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North Wisconsin Has High School Speech Institute

University Sponsors Regional Meeting at Mellen For Special Instruction

An institute on high school speech work will be held at Mellen on Dec. 7, open to all schools in northern Wisconsin and, by special arrangement, to schools of upper Michigan as well. The sessions will be under the direction of faculty leaders from the department of speech, University of Wisconsin, with the department of debating and public discussion, University Extension division, co-operating.

Discussion topics, with Professors Gladys Borchers and L. A. Mallory as leaders, will include good delivery, fundamentals of speech, fundamentals of reading, preparing declamations, preparing orations, and extemporaneous speaking. There will be demonstrations in non-decision reading and non-decision extemporaneous speaking, conferences for speech teachers, and periods for criticisms and questions.

University Debates Featured

Two debates will be offered by University of Wisconsin teams. A girls' team, with Ruth Ann Bailey and Caryl Morse taking the affirmative and Mildred Templin and Margaret Madden the negative, will discuss the proposal for government control of munitions—the Michigan high school debate question. The Wisconsin high school debate question, relating to the desirability of socialized medicine, will be argued by Robert Gunderson and Jack Eisendrath, for the affirmative, and by Robert Ozanne and Walter Schubring, for the negative.

Prin. G. A. Bassford, district chairman of the Wisconsin High School Forensic association, will preside at the opening meeting, and Prin. G. E. VanHeuklom, Mellen, will extend greetings.

Institute at Shawano

A similar institute was held at Shawano on Nov. 22-23, with Miss Harriett E. Grim, of the University of Wisconsin speech department, and Prof. Rexford Mitchell, of Lawrence college, in charge. A University debate team debated the question of state medicine, with George Dugger and Fred Reel taking the affirmative side and Walter Schubring and Morton Melnick the negative. Dean C. J. Anderson, of the school of education, and Dean Frank O. Holt, of the Extension division, University of Wisconsin, addressed a large assembly of students and teachers from many counties who registered for the institute.

U. W. Student Band May Go to 'Frisco Exposition in 1938

The University of Wisconsin's student concert band may tour through the west to the San Francisco exposition of 1938, Prof. Ray Dvorak, director of the band, recently announced.

If the band makes the trip, and Prof. Dvorak is already making definite plans to do so, it will mark the second time that a State University band has accomplished such an achievement. A Badger band made its first trip to the west coast in 1915, to play at the Panama Pacific National Exposition held that year.

At that time the band group traveled in its own train, sleeping and eating on the train, members of the troupe taking turns at acting as chef, and the boys also getting their haircuts from two members of the band who were registered barbers.

At the present time the band is composed of 200 pieces, and has gained widespread fame as one of the finest concert bands among the colleges and universities of the nation. Several times during the past year the band played on a coast-to-coast network of the National Broadcasting company.

Raising money to defray the expenses of Homecoming at the University of Wisconsin this year, students sold more than 3,000 Homecoming buttons to raise a fund of \$750, enough to pay all expenses and leave a neat profit. Profits will go to pay for a party for crippled children at the Orthopedic hospital at the State University, and to help needy students through school.

Organ of Million Tone Colors Goes on Air

Wisconsin radio listeners will have an opportunity of hearing the University of Wisconsin's new electric organ of a million tone colors Wednesday, Nov. 27, at 4:15 p. m. As one of the programs of its Voice of Wisconsin series, broadcast each Wednesday at that time, the University is presenting Dr. Charles H. Mills, director of the school of music, playing the unique instrument. The program will be heard over stations WHA and WIBA in Madison, and WLBL in Stevens Point. On the following Wednesday, Dec. 4, at 4 p. m., the University's student symphony orchestra of 80 pieces will be heard in a half-hour program.

U. W. Men Make Progress in Work on State Conservation Problems

Continuing their search for answers to the state's complex fish and lake conservation problems, a number of University of Wisconsin scientists, working in co-operation with the United States bureau of fisheries and the state conservation department, made good headway in their work during the past summer on lakes in the northern part of the state, an official report made public recently revealed.

