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### McNutt Defers All Medical, Dental, Veterinary and Engineering Students.

Washington, Dec. 18 (INS).—Draft boards throughout the country today were under order of Manpower Chief Paul V. McNutt to defer until the end of the present semester, March 1, 1943, all medical, dental, veterinary and engineering students who have completed at least one year of study.

The order was issued after the Army and Navy announced that qualified youths in the armed forces would be sent to college to continue their education.

The announcement said that resources of the nation's colleges and universities will be utilized to "maintain a steady flow of young men suitable for specialized educational technical training."

Under the plan, the Army and Navy will contract for the facilities

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of a selected number of colleges and universities "to maintain a steady flow of young men suitable for specialized educational technical training."

It was estimated that the number of men so detailed would number 250,000. They will attend the institutions in uniform and on military pay.

The educational program was a result of the recent amendment to the Selective Service and training act which reduced the draft age to 18 years and eliminated "the principal source of men college students."

Secretary of War Stimson said that the program will temporarily destroy liberal education in America, but he added that he did not think it would have a permanently bad effect.

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