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Special "Modern" Courses Listed for U. Summer School

To Study Modern Political, Social, Economic Problems in Summer Session

A group of up-to-the-minute "modern" courses of study which have been especially planned or modified to meet the unusual conditions of the present time are among the hundreds of courses to be taught in the 39th annual summer session of the University of Wisconsin by more than 300 State University faculty members and lecturers from other educational institutions.

The 1937 Wisconsin summer school, which is expected to have a larger enrollment this year than last, will open on June 28 and close on Aug. 6. Special nine-week courses in the Graduate school, offered again this year, will begin on June 28 and end on Aug. 27, while the Law school will open its 10-week session on June 21, closing also on Aug. 27.

Social, political, and economic problems facing the modern world will be studied in the "modern" courses, which will be taught in 10 major departments of the State University by some of the University's foremost teachers. All of the "modern" courses of study are listed in the 1937 summer session bulletin, which points out that the University of Wisconsin has constantly in mind its obligation to shape its instruction to meet the needs of the present time.

Among the special courses listed on modern problems is one never taught before at Wisconsin and which is now taught at but very few schools in the country. This new course, entitled "The Role of Science in the Identification of Criminals," will be taught by Dr. J. H. Mathews, professor of chemistry and widely known for his scientific work in criminology.

Other special courses to be taught in the summer school include: "Literature Since the Great War," by Prof. Philo M. Buck, Jr.; "Personnel Management" and "Labor Market," by Prof. Don D. Lescohier; "Economics of Consumption" and "Economics of Agricultural Planning," by Prof. Harold M. Groves; "Conservation of Natural Resources," by Prof. J. R. Whitaker; "American Economic Life," by Prof. Curtiss P. Nettels; "Recent History of the United States, 1901-1937," by Prof. Louis M. Hacker, of Columbia university, who will teach at Wisconsin this summer;

"Seminary in the History of the British Empire," by Prof. Paul Knaplund; "Interpreting Foreign News," by Prof. Robert M. Neal; "Public Opinion and the Press," by Prof. Grant M. Hyde; "Philosophy and the Human Enterprise," by Prof. Horace Fries; "A Philosophy of Democracy," by Prof. Carl M. Boegholt; "Materialism and Idealism," by Prof. A. G. Ramsperger; "The Ethics of Communism, Fascism, and Democracy," by Prof. Fries; "Survey of World Politics," by Prof. Walter Sharp; "Proseminary in Political Parties and Public Opinion," by Prof. John Salter;

"Personality Problems with Special References to the Social Worker and Educational Adviser," by Prof. Kimball Young; "Contemporary Social Problems" and "Poverty and Relief," by Prof. John L. Gillin; "Marriage and Family in America," by Prof. Thomas C. McCormick; and "Trends in Rural Community Development," by Prof. John H. Kolb.

Expect 50 to Enroll in Summer School for Workers at State U.

An enrollment of about 50 students—young men and women workers—from factories in all parts of the state—is expected for the 13th annual summer school for workers in industry which will be held at the University of Wisconsin this summer from June 27 to Aug. 6, according to Miss Alice Shoemaker, director of the school.

The workers' summer school was started in 1934 through the efforts of State University undergraduates who recognized the need of workers in industry for further education along economic and social lines. Scholarships in the school for Wisconsin students cost \$95 and for out-of-state, \$100, and because of lack of sufficient funds, the enrollment is necessarily limited. Forty applications for entrance have already been received from one city alone, but only a few of these can be admitted.

The administrative funds for the school are furnished by the University, while the scholarships for the students are raised annually through the cooperation of University faculty and trade union committees and local committees of men's and women's service clubs in various Wisconsin cities.

The Wisconsin school for workers offers to teach its students "not what to think, but how to think," Miss Shoemaker explains. The school's aim is impartial presentation of the facts of the industrial situation, explanation of the historical development of our present industrial society, and training in how to find and analyze and evaluate material from many sources, she points out.

The school attempts to give young industrial workers leadership training which will help them to plan a program of cooperation with their employers, their government, and other social and economic groups in their home communities.

From Badger Cities

WISCONSIN STUDENTS NAMED TO HONOR GROUP

Fifty University of Wisconsin students, most of them from Wisconsin homes, have been elected to Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic fraternity, and will be awarded the coveted keys of the society at an initiation banquet to be held at the State University next Tuesday, May 4.

