

PLANS FOR FARM WORK SUMMER SCHOOL

(Prepared by the Committee on Employment)

A Brooklyn College unit of 200 is wanted for service on the food production front during 1943 at Morrisville, New York (about 200 miles away; free transportation will be provided.) ENLISTMENT WILL BE FOR THREE MONTHS, FROM ABOUT JUNE 15 to SEPTEMBER 15. *

The facilities of one of the State agricultural and technical schools has been offered for our use as headquarters, dormitories, food facilities, classrooms, and many other equipment features. A Faculty committee has visited and inspected all these and reports them to be excellent.

From that campus as headquarters, our student workers will go forth to work in the pea and bean fields as harvesters, being paid at prevailing rates, with a guarantee that they will be able to earn at least their room and board as a minimum, and with a good chance of being able to earn considerably more than this minimum in most weeks.

According to the Brooklyn College plan, on this campus and in the neighboring territory, there would be conducted a unique sort of summer school for the benefit of our working students so that they could contribute useful war service but not lose all chance to gain regular college credit. Classes in several types of subjects are scheduled for offering:

- (a) regular college courses, especially freshman and sophomore ones.
- (b) courses specially devised to correlate the work and living experience of the country surroundings.
- (c) war service courses.

The range of courses will necessarily be restricted, but you are asked to set down on a preliminary registration card (like sample) your first, second, and third choices. It will not be possible to give courses which require special equipment of extensive sort.

With your choices in mind, and with the staff available, the specific courses will be determined, and a definite registration period will be set. Other details regarding registration, medical examinations, etc., will then be announced. Classes will be conducted evenings, weekends, and rainy days. Every worker will be required to carry one course of three or four points with possible extra credit for physical education.

For additional information, see newspaper articles which have been posted and watch the bulletin boards for further announcements.

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* Last summer Brooklyn College students showed that they could "produce" in a variety of food production tasks in northern Dutchess County. They "saved the strawberry crop" in that region and harvested many bushels of cherries, beans, lettuce, apples and other produce. Because of this work during 1942, and because of the plans drawn up by a Faculty committee for similar service during 1943, the College has been given an unusual opportunity to enlist a picked group for harvest in the central New York region.