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COVER: FROM THE CLASS OF 1950:
S. Craig Van Zanten from Grand Haven who will be married to Judy Mulder '49 this summer and Phyllis Sherman, Brooklyn, New York, recently married to Duane Booii '49, now living in Chicago. Picture by Clyde Geerlings '27.
This issue of the Alumni Magazine honors graduates of the college who have gone into teaching, especially into the administrative phases of public education. This will, we trust, serve to call attention to the role Hope College has played over the years in training the youth of the land. Some idea of the number of our graduates who go into school work may be gotten from a consideration of the fact that better than 50% of the seniors each year receive Michigan teaching certificates. This year, for example, more than 140 seniors will be certificated for teaching. Not all of these will teach, to be sure, but most of them will and many of them have already signed their contracts for the 1950-51 school year. Hope may be justly proud of the contributions of its alumni to the teaching profession. Her graduates are to be found in school work up and down the land and many have also distinguished themselves in teaching endeavours on foreign shores. This issue of our magazine pays tribute to these teachers and administrators. Featured in the Feature of this issue will be the alumni who are serving as school superintendents and principals who were graduated from the college prior to 1920.

JOHN J. Riemersma

John J. Riemersma, principal of Holland High School thirty-one years, was graduated from Hope College in 1914 and was awarded a scholarship by Hope College for graduate work in the University of Michigan, from which institution he received the degree of Master of Arts. He became instructor of mathematics in Holland High School in 1915. In 1917 he enlisted in World War I and served overseas eighteen months, five of which were in the Army of Occupation in Coblenz, Germany. He was discharged in 1919 as Lieutenant in the Artillery Corps.

While still in the Army of Occupation in Germany, Mr. Riemersma received appointment to the principalship of Holland High School and assumed the duties of that position in September 1919. He has served continuously and is still serving in that capacity. During these thirty-one years Mr. Riemersma has continued to add to his personal equipment for the constantly increasing duties of his office. He has taken summer graduate courses in several universities and has a Master of Arts Degree in Secondary School Administration conferred upon him by the University of Michigan. He is a discerning student of educational literature and a keen observer of educational practice and he carefully and ably evaluates in the light of student needs. His philosophy of life and education is one and inseparable. He believes that Christian character, discipline, culture, dependable scholarship, and good citizenship constitute the minimum preparation for life and the foundation for further education. The members of his teaching staff highly value his scholarly and stable leadership. He enjoys the confidence and cooperation of his coworkers and students.

Mr. Riemersma’s worth as an educator, citizen and churchman is attested by the positions of leadership which he has held in educational, civic and church capacities. He has served as secretary, vice president and president of the Michigan Secondary School Principals’ Association; chairman of the Fourth Region of the Michigan Education Association; member of the State Board of Interscholastic Athletics; and member—in some cases chairman—of various state educational committees. He is a member of Phi Delta Kappa honorary educational fraternity.

"Jock," as he is affectionately known by his associates and former students, is a member of the Exchange Club, Social Progress Club and Century Club of Holland, and has served as president of each. He was Tulip Time Bureau chairman three years, and has been Tulip Time Band Parade chairman twenty-two years. He is a member of Willard G. Leenhouts Post No. 6, The American Legion.

Mr. Riemersma is a member of Hope Reformed Church, and has served as consistory member twenty-eight years, several years as vice president. He was superintendent of Hope Church Sunday School, and is a member of the Board of Domestic Missions R.C.A.

Mrs. Riemersma ably supports Jock in all his good works. He is a strong tower as an educator, citizen and Christian leader.

E. E. Fell, Superintendent Emeritus Holland Public Schools

WILLARD VANDER LAAN

Mr. Willard Vander Laan, a member of the class of 1905, describes himself as, "a very ordinary chap who, for many years, has done an ordinary teaching job with ordinary pupils in an ordinary system with usually ordinary results." However, his former associates prefer to change that statement somewhat and substitute "extraordinary" for Mr. Vander Laan’s modest "ordinary." When you realize that Mr. Vander Laan at sixty-six is still active as the principal of Oak View School in Muskegon, Michigan, you tend to agree with this latter report.

Mr. Vander Laan’s associations with Hope did not terminate with his graduation. One of his first teaching positions was at the Wisconsin Memorial Academy at Cedar Grove, Wisconsin. The principal at this school was a person who was soon to be well known on Hope’s campus, Paul E. Hinkamp. When Mr. Hinkamp and his wife, also a teacher at the academy, moved from Cedar Grove, Mr. Vander Laan took over the vacated position of principal. It was in this position that he made his first "mistake." According to Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers, then a student at the academy, "he tried to make an orator of me."

When he was on Hope’s campus, the affable Mr. Vander Laan was a very conspicuous figure. He was above the ordinary as a singer. As an athlete you may turn to Mr. Jack Schouten, now director of athletics at Hope, for Jack stood behind the plate as "old Doc." Vander Laan steamed them across for his alma mat. He was also quite active in football.

Mr. Vander Laan has two sons who are
also Hope alumni. These two sons, both of whom went on to become doctors, were instrumental in opening Harvard University to other Hope graduates who wished to go on to M.D. degrees. One son, John, is practicing as a specialist in internal medicine in Muskegon. The other son, William, is a practicing physician in Boston.

Hope College can truly be proud of such alumni as Mr. Vander Laan. The thirty odd years he has spent in the school system of Muskegon, attest to his success in the field of education. In his contacts with the students he has always striven to promote the building up of their characters as well as their minds, and all who have come in contact with him will testify that no better example can be found for anyone planning on a life of Christian service than the life of Mr. Willard Vander Laan.

**MARTIN Z. ALBERS**

Mr. Martin Z. Albers is the County Superintendent of Schools of Hardin County, Iowa. He was graduated from Hope College in 1915 and received his M.A. degree from Des Moines University, Iowa in 1919.

Beginning his educational activities in 1908, Mr. Albers served as a teacher at the Koopman School in Overisel, Michigan from 1908 to 1909, when he became Principal of the school, the position he held until 1914. During the next four years he was Superintendent of Schools, Johnston, Iowa. From 1919 to 1924 he was Superintendent of the New Providence, Iowa, schools and in 1936 he started in his present position.

Mr. Albers is a life member of the Iowa State Educational Association. He also is a member of the American Association of School Administrators, the National Education Association and the Rural Department of the N. E. A. He has served on the State and National Education Committees, is a member and Director of the Eldora Rotary Club. He is also very active in Church and Sunday School work in his community. Recently he was awarded honors as one of the 15 persons of Iowa for outstanding volunteer service in the promotion of Public Health. Mr. Albers has been listed in the 1940 Iowa Press Association "Who's Who in Iowa," in the 1949 edition of "Who's Who in the Midwest," and in the 1950 edition of "Who's Who in American Education."

Mr. and Mrs. Albers, the former Jennie Nyhuis, have three children. Millard J., Hope '40, is now Dr. Albers of Saginaw, Michigan. Sylvia, Mrs. J. L. Swope, attended Hope for one year and is a graduate of Iowa State Teachers College. Gordon, Hope '42, after serving in the Army Air Corps during World War II

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is now with the FBI in Los Angeles, California.

**HERMINE IHRMAN**

Miss Hermine Ihrman was graduated from Hope in 1916. After teaching one year at Lucas, Michigan, she returned to Holland where she has taught in the elementary grades since. At the present time she teaches sixth grade and is Principal of Van Raalte School.

In her work with Hope's student teachers, Miss Ihrman says she keeps in touch with her Alma Mater.

