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To Hold Dramatic, Speech Institute at U. W. in July

Two-Week Course Offers Professional Training in Dramatic Production

Offering professional training in dramatic production and a diverse recreational program at the same time, the University of Wisconsin will conduct its ninth annual Dramatic and Speech Institute, July 8-21, for students from many states. The two weeks' course will again be under the direction of the University Extension division and the department of speech, with Miss Ethel T. Rockwell supervising.

University high school will be the institute center, July 7 is registration day. A welcoming dinner at the Memorial Union will inaugurate institute activities.

Early arrival will permit those enrolling to see Wisconsin's centennial celebration, especially the historical Cavalcade each evening from June 27 through July 5, in the State University stadium. This pageant, written and directed by Miss Rockwell, will provide an opportunity to observe technical sides of pageantry in large-scale production.

Courses and instructors for the institute are the following:

Character study and make-up, Prof. Mary Latimer, Mary Baldwin college, Staunton, Va.; interpretive reading, Prof. Gertrude Johnson, University department of speech; playwriting, Dr. C. Lowell Lees, department of speech and Wisconsin high school; play production, Prof. Ethel Rockwell; the art of acting, Dr. Lees; costume design, Prof. Rockwell; choral verse speaking and poetry reading, Georgia M. Corp, department of debating and public discussion, University Extension division; stage arts and crafts, Frederic A. Buerki, University theater; technique of writing and speaking for the radio, Gerry A. Bartell, director of dramatics for WHA.

"The intensive training offered," Miss Rockwell said, "will give the participants new ideas, inspiration, and enthusiasm for work in their own communities and organizations, in the production of plays, pageants, and festivals and in the contest work sponsored by such organizations as the Wisconsin Dramatic guild, the Wisconsin High School Forensic association sponsored by the State University college of agriculture, and church councils."

Beginning July 8, registrants will be allowed to try out for parts in the institute project play, "The Yellow Jacket," to be presented at the close of the course.

Parent Education Study Advanced By Reference Aid

Problems of parenthood that are common to each generation are listed for individual or group discussion in a study aid entitled "Parent Education," a reference pamphlet just issued by the department of debating and public discussion, University of Wisconsin Extension division. The author is Mrs. Edith E. Hoyt, emerita assistant professor of education, Extension division.

The publication contains copious references to the best of recent literature in this field. Most of the material listed is available for residents of Wisconsin through loan from the debating department. Many books recommended for the study are available from the State Traveling library.

"Though problems of parenthood are age-old," it is explained, "there are new problems for each generation of parents. While there are no ready-made or scientifically proved formulas for successful child-rearing, there are certain fundamental principles of a general kind which, in spite of external changes in our way of life, are still valid and essential in successful child-care."

Pertaining to these principles are a wide range of study topics listed under the following main heads: "How the home educates the preschool child;" "Adventures in preschool education;" "Some aspects of elementary education;" "Social development in childhood and youth;" "Some problems of adolescence;" and a general review with a question box.

This program is so shaped as to stimulate discussion of the local school situation and of social conditions in the local community, thus helping to develop social consciousness and initiative in bringing about community betterment where needed.

Agricultural Editors to Meet in Wisconsin

Wisconsin, the summer mecca for thousands of outdoor loving folks, has been chosen as the convention state for the twenty-second annual meeting of the American Association of Agricultural College Editors. The conference will be held in Madison, August 17, 18, 19, according to an announcement by Glenn K. Rule of Washington, D. C., who is president of the association.

Headquarters for the convention will be at the campus of the University of Wisconsin. Andrew W. Hopkins, chairman of the department of agricultural journalism, is a past president of the association.

600 Expected to Attend Summer Music Clinic at State University

More than 600 persons—about 400 Wisconsin high school students and at least 200 directors and supervisors of music—from some 20 states will take part in the seventh annual music clinic offered by the University of Wisconsin School of Music and the Wisconsin School Music association from July 6 to 26, according to Prof. Orien Dalley, manager of the clinic.

During the clinic, which has gained nationwide recognition in its comparatively short existence, a complete course of study is offered high school directors and supervisors, including practical and theoretical music, from which credits may be earned to apply on a degree or a certificate. The clinic is conducted in conjunction with the Wisconsin summer school, which opens June 29.

In the clinic, high school musicians are offered membership in the All-State band, orchestra, or chorus; training in fundamental musicianship and ensemble playing; study under great conductors; private or group lessons from outstanding professional teachers; and educational tours with all kinds of sports and recreation.