At their field headquarters at Trout lake in Vilas county, the scientists, working under the direction of Dr. E. A. Birge, president emeritus of the University, and Chancey Juday, professor of limnology, gathered much valuable data for further study and investigation during the winter months in University laboratories.

Study Effect on Fish

Inaugurated some years ago, the continual attacks carried on by these scientists on the state's conservation problems are part of the Wisconsin Natural History survey. The objective of the survey is to study the physical, chemical, and biological conditions of Wisconsin's lake waters and their effect on fish life, with a view to increasing the rate of fish propagation and decreasing the cost of conservation work.

This work is important to Wisconsin because the state must constantly guard its reputation for good fishing in its thousands of lakes and streams. This reputation has largely helped make the state the summer playground and resort mecca of the middle west, which annually brings into the state millions of dollars of income from tourists and vacationists.

Attack on Six Fronts

Last summer's field attacks on the fish conservation problems were made along six scientific fronts, the report revealed. These fronts came under

the headings of physics, chemistry, bacteriology, botany, plankton, and zoology.

Study of the penetration of the sun's rays into lake waters was continued during the summer by Dr. Birge and L. V. Whitney, research assistant. The importance of this study arises from the fact that the amount of fish food in a lake is partly dependent upon the amount of sunlight that penetrates the lake's water. Thus, lakes which are highly impenetrable are bound to have limited fish food supplies, and it would be useless to plant large numbers of fish in their waters.

Fertilize Waters

Another important experiment along this same line carried on again last summer was that of putting ordinary farm fertilizers in one lake in an effort to increase its fish food supply, thus making the lake able to support a larger fish population. Two fertilizers, muriate of potash and cyanamid, were put into the lake last summer, at a cost of about \$1.17 per acre of lake surface.

A study of the effect of placing these fertilizers in the lake showed that the average yield of dry organic matter was slightly smaller last summer than the year before, but a large proportion of this material consisted of water-fleas, which were directly available for fish food.

The survey also made quantitative determinations of dissolved gases in the lakes; investigated the bacterial flora and the distribution of bacteria in several representative lakes; studied the growth of algae at different depths of the lakes; surveyed the growth of large aquatic plants; investigated the make-up of sponges; and continued studies on fish population and rate of growth of fish in different lakes.

State U. Students to Give Party for Crippled Children

More than 100 crippled children, patients in the orthopedic hospital at the University of Wisconsin, will be guests at a party given for them at the hospital next Sunday, Dec. 1, by the 1935 Homecoming Committee of the State University.

Funds for the function are to be taken from profits derived during the past Homecoming weekend at the University. Howard T. Heun and Mel Adams, two senior students, are in charge of the arrangements for the party.

Co-operating with the Homecoming committee will be the University's "W" club, the Haresfoot club, the student athletic board, the University band, and members of the 1935 football team.

Spend Homecoming Profits

The party, which is the first affair of the sort ever attempted by the Homecoming committee, is the result of the State University's efforts to allot the profits derived to a worthy cause. With this move, the committee hopes to set a precedent for future years, and to make the party an annual affair, according to Heun and Adams.

In addition to purchasing ice cream, soda, cake, and other sources of gastronomic delight for the children, various forms of entertainment are being planned.

Members of the Wisconsin football team will autograph souvenir programs, as well as talk to and play with the children. Some 500 Paul Bunyan Homecoming buttons will also be distributed. A section of the University band under the baton of Prof. Ray Dvorak will play the children's favorite songs.

Guests to Attend

Several rounds of boxing will be exhibited by members of the Wisconsin boxing team. A full musical comedy program will be staged by members of the Haresfoot club, men's dramatic society and musical comedy club.

