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## Music Inquiries Bring University Aid to Citizens

### Extension Material In Special Fields Sent as State-wide Service

Supplementing musical training offered through its School of Music and student organizations, the University of Wisconsin maintains a clearing house of information on music subjects through its extension service. An indication of the receptiveness of this service by the people of the state is given in a report compiled by the department of debating and public discussion of the Extension division. From June 1, 1936, to March 31, 1937, it is shown, the department sent 234 loan package libraries on 130 different music subjects to groups and individuals seeking further light on topics in this field.

The figures are taken from a report by Miss Almira Scott, director of the department, as library extension chairman of the Wisconsin Federation of Music clubs. Package library resources are available to all persons interested in studies in music and other fields.

Largest demand for loan material in music was for biography, with 59 package libraries sent, followed closely by Wisconsin musicians, with 55 requests. American music drew 22 requests, songs 20, opera 17, foreign 16. In lesser number the fields of interest included church, community, form and analysis, music history, instrumental, influence of music, radio, victrola records, and others.

A report for the full year will be sent to clubs when complete. The department aims to obtain material on any worthwhile subject in the music field for any group or individual. Frequently it is obtained by writing to the musician, publishers, or educational institution from which it emanates.

### Award Forensic "W's" to 33 Outstanding Speakers at State U.

Thirty-three students at the University of Wisconsin will receive parchment forensic "W's" for outstanding performances in debating, oratory, and extemporaneous speaking, the department of speech announced this week.

These awards, together with medals for the public discussion contest winners and trophies for freshmen champions in individual forensic events, will be made at the annual Forensic Banquet in the Memorial Union, Thursday, May 20.

Winners of the "W's" are the following: John E. Dietrich, **Madison**; Jack N. Eisendrath, **Milwaukee**; Robert G. Gunderson, **Madison**; Cyril F. Hager, **Marshfield**; Edwin M. Wilkie, **Madison**; Marie E. Muth, **Two Rivers**; Margaret L. Baker, **Delaware, Ohio**; Quentin R. Barnes, **Oshkosh**; Andrew B. Beath, **La Crosse**; Robert J. Breakstone, **Oconto**; Gordon G. Dupee, **Economowoc**; and Hilton Hanna, **Madison**;

Byron L. Johnson, **Economowoc**; Chester A. Krohn, **Marshfield**; Dorothy J. Bahr, **Douglas**; M. Ann Bird, **Ridgeway**; Betty L. Botz, **Berlin**; Pauline E. Coles, **Madison**; Evelyn Miller, **Kaukauna**; Ruth E. Thompson, **Stoughton**; Lillian R. Miegel, **Milwaukee**; M. Helen Scott, **Oshkosh**; Frederick Reel, **Milwaukee**; James Doyle, **Oshkosh**; and Samuel Mintz, **Brooklyn, New York**;

Winnifred L. Quies, **Freeport, Ill.**; Marian W. Thiel, **Mayville**; Thomas Faust, **Antigo**; Donald Dietrich, **Milwaukee**; Robert Des Jarlais, **Menasha**; John Griggs, **New York, N. Y.**; Edward Samp, and J. Douglass Pledger, both of **Madison**.

Medals for discussion contest winners will go to Byron Johnson, **Economowoc**; Conrad Hoeppner, **Spooner**; and William Senske, **Madison**.

Trophies will go to Edward Samp, **Madison**, winner of the freshman extemporaneous speaking contest, Mabel B. Pallanch, **Port Washington**; winner of the declamatory contest, and J. Douglass Pledger, winner of the oratory contest.

### Southern College Honors U. W. Man

Honorary recognition for outstanding scientific contributions in the field of plant diseases was conferred upon George W. Keitt, head of the University of Wisconsin plant pathology department, by Clemson College, Clemson, South Carolina, at the dedication of its new agricultural building, May 12.

Keitt, who has served as head of the Wisconsin department of plant pathology since the retirement of L. R. Jones in 1930, has done special research in the field of fruit diseases. Apple scab, apple fire blight, cherry leaf spot, apple rust, peach scab, and crown gall of plants are among the diseases studied by Keitt and upon which he has made important findings.

Clemson College, when it conferred the degree of Doctor of Science upon Mr. Keitt, honored one of its former students. Keitt was graduated with the class of 1911. After graduation, he entered the University of Wisconsin graduate school where he specialized in plant pathology, receiving his doctor's degree in 1914. He has been a member of the department staff since 1911.

