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U. of W. to Confer Honor Degree on Gen. MacArthur

Gen. Douglas MacArthur will be honored by the University of Wisconsin June 1 when he will be granted the honorary degree of doctor of laws by the State University at its 89th commencement exercises, to be held in the University fieldhouse.

The University Board of Regents recently approved the granting of the honorary degree to Gen. MacArthur by adopting a recommendation from the University faculty providing for it.

In presenting the recommendation to the Regents, Pres. Dykstra reported that the granting of the honorary degree to MacArthur already had the approval of the United States war department, and that Gen. MacArthur had indicated through the war department and Secretary of War Stimson that he "would be delighted to receive this honor from the University of Wisconsin."

Confer Degree June 1

Pres. Dykstra told the Regents that the degree would be granted to Gen. MacArthur in absentia at the University's 89th commencement next June 1. He explained that the University had a rule which prohibited the conferring of honorary degrees in absentia, but that in this case the rule would be suspended.

He revealed that plans were under way to make arrangements to confer the degree on Gen. MacArthur at the commencement exercises June 1 via short wave radio to Australia, with MacArthur's acceptance also being broadcast back to this country. However, he said that if it proves impossible to make such an arrangement in conjunction with the war department, then arrangements may be made to have some other high ranking officer come to the commencement to receive the honor for Gen. MacArthur, or the degree will simply be granted in absentia.

Pres. Dykstra pointed out that in conferring the honorary degree on Gen. MacArthur, the State University is again honoring a Wisconsin citizen who has become a leader in the nation's affairs. He explained that Gen. MacArthur's grandfather came to Wisconsin before the Civil war, making his home in Milwaukee. Gen. MacArthur's father was born there, and although he was an army officer, he lived a good share of his life in the state.

Gen. MacArthur himself received his secondary schooling in Milwaukee, attending West Division high school, and went from there to West Point military academy to begin his long military career. Gen. MacArthur now considers Wisconsin his home state. He is a member of the Milwaukee American Legion post.

Honor Three Others

The honorary degree for Gen. MacArthur is the fourth which has been approved by the University of Wisconsin faculty and Regents this spring for conferment at the June 1 commencement. Three other leaders in the fields of art, education, and statesmanship will also be honored by the University at that time. They and the degrees they will receive are:

Miss Georgia O'Keefe, New York, widely known artist and teacher of art, doctor of literature; Prof. Edgar E. Robinson, nationally known historian and teacher of Stanford university, doctor of laws; and Dr. Hu Shih, Washington, D. C., ambassador of China to the United States, doctor of laws.

Chinese Ambassador to U. S. to Give U. W. Baccalaureate Address

Dr. Hu Shih, Chinese Ambassador to the United States, will give the baccalaureate sermon this year to the University of Wisconsin's 89th graduating class at impressive services to be held in the University

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Students May Begin Engineering Course at U.W. This Summer

In response to the national emergency, the College of Engineering at the University of Wisconsin will remain in session an extra 12 weeks this summer, beginning June 8, State University officials have decided.

The co-sponsors include the Milwaukee public schools and Milwaukee State Teachers' college. Prof. John W. W. Rothney, of the school of education, University of Wisconsin, again will serve as director.

The course will be conducted at the Hartford ave. school in Milwaukee. Two sessions are offered: Six weeks, June 22-July 31; eight weeks, June 22-Aug. 14. Graduate credit will be given by the University of Wisconsin; undergraduate credit by state teachers' colleges.

The course will provide elementary teachers with individual help with personal teaching problems and opportunities to work on any problem with an adviser and with other teachers who have similar problems. For former teachers it will give opportunity to share in refresher experiences preparatory to re-entering teaching work.

The Extension division of the State University, cooperating with the sponsors, announced that teachers desiring to enroll for credit should apply to Pres. Frank E. Baker at Milwaukee State Teachers' college, and that those interested in the course for graduate credit may apply to Prof. Rothney at the University of Wisconsin in Madison.

Summer Workshop Is Vacation Device for Elementary Teachers

For the third season the University of Wisconsin will assist in sponsoring a summer laboratory seminary, or "workshop," for elementary teachers, with the various phases taught and the work supervised by staff drawn from midwestern educational institutions.

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GETS NATIONAL ATTENTION

A new Wisconsin circular, "How to Discuss Defense Problems," recently gained national attention when sample copies were distributed among state agricultural extension directors of the 48 states. The circular, issued to assist residents of Wisconsin become better informed upon defense problems, was distributed by the Extension Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

The number needed is far beyond the normal output of the nation's colleges of engineering. The ordinary training period in fundamentals alone for such men is four years. The University of Wisconsin is thus joining with other leading colleges of engineering in accelerating the production of engineers by operating a long summer session this year to speed up the day of graduation for those students who can attend.

