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Playwriters Called To Competition For 1939 Drama Awards

The Wisconsin Dramatic guild announced this week plans for the annual playwriting tournament which it sponsors for citizens of Wisconsin, both as individuals and as members of various dramatic groups in the guild. The guild is a voluntary organization sponsored by the bureau of dramatic activities of the University Extension division. Original full-length or short plays are invited. They will be received until Jan. 19 by Miss Ethel Rockwell, guild secretary.

The short plays will be divided into the following groups: Little theater, high school, college, woman's club, church, A. A. U. W., and radio. A new division, devoted to plays written for children, is being added this year.

Judges for the various groups in the 1939 tournament will be: Roland Fernand, of Dramatic Publishing Co., Chicago; Fred Eastman, University of Chicago; Prof. Harold Ehrensperger, Northwestern university; Prof. Helen White, Prof. W. A. Sumner, Prof. J. Russell Lane, Carl Cass, Frederick Buerki and Harold B. McCarty, University of Wisconsin; Miss Mary K. Reely and Miss Jennie T. Schrage, of the Wisconsin Free Library commission; Mrs. Georgia C. Hyde, Miss Carrie Rasmussen, and Hans T. Sondergaard, Madison; Miss Marian Preece and Mrs. Marie Karll, Milwaukee, and the Rev. H. E. Mansfield, Allenville.

Plays winning in each group will be put into rehearsal by the groups to which their authors belong for presentation during the eleventh Wisconsin Dramatic guild festival, March 22-26, at Madison. Elaborate plans are being made for this festival as the guild begins its second decade. At the annual dinner, March 26, Wisconsin authors will be honored.

"The guild feels that real progress is being made in original playwriting in the state," Miss Rockwell said. "Close to 200 prize-winning plays have been accepted and published by leading drama publishers, and many playwrights who submitted their first few plays in guild contests are now winning honors and awards in many national contests."

Last year Mrs. Sari Szekeley, of Wauwatosa, was the winner of first place in the division of full-length plays, and Dr. Harriett Anundsen, of Monroe, won second place with "A Worker in Metals." The Studio Players of the University Theater staged Mrs. Szekeley's play, "The Enemy Within," during the 1938 festival, and it was predicted this play will eventually reach professional production. The University Players last year also produced Dr. Anundsen's play.

Guild awards also were made for short plays in all divisions.

U. W. To Exhibit Stock At International Show

As many as 75 fat sheep and swine owned by the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture will be entered in competitive exhibition at the Chicago International Livestock exposition, Nov. 26 to Dec. 3, according to A. E. Darlow, chairman of the University animal husbandry department.

Shropshire, Hampshire, Southdown, grade and crossbred wether lambs will be shown in the fat classes, while in the purebred competition Shropshire ram lambs and ewe lambs will compete for prizes. Thirty sheep will be shown in the college exhibit. Thomas McKenzie, University shepherd, is in charge of fitting and showing the sheep.

In the fat barrow classes, 45 Poland China, Hampshire, Chester White, Duroc Jersey and Yorkshire breeds will be fitted and shown under the direction of John M. Fargo of the animal husbandry department and Harold Marquardt, college herdsman.

Students Enroll For Winter Dairy Course

Young men from 20 Wisconsin counties, six other states, and one foreign country enrolled in the winter short course in dairying which opened at the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture this week.

During the twelve weeks' study, these men will give consideration to improved factory methods leading to quality production of dairy products. Included among their subjects of study are: dairy bacteriology, milk composition and tests, dairy mechanics and marketing, and veterinary science. Opportunity will be given for specialization in ice-cream making, creamery operation and management, cheese factory operation, and in the production of market milk.