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## State University to Honor Six American Leaders at 84th Annual Commencement

The University of Wisconsin will grant honorary degrees to six American leaders in the fields of science, landscaping, law and finance, medicine, and education at the 84th annual commencement of the State University to be held June 21 in the University field house.

Those who have been voted honorary degrees this year by the faculty and board of regents, and who will be present at the University's annual commencement exercises to receive them are as follows:

**Martha McChesney Berry**, founder and director of the Berry schools for mountain boys and girls at Mount Berry, Ga., doctor of laws;

**William Kies**, New York city lawyer and banker and distinguished Wisconsin alumnus, master of arts;

**Harry A. Curtis**, chief chemical engineer of the Tennessee Valley Authority, doctor of science;

**Jens Jensen**, internationally known landscape architect, doctor of literature;

**William O. Hotchkiss**, famous geologist and president of the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, New York; and

**David Riesman**, professor of the history of medicine, University of Pennsylvania, doctor of laws.

### Two Are Alumni

Two of those granted honorary degrees this year are alumni of the University of Wisconsin, while a third obtained his doctor's degree in chemistry from the State University. They are Mr. Kies, who obtained his bachelor of arts degree in 1899 and his law degree in 1901; Mr. Hotchkiss, who earned his bachelor of science degree in 1903, his civil engineering degree in 1908, and his doctor of philosophy degree in 1916; and Mr. Curtis, who was granted his doctor of philosophy degree in chemistry in 1914.

Mr. Kies entered the University from the Oshkosh high school in 1896, and in spite of the fact that he earned

his way, he finished his work for his bachelors degree in three years and then went on to get his law degree in two years instead of the usual three. While in the University, he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, national honor society, and to Delta Sigma Rho, national speech fraternity. Following his graduation, he practiced law in Chicago for a number of years, and then went to New York, where he turned his attention to banking and finance.

In 1926 he organized the W. S. Kies company there. Ever since his graduation Mr. Kies has been interested in the work of the Wisconsin Alumni Association, and is a member of the association's board of directors now. He was one of the founders and, since its inception, has been a trustee, of the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation.

### Former State Geologist

Following his graduation from the State University, Mr. Hotchkiss became an instructor in the college of engineering in 1904, serving until 1907. From 1906 to 1908 he directed the state geological survey, and in 1909 was named state geologist. He inaugurated state highway work in Wisconsin and served as chairman of the state highway commission in 1923-25. He became president of the Michigan College of Mining and Technology in 1925, serving until 1935, when he was named president of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Dr. Curtis received his bachelor's and master's degrees in science from the University of Colorado and then served as fellow in chemistry at Wisconsin in 1913-14, receiving his doctor's degree from the State University in the latter year. After teaching chemistry at Colorado and Northwestern universities, he was named professor of chemical engineering and head of the chemical engineering department at Yale university in 1923, serving until 1931. In 1934 he was named chief chemical engineer for the TVA, and in this position he is responsible for all of the chemical en-

gineering and development work of this government project.

### One of 12 Greatest Women

Miss Berry, who founded the Berry schools in Georgia in 1902, was voted an honorary degree by the University faculty two years ago, but was unable to be present at the commencement at that time to receive it because of the serious illness of her sister. She will come to Wisconsin to receive the honorary degree of doctor of laws this June. She is a member of the board of regents of Georgia's university system, of the Colonial Dames of America, and of the D.A.R. She was voted "distinguished citizen" by the Georgia legislature in 1924. She also received the Pictorial Review award of \$5,000 for outstanding service in 1927, and was voted one of the 12 greatest American women in a nationwide poll in 1931.

Born in Saxe Weimar, Germany, Dr. Riesman came to America with his parents when he was a boy. He studied medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, graduating in 1892. While he practiced medicine, he continued his work in the pathological laboratory at the university, and in 1912 he was appointed professor of clinical medicine. He also became professor of the history of medicine in 1933. He is honorary librarian of the college of physicians of Philadelphia, and the Italian government has bestowed upon him the title of the Order of the Crown of Italy.

Considered one of the leading landscape designers in America, Mr. Jensen has won recognition for his work from abroad as well as in this country. Educated in Denmark and Germany, Mr. Jensen came to America in 1884, and served as superintendent of various park systems in Chicago from 1890 to 1909. He served as president of the Friends of Our Native Landscape and is a governing member of the Chicago Art Institute. He is president of "The Clearing," a rural center of learning for some of the fine arts at Ellison Bay, Wis.

