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## WISCONSIN CHATS

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## Sixty Per Cent of Students Help Earn Way Through U.W.

## About One-sixth of Student Body is Entirely Self-Supporting

Almost 60 per cent, or 5,283 of the 9,000 students enrolled in the University of Wisconsin this year, are either wholly or partially earning their own way through the State University.

The figures revealed that slightly more than 16 per cent, or 1,471 students are wholly self-supporting, earning all of their way through the University, while another 19 per cent, or 1,714 students are more than one-half self-supporting. Another 24 per cent of the student body, or 2,098 students, are less than half self-supporting, the figures show.

Only 40 per cent, or 3,258 students, are not at all self-supporting while studying in the University this year, the survey showed. Sixty per cent of the women students enrolled need not earn any of their way through the University this year, while only 28 per cent of the men students are not earning any part of their way.

## Most Men Help Themselves

While only 40 per cent of the 2,875 women students enrolled are doing part-time work to help earn their education, 72 per cent of the 6,190 men students are either partially or wholly self-supporting, the figures revealed.

Ten per cent of the women are wholly self-supporting, 13 per cent are earning more than half their way through school, while 17 per cent are less than half self-supporting. Of the men students, 21 per cent are earning all of their own way through school, 24 per cent are more than half self-supporting, while 27 per cent are less than half self-supporting.

## Few Freshmen Support Themselves

The figures show that the largest number of those earning all of their way through the University this year are graduate students, while the smallest number entirely supporting themselves are freshmen. More than half of the graduate students, or to be exact, 53 per cent, are earning all of their expenses, while only 11 per cent of the large freshman class this year are wholly self-supporting.

On the other hand, freshman students constitute the largest single class of students not at all self-supporting this year. Almost half, or 46 per cent of one of the largest freshman classes ever to enroll in the State University, are not earning any of their expenses during their first year in the University.

## U.W. Freshmen Don't Believe in Staying Out of School Year

Freshmen students who entered the University of Wisconsin last year evidently didn't believe in the advice given by some that they should stay out of school a year or so before going on to college to get some experience.

For figures released by the State University statistician recently reveal that 66.4 per cent of the first year students last fall had finished high school careers in the preceding June. Another 17.8 per cent had finished in June of 1933, staying out only one year before continuing their education.

## Rural Life Groups To Hold Conference at State U. May 9

The use of music and the handicrafts in the recreational life of the farm will be considered by students throughout Wisconsin when they meet for their fourth annual Wisconsin Collegiate Rural Life conference to be held at the University of Wisconsin college of agriculture on May 9.

At this annual conference, attended by students interested in rural life and living who are enrolled in the various state colleges and the University of Wisconsin, attention is focused upon ways of building a more abundant life on the farm. University student groups which are acting as hosts and hostesses in charge of the program arrangements include the University 4-H club, the Blue Shield, and the Euthenics club.

## An Invitation to the Mothers and Fathers of Wisconsin Students



GEORGE DUGGAR

It is with the hope that each student may entertain his parents and give them a glimpse of life at the State University that we are planning our annual Parents' Weekend May 22, 23, and 24.

We hope to provide a program which each family may enjoy and to portray through exhibits and demonstrations some of the contributions the University makes to the welfare of the state.

We invite you to share with us the activities of these three days. We are anxious to meet you personally and when you leave us we hope that you will count yourselves not strangers but friends.

This program is being planned by students for your enjoyment.

The entire University community is cooperating and a diversified program is being formulated.

## Crew races, dance drama, an intergroup

song tournament, presentation of awards to outstanding students, a banquet for parents and students, and the President's reception are only a few of the highlights of the weekend.

Each event is being arranged so that the family may attend as a unit.



BETH BLACK

—Photos Courtesy Badger Studio

We are looking forward to the opportunity of entertaining you and sincerely hope that you will accept our invitation to be the guests of your sons and daughters at your State University during the weekend of May 22, 23, and 24.

Signed,

Beth Black,

George Duggar,

Co-chairmen.

## U.W. Takes Part In Badger Centennial

## State-wide Event to Take Place June 27-July 5

That the University of Wisconsin will occupy a place in the foreground of education during the progress of the state-wide centennial celebration in Madison from June 27 to July 5 inclusive was made a certainty when the board of directors of the Wisconsin centennial corporation chose Charles Dollard, assistant dean of men, as chairman of a university activities committee.

Selection of Dollard for an important chairmanship was in conformity with an original plan to stress educational needs in the centennial program. It followed in the wake of an announcement that Raymond F. Dvorak, assistant professor of music and director of the student concert band, had been placed on the board of directors of the centennial along with Frank Holt, dean of the extension division, and John Callahan, state superintendent of schools and University regent.

Outlining plans for inspiring University exhibits, an all-Wisconsin art show, a presentation of paintings of historical sites and territorial farm scenes, the showing of an eighteenth-century caravan and innumerable other features which should interest

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## Rural Leaders to Meet at U.W. This Summer

Rural leaders throughout Wisconsin and the Middle West, will hold their 15th annual Rural Leadership Summer School, June 29 to July 10 at the University of Wisconsin.

The school, which last year was attended by 80 rural pastors, including a group of Indian missionaries, will give consideration to problems of community life, education, social adjustment, and public welfare, announces J. H. Kolb, in charge of the event.

## Students Hold Tag Day to Raise Weekend Fund

A portion of the second week in April has been designated by Robert Briggs, Oshkosh, chairman of the finance committee, to be devoted to the campaign to raise additional funds for the annual Mothers' and Fathers' week-end program which will be held at the University of Wisconsin May 22, 23, 24.

A number of student groups are contributing to the campaign, and at the campus-wide tag day a group of more than 50 girls will sell Parents' weekend tags to the students.

Parents' Weekend is directed and planned almost entirely by a group of student committees including 45 people under the direction of George Duggar, Madison, and Beth Black, Richland Center.

## Announce Plans for Summer Session

## Thousands to Be Drawn to U.W. Campus for Study

Approximately 300 members of the University faculty and lecturers from other institutions of higher learning will teach the hundreds of courses of study in every division of the University of Wisconsin during the State University's 38th annual summer session which opens late next June, a recently published preliminary bulletin of the session reveals.

Except for the 10-week summer courses in the Law school, the Wisconsin summer school this year opens June 29. The general session lasts six weeks and closes on August 7, while the special nine-week courses of study in the Graduate school begin on June 29 and end on Friday, Aug. 28. The 10-week Law school session opens on June 22 and closes on Friday, Aug. 28.

## Planned to Meet Needs

The hundreds of courses of study of the 1936 summer session at Wisconsin are planned to meet the needs of graduate and undergraduate students of colleges, technical schools, and universities, of teachers and supervisors in secondary schools, normal schools, colleges, and universities, and of professional men and women.

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## University of Wisconsin, Linked With Its State and Holding Faith of Citizens, Is at Highest Level

In spite of slighting remarks and a sense of uneasiness that the depression has engendered, the University of Wisconsin is today at the highest level yet attained, which gives it the opportunity to remain one of the institutions of the world which is of really distinguished usefulness.

