Alumni Magazine

HOPE COLLEGE

DECEMBER 1948
GREETINGS:
The new Women's dormitory for Hope College will be built on the campus facing East 10th Street, between the President's house and the Science building. It is to be a residence hall for 100 women, and will contain all the latest facilities of modern dormitory design which will contribute to gracious living.

As The Netherlands is one of the birthplaces of modern architecture, Amsterdam, Rotterdam and Hilversum containing many of the outstanding examples of this new architecture - it seems very fitting and appropriate that Americans of contemporary architecture should clothe any new buildings in Holland, Michigan, U. S. A.

The architecture of the new girls' residence hall will therefore be of modern or contemporary design. A beautiful site lies ready for this building and it will stand amid a grove of trees, the east wing crossing a natural shallow ravine.

This will permit larger than ordinary windows in the basement of this wing, giving daylight to a very important room of the building which will be described later.

The building will rise here, a modern composition of ledge stone, limestone and red and orange brick. Flower boxes of ledge stone will frame the entrance steps which will lead one to the covered front entrance. At the left of this entrance one will see the large windows of the living room and reception room, above which will be the windows of the two floors of bedrooms. To the right rise the ladder-like windows of the main staircase.

Upon entering, one will find himself in a large hospitable lounge which merges without an obstructing archway into the cheerful living room. This living room has two walls almost entirely of glass, the wall to the left facing the street, and the opposite wall which faces south contains French doors leading out onto an open terrace with a southeasterly exposure. There will be no windows on the wall facing the science building. This wall is to contain the fireplace around which happy groups may gather on winter evenings.

The main foyer also leads to the dining room which will seat 175. This room is lighted by an almost continuous wall of glass and doors leading onto the same terrace. For receptions in the spring, summer and fall, the doors from the living and dining room can be thrown open, allowing the terrace to become a third living and social area.

There is a serving room where cafeteria service can be maintained at breakfast or Sunday evening suppers if so desired.

A modern kitchen and dishwashing room will be adjacent and on the west side of the building. At the southwest corner is the service entrance containing a serving elevator to the basement where deep freeze refrigerators and general food stores will be installed.

On the ground floor under the living room or east wing is the room previously mentioned in this article. It was placed there because the land forms a slight ravine and larger windows can be obtained here than in the usual basement. This ravine, larger than the living room above, will be used by special groups for dinners and conferences. A kitchenette adjoins it which will facilitate the serving of food. A fireplace contributes to the good cheer of this room where it is hoped many campus organizations will meet from time to time.

The upper floors contain the student bedrooms where modern wardrobes and built-in chests of drawers are featured. On each floor is to be a kitchenette where the girls may serve tea or very light refreshments to friends.
THE WOMEN'S DORMITORY

Plans for the new women's dormitory illustrated on these pages were approved by the college Board of Trustees early in November.

Conceived by the eminent architect Ralph R. Calder of Detroit, the plans combine aesthetic and functional qualities in appealing proportions.

The building will be erected between the president's home and the science building as indicated in the location map below. The structure will be approximately 131 feet wide and 108 feet deep.

Our cover illustration is an elevation drawing of the building as viewed from a vantage point in front of Van Vleck Hall. Open this page to the floor plans and elevation drawing of the building as it will appear from tenth street.

Construction of the dormitory is scheduled to commence early in 1949. Funds raised by the United Advance campaign of the Reformed Church in America will go a long way toward meeting construction costs, but the balance as well as operating costs will be financed as a self-liquidating project from rental income.

Alumni may well take abundant pride in this first post-war development in Hope's plant. Hope continues to enhance her prestige as one of the nation's truly great Christian colleges.
CHRISTMAS
Greetings from the halls of Alma Mater. This is the season which brings glad respite from the tensions of our day. At Christmas time light, love and peace abound and darkness, hatred and war lose their terror. 

"Light looked down and saw darkness;
Thither will I go said light.
Peace looked down and saw war;
Thither will I go said peace.
Love looked down and saw hate;
Thither will I go said love.
So light came down and shone,
Peace came down and brought rest,
Love came down and gave life;
The Life was the Light of men.
And the Light shineth in Darkness
But the darkness could not overcome it."  
*(Author unknown)*

GENEROUS IMPULSE BUT MODEST MEANS
At the 1947 Commencement Alumni Banquet the Centennial Fund was launched. Though the plan as outlined at that time did not develop in detail the fund has been a grand success from the outset. At the close of the first fiscal year on August 31, 1948 the total of cash and pledges amounted to $26,239.75. One striking feature of the Fund is that only a small percentage of alumni and former students have made contributions. This is both disturbing and reassuring—disturbing in the realization that the association has not yet been awakened to the possibilities that this program presents, and reassuring in the knowledge that when appreciable numbers do begin to give to this Fund even in small amounts the sums raised will be very sizeable. It should be comparatively easy in this second year of the Fund to double the achievement of the first year. The goal set is $50,000. Do not let the size of this objective frighten you.

Determine the amount you can send this year and forward it to the college treasurer without delay. If every reader of the Alumni magazine will send a contribution, however small, we will exceed our goal. This gift is deductible as a philanthropy in your Income Tax return. Stock certificates may be assigned to the college and credited as a contribution for the full cost price of the stock to you without regard to its present value. Non
cancellable Life Insurance policies with the college as beneficiary will be accepted in this Fund.

"Within the soul of each of us is the impulse to give. We would like to be able to give lavishly. Our ability seems to provide only a pitance. By joining forces with others of large impulse but modest means we can make the big gift we never hoped to make."

INFLUENCE
A stranger who has never attended Hope College and who in the course of his lifetime has wandered through Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon writes:

"No, I never attended Hope College, but I knew of several splendid young men who did. Some playmates of mine more than 50 years ago learned the college yell from their friends who had relatives attending Hope. Out on the farm we boys would yell it in unison."

The writer goes on to tell how he sometimes came to Holland via Zeeland and occasionally caught a glimpse of Hope College. Throughout the years by use of the radio and press he has kept in touch with former neighbors who never knew him but by whom he was impressed. Finally he says: "National Geographic gave Holland and the Dutch a nice write-up. Hollanders are progressive, industrious and substantial—Good Americans." His parting shot perhaps throws some light on what drew him to this community which in those days must have been quite foreign to him for he asks, "Are the girls as sweet as they were 50 years ago?"

A member of the class of 1948 now engaged in graduate study writes: "My sincere thanks must go to those of my home, my church and my college, "Hope," for the Christian training received. All of it puts me on a level with any of the students I meet here. My life is being enriched by these experiences. Of course, I miss dear old Hope and the wonderful friends made there, but because of them I am able to broaden out to a wider and richer life."

A group of boys on a farmhouse lawn in the 1890's shouting at the top of their treble voices:

H-O-P-E zip! rab! bang!
Lilikalani and a Li Hang Chang!
Boon Za, Tara, Kali-ali-ope!
Bow wow! Yum, yum, Rab, Rab, Hope!

and a graduate student musing on the secret and the meaning of broadening horizons are part of the same fabric. Life is made up of "little, remembered, far-off things of long ago." We weave together the seemingly insignificant only to find that memory has made of them a pattern of beauty and meaning.

President Kenneth I. Brown of Denison University has given us an apt description of what a college is in retrospect:

"This bit of homely wisdom from a beloved professor; this memory of the day when some important truth came clear; this quotable aphorism from a campus lecturer; this act of unexpected and undeserved kindness; this recollection of sweet music; these the mind retains."

We are all participants in the continuous building of Hope College in the lives of people within and without college halls. We are at both ends of the stream of influence; the acted upon and the actor; the giver and the recipient. It is well to pause and take stock of "what Hope means to me." Why not write in and tell us about it?

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On the Campus

COMMENCEMENT 1948

Dr. Edward D. Dimnent, '96, who served as president of Hope college from 1918 to 1931 and directed the campaign for the erection of the Memorial chapel, was honored at the Hope college commencement exercises in June when Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers, college president, named him President Emeritus of the college.

The announcement came as a surprise at the close of the exercise, the decision to confer the honor having been made at a meeting of the board of trustees the day before commencement. Two other Hope presidents were emeritus, Dr. G. J. Kollen from 1911 to 1915 and Dr. Arie Vennema from 1918 to 1925. Dr. Dimnent retired in June 1946 after 49 years on the Hope college faculty.

Commencement exercises also included the awarding of honorary degrees to Mrs. George E. Kollen of Holland, who received a Doctor of Literature degree, and Rev. James E. Hoffman, '17, of New York City, stated Clerk of General Synod, Reformed Church in America, who was given a Doctor of Divinity degree.

Dr. John E. Kuizenga, '99, addressed the 141 graduates on the subject "Today and Tomorrow."

Senior awards were made by Dean John W. Hollenbach. The Daniel Steketee Sr., Bible award of $15.00 went to H. Alan Dykstra of Holland, with Glenn Bruggers, St. Anne, Illinois, receiving $10.00 for second place. The Pietenpol Bible award of $25.00 was presented to student Donald P. Buteyn, Waupun, Wisconsin.

John W. Ligtvoet of Holland was given the A. T. Godfrey Chemistry award and the Board of Education Christian Education Essay award of $25.00 went to Renze Hoekema of Grandville. Donald Mulder of Ann Arbor was presented the Dr. Otto Vander Velde all-campus award, a gold key, and Miss Helen Wagner, Schenectady, New York, received the Patterson Memorial Biology award of $25.00.

The gold key music award and also the coveted Southland medal, based on scholarship, character and usefulness for four years, went to Miss Alma Vander Hill of Holland.

Arthur Van Eck, of Grand Rapids, president of the senior class, presented a collection of art as a class memorial. The collection includes an original painting by Dirk Gringhuis of the faculty and a number of reproductions of famous paintings.

BOOK REVIEW

A book which has come from the press within the month should be of interest to the students of the campus today and to many of the alumni. Dr. Abraham Leenhouts is the author and the book, in a large sense, is an autobiography. But it is more than an autobiography. The title is FROM THE CREST OF THE HILL. This viewpoint makes the work more than an autobiography. For five years Dr. Leenhouts was a student on the campus, leaving the Sophomore Year to enter the Medical School of the University of Michigan. On graduation he began his professional work in an area from which a large number of Hope students came in the past and these will remember him as "The Country Doctor." Some years later he came to Holland City to engage in his graduate special field and also to continue in regular practice. Half a century of medical practice and scientific studies in an era such as the last half century, has made it possible to look down from the vantage point of the "Crest" back to the point where he began, tracing each advance step in medical practice and public health service. Keen observation, careful analysis, and sane judgment all along the years make the story more than an autobiography. Add to this a literary style which for clearness and simplicity is delightful, and the reader finds an unusual charm in the book. Youthful enthusiasm is found on every page and even where controversial phases crop out, professional or scientific, one is delighted with the fine moral tone of the author's view of life and of great opportunities for service. "D."

Dr. Lubbers, Douglas Cameron, president of Palette and Masque, and Miss Ross.

PALETTE AND MASQUE HONORS MISS ROSS

Palette and Masque honorary dramatic society inaugurated its new playshop on the fourth floor of the Science Building by presenting three short plays under direction of Professor Edward Avison.

On November 4th the performance was by invitation only to honor Miss Metta Ross, founder of Palette and Masque. Miss Ross was presented a life-membership to the organization as well as a special resolution which expressed appreciation to Miss Ross "who through many years unselfishly devoted her time, her energy and her affection to the organization and through it, to the development of art and dramatics on the Hope College campus."

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Sarospatak Honors Hope

Academic honors from Sarospatak college in Hungary were conferred upon Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers and Dr. M. Eugene Osterhaven of Hope college at the 84th convocation held Wednesday, September 15, in the Hope Memorial Chapel, which featured an address by Dr. Frederick Zimmerman, executive secretary of the Board of Domestic Missions, Reformed Church in America. Dr. Lubbers was made an honorary member of the Sarospatak Board of Trustees, a title presented for the first time in 418 years, the school's tradition of presenting honorific titles to its founders and other distinguished persons.

During the last two years, Hope college sent more than twelve tons of clothing and food to Sarospatak college, an institution of the Reformed Church in Hungary. Last June Sarospatak presented diplomas and conferred titles of honorary graduates on Renze Hoeksema of Grandville, Marjorie Lucking of Kalamazoo (now Mrs. John D. French of Ypsilanti), and Helen Wagner of Schenectady, New York. The degrees were announced by Dr. Joseph Zsirós, president of Sarospatak university, who is guest professor at Hope. He presented diplomas to Dr. Lubbers and Dr. Osterhaven.

Dr. Zsirós said, "We are proud of Hope college, our foster sister institution. By these diplomas our college and Board of Trustees express to you our deepest gratitude for the brotherly hand you have extended. From letters received from Hungary, I know that our children, earnest students and aged professors included your names in their blessings and prayers for your unselfish service."

In his convocation address, "An encouraging Word," Dr. Zimmerman emphasized that things are not right in the world because the hearts of men are not right with God. In the changing world, the encouraging word is Jesus Christ, who is the same yesterday, today and forever.

Hope College Rates High

Hope college ranks second among colleges in Michigan granting baccalaureate degrees to students who later received their doctorates in chemistry, it was announced recently by Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers. In this state, Hope was surpassed only by the University of Michigan.

Dr. Lubbers also said that Hope ranked fourth in this state among colleges and universities who awarded baccalaureate degrees to persons earning doctorates in all sciences. The University of Michigan ranked first, with Michigan State college second and Wayne University third.

The basis for these statistics, according to Dr. Lubbers, was a study into the baccalaureate origins of the science doctorates awarded in the United States, as compiled by the Office of Scientific Personnel, National Research Council, Washington.

An intensive study of undergraduate schools was made by the research council during the years 1935-45 inclusive, and data from this study, made public recently, was used to determine the results.

Hope college is one of eight colleges and universities in Michigan to receive a "one" rating in the 1948 edition of Lovejoy's Guide to American Colleges and Universities, it was announced recently by Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers.

This guide lists 1,031 colleges and universities in the United States and is issued primarily in the interest of young persons seeking higher education.

