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Agenda and Inquiries:

March 15, 1943.

- 1) Dealing with Communist preffer of help; etc.
- 2) At present, the project is being planned by the Employment and Associates. In the near future, (March 26) a committee will be called upon to explore possibilities of Morrisville site, negotiate agreement with State authorities, and with farmers' committee, regarding enlistment of workers, staffing, use of dorms, etc., wages, duration and steadiness of employment, et al.

Should there be definite preliminary official action to vest us with authority for such negotiation, etc.?

- 3) In planning recruiting program and campaign, we propose to work through Placement Office, with assistance of faculty members from Planning Associates. Important at first to set pattern of motivation, and selection, but official routine will come in later in the way of registration, applications for credits, general regularization of work-study groups.

- 4) Determination and Organization of a summer Curriculum: Three groups of courses;=

- A) Standard, required, mostly freshmen and sophomores.
- B) Correlation: Farm Biology; Rural Sociology, and Field Physiography; the latter two projected, and probably acceptable when presented. Important because they will allow vertical class groupings, freshman through seniors.
- C) War Service: Special courses useful in special vocational way for service. Important in curriculum, as aiding acceleration of men.

What will be necessary to put such a curriculum of offerings into official operation? Registrar? Summer Session Director? Special designee for Farm Program?

- 5) Staff Enlistment (and enlightenment) Program: Under consideration is the following:

Distribution to entire staff of several items which have been produced in past 6 mo.
?? Report of 1942 Experiment

- Special stories on farm conditions, such as those prepared last fall.
- Brief and Resolutions presented to Curriculum Committee, in re blanket points.
- Tribune and Sun letters during February.
- Carrying letter, outlining what has been done, and something of objectives.

There would be both a short-term aim in such a distribution; that of general information, and stimulation of staff volunteering from which selection could be made; and a long-term objective; On the assumption that blanket point credit is too experimental at this time, in a year or two it might have become enough of an 'old story' to gain general support. Most of our committee would like to see it allowed this year, two points if not four, but I believe the committee will also think best to go ahead with using time or energy for this controversial point by itself. In the long term view, its need should be made for it, and cumulative arguments for it should develop gradually.