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# **The N. E. A. Teacher's Program**

FOR THE SUMMER MAY WELL INCLUDE A FEW  
WEEKS AT THE SUMMER SCHOOL OF THE NEW

## **Missouri Teachers College**

COLUMBIA, MISSOURI

**A Department of the University of Missouri**

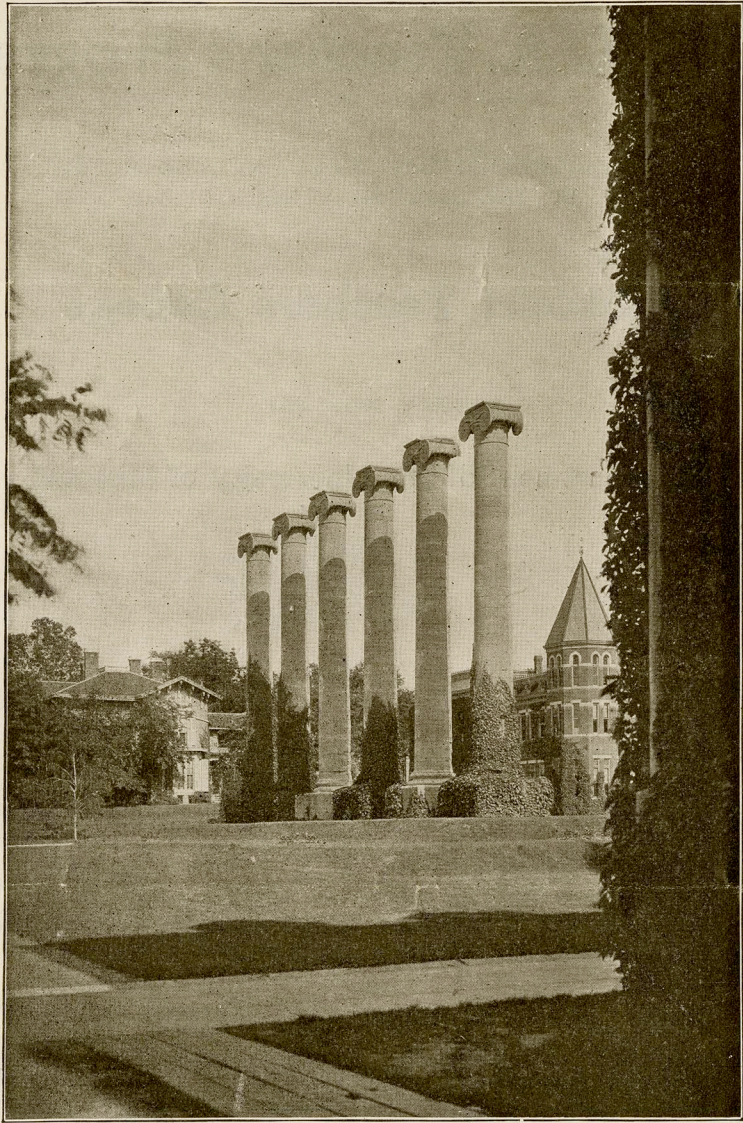
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Because:

1. It is convenient to the World's Fair City.
2. It is far enough north to make a pleasant change for Southern teachers and not too far south for Northern ones.
3. It is located in the most picturesque part of Missouri, just enough removed from the busy stir of the city.
4. It offers fifty-six courses by twenty-five instructors.
5. The tuition fee is five dollars.
6. Teachers may enter at any time.

Call at University of Missouri Exhibit, Educational Building for  
Bulletin giving full announcement.





A Glimpse Across the Campus  
UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

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## A Word About the Missouri Teachers College

Probably the most important event of the year 1904 in Missouri's educational development is the reorganization of the Department of Education of the University of Missouri into a Teachers College with a four years' course of study leading to the degree of Bachelor of Science (B. S.) in Education. The College also confers teachers' certificates authorizing the holders to teach for life or for two years within the State of Missouri, the length of time for which the certificate is awarded depending upon the amount of training which the student has received in academic and professional lines. These certificates indicate whether the holder is fitted to teach in the elementary schools or in the high schools, and, if in the latter, what subject or subjects in particular he is qualified to teach.

The distinctive work in the Teachers College is the study of the history of education, educational psychology, theory and practice of teaching, and school administration, combined with actual practice in teaching under the guidance and observation of the teaching of experts in all grades of school work. No one will be awarded a Life Certificate until he has made a careful study of educational problems and has demonstrated, by actual practice, his ability to teach; but a certificate good for two years may be awarded to persons of less professional training and experience upon the completion of certain minimum courses of study. By further study in the Teachers College, either in the regular or the summer session, and successful experience in teaching, the Life Certificate may in due time be secured.

These certificates are awarded not only to graduates of the Teachers College but to A. B. graduates of the University of Missouri and others of similar standing who have pursued in the Missouri Teachers College the courses of professional study and practice required of its graduates. In general the equivalent of about one year of professional training is required of graduates of colleges of the Missouri College Union. This requirement may be fulfilled, either in whole or in part, by attendance at the Summer Sessions when the work in educational theory and practice is strongly represented. Graduates of Colleges and Normal schools who desire to work for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education are given such advanced standing as their previous course of training entitles them to.

In order to carry out the purpose for which the Teachers College was organized, the Board of Curators of the University has established a Practice School, and employed three Professors of Education, each representing a special phase of the work. Dr. A. Ross Hill, for many years Professor of Philosophy in the University of Nebraska, was made Dean of the College early in the year. He brings to his new work a wide experience. His teaching career began in a country school and continued successively through high school, normal school and university. President Geo. E. MacLean of the University of Iowa characterizes him as the "best available man in America for dean of a teachers college."

Dr. Frank P. Graves, five years President of the University of Washington, and Dr. J. L. Meriam of the Columbia Teachers College were later called to the Faculty. Besides there has also been appointed a Faculty for the instruction of teachers in the best methods of teaching Agriculture, Botany, German, Mathematics, Manual Training, Music and other branches of school instruction. Thus the professional training offered is concrete and practical, and adapted to the needs of teachers in all grades.

Situated as it is in the midst of all the libraries and laboratories of the University of Missouri, the Missouri Teachers College is able to offer better facilities for the training of teachers than any such institution on a separate foundation could. All the resources of the College of Liberal Arts and of the College of Agriculture are at the service of its students. The instructors of the Teachers College arrange their courses with a view to the needs of teachers, and teachers' courses in other departments can be provided when there is a demand for them.

Such an arrangement is the modern ideal of a teachers college. Only a few years ago the Columbia Teachers College that has so vastly influenced educational thought was founded upon this plan. It was the first of its kind in America. The Missouri Teachers College is the second. It is not too much to expect that the influence of the latter will be the greatest of any institution for the training of teachers west of New York City where the Columbia College is located. Its establishment is the greatest event of this year and probably of this decade in Missouri's educational development.





Entrance to University of Missouri Campus from Northeast

The University of Missouri is the oldest State University in the Louisiana Purchase Territory. Value of property, \$2,500,000.



A Scene on the Campus  
UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI