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SPERA IN DEO

This is being written right after Chapel on the morning before Thanksgiving Day. Our fifteen minutes of worship was one of those moments which lift you out of your surroundings and carry you to the stars. The choir sang "The Heavens are Telling," and how they sang! As the soft light of a somber morning filtered through the pictured figures of apostles and prophets the voices of the trio and the chorus rose to the magnificent climax of the anthem and filled the great Chapel with worshipful praise. Dr. Blocker led in prayer, read a psalm of thanksgiving, in a few well chosen words admonished us to cultivate the grace of gratitude; we joined in singing "Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices," the benediction, and the chapel service was over. Only fifteen minutes of time at the opening of an average day but with all eternity for its aftermath. Small wonder that from these halls have gone and continue to go forth those messengers of Hope who are building the Kingdom of God in the hearts of men.

This issue of the Alumni magazine pays tribute to those who in a special sense have in their life's calling exalted the Christ and who fly at their masthead the ancient banner of Hope College SPERA IN DEO. The editor has well chosen as a subject for the illustrative cover Dr. Samuel M. Zwemer who was called by an eminente Mohammed theologian in India "The archenemy of Islam," but whom we affectionately know as "The Apostle to the Mohammedans." As you read the tributes to church leaders you will take just pride that in the Interchurch World Relief movement of our time the collection at the home base and the distribution at the European outpost were under Hope management in the persons of Dr. Warnshuis and Dr. Bush. The others are men chosen from the faculties of seven different theological seminaries stretching from New England in the East to California in the West. We regret that Dr. Kuypers of Western Seminary in Holland and Dr. Vander Kolk of New Brunswick are not included. Perhaps at some future date they will listen to the importunities of the Alumni magazine for a picture and a few notes on their activities.

In paying tribute to these men we honor all who have gone forth from Hope College into the ministry. They are Hope's crowning glory. Someone has said: "The greatest forces in history are personalities and the greatest personalities have been Christian men." There is no line of influence that has gone forth from Hope College which is comparable in power and magnitude to that which has been carried by her missionaries and ministers to the ends of the earth.

AGENCIES

Through what agencies does a Christian college operate to mould men and women who will go out and move the world? Dr. Norwood names five in dealing with the English tradition: "There are at least five ways," he says, "by which the value and meaning of religion can be impressed upon boys, and all of them are in habitual use. They are the services of the School Chapel, attendance at Holy Communion, together with the teaching and belief connected with it, Confirmation and the preparation for it, Scripture teaching and the use of the Bible, and finally Voluntary Services and Societies." Then to this he adds a sixth: "There is also that which is more effective than any of these, namely, personal example."

There is no American tradition comparable to what was once a powerful English tradition. But there is a Hope College tradition which has been in the making for nearly a hundred years. Rooted in Christian faith, nourished by a study of the Bible, committed to Christ as Lord and Savior, guided by the Spirit it permeates life on the campus. In transitional periods it suffers stress and strain but the tradition lives. Early morning chapel, courses in Bible, the "Week of Prayer" (now called Religious Emphasis Week), weekly Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A. meetings, the annual mission drive, the volunteer groups, gospel teams, and personal example; all combine to lift young eyes to far horizons.

THE BIBLE

At the center of all text books is the Book of Books. Here we uphold and unfold the Bible as the word of God without the qualms of those who teach in institutions which are not free to openly espouse the Christian gospel. To quote Robert E. Speers, "Here is the Book which holds an absolutely unique place in human history and human life both as religion and as literature, which contains everything we know of the greatest Character who ever lived and whose meaning for the world today is tragically valid, the most remarkable book ever written— to leave the Bible out or to teach it unworthily is to miss one of the greatest resources available for true education."

THE CHRISTIAN TEACHER

At the center of student faculty relationships is the Christian teacher. His influence is revealed by J. H. Skrine in speaking to his fellow teachers: "There is a pastorate of the soul for which no other consecration is needed than that which has sealed a man a Christian, no letters of orders other than those which write him as one who loves his fellow men. There is a 'take thou authority' spoken, we think, over unchristened heads; there is a doctrine and a discipline to administer, a banishing of errors; there are public and private monitions and exhortations, there is a call to become wholesome examples and patterns to the flock, for which an unction awaits whoever have the mind to seek it. And these are not few. Many are those I have known in the schools who have the shepherd gifts; many more who would have discovered those gifts to be theirs, if someone could have found the illuminating word which reveals the man to himself. That impulse which has drawn them, from the head of other avenues of labour and distinction, into the gate of a school, whispering to them a nameless sweetness in the life which fashions other lives—let them trust it more. It is such a commission to human service as a man may hope for; it is a consecration potent enough to carry the adventure through."
Hope's Contribution to World Service

SAMUEL ZWEMER

Dr. S. M. Zwemer was born in 1867, the son of Adrian Zwemer and Kathrina Boon, parents of good Dutch stock and very consecrated. He was graduated from Hope College in 1887 and from there went to New Brunswick Theological Seminary. It was during his seminary course that he and two of his fellow students pledged themselves to pioneer missionary service in a Moslem country. One of the three, because of health reasons, was unable to carry out his pledge, but the three of them—Cantinc, Zwemer and Lansing, organized a syndicate to promote the work financially. Cantinc and Zwemer went out sixty years ago to start missionary work in the heart of Islam-Arabia. The two missionaries, although different in personalities, made a fine team and organized a difficult work in this far distant desert country, overcoming difficulties and fanatical opposition to bear the Cross and atonement of Jesus Christ into Mohammedan areas.

Dr. Zwemer was a great student as well as a talented speaker and a tireless missionary worker. It was because of his thorough study of Arabic, Arab customs, the Mohammedan religion, and the Arab himself, that he has written many books of information, education, and above all—a challenge to the church of Christ to send forth workers into the areas where Mohammedanism prevailed.

For the same reason, after spending 22 years in the Arabian Missions, he was called to Egypt to edit the "Moslem World," a magazine especially helpful to work in Islam. Through the mediums of the magazine, his writings, his lectures, his teaching, he became an authority on Mohammedanism.

After a full life of service abroad in which his influence extended into all the mission fields of the world and in which he toured many areas in Oran, Yemen and China, he accepted the position of Professor of Missions and History of Religion at Princeton Theological Seminary. Here he not only taught and inspired his students but many throughout his church and his country with his lectures, inspirational addresses and publications.

Dr. Zwemer is the author of over fifty volumes of religious and missionary books, besides the editor of 36 volumes of the Moslem World, and a number of small books in Arabic published in the Nile Mission Press, Cairo. Some of his books have been translated into Arabic, Chinese, Urdu, Spanish, German, French, Danish, Dutch, Swedish and one in Arabic Braille.

In 1895 Dr. Zwemer married Amy E. Wilkes, whom he met out on the mission field, a worker in the British C.M.S. Mission in Bagdad. To them were born one son and five daughters, two of whom died in Arabia. One of the daughters is married to a missionary and is serving with him in China. All are fervent supporters of the Missionary program of the church and have gone far in serving their fellowmen.

Dr. Zwemer is still active in the work of the church, living in New York City, where he contributes much in literary criticism, advice and publication. But his heart is still out in "neglected Arabia" where he and Mrs. Zwemer visited in October, 1949, the 60th anniversary of the Arabian Mission.

WILLIAM J. MOERDYKE, M.D. '13.

A. LIVINGSTON WARNSHUIS

Dr. A. L. Warnhuis is one of Hope's alumni who has had more world-wide contacts and shared in more world-wide service than any other. After graduation from Hope College at the unusually youthful age of 19, and from New Brunswick Theological Seminary three years later, he was commissioned by the Board of Foreign Missions, R.C.A. as a missionary to Amoy, China. That was the year 1900 when the force of missionaries there was very small and when in the political situation there was the upheaval of the Boxer rebellion. But difficult situations did not make him hold his zeal in check. They only challenged him to a larger use of his talents. When there were so few evangelistic missionaries that he had to take responsibilities for the larger part of the area the Amoy Mission was covering, he still found time to give to literary work such as re-editing a Chinese dictionary, sharing in the preparation of a book for the use of missionaries in their study of the language, in editing a Chinese church paper and re-translation of the Bible. He did his full share of traveling to visit the churches and preaching stations, yet found time for plans to improve the preachers' efficiency and to sponsor cooperation with other Reformed and Presbyterian groups in China. He had the foresight to work for and secure a revision of the plan of support of the Chinese preachers. This plan shifted financial and directive responsibility from the group of foreign missionaries to the Chinese church.

Dr. Warnhuis' missionary statesmanship also exhibited itself in the educational work of the Mission where he helped develop cooperation with other mission groups in the province to increase efficiency and higher standards. He
was influential also in the establishment of Fukien Christian University, a project in higher education sponsored by five denominations. In theological education Dr. Warnshuis helped secure the union of the three Missions in the area into one Theological Seminary, in which he himself taught four years. Simultaneously he was active in the promotion of the church union that brought the last of these three groups, cooperating in the Seminary, into the one Church of Christ in South Fukien.

His excellent administrative ability enabled him to step into the breach created by the death of Dr. John A. Otte, and administer the business of Hope Hospital in addition to his other work. The citizens of the International Settlement on Kulangsu prized his work as a member of the Municipal Council. After the World Missionary Conference at Edinburgh in 1910 when Dr. John R. Mott was setting up a series of conferences in China, he asked Dr. Warnshuis to help him. Then Dr. Mott selected Dr. Warnshuis as the man to head up evangelism for all China as it was represented in the China Continuation Committee. So he left Amoy for Shanghai. After 5 years there he was called to be one of the two secretaries of the International Missionary Council with headquarters in London. He continued in this work until his retirement in 1942.

His wide contact with church leaders in many countries, his contacts with government by dealing with officials on matters of missionary policy or social evils, all fitted Dr. Warnshuis admirably for the work he undertook when the age limit required retirement from the International Missionary Council. Since that time he has been active in Church World Service, the organization that calls forth and directs the work of relief the American Churches carry on throughout the world. He was one of the first civilians to fly into the European theatre after the war in connection with this service.

A list of the variety of causes Dr. Warnshuis has aided is far too long for this account. He still serves on Boards of Reformed Church institutions and universities in China. But these few items show how one alumnus of Hope College has contributed tremendously to world wide Christian service.

P. Henry De Pree '02

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BENJAMIN JAY BUSH

The Rev. Benjamin Jay Bush, D.D., was born in Jenison, Michigan, on May 21, 1883. He completed his secondary education in this village and entered Hope College in 1902, graduating in 1906. Already, while at Hope College, he gave evidence of the literary and forensic ability which has characterized his whole career in the ministry and in public service. Dedicating his life and talents to the service of God in the Gospel ministry, he studied at and graduated from the New Brunswick Theological Seminary in 1909. He was then ordained into the ministry of the Reformed Church in America.

He served the pastorates in this denomination at New Paltz, New York, and in the First Reformed Church of West Hoboken, New Jersey, for a total period of seven years. Because of recognized success in this period, he was called to the Second Presbyterian Church of Lexington, Kentucky, where he remained for eleven years. His devotion, humility of spirit, and deep interest in the practical application of Christianity to real human needs won for him the merited recognition of being offered the pastorate of the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Detroit, Michigan. This is considered one of the most influential churches of this denomination. He remained as pastor of this large congregation until in May 1945, when he resigned and went to Geneva, Switzerland as a representative of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., for Reconstruction and Inter-Church Aid of the World Council of Churches.

His interest, as before stated, in applying and bringing the blessings of the Gospel he preached to the people who needed them caused him to take part in many outside activities. He served as Chairman of the U.S. Commission of Christian Education in Kentucky, as a member of the Governor's Michigan Labor Mediation Board, as a member of Detroit's Mayor's Interracial Commission, of Detroit's Civilian Defense Commission, and of the Greater Detroit's Intercultural and Interracial Fellowship.

In addition to these many public activities, Dr. Bush served his denomination as Moderator of the Synod of Kentucky in the year 1925-1926, as Moderator of the Synod of Michigan in 1933, as a Trustee of Louisville Theological Seminary, as a member of its Board of National Missions, and as a President of the Detroit Council of Churches in 1942-1943. How fitting then was his acceptance of the great task of helping to implement the service of compassion of the World Council of Churches, one long antedating the Marshall Plan. He left for Europe and had his office at Geneva, Switzerland. Three months of each of his four busy years there were spent in the United States, interpreting in his graphic and appealing way to the American churches the needs of Europe.

In May, 1949, Dr. Bush resigned this position and is now a member of the faculty of MacAlester College, St. Paul, Minn. as a Visiting Professor in Religion and Contemporary European History. He was honored with a D.D. degree in 1947 from Centre College, Danville, Ky. He has for many years been a member of the Michigan Authors' Association. Thus throughout his life, he has brought honor to himself and his Alma Mater, Hope College.

ALBERT E. LAMPEN '11

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WITH OUR ALUMNI

'26N
Frederick Meyer has presented a record changer and a piano to the college for student recreational purposes. The piano will be placed in the student lounge in Van Raalte Hall and the record changer is, of course, portable.

'31N
Earl Van Eenenaam has recently been appointed Division Manager for the Great Lakes Division of the Holland Furnace Company.

1938
The marriage of Dorothy Lincoln to Frederick Randall Karl on October 12 in the Congregational Church of North New York, New York City, has been announced by Dorothy's sister, Mrs. Marian Lincoln Olenhouse.

1940
Robert F. Powers, M.D., is now practicing general surgery in Saginaw, Michigan. He is married and has a little girl, Fatti Sue, born last May.

1946
Wesley Dykstra is now associate professor of philosophy at Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio.
Reformed Church at Walden, New York, First Reformed Church at Somerville, New Jersey, the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C., and the Collegiate Church of St. Nicholas in New York City.

During Dr. Sizoo’s twelve years of ministry in the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church in the nation’s capital he became intimately acquainted with the family of Robert Lincoln, son of America’s Great Commoner. In this charge he later conducted the funeral services of both Robert Lincoln and William Jennings Bryan. Also during this period of his ministry in 1925 Hope College honored itself by bestowing upon Dr. Sizoo the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity in recognition of his achievement as a great preacher.

