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Rise in Extension Work Pictured In Figures For Year

Upturn in Students, Classes Shown In New Report of Extension Recorder

An enrollment of 16,841 non-campus students was revealed by recorder's statistics for the 1935-36 school year of the University of Wisconsin Extension division at Madison, issued from the office of Dean F. O. Holt. The number virtually equals the combined population of the cities of Watertown and Portage. These students registered for 23,346 study courses. The report was compiled by Mrs. A. H. Smith, recorder.

For three branches through which formal instruction is given, the figures are: Correspondence-study courses, 8,068 students, 8,657 registrations; state classes, 3,224 students, 5,324 registrations; Milwaukee extension center, 5,549 students, 9,365 registrations. Of subjects taken, 18,765 represented new registrations and 4,581 were courses begun but not completed in the previous year.

While the total registrations are reduced from those of 1931 and prior years, they indicate a substantial rise from the more recent years, and the present trend promises a further acceleration for 1936-37.

From 1906 to July 1, 1936, there were recorded 137,053 enrollments for correspondence-study courses, 43,747 in Milwaukee day classes, and 36,843 in state classes—a total of 277,075 for the 30-year period.

The number of classes held in 71 Wisconsin cities last year totaled 680, as compared with 561 in 1934-35, 509 in 1933-34, and 509 in 1932-33. The Milwaukee center registrations represented an increase of 8.4 per cent over the previous year. Compared with 1924-25, however, the increase was as high as 135 per cent. State classes had three times the number enrolled 10 years ago, and their registrations (subjects) were nearly five times as many.

Sixty-four per cent of the students in correspondence and class courses were men. Fifty-seven per cent of all registrations were in college-credit courses. The percentage of success (using as a criterion the courses carried to completion) reached 83.3. The figures also indicate that students now enrolled send in three times as much lesson material as did students enrolled in 1925-26.

The number of credit hours completed by all students reached a total of 45,721—equivalent to one year's work for more than 1,500 residence students, counting 30 credits as equal to a year's work. In addition, 6,778 students who had not yet completed their courses were, on June 30, carrying 15,000 credit hours, representing the work of 500 other full-time students.

Study fields that led in new correspondence-study enrollments last year were, in order, English, mathematics, business, mechanical engineering, and history.

Dedicate Memorial to E. Ray Stevens In U. W. Arboretum

Newly completed aquatic gardens in the University of Wisconsin's 800-acre arboretum which surrounds Lake Wingra on the outskirts of Madison were dedicated as a memorial to the late Judge E. Ray Stevens, graduate of the State University and former beloved justice of the state supreme court at simple, brief exercises held in Madison recently.

A bronze plaque on which are inscribed the following words will be placed on the gateway to the gardens: "E. Ray Stevens Memorial Aquatic Gardens of the University of Wisconsin arboretum. He was a distinguished alumnus, a justice of the supreme court, a citizen of high public spirit."

Those who spoke at the dedicatory exercises were H. L. Russell, director of the Wisconsin Alumni Research foundation, life-long friend of Judge Stevens; Chief Justice Marvin B. Rosenberry, of the state supreme court; Harold M. Wilkie, Madison attorney and president of the University board of regents; and Dr. E. M. Gilbert, professor of botany and plant pathology at the University.

Established in 1928, the arboretum, now consisting of more than 800 acres of land, gives the University of Wisconsin one of the largest outdoor laboratories in the world for experimentation on problems relating to the conservation of the state's natural resources.

U. W. Man Visits 13 Chapters of National Engineering Society

As national president of the American Society of Heating and Ventilating Engineers, Prof. G. L. Larson, chairman of the department of mechanical engineering at the University of Wisconsin, this fall is visiting and addressing 13 chapters of the society throughout the eastern part of the United States and Canada.

Last spring Prof. Larson visited the chapters of the society located west of the Mississippi river, including southern California and the Pacific northwest. The subject of his address at each of the chapter meetings is: "Economics of Good Construction as Related to the Heating

Many Young Men Plan For Winter Study in Short Course at U. W.

As many as 300 Wisconsin young men from farms throughout the state will meet at the University of Wisconsin college of agriculture, Monday, November 16, to enter the 1936-37 farm short course, according to advance enrollment received by V. E. Kivlin, director of the course.

It is expected that the number attending the course this year will be larger than that of a year ago when 300 boys enrolled from 60 of the 71 counties of the state. The course continues for three five-week terms and will close on March 13.

