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Cities Renew Aid For Local Youth In Local Classes

High school graduates in many Wisconsin cities who cannot go away to school this fall but who desire further educational training in the college field will have available special opportunities through the planning of local school officials and the Extension division of the University of Wisconsin.

Duplicating the class program conducted last year throughout Wisconsin, the state and local agencies will make available the full college-credit program of the freshman year in at least 17 cities, to be known as extension centers. The work will be identical with that offered in the first year at the University.

The 1940-41 centers will include
Antigo, Beloit, Eagle River, Elkhorn, Fond du Lac, Green Bay, Janesville, Kenosha, Manitowoc, Menasha, Racine, Reedsburg Rhinelander, Sheboygan, Watertown, Wausau, and Wisconsin Rapids.

In some cities the program is sponsored by the vocational and adult education school; in others by the city board of education.

Among the special values attributed to a year or two of college work at home, in a program of this kind, are the high quality of the instruction, the credits from which are accepted at any college or University, and the low cost. The instruction is given by regular members of the University faculty, assigned to the local center, in subjects that include English, history, mathematics, or a foreign language, and science. The cost to the student is reduced to lowest terms by his living at home and by whatever local subsidy is granted.

At the year's close the credits earned qualify students to enter college or university with sophomore standing.

School officials in each city are now taking applications for enrollment in the classes to start in September.

500 Teachers Attend National Principals' Meet At State U.

"No individual should retain the principaship of an elementary school who does not have unlimited faith in our democracy."

That was the challenge laid down last week to nearly 500 educators by Willard E. Givens, executive secretary of the National Education association, at the opening general session of the National Conference of Elementary School Principals meeting at the University of Wisconsin from July 6-19.

"All elementary principals, like the signers of the Declaration of Independence, should stake their entire future," Givens declared, "on what the elementary school can do for democracy, and in the pursuit of bringing that about they should pledge their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor."

Exceeding all expectations, registrations at the national conference reached a total of about 550 teachers. About 400 of these are being housed in University dormitory units.

General theme of the fourth annual conference, which has attracted teachers literally from Maine to California, is "Enriching the Elementary School Curriculum." The program includes demonstrations and general assemblies each morning, seminars in the afternoon, and open forums at night, besides a varied list of social events. Meetings are being held in University buildings.

In lauding the State University for the reception it has given the teachers, President Irvin Wilson, of Chicago, said, "our welcome here has made 500 new boosters for Wisconsin," and joked that a lone criticizer had been thrown in the lake. His thanks to the University drew enthusiastic applause from the educators, many of whom came directly from the National Education convention at Milwaukee.

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Teach Unifying Bond To Weld Americans Together, Dykstra Urges Nation's Teachers

A plea to the nation's teachers, to discover and teach a unifying bond which will weld Americans together in a conception that a government may be the servant of man rather than his master, was made to the annual conference of the National Education association held in Milwaukee recently by Pres. C. A. Dykstra of the University of Wisconsin.

Discussing "Critical Problems Facing Our Nation," Pres. Dykstra told the conference, which was attended by 10,000 teachers from all parts of the nation, that "one mobilization which we cannot neglect in our haste to prepare is the girding up of our spiritual, moral, and intellectual reserves."

"We have a military and a physical preparedness challenge to face on a national front," he maintained. "We hope and expect that this is being given proper attention. This is not the responsibility of educators but of professionals in another field. Shall we, in our own professional bailiwick, do our job in the field of intellectual and moral preparedness so that this democracy shall have unity, a national goal and a devoted and loyal citizenship which believes that law, equality and justice are worth any necessary sacrifice?"

"We must be certain that the enemy we face in this confused world is not within us," he asserted. "If we can be sound internally, we are twice armed as we watch lightnings on the horizon and hear the roll of distant guns."

Discussing four fronts—economic, social, political, and educational—on which Americans face critical national problems at the present time, Pres. Dykstra warned that we cannot face these problems "complacently and without rigorous self-analysis."

Face Economic Problems

"There are lessons for us to learn from the plight of France and England, both tradition-bound and overburdened of themselves," he said. "We must be more agile and mobile if we are to carry on for what we have been

lied in—the values of western civilization."

Discussing problems on the economic front, Pres. Dykstra said:

"We have discovered that a nation of unemployed is a nation imperilled. The lesson of Europe is plain. Man must work and have something to work for. Nothing is clearer now than that Satan finds work for idle hands to do. Do we need further demonstration that we here must get our people back to work and particularly must we find jobs for our young people?"

"It is work or a crusade under some kind of leadership. We must take our choice. This may seem trite counsel and to some of you an overworked theme. But it is terribly important in the light of recent history. Mobs and armies stem from those who have no work to do, nothing to challenge their interest or attention, no anchor to windward."

As to the problems on the social front, Pres. Dykstra pointed out that America has social movements of world wide scope to reckon with, and he asserted that in facing these foreign social movements, the hope of democracy rests on deeds, not words.

