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## Training in Drama Offered as Summer Session Privilege

Planned to meet the needs of community leaders and teachers in the field of drama, and enable them to keep abreast of trends of the times in this field, the annual Dramatic and Speech institute will enroll students from Wisconsin and many other states during the 1938 summer session of the University of Wisconsin. The course will start June 27 and conclude July 9 with the presentation of a project play.

The institute, eleventh of its kind, offers opportunity for professional training, social contacts with people of like interests, and recreation.

Character study and makeup will be taught by Ray Holcombe, in charge of makeup work at University theater. Mr. Holcombe recently noted that commercial photographers often find knowledge and training in the art of makeup invaluable in their work as artists. This course is being made known this year to those who make photography and motion picture work a hobby.

### Choral Speaking Course

Choral verse speaking again will be taught by Mrs. Georgia M. Corp. It is for leaders of church choirs and young people's groups, of women's organizations, for school teachers, lovers of poetry reading, and others who are interested in the fullest expression in the speech arts.

Harold B. McCarty, director of the state station, WHA, has been added to the faculty for a course in techniques of radio writing and presentation.

### Management Course Stressed

Another new course is community and college theater organization and management, to be offered by Prof. J. Russell Lane, manager of University theater. His associate in that work, Frederic Buerki, technician in charge of lighting and scenery designing and building, will again have charge of the stage arts and crafts course for the institute.

Prof. Gladys Borchers, of the speech department, will teach a course in interpretive reading, and Miss Harriett Grim, also of the speech department, will have charge of a practical course in voice training.

Miss Ethel Rockwell, of the bureau of dramatic activities, Extension division, in charge of the institute, will teach three classes daily: Play production, play writing, and costume design.

All who register for the institute will be given opportunity to participate in producing the project play, "My Lady's Dress," by Edward Knoblock.

## Hold Special Short Courses for State Industrial Workers

Three special short courses for workers in industry will be held at the University of Wisconsin this summer in addition to the regular six weeks summer school for workers. It was announced today by Prof. E. E. Schwarztrauber, director of the State University's school for workers.

The combined special short courses and the regular summer session for workers will bring about 150 workers in Wisconsin industry to the campus for summer study, Prof. Schwarztrauber estimated.

The short courses are: A five-day special session for the Truck Drivers' unions of Wisconsin, June 20-25, which is expected to have an enrollment of about 35 workers; a special two-week session for the International Ladies' Garment Workers' union, July 3-16, with an enrollment of about 35; and a special two-weeks short course for experienced workers who are accustomed to study, to be held July 17-30, with enrollment expected to be about 30 students.

The regular six weeks summer school for workers in industry will open June 26, and it is estimated that about 45 students will enroll this year.

## Ask State C. of C. Members For Jobs For U. W. Grads

Every member of the Wisconsin State Chamber of Commerce is receiving a letter from the University of Wisconsin Alumni association's Placement committee this month, describing the service offered to employers by the committee, and asking the members of the state commerce organization to give information concerning any jobs they may have available for State University graduates this year.

The letter, signed by John S. Lord, Chicago, chairman of the Placement committee, is sent to members of the chamber of commerce in the current issue of their publication. In his letter, Mr. Lord writes in part to the Wisconsin business men as follows:

"This committee will gladly cooperate with you in finding people who will satisfactorily fill positions in your organization. Tell us what kind of people you need, and we shall ask the placement officials at the University to find them for you."

## Over 10,000 to Watch as 1,500 Get Degrees at U. W. Graduation

More than 10,000 persons, including parents, relatives, and friends of the 1,500 young men and women who will receive their first and higher degrees, are expected to attend the 85th annual commencement of the University of Wisconsin which will be held in the State University field house at historic Camp Randall at 9 a. m. Monday, June 20.

For the second time in the State University's history, the solemn ceremony will again be open to the public this year, and it is expected that the huge building will again be filled to capacity just as it was last June when it is estimated that more than 10,000 persons filled ground floor seats and both first and second balconies to view the impressive exercises.

The graduation ceremony will bring to a climax the various activities of the University's 85th commencement week-end, which begins on Friday, June 17, with the third annual Alumni Institute in the Memorial Union. On Friday night, the Wisconsin Alumni association will honor its past presidents at a dinner in the Union.

### To Honor Alumni

Saturday, June 18, is Alumni day, and the annual meeting of the Wisconsin Alumni association will be held at 10 a. m. in the Union. The 77th annual Senior-Alumni dinner will be held in the Union Saturday night, with the members of the Golden Anniversary class, 1888, oldest reuniting class this year, as honored guests. Other reuniting classes this year are those of 1893, 1898, 1903, 1908, 1913, 1921, 1922, 1923, and 1924.