Such was the contention made by Prof. Mark H. Ingraham, of the State University's mathematics department, in a talk at a University of Wisconsin faculty alumni dinner held recently at the University. Approximately 300 members of the University faculty who are also Wisconsin alumni attended the dinner, at which the new alumni secretary, A. John Berge, was one of the speakers.

Other speakers included Prof. Max Otto, of the philosophy department, and Edwin E. Witte, of the economics department. Frank O. Holt, dean of the Extension division, was toastmaster.

In his talk, Prof. Ingraham, who

during a leave of absence last year visited 80 universities in the United States, outlined several positive virtues of the State University. He declared that Wisconsin has a fine tradition of interdepartmental faculty co-

"We have heard a good deal in the last quarter of a century about a state university belonging to the people of the state," Prof. Otto said. "Yes, it is theirs. They tax themselves to maintain it, and what is more important, they send their sons and daughters to it to be educated."

"But the older I grow the more I

feel that the university is not only

theirs but ours also. They give us

money and opportunity; we give them

our lives. We invest our hopes and

fears and aspirations. We offer up our

energies and our talents. I cannot

believe that the people of Wisconsin are

losers by the arrangement. And there

is one demand which, I think, the

thoughtful in the community will not

make: they will not ask us to sell for

money, position, popularity, or any-

thing else the best thing about us, our

loyalty to our ideals."

## U.W. Linked to State

The future of the University of Wisconsin, as was its past, is inseparably linked with the state of Wisconsin, Prof. Witte told the faculty, pointing out that the University has been established pursuant to an ex-

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## U.W. Students Plan Huge Program for Parents' Weekend

## To Show Mothers, Dads U.W. Community at Work, Play During Annual Event

A wonderful opportunity for University of Wisconsin students to show their parents the State University community at work and at play will be offered by the Mothers' and Fathers' Week-End festivities and programs, May 22, 23, and 24.

Planned to provide an interesting, instructive and happy week-end for the united family group, the programs and activities will be sponsored by student organizations, churches, and faculty members of University departments.

Week-End activities will start Thursday night, May 22, when parents will hear a forensic program of debates by women and men teams, in addition to dramatic readings and many other examples of the University's speech activity.

## To Attend Classes

Parents will be encouraged to attend classes with their daughters and sons on both Friday and Saturday mornings, May 23 and 24, in order that they might understand better the courses of study and methods of instruction employed in securing a well-rounded education. Special problems of the mothers and fathers in regard to their sons' and daughters' university careers will be accommodated in a series of deans' conferences Friday morning.

On Friday afternoon, the campus unit of the Reserve Officer's Training corps will stage its biggest review of the year before federal army inspectors on the lower campus. Individual squad competition and company honor competition will also be held by the blue-clad basic cadets and the khaki-clad senior cadet officers.

At 6:15 p. m. Friday, the Senior Swingout or presentation of awards to women students who have done outstanding work in any phase of University work will be held on the upper campus, Lincoln terrace. The Senior Swingout is one of the oldest of the State University's traditions, and the most picturesque. The classical ceremonies of the passing of the daisy chain from women members of the senior class to women members of the junior class have been observed as a sacred tradition since the early '80's. The recently erected carillon

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## Farming Still Leads As Occupation of Most Parents of U. Students

Although parents of University of Wisconsin freshmen are engaged in at least 175 different occupations, farming still leads as the single occupation in which the largest number of parents of first year students are engaged, a survey recently completed by the University statistician's office reveals.

First year students' parents engaged in the time-honored occupation of farming number 243, the survey shows, outnumbering all other single occupations by about three to one.

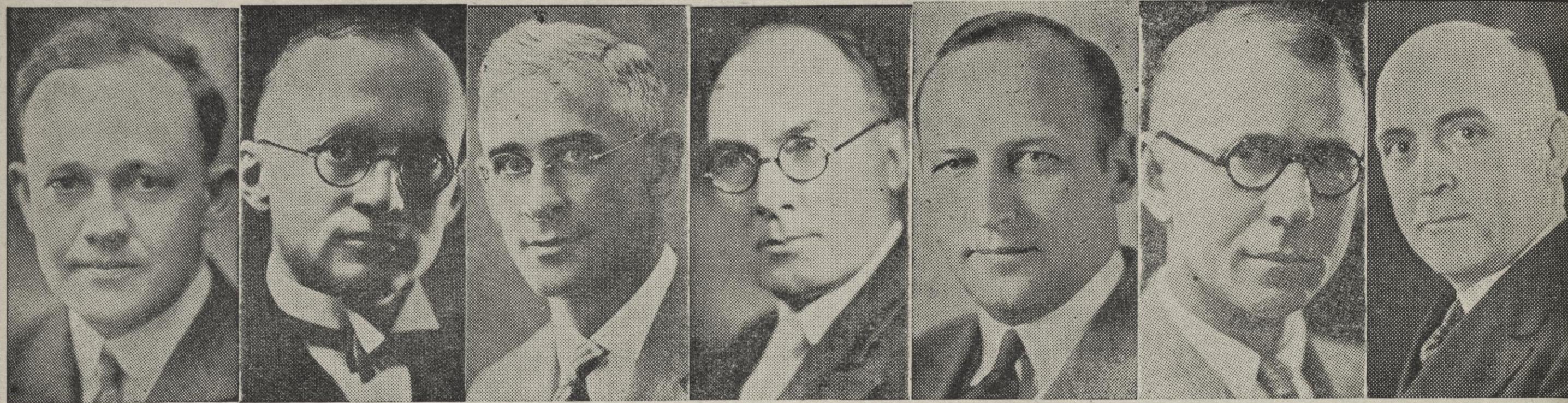
The next two occupations in which the next largest numbers of parents of students are engaged are salesmen and saleswomen, and homemakers and housewives. In each of these occupational classifications, 88 parents of students are earning their living.

Occupations of the more than 2,500 freshmen enrolled in the State University this year range all the way from bankers and brokers to cemetery keepers, and from laborers to manufacturers and industrialists.

Other single occupations in which large numbers of parents of students are engaged include foremen and overseers; machinists, toolmakers, and millwrights; managers and officials; insurance agents; lawyers and judges; physicians and surgeons, school teachers; and bookkeepers, cashiers, and accountants.

The 175 single occupational groups of the parents of students are divided into 10 larger classifications, among which the general classification of trade leads as the field of endeavor of the largest number of students' parents, with 542 engaged in some phase of it.

## MEET A FEW OF THE TEACHERS AT YOUR STATE UNIVERSITY



WITTE

STEEBOK

LESCOHIER

GILLIN

CHRISTENSEN

ANDERSON

FRED

The University of Wisconsin has always been known as a great teaching institution, chiefly because of the University's insistence that every faculty member consider teaching as a primary duty and research as an incidental one.

Above are shown a few of Wisconsin's faculty members whose reputations as great scholars and scientists, and great teachers have helped to make your State University the foremost educational institution that it is.

At the left is Dr. Edwin E. Witte, professor of economics, who last year, while serving as executive director of the national Committee on Economic Security, drafted the now widely acclaimed Social Security Bill.

Prof. Witte was born in Jefferson county, Jan. 4, 1887, and attended the University of Wisconsin, obtaining his bachelor's degree in 1909 and his doctor of philosophy degree in 1916.

