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Recovery Forums Give Information To Badger Groups

Finish of Series in Economic Trends Finds 127 Places Served by Lecturers

As a contribution to a better informed citizenry on the economics of reconstruction, a lecture service as a phase of the University's project in adult education was furnished to 127 Wisconsin communities in the 10-week period concluding Feb. 15, Dean Chester D. Snell, of the University of Wisconsin Extension division, reported.

A total of 375 addresses of the forum type on present economic trends and the national reconstruction program were given for 195 community groups. These groups included adult evening meetings, service clubs, commercial organizations, parent-teacher associations, leagues of women voters, vocational and high schools, and churches.

The lecture staff of 16 was chosen from graduates in economics of colleges and universities of Wisconsin. This was one of the special projects in adult education authorized by the civil works administration and sponsored by the University, and was supervised by the department of economics and sociology of the University Extension division, of which Dr. R. J. Colbert is chief.

"Throughout the state," said Dr. Colbert, "this service, which has been given without cost, was received with an appreciation exceeding first expectations. Community leaders have written to urge that it be continued. Many other communities have asked for the services, but the schedule could not include them."

With numerous requests from these additional towns and from many served before, the continuance of the project has been requested.

Job Worries Of 737 Students End

U. W. Students Earn \$11,500 Monthly in Federal Plan

The job worries and financial cares of 737 students at the University of Wisconsin were either wholly or partially wiped out this week as the students went to work on part-time jobs in practically every university department in which work could be found for them to do.

The 737 part-time jobs were made possible under the provisions of the federal emergency relief administration's program of part-time jobs for college students. Under this program, students at the State University are given part-time jobs of social value which will enable them to earn approximately \$11,500 during each month of the entire second semester.

Earn \$10-\$20 Monthly

Students were registered for the part-time jobs last week under plans made by the university committee in charge of the program on the Badger campus. This committee is composed of Mrs. Louise Troxell, dean of women; Miss Alice King, director of the student employment office; Scott H. Goodnight, dean of men; and Frank O. Holt, university registrar.

Undergraduate students placed in the part-time jobs will be paid at the rate of 40 cents per hour, and graduate students on research work may earn up to \$1 per hour, but no student may earn less than \$10 or more than \$20 per month, the committee announced.

Under the rules of the federal program, 25 per cent of the jobs must go to former students who were not enrolled in the university in January. Thus, 185 students who were forced to drop out of school last semester or earlier because of lack of funds are now reentering school and obtaining work which will enable them to continue their education.

State Also Helped

Students are selected for the jobs on the basis of need and character and ability to do college work, in addition to several minor provisions. The types of work for which the funds may be used cover the range of jobs customarily done in the university by students who are working their way through college, including clerical, library, research, and work on buildings and grounds, and in dormitories and dining halls, but excluding regular class instruction, the committee announced.

Inauguration of the federal government's part-time job plan on the Badger campus gives State University students more aid in helping them stay in school and continue their education than that enjoyed by the students of any other educational institution in the country, since the federal aid of \$11,500 per month is in addition to the \$150,000 student loan fund set up by the state legislature at its special session, to be loaned to students for the purpose of paying fees and for partial maintenance.

The state of Wisconsin owns and operates two radio stations, WHA in Madison, operated through the State University, and WLBL at Stevens Point, operated by the department of agriculture and markets. Many service features originating in the WHA studios are broadcast simultaneously by both stations.

Graphic Lessons In Safety Given By Loan Material

Safety campaigns in Wisconsin are aided by illustrative material for exhibits, public meetings, and study programs sent out free by the department of public discussion, University Extension division. Graphic data in pictorial, chart, bulletin and other forms are available for public meetings, and much fresh material is adapted for study programs.

The wife of a small-town minister in northern Wisconsin wrote that the safety charts sent from Madison provided an interesting afternoon for the Woman's club, and had promoted a showing of the material at a public evening meeting at the church, when, she wrote, "many of the people, especially the men, thanked us for the opportunity to see them."

As a result, it is believed, of various precautionary, educational, and other measures, Wisconsin showed a 4-per cent reduction in deaths from automobile accidents in 1933, according to the state board of health. This state was one of only four which showed any decline at all. A decrease also was recorded in deaths from all accidental ("violent") causes.

Exhibit or study material on safety measures may be obtained by addressing the department of public discussion, University Extension division, at Madison.

Music Clinic To Solve Note, Tune Problems of State Musicians Next Summer

Music students from all parts of Wisconsin are expected to bring their present day problems of band, orchestra, and chorus to the 1934 Music Clinic to be held at the University of Wisconsin next summer. Preliminary plans for this year's annual clinic have already been started under the supervision of Orien E. Dailey, professor of music.