Dr. Lubbers said the ratings — one, two and three — are based on the status of the colleges with the Association of American Colleges, the North Central Association of Colleges and the American Association of Teachers colleges.

Other schools in Michigan to receive a "one" rating are: Albion college, Kalamazoo college, Marygrove college, Detroit; Michigan, Wayne University and Western Michigan college.

- Carnegie Gym undergoes extensive face-lifting as workmen remove balcony.
- Ethiopian Students, Ketema Yifr, and Yohannes Menkir are welcomed by Milestone Editor Max Frego.
- A cozy evening in the dorm for Henrietta Weener, Kalamazoo; Dorothy Milne, Pittsfield, Mass.; Doris Koskamp, Oostburg, Wis.; Dorothy Kronendonk, Oostburg, Wis.; Pat Keyser, Kalamazoo.
- Hope Harriers start cross-country run against Adrian's Bulldogs. Hope's record for the season, 2 wins, 3 losses.
Enrollment Statistics

College Registrar Prof. Paul E. Hinkamp has compiled enrollment statistics for the first semester of the 1948-49 year as listed above. Total enrollment is about three dozen less than that of last year.

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Prof. Hinkamp makes some interesting observations, pointing out that the senior class is the largest on record at Hope, 62 over last year; the other three classes numbering more than 300 each. A sharp decline may be noted in the number of veterans in the sophomore class as compared with the Seniors and Juniors. Again a sharp drop in the veterans of the freshman class when compared with the sophomores indicates to Mr. Hinkamp that the main load of veterans is history and that a sharp tapering-off is in process.

An examination of the records shows the geographical distribution to be in the same pattern as last year with Michigan topping all states with 665 students. New York is the home state of 170 students, while New Jersey ranks third with 109 students. 74 students come from Illinois, 59 from Wisconsin and 25 from Iowa, Indiana, Ohio, and Pennsylvania sent 11 students each, while 7 travelled from California and 5 from South Dakota. Minnesota, Massachusetts, Alabama were represented with 3 students each; Montana, Colorado, Florida, Kentucky with 2 and single students came from Texas, Maryland, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Missouri, Connecticut, New Mexico, New Hampshire, Washington.

Representatives from foreign countries follow: Iraq, 10; China, 6; Netherlands, 5; South India, 3; Ethiopia, 2; Mexico, 1; Arabia, 1; Nigeria, 1; Canada, 1; Germany, 1. To the best of his recollection, Prof. Hinkamp states, this is the first time students have come from Germany, Ethiopia, and Nigeria.

- Homecoming Queen Miss Toni Fredericks, Muskegon, flanked by members of court, cheers football squad to 33-6 triumph over Albion.
- Fairbanks Cottage decoration welcoming alumni merits top rating from judges.
- Hope's natty band delights homecoming crowd in intricate half-time maneuvers.
- Cheer-leaders relax after bolstering team morale with rousing cheers.
FIVE STUDENTS WIN MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Five talented Hope students were winners of tuition scholarships in Hope's Music Department through the generosity of Mr. John Arendshorst, prominent Holland business man. It is recalled that Mr. Arendshorst and his late brother William and other members of the Arendshorst family were largely instrumental for the gift of the magnificent Skinner organ in the Memorial Chapel at the time it was erected. Mr. Arendshorst has long been an enthusiastic backer of musical activities and his son Robert, '38 N., is making music his career.

In announcing winners from among 18 contestants, Prof. Robert Cavanaugh, associate professor of music stated that these scholarships are awarded each year by Mr. Arendshorst to members of the freshmen and sophomore classes.

The freshman piano scholarship was awarded to Carol Crist of Holly, Michigan. Miss Crist's selection was The Lark, by Balakireff.

The freshman instrumental scholarship was won by Rodger Kramer, trombonist from Holland who played Thoughts of Love, by Pryor.

Catherine Sharp of Clifton, New Jersey won the sophomore organ scholarship with her selection Alle Menschen Mussen Sterben, by Bach.

The freshman voice scholarship will be divided equally between Dorothy Ten Brink from Holland, who sang Life by Curran and Elin Veenschoten, South Fukien, China whose selection was My Love is an Arbutus, by Gray. Each will receive one semester's tuition in the Hope college school of Music.

These scholarships provide full tuition in the Music Department for one year.

FOOTBALL AND BASKETBALL REPORTS

A Creditable Football Season

From a purely scientific standpoint the Hope college 1948 edition of Dutchmen in pads didn't do too badly. The final calculations will show a five won, three lost record, with 131 points for the Dutch, to 74 points for the opponents. The catch is that Hope lost her three games to conference opponents, by 1, 2, and 12 points respectively. In these five conference games, Hope defeated only Hillsdale, by a 7-0 score, and Albion, 33-6. The Dutch in turn lost to Adrian 14-13, to Kalamazoo, 9-7, and finally to Alma, 25-13. We ended up in a tie for 4th spot with Adrian, behind Alma, Kalamazoo, and Hillsdale, in that order. Albion failed to win a conference game.

One ironical point of interest is the Kalamazoo record: the Hornets came out in second spot, behind Alma; yet, Kazoo scored 30 points, while her opponents were outscoring her, with a total of 53 points! In the MIAA Hope had a total of 73 points, to 54 for her 4 opponents.


The Dutch got off to a good start here in Holland and defeated Michigan Normal by the score of 13-0. First tally came on a pass from Yonker to "Moose" Holwerda, seconds before the end of the first half; the second touchdown was set up by a pass from Yonker to Pfingstel, the latter going over three plays later from the eleven yard line. One of Holwerda's conversions was wide, and Hope had a good season's start.

The trip to Monmouth a week later was the first Hope out-of-state game in many years. The Dutch scored twice in the first half and staved off a Monmouth rally in last period to emerge victors over the Scots, 15-7. Pfingstel scored in the second quarter after the Dutchmen had moved 38 yards in 8 plays to the 1 foot line. Later in the same quarter Nick Yonker heaved a 27 yard pass to Ted Barrett who caught the ball in the end zone for the second score. Holwerda's extra-point kick was good and Hope had a 13-0 halftime lead. The final score, 13-7.

Hope's first conference opponent, Adrian, moved into town one Friday night and promptly proceeded to knock the Dutch undefeated aspirations from a loop. It was also the first Adrian victory over the Dutch in the last decade, and the first time the Bulldogs have scored against Hope since 1938. The final score was 14-13, the third successive game Hope ended up with a 13 point total.

Al's boys scored first, on the first play of the second quarter, when Ted Rycenga slashed off tackle for four yards after the team had marched 47 yards. Holwerda's kick was wide. An intercepted pass set up the Bulldog's first tally a few minutes later. Buddy Rice's kick was good, and the half-time score was 7-6. The third quarter belonged to Adrian; Rice pounced on Pfingstel's fumble on the Dutch 25, and Gillis scored a few plays later. Hope scored in the last quarter minutes before the end of the game, but too late to do any good. That same night Alma was pulling the initial upset of the season, supposedly, by downing Hillsdale, 20-18. The Dales hadn't lost a game in two years. Hope moved into Hillsdale the following Saturday, as guests of the Dales on their Homecoming. There was little doubt in anybody's mind that the Dales would bounce back hard and really smear the Dutchmen; but, when the field was cleared Hope was on top of a neat 7-0 score. Hope had held the Dales scoreless, first time in 20 contests. Hope had out-rushed Hillsdale 265 yards to 195. And Hope had redeemed itself for the Adrian fiasco. The Dutch line did remarkably well, playing their best game of the season. The touchdown was set up when Hope stopped Hillsdale on their own 38. Two passes and a 43 yard run by Barrett did the trick; Holwerda made the touchdown and conver-
The popular Dutchmen were guests the following week of the Raiders of Grand Rapids Junior College, who were also celebrating their Homecoming. Hope proceeded to spoil their festivities also, to the tune of a 32-13 score. The Dutch held J.C. to but 8 plays from scrimmage in the first half, and chalked up 17 first downs to 3. Yonker's passing arm was best of the season, as he completed 9 of 18 for 187 yards.

On Oct. 30 Hope played their third Homecoming contest, this time their own. Albion was our guest, and Albion received their worst drubbing of the year. It was a slowly played game, in a lazy, warm afternoon, before some 4 or 5 thousand people, including hundreds of alumni. The final score was 33-6, and the Dutchmen reached their peak of the season; two weeks and two games later Hope was a badly beaten ball club.

On a Saturday night in Kalamazoo the Hornets knocked off Hope 9-7. It was a sad affair all the way, the Dutch playing poor football, while Kalamazoo was as usual blessed with the luck of the Irish, South Bend style. The winning margin was a touchback, when Pingstel was caught behind his own goal line on an attempted end sweep.

Last game of the year was played at Riverview with the hither-to undefeated Alma Scots, scourge of the MIAA. Hope started off with a bang, and before 7 minutes of the ball game had elapsed the Dutchmen had a 13-0 lead. The Scots were momentarily stunned—momentarily. Before the half ended it was 13-13, and when the final whistle blew it was 25-13. Hope was soundly defeated for the first time all year; Alma richly deserved their undefeated season, not necessarily because of a better ball club, but a better spirited and fighting ball club.

So another season rolled around; the entire Dutch starting team will be back next year; only two seniors played on the squad this year, Don Rinkus and Russ Norden, first string reserves. With a little luck Hope may win their first football championship.

Basketball Prospects This Season

The always powerful Hope college basketball squad, for the first time in many years, is an entirely unknown quantity. This is not for lack of players, but rather for lack of knowledge of the abilities of the new coach, Russ De Vette. As a player at the college Russ was unexcelled. He was all-conference for as many seasons as is permissible, and won the most valuable award after the season closed in 1946. He led the conference in scoring, and was uncanny as a floor general. The question is, can he impart his knowledge and abilities to the men which will make up the 1948-49 Dutch roster.

Russ begins his initial year with four of last year's five starters back on the squad. Only loss is Don Mulder, which is quite a large one to fill, however, when Russ left the club in '46, no one thought a replacement could be found—but it was, in the form of Bud Van De Wege, back this year as a sophomore. Last year Bud led his team in scoring, as well as scoring in the conference; only 6 feet tall among a team averaging 6'2" Bud stands out as a marvelous component of the Hope "style," which usually works in every game, no matter what. One exception last season was at Kalamazoo, where the Dutchmen were cold. Bud will again play forward for Hope.

Teamed up with Bud this year at the forward spot will be Herk Buter, center last season on the starting five. Herk is playing his third year of ball for Hope since his discharge from the AAF, and is doing a great job. Coach De Vette stated that he expects Herk will excell in the forward spot, and be a better ball player than when he held down as center.

Nick Yonker and Bill "Moose"홀웨르다 are the Dutch guards returning from last year's club. Nick is a cool, steady player, who usually hits his peak about the middle of the season, after getting football out of his system. Last year he was an off-on point getter, usually managing to be "on" when the rest of the club was off. Moose is another football star, an end, who snagged many passes for Hope during the past season; it is generally agreed that Moose gets more rebounds than any player in the MIAA, regardless of height. He is exceptionally springy, and plays a very hard game. Not too adept at point getting, Moose makes up for it in everything else.

Big question in the Dutch camp is the all-important center spot. Three men are vying for the honor, with 6'7" Bob Wagner holding the edge. Wagner is a sophomore whom De Vette has developed this year; although Wagner played ball for his Redlands, California high school club, he didn't come out last season, choosing to practice in the inter-fraternity league. He looks good, and his height will be difficult to beat. The other two centers vying for the spot are Fred Brive, junior, former Class "B" all-state choice, and Paul Muyskens, Iowa junior, 6'4" all-Iowa state junior college selection, and most valuable player in the Iowa junior college circuit in 1947.

The team has very good reserve material this year, best for many seasons. Included in the group who may break into the starting lineup during the year are two former members of the Holland High Class A state champs of two years

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New Faculty Members

NEW FACULTY MEMBERS:

An alumnus of Hope, Dr. Henry P. De Pree, '02, will head the college's new department of religious education, inaugurated with the opening of school in September. Dr. De Pree received his BD degree at Princeton in 1905. In 1930 Hope conferred the DD after he had taken studies leading to that degree at Columbia University, McCormick and Princeton Theological seminaries. The purpose of this new course will be training of young people for lay positions in the Reformed church. Subjects will be: Church and its work, religious education of children, organization and administration of religious education; church's missionary enterprise; religious education of adolescents, personal counseling, vacation church schools, church organization and administration and history of missions.

Another alumnus, Harry Friessel, '42, has become assistant professor of physics. After being graduated from Hope, where he majored in physics and mathematics, he received a fellowship in physics from Iowa State College at Ames, where he was an instructor. In 1943 his Master of Science degree was conferred upon him by that Iowa college. Since then he has been associated with the Curtis Wright Research laboratory as a research physicist in the aero mechanics department.

James Unger came to Hope in September as assistant professor of biology. Mr. Unger is a native of Neillsville, Wisconsin, received his BS degree from Central State Teachers College, Stevens Point, Wisconsin in 1942 and his MS degree last spring from the University of Wisconsin. He also attended Biarritz American university in France. He served for three years in the armed forces and for the past two years has been associated with the biology department at the University of Wisconsin. He holds in Alpha Psi Omega, honorary dramatic fraternity, Sigma Tau Delta, honorary English fraternity, and the Sigma Zeta, honorary science fraternity.

Dr. Lotus Snow, associate professor of English, is a native of Danville, Ohio, received her AB and BS degrees from Ohio State University in 1933 and entered Smith college on a scholarship in psychology. In 1937 she received her MA degree from Ohio State and since that time has spent her summers in graduate work at the University of Chicago, from which university she received her Ph.D. in September 1948. She has held positions at Danville, Illinois, Shreveport, Louisiana, University of Chicago, and Augustana College at Rock Island, Illinois.

Hope has added Dr. Ella Hawkinson as its History department head. Before her arrival at Hope Dr. Hawkinson served at the State Teachers' College at Moorhead, Minnesota. While there she was principal of the laboratory high school supervising the social studies. She was professor of education in the social studies as well.