Hope of Democracy

"It gets us nowhere in this day to call names and decry systems of 'isms,'" he declared. "The hope of democracy rests on deeds, on things done which other systems get done, on houses built, on jobs provided, on crops raised and materials manufactured, on health and family satisfactions, on resources conserved, on opportunities for the people to come to their best selves, on the development of national goals and units, on the pride of accomplishment, on the attaining of imponderable and spiritual values, on the development of self-respect and that intangible thing we call morale."

"All of these things are possible most of all where there are ample natural resources and a tremendous plant capacity. All are possible even with

World's Greatest Crisis

"We are embarked on the hard road, the democratic way, and we honestly think we believe in it," he said. "If ever we needed civic competence, it is today; if ever we needed to know what we are doing and why, it is now."

"Man must achieve mastery of himself as well as of the material world if civilization is to be maintained through the next troubled years. We are a generation that lives in one of history's greatest crises and it would seem that somewhere there is knowledge enough to resolve it without a long blackout. And somewhere there should be enough good will and sound sense to use this knowledge."

U. W. Takes Part In National Defense Work

Mucks Named To New Extension Post

Arlie Mucks, well-known among Wisconsin livestock and other farm groups, was named assistant director of extension by the University of Wisconsin Board of Regents at its recent meeting. His appointment was made effective July 1.

Mucks, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, class of 1917, served as county agricultural agent of Barron county from 1925 to 1927, a position which he left to become secretary of the Wisconsin Livestock Breeders association. In 1935 Mucks was appointed state director of the Rural Rehabilitation Administration for Wisconsin, an organization which later became known as the Farm Security Administration. While serving in that capacity he assumed for several years the added duties of program coordinator for the various federal agricultural programs and the Wisconsin extension service.

U. W. Takes Part

In National Defense Work

The University of Wisconsin was projected into the nation's defense work this week with the announcement by Pres. C. A. Dykstra of his appointment of a faculty committee whose immediate purpose is to evaluate what the State University is doing and should do for national defense.

Members of the committee are: Dr. J. H. Mathews, head of the chemistry department, chairman; Profs. E. E. Witte, economics; Raymond A. Roark, engineering; Noble Clark, agriculture; L. R. Ingersoll, physics; Dr. W. D. Stovall, of the Medical school; Pres. Dykstra, and Dean Edwin B. Fred of the Graduate school, who will serve in an ex-officio capacity.

In instance after instance the fellows and scholars who have received appointments have almost perfect academic undergraduate records.

Most of the candidates who were offered the ten Wisconsin scholarships for being the distinctively superior University of Wisconsin graduates had scholastic ratios of three A's and one B, or a grade point average of 2.75.

Last year, over 250 educational institutions throughout the world were represented in the University of Wisconsin Graduate school. The academically "top-notch" scholars came from virtually every state in the nation and from many foreign countries.

Mid-west 4-H Leaders To Hold Conference In State July 24-28

State 4-H club leaders from eight mid-west states will hold their 1940 interstate club conference near Woodruff in Vilas county, July 24-28, announces T. L. Bewick, state club leader, Madison, in charge of camp arrangements. About 100 people are expected to meet to review the results of cooperative 4-H studies and to confer upon club leadership methods.

Conference committees include: program, H. E. Rilling, North Dakota, chairman; Mrs. Edith Barker, Iowa; R. A. Turner, United States Department of Agriculture; arrangements, T. L. Bewick, Wisconsin, chairman; Miss Geraldine Fenn, South Dakota; A. J. Kittleson, Minnesota; recreation, R. E. Regnier, Kansas, chairman; Miss Helen L. Church, Missouri, and G. R. Davis, Nebraska.

Reporting upon the results of the cooperative study, "Helps to Local Leaders," will be M. H. Coe, Kansas; Miss Grace Rowntree, Wisconsin; J. S. Quist and Mrs. Barker, Iowa; H. E. Rilling, North Dakota; Barnard Joy, United States Department of Agriculture; L. I. Frisbie, Nebraska; H. M. Jones, South Dakota; and R. A. Turner, Washington, D. C.

Presenting the results of a cooperative study on, "Problems of Supervision in 4-H Club Work," include T. T. Martin, Missouri; J. S. Quist and Mrs. Edith Barker, Iowa; L. I. Frisbie, Nebraska; H. E. Rilling, North Dakota; and H. M. Jones, South Dakota.

The conference will conclude with a Sunday service led by J. L. Kraft, when Wakelin McNeil, Badger extension forester, will give an address on, "A Philosophy for Youth."

400 Students To Help Make Freshmen Feel At Home On U. Campus Next Fall

"Making the freshmen feel at home" will be the job of 400 upper class students next fall on the University of Wisconsin campus during the State University's 12th annual "Orientation Week" to be held Sept. 18 to 24.

Thousands of incoming freshmen to the University will get their first glimpse of campus life and an opportunity to make additional acquaintances in their new environment when they will receive an official mass welcome from the Orientation committee which is headed this year by co-chairmen Dorothy Altfeld, Alyria, Ohio, and Robert W. Henning, Hartford.

Selections were made on the basis of scholarship, character, leadership ability, physical skill, and poise. The honor to represent Wisconsin in these training schools is much coveted.

