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# THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN PRESS BULLETIN

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## Badger Youth Begin College Work At 18 Extension Centers

For hundreds of Wisconsin young people just out of high school who cannot finance a year of college work in residence, the University of Wisconsin this month carried university class privileges to 18 Wisconsin cities where University Extension centers have been established this semester.

In each city students began the freshman college-credit program—English, history, language, and a science or mathematics course, while in three cities—Sheboygan, Manitowoc, Madison—the sophomore program also was offered. The sophomore studies are English, history, language, economics and political science. This is the seventh year of the college program in off-campus centers.

The freshman work is given this year at Antigo, Beloit, Eagle River, Elkhorn, Fond du Lac, Green Bay, Janesville, Kenosha, Madison, Manitowoc, Menasha, Racine, Richland Center, Rhinelander, Sheboygan, Waupaca, Wausau, and Wisconsin Rapids.

Newest centers are Eagle River, Elkhorn, and Richland Center. Elkhorn's is a continuation of the Walworth county program offered last year at Williams Bay.

### List Subjects

The 1939-40 subjects and instructors are:

Chemistry, George G. Town; economics, J. L. Miller; James S. Parker; English, W. Howard Dawe, James Duff, J. K. Evers, Gladys Jerome, Katherine W. McMullen, M. I. Pope, H. J. Storlie, Zea Zinn; French, Josephine Wheeler Rentz, Norman Azpell, Florence Stehn Reynolds, Chloe E. Tilden; German, A. B. Ernst, Alfred Hayes, Katherine McMullen; geography, Wilbur M. Hanley, Robert Finley, Paul W. Icke; history, Bessie E. Edsall, J. W. Culver, C. L. Monroe, R. A. Plath, Joseph Schafer, Jr., Kenneth M. Stampf, Herbert J. Wood; mathematics, William Bigelow, Leon Battig, A. W. May; political science, Howard J. McMurray, L. H. Adolfson; Spanish, Norman Azpell, Josephine W. Rentz, Chloe E. Tilden, Kathrin Tufts.

In most cities the work is sponsored jointly by the local vocational school and the Extension division. At Eagle River, Elkhorn, Richland Center, Waupaca and Wisconsin Rapids it is sponsored by the board of education, which also provides the classrooms. At Madison, university facilities are used, without recourse to city cooperation. The students pay a nominal amount to help defray the cost of instruction.

### 3,500 Are Aided

Fully 98 per cent of this year's field faculty have had teaching experience at colleges or universities, a survey showed. Most of the instructors have taught at Wisconsin. All were appointed to Extension circuits upon the recommendation of their respective university departments. The courses taught, without exception, parallel those taught on the Madison campus.

During the last six years, through this educational enterprise, approximately 3,500 young people, faced with financial difficulties, have secured a start on a college education without leaving their home cities, and close to a thousand are known to have gone on to college. Every college and university in Wisconsin, and some in other states, have received these products of Wisconsin centers, many of whom now have completed their college courses with diplomas of graduation.

## Students Keep Up With History With Maps of Own Making

Europe's fast-changing frontiers, cause of many headaches and overtime for the mapmakers, are providing a challenging field for creative effort by University of Wisconsin Extension students of history. Outline maps of Europe as used in correspondence courses, it was disclosed, are serving as a practical aid to students in keeping pace with history in the making, while at the same time the study is made more informing and interesting.

"Every political demand is born of an economic need," commented Prof. B. E. Edsall, head of the extension department of history, "and there is no better way of interpreting and visualizing such need than by an intelligent use of maps. The Extension division always uses maps freely in every history course. A map may be used to indicate the wheat-growing and mining potentialities; it may show how an impassable mountain barrier serves as a natural aid to national defense; or may reveal how a river is either a distinct handicap or an artery of utmost importance for the development of a nation's commerce. Students are encouraged to make their own maps which tell the story of a nation's economic life, as well as the history of shifting boundaries in accordance with the changes being made at the moment."

The war in Europe is arousing popular interest in the pronunciation of foreign names, especially Polish. Professor Edsall recommended purchase of any standard historical atlas, which gives, besides the accepted pronunciations, much information about each country's physical assets, population, and other characteristics.

## While Others Are At War

## Make Our Democracy Work for Americans, Dykstra Tells Frosh

Reminding them that "your generation on another continent is marching off to the front," and asserting that "our primary interest is to make our democracy work successfully in this country and for Americans," Pres. C. A. Dykstra welcomed more than 2,400 freshmen to the University of Wisconsin at the annual freshman convocation held at the State University recently.