Counties represented in the course last year were: Barron, Bayfield, Brown, Buffalo, Calumet, Chippewa, Clark, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Dodge, Door, Douglas, Dunn, Eau Claire, Fond du Lac, Grant, Green, Green Lake, Iron, Jackson, Juneau, Keweenaw, LaCrosse, Lafayette, Langlade, Lincoln, Manitowoc, Marathon, Marinette, Milwaukee, Monroe, Oconto, Oneida, Outagamie, Pepin, Pierce, Polk, Portage, Price, Racine, Richland, Rock, Rusk, St. Croix, Sauk, Sawyer, Shawano, Sheboygan, Taylor, Trempealeau, Vernon, Waukesha, Washburn, Washington, Waukesha, Waupaca, Waushara, Winnebago, and Wood.

U. W. Man to Teach Discussion Method at Western Meeting

Henry L. Ewbank, of the departments of rural sociology and speech at the University of Wisconsin, has been chosen by the U. S. department of agriculture to represent that department on its instructional force at the Western Discussion Training School to be held at Salt Lake City, Nov. 12, 13 and 14. Serving with him will be Carl F. Taeusch, division of program planning, U. S. department of agriculture and P. E. Taff, of the Iowa state college of agriculture, Ames.

Ewbank is well known to rural groups throughout Wisconsin with whom he has worked in directing group discussion programs. The use of group discussion in agricultural extension work, started in Wisconsin several years ago and one by which interested groups become informed upon matters of important public concern, has attracted nation-wide attention and several states have recently inaugurated the plan. Wisconsin counties in which rural groups are using the discussion method include: Barron, Clarke, Dane, Douglas, Eau Claire, Kenosha, Langlade, Marinette, Oconto, Oneida, Pierce, Polk, Rock, Waukesha, Waupaca, and Winnebago.

Topics which rural discussion groups throughout the United States will consider in their discussion programs during the next few months include: "Is increased efficiency in farming always a good thing?"; "Exports and Imports—How do they affect the farmer?"; "How do farm people live in comparison with city people?"; "What kind of agricultural policy is necessary to save our soil?"; "What part should farmers in your county take in making national policy?"; "What should farmers aim to accomplish through organization?".

50 Operators of State Waterworks Plant to Attend U. W. Course

More than 50 waterworks superintendents and operators from cities and villages throughout Wisconsin are expected to attend the fourth annual state waterworks operators short course to be held at the University of Wisconsin for four days next week, from Nov. 18 to 21, according to Harold Ruf, of the department of hydraulic and sanitary engineering at the State University, who is in charge of the course.

Consisting of 15 lectures and four laboratory demonstrations given by expert hydraulic and sanitary engineers, the course is designed to aid the operator in more effectively and efficiently operating his plant for the benefit of his community.

The course is built around the practical work of Wisconsin municipal waterworks superintendents and plant operators, according to Mr. Ruf, who pointed out that satisfactory operation of a waterworks plant includes two important considerations, namely, that the public be furnished with an adequate and safe supply of water at all times, and that the plant be operated in an economical manner.

Sponsored by the League of Wisconsin Municipalities and the Wisconsin section of the American Waterworks association, the course is given by the University's department of hydraulic and sanitary engineering, the bureau of sanitary engineering of the state board of health, and the state laboratory of hygiene at the University.

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Earlier this fall Prof. Larson has visited and addressed chapters at Winnipeg, St. Paul, Buffalo, Toronto, Detroit, Grand Rapids, Chicago, Cincinnati, and Cleveland. On Nov. 12 he was scheduled to address the chapter at Philadelphia, on Nov. 13 at Boston, and next Monday, Nov. 16, he will complete his itinerary with an address before the New York city chapter of the society.

U. Gives Weekly Radio Programs on Two Stations

The University of Wisconsin will present a new series of Voice of Wisconsin radio programs once a week over at least two Wisconsin radio stations beginning Friday, Nov. 13, it was announced this week by Robert Foss, director of publicity, who is in charge of the programs.

The programs, either quarter-hour or half-hour in length, will be broadcast over radio stations WHA on the University campus, and WIBA in Madison, each Friday at 4 p. m. throughout the winter and spring, until May 1.

The broadcasts will present dramatic programs based on the State University's achievements in the fields of science and public service, and on the lives of outstanding alumni of the University, in addition to a number of concert programs given by University school of music organizations.

During the course of the series, the University's concert band, under the direction of Prof. Ray Dvorak, will present three programs; the University's symphony orchestra, under the direction of Prof. E. Earle Swinney, will present one program; and the University's men's glee club, under the direction of Prof. Paul Jones, will present two programs.