Among other guests who are expected to be on hand to talk to and entertain the children are Clarence W. Spears, football coach; "Roundy" Walsh, boxing coach; "Roundy" Coughlin, local newspaper columnist; Virginia Bohn, 1935 Homecoming queen; Jean Fisher, chairman of the women's Homecoming button sales committee; and representatives of the various organizations affiliated with Homecoming.

Badger Engineers Present Findings at National Meet

Results of recent research in the field of agricultural engineering will be presented by staff members of the University of Wisconsin college of agriculture before the American Association of Agricultural Engineers at its meeting at Chicago, December 2 to 5.

Results of studies in buhr mill design and performance will be presented by H. D. Bruhn, while Gus Bohstedt will explain the results of feed processing in relation to animal nutrition. W. A. Rowlands, who has assisted a number of Wisconsin counties in enacting county zoning ordinances, will explain the possibilities in rural resettlement in Wisconsin. Other staff members who will attend the meeting are F. W. Duffee, E. R.

State U. Man Outlines Civilization Factors of American Tropics

Five factors which will decide the future of civilization in more than a dozen American tropical countries are outlined in a recent study made by Chester Lloyd Jones, professor of economics and political science at the University of Wisconsin.

The study, entitled "Costa Rica and Civilization in the Caribbean," is published as one of the University of Wisconsin studies in the social sciences and history. In his preface, Prof. Jones expresses the hope that his study will "contribute something to the appreciation by those who live elsewhere of what the Caribbean now contributes to the civilization of the world and will stimulate interest in making that contribution greater."

Need Social Surplus

Fundamental to any steady improvement in Caribbean countries is the creation of conditions which will allow the rise of a sizeable social surplus and assure its diffusion among the common people, Prof. Jones maintains, pointing out that certain factors can bring about such a social surplus.

Among these factors are: The condition of tropical life must be modified to allow more sustained industrial effort by the laboring classes; new desires must be awakened which will spur the ambition of the individual to dissatisfaction with the minimum of subsistence with which a majority seem now content.

In addition, the economic basis of the national life must be broadened by the diversification of export products and markets; new local industries must be established; and greater national wealth must be drawn into the service of local enterprises in the hands of the local population.

Important to U. S.

"If progress in these lines can be achieved, the basis for greater stability, economic, social, and political, will have been laid," Prof. Jones writes. "To what degree the populations in the independent units are capable of mastering these conditions no one can tell. They must be dealt with by the local populations and governmental units themselves. The keys to further social and political advance lie in Caribbean, not in foreign hands."

Prof. Jones' study is of importance to this country because of the vast amount of trade carried on between the tropical countries of central America and the United States. He points out that in 1900 these countries shipped to the United States 76 million dollars worth of goods, but in 1929 goods worth 506 millions were shipped to us. In the same period American farm products and manufactures sold in the central American region rose in value from 56 million dollars to 395 millions.

Dorothy L. Bernstein, Milwaukee, who received both her bachelor's and master's degrees at the University of Wisconsin, recently won an appointment as special scholar in mathematics at Brown university in Rhode Island.

Jones, O. R. Zeasman, and S. A. Witzel.

The association, organized on the campus of the University of Wisconsin in 1907, is headed by L. F. Livingston, president, formerly a member of the engineering staff of the University of Wisconsin.

National Society Honors State U. Man at Meeting

George C. Humphrey, well known animal husbandman and head of the animal husbandry staff at the University of Wisconsin college of agriculture, will be given national recognition by the American Society of Animal Production at the annual meeting of the society to be held in Chicago next week.

The society is a national organization of teachers and scientists working in the field of animal production. An oil portrait of Humphrey presented by friends and former students will be unveiled at the meeting and will be added to the portrait collection in the Saddle and Siroin Club at Chicago.

A duplicate portrait will be presented to the State University college of agriculture at the annual state Farm and Home week program to be held February 3 to 7.

"Athletics for All" Plan Nears Goal at Wisconsin U.

