

NEW COURSES THIS SUMMER

Work Will Be Offered Both in Journalism and Engineering.

Courses will be given in the School of Journalism and the School of Engineering at the summer session of the University. This is the first time work has been offered in journalism at the summer session and work in engineering has not been given for several years. The University Elementary School will be in session three weeks, also for the first time.

Prof. Frank L. Martin will teach the courses in journalism. News-gathering, reporting and copy reading will be offered. M. P. Weinbach and A. H. Welch will give the courses in engineering. Work in surveying and mechanical drawing will be given in the School of Civil Engineering. Courses will be offered in electrical work and mechanics.

Herman H. Mecker, Miss Katharine Helm and Miss Margaret Sinclair will teach in the Elementary School.

Several additional courses will be offered in other departments.

Dean W. W. Charters, director of the summer session, says that many letters of inquiry about the summer school are coming in now although it is more than four months until summer school begins. The morning mail Friday contained eight letters asking about the courses. Doctor Charters expects the enrollment next summer to reach the thousand mark. In the summer session of 1911 there were 486 students and in 1912 the number had increased to 721.

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"COUNTRY JOURNALISM BEST"

H. F. Childers Says Small Town Offers Greatest Opportunity.

"The country newspaper offers the greatest opportunity in America today," H. F. Childers, editor of the Columbia Herald and the Troy Free Press, told the students in the School of Journalism in a talk today. The subject of his address was "The Country Newspaper." He urged the students not to become cogs in the great machines that grind out the metropolitan dailies but to go to the country where they could become great forces for good.

Mr. Childers has been editor and owner of the Troy Free Press for thirty years. As an orphan boy he started the newspaper. He says that he is going to write his own obituary so that he may tell the people of Troy how he appreciates their goodness to him.

"With small capital a young man may start a country newspaper, make money and at the same time be a great force for good in the community," said Mr. Childers. "I began my newspaper on a capital of \$78. The teacher and the preacher have a small group of hearers, but the country editor has a whole community to speak to each week."

"No one knows the names of the men that head the departments of metropolitan newspapers, let alone the ordinary writers. One is lost in the city newspaper environment. My advice is to go to the country, make a big circle of friends, and be a leader in the community."

M. U. MAN LEARNED ABOUT THUMBPRINTS

R. W. McClaughry Studied Criminal Identification Under His Father, a Warden.

AN AID TO OFFICERS

Has Three Relatives in Work of Detection of Escaped Prisoners.

Robert W. McClaughry, a student in the School of Engineering of the University of Missouri, should be an expert criminologist if ancestry counts. Mr. McClaughry's father, C. C. McClaughry, is warden of the Iowa State Reformatory at Anamosa. His grandfather is warden of the Kansas State Penitentiary at Leavenworth. An uncle, M. W. McClaughry, is in charge of the Government Bureau of Identification at Leavenworth and is an expert in the use of the finger print system which is used there in taking care of the criminals and insane.

Mr. McClaughry, the student here, understands the use of the finger print system himself. He studied it under his father at Anamosa last summer. It is a simple matter to take the finger prints of a subject, Mr. McClaughry says, and any one can learn that part of it in half an hour. The outfit for taking prints is simple. It consists of a marble slab about a foot square and an ordinary printer's roller. In taking the print a small quantity of ordinary printer's ink is placed on the roller and this is drawn several times across the marble slab until the ink is well distributed. The tip of the finger is then touched to the slab and rolled slightly to each side. The print of the finger is then produced on a sheet of white paper in the same manner slightly rolling the finger in each direction in order to get the full pattern. From this print any number of reproductions may be made by the use of the camera.

The System is Accurate.

Mr. McClaughry's father advocates the establishment of a central identification bureau at each state capital to which the authorities of the various counties and the officials of institutions should be compelled to send the finger print records of all convicted criminals, insane, idiots and feeble-minded persons.