Nationally recognized economist that he is, Prof. Witte has published one book and written a number of articles on various phases of economics.

Second from left is Dr. Harry Steenbock, professor of agricultural chemistry and one of the country's leading scientists, famed discoverer of irradiation process by which vitamin D is imparted to foods giving them properties which help overcome rickets in children. Born in Charles-

town, Wis., Prof. Steenbock is a graduate of the State University, and has done graduate work at Yale university and the University of Berlin, Germany. Recognized throughout the world as authority in the field of agricultural chemistry.

Third is Don D. Lescohier, professor of economics, who obtained his doctor of philosophy degree from Wisconsin in 1919, and has taught at the University since that time. He is an authority in the field of labor eco-

nomics, and in 1930-31 he served as executive secretary of the Wisconsin Citizens' Committee on Unemployment. He is a member of a number of national associations in the field of economics, and has written a number of books and articles on economic subjects.

John L. Gillin has been professor of sociology at the State University since 1915. His studies in the fields of criminology and penology have brought him world-wide fame. He is a member of the state pardon board, and the author of a large number of authoritative studies in the field of sociology.

Prof. Chris L. Christensen came to Wisconsin as dean of the college of agriculture and director of the Wisconsin agricultural experiment stations and extension service in 1931. Widely-known authority in the field of farm cooperatives, in which he has

made a number of valuable studies. Since he has been at the University he has worked tirelessly for the betterment of Wisconsin's great farm industry.

Prof. C. J. Anderson, as dean of the school of education, has succeeded in building up one of the nation's finest teacher training centers at the University of Wisconsin. Is a member of the National Education association and the Wisconsin Teachers' association, of which he served as president in 1925. He has written a number of books in the field of education, and is a recognized authority on modern educational problems.

At the extreme right is Dr. Edwin B. Fred, dean of the graduate school at the State University. As one of the nation's foremost bacteriologists, he has made a number of valuable studies in the field of agricultural bacteriology, and is co-author of several

textbooks in this field.

Specialization in research and teaching, and the tremendous cost of laboratories and libraries so essential to research, have led naturally to the concentration of great scholars such as those above at universities like Wisconsin. And yet intimate and fruitful relationship between teacher and pupil at Wisconsin has been largely attained. University classes are small, rarely numbering more than thirty. Students have ample opportunity for first hand contacts with their professors, through classroom work, personal conferences, and through informal discussion meetings arranged by such agencies as the Memorial Union, the Young Men's Christian Association, and campus church groups. Wisconsin boys and girls need not go outside the state to study under and have personal contact with great teachers. They have them at their own State University.

## State U. Is One of Nation's Leaders in Scientific Fields

### Has Trained Many National Research Council Fellows, Survey Shows

Holding its leadership in the combined fields of physics, chemistry, and mathematics, the University of Wisconsin still ranks among the first 12 universities in the United States as either the place of graduate training of recipients of National Research Council fellowships, or the place chosen by such fellows at which to continue their scientific training in these fields.

This was revealed recently in a survey of the schools at which past and present holders of National Research Council fellowships received their graduate training in physics, chemistry, and mathematics, and at which schools they continued their scientific training as holders of the prized fellowships. The State University has been the place of graduate training or the place of study of 36 of these fellows.

Because of the method of award, the list of National Research Council fellows, where they obtained their graduate degrees, and where they continue their studies, constitutes an approximate statement of a university's competence and prestige in the three departments being considered.

Each year the council selects a small number of the most outstanding doctors of philosophy in the three sciences. Each man receives money for a year of advanced work at any institution he may choose. Thus if the recipient of a university's doctorate is given a fellowship, that indicates the council's approval of his preparation, while if a university is chosen as a place of study by a fellow, that indicates a favorable estimate of its work in his branch of science.

The University of Wisconsin is ranked among the 12 leading universities of the nation which have been most often the place of graduate training of National Research Council fellows. Wisconsin is also ranked among the 12 leading schools which have most often been chosen as an institution of higher learning at which to spend the fellowship year.

Of these 12 universities, only three are state universities, while the remainder are private schools. The 12 institutions are: Chicago, Princeton, Wisconsin, Johns Hopkins, Carnegie Institute of Technology, California, Yale, Harvard, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Columbia, Cornell, and Michigan.

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.

## 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 year 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 Chancy 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.

## Four Badger 4-H Members Get Trips to National Camp

### Two Are U. W. Students; To Represent State At Annual Meet

Four Wisconsin 4-H club members, outstanding in their junior leadership project work, have been chosen to represent Badger club members at the annual National 4-H Club Camp to be held at Washington, D. C., June 19 to 24, according to an announcement from T. L. Bewick, state club leader at the University of Wisconsin.

Those awarded the honor this year are DeLyle Runge, Dane county; Stanley Wittwer, Eau Claire county; Elda Strahm, Green county; and Caroline Hubatch, Langlade county.

While at Washington, these young people, together with more than 200 delegates and leaders from other states, will be encamped on the grounds of the United States department of agriculture. During the six days in camp, they will take part in a program of conferences dealing with 4-H club matters.

### Is U. W. Student

DeLyle Runge, Dane county, has been a junior leader of his club for four years and during the past year carried the junior leadership garden, turkey, and home beautification projects. He is a graduate of the West High school, Madison, and at present is attending the University of Wisconsin.

Stanley Wittwer, Eau Claire county, in addition to doing junior leadership work this past year, carried the calf, poultry and forestry projects. He is a graduate of the Eau Claire High school and at present is attending the Eau Claire state teachers college. He has been in club work 11 years.

Elda Strahm, Green county, has been in club work for eight years and during the past year carried the junior leadership, home furnishings, food, baking and canning projects. She is a graduate of the New Glarus High school and at present is attending the University of Wisconsin.

Caroline Hubatch, Langlade county, has been a club member for the past seven years and in 1935 carried the junior leadership, home service, and clothing projects. She is a graduate of the Antigo High school, class of 1932.

## Fifty-five Freshmen Engineers at U. W. Win Honors for Work

Because of their excellent scholastic work during their first semester at the University of Wisconsin, 55 freshmen engineers won either high honor or honor rating in their studies, college of engineering officials at the State University recently announced.

Of the 55 first year students named, 10 earned high honor rating and 45 honor rating. To earn high honors, the freshmen engineers had to gain at least two and three-quarter grade points per credit hour of studies taken, or almost a straight A average, since perfect grades would mean a three point per credit average. To gain honors, the freshmen have to earn at least two and one-quarter grade points per credit.

One of the first year engineers gained a perfect scholastic record by earning 51 grade points for the 17 credits of study he took during the first semester. He was John M. Grindrod, of Oconomowoc.

Besides Grindrod, those working at the high honor rate were: Leo J. Fuchs, Milwaukee; Roger E. Schuette, Reedsburg; Leo E. Brodeller, Wau- pun; Conrad Hoepner, Spooner; Anisette A. Jankus, Kenosha; Robert C. Ring and Arnold W. Voss, both of Madison; Glen A. Thompson, Omaha, Nebr.; and Hugh W. Wright, Wau-

pu.