With more teams in action than ever before, and with a larger number of men students participating in more than a dozen different kinds of sports, the intramural athletics program at the University of Wisconsin last year came closer than ever to its goal of "athletics for all."

According to the Handbook of Intramural Athletics, which is published under the direction of Prof. Guy S. Lowman, director of intramural athletics for men, 2,144 men students participated in 16 different kinds of sport during the school year.

400 Teams Compete

These men made up about 400 teams which competed in either fall, winter, or spring sports on the Badger campus. The teams carried the colors of various fraternities, dormitories, or independent houses, pitting their athletic skill against each other in sports ranging all the way from crew to football.

Sports in which the various teams competed included touch football, tackle football, cross country, bowling, basketball, hockey, water polo, swimming, indoor track, diamond ball, baseball, golf, tennis, outdoor track, and crew.

Program Democratizes Sports

"The aim of the division of physical education and intramural athletics at the University of Wisconsin is to provide facilities, and so far as possible instruction in a large number of physical activities with carry-over values, or as many men in the University as possible," Prof. Lowman writes in the introduction of the Handbook. "Our aim is 'Athletics for All' but as yet we are unable, because of limited facilities, to actually approach the full meaning of the slogan."

"Our intramural program has 'democratized' sports and has made a definite contribution to the physical welfare and interest of the mass of students not engaged in intercollegiate participation," he asserted. "More equipment, more fields, and more expert instruction will mean increased opportunities for satisfying more individual interests. The use of these opportunities will mean more health-giving fun for the student, and provide him with greater physical, mental, and social training."

Methodist Students Explain U. W. Ideals to State's Citizens

As a part of its service to the Methodist churches of the State, the Wesley Foundation of the University of Wisconsin is sending student deputation teams to lead the regular services at a number of Methodist churches in the state this year.

Supported entirely by the various Methodist churches of Wisconsin, the Wesley Foundation serves the spiritual, social, and recreational needs of over 800 University of Wisconsin students each year.

Besides offering numerous advantages for study and advice, the Foundation sponsors a "Three Squares Club," a co-operative eating society for needy Methodist students operated on a practical Christian basis, which last year alone saved its 66 members over \$8,000 in meal costs. The Wesley Foundation furnishes literally a "Home away from home" for the many sons and daughters of Wisconsin Methodists attending their State University.

One of the Foundation's deputation teams recently visited Richland Center, bringing to that city the story of Christian service on the University campus and the place of religion in the life of the University student. The Methodist student group which visited Richland Center was captained by Roger Maas, Wausau; and consisted also of Marcus Birrell, Marshfield, and Charles Story, Kenosha, as speakers; James Vaughn, Madison, organist, and Phyllis Birrell, Marshfield, soloist. Phyllis and Marcus Birrell are children of the Rev. John Birrell, who served the First Methodist church of Richland Center six years ago.

Enrollment of students from Wisconsin homes at the University of Wisconsin this year has increased more than 1,700 over the number enrolled in 1933.

Many Get Degrees From State U. at End of Session

More Than 70 Badger Students Get Degrees on Completion of Work

More than 70 students from Wisconsin homes were among those recently granted their first and higher degrees by the University of Wisconsin board of regents, following completion of their academic work during the last summer session at the State University.

Those who were granted their degrees at the recent regent meeting included the following:

BACHELOR OF ARTS: Dorothy Theresa Littel, Sauk City; Kenneth Dodge Seaver, Walworth; and Elwynne Joe Smith, Green Bay.

BACHELOR OF PHILOSOPHY: Andrew Paul Cotter, Montello; John James Jeffrey, Wisconsin Rapids; Harley Edmond Nelson, Fond du Lac; and Robert Maxwell Spears, Washburn.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE: Joe Hale Smart, Wisconsin Rapids; Wilfred Henry Tock, Appleton; and George Elmer Dehnert, Waterloo.

