1938 SOUTHERN SUMMER SCHOOL

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Asheville Normal in the summer of 1938, because they believe that this school offers a splendid environment for serious study as well as for enjoyment of the cool nights and mountain air which bring so many people to Asheville for their summer vacations.

We are happy also to be able to announce the location early enough in the year to enable all friends of the school to give wide publicity to the location and dates and to enable workers who wish to apply, to make their plans early enough in the year to make it possible for them to leave their jobs or their search for jobs, during the six weeks beginning the 21st of July.

On the staff of the school will be Lois MacDonald, professor of economics at New York University, Marie Elliott, superintendent of the W.P.A. project in Workers’ Education in Philadelphia, Dorothy Gardner, graduate student at Columbia University, Mildred Price, who taught English at the School last year and others who will be announced later. Miss MacDonald and Miss Elliott will teach economics and Miss Gardner will hold special classes in English. All three have been at the School in previous years and are known to many workers.

GREETINGS

The winter office of the Southern Summer School is publishing a bulletin which, it is planned, will serve a double purpose.

First of all, we hope to keep together the former students of the school by this means; to send the bulletin to every girl who has been with us, so that she may know what the school is undertaking and what its members are accomplishing. The bulletin will serve as an organ of expression and exchange. We want our students to write in about any interesting experiences that they are having, to tell us how the school has been of help to them, to give us suggestions and comments for the future. We want to keep in touch with them and to have them keep in touch with us.

In the second place, we plan to publish in each issue a simple outline of some subject of general interest, some subject which affects the whole country and all workers today. It is our belief that these outlines may be useful as a basis for discussions at union meetings. Perhaps education committees or study groups who gather together will find that our summaries stimulate further talk and ideas along these lines. We shall discuss wages and hours laws, the war and peace situation, the problems of relief, W.P.A. activities, and similar topics.

Be sure to write and tell us what you think of the bulletin!

Lenore G. Marshall, Editor

Will Try Co-education

The LABOR movement made up only of men or only of women would be a very lop-sided affair. So a resident school for workers which aims to offer a well balanced preparation for activity in the labor movement is bound to include both men and women among students, and teachers as well.

From a number of sources has come the suggestion that the School be made co-educational. For example, one student wrote, "I would like to see both men and women at Summer School, not only because men workers need the experience but also because men and women should learn the value of working together on issues involved in organization."

So the Executive Board has dreamed of making the Southern Summer School co-educational for a number of years and we have only been waiting to allow the dream to come true, until a site for the summer session could be found which would provide enough space and equipment for a larger number of students.

In 1938 the campus and buildings at the Asheville Normal and Teachers College will offer plenty of space. We already have some men applicants for the ten-day institutes for workers from particular industries which will include both men and women. If a sufficiently large number of men apply for admission, the regular six weeks' course will also be open to men as well as to women.

This, we believe, will mean not only a bigger and better summer school but better and more realistic love scenes — in plays!