

### Revitalize U of I Alumni Group for Greater Service

To establish and carry on a board program of coordination of alumni and University of Illinois interests, the Alumni Association of that institution, representing 130,000 graduates and former students, today announced an Illini Plan of Coordination. The program, which will revitalize the entire alumni-university relationship, includes the following features:

1. Encourage superior high school students to enter the university. "Illinois Alumni must do a better job of standing up for their Alma Mater," says the announcement, "and work closely with the various colleges, schools and departments on the campus, including the athletic department."
2. Establish more valuable scholarships based on competition or merit. "Illinois has often lost out in getting brilliant students because some other institutions have more valuable scholarships to offer," the announcement reads. "More Illinois Illini clubs and more individual alumni will be urged to establish scholarships."
3. Promote a sound program for a new Illini Union building on the campus. "Considerable preliminary work," it was explained, "has already been done by the University of Illinois Foundation and the Alumni association."
4. Set up new Illini clubs, or other alumni groups, in every Illini community, both in and out of the state. "Hundreds of communities in which live thousands of Illini have no organized groups."
5. Give better cooperation to existing Illini clubs by furnishing speakers from various university departments and otherwise help them maintain a vigorous membership.
6. Work with the University of Illinois Foundation in obtaining gifts and endowments large or small, for the university. Attention was directed to the fact that one man recently gave to another institution a \$90,000 gift at an actual cost to him of only \$23,400 because the government would have otherwise taken 74 per cent in taxes. "Many will give the matter of donations extra careful thought when these facts are explained to them."
7. Promote better student housing facilities at the university. The Alumni association will promote the idea of making it possible for more students from families with modest incomes to secure living accommodations within their means.
8. Establish a central alumni employment bureau on the campus which will handle routine calls for employees as well as cultivate employers to develop greater opportunities for Illinois alumni.
9. These plans apply also to the colleges of Medicine, Dentistry, and Pharmacy in Chicago, which have some problems peculiarly their own. An endorsement of the plan and an explanation of what the alumni can legitimately do for the

Athletic department came from Acting Director of Athletics, Wendell S. Wilson. After quoting the Conference rules to show what should not be done, Mr. Wilson explained what the alumni could do without "in any sense or in the slightest degree abandoning the principles by which the athletic program at Illinois has always been guided. We are convinced," he said, "that it is possible to attract desirable athletic material without violating any Conference regulations."

Mr. Wilson's plans were described as "being in accord with the Conference regulations," by Prof. F. E. Richart, the university's faculty representative on the Big Ten Board. "The proposal is an honest and sincere one," he said. "It is not a 'front' behind which under-cover recruiting or subsidizing of athletics is to be conducted."

Prof. F. A. Russell, president of the board of directors of the Athletic association, said that the association was "glad to observe any proper movement among the alumni designed to bring to our coaches a finer type of athlete. If we can keep this movement open and sane, it should prove a fine thing for Illinois," he said.

Director Wilson's plan centers around a committee of five to be organized in each Illini club or group. Each committee would then:

Discuss with those local high school students (of character, scholarship and athletic ability) the best training for the types of work into which they would like to go, and tell them what the University of Illinois has to offer in their chosen field;

Convince them that they should choose a university for its educational opportunities rather than for the "proposition" which may be offered;

Have them visit the campus and talk with faculty members in whose fields their university work will be taken;

Check over their high school credits to make sure that they can enter Illinois;

Explain costs of attending the University of Illinois; Promote banquets and other functions which will enable students, coaches and citizens to become acquainted with the coaching staff of the university;

Counteract such rumors as "Illinois does not want big men on its football team," "the pros like to flunk the athletes," "it costs more to go to Illinois," etc., not one of which is true; and "Make absolutely certain that whatever is done in the way of encouraging good athletes to enroll at the University of Illinois is entirely legitimate, within the letter and spirit of the rules of the Conference."

If bacon fat is rubbed over skin of potatoes before they are put into oven to bake, skins will not break and crumble and will have a delicious flavor.

### Plan for Hospital Care to Include Neighborhood Group

Workers in stores and offices outside the loop will be able to participate in Plan for Hospital Care through a system announced today by Perry Addleman, executive director.

In other cities in the United States where similar hospital plans are in operation, such workers have been denied the benefits of the program. Chicago is the first to open the low-cost, group hospitalization plan to them.

The plan provides twenty-one days of hospital care to gainfully employed persons for \$9.60 a year and half coverage to all of their dependents for \$8.40 a year. Where there is only one dependent, the charge is only \$4.20.