BACHELOR OF LAWS: Olga Bennett, Viroqua; Abraham Samuel Friedman, Racine; Byron Lawrence Kimball, Glidden; Albert Don Zwickley, Modena; Lloyd Clifford Ellingson, Colfax; John Clement Franzini, Genoa; Julius Grotsky and Samuel Robert Lepp, Kenosha; Ferdinand William Rusch, Wabeno; Marvin Lloyd Fugina, Fountain City; and Francis Anthony Werner, New London.

MASTER OF ARTS: Henry C. Ahrensbrak and Mildred Elser Ahrensbrak, Beaver Dam; Mary Sholte Anderson, Oregon; Ray Frederick Beach, Fort Atkinson; Walton Dwight Clarke, Milton; Norman Elery Colby, West Bend; Homer Edwin DeLong, Reedsburg; Leone Barbara Ehrhardt, Fond du Lac; Robert Law Gregory, Racine; Gordon Oswald Greiner and Joseph Heinzkill, Appleton; Leonard Harold Haug, Eau Claire; Arletta LaVon Jones, Black River Falls; Mable Lucille Nusbaur, Park Falls; Gordon L. Willson, Baraboo; Henry Lawrence Wilson, Superior; and Robert Dickson Winn, Two Rivers.

MASTER OF SCIENCE: Pat Wesley Dawson, Janesville; Theodore Lawrence Haberkorn, Oakfield; Stanley Harrison Hore, Lancaster; Roy Arthur Radtke, West Allis; Harold Edward Rehholz, Portage; and Einar Tangen, Two Rivers.

MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY: Truman George Bloss and William Charles Goebel, Edgerton; Harris A. Bowman, Argonne; Wilbert Charles Clare, Elroy; James Dwight Daley, Wauwatosa; Merl Edward Gribble, Mineral Point; Roger E. Guiles and Gerlie Lulie Hanson, Richland Center; Carson Arthur Hatfield, Park Falls; Ella Josephine Jacobson, Delevan; Joseph Frank Kraus, Stevens Point; Bernice Pearl Landaal, Port Edwards; Earl Wallace Luther, Gillett; Marie Clare Moynihan, River Falls; Robert Albro Parker, Phillips; Edwin Walter Reinke, Harvey John Ridge and William Packard Roseman, Whitewater; Francis Frederick Schlusser, Algoma; Dale Milton Schuppener, Stitzer; Morgan John Sherlock, Ashland; Eva Jane VanSistine, West DePere; and Eleanor Elizabeth Withers, Beloit.

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY: Melvin Hazelton Doner, Plymouth; Robert George Dunbar, Elkhorn; Philip Hadley Falk, Lake Mills; and John Ela Willard, Rochester.

Balanced Production Theme of Farm Week

"Balancing Production to Changing Demands" will be the theme for the 1936 annual Wisconsin Farm and Home Week which will be held at the University of Wisconsin, February 3 to 7, announces K. L. Hatch, in charge of program arrangements. State livestock breed organizations, members of dairy herd improvement associations, rural drama and public discussion groups, as well as a number of other farm groups are planning meetings at this time. Reduced rates will be in effect on railroads for those who come from all sections of the state to attend this annual state event.

When Men Achieve

"We all have a tendency to collect slogans and catch words which, if we are not careful, may become more or less meaningless. 'Achievement' is a high-powered word, but if it becomes ambition without attainment it will be just about so much excess weight. If by achievement we mean belonging to a club without a plan or a program there will be little gained. If we mean by achievement the winning of blue ribbons in competition with others there will be some value in our effort and activity. If by achievement we mean the learning of correct processes and practices, the value will be still greater. But if by achievement we mean the gaining of useful information which one can use in later life, and learning how to work with other folks in the community and the training of ourselves for lives of greater usefulness and for positions of greater responsibility our project will be of very great value."—Chris L. Christensen.