**MARINUS W. VAN PUTTEN**

M. W. Van Putten, class of '17, served in World War I as a lieutenant in the Field Artillery. After the cessation, he became coach and science teacher at the Hancock, Minnesota high school in 1920. He married Blenda Christine Nelson of Minneapolis in 1922 and then moved to Mason, Michigan, to become principal and coach at the high school. 1927 found him as coach at Stout Teachers College, Menomonie, Wisconsin and in 1929 he became the secondary principal at Aurora, Minnesota, receiving his M.A. from the University of Minnesota the same year. He was elevated to the position of Superintendent of schools in Aurora in 1937 and held this position for ten years. In 1947 he transferred to his present position as Superintendent of Schools and Junior College at Eveleth, Minnesota.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Putten have two sons, Paul William, a 1949 graduate of the College of Pharmacy, University of Minnesota; and Marinus W. Jr., attending elementary school in Eveleth.

He has been very active in educational circles since leaving Hope, having served as the first president of the Minnesota Association of Secondary School Principals, organized at the University of Minnesota in 1924. He was the treasurer of the State Board of Control, Minnesota High School League and a member of the Delegate Assembly of the Minnesota Education Association from 1932 to 1936.

Mr. Van Putten has been an active member of the American Association of School Administrators since 1937.

**W. W. GUMSER**

Mr. W. W. Gumser is at present superintendent of the Lowell Public Schools. After graduating from Holland High School in 1913, he received his A.B. from Hope in 1917. He says "The other two terms were spent as a hobo in the university of hard knocks with the western plains as a campus." He worked his way through Hope, so was not able to take as much interest as he would have liked in various group activities. However, he did take an active interest in debate and had a little taste of
oratory and athletics. Upon graduation he took the position of principal, coach and teacher of seven different subjects at Fennville High School. This experience was interrupted in February 1918 when he was summoned for military duties. Upon his discharge from the army in July 1919, he re-entered the teaching profession and spent a year at Gladstone, one at Mt. Clemens and then became superintendent of Reed City schools in 1921 for a two-year term. Next he served three years as superintendent at Clare.

He has held his present position in Lowell since 1926. He was awarded his Master’s degree the same year. He taught mathematics and education at Central Michigan College of Education for about a dozen summers. He has served on statewide Education Commissions and committees.

Mr. Gumser is married to Viola Rather, a former teacher in Detroit. He has one grown son, Walter.

This seasoned school administrator says, “It has been a trying but gratifying vacation to watch thousands of boys and girls blossom into desirable citizens. Although salaries for teachers are somewhat adequate today, those who plan to enter the profession should be imbued with some aspects of the missionary spirit if they are to be really happy. The greatest satisfaction in teaching comes from the type and degree of service rendered. For the most part this has been the type of teacher that Hope has been providing to help send the boys and girls along the upward highway to life.”

FRANK W. DOUMA
Frank W. Douma, Superintendent of Schools of Ottumwa, Iowa, was graduated from Hope with the class of 1916. He obtained his M.A. in 1938 from the University of Iowa. He has had additional schooling at the University of Chicago, Iowa State and the University of Colorado.

He served with the Polar Bear Division in World War I, Mr. Douma accepted a position as mathematics teacher at Ottumwa. He rose through the offices of assistant principal, principal to his present position as Superintendent in 1936. He and Mrs. Douma, the former Ruth Hartzell of Sioux City, Iowa, have three children: Grace is assistant Dean of Women at the University of Wisconsin; Frank, Jr. is connected with the atomic project at Los Alamos, New Mexico and Wallace is a junior at Grinnell College.

Mr. Douma’s constant interest has been the advancement of education. He has been quite active in several organizations, both state and local, which promote the furtherance of this field.

He has been an elder in the Ottumwa Presbyterian Church for twenty years. He is active in the YMCA and several other civic groups. His activities in Rotary have included his being sent as a delegate to the Rotary International meeting in Vienna.

HENRY L. BOS ’26

CHARLES D. VELDHUIS ’26

CHARLES VAN ZANTEN ’23

CHARLES VAN ZANTEN


CLARENCE TYSSE ’34

ALONZO WIERENG ‘26
Junior High School Principal, South Haven, Michigan. MA University of Michigan, 1929. Taught science and math senior high school, South Haven, 14 years. Completing 10th year as Junior High School Principal, South Haven. Business Manager Camp Geneva, 1948–. Hobby: Radio telephone communication 50 countries; call letters 28GG. Chairman Van Buren County Chapter MEA. Elder and Sunday School Teacher Hope Reformed Church. Married to Zera Vrieling. Daughter: Jean, entering Hope in fall.
MELVIN B. LUBBERS '27

CLARENCE W. LUBBERS '25

WILLIAM POPPINK '37
Principal Rockford Public Schools. Coach and athletic director, Rockford 1937–41. MA University of Michigan 1941. Principal Rockford Junior-Senior High School 1941–. U.S. Navy Communications Kodiak, Alaska, Lt. (j.g.) 1944–46. Leader Youth Activities Methodist Church. President Rockford Community Chest, Grand Rapids Herald reporter. Chairman High School Section Meeting of Regional MEA. School program includes participation in Community School Service Program. Member MEA, NEA, NSSPA, MPA and local education clubs. Married Lorna Calboun, girls physical education teacher Rockford. Four children: Grace 9, Cal 7, James (Dutch) 5 and Ethelyn 2. "Hope College is the best in the land and we need to see that it continues."

CLARENCE W. LUBBERS
CLARENCE R. HEEMSTRA '19

HOWARD DALMAN '32

O. J. DE JONGE '20
BENJAMIN RIEBERSMA '25

JAMES TEN BRINK '28
Muskegon County Superintendent of Schools, Principal Ravenna Public Schools, 1928-30. Superintendent Ravenna Public Schools, 1930-35. Muskegon County Superintendent of Schools, 1935-. Past President Retirement Fund Board, MSACA, Muskegon County Teachers Club. Awarded Life Membership in Michigan Congress PTA for contributions to rural education. Chairman Muskegon County Library Board, 1940-. On Consistory and Sunday School Teacher Unity Reformed Church. Active in Civic Affairs, Museum, Red Cross, Children's Center, Goodfellows. Married to Evelyn Hilarides '28.

CLARENCE R. LUBBERS '24

WILBUR C. ENSFIELD '33

HAROLD VAN WIEREN '49
Principal High School, Honor, Michigan. Principal, Honor High School, 1949-. Coached basketball and baseball, had championship team in basketball. Married, has a son 2 years old.

EVERETT V. BEKKEN '29

GLENN NYKERK '31

FRANK A. BROKAW '29
**DERWIN J. HUENINK ’26**

**WARREN C. KREUNEN ’30**

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**1921**

James P. Hoekzema ’21N has recently become editor of The Indiana Farmers Guide. This is the state farm paper for Indiana and has a circulation of slightly over one-eighth million. It is published twice a month at Huntington, Indiana. Hoekzema attended Hope during World War I. Even at that time he was greatly interested in agriculture and after the war took agricultural courses at Michigan State College, from which he was graduated in 1922. Since he has taught vocational agriculture for 9 years, was a county club agent for two, a county agricultural agent for 12. As Assistant Editor during the past five years he spent much of his time in the field, bringing the readers the latest in scientific agriculture written in popular style. Hoekzema comments, “When I took some English courses at Hope, I wondered if they would do me much good. Now I find them invaluable and will always have a warm spot in my heart for Hope College.”

**1944**

Roger Koeppel will receive his Ph.D. degree in August and will stay at the University of Illinois for a year of Post-Doctoral Research work.

**1947**

Eugene Van Tamelen will receive his Ph.D. in August and will be instructor in the graduate school, University of Wisconsin, next year.

**1949**

Karl Klomparens received his M.S. this year. He will teach food technology at New York State University, Morrisville, New York.