Those working at the honor rate were:

John W. Weseloh, Montello; Richard L. Hamachek, Kewaunee; Herbert B. Sanford, Madison; Robert J. Parent, Crivitz; Edward E. Bauer, Milwaukee; Thomas K. Christianson, Marinette; John E. Heuser, Milwaukee; John J. Huppler, Muscoda; Walter A. Liedke, Racine; Melvin Bonde-hagen, Stoughton; William L. Thor-kelson, Racine; Stanley F. Wadell, Janesville;

Robert G. Webb, Chicago; Karl E. Forsgren, Neenah; Richard W. Metter, Sheboygan; George R. Amery, St. Croix Falls; Edmund H. Albrecht, Wauwatosa; Allan H. Eron, Wisconsin Rapids; William E. Hood, Racine; John S. Rezba, Manitowoc; James G. O'Leary, Milwaukee; Fred P. Bartolowitz, Milwaukee; Don G. Blodgett, Milwaukee; William J. Kommers, Madison;

Harvey W. Kutchera, Wauwatosa; Marshall P. Neipert, Fort Atkinson; Raymond E. Novy, Hillsboro; Howard R. Olds, Whitewater; Carstens Slack, New York City; Mahlon J. Plum, Beloit; Raymond P. Schubert, Park Falls; Herbert W. Eickner, Portage; Karl T. Hartwig, Hartland; Kenneth P. Johannes, Wautoma; Raymond O. Brittan, Sheboygan; Philip L. Browne, Lake Geneva; John W. Koehler, Medford;

Carl W. Ludvigsen, Hartland; John E. Harry, Alma; Bertil T. Andren, Milwaukee; Albinus G. Bodoh, Green Bay; Harold A. Dietrich, Madison; George A. Runstrom, Madison; Clifford Vander Wall, Green Bay; John E. MacArthur, Milwaukee.

## 3500 High School Music Students to Compete at U. W.

### State School Music Association to Hold Annual Festival at State U.

More than 3,500 high school students of music will come to the campus of the University of Wisconsin May 28-29 to take part in the annual state-wide music festival to be held under the sponsorship of the State University, it was learned today.

The high school student musicians will compete during the two days for championship crowns in four different music divisions—band, orchestra, chorus, and ensembles, according to Prof. Orien E. Dalley, of the University school of music faculty.

During the first day of the two-day festival, the state's outstanding high school bands will compete for first music honors, while on the evening of the first day, May 28, a band marching contest will provide one of the most dramatic spectacles ever seen in Camp Randall stadium, where the contests will be held. These band marching contests will be built around the Memorial Day theme, which will make them all the more dramatic and inspiring.

During the second day of the festival, the orchestra, chorus, and ensemble groups from schools throughout the state will swing into action, competing for first honors in each division.

The state high school music festival was held in Wausau last year. Arrangements to hold the event under the sponsorship of the State University this year were made by officials of the Wisconsin School Music association in cooperation with University officials. Officials of the School Music association are J. A. Van Natta, superintendent of Sturgeon Bay schools, president, and H. C. Wegner, superintendent of Waupun schools, secretary and treasurer.

## U. W. Enrollment Shows Second Semester Gain

Enrollment for the second semester at the University of Wisconsin is slightly more than 11 per cent greater than last year, figures released by the registrar's office revealed.

The figures show that with 8,622 students enrolled at the opening of classes last week, or only about 400 less than were registered at the opening of the school year last September, the drop in enrollment is about the same as it usually is between semesters.

There are 877 more students enrolled in the University at the opening of the second semester this year than were registered at the opening of last year's second semester, when only 7,745 students were enrolled, the figures reveal.

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### Wisconsin and Its University

We commend to our readers the article on the front page of this issue of The Chats containing the remarks of several faculty members concerning the University of Wisconsin, its educational standing as compared with other universities, and its relationship to the citizens of Wisconsin.

We refer to the statements made by Professors Ingraham, Otto, and Witte at the recent faculty-alumni meeting held on the campus in honor of Wisconsin's new alumni secretary, Mr. A. J. Berge. After having visited some 80 universities in the United States while on leave of absence during the past year, Prof. Ingraham makes the unqualified statement that "Wisconsin is one of the very few, say half-dozen, great institutions of learning in this country . . ." Prof. Otto asserts his belief that a state university belongs both to the people of the state who support it and send their sons and daughters to it to be educated, and to the faculty members who give their lives to the teaching and research carried on in it. Prof. Witte declares that the future of the University is inseparably linked with the state of Wisconsin, and that there is much evidence that, despite adverse publicity and deliberate misrepresentation, the people of Wisconsin still have faith in their State University. In support of this statement, he points out that:

"There are 800 more students from Wisconsin homes at the University at this time than there were here in 1930, when the total University attendance was at its peak. The people of the state are anxious to hear good things about their University, and as is natural and right, the great majority of the graduates of Wisconsin high schools who plan to go on to college want to go to their State University in preference to any other institution."

Prof. Witte's remarks are in line with those made by another widely-known and respected University faculty member, Frank O. Holt, dean of the Extension division, whose work carries him into every part of the state and into contact with thousands of Wisconsin citizens each year. Says Mr. Holt:

"The University of Wisconsin does not need to be defended; it does need to be understood. As one meets people all over the state, he becomes aware of an uncertainty as to the circumstances which prevail at Madison, but more obvious is the eagerness of people everywhere to hear and to believe good things about the University."

"It sometimes may seem that the University has lost prestige, one sometimes may become skeptical as to the number of genuine friends which the institution has over the state. But it is only necessary to visit in any community and to talk with any group to be reassured. The prestige of the University, glorious in the past, is equally high in the present. The people of the state believe their University to be one of the world's greatest institutions of higher learning. They desire that it shall continue so, and they eagerly seek assurance that its greatness is not threatened."

"The serious problem which faces us is to correct current misinformation which is circulated by a few individuals and newspapers. Possibly such individuals and newspapers are not vicious; it may be that they believe the misinformation which they spread, but they do seem to feel that disturbing reports of student life and conduct, that extravagant interpretations of social, economic, or political points of view attributed to faculty members are good news, and with seeming lack of concern as to the facts, they revel in a light of publicity which would, if accepted as true, do the University infinite harm."

"Now the only interest of one who has real concern for the institution at Madison is that the real facts be presented as they are. We do not need to think in terms of propaganda; we need to approach the situation on the theory that the people of the state have a right to be informed about the University which they support."

"In the fall of 1935, we had an enrollment of students, residents of Wisconsin, which was almost one thousand larger than the number of Wisconsin students enrolled in the year when we had our largest enrollment of all time—1929-1930. The best evidence that Wisconsin parents have faith in their State University is shown here."

"It is amazing to realize how little is said of the outstanding accomplishments of the University, of how little the state appreciates the nation-wide recognition of the present significant ventures upon the campus, and of the failure in our own commonwealth to realize what is so generally realized over the nation; that the University of Wisconsin ranks second to no state institution in its present status, and in its outlook for the future."