Those enrolled in the course include: Lawrence G. Bann, **Augusta**; Walter J. Benesh, Victor Schulte-Eversum, both of **Milwaukee**; Carl W. Bleick, **Bond**; Lester M. Boerst, **La Crosse**; Charles A. Davis, **Whitewater**; Lloyd F. Dickrell, **Junction City**; Harry L. Everson, **Viroqua**; Werner Feutz, **Watertown**; Walter C. Kuepfer, Delbert Mueller, both of **Hustisford**; Joseph N. Kuhn, **Turtle Lake**; Michael W. Marsolek, **Independence**; Chauncey H. Martens, **Janesville**; Frederick K. Millin, **Bagley**; Morrell P. Peterson, **Stoddard**; Lawrence A. Prell, **Camp Doug-**

Stone To Judge At International Show

A. L. Stone, state weed and seed inspector, will serve for his 20th consecutive year as judge of threshed seeds at the International Hay and Grain Show when the International Crop Improvement Association holds its 20th anniversary celebration at Chicago, Nov. 26 to Dec. 3.

Stone, who has served as judge of threshed seeds ever since the organization held its first show, is in charge of Wisconsin's State Seed and Feed Laboratory, located at the agronomy building on the University campus.

Serving with Stone at the exposition will be E. D. Holden of the college of agriculture, who is a member of the Board of Directors and is chairman of the International Crop Improvement Committee. Among his other duties, Holden will have charge of the non-collegiate crop judging contest and is state representative in charge of exhibits from Wisconsin.

Livestock Group To Honor Former Badger Scientist

F. B. Morrison, former member of the department of animal husbandry at the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture, will be honored by the American Society of Animal Production at the 1938 meeting to be held in Chicago Nov. 25 to 27. His portrait will, at that time, be presented to the Saddle and Sirloln club to be hung in its gallery with others who have made outstanding contributions in the field of animal production.

While at the University of Wisconsin, Morrison, in cooperation with the late Dean Henry, was co-author of the publication, "Feeds and Feeding," a nationally recognized text on the feeding and nutrition of farm animals. After leaving Wisconsin, Morrison accepted a position in the department of animal husbandry and nutrition at Cornell University.

Others Formerly Honored

Other Wisconsin men similarly honored and whose portraits are in the Saddle and Sirloln club include: William F. Vilas, **Madison**, senator and sponsor of the Wisconsin farm short course; Henry B. Favill, **Lake Mills**, pioneer Holstein breeder; Governor W. D. Hoard, **Fort Atkinson**, founder of Hoard's Dairyman; Dr. S. M. Babcock, **Madison**, inventor of the Babcock test for butterfat in milk; W. L. Carlyle, former head of the department of animal husbandry, University of Wisconsin; John A. Craig, the first head of the University of Wisconsin animal husbandry department; W. A. Henry, first dean of the University's College of Agriculture and author of "Feeds and Feeding"; George C. Humphrey, animal husbandman, College of Agriculture; Harry L. Russell, former dean of the College of Agriculture, now director of the Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation; Gordon H. True, **Baraboo**, for a time with the United States Department of Agriculture; F. W. Harding and George Harding, **Waukesha county**, shorthorn breeders; J. W. Martin, **Gotham**, pioneer breeder of Red Poll cattle; Alexander Legge, **Mount Vernon**, Dane county, farm implement manufacturer; Alex Galbraith, **Janesville**, horse breeder; R. B. Ogilvie, **Madison**, pioneer Clydesdale breeder; Frederick Pabst, **Oconomowoc**, breeder of Holstein cattle and horses; Jeremiah Rusk, **Viroqua**, former governor of Wisconsin, first secretary of agriculture to sit in the president's cabinet, and former member of the board of regents of the University of Wisconsin.

U. W. Student Chosen National Officer of Country Life Group

Warren Schmidt, Madison, a senior in the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture, was elected vice president of the Student Section of the American Country Life Association at its annual convention, recently held at Lexington, Kentucky.

Schmidt, who made an outstanding record in 4H club work and is majoring in rural sociology, was one of 35 students from the University of Wisconsin and state teachers colleges who attended the conference. Teachers colleges represented include those at Platteville, Milwaukee, Oshkosh, and Whitewater. At their sessions, students gave consideration to ways of "Improving Our Rural Civilization."