Dr. Hawkinson received her Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Minnesota and did postgraduate work at the American University at Washington D.C. in the international relations field. Last year she produced a chapter in the eighteenth yearbook of the National Council for the Social Studies. Dr. Hawkinson is a member of the Program of Information on World Affairs committee, run by the Minneapolis Star Journal, and now taken up by many other publications. While at Moorhead, Dr. Hawkinson was on the State Curriculum committee as a History scholar. For many years she was president of the Clay County Historical Society. She left unfinished the task of writing Clay County's war history.

Miss Norma Wolcott of Evanston, Illinois, has been engaged as instructor in Spanish at Hope college. Miss Wolcott, a native of Elyria, Ohio, received her BA degree from Wooster College, Wooster, Ohio, in 1947, where she majored in Spanish. She attended Wooster on a four-year scholarship. She received a tuition scholarship in 1948 to Northwestern University where she completed her graduate work for an MA degree in Spanish. While at Wooster she was president of the honorary Spanish fraternity Sigma Delta Pi and was also a member of Chi Alpha Chi.

Miss Wolcott has done research work at Wooster and for the past half year has had a special assignment for the making of Spanish abstracts for the geography department of Northwestern University.

Mr. Stephen Partington, professor of education, came to Hope from Wyoming Park, Grand Rapids, where he has been superintendent of schools since 1939. He is a native of Dighton, Massachusetts and attended preparatory school at Mt. Herman, Mass. He was graduated from Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois, in 1929. He served in naval intelligence.
from 1943 to 1946. Mr. Partington received his master's degree in 1939 from the University of Michigan and is working toward his doctor's degree.

Another newcomer who joined the Hope Modern Language department in the second semester last spring is Don Carlos Madrid, teacher of Spanish literature and speech. Mr. Madrid divided early elementary education between Florida, Cuba, Mexico, Brazil and Spain. He received Bachillerato degree from Instituto de Padagogia in Santa Clara, Cuba, and attended the universities of Habana and Madrid. In addition Mr. Madrid has studied extensively at American colleges including University of Florida, Columbia, Michigan State College, University of California, which granted him his AB degree, Tulane University and Princeton University, each institution awarding an AM degree. Presently Madrid is a candidate for his Ph.D. from Princeton.

His experiences have been wide and varied and include teaching at high schools in Florida, at the Casa Americana Junior College in Madrid, at Princeton University and elsewhere. During the war years he first served British Intelligence in London and later with American Intelligence in Portugal and Spain.

Professor Madrid has contributed numerous articles to leading technical and professional periodicals. In Cuba and Spain he has been literary editor of various small papers. It is not surprising that Mr. Madrid holds a high interest in foreign languages and cultures. Chief hobby is photographing three year old daughter Nina and just plain tinkering about the house.

Rev. William B. Miller, '41, of the college Bible Department, accepted a call to the Covenant Reformed Church of Muskegon Heights and was installed on October 20. Rev. M. Eugene Osterhaven, '37, College Pastor, preached the installation sermon. After graduation from Hope and Western Theological Seminary, he assumed the pastorate of the Reformed Church of Fonda, New York. In December, 1946, he returned to his Alma Mater to teach the freshmen, sophomores, and Junior Bible courses.

His classes are being taught temporarily by the Rev. Bastiaan Kruijthof and Rev. John E. Kuizenga, '99, both of Holland. Rev. Kuizenga taught Bible at Hope from 1906 to 1915, was president of Western Theological Seminary and chairman of the Graduate Study at Princeton Theological Seminary. He has held a number of responsible posts during his distinguished career and at present is residing at Holland, being Professor Emeritus of the Charles Hodge Chair of Systematic Theology of Princeton.

Rev. Kruijthof is the dynamic and popular pastor of First Reformed Church in Holland. A graduate of Calvin College and Seminary, Rev. Kruijthof holds degrees from Columbia University and the University of Michigan. He came to Holland from the pastorate of the First Reformed Church of North Paterson, New Jersey. In the last two years Rev. Kruijthof has taught courses in Milton and Shakespeare. He is a member of the Board of Trustees and serves as its Secretary.

Miss Metta J. Ross, professor of history at Hope college, has been appointed to the National Committee on the Selective Recruitment of Teachers. The appointment came through Miss Dorothea Meagher, national chairman. The Selective Recruitment of Teachers Committee is one of several of the Delta Kappa Gamma society which is an honorary graduate fraternity for women in education. It has chapters in 36 states, the District of Columbia, the Territory of Alaska and several foreign countries including England and Mexico. It has more than 800 chapters and approximately 30,000 members.

Delta Kappa Gamma is a member of UNESCO and is an affiliate member of the World Organization of the Teaching Profession which has sent delegates to the first Inter-American congress of women held in Guatemala City last year. and to the Commission for International Education Reconstruction last October. This year it has provided $2,265 in scholarships for prospective teachers.

A great number of Hope's faculty and staff spent the summer holidays studying in their particular fields. Here is a list of the institutions claiming Hope faculty in residence: Hazel Paalman, Michigan State College; Alvin Vanderbush, Eugene Boot, Alice Lammers, James Prins, Morrette Rider, Henry Ten Hoor, Louise Van Dommelen, Edward Wolters, all at the University of Michigan; Harold Haverkamp, University of Iowa; John W. Hollenbach, University of Chicago; Marian Mastenbroek, University of Illinois; Milton Johnston, Northwestern University; Jennie Spoolstra, University of Kansas.

The January 1948 edition of this magazine reported that Miss Mildred Schuppert was enrolled at the Library School of the University of Michigan. Mildred received her master's degree in library science and is back on the campus as a member of the library staff.

Mrs. J. T. Hietbrink (Marian De Weerd, '44) has also joined the library staff. Marian taught at the Kelloggsville school at Grand Rapids and served at Camp Crowder, Mo., as librarian.
Reflections of Science Meeting

Not inclined to reminisce, nevertheless I have been asked to write about the meeting of last May. Bulletins don't come during the summer and so this is the first one after this event.

Summer is past and now it is fall. The leaves are turning to those beautiful colors even the non-artistic would want to capture in oils or kodachromes. The wood thrush, for whose song many travel for miles in the northwoods, trips over my back porch and in the garden to glean belated bugs. There may be three or five at a time.

A flock of white-throated sparrows settles down to help clean up the quack grass seed. Among them is our regular winter visitor, junco. It reminds us that a new year is in the making. Most of the birds will be gone while we bear the old, work and work and hope for the first signs of spring.

Should we have another medical meeting? Or should we wait another year and make it biennial? Possibly quadrennial and make it a really big event!

This meeting was originally planned as a general science meeting. Invitations and requests for papers were mailed to almost every scientist on our lists, far or near. It is significant that the medics responded so wholeheartedly that we had to make it a medical program and write thank-you letters to the couple of chemists and the botanist who also responded.

The speakers were a truly representative group. The principle speaker was Dr. Maurice B. Visscher, 22, head of a physiology department in the University of Minnesota medical school. Like other great Hopeites, he is a man of such diversified interest and influence that if you write to him at Minneapolis your answer comes from Washington, D.C. and you're lucky if between a trip to Europe and one to China he can find time to come and talk.

Indeed, he was very willing and did make us happy with his appearance and the significant address he gave us.

You probably know that Dr. William DeKleene, '02, who retired a few years ago as medical director of the American Red Cross, was invited to become our state health commissioner and gave our State the benefit of his rich experience and wise judgement, making many improvements over the good work of this position, who would expect that he would go out of his way to come help make the Hope medical meeting a success.

But he was there and made all of us realize more than ever before how significant proper nutrition is. He also challenged the younger men to study the merits of vitamin C in the treatment of burns. Having seen him and heard him, every young pre-med is inspired to aim higher and plan as significant a life of service as was his.

Medical Science is basically physiological. "Tech." Steggerda, '25, emphasized that side of the story in a thrilling demonstration of research procedures as used by him and his graduate students at the University of Illinois. Two former Hopeites, in recent years, have had the privilege of studying under him and serving as assistants in this department.

All three of the men mentioned showed another true characteristic of Hope alumni. They are loyal not only to the institution which they love but also to the memory of the great teachers of the past whose guidance they recognize.

The Patterson Memorial Fund, from which annually an award of $25 is given to the best biology student, is one proof. The tribute they payed to "old Patty" was another. These three men still cherish his memory.

Time moves on, however, and the new generation of scientists, students of the present teachers, occupied most of the program. Every one of these younger men has already carved himself a significant place in modern medicine and is a specialist in his own right. One holds an M.D. and a Ph.D.

Paul Van Pernis, '35, was first on the program. His original contribution to the study of Histoplasmosis has cleared up many baffling chronic as well as acute conditions.

Vic Noller, '37, followed with Pulmonary Infarction in Heart Failure. He studied 249 cases. It is hard to diagnose clinically. Why it should occur in more women than in men, while heart failure is more common in men than women, is a knotty problem.

Vic specializes in internal medicine in Grand Rapids and is widely consulted by his colleagues.

John Vander Laan, '36, gave a scholarly discourse on thiocyanate inhibiting preferential concentration of iodide by thyroid tissue. He and his brother Willard have done a remarkable piece of work in this field. His presentation commanded the respect of everyone.

After George Donald Albers, '35, (M.D., Ph. D.) discourse on the modern treatment of deafness, which he addressed primarily to our students, coffee was served.

Several of the men had not seen each other for years; others had to have more details on the papers. It was hard to reconvene, but important papers were waiting and soon we were listening to Kenneth Vander Velde, '36, substituting for Matthew Peelen, '27, whose junior partner he is in Kalamazoo.

Kenneth has biopsied a good many skin nodules and presented data to show that they are sometimes an early sign of otherwise latent abdominal carcinoma. His clinical description of skin metastasis presented many new data. If you wish to read more about it, watch the Michigan Medical Journal, which has accepted his paper for publication in the near future.

Kenneth is a noted surgeon and has given of his busy time to come to Holland and regale the biology club on some of his experiences.

Eugene Flipse, '40, came all the way from Florida. That summery climate seems to have agreed excellently with him. When he met with unusual cases his brother temporarily took over most of the work and turned him loose to do research on diet and hypertension. That is the advantage of brothers working together, one can always jump in the breach for the other. Eugene's latest address is Mayo Brothers where he has accepted a post-graduate research fellowship.

Dr. Teunis Vergeer, Prof. of Biology.

"Howdy Missus!" is the women's program conducted by Jean Herman Hill, '33, each week day morning, over WHTC Holland's new radio station. Jean draws on her rich teaching and musical experience for her program in discussing fashions, food, children, books, music and dozens of topics of interests to women. Jean has already built a faithful listening audience and is getting a thrill out of this new venture. Herbert Marsilje, '33, and Willard C. Wichers, '32, are members of the Board of Directors of the Holland Broadcasting Company which operates WHTC.
The Scientific Basis of Recent Advances in Medicine

It will be thirty years ago next September that I enrolled as a freshman student in this college. The four years that I spent here oriented me in the fundamentals of the subject I have chosen to speak about today. In the twenty-six years that have elapsed since I left these lecture rooms, library and laboratories most of my teachers have gone. A few of the "young men" of my day are now the "elder statesmen" of the College. I speak feelingly on this score, because I find myself falling, or shall I say "ageing", into the same position. When I first took a professorial post twenty years ago I was "that young man in Physiology". Today I am simply "that man" and in a very little while it is inevitable I shall be "the old man."

Hope College thirty years ago is worth thinking about, not for the sake of idle reminiscence, but because it has a certain real vitality, certain virtues, which are worth maintaining and encouraging. Hope College to me was primarily a group of teachers and a physical setting in which one could study in the fields of one's choice. I had many good teachers but the only one who really influenced my life crucially was Frank N. Patterson.

Professor Patterson would probably be rated as a poor teacher by superficial rating procedures. He was excessively shy, modest to a fault and extremely lax in his specific demands upon his pupils. But he had two great virtues, which at least for a few of his students, made him the greatest influence they ever came in contact with. These two qualities were a deep and genuine love for his science and a yearning to encourage young people to enjoy the taste of the fruit he himself delighted in. Dr. Patterson was a true scholar and a humanitarian. He did not have the opportunity to make original contributions himself, but he kindled the fires in the minds of a sizeable number of his students which energized them to follow scientific careers in biology and medicine. I cannot refrain on this occasion, the first time that I have had an opportunity to return to speak on the Hope College Campus since my graduation, from paying my most heartfelt tribute to Frank Patterson. I know that without his influence I would probably not have entered on the career I have followed. I know that I am not alone in the belief that his gentle spirit, his untiring labor, his honest and open mind, his fresh curiosity and his genuine interest in his young friends, were qualities of real greatness which each and every one of us could well attempt to approach. The world would be a better place to live in if there were more Frank Pattersons.

It might appear to some that I have been straying from my topic. I assure you, however, that I am not so straying, because the science of medicine is founded on biology, broadly defined. Frank Patterson, and others like him, have had a great deal to do with modern trends in medicine.

The renaissance in medicine after the dark age of the first seventeen hundred years of the Christian era brought to early flower the descriptive sciences of normal and pathological anatomy. The great Viennese and German schools of organ and cellular pathology put medicine on a scientific basis. Before it had been a hodgepodge of speculative fantasy, anecdotal empiricism and naive mysticism. The correlation of clinical symptomatology with post mortem pathology begun in the eighteenth century and thoroughly exploited in the nineteenth made medicine a biological science in a very real, if still incomplete sense. The establishment of the germ theory of certain types of diseases in the last quarter of the nineteenth century and the tremendously successful development of practical methods for controlling microbic diseases in the twentieth century, have further extended the biological basis of medicine.

Today the science of medicine stands as one of the finest flowers of human achievement. The conquest of pain and disease, disablement and early death, has been the goal of man since the human race began. The goal is not yet achieved, to be sure, but it is much closer than other equally important goals, such as world peace, a truly humane social order, and the like. The present status of the science of medicine is a consequence of the collective efforts of research workers on every continent, in many countries, applying their brains and their hands to the study of the scientific problems involved.