Paul Knaplund, professor of history at the University, will give the annual lecture at the initiation banquet, speaking on "Britain and the International Problems." Election to Phi Beta Kappa, considered by many to be the foremost scholastic society in the country, is one of the greatest scholastic honors that a student can gain during his college or university career.

Those from Wisconsin homes outside of Madison who were elected to the fraternity include: Elinor Buehler, **Stoughton**; Joseph B. Cassagrande, **Milwaukee**; Theresa M. Fein, **Milwaukee**; Robert G. Gehr, **Milwaukee**; Edward L. Perry, **Sturgeon Bay**; Eva C. Peterson, **Racine**; Russell W. Peterson, **Portage**; Charles D. Story, **Kenosha**;

John J. Adair, **Kenilworth, Ill.**; Doris H. Bandlow, **Lakewood, O.**; Arlene E. Borer, **Milwaukee**; Carl Cherin, **Denmark**; Dorothy S. Copps, **Grand Island, Neb.**; Edwin J. Delaney, **Beloit**; Elmer H. Dobratz, **Milwaukee**; Ethel N. Drexler, **Brooklyn, N. Y.**; Rachael Edelstein, **Milwaukee**;

Ted M. Fieschko, **Racine**; Alice D. Frazee, **La Crosse**; Carl Fries, Jr., **Ma-zomanie**; Bernice M. Gallenbeck, **Beaver Dam**; Arthur Ginsky, **La Crosse**; Norma Goldstein, **Brooklyn, N. Y.**; Paul E. Guenther, **Milwaukee**; Robert L. Krause, **Antigo**;

Eugene G. Lambole, **Monroe**; Gordon R. Leader, **Oconomowoc**; Alberta Lee, **New York**; Robert T. Ludolph, **Shawano**; Paul F. McGuire, **Wauwatosa**; Martin J. Mueller, **Waupun**; Geo. W. Safransky, **Kenosha**; Anna Sawitzky, **Milwaukee**;

Imojean E. Shultz, **Baraboo**; Irene Stark, **Milwaukee**; Raymond C. Waisman, **Milwaukee**; Ernest D. Wenberg, **West DePere**; Michael J. Wolf, **Milwaukee**; Ewald Zischesky, **Racine**; and Edwin J. Delaney, **Beloit**.

WHA Radio Programs Discuss Problems of National Importance

With the purpose of bringing to the youth of Wisconsin information concerning all sides of various questions of national and international importance, a student minister at the University of Wisconsin has started a weekly series of unique radio programs which have struck a popular chord among radio listeners of Wisconsin.

The student minister is the Rev. James C. Flint, pastor of the Congregational Student house located near the State University campus. The unique series of educational radio programs which he has started are broadcast each Monday from 4:30 to 5 p. m. over the state radio station, WHA, in Madison.

Remaining programs of the series and the dates on which they will be broadcast are as follows: "Youth and Employment in Agriculture and Industry," May 3; "Youth and Religion," with student leaders from various church groups on the campus participating, May 10; and "Youth and Political Organizations," with student representatives of different political organizations on the campus taking part, Monday, May 19.

Fourth Study of Science Inquiry at U. W. Paints Dark Picture of Crime in State and Nation

When it comes to the prevention of crime, is Wisconsin and the nation "Saving at the spigot and wasting at the bung-hole?"

Such is one of the questions raised in the fourth publication of the University of Wisconsin's "Science Inquiry," unique science set-up at the State University which is making a comprehensive study of various problems facing state and nation today. The fourth publication of the Inquiry, entitled, "The University and the Fight Against Crime," has just been published.

Reviewing the seriousness of the crime problem facing state and nation today, the Inquiry's crime study discusses various aspects of the problem of crime and delinquency and reveals the educational facilities of the University in relation to the problem.

Discussing the seriousness of the crime problem, the study declares that "there is no country in the civilized world today in which crime is so prevalent or so ruthless as it is in the United States," and goes on to point out that:

Gives Crime Picture

"We have roughly twice as many murders per unit of population as Italy, our nearest competitor for this disgraceful superiority, 10 times as many as Japan, 18 times as many as Scotland, and 36 times as many as England or Switzerland. There are actually about 12,000 homicides each year in the United States—an average of 33 per day. The number of kidnappings is estimated at about 4,000 each year, and robberies at 50,000 a week.

"Such a record is indeed a staggering one, and yet to it must be added

Pres. Dykstra to Address Parents At Weekend Meet

New President to Speak at Annual Mothers'-Fathers' Banquet May 22

Three days filled with activities ranging from a reception and address by newly-elected President Clarence A. Dykstra, to exhibits and demonstrations by major divisions of the University, are being planned by University of Wisconsin students who will welcome their parents to the Wisconsin campus during the annual Mothers' and Fathers' weekend to be held at the State University May 21-23.