The first step in this direction was taken several years ago by the government in establishing the Central Identification Bureau at Leavenworth, of which M. W. McClaughry is in charge. Here are kept the finger print record of all the criminals in the state penitentiary and of many other states, including those in the Missouri penitentiary. A pattern is made of the fingers and thumb on both hands of the criminal, peculiarities are noted down and

the prints are classified and filed away. So perfect is the classification system that although there are about 50,000 different prints on record there, Mr. McClaughry is able to take a print sent in for identification and in five minutes can tell whether or not the print is on file there.

The finger print system is much more accurate than the Bertillon method, the system of measurement which has been in use so long. The chances for two persons to have exactly the same print is one in about one hundred and forty million. Finger prints are of four general patterns—the whorl, arch, loop and tented arch. They also vary in the number of lines. The strong feature in favor of the system is the fact that the pattern or number of lines in the finger print do not change from infancy until death and cases have been known where prints have been taken of a subject some time after death.

History of the System.

In taking the print of the more desperate type of criminal it is often necessary to put the subject under the influence of an anesthetic before a satisfactory set of prints can be obtained.

It is possible, Mr. McClaughry says, to identify a burglar from finger prints left on a window glass. He told of one case where two men guilty of robbing the mails, were identified and convicted by means of their finger prints left on the envelopes.

The finger print system was first developed by Sir E. A. Henry, a British officer in India, where the finger print was used by the natives in affixing their signatures to legal papers. Later it was introduced into England as a means of identification for criminals by the detectives in Scotland Yard.

Mr. McClaughry's uncle, M. W. McClaughry, was at one time in charge of the rogue's gallery in Chicago. Later he went to France where he studied the Bertillon system under Bertillon himself. He used this system entirely until 1904 when he went to Scotland Yard as a special agent in charge of the Government Bureau of Identification to study the finger print system and it was he who first introduced the system into this country.

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M. U. MEN IN FACULTY CHANGE

Three Graduates and Former Instructor Here Resign at Minnesota U.

The 187 members of the medical faculty of the University of Minnesota, including three graduates of the University of Missouri and one former instructor here, have resigned. A reorganization of the staff of the medical school there is to be made and the number of instructors reduced to 125.

The former Missouri men are: H. T. Bell, B. S., '01; M. D., '03, later assistant professor of anatomy at Minnesota; his brother, Leo Bell, who was graduated last year, assistant in anatomy, and W. E. Camp of the same class, assistant in anatomy. Richard E. Scammon, a graduate of Harvard, who taught in the medical summer course here the year before last was also on the Minnesota faculty.

Dean C. M. Jackson said yesterday he had recently been talking with

Dean F. F. Westbrook of the Minnesota school, in regard to the men on the faculty there, and had had a favorable report of work. As few changes will be made in the laboratory staff none of the former Missouri men may be re-employed. The general plan in the reorganization of the faculty of a medical school is to have the teaching corps and those whose services are then are re-employed.

Virtues Poultrymen Should

"A good poultryman is industrious, not easily discouraged, filled with pluck, grit and full of ambition," the Maryville Tribune. It says he has heard this formula before, but he almost knew it by heart in days gone by. It has done more to produce a good poultry raiser than resulted in George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, John D. Rockefeller, et al.

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Seeing M. U. with a Kansas Graduate

An extract from a story in yesterday's Kansas City Star

The basketball game being over, there ensued a mad rush for the "Missouri Store." The Missouri Store is one of those college town necessities, a soft drink emporium. We slipped under the railing, down the side stairs and crossed lots as if the devil were after us. The "stud" explained that if we didn't hurry the place would be filled with the fellows who had girls. I remembered then that co-eds are always hungry at any hour of the day or night, and that you never walk down town with one without stopping to buy her something to eat or drink. Columbia is not so vastly different from Lawrence, after all.

(This story fills an entire page, more than half of which is taken up with excellent cartoons and drawings, one of the College Room at

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