The clinic offers to students at an exceedingly low cost a complete course of study, designed to give musical and professional advancement; credits from the State University which can be applied toward certificate or degree; study with outstanding teachers in the music world; and a laboratory for the solving of musical problems in the form of an All-State Band, Orchestra, and Chorus.

Among the courses of study which will be offered next summer are theory and practice of band and orchestra arranging, fundamentals of contest judging, applied harmony and harmonic analysis, study of music materials, choral and orchestral technique, and a general round table discussion of music problems.

Three Schools Place In Contests to Qualify For State Debate Finals

Early results in high school debates, received by the Extension department of debating and public discussion from two forensic districts, show Stoughton and Fort Atkinson in a tie for first place in the Whitewater district and Tomah in first place in the La Crosse district.

A total of 117 high schools are debating the common question of radio control. Most of these are seeking to qualify for the state finals at Madison, set for March 22.

For these contests the state is divided into three sections—northern, central, and southern. By the point system the nine schools ranking highest in each section are to be selected for a semi-final sectional meet, and grouped in three triangles. The winner in each triangle participates in the final sectional debate. The winner of each sectional debate represents the section in the state finals.

On the value of debating, Frank M. Gordon, Chicago, president of the Investment Bankers' association, commented: "As for the debating societies, if every person of adult intelligence would assume that he confronted the duty of preparing and delivering a serious minded, responsible, public address on our important economic and political problems, we would automatically get rid of a lot of the uncertainties, the loose, confusing thinking, and the irresponsible talking that retard economic recovery."

U. W. School Sponsors Econ Classes in State

Sponsored by the summer school for workers in industry at the University of Wisconsin, a series of weekly classes in economics subjects are being conducted in five Wisconsin cities with the aid of the federal government's civil works program.

The classes, which are designed to aid the workers' knowledge of the economic world in which he finds himself, are being held each week in La Crosse, Kenosha, Green Bay, Beaver Dam, and Sheboygan.

Henry Rutz, Milwaukee, a former student in the school for workers at the University, and chairman of the education committee of the State Federation of Labor, is conducting the classes. While a student in the school for workers, Mr. Rutz studied economics.

State Engineers Tackle Problems at U. W. Meeting

Badger Engineering Society Holds Annual Meet on Campus Feb. 22-23

Engineers from all parts of the state will gather at the University of Wisconsin Thursday and Friday, Feb. 22 and 23, to attend the annual two-day convention of the Engineering Society of Wisconsin, it was announced today by Prof. Ray S. Owen, secretary-treasurer of the society.

Beginning with the opening session at 9 a. m., Thursday, the engineers will hear talks and take part in discussions on subjects ranging all the way from "The Revision of the Platting Law" to "The 1934 Program of the Wisconsin Highway Commission".

Placed on the program especially for the benefit of surveyors, whose problems will be taken up during the Thursday morning session, the report and discussion on revision of the platting law starting at 9 a. m., Thursday are expected to provide a "warm session". A report on the platting law revision will be presented by Vernon Hamel, Wisconsin graduate, and this will be followed by a discussion period.

Governor to Speak

Prof. Owen, who is state representative of the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, will report on the work of the survey in the state during the Thursday morning session, which will close with a noon luncheon at which John D. Hicks, professor of history, will describe "George Washington, the Engineer".

An address of welcome by Gov. Albert G. Schmedeman will be heard by the engineers at the opening of the Thursday afternoon session. The governor's welcome will be followed by the president's address, to be given by G. L. Larson. Other talks during the afternoon include: "Safety on Highways", by E. J. O'Meara; "Milwaukee's Water Purification Problem", by Joseph P. Schwada; and "Use of Forest Products", by George W. Trayer.

Gives Research Report

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New Institute at U. W. Formed to Seek Further Use of Farm Crops by Industry

An attempt to give further aid in expanding the use of farm crops during the present transitional period in American agriculture will be made at the University of Wisconsin as a result of action taken by the university board of regents recently.

The regents approved a recommendation made by Pres. Glenn Frank and Chris L. Christensen, dean of the college of agriculture, which creates at the State University a research Institute which will seek greater industrial utilization of farm crops.

The creation of the Institute is not designed to replace the departmental administrative and budgetary responsibility in research, but rather to supplement and to coordinate the research activities between departments and to furnish the facilities for cooperation with other research institutions and industrial organizations using farm crops, Dean Christensen told the regents.