Amid the busy and challenging years of his ministry, Dr. Sizoo rendered enlarged service as lecturer at many colleges and universities, as special speaker in many naval and army camps during World War II, as Chaplain of a Regiment of the New York Guard, as Vice-President of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, as President of the greater New York Federation of Churches, as radio speaker (for many years he had a regular period of broadcasting over a national hook-up), as author of many books and pamphlets. Among these are The Kingdom Cometh, The Way of Faith, On Guard, Not Alone, Abraham Lincoln: a Heritage and Hope, Make Life Worth Living, Preaching Unashamed.

On March 1, 1947, Dr. Sizoo was called to become the President of New Brunswick Theological Seminary, oldest theological seminary in the United States. This position he has most ably filled since that date. Able, dynamic preacher, Dr. Sizoo in his present role as administrator and teacher is guiding many young men to grasp the value of “preaching unashamed.” To this end Hope College Alumni everywhere covet for Joseph Richard Sizoo many years of continued Christian service, as preacher, lecturer, author, and administrator.

ALBERT H. TIMMER ’23.

1943

Rev. Alvin and Pauline Loew Schutmaat, both ’43N, have announced the birth of a son, William, in Bogota, Colombia.

JOHN BEARDSLEE, JR.

One of the most interesting moments at the meeting of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America in 1948 was when someone suggested that all of the former students of the presiding officer, the Reverend John W. Beardslee, Jr., stand up to greet him, and more than one-half of the delegates and visitors rose to their feet. That incident, better than any other single fact, speaks of the significant place that Dr. Beardslee has had in the life of his denomination in the last half century.

John Walter Beardslee, Jr., born in a parsonage of the Reformed Church in Constantine, Michigan, was in many respects a true son of his father. Concerning the latter an official church publication characterizes him as “one of the most eminent and useful ministers of the Denomination. The creative work he did for the Western Theological Seminary will remain for many years... In taste he was a student, in disposition gentle and in spirit Christ-like.” Those same words, with the inclusion of the name of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary with that of “Western,” can be spoken of the son. A brief review of part of his life of service to the Church confirms this fact.

Two years after his graduation from Hope College with the class of ’98, and even before the completion of his theological studies at the Western Theological Seminary, Dr. Beardslee began his career of teaching. He served his collegiate alma mater as an instructor and professor from 1900-1913 with the exception of two years when he was completing work for a Ph.D. degree at the University of Chicago. In 1913 he accepted the invo-
tation of the Western Theological Seminary to pursue his labors there as professor of New Testament. Four years later Dr. Beardslee was called to a sister institution of his Church, the New Brunswick Theological Seminary, where he has labored with singular distinction as professor of Hellenistic Greek and New Testament Exegesis to the present day, serving as president of the seminary from 1935–1947 in addition to his teaching duties.

Throughout his long and useful career Dr. Beardslee has not confined his energies to the classroom but has generously served his Church in other capacities as well. For twenty-five years he was a member of his denomination’s Board of Foreign Missions, serving as its vice president for ten years, as chairman of its Executive Committee for six years, and as chairman of its India Committee for a number of years also. The Board of Education of the Reformed Church claimed his services as a member from 1921–1933, and he was a trustee of Central College from 1917–1926. In 1947 he was elected to the presidency of the General Synod of the Reformed Church and a year later was made an honorary member of its Board of Foreign Missions, another distinction not lightly given. Among Dr. Beardslee’s other honors are honorary Doctor of Divinity degrees received from Hope College and Rutgers University, a Doctor of Theology degree from Paris, and an election to the Rutgers chapter of Phi Beta Kappa of which he has also been president.

The denominational offices which he has held and the other varied activities which have claimed his attention have not lessened his eminence as a teacher but seem rather to have enhanced it. And it is as a teacher that Dr. Beardslee will always be remembered. The testimonial presented him by the Board of Directors of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary on the occasion of his having reached three score years and ten reads in part: “We rejoice that for over thirty years our students preparing for the ministry have had the high privilege of training under one who was not only a master in his special field of study but who also possessed an amazing familiarity with great literature, both ancient and modern. His generous sharing of these rich treasures of the mind and his helpful direction of his students to outstanding books on religion and ethics can never be forgotten by those who sat under him.”

In recognition, therefore, of a glorious career spent in the service of his Church, Dr. Beardslee’s alma mater, Hope College, salutes him.

M. Eugene Osterhaven ’37.

MILTON HOFFMAN

A member of the Board of Trustees of Central College mounted the platform at the Chapel exercises and announced: “We are very sorry to inform you that Dr. Hoffman has been approached by the officials of New Brunswick Theological Seminary.”

The students were deeply stirred by these disquieting words which meant the loss of their tall, genial president, who had influenced positively Central’s position among the colleges of Iowa.

For almost twenty-five years this students’ man has held the position of Professor of Church History at New Brunswick. Previous to the Central College appointment he was chairman of the Department of Latin at Hope College.

Characterized by him as the “greatest little village in the country,” Overisel, Michigan, is the birthplace and boyhood home of Dr. Milton J. Hoffman. He attended and graduated from the Hope Preparatory School.

A Rhodes Scholarship offered Dr. Hoffman the rare privilege to study three years at Oxford, England, where he was graduated with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1914.

Widely traveled, Dr. Hoffman saw practically the whole of Europe in Rhodes Scholarship days. Since those days he has crossed the ocean eight times—once by air, which he refers to as an “unforgettable experience.” In 1932 he was the preacher at the American Church in the Hague.

Dr. Hoffman holds memberships in Phi Beta Kappa, the American Church History Society, and the Raritan Valley Netherlands Association of which he is the present president. In 1930 he was president of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America and for twenty years has been a member of the Board of Education.

At his farm, a twenty-minute ride from New Brunswick, Dr. Hoffman assumes the role of expert mechanic, specialist in the improvement of dairy herds, and irrigation engineer. As a worker in the vineyard of his Heavenly Father he discharges his work faithfully in preparing young men for the Christian ministry.

E. E. Brand.

1949

John De Vries sailed from New York on September 26 for Basrah, Iraq where he will be in charge of the English department of the American Boys’ School in Basrah. Besides teaching English, John will direct the recreation at the school.

Warren Eichelberg is doing research in nutrition on an assistantship at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut.

James Shramek is attending Michigan Law School.

Don Rinkus is teaching Zoology on an assistantship at the University of Michigan.

Willard Vollink, started work as a chemist with Post Cereal on October 1. His address is 117 N. 23rd Street, Battle Creek.

Don Walchenbach is doing graduate work toward his M.S. in Hospital Administration at Columbia University.

Eunice Heinen has accepted an appointment at Michigan State College in the Department of Agricultural Chemistry. She is doing various analytical determinations in connection with Experiment Station Research.

Chester Schermer is a student at Calvin Seminary rather than Western as reported in the October Magazine.

Robert C. Laman is attending Faith Theological Seminary, Wilmington, Delaware.

Dennis Shoemaker is student assistant pastor at the Highland Park, New Jersey Reformed Church while attending New Brunswick Seminary. During the summer Dennis was at the Stuyvesant Falls, New York, church.

Glen Van Haitsma is working for an M.A. in English at Syracuse University. He has met three other Hopeites there—Bob Vander Laan in Chemistry, Roy Walchenbach ’50 in Medicine and Patricia MacComber ’48 in Library.
Hope in the Midwest

Dr. John R. Mulder

The histories and aims of Hope College and Western Theological Seminary have for decades been so intimately interrelated that many think of them as one institution. This unity of purpose and program is in no small part due to the fact that so many of those who have served in either teaching or administrative capacity at the Seminary have been graduated from Hope College. In a long line of succession of such is the Rev. John R. Mulder, DD, LL.D., at the present time, president of our Seminary in the midwest.

Dr. Mulder was graduated from Hope College in the class of 1917. Awarded the Regent’s Fellowship by faculty appointment, he spent the next year in graduate study in philosophy at the University of Michigan. With a Master’s degree in philosophy, in addition to the usual pre-seminary training, he entered Western Theological Seminary in the fall of 1918 and in 1921 was graduated with the BD degree.

Upon graduation from the Seminary, Dr. Mulder began a teaching career which has been only partially interrupted by a four year pastorate of one of the largest and most influential churches of our denomination.

From the professorship of Bible and Philosophy at Central College, which he held from 1921-24, he accepted the call to the pastorate of Bethany Reformed Church of Chicago, Illinois. In 1928 Dr. John E. Kuizenga, then president of Western Theological Seminary, recommended him to be his successor in the Chair of Practical Theology. Eight years later the General Synod of the denomination transferred him to the Chair of Systematic Theology and four years after that added to his teaching duties the administrative work of the presidency. In those two capacities he is still serving with a distinction of which the entire Reformed Church in America is well aware.

Dr. Mulder was honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity by Hope College in 1930 and Doctor of Laws by Central College in 1943.

He has been active in about every phase of denominational work, serving on many important policy making committees, as editor of the denomination’s periodical, vice president of General Synod and many others.

Nor has the influence of Dr. Mulder been limited to the Reformed Church and Western Theological Seminary. He is in great demand as speaker and preacher for conventions and assemblies of old and young and has occupied by invitation many important pulpits, both of the Reformed Church and of other denominations.

Clarence Kleis ’19.

J. Coert Rylaarsdam

Dr. J. Coert Rylaarsdam, who is at present Associate Professor of Old Testament Theology, Federated Theological Faculty, at the University of Chicago, was graduated from Hope College with the class of 1931. Upon his graduation, he left for Basra, Iraq, as a missionary in the Arabian Mission of the Reformed Church and as a teacher of English in the American School for Boys. Upon his return to the United States in 1935, he continued his academic training, enrolling as a student at the New Brunswick Theological Seminary where he received his Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1938. He spent the following year continuing his studies at Cambridge University, England, and the University of Marburg, Germany. Returning to the Divinity School of the University of Chicago in 1939, he was granted the degree of Doctor of Philosophy two years later, and was ordained to the Christian ministry of the Reformed Church. Dr. Rylaarsdam returned to the New Brunswick Theological Seminary as Professor of Old Testament, and four years later returned to the University of Chicago Seminary to the position he now holds.

Dr. Rylaarsdam has written several articles, published in the Chicago University Press. Aside from his professional assignment in teaching Old Testament, he is currently active in various capacities among which are such as a co-editorship of the “Journal of Religion” and membership on many church councils and committees.

Dr. Rylaarsdam married Harriet L. Worcester of New Brunswick, N. J., a graduate at Smith College ’37. They have a son J. Coert, Jr. who will soon be three. He and his family live at 5444 Kenwood Ave., Chicago.

J. Harvey Kleinheksel ’22.

1945

Curtis Murray Snow represented Hope college at the 75th anniversary convocation of the Colorado School of Mines at Golden. In his report to Dr. Lubbers he mentioned: “Noticed that there was a representative from Kalamazoo college present and wanted to look him up for a small wager on the Hope-Kazoo riff, but refrained in a rigidly scholastic atmosphere.”

Who has the original pen and ink drawing of the Hope College campus as it appeared in 1866? A small cut of it appears in some old catalogs. Dr. Lubbers has need for a larger pen and ink drawing—the original if possible. Thanks for your attention to this appeal.
Hope in the East

JAMES MUILENBURG

The editor of the Alumni Magazine asks that I "write a resume in 300 words — more or less — of the life and work of Dr. James Muilenburg." There is so much space and space is so limited. A quote from the 1920 Milestone will indicate that this was manifest while he was still in college, — "Judge" is active, alert, tireless, persistent, — will become famous some day." Truer prophecy never was uttered.

James Muilenburg was graduated from Hope in 1920, earned an M.A. at U. of Nebraska in 1923 and a Ph.D. at Yale in 1926. He has been given honorary degrees of L.H.D. and D.D. and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Beta Phi. Over the years he has distinguished himself as a teacher, author, lecturer.

He has taught at the U. of Nebraska; Mt. Holyoke; U. of Maine; Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, California; Union Theological Seminary, N. Y. C. and in summers at the U. of Chicago and Columbia. He is at present Professor of Hebrew and Cognate Languages at Union Theological Seminary.

As an author he has contributed chapters to a number of significant books, has written frequently for religious periodicals, and reviewed many books in various journals. He is also a member of the translation committee of the Revised Standard Version of the Bible, working on the Old Testament section, which, he assures us, will be ready for publication in 1951. He is also a member of various learned societies.

As a lecturer he has distinguished himself on a score of important lecture series in leading universities and seminaries of the land.

It is evident from this brief review of his life that the Milestone prophet foretold more accurately than he knew, for "Judge" is another of our alumni who has distinguished himself in his chosen field. Truly a worthy son of Hope!

GARRETT VANDER BORGH '20.

MORRIS STEGGERDA

Morris Steggerda was born at Holland, Michigan, on the 1st day of September at the beginning of the twentieth century. He was destined to distinguish himself in the field of Anthropology. After attending the public schools of Holland he entered Hope College as a member of the class of 1922. The Milestone record reveals that he was a very active student for he held the Presidency of the Cosmopolitan Fraternity, membership on the YMCA Cabinet, Secretary-Treasurer of the Science Club, membership on the Milestone Staff, membership on a Gospel Team, and Treasurer of the Athletic Board.

Following his graduation from Hope College, he spent the next four years as a Research Assistant at the University of Illinois during which time he earned the Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees. From 1926-1928 we find him in Jamaica B. W. I. representing the Carnegie Foundation of Washington. He returned to the United States to accept a position in Anthropology at Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts, which he held for the next two years. The year 1930 again finds him representing the Carnegie Institution of Washington in the role of an investigator in the Department of Genetics. In this capacity he traveled to Latin America and made some special studies of the Maya Indians of Yucatan. At the present time he is head of the Department of Anthropology at the Kennedy School for Missions, Hartford Seminary Foundation, Hartford, Connecticut, a position he has had since 1944. Recently he gave an address at the Alumni Banquet of 1948 and spoke at the Minister's Conference during the past summer.