## U. W. to Present Nation-wide Radio Program May 19

### Plans Completed for Annual Mothers'-Fathers' Weekend at State U.

More than 45 sewage treatment plant superintendents, city engineers, and public works officials attended the fifth annual sewage plant operators' short course held at the University of Wisconsin last week.

The course consisted of 15 lectures in addition to numerous laboratory demonstrations and various kinds of testing work. The course was designed to give the state's sewage plant operators detailed information as to the reasons for sewage treatment, the function that each part of the plant is to perform, methods of determining whether each individual part of the plant is accomplishing the results for which it was intended, and methods of correcting operating difficulties.

Among those who attended the short course are:

George W. Martin, **Green Bay**; W. J. Guleke, **Green Bay**; Bertel Berntsen, **Stoughton**; Frank Holmes, **Adams**; Adolph Wandlup, **Monroe**; C. H. Grams, **Watertown**; Oscar Ward, **Marshfield**; F. J. McCormick, **Burlington**; Walter Muehl, **Seymour**; Gutorm Sund, **Altoona**; O. E. Schwartz, **Cedarburg**; H. O. Teske, **Princeton**; Walter Atkinson, **Platteville**; Math. Fischer, **West Bend**; Burr Romaine, **Fond du Lac**; Ludwig Racek, **Sauk City**;

Thomas O'Keefe, **Elkhorn**; C. O. Baetz, **Appleton**; Herman C. Dickhoff, **Jefferson**; Stephen M. Peeters, **Little Chute**; William Erdman, **Menomonie Falls**; B. J. Burkhardt, **Thorp**; Leslie Hummel, **Ft Atkinson**; Arthur Kolste, **Cedar Grove**; Burr Hall, **Plymouth**; William Wiganowske, **Random Lake**; Frank Ruekert, **Waukesha**; John H. Barth, **La Crosse**; Earl Marine, **Menomonie**; George Stearns, **S. Milwaukee**;

Rex Ridley and Otto Rimmelle, **Janesville**; Wayne G. Bryan, **Portage**; O. H. Bedker, **Beaver Dam**; Arthur C. Bahr, **Jr., Sun Prairie**; C. A. Dahle, **Stoughton**; H. W. Jackson, **Antigo**; W. E. Dick, **Waukesha**.

### U. W. COMMERCE STUDENTS HONORED

Fourteen school of commerce students at the University of Wisconsin, all except one from Wisconsin homes, were granted honors and awards for their outstanding scholastic work at the annual commerce school banquet held recently at the State University. The honors and awards were presented to the students by five professional commerce fraternities and sororities.

Twelve students were awarded honors by Beta Gamma Sigma. They were: Charles Heiss, **Delavan**; Joseph Ranchor, **Baraboo**; Milton Keller, **Racine**; Carl Cherin, **Denmark**, who was also presented with honors by Delta Sigma Pi and Alpha Kappa Psi for having the highest scholastic average of any student in the commerce school; Janet Taylor, **Orfordville**; Helen Esser, **Madison**, who was also honored by Phi Chi Theta for outstanding work; Marguerite Warnke, **Princeton**; Kenneth Leonard, **Holland**, Ohio; John Ulrich, **Plymouth**; Laurence Rossa, **Madison**, Arthur Bridge,

Thomas O'Keefe, **Elkhorn**; C. O. Baetz, **Appleton**; Herman C. Dickhoff, **Jefferson**; Stephen M. Peeters, **Little Chute**; William Erdman, **Menomonie Falls**; B. J. Burkhardt, **Thorp**; Leslie Hummel, **Ft Atkinson**; Arthur Kolste, **Cedar Grove**; Burr Hall, **Plymouth**; William Wiganowske, **Random Lake**; Frank Ruekert, **Waukesha**; John H. Barth, **La Crosse**; Earl Marine, **Menomonie**; George Stearns, **S. Milwaukee**;

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### 2,002 BOOKS FOR CCC BOYS

To provide journalism textbooks for all the C.C.C. camps throughout the country, the federal government has just ordered 2,002 copies of "Journalistic Writing," one of the textbooks written by Prof. Grant M. Hyde, director of the School of Journalism of the University of Wisconsin. The book, which is widely used in high schools and junior colleges, will be supplied to all the camps to assist the C.C.C. boys in publishing their camp newspapers. It is published by D. Appleton-Century Company, New York, and is now in its third edition since 1922.