Is Nationally Known

The first music clinic was held years ago under the direction of Dr. C. H. Mills, director of the university Music school, who will also participate in the seventh clinic this year. From a comparatively experimental stage, the clinic has grown in popularity and size to a great project which today is drawing the attention of music leaders of the country. No other school in the country is offering such wide facilities in a short term of three weeks for the study of music and the association with such outstanding colleagues.

The music clinic is becoming known as the most practical school for directors and supervisors who wish to become familiar with new practices in music education," the clinic bulletin declares. "The course is flexible and experience has proved that the material offered is directly applicable to every day problems.

"Each year directors and supervisors are turning more and more to the

clinic as the source of their accumulative knowledge and inspiration. They find also that their school organizations benefit greatly when outstanding students attend the all-state groups and carry back the valuable routine and practices established by outstanding educators."

Give New Courses

Directors and supervisors will find several new courses in the clinic this year. Vocal teachers will be interested to know that W. H. Manning, of the Agricultural college of Utah, a nationally known authority on school and community opera and operetta production, will be a member of the clinic faculty. He will offer a practical course in the selection and production of operettas.

At the suggestion of the clinic vocal committee, Mrs. Carol M. Pitts, supervisor of Music at Omaha, Nebr., and president of the North Central Music Educators' conference, who taught in the clinic last year, has prepared a new course dealing with vocal problems from grade school through high school. Henry Sopkin, of the Lake View High school, Chicago, who was conductor of the national champion high school orchestra in 1933 and who was also a member of the faculty last year, will this year offer a class for directors who wish to gain a beginning knowledge of stringed instruments.

Hold Conducting Class

A new feature of the clinic this year for high school students will be a daily class in conducting, given by Capt. Charles O'Neill, director of the Royal 22nd Regiment band of Quebec, Canada, who was also a member of the faculty last year. This class should prove to be the best medium for the teaching of fundamentals as well as the technique of the baton.

This year also the all-state band will be conducted by Charleton Stewart, whose Mason City, Iowa, band has become one of the outstanding high school organizations of the country.

Mastery of French Gets Medal for U. W. Student

His mastery of the French language has brought William Lewis, Madison student at the University of Wisconsin, a bronze medal, awarded by the French government this year to the student showing the best knowledge of the language on the State University campus.

Lewis, who is a senior in the college of letters and science, majoring in French, was chosen winner of the medal on the basis of written and oral examinations given last week by an award committee consisting of Professors C. D. Zdanowicz, C. F. Gillen, J. E. Harris, R. F. Bradley, and Miss Germaine Mercier, instructor.

This is the first year in which the honor has been bestowed on a Wisconsin student, and the State University is one of few institutions of higher learning in the United States honored with this award by the French government. The French house at the University of Wisconsin was also favored by the French government recently when it received a gift of 7,000 francs.

4,000 Badger School Musicians Compete for Honors This Week at U.

Approximately 4,000 Wisconsin high school boys and girls, members of the state's finest school music organizations from cities and villages scattered throughout the state, invade Madison this week to take part in Wisconsin's 17th annual state-wide music festival, being held Thursday and Friday in more than a dozen buildings on or near the campus of the University of Wisconsin.

The state music festival is sponsored jointly by the State University and the Wisconsin School Music association, and the thousands of high school student musicians who are participating in it are members of about 130 of Wisconsin's outstanding school music organizations, including 46 bands, 19 orchestras, 27 choruses, 11 boys' glee clubs, and 30 girls' glee clubs.

In addition to the members of these musical organizations, it is estimated that at least 500 other student musicians are taking part in the festival, either as soloists or as members of ensemble groups.

The music organizations which compete during the two-day festival for first division music honors of the state are made up of the best music talent produced by the state's high schools this year, since only the winners of 12 district contests, held during the past few weeks in a dozen Wisconsin cities, are eligible to enter the state festival.

During the first day of the festival, Thursday, the state's outstanding bands are competing for first music honors, while on the evening of the first day the bands compete in the annual band marching contest. During the second day, the orchestra, chorus, and ensemble groups swing into action, competing for first honors in each division.

Many Badger Students Get Forensic Honors At State University

Forensic honors to outstanding students at the University of Wisconsin were awarded at the annual Forensic banquet held on the campus recently. Byron Johnson, Oconomowoc, was general chairman of the affair.

The department of speech awarded 27 forensic W's to students representing the State University in intercollegiate competition. Those who received the awards were: Fred Reel, Joseph Fishelson, William Bowman, Arthur Smith, and Mildred Templin, all of Milwaukee; Paul Collins, George Duggar, Morton Melnik, John Weaver, and Caryl Morse, all of Madison; Walter Schubring, Baraboo; Carl Thompson and Ruth Thompson, Stoughton; Robert Gunderson, Sparta; James Doyle, Oshkosh; James Larson, Shawano; Marion Bachuber, Mayville; Ruth Chaimson, Wautoma; Margaret Madden, Rockford, Ill.; Marie Muth, Two Rivers; Gladys Page, Berlin; M. Helen Scott, Oshkosh; Gordon Dupee, Portage; John Frank, Appleton; William Friedman, Uniontown, Pa.; Chester Krohm, Marshfield; and E. Alberta Arnold.

Vilas medals awarded each year for "excellence in oratory and debate" in the memory of William F. Vilas, one of the most distinguished alumni of Wisconsin, were presented by Prof. Andrew T. Weaver, chairman of the department of speech, to Fred Reel and William Bowman, both of Milwaukee; Walter Schubring, Baraboo; George Duggar, Madison; Margaret Madden, Rockford, Ill.; Mildred Templin, Milwaukee; and M. Helen Scott, Oshkosh.

Fred Reel, frosh forensics chairman for this year, presented Gordon Dupee, Portage, and Betty Cowie, Cambridge with freshman honor trophies. Dupee won the frosh extemporaneous speaking and declamatory contests, while Miss Cowie took first honors in reading.

Cyril Hager, Marshfield; John Dietrich, Madison; and Ed Crowley, La Crosse, received medals for winning the intramural discussion contest.

Situations Wanted

Several young men and women who have had special training in the editorial and business problems of weekly newspapers will complete their work in the School of Journalism of the University of Wisconsin and will be available for employment in Wisconsin offices about the middle of June.

Several others who had special work in local advertising are also available in the 1936 class.

A number of juniors who have had three years of study would be interested in summer vacation positions to gain experience. They would work for reasonably small pay from June 15 to September 15, or shorter periods.

Any publisher who is interested in these journalism graduates or students may obtain names and qualifications from Prof. Grant M. Hyde, 301 South Hall, Madison.

Livestock Breeders to Honor Bowen at Rice Lake Meeting

John E. Bowen, Barron county Guernsey breeder, will be honored for his outstanding work in the interest of dairy cattle improvement, by members of the Wisconsin Livestock Breeders association when they hold their annual state livestock field day at Rice Lake, June 26, according to an announcement by Arlie Mucks, association secretary.

Bowen, a past president of the Wisconsin Guernsey breeders association, served for a time as secretary of the Barron county Guernsey breeders association, during which time he contributed to dairy cattle improvement in Barron county and throughout the state.

Coming to Rice Lake to join with livestock breeders in their recognition program are Governor Philip F. LaFollette; Chris L. Christensen, dean of the University of Wisconsin college of agriculture; and Charles L. Hill, commissioner of the state department of agriculture and markets.

Wisconsin Potato Growers Wage War On Yellow Dwarf

U. W. Men Make Investigation in Fight on Bad Potato Disease

The most practical way Wisconsin potato growers have of combatting yellow dwarf is the use of certified seed. This precaution, state experimenters feel, is necessary if the disease is to be kept under control, particularly in the warmer areas of central and southern Wisconsin.

Yellow dwarf, a potato disease which is relatively new to Wisconsin, was in the southern half of the state in 1935, according to official reports from that area. In the central potato growing sections it has been brought under somewhat better control through the use of disease-free seed stock.

Note Epidemic Possibility

State officials are convinced that the epidemic possibilities of this disease were shown in an outbreak in Washington county last season. They report that during the two previous years plants affiliated with yellow dwarf were seldom in this area, although a few small fields had appreciable amounts. In 1935, however, they found the disease general in one township. Practically every potato field had some diseased plants; in many fields 50 per cent of the stand was affected; and in a few there was practically 100 per cent loss.

For some time experimenters have known that high temperatures favor development of yellow dwarf. During the past year, J. C. Walker and R. H. Larson, of the agricultural staff of the University of Wisconsin, have shown experimentally that a high temperature of the soil at the time diseased potatoes are planted causes a reduced stand.