Pres. Dykstra introduced the various deans and administrative officials of the University to the first year students at the convocation. The president himself was introduced to the new students by Jack Zimmerman, Neillsville, student president of the University Men's Union board, who told the freshmen that "Pres. Dykstra has done a great job here at Wisconsin and has made a friend of every student in the University."

### "On Another Continent"

"You enter the University in a very sobering moment," Pres. Dykstra told the freshmen. "Your generation on another continent is marching off to the front—into a very different experience and environment. You are as yet able to live normal lives and pursue your individually made programs. You are still free human beings, masters of your own destinies, able to do with your lives and your capacities what you will."

"I need give you little personal advice at such a time," he continued. "If the problem of what you will do with your opportunities is not quite clear to you, anything that I might say will carry little weight. If you do not find yourselves resolving right now that your responsibility to yourselves, to your generation and to your country is of real moment and importance, no preaching will affect you. It is the responsibility that faces all mature men and women in any critical time."

### Must Know Selves

Pres. Dykstra told the new students

that not only is it "incumbent upon each of us to know ourselves," but that we must also know our fellows and our common problems. He warned also that "we cannot fail in this hour to realize that we live in a world at war" and that "we will be told from many sources where our duty lies."

"The program which I suggest to you today asks you to try to learn some of the facts if not the lessons of history," he explained to the freshmen. "Do not close your minds to these facts. Do not make up your minds blindly. Do not be swayed by the propaganda which is now on the make."

A six point program to guide their lives on the campus during these critical times was given to the freshmen by Pres. Dykstra. Among these points were:

### Six-Point Program

"Let us do our tasks from day to day as they come to us; Let us live lives that are as normal as possible—keep healthy, strong, sane; Let us be loyal to our state and our University; Let us have peace, fellowship, and cooperation in our daily round on the campus; Let us each shoulder his own immediate responsibilities whatever they are and no matter how difficult they seem; and finally, let us assume that we are going to remain aloof from war, that our primary interest is to make our democracy work successfully in this country and for Americans."

"At this difficult time in human history I welcome this freshman class to the University of Wisconsin," he declared. "We join forces today in a great enterprise. I call upon all of you to help see it through. Students of the University of Wisconsin you are today. Loyal Wisconsinites you will be throughout your lives. You have taken the first step! You cannot turn back."

## New U. W. Regents Organize; Glover Named President

Arthur J. Glover, Ft. Atkinson, was elected president of the University of Wisconsin's new 10-member Board of Regents at the board's first meeting held recently in Pres. C. A. Dykstra's office in Bascom hall at the University.

Mrs. Barbara M. Vergeront, Viroqua, was elected vice president, and M. E. McCaffrey, Madison, was re-elected secretary of the regents for the 32nd year, at the organization meeting of the new board which was recently appointed by Gov. Julius P. Heil in accordance with a law passed by the state legislature abolishing the old Board of Regents of 15 members and setting up the new 10-member board.

Gov. Heil was present at the new board's first meeting for a short time, and spoke to the members briefly, urging them to "be courageous and to mete out justice as you would have justice meted out to you."

### Heil Praises Dykstra

"I am not a dictator and I don't want to be a dictator," Gov. Heil told the board. "All I am interested in is efficiency and that we might have in this efficient set-up a great University that we might make great men and women for tomorrow. I pray that you will all work together for the good of the University."

Gov. Heil said that the members of the new board were not only his choice, but also the choice of the citizens of the state. He maintained that "this board was created for only one purpose—the good of the University." He asserted his belief that Pres. Dykstra "has done a dynamic job."

"Pres. Dykstra is an outstanding citizen and I like him," Gov. Heil said. "I think he has done a dynamic job. I don't blame him for fighting for money for the University. That is his job to get the money to run the University of Wisconsin in unhampered fashion."

### Board Tackles Work

Gov. Heil spoke to the regents at the opening of the session, and left before the board had organized itself for work. Immediately after election of its new officers, the board proceeded to wade into its work during a session which lasted more than two hours.

The board approved numerous minor staff changes recommended by Pres. Dykstra; authorized Comptroller A. W. Peterson to make formal request of the state emergency board for the \$150,000 already set aside for the University by the state legislature; and authorized Pres. C. A. Dykstra to make formal request of federal aviation authorities for the establishment of an aeronautics school at the University. The regents also authorized the president to inform the state assembly of the difficulties and problems the University would face if compulsory military training was established for all University freshmen and sophomores.