Dr. Steggerda has written 14 articles in various periodicals, and has published three books through the Carnegie foundation. As was once printed of Dr. Steggerda, "Truly he is of a noble strain, of proved valor, and of confirmed honesty, and he has represented his alma mater in a most creditable manner."

On June 6, 1928, he married the former Inez Bunkelberger. The Steggerdas have one son, Charles.

THEODORE VANDER PLOEG '25.

1941

On May 3, 1949, Valerie Ruth Potts was born to Mr. and Mrs. William Murrie Potts. Mrs. Potts is formerly Ruth De Young. Valerie's father is mathematics instructor at Lake Odessa, Michigan, High School.

A fourth daughter was born recently to Barend and Nelvie Vanderbilt Voudre. Their first two daughters are twins. The Voudre's live in Alexander, Iowa where Barend is minister of the Alexander Reformed Church.

1942

Mary Frelick Tripp '42N is now living in Madison, Wisconsin, where her husband is on the faculty of the University of Wisconsin as a lecturer in labor economics.

1943

Andrew Veldhuis, M.D., has achieved the coveted opportunity to go to St. Louis to study under a famous Gynecologist at Barnes Hospital, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri. Betty De Vries Veldhuis '46 is teaching a third grade in the University city elementary school.

1947

LeRoy Frederick Koranda and Mrs. Jean Well Wheatley were married in Fort Wayne, Indiana on September 17, 1949.
Hope in the Far West

JAMES T. VENEKLASEN

Dr. James T. Veneklasen, at present Professor of Church History at the Theological Seminary of the University of Dubuque, Dubuque, Iowa, was born on August 25, 1886, at Zeeland, Michigan.

Eleven years of his training were in schools of the Reformed Church. He was graduated from Hope Preparatory School in 1903, from Hope College in 1907 and from The New Brunswick Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, New Jersey, in 1912. He took postgraduate work at the University of Chicago in the summers from 1926 to 1944. Whitworth College, Spokane, Washington, granted him the degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1947.

In the summer of 1912 he was married to Ann S. Schuelke, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Paul F. Schuelke. Dr. Schuelke will be remembered as one-time Professor of German at Hope College. The Veneklases have three sons: Dudley, executive with Sears Roebuck and Company, Miami, Florida; Paul, research physicist with Altec-Lansing Corporation of Los Angeles, California; and Rodger, research chemist with Climax Molybdenum Company of Detroit, Michigan.

After his ordination into the ministry, Dr. Veneklasen held pastorates in the Schoonmaker Memorial Presbyterian Church of Stillwater, New York; in the Faith Presbyterian Church of Baltimore, Maryland; in the Second Presbyterian Church of Oak Park, Illinois; and in the First Presbyterian Church of Wilmette, Illinois.

Dr. Veneklasen has been active in many capacities. He served as State Treasurer of the Christian Endeavor of Michigan in 1909; Moderator of the Presbyterian of Troy in 1912; Boy Scout Commissioner in Grand Haven, Michigan in 1916; Captain, Company F, Michigan State Troops in 1919; Leader in summer conferences for Young People of the Presbyterian Church from 1912 to 1946; Special Representative of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church during the Centennial in 1937; Moderator of the Presbyterian of Chicago in 1940; Special Lecturer at McCormick Theological Seminary, Chicago, in 1940; President of Peniel Community Center Board of Directors (Chicago) 1936-44; Member of the Board of Directors, Christian Evangelism Among Youth, Chicago, 1941 to the present; Special Missioner to Army and Air Service camps under the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America from 1941 to 1944.

He is a member of The American Society of Church History, and of the National Association of Biblical Instructors.

Among the monographs and magazine articles of which Dr. Veneklasen is the author are: "Some Presbyterian Emphases"; "Our Protestant Heritage"; "The Religion of Jeremiah"; "View of History in the Book of Isaiah." 

HENRY E. SCHOO 

AARON J. UNGERSMA

The assignment of writing up the biography of a man who is listed in "Who's Who in America" is not a difficult one. Without quoting that publication word for word and, with the addition of a few observations of my own I would like to start off by suggesting that I am sincerely happy to be chosen to set down a sketch of this successful Hope graduate whom I count as a personal friend though I have not seen him in many a year.

Aaron, a native of Lafayette, Indiana, received his A.B. degree from Hope in 1926 and was graduated from Western Theological Seminary in 1929. Following his graduation he served the Presbyterian National Missions in the state of Washington for three years. Then followed three years of post-graduate study which rewarded him with degrees of Master of Theology from Princeton in 1933 and Doctor of Philosophy (Magna Cum Laude) in 1935, from Marburg, Germany.

While in Europe, Dr. Ungerma studied under such renowned professors of Theology as Bultmann, Otto and Heinrich Frick, now rector of the university. He also studied under the famous psychiatrist Kretschmer and psychologist Jaensch.

Following his studies abroad Dr. Ungerma taught Psychology at the University of Denver and since 1938 has been Professor of Theology at the San Francisco Seminary, San Anselmo, California.

Dr. Ungerma was released from the Seminary for two years during World War II when he served with the Seventh Amphibious Fleet in the South Pacific as chaplain on an attack transport during the landings in the Philippine and Okinawa campaigns. His ship was bombed, strafed and run at by Kamikazi planes, but received only a few dents and there were no casualties. At the close of the war he served on a transport carrying troops to China and Japan and spent some time visiting those countries. Because of his psychological training the Naval Reserve asked him to serve the peace-time Navy as a clinical psychologist.

I like to remember Aaron as a friendly individual with a smile who dispensed his philosophical wit generously as he went about the campus. He was, and I hope, still is a musician. He was an accomplished pianist and played frequently at college functions, but I like to think back to the rollicking numbers that used to be squeezed from his accordion. When the Hope band was organized in 1926, Aaron was on hand with his alto horn to render the pah-pahs in answer to the

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A College for Our Nan

In my time with you this evening, I wish to talk about "A College For Our Nan." You will understand that "Nan" could be any one or all of the children which we are privileged to have in our family and the "our" and "we" consists of a father and mother who have given more than passing thought to the choice of a college for their children.

Just about ten years ago the birth of our first daughter brought joy to our home. Within a few weeks after that happy occasion, mother, father and grandmother appeared at a small chapel in the 4th Presbyterian Church for a baptism. In a heartwarming and impressive ceremony that brought a lump to the throat of a typically stolid Dutchman that new family had received her name. All of us were a bit vague about the words that had been used in the baptism ceremony. We just remembered that it was a beautiful and holy occasion.

However, we have refreshed our recollection in the ten years that followed the occasion. That was easy because we presented two additional daughters and two sons for baptism in those ten years. We have found that we made some promises to our pastor and in the presence of God when those little children received their names. Among the promises are one made to this question: "Do you promise to instruct your child in the principles of our holy religion as contained in the Scriptures, to pray with her and for her and to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?" To that question we answered: "I do"—everyone parent does, you know. For at least eight of the ten years which have followed the first making of that promise, we have been asking ourselves how that promise can be kept. Sometimes when we are overwhelmed by the inadequate help which organized Protestantism gives to parents in performing the promise, we have even asked whether the Church is justified in eliciting the vow from parents.

We have tried to keep the promise by beginning at home. But will the results of Christian training in the home be effective? The home environment dwindles rapidly after a child reaches the age of 8 or 10 years and the predominantly hostile forces of a secular school and society take command.

An experience with our Nan will illustrate the fight we face. She returned home from school recently to report with some pride that she had been chosen the captain of one of the two gymnasium teams for girls that are made up of the students in her room. We beamed approval and uttered some appropriate words of encouragement. But about a week later Nan seemed troubled. Finally she said: "You know, Daddy, I told you that I was elected captain of a gym team?" I remembered, and she continued: "Well, I don't think we are going to win many of the races we have in gym." She was asked to justify the pessimism and did so by confessing: "Well, there is one very fat girl in my room who can hardly run at all and no one wants her on a team but I felt sorry for her and chose her for my team. Then there is another girl who is thin and scrawny and too weak to run real fast and no one wants her on a team but I felt sorry for her too and chose her for my team. There is a third girl—a Jewish girl—the only one in my room, and she isn't good in any of the gym contests. The girls tease her and won't play with her but I felt sorry for her and chose her for my team. Those three girls will make it hard for us to win any races." Can't you picture our Nan as the head of a rushing committee in a college sorority?

Well, what to say? You see Nan was battling with all sorts of basic questions: What was most important in her gym class? What was first in this area of life? Why was it first? What was she there for? Should she be concerned first for the welfare of the entire group by promoting physical exercise for everybody and especially the fat girl? If so, why? Why shouldn't she choose the best athletes in her class to make a winning team of which she was captain? Who are people anyway? Who was Nan? Can't people be used to further Nan's ambitions? And suppose that she did not like that approach, there were all the other girls on Nan's team who believed winning to be of first importance shouldn't their wishes determine the standard for choosing teammates? How should Nan tell right from wrong anyway? She could insist on a standard that her team-mates did not accept but what would they think of her then? How secure would she be? What was security? How could she get it?

Now Nan did not organize her conflicts into all those questions but they were inherent in the struggle that was troubling her. In the rush of life we whipped out some comfort with remin-

ers that the purpose of gym classes was to give all children exercise and winning was incidental. However much the other kids wanted team-mates that would produce a victory, Nan should stand for the welfare of the underdog, especially. We were more proud of her for being concerned about people than about victories, etc. This was one of the practical ways in which we were trying to instruct Nan in the principles of our holy religion.

Our assurances were founded on certain underlying assumptions or convictions such as, there is a personal God whom one can know through the Bible. Who created all men for the purpose of fellowship with Him. That God created all of life and did not abandon it when creation was finished. This world belongs to that God and He is sovereign in it. Men and women find fulfillment, reality and lasting security only as life is lived in accord with His divine purpose. This God, who is a loving Father wills that men shall conduct themselves in ways that will be creative for all men and only He can give strength for such living. Men can trust this God as they live in such creative and sacrificial ways. The final assurance of all such assumptions comes to men in Jesus Christ. Such assumptions come closer to being translated into action by the choices Nan had made.

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Homecoming . . . It was Grand

To those of us who concentrate on the Hope College Alumni the year around, Homecoming 1949 was like every other alumni gathering—a real thrill. It seemed to us that there were so many people back who hadn’t been here for such a long time. Naturally we missed some of the more familiar faces of those who couldn’t make it this year. But we felt it was a sign of real progress to see more of those we have seldom seen since college days. And those who were here responded so beautifully to all the events. They were delighted with the advanced, mature and finished work done by the students for their pleasure—the Homecoming parade of floats for instance, each float represented lots of work with clever background ideas. Many were very humorous—we love to laugh. The coronation of the Homecoming Queen was of real interest to many alumni for the lovely Dolores is the daughter of our own Arend (“Bub”) Freyling ’30. The Little Theatre was packed every night. It was fun to see an able cast whip through the hilarious comedy “The Show Off.” Our spirits weren’t dampened when Hillsdale overpowered us just slightly and won the football game 13-9. We philoso—(Continued on Page 15)

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Jack Tirrell and Vergil Dykstra, both ’49.
Frank Huff ’21 and son Richard, Sophomore.
Ray Kuiper ’25, Mrs. Kuiper (George Vander Hill ’42, Angie Poppen Gebhard ’25 and Mitzi, potential Hopeite).
Dr. Harold Veldman ’21, Pearl Paalman Veldman ’24—that’s their Marcia between them.
Anne Frissel Snyder ’26, Harold Ringenoldus ’34, Maurice Snyder ’36 the Snyder children.
Anno and Claire Wierenga Vander Kolk ’49.
Jean Snow Lubbers ’49, Janet Snow Pondier ’49 N, Betty Weaver Kragt and Marv Kragt ’49.
Women’s House Decorations winner (Columbia Cottage).
A scene from “The Show Off.”
An attractive Homecoming float.
Tense moment in Hillsdale-Hope Homecoming Game.
Captain Abie Moerland presenting Queen Dolores Freyng with gift.
Winner of Homecoming Float Parade (Cosmopolitans).
Men’s House Decorations winner (Columbia Court).
From Hope-Hillsdale Football Game.

ALUMNI ATHLETES LAUNCH NEW VENTURE

The Hope College Alumni Varsity Club was formally launched during Homecoming weekend. 90 former varsity members in all sports attended the H Club Luncheon Saturday, October 22, in the Temple Dining Hall.

Because of the enthusiastic response accorded the first dinner held last year, it was decided to make this event an annual affair.

A nominating committee composed of Russell Vande Poel ’26N, Chairman, Alvin ’Boo’ Cook ’30 and Clarence Becker ’31, presented a slate of officers which was unanimously accepted. James Ver Meulen ’26 of Grand Rapids accepted the presidency, with Harold Cobb Klaasen ’31 and Henry Steffens ’30, secretary and treasurer respectively, completing the slate.

President Ver Meulen appointed a Board of Directors composed of Dr. Otto van der Velde ’15, Robert Van Dis ’47, Ekdal Buys ’37 and Frederick Yonkman ’25.

After complimenting the college on their fine athletic record, Fritz Yonkman suggested that a fund be instituted for the further promotion of the athletic program. A total of $439.50 was contributed by the members present.

At a meeting of the officers and Board of Directors held Saturday, November 12, the following objectives of the Club were unanimously adopted.

The Hope College Alumni Varsity Club is an organization made up of alumni who have participated in inter-collegiate athletics and have won an “H” or a reserve “R” in one sport or more. The members, in appreciation of the educational values received through their own athletic experiences, intend to support the program of Hope College and, particularly, to show active interest in the promotion of the Institution’s Athletic Program as an important part of the total educational process. It is definitely not the intention of the organization to attempt to overemphasize the College’s Athletic Program, realizing that the program of the College calls for turning out well-balanced graduates, and that athletics is only one aspect of bringing this about. However, the organization, along with the College authorities, feel that a successful athletic program is necessary for the general student morale as well as assisting in holding the interest of the Alumni of the school, and adds definitely to the educational processes.”