Study Soil Temperatures

The effect of temperature on the prevalence of yellow dwarf has also been noted under practical conditions in the field. In central Wisconsin the main rural crop is planted during the first half of June. Some years the temperature is relatively high at that time, and the sandy soil of the region warms up rapidly.

Data obtained in the vicinity of Almond in Portage county show that the average temperature in June, 1934, was about 15 degrees higher than that in June, 1935. The state investigators regarded it as significant that nearby potato fields planted with diseased seed had 78 per cent of the hills missing in 1934, but in the cooler season of 1935 only four per cent failed.

Plan to Open State Centennial with Huge Religious Services

Thousands of Wisconsin citizens from every walk of life will attend three of the largest church services ever held in Wisconsin on Sunday, June 28. Providing weather permits, the three services will be held in the University of Wisconsin stadium in historic Camp Randall during the second day of the state-wide centennial which will be held in Madison this summer from June 27 to July 5.

The centennial, which it is expected will attract more than a quarter million people from all parts of Wisconsin and many other states, will celebrate the 100th anniversary of Wisconsin's becoming a territory in 1836.

Under the direction of Prof. Raymond F. Dvorak, of the State University's school of music faculty, the University's new electric organ of a million tone colors will furnish music at these huge outdoor religious services.

First of the three services will start at 10 a. m. on June 28, when thousands of Catholics are expected to attend a solemn high mass service in the stadium. Early in the afternoon, thousands of Lutherans will hold joint services in the huge outdoor amphitheater, to be followed later in the afternoon by joint services for many other Protestant faiths.

State Again Leads Nation in Clean-up of Its Dairy Herds

State University Herd Wins New Clean Bill of Health Now

Wisconsin is again leading the nation in the clean up of its dairy herds.

Having the first herd west of the Alleghenies tuberculin tested, it led the country in its war on bovine tuberculosis.

Aware of the menace of Bang's disease, it has been well "out in front" in the crusade to free the stock farms of this country from this threat to a healthy live stock industry.

And now for the third time, the state has stepped forward in its live stock farming. This time it grapples with mastitis, a third hazard in dairying.

Again the agricultural campus of the University of Wisconsin is the scene of action. It is proposed that the herd which the state maintains at its University shall be accredited tuberculosis-free, and mastitis-free as well.

The successful fight against tuberculosis was started back in 1894 by H. L. Russell and Dr. W. G. Clark, when they tested the University herd. Dr. Clark is still an active veterinarian at Marinette. Although the herd was apparently healthy and in good condition, 25 of the 30 animals reacted to the test. Realizing the menace of this disease to Wisconsin dairymen, Russell and his associates started a state-wide campaign, telling farmers about their most dreaded disease. Today, bovine tuberculosis is but a minor menace to the Wisconsin farmer.

Again a leader in the health program, the state's herd was freed of Bang's disease several years ago. And again, the state herd suffered severe losses. Today, because of the leadership of the state and federal veterinary officials, Wisconsin dairymen are meeting this situation and are freeing their herds of unhealthy cattle.

Now war is being waged on a third menace to dairy husbandry—mastitis.

This work was carried on with the same determination which was so evident in the other health battles, and the University herd has won a clean bill of health. The state, in carrying out this last program, sold some of the infected cows for slaughter, and placed others in isolated quarters to be used for the experimental study of udder infection.

1,500 to Graduate From State University at 83rd Commencement

Approximately 1,500 young men and women will graduate from the University of Wisconsin at the 83rd annual commencement of the State University on Monday, June 22, it was announced recently by the University registrar's office. This number includes both those receiving first and higher degrees.

The commencement weekend will begin Friday, June 19, with an Alumni University being conducted at 4 p. m. in the afternoon, and the annual senior-alumni dance at night in the Memorial Union.

Saturday, June 20, has been designated as annual Alumni Day, with hundreds of Wisconsin alumni expected to return to their Alma Mater for the occasion. Classes reuniting this year are: 1886, celebrating its 50th anniversary; 1891, '92, '93, '96, 1901, '06, '11, celebrating its 25th anniversary; '29, '30, '31, and '32.

The Wisconsin Alumni association will hold its annual meeting at 10 a. m. June 20, to be followed by various class luncheons. At 5 p. m. the University's new \$40,000 carillon will be dedicated, to be followed by the annual senior-alumni supper at 6:45 p. m. in the Memorial Union.