### List New Regents

All of the newly appointed regents attended the first meeting of the board. Besides Pres. Glover and Vice

### U. W. GRAD CHOSEN

Herman A. Dettwiler, a graduate of the College of Agriculture of the University of Wisconsin with the class of 1935, was granted the doctor of philosophy degree in June, 1939, by the Ohio State University, where he majored in pathogenic bacteriology. Dettwiler is a native of Verona. He has recently been appointed to the staff of Christ Memorial hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he has been assigned responsible work in the department of medical bacteriology and pathology.

## State High Schools To Be U. W. Guests At Texas Grid Game

When the University of Wisconsin football team plays the University of Texas at Camp Randall in Madison, Oct. 7, thousands of high school boys and girls of Wisconsin will be its guests. Harry Stuhldreher, Badger coach and director of athletics, issued a general invitation today to all students of public and private high schools to attend the game as the guests of the athletic department. Each will be furnished a reserved seat free, the only charge being 25 cents which will entitle the student to a souvenir program of the game, regularly sold at that price.

The game will not be the only attraction of "High School day." The University will keep "open house" to the visiting students and guides chosen from the student body will escort the guest students about the campus and show them points of interest. Picturesque campus spots will be designated as picnic grounds for visitors who wish to bring their lunches. In the event of rain, arrangements will be made for them to eat in the huge Badger field house, which has a seating capacity of 12,000.

High school bands of Wisconsin will be invited to perform at the game. According to Ray Dvorak, a loving cup will be presented for the best marching performance. It is expected that a number of Wisconsin high school bands will participate in the event.

In addition to the "High School day" plans, the University will grant special rates of admission to all of Wisconsin's other home games—40 cents for the Indiana, Iowa, and Marquette games and 50 cents for the Purdue Homecoming game.

For the "High School day" game with Texas, students will secure their tickets from their principals or teachers whom they designate. Each complimentary ticket will call for a definite reserved seat. Letters explaining the method of handling the tickets will be mailed to principals this week.

### RE-INSTATED

H. L. Walster has been re-instated as the head of the North Dakota Agricultural Experiment Station. A number of other members of the North Dakota staff affected by the 1937 action of the State Board of Administration have also resumed their former positions.

Alfred Bartsch was named instructor in botany at the Milwaukee center.

Volmer H. Sorenson, formerly principal of Williams Bay high school, became field representative in southern Wisconsin, with Madison as headquarters, succeeding the late Karl H. Rang.

Prof. C. W. Thomas, of the department of English, became department chairman for supervision of English

classes of the Extension division, succeeding Arthur Beatty, retired. His connection with the residence department is unchanged.

## 1,180 Men Live in U. W. Dorms; Have Own Community Center

Although the University of Wisconsin enrollment has not increased this year, the response for dormitories was so great that despite the fact that they were filled since Aug. 15 "there is practically as large a waiting list this year as there was before the new dormitories were built," D. L. Halverson, director of the dormitories and commons, reported.

This fall five more units have been opened, making a total of eight new houses with approximately 640 students. The men's dormitories now have a student community of 1,180 living in 24 houses.

The offices of the dormitories have been besieged with more students wanting to submit their applications for the second semester. Since the dormitories have been filled, there have been 179 students who have applied for rooms.

About half of the students on the waiting list that applied for rooms have been accommodated thus far. Forty-five per cent of the residents living in dormitories are freshmen. Graduate students are not permitted to live in dormitories.

The "dorm community" now has a barber shop located in the basement of Mack hall, formerly Unit C. The student operated non-profit cooperative dormitory store has moved and expanded its quarters to Mack hall. The student library now located in the basement of Gilman hall (Unit B). Adjacent to the library is the new music room.

The students have a self-government organization, functioning under a new constitution this year. The governing body is known as the Dorm cabinet. The Dorm Dweller, dormitory newspaper, will again be published.

Kronshage hall is the new refectory which serves meals in cafeteria style. The building is equipped with a kitchen, servery, and administrative offices. On the second floor is the reception room and lounge known as the Redwood room.

The eight new units, five of which

## 74 Students Earn Highest Grades In First Two Years

Because of their perfect or near-perfect mark during their first two years in the University of Wisconsin, 74 undergraduate students enrolled in State University classes have won the opportunity to do independent advanced work during the remainder of their University careers, it was revealed recently in an announcement sent by the University Graduate school to all undergraduate student advisers.