The Voice of Wisconsin radio series was inaugurated by the University three years ago, and since that time as many as 10 different radio stations in the state have carried some or all of the more than 50 programs which have been broadcasted. The purpose of the series is to acquaint Wisconsin citizens with the scientific achievements and public services conducted by the State University for the public good, and to reveal the aims and ideals of the University.

Besides the programs of music presented by school of music student organizations, the series this year will include dramatic programs based on the lives of a half-dozen famous Wisconsin alumni; on such scientific achievements as the Babcock Milk test, the Steenbock Irradiation of foods discovery, the development of the submarine detector during the World war, developments in astronomy, journalism, and law; and on such public services as scientific crime detection, guarding the health of the state's citizens, and erosion control. All of the programs will be entertaining as well as educational.

19 Counties Have Agents

When Brown and Polk counties joined the ranks of those employing county home demonstration agents it brought the number of home agent counties to 19, according to the state extension office. Counties now employing county home agents are: Bayfield, Brown, Dodge, Douglas, Green, LaCrosse, Marathon, Milwaukee, Monroe, Pierce, Polk, Rock, Shawano, Sheboygan, Trempealeau, Washington, Waukesha, Winnebago and Wood.

Special request is made for the submission of triple manuscripts, for the use of three judges at once.

The regular guild award will be made to the winning producing group, and other awards for the best one-act play in each division.

Demand from Badger Clubs for Student Speakers Increases, U. W. Bureau Finds

Providing able and experienced student speakers at low cost, the Student Speakers Bureau at the University of Wisconsin is finding an increased demand this year for its services on the part of various kinds of clubs and organizations throughout the State of Wisconsin, according to Fred Reel, Milwaukee student at the State University, who is chairman of the student-faculty committee which operates the bureau for the University.

The bureau was started three years ago as a means of providing various kinds of clubs and organizations in communities throughout the state with experienced student speakers at the lowest possible cost—merely the expense of filling an engagement. When the bureau was first established, it was decided that no fees whatever should be charged for any speaker's services.

During the first month of operation this school year, since Oct. 1, the bureau has filled a dozen engagements, and at the present time has scheduled either tentatively or definitely several dozen more engagements to be filled during the next few months.

Where Speakers Go

So far this school year, one or more speaking engagements have been filled or are scheduled to be filled in these Wisconsin communities: Stoughton, Oregon, Sun Prairie, Waukesha, Platteville, Pewaukee, Cedarburg, Waterloo, Jefferson, and Kenosha. Since the bureau was started, engagements have also been filled in Dodgeville, Janesville, Beloit, Poynter, Baraboo, Fort Atkinson, Monroe, Evansville, Jefferson, Columbus, Mazomanie, Watertown, Black Earth, Albany and Richland Center.

The bureau's speakers have appeared before service clubs, women's clubs, Parent-Teacher associations, school assemblies, church groups, community clubs, and rural clubs. The speakers have been enthusiastically received by all of the groups before which they have spoken.

In addition to 20 student speakers who speak on a variety of subjects, the bureau has available for service to clubs and other organizations nine trained readers, and all of the members of both the men's and women's varsity debate teams. The readers, who are able to give delightful programs in various types of readings, are: Margaret Anderson, Madison;

U. W. Concert Band Broadcasts Weekly Program on WIBA

Citizens of Wisconsin will have an opportunity to hear their State University's student concert band of 185 pieces in a half-hour concert over the radio once a week during the remainder of the school year as a result of an arrangement made this week between the University of Wisconsin and radio station WIBA in Madison.

The band, conceded by many to be the finest among schools of the middle west, will present a half-hour program on Tuesday afternoons of each week from 5 to 5:30 p. m. over radio station WIBA, beginning on Tuesday, Nov. 24.

Prof. Ray Dvorak, who is in charge of all band work at the State University, will direct the band in its concert broadcast, and Robert Foss, director of publicity for the University who made arrangements with WIBA for the weekly broadcast, will prepare the program continuity.

Dramatic Guild Issues Rules For 1937 Playwriting

The annual Festival week of the Wisconsin Dramatic guild, held in cooperation with the bureau of dramatic activities of the University of Wisconsin Extension division, will be observed from Feb. 26 to March 5, 1937, it was announced this week by the guild's secretary, Miss Ethel T. Rockwell. The officers include Malcolm Mouat, Janesville, president; Mrs. Ralph Dixon, Whitewater, vice-president, and Miss Rockwell, secretary and treasurer.

Manuscripts for the contest in playwriting must be filed with the secretary by Jan. 9. A new feature, it was announced, will be a contest in full-length plays. The two best will be selected by the faculty of the drama division of the University's speech department—Prof. J. Russell Lane, Dr. C. Lowell Lees, and Fred A. Buerk. Production of the best plays will be arranged, if possible, by the University theater during Festival week.

