Lucy Sprague Mitchell

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Lucy Sprague Mitchell (1878–1967)[1] was an American educator and the founder of Bank Street College of Education.[2]

A Radcliffe graduate, Mitchell was the first dean of women at the University of California at Berkeley, where she lectured in the English Department and promoted educational and career opportunities for women students from 1903–1912.[3] In 1916, influenced by the work of John Dewey, Mitchell founded the Bureau of Educational Experiments (BEE) in New York City to study and develop optimal learning environments for children.[4]

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A BEE newsletter written by Sprague Mitchell in 1934

A young Sprague Mitchell

Draft illustration for a BEE publication by Sprague Mitchell

Children playing on the roof of 69 Bank Street at BEE's nursery school

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1st President of Bank Street College of Education	
In office	1916–1955
Succeeded by	John H. Niemeyer
Personal details	
Born	Lucy Sprague 1878
Died	1967
Spouse(s)	Wesley Clair Mitchell
Residence	New York City
Alma mater	Radcliffe College
Profession	Educator, writer

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