### U. of W. Alumni Celebrate Diamond Jubilee This Year

Alumni Association to Be 75  
Years Old On  
June 26

Alumni of the University of Wisconsin, scattered throughout the world, are celebrating the 75th birthday anniversary of their Wisconsin Alumni association this year with Diamond Jubilee festivities.

On June 26 of this year the Alumni association will be 75 years old, according to A. John Berge, new secretary of the association. Celebration of the Diamond Jubilee this year was opened with alumni gatherings this month in 30 Wisconsin cities and in many metropolitan centers throughout the nation. Thousands of alumni throughout state and nation and in several foreign countries paid tribute to their University and Association at these gatherings, during which a nation-wide broadcast was held.

Further celebration of the association's Diamond Jubilee year will take place at the annual reunion of alumni which is held during the 83rd annual commencement week-end of the State University next June 20-22. Plans for the celebration to be held at this time will be announced later, Mr. Berge said.

#### Alumni Organized in 1861

The Wisconsin Alumni association was organized on the evening of commencement day, June 26, 1861, according to records of meetings of the association which were gathered from various sources and spread upon the records of the association for safe keeping by Ernest N. Warner, once secretary.

First officers of the association, elected at the time of organization,

#### 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.

were C. T. Wakeley, president; J. F. Smith, vice-president; J. M. Flower, corresponding secretary; W. F. Vilas, recording secretary; and T. D. Coryell, treasurer. Members of the executive committee were Sidney Foote, S. W. Botkin, and H. Vilas.

#### Now Have 80,000 Alumni

At the present time, the University of Wisconsin has about 80,000 alumni, some 30,000 of whom are scattered throughout Wisconsin, while the remainder are living and working in every state in the Union, in every foreign possession of the United States, and in some 40 foreign countries scattered throughout the world. It has been said that the sun never sets on Wisconsin alumni.

## U. W. Mobilizes Forces Under New Science Set-Up for Fight on Erosion, Other Problems Facing State, Nation

Mobilization of all appropriate University of Wisconsin forces for a concentrated fight against soil erosion, nature's own Public Enemy No. 1, was revealed recently through publication of the first of a series of bulletins of the State University's unique "Science Inquiry."

Inaugurated by Pres. Glenn Frank a year ago, the Science Inquiry is made up of scholars from practically every division of the University, acting in conjunction with representatives of various departments of the state government, whose job it is to make a review of the research work of the University in terms of its relation to the political, social, and economic problems of the time.

Unique not only because, as far as is known, it is the only science research set-up of its kind in the world, but also because of the huge and varied scope of its work, Wisconsin's Science Inquiry chose as one of its fields of consideration the conservation of the state's and the nation's natural resources. The bulletin just published by the Inquiry on soil erosion is the first of a series on the various aspects of the conservation problem.

#### Tackle Huge Job

An idea of the importance of the work of Wisconsin's Science Inquiry to the future of state and nation can be seen from the scope of the job it has undertaken. According to Pres. Frank, it intends to tackle, in addition to conservation, such problems as child development, technological unemployment, transportation, plant improvement, public utility, international relations, reorganization of local government, social delinquency, public health, and so on.

Concentrating as it does the entire University staff on scientific problems of state and nation, the Inquiry will increase considerably the scientific and public services that the State University has been carrying on for years for the benefit of Wisconsin citizens.

In a foreword to the first bulletin, Pres. Frank reveals that the Science Inquiry seeks "to bring together into a series of correlated research programs all the work being done throughout the University on various problems and in various fields," disregarding college and departmental lines in its analyses.

#### Outlines Inquiry's Purposes

Science Inquiry's purposes, as outlined by Pres. Frank, are:

- 1.) to see that alongside its ventures in pure science investigation the research resources of the University are employed on problems most urgently vital to state and nation;
- 2.) to see that every scholar engaged in research knows what other scholars elsewhere in the University are doing in the same field;
- 3.) to see what, if any, gaps or duplications exist in the University's research in the fields under investigation; and
- 4.) to see that, wherever possible, the University makes its attacks upon

problems comprehensive so that instead of fragmentary findings there might emerge from its research enterprise at least the beginnings of integrated programs of action.

The Science Inquiry's first bulletin on soil erosion outlines the problem of erosion and erosion control, indicates the nature and variety of the research needed, and finally shows what facilities for study are available at the University to students of erosion.

#### Erosion is Land Thief

The bulletin shows clearly the importance of the soil erosion problem. It reveals that at the present time land-owners are not controlling erosion, which each year steals about 100,000 acres of soil from land in this country. The bulletin estimates that loss through surface erosion has been extremely great, and that about 100,000,000 acres of once highly productive land have been essentially destroyed. An additional 125,000,000 acres have lost all or most of their surface soil, and are headed toward barrenness, while the soils of an additional 100,000,000 acres have been seriously impaired.

The bulletin estimates that the total area of fertile land now gone or going because of erosion is 325 million acres, which is about 17 per cent of the United States exclusive of Alaska, and about 30 per cent of the nation's agricultural land.

After pointing out the extent of the problem, the bulletin insists that to bring man-made erosion under control requires three separate kinds of action. They are: public help of some kind to prevent improper cropping of areas in which erosion is in incipient stages, and to retire vulnerable areas from cropping or grazing at any time.

#### U. W. Has Advantages

The bulletin points out that the University of Wisconsin has peculiar advantages for research and training in the field of conservation and soil erosion, since all of the sciences involved are collected on a single campus, and a wide variety of state, federal, and private enterprises, operating over a diversity of lands and waters, provides field laboratories for research and experimentation within easy reach of the University.

Possible channels of study for the training of advanced students in the soil erosion problem, courses dealing with erosion, and suggestions for research in erosion processes, control, and prevention are all listed in the bulletin.

The bulletin reveals that Professors C. K. Leith, geology; E. B. Fred, dean of the graduate school; C. L. Jones, economics; and Harry Steenbock, agricultural chemistry, served as stimulators and guides of the Inquiry, and that although many departments of the University have cooperated in the preparation of the bulletin, principal responsibility was assumed by Professors W. H. Twenholz, Noble Clark, Aldo Leopold, and G. S. Wehrwein.

## U. W. Class Groups Are Organized In Wisconsin Cities

### Extension Study Centers Give Educational Training in Many Localities

The stimulus of university instruction is being offered to many Wisconsin communities during the second semester through new freshman and sophomore classes and numerous non-credit classes, organized by the University of Wisconsin Extension division. More than 100 university class groups, serving to supplement local educational agencies in a substantial way, are now in operation in the state, the extension division reported. Classes in freshman and sophomore courses, for university credit, are being given in English, languages, history, mathematics, geography, economics and sociology.