## 33 Lecturers Added to U. W. Summer Faculty

### Outstanding Teachers from All Parts of Nation to Join Summer Staff

Thirty-three lecturers from other schools, many of them considered among the nation's foremost educators, will come to the University of Wisconsin this summer to teach in the 39th annual summer session of the State University, it was announced today by Scott H. Goodnight, dean of the session.

The outstanding teachers from other schools will be added to the Wisconsin summer school teaching staff of close to 300 State University faculty members who will teach the hundreds of courses of study which are being offered during this year's summer session. The 1937 summer session of the State University will open on June 28. The general session for undergraduates continues for six weeks, ending on Aug. 6, while the special nine-week courses for graduates only begin on June 28 and end Aug. 27, and the Law school opens its 10-week session on June 21 and closes on Aug. 27. Registration opens on June 26, continuing through June 28, with classes beginning on June 29.

### 1,000 Courses Offered

The 300 Wisconsin faculty members and 33 lecturers from other schools will teach approximately 1,000 courses of study of academic grade and carrying credit toward all degrees regularly offered by the University. Educators from other schools who will teach in the session, and the departments in which they will teach, are as follows:

Prof. Eugene Bahn, of Colgate university, speech; R. W. Bardwell, Madison superintendent of schools, education; Gordon A. Beebe, South Dakota school of mines, topographic engineering; Alan A. Boyden, Rutgers university, zoology; Leicester Bradner, Brown university, English; Carl B. Cass, University of Pittsburgh, speech; Miss Hazel M. Conlon, Madison public schools, women's physical education;

Miss Prudence B. Cutright, assistant superintendent of schools, Minneapolis, Minn., education; William J. Farina, New York university, speech; Louis M. Hacker, Columbia university, history; Miss Julia L. Hahn, public schools principal, Washington, D. C., education; Arthur A. Hellbaum, University of Oklahoma, zoology; Preston E. James, University of Michigan, geography; Cornelius C. Janzen, Milwaukee state teachers college, economics; Claude E. Kantner, Louisiana and state university, speech;

Karl Knaus, U. S. department of agriculture, agricultural education and extension; Miss Bernice E. Leary, St. Xavier's college, Chicago, education; Miss Elma M. McRae, Carl Schurz high school, Chicago, women's physical education; William H. Manning, Utah agricultural college, music; Capt. Charles O'Neill, director, Royal 22nd Regiment band, Quebec, Can., music; Miss Harriet E. O'Shea, Purdue university, education; William S. Rasche, Milwaukee vocational school, education; Miss Carrie Rasmussen, Madison public schools, speech and educational methods;

Mrs. Elizabeth F. Rehage, Winnetka, Ill., high school, women's physical education; Miss Beatrice E. Richardson, central state teachers college, Stevens Point, women's physical education; Miss Mabel Russell, Iowa state college, home economics; Henry Sopkin, Lake View high school, Chicago, music; Harry C. Thayer, Madison teacher training supervisor, education; Richard B. Thiel, Lawrence college, Appleton, education; Mrs. Jennie M. Turner, state board of vocational education, Madison, education; Neil D. Warren, University of Southern California, psychology; and J. F. Weltzin, president, North Dakota state teachers college, education.

## Freshman Orators at U. W. Enter Contest

Leading freshman orator at the University of Wisconsin this year is J. Douglass Pledger, **Madison**, who recently captured the annual frosh oratorical crown from a field of eight other competitors. Pledger's oration was entitled, "Constitutional Democracy," and defended the Supreme Court, claiming that it held the centralized leadership of American government in check.

Ed Samp, **Madison**, took runnerup honors, with third place resulting in a tie between Winnifred Quies, **Freeport, Ill.**, and Homer Peck, **Peshtigo**. Samp's oration was "Roosevelt and the Supreme Court"; Quies, "The Citizen Abdicates"; and Peck, "Students and Peace."

Other speakers presenting orations were Gloria Buchanan, **Menasha**, with "The Lynch Law and Its Cure"; Leon D. Epstein, **Beaver Dam**, with "Old Fashioned Wise Man"; Robert Des Jarlais, **Menasha**, with "Profits Economic Need"; Maynard Smith, **Menomonie**, with "America, the Leader," and Elwood Davis, **Belmont**, with "Peace on Earth."