Parents of students who visit the campus for the observance of the weekend this year will be shown how their sons and daughters work as well as play during their University careers, since exhibits and demonstrations by major divisions of the University are being arranged by the weekend committee in addition to the usual social and sports program.

The weekend program begins Friday afternoon, May 21, with the annual Reserve Officers' Training Corps parade on the lower campus and a varsity baseball game at Camp Randall field. Early Friday evening, the traditional Senior Swingout for graduating women students takes place.

Saturday, May 22, will be the busiest day of the weekend program with bus tours to various buildings and beauty spots on the campus during the entire day, a full program of sports events including women's athletic activities, a second varsity baseball game, and crew races during the afternoon, the president's reception and the annual Mother's and Fathers' banquet, at which President Dykstra will be the main speaker. The banquet will be followed by the colorful "Tournament of Songs," in which several hundred students will participate.

On Sunday, special church services will be held in the various campus churches, followed by dinners in honor of the parents at the various organized campus homes of the students.

Last year about 1,000 mothers and fathers of Wisconsin students attended the Parents' Weekend event, and it is expected that a larger number will attend this year.

Extension Workers of State to Review Work at U. Summer Course

County agents, home demonstration agents, county 4-H club leaders and teachers of vocational agriculture from Wisconsin and other states will, for a short period during the summer months, review materials in their respective fields of work at a special summer session arranged for them at the University of Wisconsin, according to Warren W. Clark, associate director of agricultural extension.

Coming from the United States department of agriculture, Washington, D. C., to aid with the course, will be Karl Knaus of the federal extension service who, from June 28 to July 17, will conduct a special course in Methods of Extension Work.

Other courses provided for extension workers and teachers of agriculture and home economics will include such subjects as home economics extension methods, programs for vocational agriculture, part time and evening schools, farm economics, live stock feeding and rural sociology. Last year workers from Wisconsin and 18 other states attended similar courses.

Hold Drama Tourney at State 4-H Club Week at U. W. June 16-21

One-act plays by casts from 25 or more Wisconsin counties will be presented in the state 4-H drama tournament at the annual State Club Week to be held at the University of Wisconsin June 16 to 21.

The groups have already announced their plans to qualify for the tournament by presenting five or more one-act plays in county-wide programs, according to V. V. Varney, assistant state club leader, in charge of entries. The counties are: Adams, Barron, Brown, Bayfield, Dodge, Douglas, Dunn, Green, Langlade, Marathon, Marinette, Marquette, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Outagamie, Pierce, Rock, Shawano, Sheboygan, Taylor, Trempealeau, Vernon, Waukesha, Washington, Winnebago, and Wood.

Officers of the 1937 Wisconsin State Club Week are: president, Orin Mode, **Jefferson county**; vice-president, Donald Jensen, **Polk county**; and secretary, Charlotte Van Horn, **Rock county**.

U. W. Students Raise \$500 Fund to Pay for Parents' Weekend

University of Wisconsin students have raised a total of \$500 with which to defray the expenses of the annual Mothers' and Fathers' weekend program to be held at the State University May 21-23.

Under the direction of two students, Mary Jane O'Connell, **Milwaukee**, Wis., and Horace Wilkie, **Madison**, co-chairmen of the student finance committee for the weekend, the students held a campus-wide "Tag Day," solicited contributions, and worked to earn a net profit on the printed program published for the event.

The "Tag Day" solicitation, to which thousands of students and faculty members contributed, netted \$300 for the event; special contributions by Madison and student groups on the campus brought in \$100, and the program profit amounts to another \$100.

Buffalo County Boy Wins State Contest

Merton V. Sutter of **Fountain City**, won state honors in the national 4-H farm accounting contest for the past year. This was his third year of keeping records of club projects.

Merton's record will be judged for central state honors and if he wins the central award, his state prize will go to Gerhardt Duescher of **Peshigo**, whose county prize would go to his alternate, Kenneth Feifarek, also of **Peshigo**. Merlin Hoch is the **Buffalo county** alternate.