### Otto Gives Baccalaureate

Baccalaureate services for the members of the State University's 85th graduating class will be held at 4 p. m. Sunday afternoon, June 19, in the field house at Camp Randall. Prof. Max C. Otto, chairman of the philosophy department at the University, will deliver the annual baccalaureate sermon to the class. The subject of Prof. Otto's sermon will be: "The Ministry Which

## Davies' Russian Art Gift Now on Display at U. W.

The valuable Russian art collection, containing paintings and icons, given recently to the University of Wisconsin by Joseph Davies, American ambassador to Belgium who graduated from the State University in 1898, are now on display for the first time in America in the Memorial Union building on the Wisconsin campus.

About 60 pieces of the art collection are paintings, most of which are from the contemporary school of Russia, although some date back several centuries. All of them depict a comprehensive panorama of Russian life, past and present. The gift of the collection to Wisconsin gives the State University the first and foremost gallery of paintings in America by modern Russian artists.

All of the icons in the collection are rare historical treasures, some of them valued as high as \$10,000. The paintings and icons were collected in Russia by Mr. Davies, who was until recently ambassador to that country, and his daughter, Emlen Knight Davies, who attended last year's Wisconsin summer school.

The entire collection has now been placed in the Memorial Union library and art gallery, where it will be on display during the State University's 85th commencement week-end June 17-20. It is expected to attract the attention of thousands of visitors to the campus at that time.

The subject matter of the paintings of the Davies' gift is greatly diversified. Historically speaking, they deal with Russian events, scenes, habits and customs that start about 500 years ago and bring one up to the present era. There are landscapes of city and country, plains and mountains. There are scenes of battle and peace, torture and merriment, of frozen isolation and sunny harvest.

## Wisconsin Alumni to Honor Past Presidents

Past presidents of the University of Wisconsin Alumni association will be honored at the association's first annual Past Presidents' Dinner to be held in the Memorial Union at the State University Friday night, June 17, during the University's 85th annual commencement week-end.

Speakers at the dinner will be Pres. C. A. Dykstra of the University, Myron T. Harshaw, and George I. Haight, both of Chicago, both past presidents of the association. Among the guests at the dinner will be directors of the alumni association and members of the University's board of regents and board of visitors.

Past presidents of the association, besides Mr. Harshaw and Mr. Haight, who will be honored at the dinner are: Mrs. C. R. Carpenter, Madison; Ernst von Briesen, Milwaukee; Charles B. Rogers, Ft. Atkinson; John S. Lord, Charles L. Byron, Judge Evan A. Evans, all of Chicago; F. H. Clausen, Horicon; Asa G. Briggs, St. Paul; Earl O. Vits, Manitowish; and Harry A. Bullis, Minneapolis.

Thou Hast Received."

Known and respected by thousands of Wisconsin students and alumni, Prof. Otto holds three academic degrees from the University, and also studied at Carroll College, Waukesha, at the University of Chicago and at Heidelberg University, Germany. Nationally known as a philosopher, he has been a member of the University faculty since 1910 and professor of philosophy since 1921.

Besides Prof. Otto, Dr. E. A. Birge, internationally known scientist and president-emeritus of the University, will also speak at the services, giving a brief memorial address in honor of John Muir, famous American naturalist who grew to manhood in Wisconsin and who attended the University. This year is the centennial of Muir's birth in April, 1838.

At the commencement ceremony Monday morning, Pres. C. A. Dykstra will give the charge to the graduates while Gov. Philip F. La Follette will extend the greetings of the state. The University band, directed by Prof. Raymond F. Dvorak, will furnish the music. Degrees will be presented to the graduates by Pres. Dykstra.

### Get Honorary Degrees

Besides those who will be granted their academic degrees at the commencement this year will be three American leaders—two sons and one daughter of Wisconsin—in the fields of science and government, who will be granted honorary degrees. The three alumni, who will be present at the commencement to receive the honorary degrees, and the degrees they will receive are:

Robert Marion La Follette, Jr., U. S. senator from Wisconsin, doctor of laws;

Miss Katharine Fredrica Lenroot, chief of the U. S. Children's bureau, Washington, D. C., doctor of laws; and

Dr. Harry Steenbock, world famous University of Wisconsin scientist, discoverer of the process for imparting vitamin D to foods, doctor of science.