I wish to stress several points in this connection. One is that this progress could not have been made without the free flow of ideas and facts. Freedom of publication in science, without restrictions within or across national boundaries, is an absolute pre-requisite to progress. The situation today is very disturbing in this regard. First we have secrecy and restrictions within countries, and second we have barriers to circulation between countries. It is obvious that science cannot flourish under these conditions.

Medicine has in the past always been truly an international enterprise. It has formed a link between otherwise hostile countries. Today we are building walls or curtains of iron, of silk, or of what have you, to confine even medical science because of the fear of war. We turn over to military men the decisions as to what facts may or may not be published. I raise the question, first as to whether we can actually make ourselves strong by stifling scientific progress, and second whether there are not in this great country and in others, men and women of intelligence enough to settle our world problems without resorting to mutual annihilation to do it.

In this room in Hope College it may not be inappropriate to call attention to the fact that the ethical teachings of Jesus and of every other great religious leader are being flaunted most flagrantly by the legions of war-mongers we listen to daily in our newspapers, magazines and radios. Of course if one is perfectly cynical about one's religion and oblivious to reason one can ignore everything except the most primitive animal instincts to kill whenever one is threatened, but both intelligence and ethics tell us that there are better ways to solve the present conflicts in human society. I say this without being a pacifist and without suggesting supine submission to dictatorial powers. I simply do not believe that all virtue or all wrong are on one side or the other of a geographic line somewhere in eastern Europe.

Medical science will not have accomplished much for our generation if we are to destroy and be destroyed in a uranium volcano and a scourge of biological warfare.

Again someone may suggest that I am wandering far afield. I think not because dead men are not interested in doctors or advances in medicine. One of the things Hope College did to me was to make me realize that one cannot dissociate oneself from the totality of life around one. One must be an expert in (Continued on Page 14)
something in order to be creatively useful, but one must also take a broad view in order to be a whole person. I credit my early environment for my inability to ignore the world around me twenty-four hours out of the day, even though I admit it would allow one to live temporarily somewhat more happily if one could. But it would be a fool's paradise.

The crucial scientific point about which I want to speak today I have not yet touched on. It is the question of the recent trends in medical progress and the basis of such progress. Most of what one can see with the naked eye and with the microscope, concerning the human body in health and disease, has now been looked at. To be sure by no means everything has been recognized fully. Furthermore new tools such as the electron microscope open up new horizons of morphologic studies. Nevertheless one can be reasonably sure that the contributions of descriptive anatomy and morbid pathology to medicine will be less in the future than they have been in the past.

Likewise most of the important agents of infectious disease in man have probably been recognized and most of these agents are fairly well under control. That is the major reason for the fact that the average life span in this country has been doubled in the last hundred years.

The average man in the United States today lives 60 years and he dies of cardiovascular disease and cancer for the most part. These and endocrine disorders such as diabetes we may call metabolic or degenerative diseases. It might be argued that cancer is not proven to be a metabolic disorder, but broadly defined I believe it can be so considered. The essential abnormality in neoplasms is a disturbance in multiplication and growth of cells—obviously dependent upon metabolism.

The present average lifespan cannot be lengthened much unless blood vessel degeneration and hypertension, and the kidney disease, heart disease and cerebral accidents resulting therefrom can be controlled and unless neoplastic disease can be prevented or postponed. These are problems that await for their solution upon studies of the biochemistry and physiology of the underlying processes.

In the last half century a small beginning has been made toward the solution of some of the problems of metabolic disease. The disorders of several of the endocrine glands are now partially or completely controllable. For example, diabetes, adrenal insufficiency, hyper- and hypothyroidism are susceptible to management. Many of the principles of nutrition are also elucidated. The discoveries, almost exclusively within the last thirty years (that is since I enrolled as a student here) of the whole galaxy of so-called vitamins, or accessory food essentials, have permitted the prevention and/or cure of numerous dietary deficiency diseases. Rickets, scurvy, pellagra and beri-beri are now unnecessary and are becoming rare in this country, at least. Advances in the science of nutrition have contributed in major ways to the lowering of infant mortality and thus to the increase in average life span.

Undoubtedly the recent development of chemotherapeutic agents such as the sulfa drugs and the several antibiotics of biological origin has had a measurable effect on the average life span. Especially the lowering of mortality from pneumonia is important. However, as I noted a moment ago even if one abolished all deaths from infectious disease one would still not increase the average life span very greatly beyond what it is now in the U.S.A., because most deaths are from other causes. In saying this I do not mean to belittle the importance of better control of infectious disease. In fact, I am all for it, much as Calvin Coolidge and his parson were against sin. Furthermore, I have spent much of the last two years assisting in a polyomylitis research project, one of the major aims of which was to find chemotherapeutic or other measures for preventing or controlling that disease. Especially in the case of disease like polyomylitis which usually attack the young, even though it is relatively a rare malady, I think it is extremely important that adequate control measures be discovered.

Nevertheless the important fact remains that blood vessel disease and cancer are the major disease enemies of the American people in 1948. Sociologists, economists and physicians are all increasingly concerning themselves with the problems of geriatrics and the consequences of an ageing population. There is a peculiar contradiction in the present situation. The sulfa drugs and the antibiotics are keeping many persons alive today beyond the time that their arteries are holding up to keep them healthy, happy and useful. I refer to the fact, to which I am sure every physician will testify, that many persons with cerebral arteriosclerosis, or even gross brain damage of such extent as to make life an unhappy burden, are being kept from dying the rather peaceful death of pneumonia by virtue of the use of the newer chemotherapeutic tools. Thus Society is in a dilemma unless science can come to its rescue. There is no point in prolonging life if one cannot prolong the period of real living. Chemotherapy can prolong the period a body can eat and breathe, but it cannot save the brain from vascular damage and therefore cannot prolong the life of the mind.

The obvious task of medical science, if it is to make an increased life span worth having, is to find means of control of the degenerative diseases, particularly of the blood vessels. How to solve this problem is not the sixty-four dollar question, it is the sixty-four billion dollar question. The right answer would not only be of enormous monetary value, it would solve many important human, social problems.

One of my major interests at the present time is to help to obtain funds so that research directed at this basic problem can proceed. It may interest you to know that although cardiovascular renal disease is the major cause of death in America we are currently spending only about two million dollars a year in trying to solve it. This sum is less than one thousandth of one per cent of our national income. If one needs proof that the behavior of the human race is astoundingly irrational, I believe one has it here. Millions of Americans are spending billions of dollars in the aggregate for insurance against lesser hazards. Why are they not investing all that can be effectively employed in the scientific search for ways to make living to old age really worth while? While I am speaking to you the Congress of the United States is dilly-dallying over the establishment of a National Science Foundation to do the job. It is quibbling about spending ten or twenty million dollars for all types of medical research in the United States.

This by a Congress that passed an appropriation just one thousand times as great to support our war machine, without batting an eyelash. Is it any wonder that many people today are asking whether the American people are not insane?

The scientific basis of advances in knowledge about metabolic diseases lies in the fields of biochemistry, biophysics and physiology. These fields of knowledge are still in their infancy because they could not be cultivated until the more fundamental sciences of physics and chemistry had "grown up," so to speak. Biochemistry, biophysics and physiology are, practically speaking, 20th Century sciences. The progress in medicine that one hopes may solve the problems of high blood pressure, arteriosclerosis and cancer is tied to progress in those more fundamental sciences. In a very real sense the hope of humanity for an extension of life lies in support of scientific research in basic biology.

The possibility of such progress depends upon the effectiveness of teaching in our Colleges and Universities. Accord-

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My Classmate Trude — A Tribute

I am now the only living member of my class of 1882. We were the first girl graduates of Hope — Trude was the familiar nickname of Sarah Gertrude Alcott. She was scarcely six months younger than I, so I suppose I shall always be called the grandmother of Hope College girl graduates, but Trude was a close second. In those early days there were few American families around and those living at quite a distance from Van Vleck Hall where my sister and I lived. So it was not our fault that we children were 'Isolationists' at the time.

Rev. William Gilmore was one of the nine first men graduates of Hope college (1866).

After graduating from Hope, he took his three years of Theological Training at Western Seminary, and during those years he induced his sister, Mrs. Alcott, to come to Holland from Fairview Illinois. She was a widow and she came with four young children — two boys and two girls. O! those two little girls! just about our ages, what fun we had playing together, coasting down the college hill through the deep snow (yes, a real hill, now taken away, considered a sort of modern progress, as now the college needs land on which to build!)

Or we could play Hide and Seek among the huge stumps, and even tried, with the help of our brothers to build a railroad on the very spot where now stands the beautiful Hope Chapel.

With a few of Dr. Van Raalte's children and grandchildren we were the very first to enter a small parochial school — thus passed our very early years — next the teen age.

Mrs. Alcott began to build a small wooden house directly opposite Van Vleck Hall. (This house is still standing, modernized and improved — at present, after many renter has occupied it, it is the residence of the Dean of Women, Miss Reverts.)

Mrs. Alcott then purchased a large upright piano! What a marvel! What a luxury in those pioneer days!

For her two girls Mate and Trude, had inherited their mother's family musical talents. Her brother, Rev. William Gilmore and John Gilmore were musicians. Both were leaders in musical circles and contributed much to the early entertainments in college and community life. Also, they were the first professors of voice in the college. By the time this piano reached the house, both of these men had left, but for several years, Mate and Trude journeyed to Grand Rapids weekly for vocal instruction from Mr. Shephard. Trude's voice was a rich contralto.

She had a great part in organizing the first choir in Hope Church. This was then the only church where all the services were conducted in the English language. The several Dutch churches around would not tolerate choirs — those large congregations sang only the Dutch Psalms.

A few years later when, finally it was decided that girls as well as boys should be educated, how natural for myself and sister to have Trude and Mate for our classmates.

No chapel choir but all the faculty and students joined in singing from a small black-covered book "Hymns of Zion." A very small rather rickety little organ was still there in one corner of the chapel.

One of our classmates-Peter Ihrman, became the chorister and Trude the accompanist on this organ.

Both surely had that indefinable "natural ability," and somehow they succeeded in producing real music and all faculty and students joined in singing the good old hymns under the leadership of Trude and Pete.

Today, Mrs. Snow and Mr. Cavanaugh might be inclined to smile but somehow or other the end was achieved.

For five years Trude and I walked the classic halls and studied from the same books, one year in the academy and four years in college. We took the only course offered at that time — the literary course.

Bascom's Rhetoric and Aesthetics, mathematics, calculus in our senior year; ancient and modern history; mental and moral philosophy; drawing and penmanship; very little science and no type-writers then. Botany, Astronomy, physiology, plenty of English, French, German, Latin and Greek. Every Friday morning essays and oratory. We were kept busy enough with these, but still Trude always found time to attend church, Sunday school and weekly prayer meetings.

There were only nine members left in our class to graduate, but how we had

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ANNUAL DINNER AND CLASS REUNIONS

More than 300 persons attended the annual Alumni banquet in Temple dining room, on June 8, to hear Dr. Morris Steggerda, '22, address on the subject of "Missions". Dr. Steggerda is professor of anthropology at Hartford Seminary Foundation, Hartford, Conn.

In his address Dr. Steggerda paid special tribute to Dr. Frank N. Patterson, former head of the biology department. 'Dr. Patterson had the ability to instil in his students the enthusiasm for scientific research," said Dr. Steggerda. "He was an inspiration to me as well as to other career scientists."

Following Dr. Steggerda's address, Hope President Irwin J. Lubbers spoke briefly. Officers of the Alumni association for this year are: Howard Slayter, '28, Grand Rapids, president; Dr. Wynand Wichers, '09, Kalamazoo, vice-president; Willard C. Wichers, '32, member of the board.

Earlier in the day class reunions were held. At noon about 40 members of the class of 1928 met for a luncheon at the Legion Memorial Club house. Dr. Lester Kuyper of Western Theological seminary announced that the class had decided to present a memorial to Flight Surgeon Dr. Lewis Geerlings, member of the class who was killed in Italy during World War II, in the form of an addition to the science library.

The class of 1923 met in Hope church parlors at noon. Thirty were present. Following luncheon they spent the afternoon at the cottage of William O. Rothschaefler, Buchanan Beach.

Eight members of the class of 1913 met at the home of the Rev. William Moedryke, West 11th street. World problems found their way into the discussion as members were present who had been residents of various countries.

Forty members of the class of 1938 met at Third Reformed church parlors at 3:30 for an informal tea at 5 P.M.

Eighteen members of the class of 1933 gathered for punch in the Hope church parlors.

The class of 1918 met for a gaffest on the ground floor of the chapel and attended the dinner as a class.

Dr. John W. Beardslee was the only member of the class of 1898 present at alumni activities. Dr. Beardslee, who now teaches New Testament at New Brunswick Theological seminary, was graduated from Hope 50 years ago, and from Western seminary in 1903. He taught at Hope college for 10 years and Western seminary four years. He began his work at New Brunswick in 1917. Dr. and Mrs. Beardslee were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Lubbers.


GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER—Mary Lou Hemmes Koop, '46, Marguerite Kinkema, '31, Dorothy Van Oostenbrugge Albers, '35, reporting...

Alfred Rypstra, '45, and Mrs. Rypstra, the former Irene Lundie, '45, are now residing in Grand Rapids. Mr. Rypstra is employed by the Chamber of Commerce as manager of the Grand Rapids Better Business Bureau.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frey, the former Ruth Van Bronkhorst, '44, spent the summer at the International Music Camp at Interlochen, Michigan. Mr. Frey is director of music at one of the Grand Rapids High Schools. Their small daughter was with them.

A recent marriage was that of Kathryn Lock, '47, and Robert Kornoelje of Grand Rapids. Mrs. Kornoelje is teaching at one of the local schools.

Mr. Jacob Tigelaar, '30, is head of the chemical research department of the Haskellite Corporation in Grand Rapids.

Hope Alumnae Join the Grand Rapids School System

Luella Brady, '48, is a Kindergarten Assistant at Harrison Park and Coldbrook Schools.

Marge Borgman, '43, teaches Kindergarten at Sibley School. She formerly taught in Zeeland.