Other Wisconsin students who in previous years have won this award are: Howard Gutgesell, Beaver Dam; J. Robert Harrower, Bloomington; Earl H. Hanson, Stoughton; Gregory P. Buechel, Chilton; John N. Bixby Appleton; Frances Doudna, Poynette; Gordon M. Leith, Van Dine; Gene Runke, Algoma; Willis Damm, Columbus; Esther Lueberk, Algoma; Milton O. Gutknecht, Lone Rock; and J. Jeanette Meiklejohn, Manawa.

The seven day "acquaintance" period will be filled with registration of the new students, assignment to classes, placement tests, convocations presided over by deans and faculty members, social and recreational entertainment, and programs by the various student religious centers.

The orientation workers will return to school in September several days before the opening of the week. Mean-

450 Enroll In 11th Annual Music Clinic At State University

More than 450 high school student musicians and teachers of music from Wisconsin and other mid-western states are enrolled in the 11th annual music clinic now in session at the University of Wisconsin.

The clinic, which is sponsored annually on the campus by the State University's school of music, continues in session until July 27. Each year the clinic gives music directors and student musicians of high schools throughout the state and nation an opportunity for three weeks of intensive music study under some of the nation's foremost teachers.

The high school student musicians who enrolled in the clinic have been made members of either the All-State band, orchestra, or chorus, and are participating in the work of these three organizations, each of which give public concerts during the clinic period. The clinic band will present concerts at the University on July 21 and July 27, while a combined chorus-orchestra festival concert will be given on July 26.

The clinic band, composed of 300 pieces, will also give a concert again this year during the final program of the Milwaukee mid-summer festival in Milwaukee on July 20. An estimated audience of more than 100,000 persons is expected to hear this concert.

Government Powers Named As Topic For High School Debate

High school students in Wisconsin and other states will debate government powers when they resume organized forensic programs in 1940-41, with the debate question reading,

"Resolved, that the power of the federal government should be increased."

This question, announced this week by Miss Almira Scott, secretary of Wisconsin High School Forensic association, was selected by the committee on debate materials of the National University Extension association, representing debate organizations of 37 states. In Wisconsin alone it is expected the issue will be debated by about 4,000 students in forensic contests to be scheduled next winter, while in the nation it will be discussed by upwards of 200,000 students before groups numbering millions of listeners.

Last year's interscholastic debate

program in Wisconsin, which was

centered on the issue of government ownership of the railroads, terminated in state title contests in which 36 speakers from nine schools, who survived all elimination contests, contested for state honors. Two Rivers high school was awarded first honors.

These activities are annually sponsored by the state forensic association and the University Extension department of debating and public discussion, with the department of speech cooperating.

50 Religious Faiths Found Among Students

Approximately 50 different religious faiths were professed by the students of the University of Wisconsin last year, C. V. Hibbard, general secretary of the University YMCA, reported.

Out of the 11,286 students who enrolled at the beginning of the year, 8,775 filled out cards for the church census bureau designating their religious preference.

Out of the 8,775 students who filled out cards during registration, 1,744 were of the Catholic faith, 1,669 Lutherans, 1,089 Methodists, and 1,065 expressed a preference for the Congregational faith.

The leading 13 denominations listed in the University church census were Catholic, Lutherans, Methodist, Congregational, Presbyterian, Jewish, Episcopal, Baptist, Christian Science, Protestant, Reformed, Evangelical, and Christian. The rest were listed under miscellaneous.

U. W. Graduate To Do Fertilizer Research

Harold E. Dregne, Marshfield, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, College of Agriculture, class of 1940, was recently awarded a fellowship to study in the soils department at Oregon State college. The fellowship, effective July 1, provides for a grant from the Agricultural Research Foundation to conduct research in the use of boron as a fertilizer. Some 50 trials already started at this western

The University of Wisconsin's electrical standards laboratory tests various kinds of electrical products and electric meters each year to protect the consumers of electric power in the homes and factories of the state.

Wisconsin Youth Win Fellowships

Two Wisconsin students have been awarded summer fellowships for two weeks' training in St. Louis and two weeks at the American Youth Foundation Leaders' Training camp in Michigan. These are Roland Keen, Juda, Green county, and Dorothy Grinde, Madison, Dane county.

They will join with those chosen from other universities for training from July 29 to August 25.

Keen is a student in the agricultural course and Miss Grinde is taking training in the home economics course at the University of Wisconsin. Both recently completed their junior years.

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Institution will be continued by Dregne.

650 Appointed To U. W. Fellowships And Scholarships

Approximately 650 appointments for fellowships, scholarships, and other financial aids have been made to the "cream of the state and nation's intellectual crop" for next year by the University of Wisconsin Graduate school.

Notifications of appointments were sent out to the candidates last spring in accordance with the regulations of the Association of American Universities. Because of the attractive scholarship offers, the most able students that can be found are coming to the University Graduate school in large numbers.

Approximately 100 fellowships carrying an annual stipend ranging from \$400 to \$750 have been made to candidates. About 120 scholarships valued from \$200 to \$400 have been given to outstanding scholars.