Students now enrolled in the College of Engineering, coming from homes throughout the state, were also urged by Dean Johnson to consult with their advisers immediately on the courses of study available during the summer session so that they may promptly consider with their parents the advisability of continuing their studies without a summer's interruption.

fieldhouse at 3:45 p. m. on Sunday, May 31, Pres. C. A. Dykstra announced today. Dr. Hu will also receive the honorary degree of doctor of laws at the State University's annual commencement exercises on Monday morning, June 1. Dr. Hu is not only known throughout the world as Chinese ambassador to the United States, but also enjoys an international reputation as the foremost philosopher and author of modern China. He has served as Chinese ambassador to this country since 1938, and during that period he has worked untiringly for better understanding between China and this nation.

Exact time and place of the raid is shrouded in mystery, simply because Wisconsin's "commando" unit, like those in actual war service, has learned to operate in utmost secrecy under cover of darkness.

Dressed in old clothes, and with twigs, branches, and black-smudged faces for camouflage, the cadets have been in training for several weeks now in the first "commando" unit ever formed on a college campus.

They have been put through a training course similar to much of the basic work being given England's famous commandos, who have raided the coasts of occupied France and Norway and kept the Nazi enemy worried by their lightning attacks.

Commanded by Lt. Arthur Petersen, the Wisconsin cadets have practiced beach landings, raids, compass reading, reconnaissance, combat, and sabotage. The men are trained to be tough and self-reliant, and have learned tricks of hand-to-hand fighting.

Awarded Fellowships for University Study

Students who will pursue advance study at the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture during the 1942-1943 academic year through aid from fellowship and scholarship funds were announced by William Frazier of the bacteriology department, chairman of the fellowship committee.

All-university fellowships have been awarded to J. O. Lampen, Holland, Michigan, for study in biochemistry; Jean Collard, Delaware, Ohio, in home economics; and Arthur R. Colmer, Moss Point, Mississippi, in agricultural bacteriology.

Designated as Wisconsin scholarships open to graduates of the University of Wisconsin are Doris Sinalko, Madison, home economics; Ruth Effenberger, Racine, agricultural bacteriology; and Nicholas Granchiaroff, Gorna-Oreohovitz, Bulgaria, agricultural economics.

Unassigned fellowships were awarded to Darrel S. Metcalfe, Arkansas, for study in agronomy; William M. Vogt, New York City, wildlife management; and Irving A. Spaulding, Iowa State college, in rural sociology.

Assigned fellowships in the College of Agriculture include: Austin M. Hanson, Decorah, Iowa, agricultural bacteriology; William F. Henry, Louisiana State college, agricultural economics; Paul D. Boyer, Brigham University, biochemistry; Everett J. Warwick, Aledo, Illinois, genetics; Dena C. Cederquist, Madrid, Iowa, home economics; and Shu-Huang Ou, Chekiang, China, plant pathology.

University scholarships were awarded to Jeanne L. Patterson, University of Georgia, home economics; and Levi N. Spohnheimer, Iowa State college, soils.

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MADISON, WISCONSIN

1,900 to Receive Degrees from U. W. At 89th Commencement

May 30 Alumni Day

Approximately 1,900 young men and women will receive degrees from the University of Wisconsin at its 89th annual commencement exercises on Monday morning, June 1, in the University fieldhouse. More than 12,000 parents, relatives, and friends of the graduates, and alumni, are expected to pack the fieldhouse to capacity for the event.

The number of candidates for degrees this year, about 100 less than last year, includes those receiving their first and higher degrees as well as certificates of graduation.

Because of the war, a larger decrease was at first expected in the number receiving their degrees this year, as the men of the Class of '42 answered their draft calls during the year. But national selective service regulations issued from Washington instructed local draft boards to defer college seniors this year, to permit them to complete their education. Thus, most of the men of Wisconsin's Class of '42 will report for duty in the nation's armed forces in June, immediately after commencement.

Program Opens May 29

The commencement weekend will begin on Friday, May 29, with the registration of the reuniting alumni during the day, and the holding of the annual Wisconsin X club dinner and program in the Memorial Union building at night. Two graduates of the University, John Earl Baker, '16, who has spent many years in China, and Prof. Edgar E. Robinson, '08, nationally known historian and teacher of Stanford university, will be the speakers.

Saturday, May 30, has been designated as Alumni Day this year. With 14 classes ranging from the Class of '87 to the Class of '37 holding reunions, it is expected that hundreds of alumni from all parts of the state and nation will return to the campus of their Alma Mater for the occasion.