James D. Grooters who is working on his Ph.D. in Iowa City, has accepted a teaching position at the Humboldt Schools, Iowa, next year.

**1950**

Ernestine Klerekop and Joan Vander Werf have sailed from Montreal for a sightseeing trip in Europe this summer.

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**CHRISTIAN H. ROOSENRAAD ’24**

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**1927**

Cornelia Nettinga Neevel has just become President of the Women’s Board of Domestic Missions, Reformed Church in America.

**1930**

Berns William Cook is Vice-principal of South Park School in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. He got his MA in Chemistry from the University of Wisconsin in 1931; has been active in education circles since; is a member of NEA and WEA. He is secretary-treasurer of the Wisconsin Forge Company which he and two others started. Berns has his own Real Estate, Loan and Building Company. Besides his wife and three children, his three jobs he still has time for checkers and chess.
GEORGE SCHUTT '26N

CORNELIUS MULDER '15

JULIUS F. SCHIPPER '28

CLARENCE VANDER LINDEN '35

W. W. SCHNEIDER '17N
Superintendent of Schools, Alvo, Nebraska. Superintendent of Schools Firth, Nebraska, 5 years; Panama, Nebraska, 13 years; Du Bois, Nebraska, 3 years; Hanna, Wyoming, 4 years; Alvo, Nebraska, 3 years. A.M. University of Nebras­ka, 1931.

WILLARD DE JONGE '30

PAUL BOYINK '39
Pleasant weather, enthusiastic alumni and an eager senior class greeted the Hope College 85th annual Commencement week program June 11 through June 14. On Sunday evening in the Memorial Chapel, the Rev. John R. Kempers, missionary of the Reformed Church to Chiapas, Mexico presented the Baccalaureate sermon. His subject was “What does the Lord require of Thee?”

On Monday evening 11 Hope college music Majors presented the annual Commencement Musical. Participating were: Calvin Swart, DeMotte, Indiana; Elaine Bolthouse, Spring Lake; Paul Kranendonk, Oostburg, Wisconsin; Jeanne Verbeek, Muskegon; Robert Hall, Holland; Margaret De Vries, Conrad, Montana; Margery Angus, Grand Rapids; Herbert Ritsma, Mmncence, Illinois; Robert Kranendonk, New York City; Prudence Haskin, Holland and Frances Rose, Grand Rapids.

Tuesday was a day full of activity for all alumni. During the day the classes of 1900, 1910, 1915, 1920, 1925, 1930, 1935 and 1945 held reunions in and about Holland. During the late afternoon the Faculty Dames sponsored a Kletz for all Hope graduates in the lounge of Voorhees Hall. This was followed by the alumni dinner in the Temple Dining Hall at which 350 were present. Dr. Wynand Wichers ’09, former president of Hope and now president of the Alumni Association, served as master of ceremonies. Feature of the evening was a panel discussion in a humorous vein on “Hope College: Past-Present-Future.” Participating were: Hon. Cornelius Vander Meulen ’00, Holland; Dr. Samuel M. Zwemer ’87, Princeton, New Jersey; Rev. James Verburg ’10, Delaware, Ohio; Prof. Peter Cooper ’20, Memphis, Tennessee; Mr. Clarence Lubbers ’25, Plainwell, Michigan; Rev. Maurice Marcus ’30, Milwaukee and Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers, Hope College President.

“The Faith of Our Founding Fathers” was the subject chosen by the Rev. Edgar De Witt Jones, D.D., of Detroit, Michigan, for the Commencement address, Wednesday evening. This year’s senior class, largest in Hope’s history, numbers 284.

Senior awards were as follows: Southland Gold Medal and the Patterson Memorial Biology Prize, Dorothy Kranendonk, Oostburg, Wisconsin; Board of Education Prize, Julius Smith, Holland; Douwe B. Yntema Prize in Physics, John Ryskamp, Lakewood, Ohio; Dr. Otto Vander Veldt All Campus Award, Nicholas J. Yonker, Muskegon; Pietenpol Prize, Floyd Goulooze, Holland; Godfrey Chemistry Prize, Paul Cook, Holland.

Honorary degrees were presented during the evening to Rev. Kempers and posthumously to Dr. J. Paul Visscher, who died February 11 of this year.

—C.H.G.
Mr. Kempers received his Baccalaureate Degree in 1921 from Hope College. He graduated from the Princeton Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church in 1925, after a year of teaching in the Public Schools of Coopersville, Michigan. He received the Master of Arts Degree from Princeton University in 1925.

"Mr. President, may I present Mr. Kempers for the award of the Doctor of Divinity, honoris causa."

In presenting the Doctor of Divinity degree, Dr. Lubbers cited the Rev. John R. Kempers:

"Scion of sturdy stock who laid firmly the foundations of true piety and purposeful living and stretched the soul to compass far horizons; son of the Reformed Church, nurtured in her schools, commissioned by her to preach in the utmost parts of the earth, founder of a new church in an ancient land, exemplar of the gospel of love; graduate of Hope College; educator, minister, missionary, 'a workman approved of God who needeth not to be ashamed.'

"By the authority vested in me by the Board of Trustees of Hope College I confer upon you the degree of Doctor of Divinity with all the rights and privileges pertaining to that degree of which this diploma will be a witness forever."

Dr. Edward D. Dimnent presented John Paul Visscher '17 for posthumous award of the Doctor of Laws Degree:

"Mr. President,—In the collegiate fellowship dedicated to the Advancement of Learning, it is significant that the Colleges, which were founded for and devoted to the purpose of widening our personal living and refining our appreciation of a world still undiscovered, should recognize the achievements of men who devote their talents and energies to a positive and cultural life career.

"The name and person of John Paul Visscher is presented to you, Mr. President, by resolution of the Board of Trustees of Hope College for public recognition of his achievements and of his life career.

"The place of his birth in 1896 has become the place of his burial in February, 1950. The land of his youth and early achievements opened the course for him to wide military service during the War Years of 1914 to 1918. The next thirty years were devoted to scientific, educational, and civic activities of eminent influence.

"HOPE COLLEGE conferred upon him the Baccalaureate Degree in 1917. He received his Master's Degree from JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY in 1920. And he fulfilled all requirements for the Doctorate in Philosophy at Johns Hopkins University with honors in 1924. Officially and intimately connected with learned professional Boards and Societies, with civic organizations and groups, and with church and religious institutions, Dr. Visscher brought into his life career, brief though it may seem to be, the powerful influences that come from birth to an honored family man, and from aspirations and resolves to live honorably, dynamically, and devotedly.

"The name and person of Mr. John Paul Visscher, Doctor of Philosophy, are presented to you for the degree of DOCTOR OF LAWS, honoris causa."

Dr. Lubbers's citation:

"Son of the community, this college and this church, whose memory is fragrant with the work of true discipleship displayed in love of God and love of fellowmen; whose record is brilliant with great achievements which placed him in the galaxy of the great searchers after truth in the wondrous works of the Creator; whose gracious spirit endeared him to those with whom his duties led him to associate; strong son in whom his Alma Mater takes great pride; departed one whose accolade from heaven needs no addition from our feeble hands;

"For the love we bear his memory and by the authority vested in me by the Board of Trustees of Hope College I confer the degree of Doctor of Laws and place in the hands of his dear ones this diploma to cherish forever."

Dale Robert Drew '49N received his MD from the Northwestern University Medical School this year.
ANNOUNCEMENT

Announcement was received at the college in May of awards offered under the provisions of the Fulbright Act for lecturing and research during the academic year 51-52. The final date for application is October 15, 1950. Requests for application forms should be addressed to the Committee on International Exchange of Persons, Conference Board of Associated Research Councils, 2101 Constitution Avenue, Washington 25, D. C.