Nineteen other county champions competed for the state award. They are Leonard Lueck of **Almena**; Evelyn Weidemann of **Columbus**; Mable Batholomew of **Lodi**; Reuben Hahn of **Reedsville**; Pauline Atkinson of **Calvary**; Elda Strahm of **New Glarus**; Oscar Pfaff of **Mauston**; Allen Eberhardt of **Manitowoc**; George Moser of **Wausau**; Earl Marotz of **Westfield**; Harold Blaushan of **Seymour**; George Andrews of **Bay City**; Donald Behlman of **Delavan**; Robert Sirney of **Prairie du Sac**; Marjorie Ubbelohde of **Plymouth**; Viola Hurtienne of **Medford**; Arthur Murdstock of **Stoddard**; Carl Jones of **Sarona**; and Blanche Bahr of **West Bend**.

Sutter kept his state winning record on the 115-acre home farm. He worked out an opening and closing inventory, receipts and expenditures, and a balance sheet.

U. W. Men Develop Protector Minerals Against Silicosis

Experiments Also Reveal Other Minerals Which Cause Dreaded Disease

Silicosis, dreaded disease contracted especially by mine workers as a result of breathing material containing silica dust, can be prevented by introducing relatively small quantities of dusts composed of certain "protector minerals," which defeat the harmful effects of silica dust, scientific research conducted during the past few months at the University of Wisconsin has revealed.

State University research workers from the geology department, Prof. R. C. Emmons and Ray Wilcox, University geologists, selected four minerals which their researches labeled as "protectors" of human beings against the ravages of silicosis brought about by the breathing of silica dust.

The Wisconsin scientists also experimented with 14 minerals other than two which are known to contribute silica in an attempt to determine definitely whether or not they might cause silicosis, and although the results of these experiments are not complete or conclusive, they are significant in that they cast further suspicion on five minerals already suspected of causing silicosis.

Treat Blood Serum

Tests on the abilities of different minerals to cause silicosis were made because at the present time only two minerals, quartz and asbestos, are legally recognized as causing the disease and law courts award compensation in silicosis cases largely where proof of cause by only either of these two minerals is given.

By treating blood serum with the dust of the different minerals and then analyzing the serum for the content of silica, the scientists determined that minerals known as biotite, talc, opal, and sericite also contributed to silicosis. They also found that the mineral sericite, which commonly occurs in ores and granite, yielded the most silica to the blood serum—more than either quartz or asbestos. Their findings might be important in law suits over silicosis cases.

The minerals whose dusts the scientists found to be "protectors" against silicosis are carbon black, which is pure carbon; alkaline earth carbonates, such as calcite and dolomite; and iron oxide, which is known as hematite.

How "Protectors" Function

The way in which the "protector minerals" function is due to the attraction of opposite electrical charges, the scientists reveal. The "protector minerals" carry a specific charge in serum and the quartz or asbestos "silicosis" particles carry opposite charges. Thus, the dust particles of the "protector minerals" attract the dust particles of the silicosis minerals and facilitate their removal harmlessly from the human lung rather than letting them stay there and finally kill the cells and impair the lungs.

The report of the scientists reveals that at the present time the only preventative measures against silicosis consists chiefly in dust elimination by ventilation, which is quite expensive, often difficult, and requires constant watch. The Wisconsin scientists' work may lead to a new and thrifty method of silicosis prevention by mixing the dusts of the "protecting minerals" with the silicosis-contaminated air, thus bringing safety and better health to those working in such places.

Nation's Rural Leaders to Meet at Wisconsin U. for 16th Annual School

Town and country clergy, laymen and community workers, from Wisconsin and many surrounding states, will gather at the University of Wisconsin for their 16th annual Rural Leadership summer school, June 28 to July 9, it is announced by J. H. Kolb, of the State University rural sociology department, who is in charge of program arrangements.

Among matters to which those attending the conference will give their attention are: Better Education in the Town and Country; The Modern Community; Rural Life; Cooperation; Agricultural Planning; Family and Public Welfare Policies; Youth and Recreation.

In addition to classroom discussion, community field trips and case studies will be made. Special conferences will be held for the Home Mission Council Group, and the National Fellowship of Indian Workers.

Outside educators who will participate in the Rural Leadership school are: G. E. Lindquist, president of the National Fellowship of Indian Workers, **Lawrence, Kansas**; Almon R. Rapp, executive secretary of the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church, **New York**; and C. W. Longman, representing the International Council of Religious Education, **Chicago**.

Faculty members from the University of Wisconsin who will assist with the school are: John R. Barton, Arthur F. Wileiden and J. L. Miller of the department of rural sociology; Don S. Anderson of the agricultural economics department; Kimball Young and Helen I. Clarke of the department of sociology; and A. L. Masely of the physical education department.