## U. W. Alumni to Go 'Back to School' at Institute June 17

For the third time in as many years, alumni of the University of Wisconsin will have an opportunity to "go back to school" for one day again during the third annual Alumni Institute to be held on Friday, June 17, during the State University's 85th commencement weekend.

Four special topics have been arranged for the Institute, "classes" of which will all be held in the Memorial Union building on the Wisconsin campus beginning at 10 a. m. on June 17. The Institute is sponsored each year by the Wisconsin Alumni association and its program is arranged by a committee of University faculty members and alumni.

At the opening session the topic will be "Social Security—A Wild Dream of a Practical Plan," with discussion led by Prof. Edwin E. Witte and Fred Clausen, Horicon, Wisconsin manufacturer. The second "class" at 11:15 a. m. will have as its topic "Education and Group Values," with discussion led by Profs. Max C. Otto and Alexander Goldenweiser.

The afternoon sessions will open at 2 p. m. on the topic "Speculation—A Menace or an Indispensable Feature of Capitalism," with Prof. W. Bayard Taylor and William S. Kies, '99, prominent New York banker, as discussion leaders. The fourth and last "class" of the Institute will be held at 3:15 p. m. on the topic "What the University is Teaching About Communism, Capitalism, and Fascism," with discussion led by Profs. Selig Perlman and Grayson L. Kirk.

Open discussion will follow each of the talks given by the leaders. More than 100 Wisconsin alumni attended sessions of the Institute last June, and an increase in attendance is expected for this year.

## 4,000 Badger Youths Work to Cut Half Million State Farm Fire Loss

Fully 4,000 members of Wisconsin 4H clubs are interesting themselves in ways to prevent farm fires. Such fires annually cause a million and a half dollars of damage in Wisconsin.

T. L. Bewick, state club leader, reports new interest in fire prevention as more than 4,000 club members in 36 counties study ways of removing fire hazards. Besides reading fire prevention literature, club members are filling out inspection reports of all places where fires might possibly start around the home or barn.

### Economic Good

"Great economic good is expected to come out of this activity," observes Wakelin McNeel, assistant club leader. "Mutual fire insurance companies are cooperating in this activity, because they feel that only through the education of young people can fire hazards be removed, the fire losses be lessened, and a consciousness created that will put farm premises free from fire hazards."

In a best-story contest, the boys and girls are writing about what ought to be done to prevent fires. It is expected that they will carry the activity one

## Three Britons to Study at U. W.

Three British graduate students, recently appointed to Commonwealth Fund Fellowships along with 31 other Britons, will study at the University of Wisconsin during the coming year, it was announced today by the Commonwealth Fund office in New York.

The 34 young men which make up the 1938 group of fellows will study at 14 leading American universities, the announcement revealed. The University of California assigned four of the fellows and the University of Wisconsin and Harvard University, assigned three each, led all other American universities in the number of the fellows assigned to them.

Those who will study at the University of Wisconsin are: Graham H. Benham from University College, London, to study biochemistry; Herbert B. Parry from Queen's College, Cambridge, Edinburgh, and the Royal Veterinary College, London, to study biochemistry; and James A. E. Smart from Emmanuel College, Cambridge, to study literature.

## 4,500 Expected to Enroll in 40th Summer Session

An enrollment of approximately 4,500 students is expected for the 40th annual summer session of the University of Wisconsin, it is indicated by the large number of inquiries and requests for summer school bulletins received at the office of Scott H. Goodnight, dean of the session.

With the number of inquiries and requests for bulletins so far this year slightly ahead of last year at the same time, it is expected that enrollment in the 1938 summer school at the University of Wisconsin will be about equal to that of last year when about 4,500 students were enrolled in summer studies.

The 1938 general summer school for undergraduates and for graduates opens on June 7 and continues for six weeks, ending on Aug. 5, while the nine-week courses for graduates only end Aug. 26. The Law school opens its 10-week session on June 20 and closes on Aug. 26. Registration for this year's summer school begins on Saturday, June 25, and continues through Monday, June 27.

More than 300 members of the Wisconsin faculty and 31 outstanding teachers from other institutions of higher learning in a dozen different states will make up the faculty of this year's summer school. Virtually all of the hundreds of courses of study to be offered in the 1938 summer session are of academic grade and carry credit toward all degrees regularly offered by the University.

The courses of study 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. The graduate courses of nine weeks duration are offered again this summer to enable graduate students to make more rapid progress toward their degrees.