Freshman and sophomore programs are under way at Antigo, Beloit, Fond du Lac, Green Bay, Janesville, Kenosha, Madison, Manitowoc, Marinette, Mayville, Merrill, Racine, Rhinelander, Richland Center, Sheboygan, Sturgeon Bay, Wausau, and Wisconsin Rapids. The class instructors include:

#### Faculty for Freshmen

English, Maxwell M. Freeman, David Rein, LaVerne Raasch, Howard J. Fielding, Edward D. Holst, L. F. Zimmerman; mathematics, Louise A. Wolf, Mrs. Florence Axen Jeffries, E. A. Nordhaus; history, Bessie E. Edsall, Lee E. Lawrence, Isable Knowles, John M. Weidman, Theodore W. Bauer, Howard Blackenburg, Albert C. Schwarting; German, Adolphine B. Ernst, Chloe E. Tilden; Spanish, Kathryn Tufts, Chloe Tilden, Josephine Wheeler, Marion Kovcvara; French, Chloe Tilden, Edward Milligan; Italian, Edward Cairo; short-story writing, Dudley C. Brooks; geography, Loyal Durand, Jr., Kenneth Bertrand; sociology, John L. Miller, R. Welling Roskelley; economics, R. J. Colbert, John L. Miller, James S. Parker, Glenn Jones.

The staff in economics also is offering lecture courses in various cities on the state and federal laws for social security and unemployment insurance, with the aim of familiarizing employers with the facts about this new legislation affecting their future operations.

#### Other Class Subjects

Other extension classes under way include: Auditing, J. C. Gibson; education, T. L. Torgerson, J. K. Little; steam engineering, Ben G. Elliott; mechanics, R. W. Fowler; Diesel engine, Orville C. Cromer; municipal government, Lee S. Greene.

Round tables are offered in outstanding trends of the times, imparting results of recent research concerning many questions of current significance. In Madison, evening classes in a "liberal education" program are enrolling many adults desiring to share in the results of professional learning under University direction.

## Many Students Finish 12-Week Dairy Course at State University

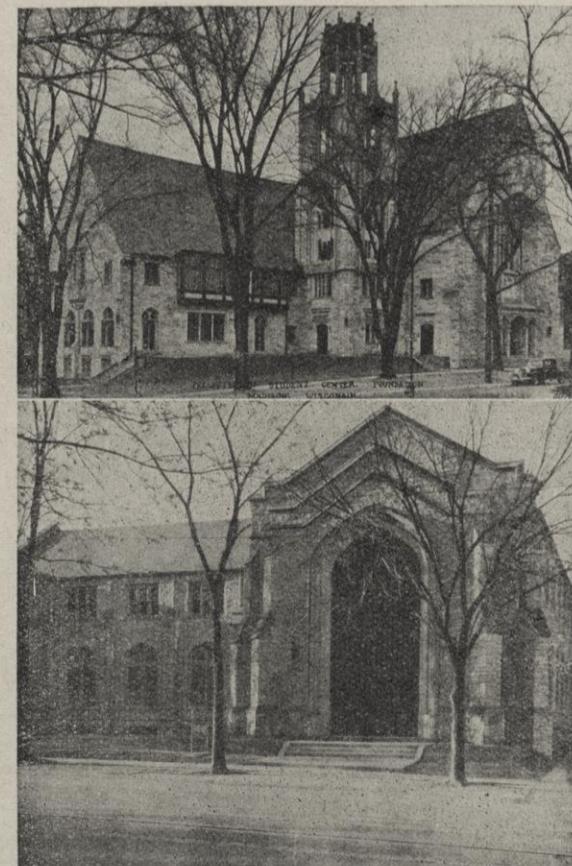
Students from various sections of Wisconsin, six other states, and one foreign country, have just completed the 12-week winter dairy course given by the department of dairy industry at the University of Wisconsin.

Dairy plant management, the marketing of milk and its products, record keeping, and testing milk and its products for composition and quality were among the subjects studied by these men.

Those completing the course are: M. L. Alfonso, Havana, Cuba; L. D. Bentley, Fort Atkinson; L. G. Berg, Ogemaw; S. H. Best, Iron Mountain, Michigan; H. A. Buhl, Chilton; G. H. Byer, Vernon, New York; D. P. Eisele, Fennimore; D. H. Gehrk, Platteville; C. E. Goodman, Rio; C. A. Gorges, Readfield; A. A. Goste, Willard; A. R. Haas, Adell; F. B. Harrison, Indianapolis, Indiana; G. J. Hertel, Milladore; J. I. Jansen, Platteville;

A. H. Kosfield, Minneapolis, Minnesota; J. W. Laymaster, Burlington; H. D. Liegel, Plain; A. C. Ludwig, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; H. R. Malchoir, Oconto; A. M. Manicke, Libby, Montana; J. E. Melstrund, Beloit; A. F. Miller, Barron; Frank Montemurro, Kenosha; L. A. Nelson, Rice Lake; D. H. Newton, Appleton; A. O. Overdahl, Brill; W. A. Roelli, Shullsburg; E. C. Sanford, Sheldon; R. K. Schriener, Oshkosh; M. G. Schumann, Dane; C. B. Shower, Mazomanie; J. J. Widmer, Theresa; J. E. Whiting, Madison; R. J. Riley, Warren, Indiana; and E. W. Winger, Lublin.

### Two Views of U. W. Campus Churches



Here are views of several more of the nine churches which surround the University of Wisconsin campus, administering to the spiritual needs of Wisconsin students. At the top is shown the new Presbyterian Student Religious Center, recently built with funds donated by students, alumni, faculty members, and members of Wisconsin congregations. Below is a view of the University Methodist Episcopal church. Views of other campus churches may be seen on page four of this issue.

## Students Plan 3-Day Program for Parents

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tower will provide the music for the occasion.

### Hold Mock Trial

A mock trial by law students from 8 a. m. to noon, a number of exhibits by individual University departments, and a large exhibit of student art work in the Memorial Union building will be on the program for Saturday morning, May 24.

Women's athletic activity will be shown in the Randall Green festival to be held early Saturday afternoon on the level green next to Camp Randall football stadium. Baseball games, archery matches, and stunt riding, besides a pageantry presentation of old-fashioned games, will be seen. Committees of mothers will judge winners in the pageants and contests.

At 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon, the University crew will give a demonstration on Lake Mendota, behind the Armory building and Memorial Union building terrace, along the shore line and past the many fraternity and sorority piers extending into the lake. Fraternity intramural crew finals will also be held at this time.

### Pres. Frank Meets Parents

President Glenn Frank will meet the parents at a reception to be held in the Memorial Union at 5:15, to be followed by a banquet at 5:45, at which the president will speak. The University Glee club and the large student concert band will provide the music. After the banquet the annual Interfraternity and Intersorority singing contest will be staged from the rear balcony of the Memorial Union building overlooking the terrace. Many sororities and fraternities will participate and sing their society songs and popular music in the contest. President Frank will present the Kenneth Sterling Day award and the Herfurth efficiency prize, two of the most highly coveted honors awarded in the University community, at this function.

### Churches in Program

The many student churches and student religious houses will hold open house on Sunday morning for the parents and the many facilities, cultural, religious, and social, of the student religious centers will be seen by the visitors. After the church services, many fraternity, sorority, and dormitory houses will hold dinners in honor of the parents.

On placid Lake Mendota, Sunday afternoon, a regatta will be held and the many craft, both sailing and motor-powered, which are at all times seen on the lake during the summer months, will be on parade.

A chimes concert from the carillon tower will add to the impressiveness of the regatta, the closing event of the week-end.

Parent's Week-End is held each year on the State University campus to give parents of students an opportunity to get together with their sons and daughters and University officials, and to survey the work which the students are doing during their years on the Wisconsin campus.