Elected to serve with Schmidt for the coming year were: president, Fred Giesler, Minnesota; vice presidents, Mary Jenkins, Maryland, and John LeClere, Kansas; secretary, Margaret Andrews, Iowa; and editor, Dick Tyrrell, New York.

las; Donald W. Preuss, **Kiel**; Clarence F. Rawlsky, Cecil; Frederick L. Smith, **Elk Mound**; Clarence E. Stillman, **Weyauvega**; William R. Uecker, **Ashland**; Joseph A. Ule, **Willard**; Harold E. Weber, **Bloomer**; G. Philip Bell, North Carolina; Albert M. Burger, Minnesota; Richard S. Cook, Christian F. S. Pieper, and Holger Wangman, Illinois; John J. Daley, Armas B. Liljeberg, Massachusetts; Paul M. Neal, Indiana; Glenn D. Wonders, Colorado; and Arne K. Andersen, Copenhagen, Denmark.

4,800 Students Aided by NYA at U. W. in 5 Years

During the five-year period from 1934 to 1938 approximately 4,800 deserving students at the University of Wisconsin were granted NYA work to enable them to carry on their studies at the State University, according to a report covering that period made by Mrs. V. W. Meloche, manager of the student Employment Bureau.

With the start of the program by the federal government in 1934, 744 students were aided by the jobs. The average number on the payroll advanced through 1935 and hit a peak of over 1,100 during the two years between 1935 and 1937. The figure dropped again last year to 816.

Starting with a total grant of \$46,671 in February, 1934, the funds received by the University correspond to the number on the payroll, with a peak of \$170,000 for the 1935-37 period and a drop back to \$102,860. Since 1935 sufficient funds have been added to the general fund to take care of needy graduate students as well as for the undergraduate needs.

Of 4,000 possible projects submitted by a total of 667 departments at the University during the five-year period, it was possible to accommodate 2,600 projects under 1,825 supervisors. These projects covered wide fields throughout the entire campus. While much of the work is clerical and routine, a great deal of it has dealt with important research. Statistical studies have been made for a tuberculosis survey. Blind students have been supplied with readers. Work has been done with x-ray machines and cameras for important contributions to the field of applied science. Diseases of trees, reasons for the blackening of potatoes when boiled, crop breeding, and a study of the distribution of milk under public utility control are but few from the list of activities of the NYA work during the last year.

Since last August the Student Employment Bureau has been under the direction of Marion E. Torney due to the leave of absence of Mrs. Meloche.

U. W. Student League To Promote Forensics

Forensics and a number of other student activities will be promoted at the University of Wisconsin College of Agriculture by the Agricultural Student League, an organization recently formed at the University of Wisconsin.

The league is planning oratorical and public speaking contests for freshmen and upper classmen in agriculture, as well as declamatory work and speech training for home economics women. Other activities which the league will sponsor later include a study of cooperative eating clubs and housing problems on the campus. The members are also making plans for a series of agricultural forums.

Lawrence Monthey, **Canton**, was chosen president of the league and Esther Sheberk, **Algoma**, secretary.

Members of the committee on forensics are: chairman, Omer Peck, **Peshigo**; Lyman Nordhoff, **Oshkosh**; and Archie Stockwell, **Neillsville**.

Other students active in sponsoring the league are: Zenas Beers, **Elmwood**; Warren Bilkey, **Poynette**; Kenneth Carlsen, **Spooner**; Wilson Clark, **Chippewa Falls**; and Anthony Finger, **Oconto**.

State U. Students Plan Huge Christmas Pageant

Arrangements are rapidly approaching final form for the first all-University Christmas pageant to be held in the University of Wisconsin Stock pavilion Dec. 13 under the joint sponsorship of the University YM and YWCA.