HAROLD COBB KLAASEN ’31, Sec.
1948

A. Marvin and Audrey Reagan De Young are teaching school in Yakutat, Alaska, where Marvin will also be principal of the school. Audrey and Marvin did post graduate work at Michigan State Normal College, Ypsilanti, last year.
HOPE HONORS AMBASSADOR VAN KLEFFENS

A distinguished occasion on the Hope college campus, was the entertainment of His Excellency, Elco N. van Kleffens, ambassador to the United States from the Netherlands. The ambassador paid a long delayed visit to Hope college and Holland on October 12. The climax of his visit was the special Convocation to present him with a doctor of laws degree. Present to assist with and grace the occasion were Governor of Michigan Menen G. Williams, and Mrs. Williams, Hon. Ernest C. Brooks '12N, State Corrections Commissioner and Mrs. Brooks. Mr. John Steketeet, Netherlands Consul General of Grand Rapids, and Mrs. Steketee, Consul General Jan Vand Mortel of Chicago and Vice Consul, Allan Rettiger of Denver, Colorado.

Dr. Wynand Wichers '09 read the citation and Dr. Lubbers bestowed the degree upon His Excellency. In his acceptance speech, Dr. van Kleffens, a veteran UN delegate, told the vast audience that some nations are using the United Nations as a new "weapon to attack political opponents," thereby weakening efforts for world peace.

Preceding the presentation ceremony, Governor Williams addressed the Convocation paying tribute to the warmth and hospitality of the Dutch people. The Governor and Mrs. Williams visited the Netherlands a few years ago. The mayor of Holland, Harry Harrington, and William J. Laughlin '50, president of the Hope College International Relations Club, spoke briefly. The chapel choir sang under the direction of Prof. Harvey O. Davis, with Mrs. W. Curtis Snow '41 at the organ. Dr. John A. Dykstra '09, president of the Board of Trustees of Hope college, offered prayers.

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CONGRESSMAN GERALD R. FORD HONORS HOPE COLLEGE

More than one hundred volumes of valuable books for research have been received by the Hope College library through the efforts of Gerald R. Ford, representative to Congress from Michigan's Fifth District. In a letter to Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers, college president, Representative Ford stated that from time to time Congressmen are allotted certain public documents and that at this time he was very happy to turn over those which would be useful to the Hope library. Included in the collection are forty-one volumes on the United States foreign relations which contain reports on this country's dealings with foreign nations. There are thirteen volumes on the Paris peace negotiations and three volumes on our relations with Japan. Another valuable set of documents include the Lansing papers covering the First World War. Seven volumes cover the basic code of laws in the United States.

According to Dr. Ella Hawkinsin, head of the Hope College history department, the addition of these documents will be especially valuable to the thirty-five students now enrolled in the course in foreign relations. According to Miss Hawkinsin another valuable group of research material is found in the five volumes of the annual reports of the American Historical Society.

Miss Mildred Schuppert '31, instructor in library science at Hope, said that fifty bound volumes of Congressional Records, also included in the gift, completes the library's Congressional Record collection.

Colombe Bosch Heimburger '23N arrived in Holland November 30 from Sweden for a visit with her family.

GEOPOLITICAL SURVEY

Registrar Paul E. Hinkamp '07 has prepared the following geographical survey of this year's enrollment at Hope College. Of the 1083 students this year, 649 are from Michigan. New York State's population is second with 145, and New Jersey third with 92. Illinois has 68 and Wisconsin 30 students. Fifteen other states are represented — Ohio, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Iowa, California, Massachusetts, South Dakota, Alabama, Florida, Minnesota, Maryland, Texas, Missouri, Montana and Washington. 14 foreign countries have sent students to Hope College this year; 7 students are from India; 5 from Iraq and 1 from Iran. The Netherlands also is credited with 5 and China with 3. Mexico, Germany and Ethiopia have each sent 2 students this year. Countries with only 1 student represented are Roumania, Virgin Islands, Canada, Venezuela, Korea and Nigeria.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT GROWING

As a result of the larger over all music program at Hope college, this year's graduating class will contain the largest number of music majors in Hope's history. Heretofore many of Hope's student body have been interested in music as a hobby, but this year the department will produce 16 music major graduates, 2 of which are specializing in instrumental music, 3 in organ, 4 in piano and 7 in voice. Most of these students plan to teach public school music upon graduation. Beginning in December there will be a recital every Thursday evening in Hope Memorial Chapel.
Campus

FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS

There is evidence of considerable interest among both students and faculty members in the Fulbright Scholarships. On November 15 there was on the campus a representative of the Federal Security Agency, Office of Education, Division of International Educational Relations, in the person of Mr. J. Harold Goldthorpe. The particular interest of Mr. Goldthorpe was to explain the possibilities of teaching positions in the Netherlands, since it was thought that this would be one of the most likely areas from which applicants for these would be recruited. However, he also presented a general picture of the operation of the entire program. This includes opportunities for study and teaching in the following countries: Belgium, Burma, France, Greece, Iran, Italy, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, the Philippines, and the United Kingdom.

Competition for awards closed officially on December 1, but the program for the following year will, no doubt, be very similar. Interested persons should send their inquiries to the following agencies:

For graduate study: Persons now enrolled in American colleges and universities should apply to the Fulbright Program Advisors on their campus. Others should apply directly to the Institute of International Education, 2 West 45th Street, New York 19, New York.

For university teaching, or advanced research: To the Conference Board of Associated Research Councils, 2101 Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington 25, D.C.

For teaching in American secondary schools abroad: to the Conference Board of Associated Research Councils, 2101 Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington 25, D.C.


As an example of what is available, we take the Netherlands. Grants are announced for 8 American citizens to teach in certain secondary schools and special institutes. These will include a basic living allowance and round trip transportation, all payable in Dutch currency. Applicants should have a bachelor's and preferably a master's degree, be approximately between the ages of 25-50, and have at least 3 years of successful teaching experience. Appointments for successful candidates are for a single school year. These are the specific opportunities in the Netherlands for the school year 1950-51:

1. Teachers of general elementary and secondary school subjects—Quaker schools Eerde, Ommen.
3. A specialist in the education of the blind—Institute for the Blind, Bussum. Excellent command of Dutch required.
5. A physical education teacher—Academy for Physical Education, Amsterdam. This specialist will work closely with school authorities to explain and demonstrate American physical education and field sport activities.
6. A teacher of dietetics—School of Home Economics, the Hague. This school has requested a well trained woman in this field who has a very good command of the Dutch language.
7. A teacher of social casework—School of Social Work, Amsterdam. This institution is the leading school of its type in the Netherlands and is anxious to secure a well trained American woman teacher in this field.

We hope to see some alumni get placed in the program. If interested, write to the proper address as given above. Hope College is not authorized to handle any applications from those who are not in residence.

Edward J. Wolters '20.

Hope College publicity department has prepared a set of 80 2x2 kodachrome slides depicting the campus and student life at Hope College. These slides are available, together with a brochure giving complete information about them, to interested alumni. They will make an excellent 40 minute program for high schools, young people groups or church organizations.

- Ambassador van Kleefens receiving the doctor of laws degree in Hope Memorial Chapel.
- William Laughlin, Grand Rapids senior, Maisie Korteling, sophomore from India, (daughter of Ralph and Anna Winter Korteling, both '19) and Harold Dean, Kentport, New Jersey, junior, of Hope's active International Relations Club.
- An innovation at Hope—YM and YW sponsored skating parties every Friday and Saturday evenings in Carnegie Gymnasium. There are always beginners!
- Kathy Kempers (daughter of John '21 and Mable Van Dyke '24, Kempers) left! and Marjorie Pickens (daughter of Elizabeth Zwemer '21 Pickens—granddaughter of Samuel M. Zwemer '87) student library assistants with the collection of volumes received by the library through the efforts of Representative Gerald R. Ford.
- The Hope College orchestra in concert.
The questions which Nan raised are basic in all of life and after we have presented to her the assumptions of our home for some fifteen or sixteen years, we plan to send her to college. What kind of a college? Will it be one in which the assumptions of our home training are undergirded and advanced or will they be discarded and new ones substituted in more or less subtle ways? Wouldn't any church-related college further the assumptions on which our home training is based? Isn't the whole matter so simple as to be capable of solution by putting the names of all church-related colleges in a hat and going to the one that is drawn first? Why have any doubts?

There is too little awareness of the conflicting assumptions that lie back of present-day education and of the mind-set which is developed as a result. Take for example the teaching of what is called the scientific method. Strictly speaking this is a method of investigation that is used by a scientist in his particular field. In this sense it is only investigation by the human mind and would receive general approval. But the scientific method has come to include certain presuppositions that are crucial for daily living. It begins by saying that the world about us and within us is a vast unknown. From time to time men perceive what we call facts. These facts are organized and related to each other by what is called the scientific method to produce knowledge. The structure is only tentative, of course, and is subject to change as new facts may register on the mind of man. This is a thoroughly agnostic attitude toward life which makes life meaningless when it is rigidly applied because if what we perceive of life within and without is pure accident, why isn't the method we apply to our perceptions equally accidental? If that be true why isn't man, his acts, his science and everything including what we call truth, a mere accident? The application of that method to man reduces him to the same level as the rest of the components of life within and without. If all this be true, where is this personal God Nan learned about at home? Has He been ushered out of His creation to be replaced by a haunting question mark? Of course the teachers of scientific method do not wish to reduce man to a mere accident so they defy logic and assert that man has supreme worth, independence and possesses freedom, liberty and individual significance. They have seen that men are not merely victimized by the facts which he grasps from the world within and without but men have the capacity to rise above such facts. Men can will their own worth in apparent defiance of the logical application of the assumptions of the scientific method. They can legislate for and control what we call nature. But where does man get the freedom to act in this fashion?

It was Kant who answered this question by claiming that our freedom is self-creating. Later philosophers carried on from that point by saying that this self-creating freedom was sweeping on toward perfection. The sweeping process was history and the scientific method was evidence of man's mastery in history. Hegel capped this teaching by stating that life within and without the individual is not a mere unknown but that man through the use of the scientific method is gaining himself into this world and finding that there is nothing but God and God is the process of proof. This explanation of the individual, freedom and God is the only logical one if the initial presuppositions are accepted. You see what has happened. Men were unhappy living life with a mere question mark. Too many of them were experiencing the lines of Zanquill:

The nymphs are gone, the faeries flown
The ancient gods forever fled.
The stars are silent overhead
The music of the stars is still.
The night is dark, the wind is chill
And man is left alone with man.

So Hegel tried to help them by creating a God that would suit his specifications of the mind-set that had come off of an erroneous use of the scientific method. He answered the question—Who is God?

The question of the identity of God is the most crucial one which a person faces in all of life. Everyone answers it by ignoring, accepting or rejecting the God who is disclosed in the Bible. We are trying to help our Nan take her first steps toward fellowship with Him. But what will her teachers, instructors and professors do when she enters college?

Probably most people who teach do not make a deliberate effort to estrange the student from the God of the Christian religion. It is done unwittingly by adopting assumptions or presuppositions in teaching that deny this God. Not only can this happen in the sciences; it can occur in any course of study. Take history, for example. What is history? Is it a mere catalogue of accidental happenings that men have recorded? Is it the story of human enslavement to things? Does it have design and meaning? More questions and various answers can be given about history but in a church-related college the answers should be tested against the claim that God is always sovereign in history. He controls it to realize His purposes. Does that conviction come alive in history or is it rejected?

Or take courses in literature. Some standard must be adopted by which certain literature is accepted and other literature is cast aside. What makes it good or bad? Is it mere personal taste? Is it simply a musical arrangement of syllables? What makes great literature great? The definition will depend upon the assumptions that are made about man and life and these end ultimately in the question—Who is God?

The same considerations apply to the teaching of art as well as to every other field of human knowledge. Well, what significance does all this have in choosing a college for our Nan?

First of all it does not mean that we expect or want each of her instructors to be a theologian. Probably no such faculty has been or could be assembled. But we insist that Nan should be made aware that the ultimate questions of life are in fact theological in their nature. Consequently we believe that instructors in church-related colleges should be expected to take some time at the beginning or conclusion of each course to discuss with the students the presuppositions that will be or have been made in the teaching of the subject matter. What is man? What is life all about? What is the good life? What is the highest reality in life? Such questions and others which will all root in a final question—Who is God?

We do not require either that every instructor should give the same answer to such basic questions; nor do we ask that all agree on the validity which attaches to the presuppositions made in each field of knowledge. As a matter of fact, we would welcome a plan which would permit our Nan to hear lectures by leading proponents of various views of life. Let her hear some convinced Communist present his life view; let her listen to a confirmed materialist explain life; let a convincing rationalist offer his way of making existence meaningful; yes, let a nihilist argue for his doubts too. She will hear these views when she leaves college in surroundings that will not be sympathetic to a Christian view of life and it would be better if she had made their acquaintance in sympathetic circles before she received her sheepskin.

But, we insist that such training will add up to confusion for our Nan unless there are at least three instructors who are masterful at making a fair analysis of the presuppositions made in any course taught in the college curriculum as well as in the teaching of visiting lecturers. Having
The Faculty

NEW FACULTY MEMBERS

Maurice Guild teaches brass instrumental music on a part-time basis at Hope College. Mr. Guild is director of instrumental music at the Grandville public schools. He is a native of Virginia, Minnesota and received a B.Mus. degree from the University of Michigan in 1947 and a master's degree in music in 1948. He has had wide musical experience having been a member of the Virginia Civic Symphony and the Virginia Municipal band.

During World War II as technical sergeant in charge of an Army band he organized and directed the 89th division artillery band. He assisted in the organization of the 89th Division band and served overseas in France and Germany with this group. In 1945 he reorganized and directed the 8th Division band at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

While at the University of Michigan, Mr. Guild played baritone in both the University marching and concert bands. Among compositions written and published by him is the official song of the 89th infantry, "Song of the 89th." He is a member of the Pi Kappa Lambda, national honorary music society and Kappa Kappa Psi, national honorary band fraternity which he served as vice president.

Prof. Robert W. Cavanaugh, Head of the Music Department, has been granted leave of absence for graduate study at the University of Michigan.

