

**SUPPLEMENT TO  
THE LACLEDE BLADE**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1911**

**Last Call for the Short Course**

On Jan. 3, 1912, the second term of the two year winter course in agriculture at the University of Missouri will commence. This is the big term of the year. All the best things that the winter course has to offer will be given in this term of seven weeks. The great college show herd will have completed its successful season at the leading stock shows and will be put to regular service in the class room. Students who enter on Jan. 3 will have an opportunity to handle and judge these fine cattle.

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Two hundred men are now pursuing the studies of the short course. The college of agriculture will be able to successfully care for twice that number during the second term. Every hustling young man of Missouri should esteem it a privilege to be able to join the crowd who will become students in the short course at the Missouri Agricultural college Jan. 3, 1911.

For information write to the College of Agriculture, Columbia, Mo.

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