4 Get Honor Degrees

The University's 89th commencement ceremony will begin at 8:30 a. m. on Monday, June 1 with the procession of the graduating class and faculty into the fieldhouse. Pres. Dykstra will give the charge to the graduates, while Gov. Julius Heil will extend the greetings of the state.

The degrees will be presented to the candidates by Pres. Dykstra, who will also confer the honorary degrees on the four recipients to be granted these degrees this year, who, besides Dr. Hu, include Gen. Douglas MacArthur, heroic commander of the United Nation's forces in the south Pacific, who was raised in Wisconsin; Miss Georgia O'Keefe, New York, widely known artist and teacher of art; and Prof. Edgar E. Robinson, nationally known historian and teacher of Stanford university, who graduated from Wisconsin in 1908.

Saturday, May 30, will be completely devoted to alumni and class activities. The Alumni association meeting will be held in the morning. Noon will find all classes partaking in luncheons or picnics somewhere about the campus. Weather permitting, the Wisconsin Alumni association will hold its annual dinner on the terrace of the Union on Saturday evening. Following the dinner, the reuners will gather in the theater of the Memorial Union for the usual reunion program.

Sunday morning, May 31, will be left open to the devices of the various reuniting classes. Most, however, will gather at the informal breakfasts on the Union terrace, where last farewells will be made and many a renewed friendship further cemented.

Baccalaureate services for the class of 1942 will be held in the field house on Sunday afternoon and the 89th annual commencement exercises of the University will take place in the same building on Monday morning, June 1, bringing the weekend program to a close.

Recreation Leaders Postpone Laboratory

Wisconsin recreation leaders will not hold a central state recreation laboratory in 1942. Instead shorter district laboratories are being called, according to an announcement by Mrs. Estelle Hermsmeier, Madison, R. 1, secretary-treasurer of the state organization. Instructional work in program building, handicraft, song leadership, folk dancing, and other leisure time and recreational activities have been provided at the laboratory during the four years it has been held. Members of the executive committee in charge of arrangements include: Mrs. Marie Kellogg Kolb, Wisconsin Rapids, president; Mrs. Archie Henry, Sparta; L. E. Lushbaugh, Oconomowoc; A. F. Wilemon and V. V. Varney, University of Wisconsin, Madison; Bruce Carter and Henrietta Staudenmeier, Marinette; Ella Mueller, Stratford; William Koch, Milwaukee; and Sam Beers, North Prairie.

Navy Air Corps Inducts Fourth "Flying Badgers" Unit At State U.

The University of Wisconsin has given more men to naval aviation than any other school in the United States. Lieut. Carl G. Olson, senior member of the Chicago Naval Aviation Cadet Selection board, declared at the induction of the fourth unit of "Flying Badgers" into the Navy air corps at the University recently.

The fourth Flying Badger unit of 38 men, recruited from former or present Wisconsin students, was sponsored by Dean Frank O. Holt, of the State University extension division, director of the University's Civilian Pilot training program. The induction took place at the annual senior ball.

Short and impressive, the ceremony was conducted before a crowd of nearly 700 students. As the orchestra played "On, Wisconsin," the squadron marched onto the floor flanked by an honor guard of sailors from the Navy Radio school on the University campus. The squadron was met at the bandstand by Lieut. Olson and Dean Holt.

Dean Holt told the squadron he was glad the University had a part in training many of them for aviation duty through its C. P. T. program.

"We want you to leave with the realization of the total pride this University has in you," the dean continued. "Not only is the University behind you, but the whole State of Wisconsin is behind you."

"The prayers of the student body

and all of us are with you. We will be delighted to have you back with us here again after the war is won," he said.

With the fourth "Flying Badgers" squadron, Lt. Olson remarked, Wisconsin again stands in the vanguard of all the universities in the nation.

"These four 'Flying Badgers' squadrons would make up the full flying complement of an aircraft carrier. Altogether would make up an offensive force capable of blasting an entire city. They could be the eyes of an entire battle fleet."

"Undoubtedly these four squadrons of 'Flying Badgers' will never see service all together. But wherever they are, each will be in the thick of the battle—each will be a major striking arm in the cause of victory for America."

"These men are fortunate that they will go through their initial training as a unit—as members of the 'Flying Badgers' squadron. Each man must learn that essential fact of modern warfare—the success of swift, decisive coordination of all elements in the attack. This vital ability to cooperate will come naturally and easily to the trained men in teamwork, to the young man who trains with the 'Flying Badgers' squadron. And with this ability, we can be sure they will be out there where it counts—out on the first line of the front line of offense," Lieut. Olson asserted.