Lorraine Ver Meulen, '45, formerly of Lakeview School, Holland, is now Kindergarten Assistant at Franklin School.

Joan Stillwell, '48, teaches one of the early elementary grades at Sigsbee School.

Betty Brinkman, '48, has the sixth grade and Bonita Zandbergen, '48, has the third at Godfrey School. Phyllis Darrow, '48, teaches music at Godfrey and Lee Schools.

Rev. Henry Bast, '30, William O. Rotschafer, '23, and Dr. G. J. Stuart, '03, have returned from an interesting summer abroad. All spent some time in the Netherlands.

Kenneth Vander Broek, '50N, and Doris Miller, '50N, were married September 24 at Central Reformed Church. Rev. Harold Leestma, '59, performed the ceremony.

Lois Koopman, '44, has joined the teaching staff of the East Grand Rapids Schools.

Dr. and Mrs. Harold Damstra's daughter, Barbara, is a Hope freshman. Dr. Harold was graduated from Hope with the class of '24.

Future Hope Students:

Dr., '28, and Mrs., '29, Russell Brink announce the arrival of Alan Brink, born July 17 at Blodgett Hospital. A girl and boy for Brinks.

Dr., '40, and Mrs. Allison Vanden Berg announce the arrival of a girl, Juliane, September 6 at Butterworth Hospital.

A boy and a girl for the Vanden Berghs.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Baas, both '42, have their first, a boy, Marc Allen, born June 23.

Ruth Stryker Smith, '41, visited her family for two months. She lives in Greensburg, Pa. The Smiths have a son, Quentin Douglas.

KALAMAZOO CHAPTER—Jean Bosman Visscher, '34, reporting...

Lee Brannock, '40, formerly coach at Traverse City, is now in the Kalamazoo office of the Prudential Insurance Company.

Porcell L. Arendsen, '31, has for eleven years been employed by the Upjohn Company in the office of the Elixir Department.

Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Vander Velde (Jean Rotschafer), both '36, announced the birth of Constance on April 30.

Dr. Harold De Pree, '38, with his wife and two children, is a newcomer to Kalamazoo.

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Kalamazoo. He is a specialist in internal medicine.

Richard Niessink, '32, was recently elected to the Public School Board of Education.

Marjorie Lucking, '48, who was married in August to Jack French of Holland, is now teaching in Ypsilanti. Her husband is attending the University of Michigan.

The Rev. Adolph Dykstra, '35, former pastor of the Ross Reformed Church of Gary, Indiana, has recently arrived in Kalamazoo with his wife, Ber- nice Mollem, '32, and five sons to assume the pastorate of the Trinity Reformed Church.

Margaret Kole, '33, and Marguerite Kinkema, '31, of Grand Rapids, made an extensive tour of the West last summer. Margaret has left Kalamazoo for Syracuse, New York, where she is attending school. In Kalamazoo, she was secretary to Dr. H. Hilliard, director of the division of student personnel and guidance at Western Michigan College of Education.

Dr., '28, and Mrs. William Klerk are the proud parents of a baby boy, James Althaus Klerk, born May 24, 1948.

Alma Weeldreyer Viswatt, '40, has for two years been choir director and organist of the Second Reformed Church in Kalamazoo. She also is a teacher of piano.

Rev. Abraham De Young, '00, has accepted a call to the Allegan Reformed Church. He was pastor of the First Reformed Church of Kalamazoo for twenty years.

Rev. John De Maagd, '24, Missionary to Japan, who spent last summer with his family in Kalamazoo, has returned with his family to Yokahama where he will be director of the Yokahama Christian Center.

NEWS FROM NEW BRUNSWICK

—Barbara Tazelaar Hine, '45, reporting...

Ellen Bosland, '47, was married on May 29 to John Pfromm, a New Brunswick Seminarian. The couple resides at the Seminary where John is continuing his studies.

Harold Ver Berkmoes, '48, and Betty Mulder Ver Berkmoes, '45N, moved to New Brunswick this fall where Harold entered the Seminary.


ROCHESTER CHAPTER —Pearl Leenhouts Beach, '27, reporting...

Dr. Anthony Luidens, '12, represented Hope College at the installation of Dr. Allan Willard Brown as a new President of Hobart College in Geneva, New York, on October 22.

On September 4, at Brick Church Chapel, Mary Alice Van Dyke, '48, daughter of Russell Van Dyke, '24, and Mrs. Van Dyke became the bride of Mr. Karl Knopf, a senior at Hope College.

Much improved in health, Ruth Steenge Luidens, '42, and son Donald left by plane on September 28 to join hus-
with church life and children.

Rev. Stanley Slingerland, '41, and Mae Clonan Slingerland, '42, are meeting with much success in the neighborhood Ridgefield Park Reformed Church. Their two children Lila Mae and Stan, Jr. are naturally a source of joy!

Kay Marclay, '40, is married to dentist Carroll Nesbit and they live at 636 Market Street, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. Their little daughter Georgia Kay was thrilled to have a new little brother just recently.

Rev. Robert Swart, '41, and Morrell Webber Swart, '42, have arrived in Africa, address: African Mission, Akobo Post, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan where they are beginning the new work of the Reformed Church in cooperation with the United Presbyterians. They have two daughters Valerie Vern and Gayle Elizabeth, two very blonde young lassies.

WISCONSIN CHAPTER — Mariett De Groot Poppe, '29, reporting...

With the fall opening of schools many former Hopeites from this locality have again resumed High School teaching positions: Kenneth Hyink, '29 Kohler, Wisconsin; Stanley Molter, '47, Redstown, Wisconsin; Donald Koeppe, '33, Supt. of Schools at Cambria, Wisconsin; Kay Mentink Savage, '28, School librarian at Annapolis, Md.; Mildred Ramaker, '26, School librarian in one of the Milwaukee High Schools; Lester Doppers, '27, Cedar Grove, Wisconsin; Chris Krueinen, '30, Cadott, Wisconsin.

Herbert Mentink, '23, has again resumed his teaching duties at Central College, Pella. Herb also serves the college as Dean of Men.

Harman Voskuil, '20, is instructor of finance and banking at the State University at Bowling Green, Ohio.

Several former Hopeites residing in the village of Cedar Grove were very active in committee work for the village's Holland Festival held in August—Grace Koepppe Krueinen, '29, Vera Van Duren Mentink, '52, Roland DeMaster, '29N, and Mariett De Groot Poppe, '29.

Agnes Van de Wal Faller, '22, Oostburg, is proud to have both a son and daughter enrolled at Hope. Marilyn is a freshman and Harold a junior.

In May Lillian Smies, '31, left her missionary duties at Scudder Memorial Hospital, Vellore, India, to spend the summer months with her parents and sister, Geraldine, '32. She traveled by plane and arrived in Cedar Grove three days after leaving India. On September, 30, Lillian departed by plane to return to her mission station.

Dr. Roger Voskuil, '32, and Mrs. Voskuil have a son born this summer. They also have three daughters. Dr. Voskuil has again assumed his duties at Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois.

Dr. and Mrs. Irwin J. Lubbers were present this summer at the 65th wedding anniversary of Dr. Lubbers' parents. Other Hopeites included in the family group were Melvin, '27, Clarence, '25, Elmer, '20N, Henrietta Dulmes Lubbers, '20N, and Martha Houmes Lubbers, '29.

Mildred Dulmes Hoogan, '29N, and three children are residing in Sheboygan where Mildred's husband, Dr. Edward Hoogan, has established his practice.

1887

We never cease to be astonished at the continuing monumental works of Rev. Samuel Zwemer, '87, whose distinguished career is well known to all Hope alumni. Take the year 1947, when in the publication field Dr. Zwemer amassed an impressive record. His book "The Glory of the Empty Tomb" was published by the Fleming H. Revell Company. A dozen and a half of his articles appeared in leading publications including The Moslem World, The Church Herald, Evangelical Quarterly, Americana Annual, Calvin Forum, The Alliance Weekly. His reviews of articles and books in the religious field were widely published.

Besides his writing he lectured widely, served as expert consultant to various committees and commissions, and maintains an avid interest in the affairs of Hope College.

1894

Arthur Van Duren, '94, prominent Holland attorney, who served the city in many capacities during his 52 years of practice, died at his home October 29 at the age of 74 years.

1912

John Abbing, 12N, chairman of McGraw-Hill International Corporation, has been named to represent the U.S. in the joint Brazil-U.S. commission which will soon begin studying Brazil's economic needs, including oil, transport, power, wheat-growing and health. Named as one member of the Brazilian side is industrialist Joao Daudt d'Oliveira.

1913

Prof. Gebhard Stegeman, '13, Professor of Chemistry at the University of Pittsburgh, suffered a slight coronary occurrence the first part of July and was bedfast most of the summer. He resumed his work at the University on a half-time basis in October.

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1917

Dr. J. Paul Visscher of Cleveland attended the graduation of his daughter Maudene, from Union Theological Seminary on June 8 and for that reason could not attend the Alumni Banquet to hear his friend Dr. Maurice Steggerda talk. Maudene joined the staff of First Presbyterian Church, Kalamazoo, Michigan, July 15 as director of Religious Education.

1920

Dr. Chris A. De Young, '20, Dean of Illinois State Normal University, continues to serve the cause of education with distinction, especially in the international exchange of students and educators. Dr. De Young's article "The Educational Situation in Germany" which we featured in the January 1948 issue of The Alumni Magazine appeared at somewhat greater length in the May 1, 1948 issue of School and Society.

1925

A most cordial invitation is hereby extended to the Rev. Jerry Veltman, '25, pastor of the Orange City, Iowa, Reformed Church to use his influence in steering his son HOPE-ward. The pastor's son is a stellar back on the Orange City High School eleven. This year he has the distinction of holding the Iowa high school conference record for the longest punt. Standing at the back of his own end zone he kicked to the opponent's 30 yard line. The ball rolled to the 18 where the ball was fumbled and Orange City recovered. Orange City had a fine season losing only their opening contest.

1928

Rev. Lester Bossard, '28, died in June at his home in Jersey City. He leaves a wife and two children. Lester had been ill with a brain tumor for several months.

1929

Eva Van Schaack is now assistant professor of plant science at Mount Holyoke College, Mount Holyoke, Massachusetts. Eva did graduate work at Johns Hopkins University. Previously she has taught at the College for Teachers at Johns Hopkins and Kalamazoo College.

1930

Stanley Van Lare, '30, is director of Vocational Guidance and Placement Office, Alpena Public Schools, Alpena, Michigan.

Mildred De Pree, '30, holds an assistant administrative position with the United Nations Children's Foundation. This is an operating service serving 49 countries. Milly's address is Tudor Hotel, 42nd and 2nd avenue, New York City.

1931

Abraham Antar, '31, who came from Arabia to attend Hope college, is with the Arab-American Oil Company in New York City.

Lester Vander Werf, '31, is attending Syracuse University and hopes to finish work on his Ph.D. this year.

Josephine Rodenburg Borr lives in Jamestown, North Dakota, where her husband is sales manager for the Ford dealer. Josephine does girl scout work. At the time we heard from her, the people of her locale were looking forward to their excellent pheasant hunting season.

1933

The Class of 1933 organized at their reunion held at Hope Church on June 8. Jean Herman Hill was elected President, Milly Klow Damson, secretary, and Bruce G. Van Leeuwen, treasurer. This committee is enthusiastic about keeping in touch with each other and are participating in a round robin.

1934

Dr. Russell J. Pauliman, '34, received his master of science degree in obstetrics and gynecology from the University of Minnesota, June 1948.

Dr. Theodore Renzema, '34, a former member of the faculty at Purdue University was appointed associate professor of physics at Clarkson College of Technology, Potsdam, New York, in August. In 1937 Theodore received a master of science degree from Rutgers. While at Purdue, Dr. Renzema has been engaged in industrial research, and since September 1946 has been working on a Navy-sponsored research project. During World War II he was a member of the Purdue Crystal Rectifier Group, which made many valuable contributions to the development of silicon and germanium crystal rectifiers used in radar.

1935

Roy M. Chatters, Ph.D. in Botany from University of Michigan, is chairman of the department of biology at Morning-side College, Sioux City, Iowa, which department is constructing a $280,000 Science Building. Roy, of course, helped in the planning and construction of the building.

1936

Lois Van Zomeran, '36, and Cornelius DeBlaay of Grand Rapids were married in June. They are living in Dutton, Michigan.

1939

Dr. Clifford R. Keizer, '39, is now professor of Chemistry at Central College. After Hope Clifford received his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Illinois. For a year he worked as junior physicist in the Monsanto Chemical Company in Dayton, Ohio. Preferring teaching, he returned to the University.
of Illinois as instructor in chemistry. Since 1944 he has been on the faculty of Western Reserve University.

1940

Dr. M. Eugene Flipse, '40, has received and accepted a Fellowship at Mayo's clinic in Internal Medicine.

1943

The body of one of the Mohawk Valley, New York, most famous pilots was returned in October to his home, Ilion, for full military interment with honors conducted by the American Legion. He was Captain Charles Holcomb who was shot down near Lion, France, August 25, 1944 while serving as flight leader of a squadron of P-38's. Charles was 24 years of age at the time of his death was graduated from the Mohawk New York Central School where he was an honor student and active in athletics. As a sophomore at Hope he enlisted in the Army Air Corps and was called up for active training on Sept. 26, 1941. After extensive training he received his wings at Moore Field, Mission Texas on April 29, 1942. From May, 1942, until February, 1944, when he was sent to the European area upon his own request, he served airfields along the West Coast as an instructor. Among his many students was the late Major Richard Bong, the Army Air Corps ace fighter pilot in the Pacific Theatre.

Alvin Schuitema, '43N, has published an article in Christian Century 'Catholicism in Colombia.' Alvin is a graduate of McCormick Theological Seminary and is now Principal of the American School for Boys, Bogota, Colombia.

1945

Maurice Laug and Virginia Hemmes, '48, were married this summer. Maurice will continue his graduate study at Michigan State College and Virginia is teaching at Holt.

Mabel Pauline Naas, '45, was granted a master of arts degree from Ohio State University in June 1948.