Entitled "Numen Lumen," the festival will be built around the immortal Christmas story and at the same time will portray modern youth's search for knowledge and light as embodied in the University motto, "Numen Lumen," the State University's motto, means "The Light of Knowledge."

General co-chairmen of the event are Jack Collins, **Ridgewood, New Jersey**, as the representative of the YMCA, and Polly Coles, **Madison**, representing the YWCA.

The direction and writing of the pageant is in complete charge of Miss Ethel Rockwell, head of the bureau of dramatic activities of the University Extension division. Miss Rockwell has had years of experience in conducting similar festivals and has staged them in 13 states including many in Wisconsin.

Religious Centers Aid

Many University departments as well as all of the University religious centers and a predominating majority of the campus fraternities and sororities have pledged their cooperation and are working actively in rehearsals at the present time.

The extraordinary hugeness of the cast and chorus composes the innovation in this year's Christmas festival. For although small festivals have been held in the past, nothing has ever yet been attempted on such a grand scale.

Leading the cast is Don Strutz, Milwaukee senior, in the role of Stephen, a youthful singer and Greek scholar typifying the youth of the world. The

Leith Writes Book On Mineral Values

Dr. C. K. Leith, professor of geology at the University of Wisconsin, is the author of a new book on minerals entitled, "Mineral Valuations of the Future," which has just been published as the eighth volume of the series brought out by the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers.

The volume is designed for younger men in the mining engineering profession, and also for those interested in the economics of natural resources.

Dr. Leith also recently spoke before the Chicago section of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers in Chicago on the subject: "The Role of Minerals in the Next World War."

U. Memorial Union Student Services Triple In 10 Years

Services offered students at the University of Wisconsin by the Wisconsin Memorial Union have been tripled during its first ten years, it was revealed by Porter Butts, house director of the student center for recreational and extra-curricular activities, in his Tenth Anniversary Report on the Union.

When first presented in 1928, the Union program of activities was arranged by intensive study of existing student union plans, and a compilation of the most desired activities. With the great increase during the last ten years, the Wisconsin Union now offers approximately four times as many kinds of services as are found in any other single union in the country.

The number of organized events increased last year from 2,883 to 3,269. To partake of these daily organized activities, a total of 226,505 people came to the union for a total of 755 every day, an increase of 25 per cent over last year. Of this group over 70,000 attended group dinners or teas for an increase in attendance of over 40 per cent.

An additional 10 per cent, or 57,000 attended club, committee, and business meetings where no food was served. Dance attendance increased 17 per cent for a total of 56,000, while 42,000 individuals listened to lectures, forums, and concerts for an increase of 39 per cent. In addition to these large numbers attending planned events, an average of 7,500 passed through the Union daily for other purposes.

In proportion to a corresponding drop in student ability to pay for meals, the average price for meals in the cafeteria dropped from 40 cents in 1928 to 28 cents in 1938. This drop was made possible largely through the introduction of student specials and because of a conscious effort on the part of the Union Council to meet the decreasing student budgets.

With the completion of the new wing to the Union expected for next year, plans are moving apace for even more varied activities. Experimental stage craft, special techniques in radio drama, making and showing motion pictures, music through additional phonographs, practice pianos, and formal concerts will be only a portion of the new activities. In addition to these, photography, craft hobby, and industrial design development together with the new bowling alleys, outing headquarters, and many other services will combine to give the University of Wisconsin student the most complete student Union in the world.

574 Works Entered In U. W. Art Salon; Winners Listed

From a record entry list of 574 works, a select 174 went on display Thursday at the fifth annual Wisconsin Salon of Art in the University of Wisconsin Memorial Union in Madison. They included oil and tempera painting, sculpture, watercolors and pastels, graphics, and designs for murals and architectural sculpture.

Seven Madisonians and 15 Milwaukeeans won prizes and honorable mention. The Madison Art association purchase prize of \$100 was awarded to Edward Morton of Milwaukee for his oil painting, "The Rabbit Hunters."