### Many On Committees

George Duggar, Madison, and Beth Black, Richland Center, are general chairmen in charge of the Week-End plans. Members of the various committees aiding in making plans are:

Faculty assistance: Willard Blaeser, assistant house director, the Wisconsin Union; Charles Dollard, assistant dean of men; Prof. H. L. Ewbank, chairman, public functions committee; Dean Scott H. Goodnight, dean of men; Louise T. Greeley, dean of women; Dean Frank O. Holt, of the extension division and University registrar; Mrs. Margaret M. Watrous, Union hostess, and Robert Foss, University Press bureau.

Program: Marion Mullin, Elmira, N. Y.; Robert Blum, New York, N. Y.; Margaret Pelton, Los Angeles, Cal.; Jean Campion, Madison; Jean O'Connor, Milwaukee; Don Olson, Iola; Roger Nelson, Milwaukee; Marvin Kramer, Madison.

Banquet: Jane Greer, Washington, D. C.; Jean Thwaits, Wauwatosa; Frances Schmidt, Cleveland, Ohio; Virginia Lambert, Milwaukee; Roswell Pickford, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Exhibits and tours: Hallie Lou Whitefield, Madison; Charles Tully, Grand Island, Neb.; La Vergne Cooke, Milwaukee; Jean Backus, Madison; Betty Schlimgen, Madison; Donald Heun, Richmond, Ind.; Robert Suelflow, Wauwatosa; Paul Tuttrup, Appleton; Horace Perry, Madison; Paul Waterman, Milwaukee.

Finance: Jean Christopher, La Salle, Ill.; Robert Briggs, Oshkosh; Marguerite Schuler, Oak Park, Ill.; Dorothy Ann Short, Salt Lake City, Utah; Rosemary Hulett, Detroit, Mich.; Helen Shearer, Detroit, Mich.; Nancy Hunter, Milwaukee; Ruth Bachhuber, Wausau; August Steinbrecher, Kohler; Paul Redmann, Oshkosh; Elton Miller, Walter Bond, Madison.

Publicity: Rex Karney, Eau Claire; Wallace Drew, Rothschild; Jeanne Smith, Detroit, Mich.; June Hosier, Detroit, Mich.; Max T. Nelson, Milwaukee; Elaine Miner, Madison; Eleanor Unger, Pittsburgh, Penn.

## U. W. Takes Part in State Centennial to Be Held in Madison

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all classes of people from all Wisconsin communities, Chairman Dollard has named the following as his committee workers:

### U. W. to Have Exhibit

Porter Butts, compiler of Wisconsin art history, who knows where every art picture can be found; Andrew W. Hopkins, editor of the college of agriculture; Robert Foss, press-bureau director and journalism instructor; Alden White, assistant secretary of the faculty; H. R. English, chief of the bureau of business information, extension division; J. W. McNaull, building custodian and assistant professor of engineering; and Charles Olson, assistant superintendent of buildings and grounds.

Other University of Wisconsin representatives who will help to make the state-wide centennial celebration a most elaborate and effective spectacle are Miss Ethel Rockwell, producer of a daily pageant which is to be known as a cavalcade of Wisconsin history; Guy S. Lowman, director of intramural athletics at the University, who will be in charge of junior activities; Donald L. Halverson, director of dormitories and commons, who heads the housing committee; Arlie Mucks, one of Wisconsin's most eminent athletes, selected as chief planner of state exhibits; Albert F. Gallistel, whose occupation as superintendent of buildings and grounds has made him the foremost choice in the centennial buildings-and-grounds department; and Dean Chris L. Christensen, chairman of the agriculture committee.

### Thousands to Attend

More than a quarter-million Wisconsin residents are expected to attend the state-wide centennial and enjoy the many attractions which are to make up the celebration of Wisconsin's becoming a territory a century ago. Among these attractions will be an aviation program, reproduction of Camp Randall as it was during the Civil War, presentation of all living ex-governors, historical window displays, replica of Wisconsin's first, second and third capitol buildings, a special Paul Bunyan exhibit, old logging-camp scenes, wood-sawing contests, re-enactment by state officers of governmental happenings 100 years ago, a parade of the counties, a forest-products exhibit, unique Fourth of July program, log-rolling contest and a dairy, cattle, and horse show.

Most important, however, is the fact that this state-wide celebration is to be based on education, history, religion, civic-consciousness, inspiration and live, clean entertainment—the kind that will please all types of people from one hour to another, satisfying children as well as adults.

Sponsors of this great Wisconsin spectacle are seeking suggestions concerning additional attractions from residents in all distant counties. They are emphasizing Wisconsin's territorial history, dating from the time when President Jackson approved an act of Congress creating Wisconsin as a territory. The establishment of the embryo village of Madison as the governmental seat occurred that same year, 1836.

Historical facts concerning Wisconsin are being obtained from Dr. Louise Phelps Kellogg of Wisconsin's historical society, whose book "The French Regime in Wisconsin And The Northwest," published in 1925, and "British Regime in Wisconsin And The Northwest," published in 1935, are generally recognized as American classics. Dr. Kellogg is president of the Mississippi Valley Historical Ass'n. A lifelong friend of Zona Gale, one of America's best-liked authors, she will be honored in a fitting manner during the state-wide centennial celebration.

### Busy Arguing

#### U. W. Women Debaters Show Abilities Before Three State Groups

Wisconsin women's varsity debate squads participated in three debates recently on the issue, "Resolved, that the United States should support the League of Nations in the enforcement of sanctions provided for in the Covenant of the League."

A squad of Marion Bachhuber, Mayville, and Helen Scott, Oshkosh, upheld the affirmative against Lawrence college before the Rotary club at Clintonville, while a Wisconsin

negative team of Caryl Morse, Madison, and Marie Muth, Two Rivers, opposed another Lawrence college squad at Menasha. Four Badger co-eds staged a debate before the Parent Teacher's association at Black Earth. They were Gladys Page, Berlin; Margaret Madden, Rockford, Ill.; Mildred Templin, Milwaukee; and Ruth Chaimson, Wautoma.

## Three Views of Student Churches at U. W.

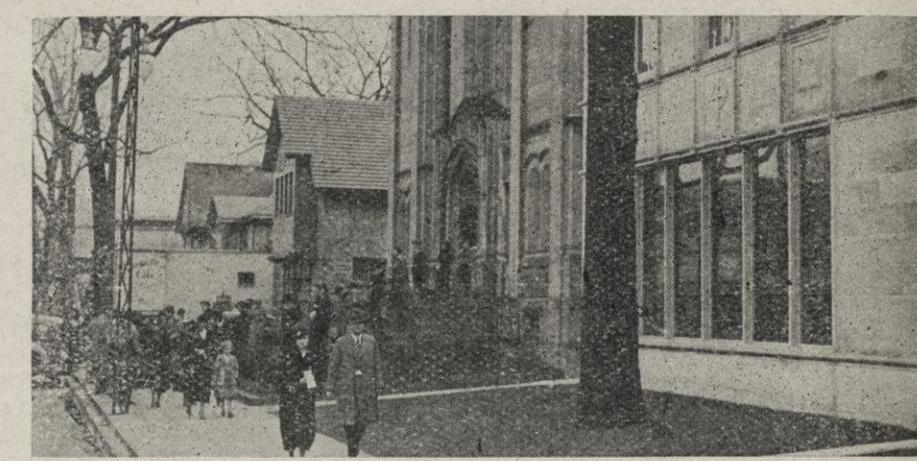
With their sermons and sacraments, their social life and their discussion groups, the churches exercise a potent influence on the religious life of the University of Wisconsin campus.