Marian Smallegan, '45, is now instructor in chemistry at Ohio University, Athens, Ohio. Marian received a master's degree from the University of Illinois in 1947 and during the past year has taught freshman and organic chemistry at Illinois College, Virginia. It will be remembered that she received the chemistry prize at Hope College in 1945.

Marcia Hubers, '45, was married September 5, 1948 to Donald Zwief, a mechanical engineer for Boeing Aircraft Company. They are living at 1707 Bellevue Avenue, Seattle 22, Washington.

1946

Elise Parsons and Lawrence W. Lamb, Jr., '46N, were married in Hope Memorial Chapel on June 30. They are living at 6 East 54th Street, Holland.

Joyce Van Oss, '46, and Robert Scherhorn, '48, were married in June. They are living in Muskegon.

Edwin Nueisma and Beverly Jean Wentzel who was graduated from the Blodgett School of Nursing in September were recently married. Edwin is attending Loyola Dental Institute in Chicago. They live at 2741 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago.

1947

Preston Jay Stegenga joined the staff of Berea College this fall as an instructor in history.

Harold E. DesAutels has just entered his second year at the Central Baptist Seminary in Kansas City, Kansas. He and his wife, Edith, are living in one of the seminary's new apartment houses which is beautiful and modern. Since the latter part of July they have been serving the Baptist Church in Allerton, Iowa as regular pastor after serving them as interim pastor since May.

Jay Vanden Bosch, '47, visited the Hope science department during a recent vacation. He is very enthusiastic about his Syracuse University Medical School. The school limits its freshman class to 57, so he feels privileged to be in the school. Another outstanding characteristic of the school is that it boast two very able men from Hope on the faculty—Dr. Chester Yntema, '26, assistant professor, teaching anatomy, and Dr. O. D. Chapman, '18N, professor of bacteriology and parasitology.

1948

Walter John Krings was married in June to Miriam Ruth Slagh of Holland. Walter is a claims adjuster and Miriam is employed as bookkeeper for a New York law firm. They are living at Flushing, New York.

Marjorie Lucking and John Donald French were married in August. Marjorie is teaching in Ypsilanti and 'Jack' is a senior student in the business administration school, U. of M.

1949

Virginia Bilkert and Howard Koop, '49, were married in August in Hope Reformed Church, Holland. They are living at 152 East 16th Street. Ginny is with the Bureau of Social Aid in Holland.

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OUR 1948 ALUMNI AND THEIR ACTIVITIES

Phyllis Andre, Mrs. Cornelius Oge- 
ma, 1709 Judd Ave., S.W., Grand Rap- 
ides, Service Representative Bell Tele- 
phone.

Lois Seath Austin, employed in a bank 
in Newark, New Jersey.

Jack V. Barendse, teaching in South 
Haven, Michigan.

Ruth Ann Bartholomew, teaching in 
Saginaw, Michigan.

H. Lloyd Bebeldyk is employed by the 
Northwest Security National Bank, Sioux 
Falls, South Dakota.

Wendell C. Boersma, working at Her- 
polsheimer's, Grand Rapids.

Dorothy E. Boot, teaching in School- 
craft, Michigan.

Luella G. Brady, assistant teacher and 
full teacher elementary schools, Grand 
Rapids.

Elmer Raymond Brandt, moved to 
California.

Gordon M. Brewer, teaching and 
coaching at Byron Center, Michigan.

Margery Jane Brewer, teaching in 
Comstock, Michigan.

Betty Jane Brinkman, teaching God- 
frey school, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Richard P. Brown, Business Adminis- 
tration School, University of Michigan.

Glenn Bruggers, Western seminary, 
moved to Phyllis Voss, '47.

Lorraine V. Bult — Mrs. Gordon 
Brewer, teaching Byron Center, Michi- 
gan.

Harvey J. Butler, working for Holland 
Motor Express.

Donald P. Buteyn, Western Seminary.

Charles W. Claver, Hardware Mutual 
Insurance Company, Grand Rapids.

Russell Stewart Cloetigh, teaching, 
Holton, Mich.

Neil Cocker, with Standard Oil, com- 
ing to Hope for Education next sem- 
ster.

James Ivan Cook, graduate work in 
English, Michigan State.

William Henry Curtis, Western Semi- 
ary.

Ruth Jane Dalenberg, Mrs. Norman 
Ter Beck, working in a Niles hospital.

Phyllis Elaine Darrow, teaching music 
in Grand Rapids schools.

Howard Lee De Master, teaching Cam- 
bria High School, Cambria, Wisconsin.

Irene Demian was married this sum- 
mer to Thomas L. Lockner. They are 
living at 188 Rutgers Street, New Bruns- 
wick, New Jersey. Irene is employed as 
playground instructor in the New Brunsw- 
wick Recreation Department.

Christian J. Den Herder, Babson 
Institute.

Abraham Marvin De Young, employed 
in Lincoln Motors, Detroit.

Joan Agatha De Young, teaching in 
Butterworth hospital, Grand Rapids.

Marcia Jean De Young, teaching Com- 
stock, Michigan.

Gloria Annette Diehl, teaching Pe- 
oria, Illinois.

Phyllis L. Dietrich, teaching.

Berkeley Jean Stout Downs, housewife. 
William Holden Draper, owner of 
Netherlands Record Shop.

Thomas J. Durkin, Northwestern Med- 
ical School.

Henry Allan Dykstra, University of 
Michigan scholarship.

Arlene Mae Eilander, teaching Traver- 
se City, Michigan.

Baxter Elhart, '48, and Glenna Gore, 
'47, were married June 1 at the Ogden- 
burg Methodist Church in Traverse City. 
Baxter is associated with Swift and 
Company.

Henry Fylstra, Assistant Director of 
Sales and Traffic Manager for Boro 
Wood Products Co., Inc., Benettsville, 
South Carolina.

William Gustav Geiger, New Bruns- 
wick Seminary.

Edmund C. Grassa, teaching Traverse 
City, Michigan.

John Andrew Haberland, Business 
Administration School, Northwestern.

Marguerite E. Hadden, Social Service 
work, Holland, Michigan.

Roger S. Heasley, Goodyear Tire and 
Rubber Co.

Alfred R. Heasty, medical school, 
University of Michigan.

Frank William Heemstra, graduate 
work in physics, Iowa State College, 
Ames, Iowa.

Raymond J. Heemstra, graduate work 
in chemistry, University of Iowa, Iowa 
City, Iowa.

Raymond W. Heemstra, teaching Bay 
City, Michigan.

Virginia Hemmes, Mrs. Maurice Lag, 
teaching Holt, Michigan.

Carol Jean Hermance, Mrs. W. T. 
Kennedy, teaching Hudsonville, Michi- 
gan.

Richard C. Higgs, teaching and coach- 
ing Grandville, Michigan.

Rene L. Hoeksema, Harvard school of 
political science.

Earl S. Holkeboer, teaching Christian 
school in Grand Rapids.

Clarence R. Hopkins, working for 
Swift and Company.

Lois Y. Hosapers, teaching Traverse 
City, Michigan.

Burton Virgil Jansen, Western Semi- 
ary.

Emmabelle Jewett, teaching Rockford, 
Michigan.

Laura Mae Johnson, teaching Lowell, 
Michigan.

Loucille Jonkman, teaching Traverse 
City, Michigan.

Alida J. Kloosterman, under appoint- 
ment by Board of Foreign Missions.

Ronald G. Konner, teaching Tokyo.

Vernon T. Kraai, teaching Covert, 
Michigan.

Marion F. Labusoh, working in a 
Hospital in Westfield, New Jersey.

Donald L. Ladewig, Business Admin- 
istration School, University of Michigan.

Gwen Lemmen, Michigan Bell Tele- 
phone Company, Grand Rapids, Michi- 
gan.

John W. Lightvoet, graduate school, 
chemistry, Ohio.

Marjorie L. Lurking, Mrs. John D. 
French, teaching Ypsilanti, Michigan.

Marion E. Maurer, Interning as a 
laboratory technician, Butterworth, Hos- 
pital, Grand Rapids.

Martin Mellenna, co-owner with Willis 
DeBoer of Superior Metal Finishing, 
Grand Rapids.

Gertrude M. Metten, teaching Middle- 
vile, Michigan.

Raymond L. Miller, teaching Middle-
ville, Michigan.

Harry P. Morehouse, Western Semi- 
ary.

Donald G. Mulder, John Hopkins 
Medical School.

Matthew Otte, School of Journalism, 
University of Missouri.

Marvin J. Overway, teaching Covert, 
Michigan.

Joseph Palmer, Jr., Post graduate in 
English, University of Michigan.

John T. Parsons, teaching Covert, 
Michigan.

Alfred G. Pennings, Northwestern 
Medical School.

Lambert J. Ponstein, teaching Neway- 
go, Michigan.

John D. Pontier, teaching Caledonia. 
Ernest H. Post, Jr., teaching and coach- 
ing Constantine.

Mary Ellen Brower Post, teaching 
Constantine.

Eunice M. Post, Board of Foreign 
missions appointment.

Ruth Quant, teaching Brighton, New 
York.

Audrey Reagan and A. Marvin De 
Young were married in July. Marvin is 
employed in the purchasing depart- 
ment of Lincoln Motor Company in Detroit. 
Edward J. Roberts, teaching Grand 
Rapids, Michigan.

Kenneth D. Rotman, in accounting de-
partment, Nichols & Cox Lumber Co. 
Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Louise C. Rove, Mrs. William Ver 
Hey, teaching Hamilton, Michigan.

Leon H. Sparling, Graduate School, University of Michigan. Pauline Mildred Stegenga and Peter James Breen, 49N, were married this summer. Pauline is teaching in Rockford and Peter is at Western Seminary. Catherine J. Steketee, at Hope getting teacher's certificate. Joanna E. Stillwell, teaching Grand Rapids, Michigan. Wilbur H. Stolz, teaching Grandville, Michigan.


George A. Toren, Assistantship in Chemistry, Purdue University. Geraldine Uppleger was married this summer to Ernest Meuseen, Hope Senior. Geraldine is teaching at Van Raalte School. They are living at The Moorings, Holland.

Helen C. Van Alst, working for M.A. degree in physical therapy at Stanford University, Palo Alto, California. Thomas E. Van Dahm, teaching Military Academy, Booneville, Missouri.

Helen Alicia Van Dyk, teaching in Traverse City.

Frederick C. Van Hartesveldt, teaching Grand Rapids, Michigan. Albertus R. Van Dyke, with Household Finance, Muskegon, Michigan.

Mary Alice Van Dyke, Mrs. Carl Klopmanes. Ann Jane Van Eck, Mrs. Harmon Wierenga, minister's wife.

Arthur O. Van Eck, Western Seminary. Alice G. Van Kempen, teaching Middleville, Michigan.

Thelma G. Van Leeuwen, Mrs. Marvin J. Bottema, Spring Lake, Housewife.

Elton Louis Van Pernis, Western Seminary.

Lois W. Van Wyk, Mrs. Robert Wildman, working for Campfire Girls in Holland.

Robert J. Van Zanten, Roger Babson Institute, Boston.

Alma Vander Hill, teaching music in Bangor, Michigan.


Betty Visscher, Mrs. Theodore Ryczenga. Shirley A. Visser, Mrs. Cecil Helmink, teaching East Detroit.

Grace Wagenaar, married October 19 to Lt. Ben Kent. Husband stationed in Cleveland, Ohio. Grace plans to teach in Cleveland.

Helen Wagner, teaching Coopersville, Michigan. Lois Jean Watson, teaching Coopersville.


Robert B. Wildman, Western Seminary.


Edward J. Yoemans, Jr., with Goodrich Tire and Rubber Co., Muskegon.

James Peter Yuk, Oklahoma A & M, Department of Chemistry, Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Bonita J. Zandbergen, teaching Lee Street School, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Ada Zickler, teaching Lincoln school, Holland, Michigan.

MY CLASSMATE TRUDE

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Macatawa Bay; roamed all through the beautiful woods, enjoyed small gatherings at different homes — half past ten was the limit for getting back home!

Finally the time came for Trude and me to part. We had our pictures taken, wrote in each others autograph albums and said farewell to a Literary Club to which we belonged, started by John Post.

I went east and then to China — Trude and I corresponded, when I returned on my first furlough, again I met Trude. She had employed the intervening years in keeping up her voice training and what a fine trained voice she had — often I heard her sing in public gatherings.

Then I attended her wedding in the home of her sister — Mrs. G. J. Diekema. She married one of Hope's professors — Professor of French and German and in 1946 it was a great pleasure to them and to her friends when they celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

Surely I must not forget one deep impression Trude made upon me. I always have remembered her gift of repartee — how many times in a company gathering with her I would inwardly groan and think, "O why did I think of such a reply!"

She left us last summer (1947) and a few weeks ago, Professor Whitenack died. One son and two grandchildren remain.

Her ancestry was of New Jersey. A large company of New Jerseys came to the midwest more than one hundred years ago. They founded Fairview, Illinois and established the very first church of our denomination in the midwest. That is an English speaking church. Her husband also could claim New Jersey as his ancestral home.

My classmate-Trude, can I ever forget her!

It was very fitting that she should be one of the first girls to enter Hope. Her dignified but gracious personality will ever remain enshrined in the memory of us all.

Frances Philips Ottie

FOOTBALL SEASON

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ago, Dale Van Dort, and Bill Henga. Both are forwards. Bob Dennison, a guard from New Jersey shows plenty of promise, as does Duane Peckston, former Kalamazoo Central star. Jun Bremer, who led Holland Christian to fifteen victories last year, Jack Van Dorpel, another member of the Holland High class A champs, and Jack Marela, letter winner of last year, round out the squad.

Coach De Vette has been very tight-lipped about his squad, but it can be safely stated that Hope will again be a threat in the MIAA, as they always are.

As we go to press Hope has defeated Percy Jones 69-42, Grand Rapids Junior College 47-32.

HOWIE KOOP

ATTENTION MICHIGAN PHYSICIANS!