The tournament in one-act playwriting will follow practically the same lines as in previous years it was indicated. Plays may be submitted for the following divisions of the guild: Urban little theaters, rural groups, church groups, women's clubs, A. A. U. W., drama sections, college clubs, high school drama clubs, CCC camps, international plays, radio plays, and plays by individuals. A special set of directions has been drawn up by Harold B. McCarty, of radio station WHA.

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The regular guild award will be made to the winning producing group, and other awards for the best one-act play in each division.

School Editors to Gather at State U. for Annual Convocation

State High School Editors to Convene on U. W. Campus Nov. 27-28

High school newspaper and yearbook editors and business managers and their faculty advisers from schools throughout Wisconsin will gather on the University of Wisconsin campus on the two days following Thanksgiving, Nov. 27 and 28, to attend the annual Wisconsin High School Editors' conference which is sponsored each year by the State University's school of journalism.

Announcements of this year's conference have already been sent to staff members and faculty advisers of high school publications in all parts of the state by Prof. Grant M. Hyde, director of the school of journalism. It is expected that the 1936 conference will be one of the largest ever held at the State University.

School newspaper editors and business managers who attend the conference will listen to round-table talks on news writing, news sources, headlines, make-up, copyreading, proofreading, type display, sports news, special features, circulation, advertising, promotion, and photography. Yearbook editors and business managers will have round-table meetings on layouts and art work, preparing specifications for the printer and engraver, photographs in the yearbook, financing the yearbook by sales, advertisement, and other means.

Faculty advisers who attend the conference will participate in round-table discussions on their own problems, and will attend a special luncheon for advisers to be held at the University club on the first day of the conference.

Features of the 1936 conference, according to Prof. Hyde, will be a convention exhibit of Wisconsin student newspapers, magazines, and yearbooks; round-table discussions on the special problems of mimeographed newspapers; a two-hour roundtable for advisers; a vocational guidance in journalism roundtable; a reception before or after the annual banquet; conducted campus tours; opportunity for delegates to write up sessions for the Daily Cardinal, University student newspaper; a moving picture of journalistic interest; and particular schools assigned to lead roundtable discussions.

The annual "Stunt Banquet" of the conference will be held in the Memorial Union building on Friday night, Nov. 27, and again this year all entertainment, such as skits, dialogues, recitations, one-act sketches, musical numbers, and so forth, will be provided by delegates to the conference. William H. Purnell, Madison, will act as stage manager at the banquet, and it is hoped that Harry A. Stuhldreher, new Badger athletic director and football coach, will be able to attend the banquet, according to Prof. Hyde.

High Schools Build Reference Libraries of Farm Bulletins

More than fifty Wisconsin teachers of vocational agriculture are building workshop libraries of farm bulletins.

Realizing that the bulletins published by the University of Wisconsin college of agriculture and agricultural experiment station usually contain the most up-to-date information on farming subjects, these teachers have purchased sets of fiber bulletins binders in which to keep these bulletins for ready reference by their students. The binders are made up to accommodate the subjects of animal husbandry; plant husbandry; farm mechanics; marketing, and rural life and are made available through the office of the extension editor at Madison.

Schools which recently started such libraries include: Shullsburg, Clear Lake, Wilton, Rosendale, Edgerton, Ondossagon at Ashland, Clayton, Portage, Fort Atkinson, Stanley, Kaukauna, Plymouth, Mondovi, Stratford, Spring Valley, Belleville, Athens, Berlin, Frederic, Clintonville, Tripoli, Sparta, Casenovia, Chilton, Mineral Point, Cumberland, New Auburn, Shell Lake, Baraboo, West Lima, Lone Rock, Nelson, Greenwood, Cashton, Oconomowoc, Luxemburg, Blair, Tony, Shiocton, Mount Hope, Waukesha, Grantsburg, Downing, Sturgeon Bay, Osceola, Wisconsin Rapids and Weston.

U. W. Debaters to Aid Shawano Speech Meet

Two University of Wisconsin debating squads will aid in the conducting of a speech institute under the auspices of the University extension division, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 13 and 14, at Shawano.

The two teams were selected by varsity debate coaches, Professors Andrew T. Weaver and Henry L. Ewbank. The affirmative group chosen consists of Jack Eisendrath, Milwaukee, and Robert Gunderson, Madison.

Thomas Bunsen and Ed Wilkie, son of the president of the board of regents, compose the negative squad.

The debaters will argue the question, "Resolved, that all electric utilities should be governmentally owned and operated."</