HOMECOMING WEEK-END

OCTOBER 28, 1950

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Friday
4:00 Pull, Black River
7:00 Pep Rally and Coronation, Athletic Field
8:00 Judging of House Decorations
8:30 Palette and Masque Play, Little Theatre
8:30 Roller Skating, Carnegie Gym
Saturday
9:00 A.M. Tennis Finals, Columbia and 13th Street
10:30 Parade, 8th Street
12:00 "F" Club Dinner, Durfee Hall
2:00 Game—Adrian, Riverview Park
6:00 Alumni Supper, Durfee Hall
8:30 Palette and Masque Play, Little Theatre
8:11 P.M. Open House, All Dorms and Fraternity Houses
Sunday
4:00 P.M. Vesper Service, Hope Memorial Chapel

COMMENCEMENT SIDELIGHTS

Because of the size of class of 1950 to be capped and gowned and marched down the Chapel aisle, the usual number of faculty members, and the unusual attendance of the Board of Trustees at the Commencement program, the Hope College stock of caps and gowns was completely depleted as well as some in part. Two distinguished members of the Board of Trustees found themselves with mortarboards without tassels. They decided they must be candidates for the DDT degree. When Judge Donald Brush ’21 of Herkimer, New York, and Rev. Jacob Boerman of Pekin, Illinois, were asked what that stood for, they replied “Doctor Devoid of Tassel.”
CLASS OF 1920


CLASS OF 1945

Left to right: Myra Kleis Berry, Constance Crawford, Frances Hillebrands Vander Brook, Merry Hadden Van Ommen, Rose Seith Maatman, Jane Fichtner Mikula, Marion Smallehan, Russel De Vette, Marjorie Prince, Arlyne Voorhorst Hiller, David Hiller.

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A favorite has no friends; popular people are liked, but not loved. Make a stand, and make enemies. —Dr. John B. Nykerk.

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You may be a big toad in a puddle; don't stay long. It will drag you down. Go where diamond cuts diamond.—Dr. John B. Nykerk.

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Culture is in one who does the right thing, says the right thing, and thinks the right thing, always at the right time. —Dr. John B. Nykerk.
CLASS OF 1935


CLASS OF 1930


CLASS OF 1910

Left to right—Gerrit De Jong, I. J. Lubbers and Mrs. Lubbers, guests; Jean Vis, Nelson Dalenberg, Mrs. Dalenberg, Edward Huibregste. Sitting: Left to right: Mrs. De Jong, Dr. E. D. Dimment, guest; James Verburg, Mrs. Verburg, and Mrs. Huibregste.
The Class of 1900, sometimes regarded as the "Naughty Noughts," had a Class Reunion on Alumni Day. At graduation, the class numbered sixteen. At present, only eight answered the Call sent by Municipal Judge Cornelius Vander Meulen, inviting us to this reunion. Rev. A. B. Van Zante and Dr. H. Henry Huene, both located at the State of Washington, replied by characteristic letters to the Class deploring, to their sorrow, that distance was an insuperable barrier. Attending this wonderful and highly prized reunion, in alphabetical order, were: Dr. and Mrs. H. P. Boot, of Holland, Michigan; Mr. G. J. Dinkeloo, of Highwood, Illinois; Dr. and Mrs. Abraham De Young, of Allegan, Michigan; Rev. and Mrs. S. F. Riepma, of Springfield, Missouri; Rev. and Mrs. John H. Straks, of Sanborn, Iowa, and our gracious hosts, Judge and Mrs. Cornelius Vander Meulen.

The tour to the State Park, in spite of the heavy fog, was enriched by the fact that one of the three autos conveying the party missed the green light and failed to arrive at the Park. No one missed out at the delicious luncheon at The Homestead, where we began reminiscing, practiced the old College Yell and our own Class Yell, and gave in unison our "Challenge to Old Age." After luncheon we repaired to the Vander Meulen home, recalling some pranks played, gave voice to the prized influences left on our lives by faculty members, fellow students and classmates, and gratefully remembered the absent ones who had answered to a Higher Roll Call. After that we had some pictures taken.

In the evening the Naughty Noughts highly appreciated being the guests of the College at the Alumni Banquet and profited much by the program which widened some horizons for all attending, and gave us many encouraging glimpses of Old Hope's greater material, mental and spiritual blessings applied to greater numbers of future leaders facing life's great opportunities and obligations.

The Class of 1900 looks back upon the Reunion with happy memories that will inspire for greater things in the future as we journey on toward Life's Grand Reunion Above.

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REUNION OF THE CLASS OF 1910

Rev. James A. Verburg, pastor of Liberty Presbyterian Church, Delaware, Ohio, started the "ball rolling" for the 40th anniversary reunion of the class of 1910. They planned their reunion around a luncheon at the Warm Friend Hotel, Tuesday the 13th. Augmenting their distinguished group were their guests: Dr. and Mrs. Lubbers and Dr. Edward Dimmert. The Rev. Mr. Verburg's well-preserved book of college day pictures spiced the occasion and stimulated the reminiscences.

Those attending the luncheon were Prof. and Mrs. Gerrit De Jong, of New Concord, Ohio, where Prof. De Jong is mayor of the city as well as professor of History at Muskingum College; Rev. and Mrs. Edward Hulbregate, Des Moines, Iowa; Rev. Jean Vis, Sheldon, Iowa; Rev. and Mrs. Nelson Dalenberg of Sagle, Michigan.

Letters were read from those unable to attend including: Henry and Jennie Pikaart Vruwink, Dr. Frank Hesper, Rev. Arend J. Te Paske, Jacob Hemstra, Rev. James Dykema, John H. Warnshuis, Walter B. Ten Pas and H. P. Anker.

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REUNION OF THE CLASS 1915

The class of 1915 held its reunion at the home of Professor and Mrs. H. E. Schoon, on the shores of Lake Macatawa not far from the place where Dr. Van Raalte with his pioneer group made their first landing. Of the 28 members of the class who graduated, 10 were able to be present for this year's reunion. Those attending were Rev. and Mrs. John Bruggers of St. Anne, Illinois; Dr. and Mrs. John Veltman of Winter, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smalley of Hudsonville, Michigan; Mrs. (Pearl Bingham) Cross of South Whitley, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Vander Werf of Grand Rapids; Mrs. (Sarah Poppen) De Koster of Hull, Iowa; Dr. and Mrs. O. Vander Velde; Mrs. (Mary Lokker) Tappan; Prof. and Mrs. H. E. Schoon and Mr. and Mrs. F. (Marguerite Vanden Brink) Meyer of Holland.

Good cats, gay comradery, pleasant reminiscing, and a reading of letters from classmates who could not be present, made up the delightful afternoon.

Martin Albers, Superintendent of Schools of Hardin County, Iowa, who was already on the ballistic side while at college, reported that his grandson, four years old, cut off all of his hair so that he could look like grandpa. The mention of grandchildren reminded us youngsters who were trying to relive our college days that we were getting older in years even if not in spirit.

HENRY E. SCHOOON.

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REUNION OF THE CLASS OF 1925

When you wait for anything 25 years, it ought to be good and indeed it was! We refer to the reunion of the Class of 1925. Long before the time set for lunch, cars, many of them with out of state licenses, began to arrive at the country club. All arrivals were greeted with big smiles, regardless of whether or not they looked familiar. Twenty five years can make a lot of difference but in the end we mostly agreed that we were a much better looking crowd than we'd been back 25 years ago and a looking at the above picture, compared to the one published recently, will bear witness.

The graduating class of 1925 numbered 94. There were 69 at the reunion. True, this included some husbands and wives and a few attractive youngsters, but it was a great turnout. No one seems to have made an exact count but there were about 50% of the original group there.

