

MUCH MONEY SPENT FOR FARM BENEFIT

A report of the sources, amounts and allotment of funds for cooperative extension work in agriculture has just been issued by the United States Department of Agriculture covering the work for 1923-24. The total amount allotted was approximately \$19,149,450, of which the federal government contributed \$5,880,000 under provisions of the Smith-Lever act. In addition, Congress, by direct appropriation to the Department of Agriculture, made available in round numbers \$1,284,450 for farmers' cooperative demonstration work and \$30,000 for extension work by the several bureaus of the department, making a total from federal sources of \$7,194,450. The remaining \$11,955,000 was derived from sources within the states including \$5,324,000 appropriated by the state legislatures and funds under control of the state agricultural colleges, \$5,774,300 provided by the different counties and \$888,000 from other sources, mostly local.

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BOYS MAKING TRIP TO WASHINGTON, D. C.

HONOR CAMPERS ON WAY

Chicago Y. M. C. A. Prize Winners get Privilege of Flivver Tour to Capital and Have Started

"On to Washington," is the slogan of six boys from the Chicago West Side Y.M.C.A., who left on Friday morning, April 25, for the national capital. "We have a Boys' congress on the West Side, where we settle all our problems peacefully and we want to see what's the matter with our congress in the national capital," said Tom LaBarbera, one of the boys.

These boys are all honor campers at Camp Duncan and the entire trip will be made in a camp flivver, which has been fitted up with traveling conveniences. Those going are Tom and Joe LaBarbera, Mike Ruggieri, Louis Fratto, William Miksa, and Edward Barnes, besides J. P. Hargrove, boys' work secretary, as chief pilot.

Camp Enroute
The party expect to camp outdoors or sleep on mats in the gymnasiums of Y.M.C.A.s enroute. They will seek to verify by first hand some of the geography and history, which they have been getting from books and class rooms.

Their first objective is Springfield, Ill., where they will visit the home and burial place of Abraham Lincoln. They will next hit Bloomington and St. Louis and then head due east, stopping at Terre Haute and Indianapolis, and then taking the national highway through Dayton to Columbus, where they will inspect the Ohio State University.

To Visit Coal Mines
In West Virginia, there are friends expecting them who will initiate the boys into all the mysteries of coal mining. Incidentally, a baseball game and swimming exhibition has already been scheduled with the coal mining lads. Going through the Cumberland Mountain region, the boys will follow the historic Potomac into Washington, where they hope to greet the President, visit Congress, and Mount Vernon, and the other places of interest at the Capital. One of the boys has been delegated to keep an accurate log of the entire trip.

The boys themselves have earned and saved all the money necessary to take this trip. For seven months, they have sold "hot dogs," cocoa and pie on Saturday afternoons at the "Y." During this same time, they have religiously refrained from spending any money for movies or candy. They expect to make the trip for \$200.

WASHINGTON PICTURE FUND GROWING FAST

Dollar Day Great Aid; All Sorts of Contributors; One Is Ex-Convict

The clerks in the executive offices of the Art Institute were swamped with letters Wednesday morning, when the "Dollar Day" mail began to arrive. The first mail brought stacks of envelopes tied in packages at the post office to permit of easy handling. A force of clerks was immediately set to work opening the envelopes and piling the dollar bills to one side.

The fund for the purchase of the Washington portrait, painted by Gilbert Stuart, is growing rapidly under the impetus given by the patriotic workers of the city, who on Tuesday literally turned out by the hundreds to work for the fund. The dollar bills came in long envelopes lying within the folded certificates given out for this purpose. Seldom is any comment made, merely the name of the sender being given.

All nationalities are represented, French, Russian, Italian, German, Hungarian, Austrian, Greek, Swedish, Norwegian, Spanish, Japanese and Chinese contributors being noted. Some write their appreciation of the opportunity given to help buy the famous painting.

A man of middle age handed a dollar to an Art Institute attendant and asked that it be added to the fund. The attendant asked his name that he might receive proper credit. "No," he answered, "I don't want my name published. I am an ex-convict." This little act of a man who is trying to struggle to his feet from the down-and-out class, is a most commendable one and indicates that the beneficial influence of the Washington campaign is spreading into many unexpected channels.

You can never have a greater or a less dominion than that over yourself.—Leonardo da Vinci.

Ideals are like stars: you will not succeed in touching them with your hands, but like the seafaring man on the desert of waters, you choose them as your guides and, following them, you reach your destiny.—Carl Schurz.

I love the man that can smile in trouble, that can gather strength from distress and grow brave by reflection. It is the business of little minds to

WANTS DRAFT BOARD OFFICIALS HONORED

RATHBONE URGES MEASURE

Suggests That Men Who Aided in War Preparation Should Be Rewarded by Citation As Others

Men who spent long sleepless hours during the war on local and district draft boards and adjutants general of the various states who prepared National Guard divisions for military service would finally have their services recognized by the Federal government under a bill introduced here today by Representative at Large Henry R. Rathbone of Illinois, which provides that all former draft board members, all state adjutants general and all disbursing officers who were entrusted with U. S. property shall be placed on the U. S. Army records for World War.

"Out of Luck"
Shortly after the war it was discovered that all the officials included in Rathbone's bill were "out of luck" as far as receiving any credit for federal service, was concerned. Despite only by the state in which they served, the months of hard work they had put in, their services were recognizable. Several well know Illinois officers were deprived of credit by this ruling, including former Adjutant General Frank S. Dickson and Col. Richings J. Shand of Springfield; Col. S. O. Tripp of Peoria, and several others. These men had directed the work of preparing the 33rd Division to take the field in France and later supervised the administration of the draft law in Illinois under the direction of General Enoch Crowder. Congressman Rathbone's bill would put them on the same status as regular army officers who served in this country during the war.

Who Are Benefited
Members of local and district draft boards, medical and legal advisory boards and Government appeals agents would not be listed as World War officers, but would receive suitable testimonials of appreciation from the federal government.

The Rathbone bill also extends for six months the time for considering recommendations for citations and awards to officers and enlisted men of the National Guard who rendered conspicuous services in this country or abroad. The army board which passed judgment on these recommendations closed its finding for awards on April 7, 1923, depriving many ex-National Guardsmen of the honors to which they are entitled.

MUSICAL FESTIVAL PROGRAM EXCELLENT

Many Noted Artists to Participate; To Be Held May 26 to 31, Evanston

The sixteenth festival of the Chicago North Shore Festival Association to be held May 26 to 31, will open with a performance of Mendelssohn's great choral work "Elijah" with an enlarged chorus of 1,000 singers and a quartet of unsurpassed singers, namely: Monica Graham-Stults, Merle Alcock, Richard Crooks and in the title role Louis Graveure, the well-known concert singer.

The second night a "Jenny Lind Concert" will be given by the dazzling coloratura artist Frieda Hempel.

At the third concert will appear as conductor and composer the great Dr. Georg Schumann, who has been brought from Europe especially for this occasion by the Festival Association. The popular Tito Schipa will be the soloist of this evening.

Mme. Ernestine Schuman-Heink will be the soloist at the fourth concert and the announcement of her name means a memorable evening to all present.

At the Young People's Matinee Saturday afternoon, the opera "Hansel and Gretel" will be sung by the 1,500 children and a quintet of soloists in costume.

The final concert will be a program of excerpts from Wagnerian operas by the chorus and notable singers, namely: Florence Easton, Kathryn Meisle, Paul Althouse, Clarence Whitehill and Henri Scott. This will be a fitting climax to what is expected to be the greatest week in the history of these Festivals.

The \$1,000 Prize Competition will be held again and the five works selected by the judges will be played. Eighty-three compositions were submitted this year, which is the largest number received for any contest.

In a Sunday school class in a western town the young woman in charge asked: "And how did Noah spend his time in the ark?"

"Fishin'," was the answer of a boy pupil.

"A very reasonable suggestion," said the teacher.

"But," he continued, "he couldn't have caught much."

"What makes you think that?"

"Because he had only two worms."

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