Robert C. Vanderham is new as associate professor of sociology at Hope College. He attended Northwestern and De Pauw Universities and received his BA degree from the latter in 1947. In 1949 he was awarded his MA in sociology from the same university.

Vanderham served with the U.S. Navy in the South Pacific as an ensign from 1944 to 1946. Before becoming interested in teaching, Prof. Vanderham was active in business. He has been associated with the First National Bank and Trust Company, Evanston, Illinois, and Eli Lilly and Company, Indianapolis.

He is a member of the Toynbee Society, National Sociological Society; Alpha Kappa Delta, National Sociological Scholastic Honorary Fraternity; and Lambda Chi Alphi-Xi, National Social Fraternity.

MISS REEVERTS HONORED

Miss Emma Reeverts, dean of women, has been given the real distinction of being appointed a Hazen Associate. The appointment came through a letter from William W. McKee, program associate for the Edward W. Hazen Foundation, New Haven, Connecticut.

Hazen Associates are a group sponsored by the Foundation, the purpose of which is to encourage effective counseling service in Universities and colleges. According to Mr. McKee, those eligible as members of the organization are persons in college communities who have demonstrated a genuine concern and capacity in student counseling. The appointment is accompanied by a financial grant to be used in promoting an effective counseling program.

DEGREE RECEIVED

Miss Jennie Spoelstra '41, Assistant Professor of biology, received her MA degree in Zoology from the University of Kansas in June 1949. During her residence at the University of Kansas last spring, Miss Spoelstra was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, National honorary scholastic society and Sigma Xi, national honorary scientific research society.

HOMECOMING

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The real climax of Homecoming for the alumni was the buffet supper at Hope Church, an event becoming more popular each year. To top off a good supper and reminiscent visiting, our director of alumni relations, Clyde Geerlings '27 introduced those popular story tellers, Wynnand Wichers '09 and Irwin Lubbers '17. Each tried to outdo the other in this entertaining sport to the rollicking amusement of all in attendance. After that gaiety and the story pertinent to the announcement, we were happy to hear Dr. Lubbers' plea for help from the alumni, to maintain the standards of the college. He expressed the belief that 2500 of our alumni would gladly help to the amount of $10.00 each to help maintain the academic standards of their alma mater this year. To show you how enthusiastic the crowd was, immediately following adjournment the alumni secretary found herself barricated by a host of $10.00 bills waved anxiously before her. All donors wanted to be first to show they were backing Dr. Lubbers' plan. Perhaps you would like to know that Joan Vander Werf and Doris Brewer, both from that great class of 1930, were the first to contribute their share.

Many lingered at the church to talk over the success of the day, the pranks and problems of their children and other things Hope College alumni discuss when given the opportunity. Others went reluctantly on with their schedule to the play, to the open house festivities at the dorms.

Many stayed for the last drop of dew—going to church on Sunday morning and the vespers services in the Chapel on Sunday afternoon.

Our next big day is June 13, 1950—Alumni Day. Do treat yourself to another trip to Hope College!
Hope Men Write Science Textbooks

HENRY J. OOSTING

Henry J. Oosting ’25, Professor of Botany at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, is the author of the textbook "The Study of Plant Communities," recently published by W. H. Freeman & Company of San Francisco. It is now being translated into Spanish.

After finishing his work at Hope College, Henry got his master's degree at Michigan State College in 1927 and his doctor's degree from the University of Minnesota in 1931. For the past 17 years he has been on the faculty of Duke University, where he now has the rank of full professor of Botany. He has just been honored in his appointment to the Duke Research Council, the body controlling the tremendous research program of the University.

Dr. Oosting has done a great deal of field research in many sections of the United States. Several summers ago he was asked to go on a Geographic expedition to Greenland. His written account of his botanical work on that expedition is very interesting. Dr. Oosting is in great demand as a lecturer for conventions and conferences in the East and South.

Henry is married to Cornelia Ossewaarde ’24, who has her master's degree in Botany from the University of Illinois. They have two children, Jan Kurt, 12, and Marta Joy, 9. The Oostings are active in the Presbyterian Church and in Garden club activities in Durham.

As we go to press we learn of the death of Geraldine Smies ’32 in Oostburg, Wisconsin, November 12. A tribute to her will appear in the April issue of this magazine.

CALVIN A. VANDER WERF

Dr. Calvin A. Vander Werf ’37, professor of chemistry at the University of Kansas, and two other instructors, have completed a textbook in general chemistry.

The book "General Chemistry: A Systematic Approach" is being published by the MacMillan Company and was displayed recently at a meeting of the American Chemical Society in Atlantic City.

The co-authors are Dr. Harry H. Sisler, associate professor of chemistry at Ohio State University and Dr. Arthur W. Davidson, professor of chemistry at the University of Kansas.

Upon graduation from Hope College, Calvin did graduate work on an assistantship at Ohio State University, receiving his master's degree from that school in 1940 and his doctorate in 1941. Since 1941 he has been at the University of Kansas climbing consistently from instructor to assistant professor to associate professor to a full professorship last year in the department of chemistry.

"Cal" will be remembered as active in extra curricular activities at Hope College having served as student council president, editor of the Anchor and president of the Fraternal Society. He was listed in the Intercollegiate Who's Who in American Colleges, served his class as president during his freshman year and was a member of the Milestone staff. He was also valedictorian of his class and a member of the Blue Key honorary fraternity.

The Kalamazoo chapter is planning a Hope Chapel Choir concert in their city during Lent.

WILLIAM H. ATWOOD

"An Atlas and Manual in Comparative Anatomy," Dr. William Atwood's latest textbook is the fourth he has written in this field. In all he has written nine books, his others in the field of biology.

Dr. Atwood's books are distinguished by their number of full-page illustrations and drawings. Most of these were drawn by the author with the assistance of art students and biology majors. In his books, he has used about 700 of the 1000 pictures he has gathered during his career.

Dr. Atwood was graduated from Hope College in 1912. Other colleges and universities attended have been Michigan Normal College, University of Michigan, Washington University and the University of Wisconsin. Besides teaching in several high schools earlier in his career, he has been on the faculty of Marquette University, and is now head of the department of biology at Milwaukee State Teachers College, the position he has held since 1917. Dr. and Mrs. Atwood have raised four children.

1944

Jack Kern Krum who received his M.A. degree from Michigan State in 1948 completed his doctorate in Food Technology at the University of Massachusetts, September 1949. He has taken a position at the University of Tennessee (Knoxville) as assistant professor doing part teaching and part research in food preserving. Jack's wife is Miriam Siebert 46N. Miriam received her AB from Michigan State in 1948.
JOHN M. VANDENBELT

John M. Vandenbelt '34, in charge of research in Physical Chemistry in the Parke, Davis & Co. laboratories, was chosen recently to head the Committee for Physico-Chemical development in the Research and Development Section of the American Drug Manufacturers Association.

After Hope, John was graduate assistant in chemistry at Boston University from 1934 until 1936 when he received the A.M. degree in analytical chemistry under Prof. C. M. Alter. That same year he became graduate assistant in physical chemistry at Michigan State College under Prof. D. T. Ewing. He held a Parke, Davis & Co. research fellowship there in physical chemistry from 1938-40, and received the Ph.D. degree in 1940. His thesis work was in ultraviolet spectroscopy, and included studies of vitamins K\textsubscript{1} and K\textsubscript{3} and derivatives for Dr. Doisy of St. Louis University. Dr. Doisy subsequently received a share of the Nobel Prize for his work on these compounds.

In 1940 Dr. Vandenbelt joined the research staff of Parke, Davis & Co. at Detroit. In 1942 he was given charge of the research laboratories in Physical Chemistry. A major function of his work has been the application of instrumental photometer techniques to measurements of biologically active compounds. Among these are the ultraviolet and infrared spectrophotometer, the polarograph, the electrophoresis apparatus and diffusion methods. The section is conducted both as a service to other research groups on the staff and as a collaborative unit in the study of specific problems. A recent example was the elucidation of the structure of the antibiotic Chloromycetin, in which spectral studies made an important contribution. For example, from the ultraviolet absorption, a major portion of the molecule was identified, and the number, type and probable position of the substituents were indicated, although no previous record of a similar structure from biological sources had ever been recorded. Other recent researches include a characterization of the spectra of substituted benzeneoid compounds.

In 1948 John was invited to speak at the national meeting of the Optical Society of America discussing the topic “Optics in the Pharmaceutical Industry.”

In 1940 John and Gladys Bond of St. Johns, Michigan, were married. “Gladys has red hair,” says John, “but neither of our two children, Marcia, 7, nor Billy, 6, have red hair.” Could that be a scientific error? (Your editor is so awed by the sound, scope and magnitude of the write-ups of these men from our science department that she doesn’t know where science ends and happenstance begins—or is there no dividing line!)

Anyway, John says that besides his family and work, his other interests are reading and travel. He is proud of the fact that he has been in all but 5 of the states. As a pleasant interlude to his “See America First” plan, he spent the summer of 1937 at Old Heidelberg University.

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Peter '38 and Marian Waalkes '40 Veltman with their adopted daughters, Virginia 8, and Donna 6, are in Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Peter will study Dutch literature and do translations at the University of Amsterdam under the Fulbright plan. Marian, an outstanding mezzo soprano, will continue her voice training in Paris. Her Chicago teacher has referred her to one there. It will be remembered that Peter received his master's degree from Ohio State University after graduation from Hope. After teaching English and Journalism at Holland High School for 8 years, he accepted a position in the English department at Wheaton College. He is on leave of absence from Wheaton.

The Reverend Ernest vanden Bosch, class of '23, passed away November 1, 1949, at his home at 1717 Vinsetta Boulevard, Royal Oak, Michigan.

“Ernie” came to Hope College fortified with a fine Christian home training—Presbyterian background—and a wealth of experience gained during his two years of rugged and outstanding service in World War I. He immediately became a leader in all the academic and religious organizations on the campus and was well liked by every member of the student body. His Christianity was vital and alive and he had that rare ability to inspire another to enthusiastic Christianity without himself indulging in sermonizing or narrow creedism.

He was President of his class in 1920 and class orator; assistant and business manager of the Milestone respectively in 1921 and 1922; a member of the Home Volunteer group; a member of the Fraternal Society and its president in 1923.

Following his graduation from College he proceeded to Princeton Seminary where he received his Bachelor of Theology degree in 1926. After twenty-four years in active ministry—serving successfully in three separate parishes, he was recently called to become the assistant to the President of Alma College.

He leaves a devoted wife—nee Frances Helen Mills, class of '23, two daughters and a son, his aged father at Grand Haven and numerous other relatives. To all of them our deepest sympathy is extended.

KENNETH DE FRIE '24N.
Athletics

Collins Ottipoby  Ivan Huyser

CROSS-COUNTRY AT HOPE

Eighteen men turned out in response to the call for cross-country runners issued just after school got under way. Among them were three veterans—Collins Ottipoby, Laguna, New Mexico, team captain; Hendrik Parson, Bombay, India, and Hugh Campbell of Kalamazoo. Outstanding new prospects were Ivan Huyser, former Holland High distance star; Jim Rendel of Gary, Indiana, who also had an outstanding record of high school competition, Neil Van Heest, Catskill, New York, a two-miler on last year’s track squad, and Wayne Tripp, Wynantskill, New York, an outstanding performer in the last May Day Interfraternity track meet. Roger Knopf of Muskegon Heights rounded out the varsity squad.

Alma, our first opponent, was defeated 24-53, Huyser and Ottipoby taking first and second places respectively. Easy wins over Adrian (19-46) and Toledo U. in a triangular meet and Hillsdale in a dual meet, 16-48, made prospects bright for improving last year’s third place standing in MIAA competition. Then Captain Ottipoby developed a leg condition that made it necessary for him to drop out of competition for the season. A resounding 17-44 defeat at the hands of Albion followed. The race of the season was run against Kalamazoo the following week-end. The Dutch dropped this one 28-30.

On November 15 the MIAA held the conference run over the four mile local course. Here an inspired Kalamazoo squad came within four points of upsetting the favorites and defending champions from Albion, Hope taking third place.

Prospects for next year are good, since every member of this year’s squad is expected to be back. The team is determined to raise the Hope College cross-country standards up to its record performance back around 1912-1918.

LARS GRANBERG, Coach.

BASKETBALL OUTLOOK GOOD

With a little more cooperation from Lady Luck than he received last year, basketball coach Russ De Vette should have a fairly potent five for his second season as Dutch cage mentor.

Seven defeats by the narrowest of margins accounted for Hope’s rather grim record and fifth place rating in the MIAA last year. At no time during the 1948-49 season were the Dutch defeated by more than four points, and the aggregate total separating Hope from its opponents in its seven defeats was only 21 points, or an average of three points a game.

Last year Hope succeeded in knocking off each of its opponents, except Kalamazoo, at least once, and was the only MIAA squad to defeat Hillsdale, the loop champion.

The only member of last year’s squad lost by graduation was Herk Beter. This year will be Bud Vande Wege, Paul Muyksens, Bill Holwerda, Nick Yonker, Bob Wagner, Jack Marema, Fred Brieve, Bill Hinga, Bob Dennison, and Duane Peeksto.

The Dutch have added three tough opponents to their 1949-50 schedule, playing Western Michigan and Central Michigan twice, and Earlham (Richmond, Ind.) once.

GORDON BELD ’50.

AARON J. UNGERSMA

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AARON J. UNGERSMA

Dr. Ungersma went far afield from HOPE and married a graduate of the University of Washington. He and his wife, Mary, have three wonderful children, twins (boy and girl) of seventeen, and a boy of six.

CLYDE H. GEERLINGS ’27.

CHAMPIONSHIP SOFTBALL TEAM

Greatest That Ever Played in the New Brunswick Summer Conference.

Back Row (left to right)—Bob Geldes (Rutgers man), Jim Cheatum (from Andrew Branche’s staff), Tom Boslopper ’45, Milton Hinga (Hope dean of men), Irving Decker ’53, Miss Dorothy Bruce (from Board Rooms R.C.A. New York).