Foster Cooperation

"This Institute is designed to foster closer cooperation between investigators in the departments concerned with crop production and utilization, to furnish the facilities for industrial research as regards quality, to study the industrial use of these crops, and to assist in the application of the research findings through direct cooperation with the industries using agricultural crops," he explained.

The Institute will be responsible for the coordination of research on industrial use of farm crops whether supported by federal or state grants, or by funds supplied by industries through industrial fellowships or other forms of grant acceptable to the university board of regents, Dean Christensen said.

Committee to Supervise

Plans for the Institute provide that the coordination and development of industrial research on crop utilization shall be under the supervision of a committee of staff members of the university. The committee is to be appointed annually by the director of the agricultural experiment station. This committee shall function in en-

Noted Educator of Denmark to Visit Wisconsin in March

Peter Manniche, one of the educational leaders of rural Denmark, will visit Wisconsin on Monday, March 19, while on his tour of the United States.

He is the founder and principal of the International People's College, at Elsinore, Denmark, and together with other Danish educators, has inherited of the rich and noted Grundtvigian traditions of education which have helped Denmark to become a great country.

In founding the people's college of which he is the head, Manniche converted and old farm into college buildings with the aid of his first students. Today there are modern lecture halls, a fully equipped gymnasium and residences of charm for men and women students who come from all parts of the world to study there. The college seeks to achieve the constant Danish purpose to prepare students to become leaders in community, national and international life.

Badger Greenskeepers to Open 4-Day Course at U. W. on Feb. 27

Answers to many of the practical everyday questions pertaining to the care and upkeep of golf courses will be sought when Wisconsin greenskeepers meet for their four-day short course at the Wisconsin college of agriculture, February 27 to March 2.

In addition to staff members of the college of agriculture who will assist in the program are S. L. Brown, tree expert, Madison; O. J. Noer, soils and fertilizer specialist, sewage commission, Milwaukee; Kenneth Welton, U. S. golf association, Washington, D. C.; E. P. Moyer, Minneapolis; R. W. Treacy, secretary, Professional Golfers' association, West Allis; John MacGregor, National Association of Greenskeepers, Wheaton, Illinois; R. E. Farmer, president, Wisconsin Greenskeepers' association, Milwaukee; and W. C. Lielson, Tripoli Country club, Milwaukee. James G. Moore, head of the horticultural department of the college of agriculture, is in charge of the course.

This is the fourth greenskeepers course to be held at Madison. The first course of this kind to be held in the middle west was held at the college of agriculture.

The Wisconsin Greenskeepers' association has scheduled its annual meeting at that time to be held Thursday evening, March 1.

"Station WHA at the University of Wisconsin is worth at least \$50 a year to me, not taking into consideration the entertainment part of the programs."—From a letter by a Neenah listener.

led by H. V. Ballam.

The two-day convention will come to a close late Friday afternoon with a talk on "The Present Status of Reinforced Column Design", by F. E. Richart, chairman of the committee on reinforced concrete column investigation of the American Concrete Institute.

Acceptance of a special loan fund of \$500 offered by the present senior class of the University of Wisconsin to aid needy senior students complete their education was voted by the university board of regents recently.

In offering the loan fund to the University, the class of '34 expressed the hope that it was setting a precedent which would be continued annually by future graduating classes.

The class made the following statement to the regents in presenting the fund:

"Aware of the real difficulties facing the administration of the University of Wisconsin in its thoroughly commendable task of aiding needy students finance their education, the Class of 1934 is creating this special loan fund for senior students in financial straits on the verge of graduation. A sum of \$500 has already been made available through the collection of class dues, and is now on deposit in a Madison bank. Action on the establishment of the fund has been speeded up considerably in view of the very great emergency now existing among a number of students, and approval by the regents will culminate the work and set the fund in operation."

The fund is to be known as the Class of 1934 Senior Emergency fund, and the loans not to exceed \$50 are to be made on recommendation of a committee composed of Mrs. Louise Troxell, dean of women; George C. Sillery, dean of the college of letters and science; and Leslie F. Van Hagan, professor of engineering.

This committee is asked to consider as the primary requisite in making loans, and that high scholarship should not be essential. Loans are to be made to seniors in good standing for not more than one year at 3 per cent, and previous loans or scholarships are not to be considered as impairing the candidate's eligibility.

Wisconsin Man

Drafted by A. A. A.

Don S. Anderson of the economics staff at the Wisconsin college of agriculture has been called to Washington, D. C., where he will assist with dairy adjustment plans of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration. It is expected that he will be with the A. A. A. for approximately three months.

The Wisconsin College of the Air offers regular courses of instruction for out-of-school young people five afternoons each week over WHA, state station at the University of Wisconsin.