A freshman at Wisconsin is introduced to his church by the University administration in his first week on the campus. During Orientation week it is officially recommended to every new student that he attend the reception arranged by the church of his choice. Nine church organizations maintain student houses adjoining the campus with varied activities suited to student tastes and interests. To "maintain an altar" according to the rites and tradition of each church is the first object. But students find the campus church does more



grown Sunday School finds himself in an exciting quest of the meaning of religion for himself in the midst of a rapidly changing experience and intellectual expansion. He shares that quest with students of his own age as alert and enthusiastic as himself and at the same time enjoys the companionship of members of the University faculty who share his church tradition and who are in the full channel of modern intellectual progress.

A few of the campus churches are shown on this page. At the top students are shown leaving the First Congregational church. In the center picture students may be seen discussing the morning sermon at the Baptist church. The bottom picture shows members of the St. Paul Chapel leaving the church after an early mass.



## Announce Plans for 38th Annual U. W. Summer Session

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Practically all of the courses offered are of academic grade and carry credit toward all degrees regularly offered by the University. Special emphasis is given to college degree work and to training courses for college instructors and for secondary school teachers, supervisors, principals and superintendents, the bulletin points out.

### Give Special Courses

More than 30 of the courses of study offered to this year's summer school students have been especially planned or modified to meet the usual conditions of the present time, the bulletin reveals.

Among these special courses, which should be of great interest to the student of the current national and international scene, are the following: "Public Expenditures and Public Debts," "Business Cycle Theories," "Recent German History," "Survey of World Politics," "Comparative Government: Contemporary Dictatorships," and "Rural Social Trends and Community Organization."

### Hold Special Meets

Besides the regular courses of study, which are expected to bring thousands of undergraduate and graduate students to the Wisconsin campus during the summer, five special institutes and conferences are to be held at the State University during the session. These are:

The School Administrator's conference, to be held July 20-24;

The Bandmasters', Orchestra Leaders', and Chorus Conductors' clinic, and a conference for church organists and choir directors, to be held July 6-26;

The annual Dramatic and Speech Institute, June 29-July 11;

The annual Rural Leadership Conference, June 29-July 11;

The annual Summer School for Workers in Industry, to be held simultaneously with the summer session, June 29-Aug. 7.

All of these special institutes and conferences, which are held collateral with the regular summer session but not a part of it, are expected to attract additional hundreds of students and other persons to the campus during the summer.

## Honor Prof. Hohlfeld for Long Years of Service

A dinner in honor of A. R. Hohlfeld, professor of German and head of the German department of the University of Wisconsin since 1901, was held at the State University recently. The dinner celebrated Prof. Hohlfeld's

70th birthday anniversary and his 35 years of service to the University.

Prof. Hohlfeld came to the United States in 1889 after a career as student at the University of Leipzig and in Paris and a brief experience of teaching in England.

His services for scholarship, both in the State University and the Modern Language Association of America, and in the Goethe Gesellschaft of Weimar, have been notable and creative. Few scholars have impressed themselves so profoundly upon the world of American scholarship as has Prof. Hohlfeld in his chosen field. His contributions, in particular his studies in Goethe, make him a distinguished authority in that most important field.

## U. W. Arboretum Gets First Gift to Help in Its Development

The first gift to be used to aid in the development of the University of Wisconsin's 600-acre arboretum and wild life refuge on the shore of Lake Wingra near Madison has been received by the University's arboretum committee, it was announced recently by M. E. McCaffrey, secretary of the University board of regents.

The gift, amounting to \$50, was given to the committee by S. L. Brown, Madison, tree surgeon, who praised highly the development of the arboretum under the direction of Aldo Leopold, professor of wild life management and research director of the arboretum, and Prof. W. G. Longenecker, executive director.

The gift, which is expected to be the first of many from persons interested in conservation work to aid in the development of the arboretum as a huge outdoor laboratory in which the state's conservation problems can be solved, may be used as desired by the arboretum committee.

The arboretum was established by the University board of regents three years ago. Originally it consisted of less than 200 acres of land, but since then it has grown until it now contains about 600 acres. The arboretum is not only used as an outdoor laboratory for experimentation on the state's conservation problems, but is also useful as a demonstration ground in teaching land owners of the state, especially farmers, the technique of conserving wild game and making marginal lands useful as hunting preserves.

As one of the first steps taken to help solve reforestation and wild life propagation problems facing the state at the present time, botany and horticulture experts of the State University planted about 15,000 pine and spruce trees in the arboretum.

During the past few years, the federal government has aided in the development of the arboretum. At the present time, a civilian conservation corps is established there, carrying on basic development work.

## U. W. Holds Faith of Badger Citizens, Is at Highest Level

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press mandate in the constitution of the state and that it is an integral part of the state's public educational system.

"This relation, in the past, has been of great value both to the University and to the State," Prof. Witte maintained. "The University has been generously supported by the people of the state and in turn has taken seriously its responsibilities to the state. The world-wide reputation which the University of Wisconsin has developed has probably been due more to the fact that it has been a State University in the truest sense, than to anything else."

### People Have Faith in U. W.

Prof. Witte asserted that there is much evidence that, despite adverse publicity and perhaps deliberate misrepresentation, the people of Wisconsin still have faith in their State University. He said that the best evidence to this effect is the increased student attendance from the state, pointing out that the University had the largest increase in attendance this year of any large university in the entire country, and that this increase was almost entirely from residents of the state.

"There are 800 more students from Wisconsin homes at the University at this time than there were here in 1930, when the total University attendance was at its peak," Prof. Witte declared. "The people of the state are anxious to hear good things about their University, and as is natural and right, the great majority of the graduates of Wisconsin high schools who plan to go on to college want to go to their State University in preference to any other institution."

### Organize 30 Alumni Clubs

With the aid of colored electric lights dotting a map of Wisconsin, Mr. Berge, who assumed the secretaryship of the Wisconsin alumni association about a month ago, showed that active cooperation in helping the University to maintain its leadership in the educational field is to be one of the main functions of the association in the future. He emphasized that the dominant factor in the alumni association will be in the future as in the past "the promotion by organized effort the best interests of the University of Wisconsin."

"At the present time only four Wisconsin cities have active alumni clubs," Mr. Berge said. "These are Milwaukee, Manitowoc, Marshfield, and Racine. In the last few weeks, however, I have completed the preliminary steps in organizing clubs in 15 new Wisconsin cities, as follows: Green Bay, Eau Claire, Burlington, Chippewa Falls, Superior, Whitewater, Ripon, Portage, Antigo, Fond du Lac, Baraboo, Sheboygan, Appleton, Menasha, and Platteville."