Bottom Row—Henry Wackerbarth ’29, Mrs. Elise Hann (Warwick Reformed Church), Blase Levai ’42, and Mat Miles ’20N.

M.I.A.A. WINNERS

Although limited to second place in the MIAA title race this year, the Dutch cleaned up when the all-MIAA grid squad was chosen, landing five of eleven positions on the first team and one on the second. Hillsdale’s championship squad, which defeated Hope 13 to 9, placed two men on the honor squad.

It was the first time in the history of the school that five men gained berths on the team, and the quintet missed a league record by one position, Hillsdale having gained six members on the all-league squad in 1938.

Nick Yonker, along with Hillsdale’s Bill Young, was the first man to achieve all-MIAA honors for four consecutive years. Yonker is undoubtedly one of the best quarterbacks to have played in Michigan collegiate football and his passes were one of the top reasons for Hope’s spectacular season. Yonker’s home is in Muskegon, Michigan.

Clair DeMull, one of the best ends seen in mid-Western small college ranks this season, pulled down a post on the all-MIAA team for the third year in a row. DeMull played his prep ball at Wyoming Park, a suburb of Grand Rapids.

Bill Holwerda, the other Dutch end, also landed a spot on the honor squad. Bill gained more ground on pass receiving than any other end in the conference and added several extra points for the Hollanders. He played high school ball at Grand Rapids South.

Rip Collins, another former South player, grabbed an all-conference tackle position. Ripper was beyond doubt one of the hardest playing gridders in the league.

Abraham Moerland, the 1949 Hope captain, acquired an all-MIAA position for the second consecutive year. Moerland, a former Grand Rapids Union player, is a guard.

On the second team was Gord Timmerman, the Dutchmen’s other guard and another product of Grand Rapids Union.
made the analysis they must be equally skillful in presenting the claims of the Christian religion. The first of these is the instructor in Bible. That instructor is not discharging the responsibility which modern living puts upon him if he is most concerned that students are able to recite the names of books of the Bible, the historical facts in the life of Christ or the itinerary of St. Paul’s missionary journeys. Such facts are worth knowing in a sense but they become irrelevant in the testing of later life. The Bible instructor should lead Nan to a deeper realization that this volume called the Bible makes certain fateful claims that no person can avoid. Its history, poetry, wisdom, literature, letters and prophecies present answers to such basic questions as: Who is man? What is he here for? What is the purpose of life? Where is man going? How will man get there? And, supremely, this volume answers the question—Who is God? Who is God now? Who was God yesterday? The instructor in Bible should advance Nan in grasping the ever-living and ever-expanding answers to such questions which the Bible contains. He should be able to test the validity of any presuppositions made in other fields of study or human thought which deny the Christian claims. In this latter responsibility he should be greatly aided by Nan’s professor in philosophy. Will she have one? Well, in thinking of a college for our Nan we would like to consider one that required every student to take one full year of philosophy.

We are not ready to awake from this dream just yet. The instructor in ethics must be Nan’s guide to an articulate answer to the basic question—How do I tell right from wrong? What makes right, right? What makes wrong, wrong? If the instructors in Bible and ethics are looking to a common end the course in ethics will root the answers to questions about human conduct in the answer to the question: Who is God? The individual affirmation to that query determines human conduct. But how many college graduates understand that? Just this past spring I talked with the val- dictor of a class that had graduated from one of the most outstanding Presbyterian Church-related colleges. I asked her how many of her classmates could have answered the question—How do you tell right from wrong? She looked a bit startled and answered, “Not more than 10%.” Forgetting the religious significance in that answer it has appalling implications for society. How can society survive with a small minority of its members able to tell—How do I tell right from wrong? And then when we hope for men to go beyond the level of mere survival to more creative heights of living, we shudder at the chances when only a small minority can state how they tell right from wrong!

Just one word of explanation about the burden which we would place on the instructors in the college for our Nan. We do not expect the answer to the question—Who is God?—to be presented in terms of reason only. The answer becomes real only as prayer, worship and the sharing of life with God and fellow-men are made richer. No doubt the college pastor must take first responsibility here and his role is not an incidental one. If my remarks have made it appear so it is only because they have been concerned with the work of teachers on this occasion.

A college for Nan. Our specifications for it grow out of a responsibility we believe we owe to God the Father who gave her to us. When we think of her instructors we expect them to fall into the company of a character in an Old Testament story. Joseph of the Book of Genesis was sold by his brothers into slavery in Egypt. In time he became food administrator of the country and while acting in this role his brothers came to buy grain. They did not recognize Joseph but he remembered them. He told his brothers not to return for more food unless their youngest brother Benjamin came along. They followed instructions and the young brother returned with them. Joseph framed a charge of theft against young Benjamin and was about to have him thrown in prison when the brother Judah came forward with an earnest plea. He explained that their old father had been opposed to Benjamin’s coming because he feared that harm would befall him. In desperation Judah had gone surety for the safe return of Benjamin and he brings his plea to a climax with the words: “For shall I go up to my father and the lad be not with me? . . .” Parents and college instructors discharge a responsibility to God the Father as they teach. Can you or I go up to the Father and the lads or the Nans be not with us? This is our question to those who would provide a College For Our Nan.

MISS ROSS ELECTED TO AMERICAN GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY

Miss Metta J. Ross ’26, professor of history at Hope College, has this year been elected to The American Geographical Society of New York. The official publication of this Society is “The Geographical Journal.” Miss Ross’ election came to her by reason of her special interest in the subject “Climate and its influence on Man.” Your editor felt that our readers would be interested in her theories on this unusual and thought stimulating subject and therefore asked her to prepare an article for publication. Because of the scope of the subject Miss Ross chose to do a series of articles. The introductory article is printed here.

CLIMATE AND MAN

Most of us over-praise, grumble, or just put up with this very vital element in our lives; because we all agree that there is just nothing that we can do about it. There isn’t unless we pack up our belongings and move.

The suffer from arthritis or tuberculosis may be told by his physician that he must go to Arizona or Colorado; but most of us take the climate of the spot we are in and pretend to like it. Perhaps we do like it; perhaps it agrees with us; but we rarely question why. Yet climate is one of the determining factors in our lives—domestic, professional, or what-have-you—because, basically, it controls the amount of energy we have at any given time.

Now, climate, as used here, includes temperature, storminess, humidity or aridity, barometric pressure, et cetera. Here storminess is used in the sense of changes from little or no wind to high wind or vice versa, whether or not the wind is accompanied by precipitation. The meteorologist calls such a change—common from the Great Lakes eastward to the Atlantic—cycloidal storms. These ‘storms’ invariably bring changes in temperature, and changes of temperature, provided they are not too great, are more stimulating than uniformity.

Continuous cold weather is stultifying, both physically and mentally, while con-

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We Salute . . . John Albert Tillema

John Albert Tillema, Ph.D., S. J. D., was recently honored by the George Washington University upon the completion of 25 years on its faculty as Professor of Political Science.

After attending Hope Prep School and graduating from Hope College in 1914, Dr. Tillema remained at Hope as an instructor in Latin and Greek for two years. On the side he was permitted to give a course in Political Science. The teaching of the latter course along with his interest in debating and public speaking at Hope turned his interest to the subject which he has continued to teach. At the present time he is teaching only law courses in the department of Political Science.

Being elected to a Michigan state fellowship at the University of Michigan, he did graduate work to earn his M.A. in Economics. Needing more money to continue his graduate studies, Dr. Tillema accepted a position at the Tome Institute at Port Deposit, Maryland. From there he went to the Johns Hopkins University to continue study with the aid of a scholarship. After two years as a teaching assistant at the University of Illinois, the assistanship secured through the influence of Professor Mathews whom he met at Johns Hopkins, he obtained a Brooking fellowship to complete work for the Ph.D.

After this accomplishment in 1924, Dr. Tillema joined the faculty of the George Washington University. While a full time member of the teaching staff he continued the study of law and obtained the LLB and LLM degrees.

During his sabbatical leave in 1933-34 he earned the degree of Doctor of Juridical Science from the Harvard University Law School.

Dr. Tillema has given Hope College every reason to bask in reflected glory so to speak in this statement, "I hope that my students will be able to say that I have given the same energy and devoted attention to my work that was given by Professors Beardslee, Dimnent, Nykert, Kuizenga and others at Hope College, under whose guidance I received the desire to spend my life as a teacher and student."

It is nice to know that such an obvious scholar as this has always had interesting and active hobbies. He was born in Fulton, Illinois, and in vacations during his school career he worked on his father's farm besides enjoying the usual active boy hobbies such as hunting and swimming in season. He was considered an expert baseball pitcher in his home community and always played on a neighborhood team.

Presently, outside his interests in work, home and family, Dr. Tillema's hobby for many years has been the growing of roses of every color and kind.

Dr. Tillema is married to Ruth Marcia Kendall. They have three sons, John, Julie and Herbert. He has one sister, Mrs. William Snyder who lives in Morrison, Illinois.

We feel very proud to salute Dr. Tillema—a man whose abilities and knowledge offered him so many opportunities, but who has remained with his preferences and ideals.

### CLASS OF 1920—ATTENTION!

Your 'stay-behinds' on the campus (Emma Reeverts, Garrett Vander Borgh and Edward J. Wolters) want to help you plan your thirtieth anniversary next June. Think about it, talk about it, sleep over it, and then let's hear from you after you receive the letter which "Gary" is pondering over now and which will soon blossom forth in his colorful language.

### CHICAGO CHAPTER NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the Chicago Hope College Club at the Fourth Presbyterian Church, Michigan Avenue, 2 blocks north of Chicago Avenue, January 19, at 6:30 P.M.

With Our Alumni

1896

Rev. B. D. Dykstra has accepted the editorship of the Volksvriend, a position he filled from 1928-34, and recently vacated by the resignation of Rev. J. J. Vander Schaaf '08.

1913

John Vruwink '13N, M.D. recently represented Hope College at the inauguration exercises for Dr. Wallace Sterling at Stanford. In a letter to Dr. Lubbers reporting on the occasion he says: 'You will notice that I checked Hope College in position 83 and just three squares ahead was Clarence Dykstra in 76. You will recall that Dr. Dykstra is the President of the University of California, Southern branch. He was very pleased to find Hope College represented, was most enthusiastic about Hope and wanted me to be sure to send his cordial greetings to you and to Hope College.

1920

Chris A. De Young became executive secretary of the newly created panels on Public Education and Teacher Education on September 1. The panels were established by the NEA Committee on International Relations and will help place a few visitors of overseas educators from U.S. occupied countries. Dr. De Young is on leave from his position as dean of Illinois State Normal University.

1926

Rev. Charles De Vries, pastor of the First Parish in Brewster Unitarian, Brewster, Massachusetts, reports that Cape Cod is a delightful place to live. It has the isolation of an island and invigorating sea air.

Bernard H. Shoemaker, assistant director of research for Standard Oil Company (Indiana) has been chosen chairman-elect of the petroleum division of the American Chemical Society. After graduation from Hope, Bernard received his Ph.D. in organic chemistry from Ohio State University in 1930. He has been a member of the standard research staff since 1930. He was made assistant director of research in 1946. Though his particular field is chemicals from petroleum, his 60 patents cover a wide range of oil products and processes.
Gebhard Stegeman
A Tribute

Dr. Gebhard Stegeman, Professor of Chemistry at the University of Pittsburgh, died suddenly in his home on Monday, September 5, after thirty-one years in the University's department of Chemistry. He was born on a farm two miles east of Holland, Michigan, on June 14, 1889.

Dr. Stegeman received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Hope College in June, 1913, and was affectionately known on the campus as "Geb." He was a stellar student and athlete in all major sports. He was quiet of speech and manner, and at all times honest, fair and unselfish. His thought was not "whether we won or lost" but always "how we played the game." I count it a real privilege to have been his teammate and contemporary.

Upon graduating from Hope College he received a scholarship in Chemistry to Ohio State University. The Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy degrees were conferred on him by Ohio State in 1915 and 1917 respectively. In 1918, for a brief time, he was an instructor in Chemistry at the University of Washington. He was appointed an Assistant Professor at the University of Pittsburgh during this same year, and four years later, in 1922, was honored with a full professorship in his field, which position he held until his death.

Dr. Stegeman received many honors during his life. In the late World War he was engaged in research for the Navy, and he was one of a group of scientists probing basic life processes under a 1939 grant from the Buhl Foundation and the University of Pittsburgh. In 1945 he was granted funds for research on sugar and sugar solutions by the Sugar Research Foundation. He was a member of the American Chemical Society and Sigma Xi, and contributed many scientific articles to more than twenty-five professional publications. He was truly a part of "Better living through Chemistry."

Dr. Gebhard will be remembered long as a true scientist, but even longer by his friends for his fine human qualities.

We pay our last respects with these words to a Hope Alumnus who has enriched our minds and hearts with his life. Another of Hope's great sons has passed on. We shall miss him.

O. van der Velde, M.D. '15.

CLASS OF 1925 REUNION

Date: June 13, 1950 at 1:00 P.M.
Place: Country Club, Holland, Mich. The following committees have been appointed: Reservations—Mr. and Mrs. John Dethmers, 623 Kensington Rd., East Lansing, Mich., and Natalie Reed Franck, 1176 Sanford Street, Muskegon, Mich. Place: Rev. Joshua M. Hogenboom, 1121 Jefferson Street, Muskegon, Mich., Raymond Kuiper and Jack Schouten, class adviser for four years. Publicity: Dr. and Mrs. Frederic Steggerda, University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill., and Rev. Frank Huff. Program: Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Yonkman, 59 Pomroy Road, Madison, N.J. and Clarence Lubbers, Plainwell, Mich.

In each case former presidents have been appointed chairmen, and if any class member has information for the different committees it is hoped that this will be sent to the right chairman. Others may be asked to serve and all of us can help the reservation committee by sending in our reservations immediately, and the addresses of class members who may have moved or are not living near Holland. We do not have all the names and addresses, therefore invite all members of our class who read this notice to the big reunion and to make your reservations now.

