

GOVERNMENT TO USE BOYS ON THE FARMS

Plan Will Be Carried Out
Next Summer by Depart-
ment of Labor.

BETWEEN 16 AND 20
Illinois Schools Will Give
Young Men Instruction
Next Semester.

The Government plans to utilize boys between the ages of 16 and 20 years next summer in industry, especially in farming," said Prof. E. Filbey of the University of Chicago, who attended the conference of specialists in the training of teachers of industrial training and manual arts here last week.

The plan will be carried out by the Department of Labor through the state councils of defense, each of which has a chairman in charge of boys' work. A national conference of these chairmen was held in Chicago last week at which the national organizer, William Hall of the Department of Labor, explained the work.

Mr. Filbey said that in Illinois intensive training courses will be given to the boys next semester in how to harness horses, care for stock and use farm machinery. The stock-yards and the International Harvester Company will give the boys practical instruction. A textbook is being prepared by the College of Agriculture of the University of Illinois to be used in the courses.

Made Experiment Last Summer.

Last spring, Mr. Filbey took twenty-three boys into the country and after carefully choosing their farmers, who agreed to train the boys in all the phases of farming, he placed them on the farms. The boys were paid according to what they were worth. Some of them earned \$30 a month while others barely earned their board. But at the end of the summer they knew more about farming than the most of the boys who were reared on the farms. Two of the boys have entered Colleges of Agriculture and three of their fathers have bought farms as a result of the experience last summer. Mr. Filbey expects to take fifty boys into the country this spring.

Federal Aid Explained.

How federal aid for the preparation of teachers of trade and industrial subjects is given to the states under the Smith-Hughes Act was explained in detail by R. J. Leonard, district agent of the Federal Board for Vocational Education, at the conference.

"The Smith-Hughes Act has no stated policies," he said, "but each state submits its plan, and if it is approved and the state board retains control of the institution in which the teaching is done, federal aid will be given."

"The teachers' training fund is maturing. After 1921 it will amount to \$1,000,000. The amount which a state may receive is apportioned automatically. If a state does not make provision for vocational training before 1921, it will not be able to get federal aid thereafter."

Mr. Leonard's discussion dealt with the legal aspects of the act, the kinds

of industrial and trade schools and the methods which states have used in training their teachers.

Modern methods of teaching in junior high schools were discussed at last night's meeting. Prof. Fred Buxton of the Stout Institute, Menominee, Wis., led in the discussion. He presented a plan of a proposed course of study for such institutions. Professor Buxton proposed that the curriculum of a junior high school contain a nine weeks' course in each of twenty-four lines of profession, craft and tradesmanship, including all lines of work from stenography and book-keeping to printing, wood turning and bricklaying. He bases his argument for such a course on the theory that it is more advantageous for the student to be able to select a vocation after having had a chance to become at least slightly acquainted with the various trades and other professions.

Price of Sugar Advanced.

The National Food Administration has authorized Administrator Mumford to announce that the beet sugar companies of this country and the sugar refineries of the Pacific Coast advanced the price on sugar from \$7.25 to \$7.35 last Wednesday. There will be several readjustments in prices in both the East and West between now and January 1. The food administration hopes that the whole country will be on a basis of \$7.50 a hundred, less 12 per cent, by that time.

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