Many of the courses to be offered students again this summer have been "modernized," that is, especially planned or modified to meet the unusual conditions of the present time.

### U. W. STUDENT WINS

Myron L. Gordon, junior student from Milwaukee at the University of Wisconsin, was recently awarded third prize of \$250 in an essay contest sponsored by the International Ladies Garment Workers union. The contest was on the general subject of company, craft, and industrial unions and their legal responsibilities, and Gordon's essay was in competition with hundreds of others submitted by college and university students in all parts of the nation.

## Farm Families Have Field Day Saturday; Program Now All Set

Details of the Farm Folks' Field day program, to be held Saturday, June 11, have been announced by Noble Clark, general chairman. Reports indicate that farmers, agricultural teachers and students, extension workers, and housewives from all parts of Wisconsin are planning to attend.

"We will meet at the University East Hill farm, one mile west of Madison, about 9 o'clock Saturday morning," says Mr. Clark.

"During the forenoon there will be 22 exhibits and demonstrations in or near the farm buildings. They include use of a new cultipacker grass seeder, making grass and alfalfa silage, minerals for livestock, a new and cheap way of treating fence posts to prevent decay, safe electric fence, and new varieties of legume crops."

At noon there will be a picnic on the farm lawn. Then, from 1:30 to 4 o'clock, men and women visitors will separate to attend different programs.

"The men are going on a field trip to inspect the work of a hay harvester that chops hay in the field, terraces to prevent soil erosion, modern methods of killing weeds, improved pasture management, and use of emergency hay crops—to mention a few of the 11 attractions," explains the Field day chairman.

"At the same time, housewives are going to discuss such problems as better diet at low cost, selection of cotton garments, and labor-saving arrangements of the home. Group singing will enliven this part of the program."

## 4H Choral Groups to Sing During Badger Club Week June 15-20

Choral groups from 13 Wisconsin counties will take part in the state 4H music festival which will be held at the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture during state club week, June 15 to 20, according to registrations to Miss Geneva Amundson, assistant state 4H club leader in charge of the festival.

For three days, June 16, 17, and 18, these groups will compete in singing songs learned during the past few weeks. They will conclude their week's activities Saturday evening, June 18, with a concert by a massed chorus of mixed voices in connection with the state 4H drama festival. From the groups taking part in the festival, selections will be made to sing at the junior state fair to be held at the State Fair Park, West Allis, in August.

Held in connection with the music festival will be a music identification contest conducted by radio over state stations WHA, WLBL. According to Miss Amundson, about 20 different musical selections such as have been presented on the state 4H club of the air during the past few months over state stations, will be given. This has been a regular feature presented by 4H clubs every other Saturday. Any 4H club member can take part in the identification contest, Miss Amundson announces.

Counties which will send chorus groups to the festival include: Barron, Dane, Dunn, Dodge, Green, Marinette, Pierce, Rock, Shawano, Sheboygan, Vernon, Waukesha, and Wood.

## Counties to Hold Summer 4H Camps

Dates for many of the summer 4H camps and rallies have been set where hundreds of 4H members and leaders will meet for recreation and study of club matters, according to an announcement by T. L. Bewick, state club leader at the University of Wisconsin.

Dates which have been already definitely scheduled include: June 5-9, camp for Pierce, St. Croix, Pepin and Polk counties at St. Croix Falls; June 9, Buffalo county rally at Buffalo City; June 10, 11 and 12, inclusive, Barron county camp at Lake Chetek; June 15 to 20, State 4H camp at Madison; June 16, 17, and 18, Oneida and Lincoln at Crystal Lake; June 24 to 25, Marathon county rallies; June 28 to July 2, inclusive, Douglas, Washburn, and Bayfield counties on Red Cedar river; July 2 to 4, inclusive, Price and Sawyer counties at Conner's Lake; July 7 to 9, inclusive, Langlade and Shawano counties at Shawano Lake, July 7 and 8, Polk county; July 9, Pierce county; July 11 to 16, Marinette county at Lake Nockquaby; July 13, Richland county; July 13 and 14, Wood county; July 13, Burnett county; July 14, Monroe county; July 15; Manitowoc county; July 27 and 28, Clark county; July 28 to 30, inclusive, LaCrosse county at Camp 80 of Galesville; July 29, Waushara county; July 29 to 31, inclusive, Adams county; August 1 to 4, inclusive, Rusk county at Trail's End 4H camp; August 2, Florence county; and August 5 to 7, Ashland and Bayfield counties at Lake Galilee.