The place has been reserved and a fine program is being planned. In 1925 Adrian De Boom made a prophecy about the twenty-five members of our class whom he thought would be the most successful in the next twenty-five years. This will be opened and read at the reunion. Short reports may be made by all, and it will be good to hear from each other and to be together again. PLAN TO COME. You cannot afford to miss this big reunion.

With Our Alumni

1928
Clinton Cole was recently elected District Attorney of Montgomery County, New York State. ‘Clinton’ conducted a big campaign and was victorious over the 20 year incumbent. His law office is in Amsterdam, New York.

1932
Captain David Reardon, Army Chaplain, with Mrs. Reardon called at the alumni office early in October. The

In the picture with David and Mrs. Reardon are: Prof. Albert Timmer '23 and Lothian Marklein, student from Germany.

Reardons with their children Patricia 11, David, Jr. 9 and Michael 6 had just returned from Germany where David had been stationed in Straubing for 39 months. Before the German assignment David had served the Army at Ft. Lewis, Seattle; the Aleutians and Fort Riley, Kansas. At present he is stationed with the Third Infantry Division, Fort Benning, Georgia. The Reardons enjoyed their life in Germany. Their children had German and American teachers in the Grade School for American Dependen-
tants. They speak German as well as English.

1934
Clarence Fielstra is at present assistant dean of the School of Education, University of California, Los Angeles. He has been at UCLA since 1947, prior to which time he was associate superintendent of schools and director of Curriculum for the San Diego County Schools from 1943-47. Previously he was general su-
pervisor of student teaching at Stanford University. After leaving Hope in '34, Clarence earned his M.A. and Ph.D. de-
grees at the University of Michigan. Ryna De Jonge '50 is Mrs. Fielstra.

1938
Gerard and Mary Damstra Cook, both '38, are now living in Germany where Gerard is principal of the grade school for American Dependents at Hanau. Benjamin Ver Steeg, pastor of the Central Reformed Church, Sioux Center, Iowa, has been granted a six months leave of absence for rest in the Oakdale Sanitarium, Oakdale, Iowa.
With Our Alumni

ALBANY CHAPTER — Virginia Freiligh '38 reporting . . .

Miss Mabel Leckfieldt '38 completed the necessary number of hours at Albany State Teacher's College this past summer to give her the equivalent of a Master's Degree, the desired rating of all teachers at Van Antwerp School, in Schenectady, N. Y.

Congratulations and best wishes are in order for Miss Dorothy Lincoln '38 of Rotterdam Jt., N. Y., who became Mrs. Frederick Randall Karl on Oct. 12 in nuptials performed by Rev. Jacob Pelen '29, Congregational Church of North New York, N. Y. C. Rev. Pelen formerly was pastor of the Woestina Reformed Church, Rotterdam Jt. Mr. and Mrs. Karl are making their home in the Junction while Dot continues to teach near her home.

Recent new members of the Schenectady Branch of the AAUW are Virginia C. Freiligh, Mabel Leckfieldt, and Mrs. Fred Karl, all of the class of '38. At the New Members Tea, Sept. 29, each of us signed up in an interest group. Virginia chose the Dramatic Club while Mabel and Dottie selected courses in Child Study. These interest group meetings are held two evenings each month at members' homes. Each group has approximately 23 women, and extensive programs are planned. The Dramatic Clubs, of which there are several, present a play at the close of each season, besides sponsoring children's plays at a local theater on Saturday mornings during the course of the year. Profits from these plays pay for several women's scholarships at various universities.

Rev. and Mrs. Frank A. Huff '21 of the Niskayuna Reformed Church attended Homecoming this year. Their son, Richard, is a sophomore at Hope. This was Mrs. Huff's first visit to Holland, and every comment concerning our fair college town was more than favorable. She, too, is enthusiastic about Hope and all it has to offer the youth of America. While in Holland, Mr. Huff had the honor of leading one of the chapel exercises.

Rev. and Mrs. Maurice Snyder '36 (Anne Frissel '36) also attended Homecoming this Fall. On Nov. 4, a $20,000 renovation program was dedicated in their church, the Boght Reformed, with Dr. Sizzo as speaker.

The Saratoga Men's Classical Dinner will be held Nov. 16 at the Cohoes Reformed Church, the Rev. Victor Bleekink '09, pastor.

The Hope College slides are being shown Nov. 13 at the North Reformed Church, Watervliet, Rev. Henry Burggraaf '27, pastor.

Classis Schenectady met Oct. 4 at the Altmont Church. The Rev. Nelson P. Van Raalte '28 became president and the Rev. Martin De Wolfe '21, vice president. The 25 year pastoral relation regrettfully was dissolved between the First Reformed Church of Scotia and the Rev. Anthony Van Westenberg '16, who has accepted the position of manager of Kirkside, the new home for retired ministers at Roxbury, N. Y. Two of the Classical Supervisors were: the Rev. Martin De Wolfe for the Scotia Church and the Rev. Bert H. Pennings '22 for the Glennville Church.

The Rev. Edward L. Swartout '29 was installed as pastor of the Woodlawn Community Reformed Church of Schenectady on Sept. 15th. The Rev. Leonard Sibley, Jr. '46, president of Schenectady Classis, presided and read the liturgy. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Frank A. Huff, and the charges to the pastor and the congregation were given by the Rev. Floyd Nagel and the Rev. Martin De Wolfe, respectively. Other ministers participating in the service were the Rev. William Haydon '37, former pastor, and the Rev. George Seibert.

The Rev. William A. Heydon of Kinderhook, N. Y., has accepted his call to the Reformed Church of Hawthorne, N. Y.

We have finally located the former Jane Zeh who spent undergraduate years at Hope majoring in organ. She is now Mrs. Walter Vonk of Clarksville and is still very adept at the organ, playing for the afternoon church services of her home town church. The pulpit is supplied by the Rev. James Van Veen of Almamont.

CALIFORNIA NEWS — Rev. Charles Dumville '39 reporting . . .

The Rev. Peter Bol '41 is now the pastor of Trinity Reformed Church in El Monte. After several years work with Boys Clubs in San Francisco and Pasadena, he accepted a call to return to the active ministry. The El Monte church has just decorated the parsonage and redecorated the main auditorium.

Leonard and Frieda Grote Wezeman, both '45, who are serving the Mayfair Church at Bellflower have three sons.

Harold De Roo '46N and his bride have recently moved into the newly built parsonage of the Bethany Reformed Church of Redlands. Harold and Dorothy are being called upon to do a lot of speaking for young people's groups outside of their own church.

Rev. LeRoy Nattress '27 has been in the Los Angeles area visiting the various churches in an attempt to raise $10,000 to help build the Miraloma Community Church of San Francisco where LeRoy is pastor.

Jeannette Vander Plaag '21 is the head librarian at the San Jose State Teachers College. She resides with her parents in San Jose. Her father Rev. H. Vander Ploeg is an alumnus of the class of '92.

Charles '39 and Inez Von Ins '38 Dumville have just moved into the town of Norwalk to begin a new church for the Reformed Church in America under the sponsorship of the Classis of California. Norwalk is a rapidly growing community and has a subdivision called Norwalk Manor in which area the Dumville's church is located. Norwalk Manor has 2700 homes and had no church ministering to their needs. The opening services in their new built chapel brought 111 to Sunday School, 67 to morning worship and 29 to evening worship. The Dumvilles have two daughters, Charla and Suzy 3.

DETROIT CHAPTER — Tillie Masselink Friesema '31 reporting . . .

We were saddened at the sudden death of Rev. Ernest Vandenh Bosch '23 on November 1. Rev. Vandenh Bosch had moved into this area only last June to assume the office of assistant to the president at Alma College. "Ernie" was prominent on Hope's campus in the 1920s, interrupting his college career to serve overseas in World War I. Deepest sympathy of the Detroit chapter goes to his widow, the former Frances Mills, a son, Louis J., of Philadelphia, and two daughters, Mrs. Robert Reiber of Reading, Pennsylvania, and Elaine, a student at Wooster College, Ohio.

Rev. Jacob Juist '31 and Mrs. Jonet (Ann Koeman '31) came to Detroit this fall to take up the duties at Hope Reformed Church. The Juists have an 8 year old son, John. Before coming to Detroit, Jack and Ann served for seven years at the Fairview Reformed Church near Peoria, Illinois. This church incidentally is the oldest Reformed Church west of the Alleghenies, according to them. It was one hundred twelve years old last month.

We learn also that Rev. Allan Weenink '43 and family arrived in the Motor City in October. Rev. Weenink became
the assistant pastor at Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Larry and Marian De Cook tell us that Dr. and Mrs. Sid Heersma '30 from Kalamazoo recently were their house guests while 'Sid' took a refresher course at the University of Michigan. The De Cooks have a little boy 2½ years old while the Heersmas are the parents of a boy and a girl.

Ethal Boot '35, one of the members of the missionary family of Boots, is children's librarian at the Dearborn City Library.

Don Vande Bunte '31, employed in the metallurgical department of the Dodge division of Chrysler Corporation for the last four years, has been working for late on the development of special procedures for spectroscopic analysis of automotive materials. Don is married to the former Ruth De Kleine (Mich. State '31) and they boast of two offspring—George 8, and Ronald 5.

Rev. Ayle A. Schutter '33 and Mrs. Schutter are the parents of a little son, William Lounsberry, born August 31. "Billy" has a big sister Marianna, age 5. The Schutters are serving the Nardin Park Reformed Church here in Detroit.

Larry De Cook—our president—informs me that elaborate plans are under way for a bigger and better banquet for our Detroit Chapter to be held in January or February. After the gab-fest we should have lots of interesting tales for the next Alumni Magazine. See you there!

GRAND RAPIDS CHAPTER — Jeanette Rylaarsdam Baas '42 reporting...

Among the Hope graduates teaching in Grand Rapids schools are the following:

Marjorie Borgman '43, kindergarten assistant at Aberdeen and Sibley schools.

Lucella Brady '48, kindergarten at Diamond School.

Lorraine Ver Meulens '45, teaching at Mary Free Bed Convalescent Home, all grade levels.

Elva Van Haitsma '45N is teaching Speech and English at Ottawa Hills High School. She recently coached a very fine production of "January Thaw," the science class play at Ottawa.

Harvey '43 and Mary Lou Hemmes '46 Koop have moved to Holland. The Koops have two children.

Morris Tardiff '42 and family are now living in Grand Rapids. Morrie is with Keeler Brass Co.

Dick Dievendord '46 and Maxine Don Herder Dievendord '44 have moved to Grand Rapids from Holland. Dick is also at Keeler Brass.

Rev. and Mrs. Stanley Schipper '22 have accepted a call to the Ross Reformed Church of Gary, Indiana.

KALAMAZOO CHAPTER—Gertrude Dame Schrier '39 reporting...

The officers of the Kalamazoo Chapter of the Alumni Association met in September for a board meeting at the home of their president, Marty Bekken '42. Several activities for the coming year were scheduled and judging from the enthusiasm of their president Marty, and his helper, Dr. Harold De Pree '38 as vice president, this should be a great year for that chapter. One of the projects they have just completed is a newly revised list of the Hope Alumni in this area. This list has been mimeographed and the secretary is busy sending copies to each member. It is hoped that many will recognize names of former classmates and renew old college friendships.

When the fall term opened in the schools of Kalamazoo several Hope Grads were found occupying teaching positions. Alice McClay '39 is located in the 4th grade at Parkwood School while Mrs. Lloyd Chapman (Lois De Pree '34) holds down the 1st grade at Wilson School. Eugene Horn '49 is teaching in the Plainwell High School. At Kalamazoo College we find that Dr. Don Van Liere '39 took over as associate professor and chairman of the department of Psychology. We want to welcome Don and his wife and also their children, Jean, age 7, and Mark, age 5, who left Bloomington, Indiana, to make their home in Kalamazoo. Rumors have it that Don and his family don't know which side to occupy at the Kalamazoo College and Hope basketball game.

Several Hopeites are occupying positions in business houses. Jack Jalving '41N is now personnel manager at the St. Regis Paper Company. He also directed the summer athletic program of that company. Lee Brannock '40 keeps busy selling insurance and acts as basketball referee during his spare time. The Upjohn Company has enriched its staff by the addition of Dr. Robert Donia '39 to its Pharmacology and Endocrinology Research Dept. Bob and his wife, Angelina Donia '39 and their 4 year old son, Bobby, and 2 months old son, Tommy, left the College of Mines at Houghton, Michigan, to come to Kalamazoo.

It is an interesting fact to note that two Hope graduates are now members of the Board of Education in the city of Kalamazoo, Richard Niessink '32 and Dr. Otto Yntema '29.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Borgman '23, who reside on a large stock farm at Vicksburg near Kalamazoo, have taken over the care of a D.P. family. With the aid of a church organization who helped to bring the displaced family over to this country from a German prison camp, Irve and his wife Helen have provided a lovely apartment and an excellent job to the Latvian family. The husband, wife and small boy are thrilled to be at last settled in such a wonderful home.

Dr. and Mrs. Harold De Pree '38 welcomed a third daughter to their home last May. Harold has just completed his specialty exams in the field of Internal Medicine which he took during October at Detroit. Dr. De Pree expects soon to move into offices in the newly completed Medical Arts Building located next to Bronson hospital.

Two Hope men have recently accepted pastorates in Kalamazoo. Rev. Victor Maxam '31 is now pastor of First Reformed Church and Rev. Raymond Meens '31 accepted the challenge of the newly established Hope Reformed Church.

MUSKEGON CHAPTER NEWS — Kay Tellman '30N reporting...

On the evening of October 25, the Greater Muskegon Alumni Chapter held its first fall meeting with an attendance of about 50 Hope Alumni and former students. The meeting was held in the impressive new Laketon Bethel Reformed Church, served so ably by Harold and Lois Voorhorst Leestma, both '39. (Harold and Lois started Laketon Bethel Church from an assembly of 13 families. It now has 75 families, a new church building and a new parsonage. Besides the work at the church, Harold and Lois have three children, all under 5—orchids to the Leestmas). Dr. John Hollenbach, dean of the college, gave a most interesting and enlightening talk—reviewing for us the building program, faculty additions, new departments and progress of the college in general, making it all so tempting that I think many of us wished we could again be students on the campus. Movies of the Hope-Monmouth and Hope-Hillsdale games were shown by Clyde Geerlings '27. Bob Kranendonk '50 favored the group with vocal selections accompanied by Herbert Ritsema '50. Mr. Ritsema also played several selections on his accordion.