They came from East and West, from North and South. Just who came the farthest is also an item that wasn't checked. Everyone was so glad to see everyone else that it didn't seem to matter. A few vital statistics were gleaned, with more or less accuracy. Isabel Everse-Kamps from New Mexico and Ardian De Bloom of Owosso boasted families of 6 and 5 children. Gerrit Wesselink of Maryland claimed the distinction of having the youngest child, i  

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month old. One of the highlights of the afternoon was the touching ceremony in which peony corsages were presented to the 3 grandfathers: Peter De Graaf, Roelof Laming, and Ray Kuipers.

Who was there? The Old Gang of 1925 and with us our beloved sponsors, Mrs. and Mr. Jack Schouten. A proper listing by the press would mention by name, a Judge of the Supreme Court and a legislator from Michigan, missionaries both from the foreign and domestic field, ministers from all parts of the United States, MD's of note in the world of medicine, PhD's in chemistry, education and other fields; a Michigan artist, musicians, public relations, radio. As for teachers... they included heads of departments in many colleges and universities. If this seems like bragging, it is. Our only excuse is that we carry the banner of Hope proudly and high.

There had been many hard working committees. The dining room was beautifully decorated but none seemed to want too much credit. There was a program too but the spark of the whole afternoon was in each briefing the gang on what had happened low, these last 25 years.

We were pleased to have Dr. (Pres.) Irvin J. Lubbers and Mrs. Lubbers as guests, both spoke briefly. During the afternoon a special prayer was offered for Henry Oosting, seriously ill at Duke Hospital in Durham, N.C., and a memorial for the 3 classmates who had passed away: Richard Harkema, Myrtle Hundley and Elmer Van Lore.

Perhaps the most important decision of the day was the motion to have every 5 years as established times to have reunions, with the hope that all would plan ahead and some way everyone man-

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The Class of 1920 celebrated its 30th anniversary by a luncheon at Gilmore Cottage on Tuesday, June 13. Emma Reverts, Tena Holkeboer, Suzie Vaner Bogb and Laura Wolters had prepared what proved to be delightful and satisfying to the inner man. Even George Vaner Bogb partook freely, whether he needed it or not. You know George kept people guessing as to his identity more than anyone else did. Remember how neat, trim and slender he used to be? He is still neat and trim, period. His good humor was still in evidence; he took all the "ribbing" graciously, and his good wife concurred. George and his wife (Esther Kobman) were married in 1923, after he had obtained the M.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees at Ohio State University. They are engaged in the oyster and clam business at West Sayville, New York. George has been a member of the local Board of Education for 17 years and is Vice President of the consistory at First Reformed Church. They have two children.

Gerard G. Osterhof and his wife were also at the reunion and at the alumni banquet. The consensus of opinion was that Gerard had changed little in appearance. He has maintained his slender figure (or Mrs. Osterhof has helped him to do so); he still smokes and smiles (both readily); and he says he had a little more weight at one time, but that he has been losing it at the rate of a pound a year. We did not stop to calculate how much he could still afford to lose. Gerard got his advanced degrees in chemistry at Ohio State at the same time that George did and is now teaching at the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology at Rapid City, South Dakota. He was married in 1926 and they also have two children.

It seemed that people did not have much difficulty recognizing Peter Cooper so long as he kept his hat on. Pete is still full of fun, as he always used to be. He has been devoting a great part of his life to the service of the negro race, first at Talladega College in Alabama, and now at LeMoyne College in Memphis, Tennessee.

John H. Meengs and Ada De Pree Meengs are at present in the parsonage at First Presbyterian Church in Mishawaka, Indiana. John was principal of Wisconsin Memorial Academy for four years, attended Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, graduated from Western Seminary in 1926, and received his Ph.D. at Hartford Divinity School in 1927. Formerly he was pastor of North Park Presbyterian Church at Grand Rapids. I believe they have two children.

William A. Vanderwerp and his wife, a first grade teacher (in more than one sense) brought the "sweets" for the afternoon. Bill has a variety store in Muskegon and also one in Lansing. He is balding (that's a favorite word with our local newspaper the past year), but his hearty laugh and ready wit are still with him. The Vanderwepers have a daughter at Hope, a son at the University of Michigan and another son who graduated from the University of Wisconsin.

Everyone of us knows about Tena Holkeboer who went in the Amoy Mission in 1920, received her M.A. degree from Columbia in 1925, and an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Hope in 1949. She did remarkable work as Principal of a school for girls, but is unable to return to China at present. Her plans are now to work among the Chinese in Indonesia and she hopes to leave in September.

Gerrit Muyckens brought his Laura Lemmen with him (I married one of these two). They have a daughter married to a son of Rev. Charles Stoppels, and they can boast of two grandchildren. Gerrit spent four years at the Sparta High School, then went to Mt. Pleasant High School and is now Supervisor of Science Teaching at Central Michigan College.

Evelyn A. Zwemer told us of her numerous progeny as she was trying to emulate the record of several others who had mentioned their children. Her groups of students change every six to eight weeks. She is Assistant Professor of Home Economics at Michigan State College and Faculty Advisor at the Bayha Home Management House.

Helen Bell, still single by choice, was instructor in Hope Preparatory School from 1920-22, and since then has been teaching U. S. History at Grand Haven High School.

Etta Dulmes Lubbers taught at Dulce, New Mexico, from 1920 to 1921, then married Elmer Lubbers. They claim to have been busy raising a family of three boys and two girls, all grown up and now they are helping to bring up two granddaughters. Elmer taught school for 21 years. This proved to be so hard on his hair that he left teaching and is now in the Motor Vehicle Department at Madison, Wisconsin. They are both congenial as always and they say, "If any of you or your children come to the University, telephone 3-5235 and look us up."

Josephine Belt Smith is living in Lansing, Michigan, and teaching in Holt. She lost her husband but has an attractive and capable daughter who is making an outstanding record. She said she was moving into a new home and could use some help. Almost before she had finished asking, Gerard Osterhof inquired as he was scheduled to leave the next morning.

Bertha Stoppels Bird lived in Sagatuck, Michigan, for some time and then moved to Battle Creek, where she is a pharmacists' wife. She has not lost her natural smile.

Emma Reverts says her story was written up in the Alumni Magazine when she became Dean of Women at Hope three years ago. She spent time in generous service at Annville, Kentucky, then at Berea College and now at Hope. Emma always does more than her share and was hostess at our class luncheon.

Jace Potts, another of the eligibles that had to listen to some well-mean advice, began teaching high school, next went into personnel work with Buick Motor Company, became interested in vocational rehabilitation, and is now Supervisor of Guidance, Training and Placement of the Michigan State Vocational Rehabilitation program. She can be contacted in the state office at Lansing.

Gary Vander Bough, our man of ready wit and flowing rhetoric, spent time in India as a short-term missionary, taught at Hope Preparatory School, married Sue Dragt, Hope 27. (a major accomplishment), began teaching in the Education Department and is now Professor of Education and serves as chairman of the Department's numerous activities. Their daughter, an only child, graduated from Hope this year.

Your correspondent taught at Holland Christian High School from 1929-26, also married a Laura Lemmon in 1922, came to Hope Preparatory School in 1926, taught in the college since 1930, and is now Associate Professor of Latin. Like the Lubbers, we have five children, but also three grandchildren. One of our daughters graduated from Hope this year.

