Jobs to be provided for 125,000 students in college aid program.

Financial help for approximately 125,000 college and university students during the college year 1935-36 will be provided by the National Youth Administration, it was announced today by Aubrey W. Williams, Executive Director. This is a continuation and extension of the Federal aid program conducted by the Federal Emergency Relief Administration during the last half of the 1933-34 college year and the college year 1934-35.

Details of the program will be directed by Dr. Lewis Alderman, Director of Education, NYA, and C. F. Klinefelter, Assistant Director of Education, who had charge of this activity under FERA.

A letter has been sent to each State Youth Administration Director authorizing him to make work relief funds available for a part-time employment of college students from the beginning of the institution’s fall term after September 1, 1935, to the end of the spring term, in no case later than June 30, 1936.

All institutions of a collegiate or university character, provided they are organized and operated as non-profit institutions, are eligible to participate in the program. Each college president will be held responsible for the program in his institution. Students will be employed in socially-desirable work on and off the campus. Students will apply to the authorites of the various institutions, who will submit requests for allotment of funds to the State Director of the National Youth Administration.

Students must be selected from among those who, without Federal help, would be unable to attend or to continue in college. The quota for each college is fixed at 12 per cent of the enrollment of the institution as of October 15, 1934. A student will be permitted to earn as much as $20 a month, but each college will be allotted funds on the basis of $15 a month for each of 12 per cent of its enrollment of full-time, resident students.
A special allotment of funds by the National Youth Director shall be
made to each State on the application of the State Youth Director. The applica­
tion shall be accompanied by an affidavit signed by the president of each
institution qualified and desiring to take part in the fund, and each affida­
it shall carry the indorsement of the chief school officer of the State and
the State Youth Director, attesting that the institution meets the require­
ments of the program, the total enrollment as of October 15, 1934, and the
number of students who will be given aid under the program.

The selection of students will be based on (1) need; (2) character
and ability to do college work; (3) status of attendance. Only students carrying
at least three-fourths of a normal student program of courses will be
eligible to participate.

The hourly rate of pay is to be the same as that paid by the institu­
tion for similar work. Students shall not work more than 8 hours in any one day
or more than 30 hours in any one week.

In addition to funds for undergraduate work, additional funds may be
lotted to students doing graduate work, under certain rules and regulations
to be announced later.

The college student aid program was inaugurated by FERA in February,
1934, and 59,906 students received aid during that semester. There were 1,207
institutions participating in the program.

In the college year 1934-35 there were 104,673 students in 1,935
institutions who were beneficiaries of the program.