Rules for participation of workers in small offices and small stores throughout the city were announced as follows by Mr. Addleman:

1. Any store or office of less than ten persons may join with other stores or office of less than ten persons to form a group of ten or more applicants to plan for hospital care.

2. Stores must join with stores, and offices with offices.

3. Offices must be located in the same building.

4. Stores must be located in the same city block.

5. The personnel of each store or office in such group must participate 100 per cent, including the employer or manager.

6. Thus it would be possible for three stores or three offices numbering two, five and three persons, respectively, to make a group if all the people in each of those units subscribed.

7. Method of payment in such groups must be uniform. That is, payment should be through a remitting agent. (No pay roll deduction will be possible under this plan.) Periods of payment must be the same for all members of the group, that is, all must pay quarterly, semi-annually or annually, according to the agreement made among themselves.

8. Stores or offices wishing to participate under this arrangement must make application annually together. Information about the plan will be supplied on request, but application cards will be submitted only when the applicants are able to state that a proper group is ready to participate.

"Inclusion of workers in small stores and offices under this plan is consistent with the policy established in Chicago of making plan for Hospital care available to persons in all kinds of organizations," explained Mr. Addleman. "Whenever we can feel reasonably sure of getting average, normal groups, we want to make the benefits of the plan available."

According to Mr. Addleman, plans in other cities have hesitated to make provision for workers in small stores and offices for many reasons, but this policy has been shown to be unsubstantial in the light of actuarial data compiled. The Chicago Plan believes it has overcome these objections under its newly announced system.

"It is unreasonable, in my opinion," Mr. Addleman said, "to bar from this plan any large number of persons in normal groupings. As time goes on we will discover other methods for bringing in groups of persons who today cannot subscribe. As our experience grows, we will learn how to make the plan practically universal in scope, and eventually, I hope, there will be no one who cannot participate."

### Scribner's Magazine Celebrates 50th Year

Scribner's Magazine, which will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary with the forthcoming January issue, anticipated that event a few days with the forthcoming January issue, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel at which many of its noted contributors broadcast.

Those who spoke included James Truslow Adams historian; General Hugh S. Johnson, Dr. Robert A. Millikan, scientist; Hendrick William Van Loon and Zona Gale.

Referring to the "great changes" in the half century of the magazine's life, Mr. Adams said that "we are making history in these days faster than ever before."

"We have, for example, in these past few weeks been reading about and listening in to the most momentous events unrolling in the British Empire," he said. "We think perhaps of the story of Edward abandoning his throne for love as news rather than as history but it is just as much history as any events of the past. It is history in the making."

### Warden Lawes Pleads for Scout Leaders

Warden Lewis E. Lawes of Sing Sing prison, speaking at a Scout Leaders conference in New York made a plea for the enlistment of additional leaders and organization of more Boy Scout troops. The Boy Scout organization is valuable, he said, because it gives boys something to do in which they do take a real interest. No boy ought to be given up as hopeless, he said, until he had failed in something in which he had a real interest.

"I am asking for an increase in your man power and facilities," Warden Lawes said. "I was ripping mad when I learned at dinner tonight that there were some 400 boys here who wanted to be scouts and could not for the lack of facilities and man power. If I do nothing else but impress upon you men the importance of training the boys correctly, now, I shall be happy."

Walter Lueder, 51 years old, died Friday at his home in Chicago. Funeral services were held Monday in Chicago. Mr. Lueder was a son of Dr. John Lueder, a former pastor of St. Paul's church, Deerfield. He is survived by his widow, Elsie; a son, Carl and two daughters, Verna and Mrs. Dorothy Franz. There are also three brothers Arthur C. Lueder (former Postmaster of Chicago) and John T. and George Lueder.

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### West Ridge Parents Give Christmas Play

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The play selected was "The Christmas Brownie" and provided loads of wholesome fun for the audience, old as well as young, and the following people under the able direction of Mrs. David Lasier, gave all present an evening of keen enjoyment: Mrs. Will Krumbach, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gould, Mrs. Wally Hatcher, Harrison McKillip Bill Reed, Mr. William Mann, Mr. G. Finch, Mr. B. Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Miller, Mrs. Henry Chapman, Mrs. M. Wallach, Mr. C. E. Thorney, and C. E. Thorney Jr. Mr. D. Lasier and Mr. C. C. Hatcher Jr. assisted as stage managers. The evening ended with a beautiful

Christmas tree with gifts for all the children from Santa, and everybody voted the members of the West Ridge Community Club royal entertainers and hosts.

### Talent Wanted for Barn Dance Program

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