This announcement explains that the Graduate school is interested in seeing that students who might profit from such opportunities as are afforded by independent advanced work have them called to their attention, and asks the cooperation of the faculty advisers if any of the students who have done near-perfect work during their first and second years should come to them for help in planning their work. By doing this advanced work, the students have an opportunity to earn both their bachelor's and master's degrees in only four years.

Only four of the students whose names were included in the announcement as being among those who have done superior work in their first two years in the University made perfect grades by earning a straight "A" average in their freshman and sophomore studies. They are Lincoln L. Albert, Horicon; Louise T. Bachuber, Mayville; Gertrude A. Burkhart, Sheboygan; and Clarence A. Schoenfeld, Lake Mills. Of the total number on the list, 45 are men and 29 are women students. All except nine are from Wisconsin homes.

Besides the four named above, others included in the list are as follows:

Joseph R. Barnett, Elizabeth S. Blankenship, Joseph C. Bradley, Victor H. Bringe, Helen R. Cooyer, Richard A. Garner, Sue Hadley, James T. McDonald, R. Marshall Olbrich, Richard E. Usher, Elinor White, and Dorothy J. Grinde, of Madison; Gunther W. Heller, Alva G. Heup, Kenneth C. Lindsay, Jr., Louis F. Reuter, John A. Rosenberg, Lorraine E. Schultz, Robert O. Stafford, Elizabeth H. Weber, Harry W. Weingartner, and Edwin P. Spangler of Milwaukee.

Robert L. Avery of Janesville; Sturges W. Bailey of Waupaca; James S. Jensen and Ruth G. Whiffen of Sheboygan; Clarence P. Christ, Robert A. Gollhardt, Frances A. Ryan, O. Arthur Stiernon and Eugene A. Delwiche of Green Bay; Emma F. Christopher of Albany; William E. Chritton of Stoughton; E. Gordon Foster, Carolyn N. Bishop and John W. Woldt of Oshkosh.

G. Carter Frott of Burlington; Berne H. Harris of Antigo; David W. Haufe and Joseph E. Green of Wausau; Dorothy M. Hoehn of West Allis; Beatrice E. Huppert of Waukesha; Harriet E. Kuehne of Eagle River; Anna M. Linden of Spring Green; Harold J. Marachowsky of Mauston; Joseph J. Miazga of Monroe; William O. Moeser of Port Washington; Will W. Moody and Jack C. Nelson of Manitowoc; Elliott T. Moore of Watertown; Elliott J. Resneck of Watertown; Ruben F. Schmidt of Green Bay.

Helen L. Stowell of Columbus; Dorothy A. Swift of Wauwatosa; Raymond E. Zahn of West Bend; Harry R. Zerbel of Appleton; Doris K. Miller of Kenosha; Verna B. Peissig of Rochester; Francis A. Spurell of Amery.

Bertha F. Cummings and Martin R. Ring of Paterson, N. J.; Jane R. Hirschfeld of North Platte, Nebr.; Jerome J. Kachansky of Bayonne, N. J.; Ilse G. Leers of West New York, N. J.; Elinor Lounsbury, Eleanor L. Pfund and Edward N. Strait of Oak Park, Ill.; and Barbara Steiner of New York, N. Y.

## Program for New U. W. Theater Opening Set

The complete program for the opening of the new Wisconsin Union theater at the University of Wisconsin on Oct. 8 has been mailed to interested persons throughout the United States, it was learned from J. Russell Lane, theater director, and Douglas Osterheld, student chairman.

Open house, starting at noon Sunday, Oct. 8, will set off the festivities for guests and friends of the Union. Student hosts will escort visitors through the new \$950,000 building, financed by student and alumni contributions and a \$266,000 federal grant. Wisconsin is the second University in the country to have such theater equipment, Prof. Lane pointed out.

In the afternoon an "Information Please" type of radio symposium and demonstration of theater facilities will be led by Michael M. Hare, designer of the building, and Lee Simonson, theater consultant.

A formal dinner at which 300 guests are expected, will be held before the first performance of "The Taming of the Shrew," Oct. 9, with which Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne inaugurate the new stage.

During the opening week two exhibitions connected with the new building will be on display. One exhibition, "The Growth of a Building," will demonstrate the progress of the new wing on the Memorial Union from the original tentative drawings, through blueprints, and working sketches, to the final result.