempealeau, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha, Waupaca and Washburn.

This recognition is conferred as a part of the Farm and Home Week activities held at the Wisconsin college of agriculture in February.