Dr. Vergeer is section chairman of the Michigan Academy of Science and wishes to encourage every one of you to join the section of Sanitary and Medical Science. They enjoy a good three-day program of original medical research papers and discussions of much value to everyone. Why not mail him $1.50 annual dues and he will look after all the necessary details of membership. Spring will be around before you know it and the program will reach you in time to make reservations. If you'd like an informal evening together at that time, I am sure it can be arranged.
HOMECOMING BUFFET

More than two hundred alumni and former students, buoyant spirits after Hope's stirring victory over Albion, assembled in the parlors of Hope church for a buffet supper. Delightful informality marked the occasion with guests mingling with friends of campus days. Yielding to insistent coaxing of friends, Paul Nettinga, '30, well-known radio singer, accompanied by his wife Helen, sang a few favorite numbers. Former President Wynand Wichers, '09, and President Irwin Lubbers, '17, addressed the group briefly. A student string trio provided supper music. Among out-of-town alumni in attendance were the following:

- New York City—Bernard J. Mulder, '19
- Cleveland, Ohio—Paul J. Brouwer, '31, and Mrs. Brouwer
- Wintercst, Iowa—Dr. John R. Veltman, '13, and Mrs. Veltman
- Champaign, Illinois—Roger and Norma Lemmer Koeppe, both '44
- Urbana, Illinois—Gradus Shoemaker, '44
- Muskegon, Michigan—Kari Natalie Franck, '25; Georgiana Fredericks Dephouse, '30, and Mr. Dephouse; Sarah Fredericks Coochie, '26, and Mr. Coochie; Mr. and Mrs. Warren Fredericks (Parents of the Queen); Mr. and Mrs. Fredericks (Grand parents of the Queen).
- Lansing, Michigan—Carl, '40N, and Helen Van Kooey Marcus, '41; Mark,

HOMECOMING SNAPS
(Personalities)

Left Column
1. Left to right: Prof. A. Lampen, '11, Dr. B. J. Mulder, '19, Prof. Paul Hinkamp, '07
2. Left to right: Norma Lemmer Koeppe, '44, Roger Koeppe, '44, Prof. Harvey Kleinheksel, '22
3. Left to right: Melville H. Stickels, Eva Leenhoust Pelgrim, '17, Ethel Dykstra Kleinheksel, '16, Dr. Wynand Wichers, '09
4. Left to right: Dr. G. Kemme, '26, Jane Wellin Vander Meer, '25, Carol Vander Meer, Floyd Vander Meer, '25

Right Column
5. Left to right: Kenneth V. De Pree, '24N, Margaret Anderson De Pree, '26, Barbara Lampen, '38, Paul Nettinga, '30, Alvin Cook, '30
7. Left to right: Andrew Dalman, '30, Herman Laug, '30, Mrs. Laug, Virginia Koosker, '35, Barbara Lampen, '38
8. Left to right: Paul Nettinga, '30, Eula Champion Japinga, '33, Marion Laaple Schaafsma, '26

PROLON'T 'H' MEN


H' MEN LUNCHEON

In the special homecoming announcement to Alumni and former students a postscript for all men who won an "H" in any sport invited them to attend a luncheon before the Hope-Albion game. More than seventy were on hand for the thick juicy steaks prepared by Commissary Chief Rein Visscher. Informality marked the occasion and 'H' men revelled in exploits of their respective teams. Football coach Alvin Vanderbush, '29, with his assistant, Russ De Vette, '47, gave inside dope on the 1948 team and their MIAA opponents. Greetings were extended by President Irwin Lubbers, '17, and Prof. Milton Hinga, Head of the Department of Athletics, sparkled as toastmaster. After luncheon the "H" men occupied seats of honor on the sidelines with the squad, cheering them on to a 53-6 victory over Albion. The committee on arrangements, consisting of Coach Vanderbush, Prof Hinga and Willard Wichers, were highly pleased with the success of this innovation on alumni athletic activities and promise a repeat function for the 1949 Homecoming. Here is the box score of "H" men attending the 1948 event:

Class and Sports for Which Letter Awarded

HOLLAND: Prof. Milton Hinga, Athletic Director; Prof. Clarence Kleis, '19, chairman, Faculty Committee on Athletics; Prof. E. P. McLean, '18, Faculty Manager for years and years.


KALAMAZOO:
M. L. Bekken, ’42, Football.

ZELinand:
Ray Lokers, ’40, Basketball; Don Kooiman, ’36, Football.

ANN ARBOR:
Ken Weller, ’48, Football; Don Ladewig, ’48, Football, Golf; Wm. Arendshorst, ’38, Tennis.

GRAND RAPIDS:

NEW YORK CITY:

Highlight of Homecoming—"The Pull." Sophomores were victorious.

Hudsonville:
Harold A. Colebrander, ’41, Basketball.

Chicago:

Owosso:
Robert Montgomery, ’41, Basketball, Football.

Battle Creek:

Rockford:
Bill Poppink, ’37, Basketball, Football.

Comstock:
Ernie Post, ’48, Football.

Detroit:
R. J. Marcus, ’39, Football, Basketball, Golf.

Fenton:
C. H. Heemstra, ’19, Basketball, Baseball.

Summit, New Jersey:
Fritz Yonkman, ’25, Basketball, Football.

NOTICE
If you are receiving more than one magazine, will you please advise your alumni office, being sure to give maiden name if married alumna. If your address has changed recently will you please send a card to your Alumni office. If you marry will you please send the information to your alumni office. If your family increases, will you please announce the new arrival to your alumni office. Thank you so much for your help!

PUBLICATIONS

BIRTHS
Myra Kleis Berry, ’43, and husband Roy Berry (ASTP) announce the birth of Michael John, May 17, in Schenectady, New York.

Dr. Jay Zuidema, ’41, and wife Virginia Muller Zuidema, ’41N, announce Linda Jane, May 2, at Billings Hospital, Chicago.

Dr. Paul and Sarah Sterken Van Peer, both, ’35, announce the birth of a son, October 30.

YOU CANT BEAT THE DUTCH
Overheard on the eve of the Minnesota-Michigan game at Minneapolis, when our correspondent was discussing the relative merits of the two teams with the father of Michigan's star Wally Teninga. Would the mighty Swedes of Minnesota take Michigan? "Not a chance," our correspondent maintained confidently, "don't forget, Michigan has the Big Four."

"Big Four?" pondered Mr. Teninga. "Sure thing," continued our correspondent. "Bennie Oosterbaan, a good Dutchman, is the coach. The best halfback is a Dutchman from Chicago-Teninga. The best lineman is a boy from Holland, Michigan — Lloyd Heneved. And the best guy up in the press box is another Dutchman — Waddy Spoelstra of The Detroit News."

Papa Teninga laughed until his sides hurt and the following day when he spied our journalist friend all he could do was hold up four fingers.

IDENTIFICATION TO HOPE'S LUCKY SEVEN
25-73—Molly and Mary Buttes (Frosh) Holland, Mich.
28-12—Richard and Robert Miller (Sophomores) Wallkill, N.Y.
50-10—Jeanette and Annette Siders (Frosh) Lansing, Illinois.
81-19—Harry and Bob Visscher (Sophomores) Hudsonville, Mich.
Dr. Evert J. Blekkink

A Tribute

During this past summer Hope College lost one of its oldest alumni. Dr. E. J. Blekkink was a member of the graduating class of 1883, so that his name was upon our alumni list for 66 years. So far as we know, the Rev. Albert Strabbing of Hamilton, Michigan, and Mrs. J. A. Otte of Holland are the only two members of the Alumni Association who have a longer record.

Dr. Blekkink took his seminary training at New Brunswick Theological Seminary, and served churches in the eastern part of our country until 1899, when he accepted the call of the Second Reformed Church of Kalamazoo. However, he spent so much of his life in Holland that one can hardly separate him from the environs of his Alma Mater. In 1905 he became pastor of the Third Reformed Church of this city, and in 1912 he became professor of Systematic Theology at Western Theological Seminary. He served faithfully in that capacity until his retirement in 1928, and since that date he and Mrs. Blekkink had lived quietly, enjoying the life of their church, their fellowship with friends, and the contacts with the two schools they had both learned to love deeply.

Dr. Blekkink was one of the founders of the church paper which served the western section of the denomination. That paper was called "The Leader." He was a regular contributor to its pages, and served for a time as its editor. In 1942 he gave the world a book that embodies his philosophy of life and his thought of God. He entitled the book "The Fatherhood of God." Hope College honored Dr. Blekkink with a Doctor of Divinity degree, and so did Rutgers University. General Synod elected him to the office of President in 1918. He served the Reformed Church faithfully and well, and in many positions of high responsibility, and he came to the end of the road full of honors, highly esteemed and greatly loved.

Dr. Blekkink was always a champion of the evangelistic message. He was not a soldier who made aggressive battle; he made himself a staunch defender of the faith once for all delivered. That faith made him such a sweet person, that faith gave him such sublime courage, and also gave him the victory in death. All who knew him loved him, and his memory will continue as one of life's cherished possessions.

John R. Mulder, '17.

THE SCIENTIFIC BASIS OF RECENT MEDICAL RESEARCH

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ing to the Steelman report on Science and Public Policy, it is the smaller colleges which contribute much more than their numerically proportionate share of productive scientists. It may interest Hope College Alumni who may not have seen the Steelman report that Hope College stood among the first ten educational institutions in the United States rated as to the fraction of their students who earned the Ph. D. degree in the sciences. (Reported in May issue Alumni Magazine. Ed.)

The small college is obviously not deficient. It has an important function to perform in preparing young men and women to devote their lives to useful and satisfying careers, including those in the basic sciences of medicine. Those of us who have an interest in Hope College hope that it will continue the distinctive record it has made in the past.

Maurice B. Visscher, '22.

DEATHS

Martin Verburg, '13, died in Lansing early in September, Mrs. Verburg having died on August 8.


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Dear Bill:

News gleaned from the personal letters to the editor and reproduced here without consent of the writer. Apologies for this indiscretion. Deletions are indicated frequently. But we venture to predict that readers will find much meat in this column.

John Muijlenburg, 33, writing from Kulangsu, Amoy, Fukien, China:

Dear Bill: How are you old man...? The magazine we receive these days telling us about our old friends is good stuff. When I read the first issue I could not help exclaiming to myself, 'That's exactly what the need is here.' It's a matter of fact such a publication is exactly what our Amoy mission needs... Too many people in our churches don't know enough about the great work of the church in this part of China.

I certainly enjoyed the picture of Paul Nettinga and H. Steffens. My what memories come back as I think of the Father House and the Beijing years. And now you and Paul and Steffens are proud parents of society—very respectable and worthy citizens.

Life out here is pretty hectic and complicated. One would think that coming out to a simple society would automatically make one's life simple. It doesn't work out that way. The break down of the government brings all manner of trouble. Recently we had a miserable incident, the sort of thing that could happen only in China these days. A little coastwise launch built to transport 100 people between two ports along the coast was loaded down with 360 passengers. That sort of overloading is customary. Bandits boarded the ship and caused panic by having a roofing fracas with some soldiers. The passengers ran to one side of the ship in their eagerness to escape bullets. The ship capsized with the loss of over 200 lives. The dead were laid out on the beach for purposes of identification for several days. Those who were not identified were buried by the government. The perfectly amazing thing is that the whole business hardly caused a ripple of excitement among the populace. Fortunately no missionaries were on board. We often take that luxury and have long ago learned never to sit below deck. Even if it is raining I sit above where I may have a chance if the boat turns over. You should see the old tubs that pass for ships here. I'm sure Regards Bill, and give my best to the "boys."

Tom Beaver, 32, writing from Detroit:

Dear Bill: I have just finished reading the May issue of the Alumni Magazine and as a result have been thinking over again the experiences I had while at Hope over 15 years ago. It is only when I think how long ago I was at Hope that I realize that time is passing rapidly—so rapidly in fact that it will be only a matter of five years before Janet will be old enough to become a Hopeite if she so desires, and I hope she does. 

Three young Beaver: Jacob 13, Tom 11 and Donald 9... I'm happy to have been instrumental in getting Rev. Bill Klerkxmer, 26, as our minister at Grandale Presbyterian Church and he is certainly a successful choice. I have served one term as an elder at Grandale and am now a trustee. Bill and I have promised each other that we are going to attend the next meeting of the Detroit chapter of the Hope Alumni Association. I've lost touch with a lot of my past college friends during the last several years while here at Detroit but I hope to get back on the beam and right away.

In a previous issue of your publication I also noticed the picture of Paul Nettinga and Henry Steffens. They looked the same as ever, but of course a little older. And I'll bet Johnny Muijlenburg reads every word too. I'm certainly proud to have known so many wonderful fellows at Hope and I'd like to see them all again.

I've been pretty busy at the Ford Motor Co. during the last seven years. I started there in June 1941 as a telephone repairman and have gotten plenty of breaks until in February of this year I was appointed Director of the Personnel Department. It's been a rich experience and I've learned much of auto manufacturing business is rugged and exciting. Needless to say, I'm a Ford man through and through. Bill, give all the fellows my very best and tell them to look us up when they are in Detroit. Its always open house at the Beavers.

Watson Spoelstra, 32, ace sports writer with the Detroit News:

Dear Bill: Congratulations on a superb job of your season and success it brings good old Hope College a lot closer every issue... It has been a long time since I have been able to participate in a Hope College activity. I haven't been able to get to Detroit chapter meetings or anything of the kind. But the old Hope spirit still glows.

Everett Poppink, 31, writing from Rochester, New York:

Dear Bill: I'm still at Kodak as Assistant Supervisor in the Color Film Department. See all too few Hopeites—John Mulder is going great guns at Kodak. Mike Lennhouts was home last summer from California and we sure missed them. Right now I'm sore of laid up with a bum knee—tore a ligament seven weeks ago playing ball—still love it. Incidentally Bill, last year I went south with Hornell, a class D club, as a coach in spring training. Quite a lark—I trained at the Y. M. for three months and took six months to recover... When is Homecoming? I'm flouting with the idea of taking a couple of days off at the end of the season to meet you and other friends as well as the game...