Most meritorious work in the exhibition, awarded \$75, was "Horse" by Forrest Flower of Wauwatosa, the jury of three announced through Prof. Joaquin Ortega, who presented the prizes at a reception in the Union galleries Wednesday night. The judges were Edward B. Rowan, superintendent of the section of fine arts for the United States treasury department; Alfonso Iannelli, Chicago sculptor; and Glenn Mitchell, Minneapolis painter.

Wisconsin Winners

In the field of oil and tempera painting Richard Daley, **Milwaukee**, was awarded the \$25 first prize for his painting, "Still Life with Persimmons." Honorable mention was given to "Hauling Wood—North Country," by Mitzi Bleck, **Oshkosh**; "Landscape Fantasy" by Marian Bode, **Milwaukee**; "Sunshine Cottage" by Wilfred Veenendaal, **Sheboygan**; "Corn" by Charles Thwaites, **Milwaukee**; "Time Out" by James Watrous, instructor in art education at the University; and "Seated Figure" by William Allen, **Madison**.

In the watercolor painting group Howard Thomas, **Milwaukee**, was awarded the \$25 first prize for his painting "Boat and Turtle." Donald Weismann, graduate student at the University, won the \$15 second prize for his painting "American Monument." Honorable mention was given to "Sisters" by Hulda Fischer, **Milwaukee**; "Farm Scene" by K. Antoinette Gruppe, **Milwaukee**; "Stock Report" by Harold Wurl, **Milwaukee**; "Workers" by Richard Jansen, **Milwaukee**; "Trees in Spring" by Willi Anders, **Milwaukee**; and "Pencils" by Witold Liskowiak, **Milwaukee**.

In the field of sculpture David Parsons, **Madison**, was awarded the first prize of \$25 for his "Study in Opposing Forces, Boxing." Honorable mention was given to "Photographer" by Rudolf Jegart, **Milwaukee**; and "The Swede" by Clayton Charles, **Madison**, a graduate student in the University.

Wins Davies Prize

The \$25 Joseph E. Davies student purchase prize was awarded to Clayton Charles, **Milwaukee**, for his sculpture work, "The Swede." This award is given to the outstanding piece of work in the exhibition submitted by a student of a recognized Wisconsin art school by Mr. Davies, United States ambassador to Belgium and former ambassador to Russia.

In the graphic art group Elsa Ulbricht, **Milwaukee**, was awarded first prize, the \$25 Wisconsin Union purchase prize, for "Our Club," and "Road to Cripple Creek" by G. H. Bakker, **Milwaukee**, received the \$10 second prize. Honorable mention was given to "Father and Son" by Charlotte Jeffery, **Milwaukee**; "The Winter's So Far Gone" by John Wilde, **Madison**; "Noah's Ark" by Ruth Starr Rose, Caldwell, New Jersey; "Hauler" by Bernice Hicks, **Milwaukee**; and "Potato Diggers" by Frank Utpatel, **Mazomanie**.

World History New Extension Topic On High School Level

Two new courses in World History, offering a review from earliest times to about 1920, have been added to the list of correspondence-study courses in high school subjects given by the University of Wisconsin Extension division. These elementary courses, prepared by the Department of History, may now be taken in lieu of European History (medieval or modern). They are equivalent to a year's work in history as given in a standard high school.

This subject is designed for the needs of young people not in high school or for those in schools not offering a student specializing in the social sciences in high school, the new courses allow him to offer, as social science major, world history, U. S. history, political science, economics, or sociology. All of these subjects on the high school level except political science and sociology are available through correspondence-study.

The first course in World History gives a survey of ancient civilizations, medieval civilization, the beginnings of the modern period, the renaissance, and the period of discovery and exploration. The second traces the growth of the European states, the rise of democracy in some and of autocracy in others, and economic changes, and it closes with the world war and its aftermath. Each course has 16 assignments and is equivalent to a semester's work.

These extension studies are recognized by Wisconsin high schools toward requirements for a high school diploma.