We read interesting letters from the following people: Hattie Vermeer Mol in Grundy Center, Iowa; Mary Geegh in Madanapalle, South India; Harmon Voskuil at Bowling Green State University, Ohio; Carl J. Schroeder in Paterson, New Jersey; P. J. Koppenaal in Wausawtosa, Wisconsin; P. Milton Van Dyke in Long Beach, California; P. J. Siegers in Newton, Iowa; Peter Baker in Bahia, Brazil; Bernard Hakken in Baghdad, Iraq; Adam Westma in Detroit, Michigan.

Everyone agreed we should have another reunion five years from now. We hope even more will be able to come then. If you want the address of some classmate, write the Alumni Office. There is a vast fund of information there that is always willingly shared.
NOTES FROM THE CLASS OF 1930

It was apple strudel and coffee, but most of all, a good old-fashioned "kletz" that once again reunited the class of '30 at its 20th anniversary, held at Third Reformed Church in Holland on Tuesday, June 13, from 4:00 to 5:30.

Good it was to see the faces, changed and not so changed, and to hear the old familiar voices briefly relate the events of the past 20 years.

Present among the kletzers were Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Arendshorst, Mr. and Mrs. M. Dekker (Helene M. Brock), Doris L. Brower, Mrs. W. Wold Scott (Alice G. Brunson), Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Cook, Mrs. Vernon Ten Cate (Lois De Wolf), Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Bosman (Lois Dessel), Dr. and Mrs. Harold Dykhuizen, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Wistratte (Mabel Eisenburg), Dr. and Mrs. Sidney Heersma, Rev. Leonard Hogenboom, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Japinga, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kruizerka, Rev. and Mrs. Maurice Marcus, Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Moenjes, Hendrik Nobel, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Shoiten, Clarence S. Howard, Harvey J. Woltman, Billie Walvoord, Mrs. W. W. Winter, Anna May Teusink, Meulen, Harriet Baron Zuidema, Stanton Van Leeuwen (Myra Ten Cate), and Mrs. Henry Steffens, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Van Leeuwen (Myra Ten Cate), Manhattan, and Mrs. Nelson Warren (Janet Yonker).

Those well-wishers who sent their regrets were Earl Mosier, Dr. Victor Ver Meulen, Harriet Baron Zuidema, Stanley Van Lare, Betty Nauta Scott, Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Winter, Anna May Teusink, Harvey J. Woltman, Billie Walvoord, Howard Sholten, Clarence S. Howard, Ray Steketee and Dr. Earl M. Slagl.

Enclosed with one of the communications was a little poem which we should like to share with you.

REUNION
By Francis W. Hatch

Sing a song of reunion,
Badge on the denim lapel,
The postcard campaign
That lands you again
At Sanford, Purdue, or Cornell.

Beer and a bar and a ball game,
Songs you can cut with a knife,
Classmates don't change,
But isn't it strange
That each has a middle-aged wife?

DORIS BROWER

REUNION CLASS OF 1935

The class of 1935 held its first reunion June 13 at Macatawa Hotel with chairman Dr. Donald Albers at the helm. Twenty-five members enjoyed the luncheon and informal meeting. Cards were read from many members expressing their disappointment in not being able to be present.

Clarence Vander Linden won the prize, by a slight margin, for having the biggest waist line; Marian Boot Esther for having traveled the most miles in the last fifteen years and Lillian Mulder Dalmann for the largest family. Since there were four "grads" with four children each, it was decided to give the prize to the one whose children’s ages tallied the most years. The Dalmans were the victors.

Our class will have another get-together in five years, so plan to be Holland-bound June 1955.

MARGORIE SCHOLTEN KLAASEN

REUNION OF THE CLASS OF 1945

The class of 1945 met for luncheon at the American Legion Clubhouse on Alumni Day. The affair was arranged by Jane Fichtner Mikula. What they lacked in numbers they made up in spirit. They elected Alfred Rypstra president of their class to promote the tenth annual reunion in 1955. His helpers will be Irene Lundie Rypstra as secretary and Richard and Barbara Tazelaar Hine as First and Second Vice-Presidents respectively.

Those who attended were: Arlene and Dave Hiller, Rochester, New York; Marian Smelgen, Athens, Ohio; Merry Hadden Van Ommen, Cleveland, Ohio; Myra Kleis Berry, Owensboro, Kentucky; Connie Crawford, Elmira, New York; Fran Hillebrands Vander Broek, Rust De Vette, Jane Fichtner Mikula, Rose Keith Maatman, and Marjorie Prince from Holland.

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Profuse apologies to this "famous class." The year was omitted, unintentionally and inadvertently from Arnold C. Van Wyk's story "Van Wyk in Flying Field Study," page 25 of the April 1950 issue, Alumni Magazine.
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ALBANY HOPE COLLEGE CLUB—Martin Hoeksema ’25 reporting...

The Albany Hope College Club met at the Cobblestone (Reformed) Church, Rotterdam, Schenectady Classis, New York on April 25 at 6:30 P.M.

Theodore Hidding, president, acted as toastmaster. Clyde Geerlings, Director of Alumni Relations, brought greetings of the faculty. The Honorable Clinton Cole ’28, of Hagaman, New York and district attorney of Montgomery County, was the speaker of the evening. His narration of some of his experiences in connection with the first atomic bomb and of other work as agent of our government during World War II held his fellow-Hopeites spellbound.

Theodore Luidens ’27 led the after-dinner singing of college songs with Norman Vander Hart ’26 at the piano. Prof. Avison of the Hope College public speaking and dramatics department had a most interesting display of drama photos on exhibit. He also favored the group with well-chosen readings.

The following officers were elected for the year July 1, 1950-51: Theodore Luidens ’27, President; Henry Burggraaff ’27, Vice-president; George Behrens ’32, treasurer. Martin Hoeksema ’25 continued as secretary, a three-year office.

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ROCHESTER HOPE COLLEGE CLUB — Antoinette Hondelink ’31 reporting...

The Rochester Hope College Club held its annual meeting on Friday evening, April 28, 1950 in the First Reformed Church. A dinner at 6:30 P.M. was followed by a business meeting and program.

Fifty-nine people were present making a record crowd. Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Neckers (Doris Van Lente) and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Legters (Florence Twinkle) who drove one hundred and fifty-one miles to come from Clymer undoubtedly came the farthest distance, but Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wing (Lillian Scott) from Gowanda and Rev. and Mrs. Richard Blocker (Dorothy Doan) from Auburn were more than a hundred miles from home. The Kenmore delegation composed of Dr. and Mrs. Everett Welmers and the former’s mother, Mrs. Thomas Welmers, and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sanko (Minnie Rozema) covered nearly seventy-five miles each way.

Officers elected for the coming year were: Mrs. Walter Beach (Pearl Leenhouts ’27) President; Russell Van Dyke ’24, Vice-president; Antoinette Hondelink ’31, re-elected secretary-treasurer.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of the late Rev. Gerrit Hospers, D.D. ’84 an alumnus of Hope and for sixty-one years a minister of the Reformed Church in America. A letter from Mrs. Florence Kennedy, niece of Mrs. Winifred Durfee, was read, expressing her regrets at being unable to attend the reunion because of invalidism.

Mr. Clyde Geerlings brought greetings from Hope College and introduced Prof. Edward Avison, head of the Dramatics Department, whose readings in various dialects and from various writers were greatly enjoyed.

After the formal program, those present had a thoroughly enjoyable time renewing old acquaintances and meeting new friends. Everyone left looking forward to an even bigger and better reunion next year.

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C. Van Raalte Van Westenburg ’16 and A. Van Westenrug ’16 (Albany), D. C. Ros, G. Boeke Hondelink ’83. W. Midivaine ’45N, Prof. Avison, Mrs. Midivaine, O. Van As ‘38N.

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LANSING HOPE COLLEGE CLUB—Loraine Pomp ’39 reporting...