Rev. Joshua M. Hogenboom '25 will leave his Central Reformed Church pastor to become director of church extension for the particular Synod of Chicago. The Synod is one of five of the Reformed Church in America and covers a five state area including Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin. Mrs. Hogenboom and their two sons expect to make their home in Holland.
where the oldest son, Kermit, is a freshman at Hope.

The Rev. Theodore Schaaf '32, formerly at Englewood Reformed Church, Chicago, became pastor of Unity Reformed Church on November 11 at impressive installation services in which his brother, Rev. Raymond Schaaf '52, took part.

The Rev. and Mrs. Harold Leestma have declined a call to the Second Reformed Church of Zeeland.

The Rev. George Vanderhill '42, pastor of the Bluffton Christian Reformed Chapel, has received a second call to the Madison Avenue Christian Reformed Church, Paterson, New Jersey.

Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Meengs (Marv '30) and their two lovely children, Nancy and Phil, expect to greet Santa in their beautiful new home overlooking Mona Lake—they are situated on the south side of the lake almost directly across the lake from the homes of the Warren Fredericks' (Warren '27 N. Y.) and the Dr. John Henevelds' (John '19). Harold '30 and Lucille Walvoord '31 Dykhuizen plan to build on a site adjoining the Meengs property very soon.

Dr. H. Clay Tellman '38 N. Y. and Mrs. Tellman have returned to Muskegon where Clay has opened an office. Dr. Robert Heneveld '43, formerly associated with the Drs. John and Edward '35, has just opened his own office.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy and Blessed Holiday Season?

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NEW YORK CHAPTER—Janet Bouma Baker '23 reporting.

The Rev. Eugene Flipse, D.D. '16 made a recent inspection trip to the Virgin Islands on behalf of the Board of Domestic Missions, of which he is a member.

Ex-GI Harold Ver Berkmoes '48 and Betty Mulder Ver Berkmoes '45 N. Y., with their daughter, Suzanne, and son, Jimmy, now occupy the parsonage of the Netherwood Reformed Church of Plainfield, N. J., where Harold is the student pastor. He is in his second year at the New Brunswick Seminary.

Dr. and Mrs. Sam Zwemer '87 have been attending the sixtieth anniversary meeting of the founding of the Arabian Mission, at Kuwait, and will be back in New York on December 2nd.

On December 1st, Rev. Stanley S. Slingerland '41 will begin his work as the newly elected pastor of the Old Flatlands Reformed Church in Brooklyn, N. Y. He is now pastor of the Ridgefield Park, N. J. Reformed Church. Mrs. Slingerland is the former Mae Cloman '42.

The following wide-awake, active Hopeites are now living in the Sleepy Hollow section of Washington Irving fame, Tarrytown, N. Y.

Rev. Howard Schade '32, minister of the First Tarrytown Reformed Church. Howard was recently appointed chairman of Pastoral Service Committee of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America.

Rev. Dean Martin '29 and Ida Townsend Martin '29. Dean is minister of the Second Reformed Church of Tarrytown.

John Ekkema '22 and his wife, Ruth, live in Tarrytown, but John works for the Taylor Instrument Company and has an office in Radio City, N. Y.

Rev. Al Neevel '26 and Cornelia Nettina Neevel '27. For the past year and a half Al has been serving as supervisor of the Parochial Synod of N. Y. directing his efforts primarily in the field of Church Extension and Cultivation. Cornelia is an active member of the Women's Board of Domestic Missions and continues to sing on various occasions for church and other groups in the Metropolitan area.

Bill Bennet '49 and Mary Blair Benning '47 are attending Biblical Seminary in New York City and assisting with the Sunday School work in the Grove Reformed Church, North Bergen, N. J., of which Dr. Miner Stegenga '15 is pastor. Bill and Mary are former members of the church.

Dr. Fred Yonkman '25 recently hopped out to California by plane to deliver four addresses. He spoke at the Southern California Division of the American Chemical Society at the University of Redlands; the new medical school at the University of California in Los Angeles; the Los Angeles County Hospital staff meeting; and the staff meeting of the Birmingham Veterans Hospital, University of Southern California. His wife, Jan Albers Yonkman '25, accompanied him on the trip. Combining pleasure with business the Yonkmans visited Janet's sister, Hazel Albers Fletcher '28, whose husband teaches Chemistry at the University of Redlands, and with Janet's brother, Dr. Henry Albers '26, a surgeon in Pasadena. Fritz is Director of Research for the Ciba Pharmaceutical Laboratories of Summit, N. J., and lectures in Pharmacology and Therapeutics at the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University.

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ROCHESTER CHAPTER—Antoinette Hendelink '31 reporting.

The Centennial Program of the First Reformed Church, Rochester, Rev. John Butelyn '36, pastor, is well under way. The observance will be held in 1952.

Last spring a caravan of two cars brought eight high school students from this area to Holland for a week end at Hope. Several of them have since entered Hope College.

The Rochester Chapter has again lost an officer to another area. Last year Rev. Theodore Zandstra '41, then president, moved to Cicero, Illinois. This fall Rev. Victor Maxam '43 forsought the Second Reformed Church of Rochester for a new pastorate in Kalamazoo.

Work has begun on "Fellowship Lodge," a recreational center for young people by the Brighton Reformed Church of which Rev. Anthony Luidens '12 is pastor. The main part of the building should be ready before winter.

Many ceremonies were held in Rochester in November in connection with the opening of the mansion of the late George Eastman as a photographic museum. Adrian Terlouw '28 N. Y. was in charge of arrangements for a symposium of scientists at which John Mulder '31 gave the address. Mr. Terlouw has moved from Rochester to the South Lake Road, Brockport, and commutes daily to his work at the Eastman Kodak Company. Mr. Mulder was honored last spring by being named Rochester's "Citizen of the Day" on a radio program which cited him for his community service in many photographic societies, on the local school board, and in his church. He was recently elected president of the Photographic Society of America, a national organization.

Mr. Russell Van Dyke '26, another Kodak employee, has recently moved to a new home. His address now is 350 Mount Airy Drive, Rochester.

Howard Hock '42 was granted the Ph.D. degree in chemistry last June by Rutgers University. He is at present head of the chemistry department at Ohio Northwestern University, Ada, Ohio.

Edwin '40 and Ruth Stegenga '42 Luidens stationed at the American Mission, Bahrain, Persian Gulf, recently welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Staal (Harvey '43) and their two children to the Arabian Mission family. Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Zwemer, the oldest missionaries of the Bahrain station, were in Bahrain at the time the Staals were taking their initiation to Arabian Mission work. All Arabian Hopeites and other missionaries met at the Kuwait Mission during the last two weeks of October for the 60th anniversary celebration ceremonies of the founding of the Arabian Mission.

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ATTENTION PLEASE

Alonzo Wierenga '26, principal of the junior high school in South Haven, Michigan would like a copy of the 1926 Milestone. Does anyone have a spare?
Letters:

My dear Editor: "Billie" Reed '25 (Mrs. Kai Natalie Franck) writing from Muskogon:

To say that I was delighted with the October Alumni Magazine would be a terrible example of understatement, if I ever saw one! First of all, it was "that man" on the cover. Jack, with his ready smile, his sly sense of humor but most of all with a look of understanding, a deep sense of appreciation of all boys and girls; of both their tremendous possibilities and potentialities as future leaders, together with the fact that all of especially young ones, have a goodly share of human frailties. I had heard of the New York Chapter's May dinner and the honoring of Jack, but it was good to see it in print.

As I read on in OTHERS ADD TRIBUTES, I began to wonder and when I got to the end, I was confused, mystified and not a little annoyed. My dear Editor, who in the world plays what role? I challenge you with this simple statement. "What ever made you even suspect that the fine influence shed by Jack Schouwen, to the many you tell only on the men on the course?" Ridiculous! Didn't you know that the secret of Jack's success in managing the men on his teams was that he gave the instructions to their girl friends.

(Your editor time in your life to remember that "The truth in every situation").

In conclusion, my dear Editor, please don't think I'm being too critical. I'm really not. I think you're doing a swell job of running the magazine. Do keep up the good work but list me as one who goes on record as saying that if you send out a call, or even suggest that such material would be acceptable to you, I'll be one, just ONE. I'm sure, who would like to tell a bit about what Jack and Mrs. Jack meant to the men on campus. (Yes, Mrs. Jack was a part of it all too and I'm sure Jack would be just as pleased with that story). It was Mr. and Mrs. who sponsored the class of '25 and what a job they did.

There, having blown off, I feel much better. I have my Alumni Magazine on the table beside me. Believe me, it is one copy that I'm going to keep. I say...look at that "snazy" tie. The same old Jack, grown a little older and a little wiser, but ready, at a minute's notice, to go out with his boys...AND his girls.

An enthusiastic letter from Joan van der Werf '30, Holland:

Dear Fellow-Alumni:

Had all of you been able to attend the Homecoming Alumni Buffet? Suppose this letter encourages you to give would be superfluous. Those of us who are here to witness the constant progress of Hope were impressed with Dr. Lubber's earnestness in appealing to all of you for help. There is not a deficit in the budget this year because of the unprecedented size of the senior class.

Hope is moving forward in every way. Two of those areas in which my emphasis on individual counseling is especially commendable and places Hope high in the ranks of private colleges. In drama Hope is a stand-out. The Little Theatres in the Science Building where plays are superbly produced is also a busy laboratory for dramatics students.

Hope does not ask much of her alumnae by way of financial contributions. Ten dollars is very little to give her out of the lunch money. It is true that there are many other demands upon our money, but if all of you could spend a day at Hope witnessing the superior kind of experience she is continuing to afford students, you'd find place at the top of your list of donations: TEN DOLLARS FOR HOPE. It is like saying, "I believe in Hope."

Paul Gebbard '26 writing from Oak Park, Illinois:

Dear Clyde: The old grads who attended Homecoming this year felt a new current of Hope spirit running strong. The remarkable progress Hope has made, and is making, warrants the enthusiastic support of all its alumni. From what we saw the good-old days of Hope are being overshadowed by the Hope of today.

The suggestion that 2500 students in $100.00 each would allow Hope to maintain her present program. Such a fund would be used, not to increase our deficit but to improve the continuation of its present greatly improved and expanded program. There are many Hopeites whose contribution could and should be doubled this year. I suggested the people plan will meet with the hearty support and cooperation of all Hopeites.

Frank Huji '21 writing from Niaskiyan, New York:

Dear Clyde: My return to the campus 32 years after first arriving there in 1917, for the 1949 Homecoming is like the passing of time and circumstances attendant on my becoming a student; it brought vividly to mind this fact: Hope College has preserved the best of her rich heritage and had no apology, and is steadily advancing to an ever greater usefulness in her preparation of young men and women for a life of service to all mankind.

The physical plant, equipment, administrative and teaching staff, the student body, all testify eloquently to the place Hope deservedly has among the institutions of higher learning in the minds and hearts of all her alumni.

Martha Barkema '25, writing from Waco, Texas:

Dear Clyde: I read in the recent Hope College Alumni Magazine that you are in charge of the editions from now on. Congratulations! Being the only "Hopeite" in the Southwest it gives me the only contact I have with the Hope campus.

This is my thirteenth year in the music school at Baylor University,—the largest of the Southern Baptist Universities (5,000 students). Last June I returned to full college teaching here.

My duties in Waco also include being Director of Music of the old historic First Baptist Church. Our music program includes three choirs and a string ensemble.

My glee clubs had a very successful season last year on tour, on television, radio and miscellaneous programs. I am planning to go to Europe for travel and study next summer. If the Hope graduation and alumni banquet are not too late in 1935.

Guy Kleis has been appointed manager of the entire educational department of the Westinghouse Electric Company. He received his B.S. degree from the University of Michigan in 1937, the year that he joined Westinghouse sales department. He served in the Navy during World War II and finished with the rank of Lieutenant. In his new supervisory university relations, student recruitment and the graduate student programs.

June, I hope to attend next year. I have been tied up with summer teaching for the past ten years and I have missed the contacts.

Paul G. Fried '46, writing from Cambridge, Massachusetts:

Dear Clyde: Just after I received the MS in Modern European History from Harvard in 1947, I was offered a position as linguist at the Nurnberg War Crimes Trials then being held in Germany. The job sounded interesting and I needed a chance to build up financial reserves to finish my studies at Harvard so I accepted. The position turned out even better and more interesting than I had imagined. Soon after my arrival I was appointed Chief of the German Foreign Office Interpretation Section on the Staff of the U.S. Chief of Counsel for War Crimes. Consequently I was able to assemble a great deal of first-hand information on the workings of German diplomacy under Hitler.

Because of the 40 hour week at Nurnberg, I had enough time to do part-time work at the University of Erlangen about 15 miles distant. Eventually I was transferred to Strasbourg, a city of considerable reputation, just arrived from Charles University in Prague. Under his guidance and supervision I compiled a thesis dealing with German-Czech diplomatic relations during the period preceding the Second World War. Just before leaving Germany I passed the oral examinations at the University and received the Ph.D. degree.

During my two years in Europe I did not only work and study, but became acquainted with many pleasant trips possible. Not only could I go skiing at Garnish in the Bavarian Alps or sailing on the Chiem Sea, but the Salzburg Festival was not more than five hours away, Zurich could be reached in 6 or 7 hours and Strasbourg in about the same time. Before the death of the Czech Republic, I spent a few pleasant weekends in Prague, and last summer I took time out to visit England and make an extended tour through Italy.

Nevertheless I was glad when my two year's contract was up and I could return to the United States and to graduate study at Harvard. Of course one of my first visits in the U.S. was to Holland where I really feel at home.