Rev. James Nettinga, '34, Secretary of the Board of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Church in America, writing from New York on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary festivities honoring Coach Hinga:

Dear Bill: I am writing in haste in order that I may add my little share to the many. I am sure, who will want to make this a real demonstration to Bud, or to "Coach" as I knew him best, for all that he has done both as coach to Holland High School and to Hope College.

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The more I think of what I would like to say in this letter the more difficult it becomes. It is not an easy task to put into a few words in the form of a letter to express one’s deep appreciation for all the past associations I had with Coach Hinga. I was a member of a number of the groups who had him as their coach for seven years and the impression that he left with us will always remain with us through the rest of our lives. His leadership as a coach and outstanding athlete were enhanced by his Christian attitude and spirit. This was demonstrated even more by the coach when he assisted at so many of our youth fellowship conferences throughout the East and the West. There is no doubt in my mind that many a new direction had a brighter and more inspired picture of Hope College because of their association with “Uncle Bud” as he was known at the conferences.

Captain David M. Reardon, ’32, Chaplain Headquarters 11th Constabulary Regiment, writing from Europe:

Dear Bill: Thanks a million for the January and May issues of the “Alumni Magazine.” It was a grand experience to have the mind brought back to the stories of the good days 1928-1932. The war and all that goes with it has kept me away from the close ties to the inner circle. I had to look in the Bible for the only way in order to comprehend the significance of the Roll of Hope College Students. No wonder the need for new buildings and the larger teaching staff.

I have been in the Army since November 1942. Spent part of the war upon Attu (pleasant spot). Served as a POW Chaplain at Fort Riley, Kansas for almost a year. Came to the European Command in August 1946. Except for three months have served with the U.S. Constabulary (JEEP Cavalry). If a Hopeite should visit this part of the world during the next year will be happy to entertain and show him around. My job has given me opportunity to cover much of Germany the right side of the Iron Curtain. My one visit to Berlin was sufficient to satisfy all curiosity concerning things on the other side of the border. There is hardly a post on the Austrian, Czech, and Russian borders that I have not been called to for purpose of holding church services.

During the years the German clergy and teachers have given me interesting side jobs. I have preached in their churches, provided Bibles and literature, food and transportation for youth groups on retreat, lectured to clergy and students on “Church life in the United States,” “Church sponsored Schools,” and “Social customs among American Youth.” A lot of work and a lot of fun.

Mrs. Reardon and our three Hopeites (in school) Patricia, David Jr., and Michael are with me. It is good to feel happy after all the separation during the war. All in all life in the ETO is satisfactory but not nearly as pleasant as some of our State side newspapers have described it to be.

So much for this time.

Jean R. Vis, writing from Paw Paw, Michigan:

Dear Friends: Thank you kindly for your generous response to my letter and your interest in our Alumni Magazine. It is a handsome publication and needless to say we found it most interesting.

Carl came promptly to show me his copy, when he found me studying mine. Yesterday Carl spoke to me about entrance requirements at Hope and soon I think he will be writing a letter to registrar himself. The magazine did it! ... 

Dr. William E. Welmers, ’36, and Mrs. Welmers (Beatrice Fairbanks, ’39), writing from the American Lutheran Mission, Moneretta, Liberia, and since transferred to The Gold Coast, British West Africa:

Dear Bill: A few issues ago of the Bulletin, Mrs. Welmers talked of something other than us being the only Hope alumni in Africa or West Africa or something. Sitting here in the middle of the jungles reading that seemed a very peculiar. We are quite sure we have been here almost two years, and that we will be at our next address for perhaps two more.

My job here is languages. For the last two years it has been Kpelle, the language of several hundred thousand Liberians. Although Kpelle had previously been reduced to writing, the writing system was inadequate and had to be revised. My work has primarily been to do that, to prepare a lesson course for missionaries to use in learning to speak Kpelle, and to lay the groundwork for a future program of translation and native literacy.

In the Gold Coast, the language will be Fantah. The spoken and written language of perhaps a million people along the coast. There again I will be preparing a lesson course, for the Spoken Language Series recently revised. I have also been asked to help with the Kpelle language, if possible also to do some work on a dictionary of spoken Fante.

When we first came to Liberia, the eighteen or so miles from our town of Sanoeya to the one and only highway was a trip that took over six hours on foot and in hammocks. All our supplies came on man head. But progress never stops. After some toughening, I learned to walk the distance in four and a half hours. I refused the help of a bicycle on the smoother sections. I cut that down to three and a half. The ultimate in progress came just yesterday, when a Piper Cub landed on our newly prepared airfield. The roughness of the highway (a point farther inland, over 30 miles away) to twenty-five minutes. Monrovia is now an hour away instead of a long day by path and truck. The last month alone has also brought the first electric lights to Sanoeya (in the church), Coca Cola in the village at 20 cents a bottle, and the beginnings of a literacy campaign among the people.

In the Gold Coast, we will have electric lights, running water that can be drunk without boiling, and many other advantages. We only hope we will also have the same beautiful surroundings, pleasant companionship, spite of the hardships that we have enjoyed here. We hope to make the trip overland — another thing possible only in the last few months since a connecting highway has been completed — of cars on a small road through a narrow, light truck. The non-too-direct route will be close to 2,000 miles.

So here are two more Hope alumni in West Africa, and very much alive about it. Our children are Robert Bruce, four, and Margaret under one. Peggy was born here and we don’t think she wants to leave. Neither do we.

Mrs. Robert Lewis Silber (Helen Fehn, ’29N) writing from her home, 714 Jersey Street, Denver:

Dear Hopeites: I am happy to send the enclosed card, and happier to indicate my permanent address as Denver, Colorado. Living out here is almost a perpetual vacation for the mountains invite us weekly.

Unfortunately the moving company lost one of three cherished copies of the 1926 and 1927 Milestones. I would be delighted to pay any reasonable price for their replacement. Do you suppose any alumni who were at Hope would part with theirs? Maybe some of our classmates doubled up matrimonially and would spare me one of their sets of those years. Can you help me in this request.

The coming season of Reunion next spring? I’d like very much to be put on the mailing list for any news coming off the campus.

Florence Walvoord, ’18, writing from Shimonoiski, Japan:

Dear Friend:

I am enclosing the card with the information you asked for. I was forcibly reminded of the fact that you didn’t have my latest news. And I don’t know how long I am to be forwarded to me from India. Congratulations on the magazine. Have enjoyed the two numbers I have received very much. How should I place the Alumni Association for the pleasure?

If you will refer to the list of the early alumni you will find the name of a Rev. Mr. Ogini (He may have spelled it Ogimino) of Tosa who was about to be forwarded to me from India. I have recently become acquainted with his daughter-in-law and from her I learned the following that I think you will be interested in:—The Rev. Mr. Ogini died at the end of December, 1941, at the age of 97, having just completed a Greek-Japanese lexicon. This, together with his Greek-Japanese grammar published a few years previously now make it possible for Japanese theological students to study the New Testament in the original Greek, without having to work through Greek English and then English-Japanese dictionaries. Before his death the Rev. Mr. Ogini was stone-deaf, half blind, but full of energy until what he considered his work was accomplished.

With his Greek-Japanese lexicon was finally in print and the proofs read, he just relaxed and fadded away, only a few months before his son came home on an exchange ship, the only thing for which he was then living.

I am now back in Shimonoiski, the place in Japan where I’ve been longest. A good bit of the city was burnt in the fires following the bombing, including our school, except for a small 3-room building. The doors of which are wide open to the Christian message and we are limited in our outreach only by our own energy and capacities.

Dick Vriesman, ’47, writing from India...
give you a little idea about things. I wanted to write soon after I arrived, to thank you for your farewell cablegram, but I felt it would be better to wait until I had been here a while, so I could make a few observations, seeing you too have experienced a short interval in London.

First of all, India is wonderful. Each new day brings new happiness and experience. Of course, there are things which trouble a person at times, but I just forget these and I think prices are undoubtedly very different now than it was when you were here. The first great difference is her being independent. Just what will be the final outcome of independence is hard to say, but I look for great things to come.

Another great change in India is the death of Gandhi. I feel that this is also a change for the better. It seems that people are using his life and death as a challenge for unity and peace. I would never have realized just what he meant to the people here if I had not been here at the time of his death. The way the teachers as well as students who collapsed in grief. Whenever a teacher would begin to talk with any class about Gandhi, he would begin to weep.

Then I have been able to catch insight into Indian people here. It seems that many have already attended an Indian wedding and a Brahmin funeral. . . there really is so much more to it than we read about in books. Another way I have caught ahold of this is through the continuous stream of student visitors. I have taken advantage of my light teaching schedule by having my room open at all time for visitors. Having come in the middle of the year they didn't have a chance to see teaching schedule, so I have many free hours. I have the boys here daily, during the day or after school. Those that come during the day are graduating boys who have just completed government examinations. The other boys are writing now. Some evenings we play games, sometimes we go for long walks, and one day a boy took me to the hotel for afternoon lunch.

I suppose another great difference now is that very few boys wear their hair in old Hindu style. Almost all boys have their hair cut just like we do. In fact, if a boy does have long hair, in old style, he is made fun of by the boys.

I had a farewell party for my 90 graduating boys. The party was held at the bungalow, and not one Hindu boy refused the food which, incidentally, was served by our Mohammedan cook. So, you see India has changed, because a few years ago none of the Hindu boys would even have come into the house. Now many boys eat eggs and meat. The parents know it.

Our high school which was built for 250 students, now has an enrollment of 906, so things are very crowded. In June, after returning from the hills, I will become the manager. Last year Dr. B. Rotschilder said it should be torn down, but there were no funds available. So, if the YMCA and YWCA are looking for a mission drive project next year, just send them to India. We had a week six of my high school boys went to a sports concert. They took part in races and jumping, and returned with 6 medals, 1 first and 3 seconds. Last year they recently received the "Milestone" and thoroughly enjoyed it, and the boys also enjoy it. The Anchor also comes out regularly.

I followed with great anxiety and concern the accounts of your serious accident and recovery. Thank God that you have been spared, and I hope by now you have had a well-earned rest and recovery.

The prayers of all people are deeply needed in India in these days of change, and I have greatly felt the power of prayer since coming out. Truly, when one looks at the world picture today, one can see that even above the world picture list of the leaders of God for its security. If God were at the head of the U.N. things would certainly improve.

God be and God's richest blessing on you and the greatest college in the world.

Agnes Tyse, 28, writing from Ann Arbor to the Class of 1928...

Dear Classmate:

As you probably were aware, the Class of 1928 held its golden anniversary with a one o'clock luncheon at the Hotel Country Club on June 8, 1948. The only drawback to pure enjoyment was the fact that everyone could not be there. That, we hope, will be remedied when the twenty-fifth anniversary rolls around.

Twenty-six of the class, ten husbands and wives ("angenterre" members, so to speak) and one teen age daughter were present. All twenty-six were easily recognizable; and, after the strangeness of twenty years, we had worn off, little changed. In fact, some of us agreed privately that what changes there were were mostly for the better. The class will hold its twenty-fifth anniversary reunion at Lester Kuyper presided over the business meeting. The class list was read off, with interpolations by those about what had transpired during the twenty years both to themselves and the acquaintances of whom anything was known, Clinton Cole, particularly, was a mine of information. We suspected that he had spent the war years under false premises, but perhaps intelligence had assigned him the task of looking up members of the Class of 1928 of Hope College.

Hazel Albers Fletcher, who had hoped to be present, sent a letter and a snapshot of her baby girl and herself with their three daughters. Would all had done likewise.

Julius Schiper reported on the finances of the fund, which was used to purchase reference books of permanent value, and the purchases included such standard works as the Oxford English Dictionary, the Cambridge Modern History, the Dictionary of National Biography, and others. These formed the nucleus of the really fine reference collection in the library now possesses, and are designated as a class gift by book plates in the volumes. Some of the books were imported from England, and, at the then rate of exchange, were among the most avidly prized. I cannot exaggerate the point that the class realized more value for its money than it would have done if the money had been held in the bank on the chance that the full amount could eventually have been recovered.

It was moved that some memorial (a plaque was first suggested) be given by the class to honor the Geerlings, the only member to be lost in the war. After some discussion of the feasibility of establishing a scholarship fund in his honor, it was finally decided that the hat be passed among the members who wished to contribute and contributions to a fund for the purchase of some piece of equipment for one of the science laboratories in his name, and that a docket of the names of the members be sent to his parents. Eugene Damstra and Russell Brink were appointed to plan the memorial. One hundred and seventy dollars was collected on the spot. Before you returned, I warned you that many could not attend will want to participate. The form at the end of this letter is simply to facilitate added contributions to the fund. Checks are to be made out to the Louis E. and Geerlings Memorial Fund, and are to be mailed to Mrs. Marian Stryker, Alummi Office, Room 309, Van Raalte Hall, Hope College, Holland, Michigan.

It was agreed that a twenty-fifth anniversary get-together be held, and a committee of three was appointed to plan for it. These are Dorothy Mulder Kruizinga, Delia Helder Van Eenennaam and Gelmer Boven. They would welcome any suggestions you may have.

It was interesting to see people with whom you had at one time been closely associated for four years, after a lapse of twenty years. It was the spark that set off plans for the celebration. It is a credit to the Class and to the Geerlings in a letter to Lester Kuyper. A local committee consisting of Lester Kuyper, Leon Kleis, Raymond Smith and Geraldine Wilcox made the arrangements with cooperation of the Alummi Office. And it was a distinguished committee that sat down to the luncheon—lawyers, physicians, preachers, teachers, scientists, business men and women, librarians and housewives were represented. It boasted a seminary professor, a judge, a school superintendent and other leaders in their fields. They came from West Virginia, New York, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa and all parts of Michigan. And though a good deal was found out about those present and about some of those absent, there still are many gaps in the information.

We found, to our sorrow, that six members of the class had passed away during the twenty year interval—Minnie Hackenberg, Mildred Rogers, Fred Dunnewold, Gerhardt Dekker, Lewis Geerlings and Ruth Dykstra.

Pictures were taken, and we will probably see one in the next issue of the Alumni Magazine. We do hope that your face will appear on the one that will be taken in 1953.
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