Some time ago Nick Keizer ’27 and John Vander Meulen ’36 began talking of an alumni chapter for the residents of Greater Lansing. This spring they were prompted to action, with the added inspiration of Dr. William De Kleine ’02 and Chris Roosennad ’24. As a result, about 35 of us met with Clyde Geerlings and Mrs. Marian Stryker from the College Alumni office on May 15 at Hunt’s Food Shop in East Lansing to form the Hope College Club.

After dinner and an enthusiastic introduction by Mr. Geerlings, two Hope music students, Keith de Jong, tenor, son of Gary and Everdene Kuyper de Jong, and Herb Ritsema ’50, pianist, ably enter-
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joined with songs and piano selections. Mr. Geerlings showed films of the Hope-Hillsdale football game played at the 1949 Homecoming.

Dr. William De Kleine '02 discovered that he represented the oldest class, while Jack Stegman, Marvin and Betty Weaver Kragt, all of '49, were the most recent graduates. Ginny Hemmes '48 Laug was proud to announce the arrival of Deborah Alison, born to her and husband Maurice '45 on April 4.

"Victims" of the evening turned out to be: Nicholas T. Keizer '27, pastor of North Presbyterian Church, our new president; John M. Vander Meulen '36, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, vice president; Cornelius Groenewoud '40, mathematics instructor at Michigan State College, secretary-treasurer; and Loraine Pomp '39, of U. S. Department of the Interior, correspondent.

Although we decided to "rest our case" until next fall (unless something special arises), we feel that we got off to an enthusiastic start, thanks to the aforementioned ambitious alumni and the Hope delegation. We hope that the alumni in the area who received no notice of our first meeting or were unable to come will be able to meet with us next time.

GREATER MUSKEGON CHAPTER—Kathryn Tellman '30 reporting ...

Prospective Hope College students from the Greater Muskegon Area were guests at the annual spring banquet of the Hope College Alumni in the Eastlawn Reformed Church, Wednesday evening, May 24.

More than 75 attended the meeting where the high school students learned of the scholarship offered each year by the Alumni Group to a student entering Hope. Herman Kruizenga, chairman of the scholarship committee for the area, introduced the visiting students.

Clyde Geerlings, director of public relations at Hope introduced visitors from the College and then led in group singing. Ardean Geerlings, Clyde's 'better half' accompanied at the piano.

Jack Boeskool, tenor soloist and his accompanist, Miss Catherine Sharp, both juniors at Hope, entertained with delightful music.

Professor Edward Avison, head of the Dramatics Department at the College, and speaker of the evening, read a number of poems emphasizing that poets do have a sense of humor. He finished with a serious trend by reading excerpts from Carl Sandburg's "The People, Yes." Those of you who have had the privilege of hearing Mr. Avison know that we had a wonderful evening of entertainment.

The Rev. Harold Ringenield, pastor of the host church gave the invocation.

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

Kalamazoo Chapter met at Trinity Reformed Church on Tues., May 23rd for a dinner meeting. One of the aims of this spring dinner meeting was to especially invite Alumni who live in the area surrounding the city of Kalamazoo. Hereafter our meetings are usually attended by the members who live in the city of Kalamazoo proper. It was delightful to greet Hope Alumni from Paw Paw, Plainwell, Decatur, Comstock and Niles who made a special effort to attend this meeting, as well as our regular Kalamazoo gang.

Following a delicious dinner our president Marty Bekken introduced Russ De Vette, coach from Hope College, who in turn introduced students from the college who presented an excellent program consisting of dramatic readings, piano selections and vocal solos. Many thanks to those talented students, Jeanne Ver Beck, Margery Angus and Joyce Brunsell for the outstanding program. I know that we were all greatly impressed when Russ De Vette spoke to us on the future plans, developments and progress of Hope College.

Marty Bekken opened the business meeting with Roll Call by classes after which followed the secretary and treasurer's reports. Marty then called on various committee heads to report on the events of the year. Gertrude Dame Schrier '39

LANING MEETING

J. M. De Haan '22, Mrs. Van Farowe, Mrs. Groenewoud, C. Groenewoud '40.

Mrs. M. Schuurmans, E. Gierum '49, J. Stegeman '49, M. Kragt '49.

J. Potts '20, L. Hoyt De Kleine '06N, W. De Kleine '02, K. De Jonge '50, M. Schuurmans '22.

M. Kragt, E. Weaver Kragt '49, V. Hemmes Laug '48, M. Laug '45, N. Keizer '27.

MUSKEGON MEETING

B. Wendt, C. Voogd Wendt '51N, Mrs. Vander Ploeg, J. Vander Ploeg '22.


P. Heneveld '19, Mrs. Meengs, M. Meengs '30.

K. Boon Boot '38, H. Dykhuizen '30, S. Schutt '27, M. Vande Bunte '44.
Letters:

Louise Bruss Fenton '18 writing from Temple, Texas in March:

"...the affiliation of Hope College with the other member schools in the A.A.U.W. has already meant a great deal to me. I was asked to join the Temple branch as soon as the news was published and my membership in the organization has made it possible for me to become acquainted with graduates of about thirty colleges."  

Ruth Van Dyke Rottschaefer '32 writing from Alma, April 1950:

"I can't tell you how very much I enjoy the Alumni Magazine. The family including my Calvinites husband literally take it out of my hands. With each issue I can detect more and more interest being aroused in Jan (15 year old daughter) and Dyke (12). And it won't be too long till the times comes for college.

Time passes all too quickly. '52 will be the 20th year out of Hope for me. We have never had a class reunion and it most certainly has been conspicuous by its lack of news items in the Alumni Magazine. So you can imagine my feeling when I opened this issue to see one of my classmates looking out at me. I think Ulla's idea is an excellent one, and hope this check will help in some way.

Vera Van Duren Mentink, Edith Drescher Pauli, Ron Fox and I are all for a class reunion. But how to reach everyone, has been the question. so when this idea of Lynn Sabo's came I based my hopes on the possibility that a majority will fill out and return the information blank, thus giving us a means of contact.

From Tudosakuto Ito 30N writing from Yokohama, Japan to Dr. Lubbers:

A few days ago, I happened to see a Milestone of 1949 in a room of Mr. Ronald G. Korver, Meiji-Gakuin College in Tokyo, which reminded me of my happy memories and your friendship in Holland. I am so happy to become acquainted with Korver and Miss Zander in Yame Jyo-Gakuin in Yokohama. When I see or talk with them I always feel something which I could not explain, but warm happy memories of Holland.

With a great joy I am writing this letter to you congratulating you on becoming president of Hope and wish for you great success. I still remember and used to tell my wife when I was allowed to attend Hope College and occupied a room in Van Vleck Hall in 1926, one day you brought a big armchair in your car, driving yourself and gave it to me. I put it beside the bed and used it for one year until I left Holland. You also took good care of me, arranging special accommodations and facilities. The director of Hope's dramatic group feels that the value of religious drama has been too little appreciated as a medium of great influence in the church, and hopes to present more of the type of play like "Everyman" that was so successfully produced last year.

Before the close of the meeting a verse from "Old Hope Thy Sons Around Thee Standing," was softly sung in memory of two of our Chapter Alumni recently passed away, Dr. Morris Steggerda and Rev. Ernest Van den Bosch.

Dr. Bernie Mulder, closed the meeting with the benediction.
The Hope College Alumni Varsity Club presented an honorary club membership to Randall C. Bosch '26 for his interest in Hope athletics. "Bub" was given an "H" blanket at a dinner meeting held at the Peninsular Club in Grand Rapids in April. Foreground—left to right: James Ver Meulen '26, President of the Club and H. Cobus Klaasen '31, secretary; Standing: Rein Visscher, Hope College business manager; Milton L. Hinga, Director of Athletics, Hope College; Henry Steffens '30; Bosch; Robert Van Dis '47, and Frederick Yonkman '25. Back row: Bill Hinga '51, Bob Becksfort '50 and Elkal Buys '37.

WEDDINGS

David Ter Beest '50 and Elaine R. Beltman, Holland, June 16.
Owen J. Koepp '49 and Jo Ann Moezner '49, June 14, Muskegon.
Gordon Beld '50 and Martha Debink '51N, June 17, Milwaukee.
Donald Bulthuis '50 and Elaine Van Loo, Holland, June 16.
Paul E. Hinkamp II '49 and Joan De Young '48, Sparta, June 16.
Roger Kemps '49 and Marcia Ann Den Herder '50N, Zeeland, June 17.
James Hoffman, Jr. '30 and Eleanor Van Dahn '50N, Holland, June 17.
James O. Lamb and Hermina Van Egmond, both '50, Holland, June 19.
Peggy Prins '49 to John De Haan '50N, Holland, June 21.
Fritz Jonkman '44 and Lincoln H. Sennett, Holland, June 23.
Lamond D. Dirkse and Ruth De Graaf, both '50, Holland, June 23.
Mary Lou Hepp '49 and Edward Dunning '50, Brooklyn, June 24.

Specifically noted were his courage, imagination and spirit of leadership in the Christian ministry. His educational work with young people was recognized as a vital part of the Christian training program. Rev. Ihrman has been pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Racine, Wisconsin since 1937.

Evelyn Jannenga '50 and Paul Schmidt, Berwyn, Ill., June 23.
Ruth Ann Poppen and George Poppen, both '45, Overisel, June 8.

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Representing the College at outstanding ceremonies at other colleges and universities were:

Lester Kieft '34, inauguration of President Horace Hildreth, Bucknell University.
Frank W. Douma '16, inauguration of President John Chaddwick, Iowa Wesleyan College, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.
Lawrence Beltman '46, inauguration of President Dennis Hargrove Cook, High Point College, High Point, North Carolina.
Eugene F. Danstra '28, Centennial Convocation, University of Dayton.
Lester Flight '28, inaugural for Dr. Russell Grow, President McKendree College, Lebanon, Illinois.
Jacob Geertings '26, seventy-fifth Anniversary Convocation of Westminster College, Salt Lake City.
Paul J. Brouwer '31, inauguration of President Knight, Baldwin Wallace College, Cleveland.
Theodore Van Den Brink, inauguration ceremonies of Harold Wellington Richardson, Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana.
C. James Droppers '14, inauguration of Harry F. Corbin as seventh President of Municipal University of Wichita.

1948

James Yuk received his M.S. degree from Oklahoma A&M College this June. He will continue work on his Ph.D. at State University of Iowa.
Our 1950 Alumni and Their Plans

Marguerite Aardema, teach English and physical education at Kalkaska, Michigan.

Gordon Alderink.

Paul Alderink, teach 7th grade, North Park, Grand Rapids.

Margery Angus, study voice and work in New York City.

Avery Baker, to do social work under civil service near Lansing.

Hilda Baker, teach Sparta High School.


Joyce Baker, teach 2nd grade Grand Ledge.

Elizabeth Balazy, to live at International House, Chicago.

Robert Becksfort, business administration University of Michigan graduate school.

Gordon Beld, married June 16 to Martha Debbink 5IN.

James Bennett, plans uncertain.

Dorothy Berghers, teach music.

Robert Bhe, Westminster Seminary, Philadelphia.

Robert Bierce.

Clarence Bobb, plans uncertain.

Gerald Boerner, plans uncertain.

Donald Bulthuis, plans to teach biology.

Jacob Busman.

Harvey Calsebeck, Western Seminary.

Keppel Cleetingsh, plans uncertain.

Edward Clonan.

David Coleman, Andover-Newton Theological Seminary, Newton Center, Mass.

Robert Collins, Jr.

Dorothy Contant, to do substitute teaching in Grand Rapids.

Paul Cook, Chemistry assistantship, University of Illinois.

Annette Cousins, plans uncertain.

Donald Crawford, University of Arizona, Chemistry.

Albert Cronheim.

Robert Daane, plans uncertain.

John Daniels, plans uncertain.

Shirley De Boer, work in library, New Brunswick Seminary.


Keith De Jong, returning to Hope for Education courses.

Doris De Vette.

Lawrence De Voogd, teach Sparta School, Comstock Park.

Abraham De Vries, Western Seminary.

Margaret De Vries, to teach piano in private studio, Conrad, Montana.

Don De Witt, Wayne University medical school.

Jacob De Young, Jr., to study chemistry at Wayne University.

Robert A. De Young, teach Ionia elementary school.

Robert D. De Young, grocery business with father.

John Dinger, Goodyear Rubber Company training program.

Lamont Dirks, Northwestern graduate school, education.

Richard Downs.

Lorraine Drake, teach elementary South Haven.

Iris Draper.

Robert Draper, plans uncertain.

Edward Dunning, married June 24 to Mary Lou Hepp '49, chemistry assistantship, Purdue.

Nelson Dykema, plans uncertain.

Helen Dyksa, teach Moon school, Muskegon.

Leon Dyksa, Western Seminary.

Alex Ebneth, teach and coach.

Earl Eckerson, Westminster Seminary, Philadelphia.

Barbara Eilander, teach first grade North Muskegon, Michigan.

Betty Eskie, teach Sand Hill School near Hudsonville, Michigan.

John Failing, Jr., Wayne University, medical school.

Harlan Failing, George Washington University medical school.

Richard Fairchild, married June 16 to Dona Styler, chemistry Ohio University.

Cynthia Fikse.

William Hamey, teach Allen Park, Michigan.

Beatrice Fulkert, Vander Ploeg.

James Fox, returning to Hope for graduate work.

Philip Frederickson, Michigan State graduate school, music.

Max Frego, University of Missouri, journalism.

Oswald Ganley, University of Michigan, bacteriology.

Rovilla Ganote, married June 13 to Teddy McGee.

Daniel Gray.

George Gerritsen.

Shirley Gess, teach Maplewood School.

Charles Gifford, plans uncertain.

Gerard Gnade, Albany Medical School.

Gene Gorman, plans uncertain.

William Gosborn, plans uncertain.

Floyd Gouloze, Western Seminary.

Roger Gunn, plans uncertain.

Daniel Hakken, Western Seminary.

Donald Harling.

Eugene Harsevoort.

Louis Harvey, Canteen Service Company, Grand Rapids.

Prudence Haskin, to teach Honor, Michigan. Married June 16 to Carl SeIover.

Paul Hendrickson, go into business Grand Rapids.

George Hedberg, Jr.

Jack Herman.

Myron Hermance, plans uncertain.

Robert Hill, teach Frankfort, Michigan.

Shirley Hill, teach fifth grade, Byron Center, Michigan.

James Hoffman, Jr., married Eleanor Van Dahlen '50N, June 17.

Robert Hogan, plans uncertain.

Jane Hornbrook.

Robert Housten, plans uncertain.

Felicia Hrbek.

Norma Hungerink, teaching St. Clair Shores, Michigan.

Howard Jalving, plans uncertain.

Evelyn Jannenga, married June 23 to Paul Schmidt, minister Parkersburg, Iowa.

Ann Jansma, Western Reserve School of Nursing.

Earl Jekel, plans uncertain.

William Jelluma, University of Michigan, law school.

Roger Johnson, Western Seminary.

Jack Ketchum, plans uncertain.

Henry Kieft, teach junior high, Cicero, Illinois.

Kenneth Kleis, general insurance salesman with Marseilje and Tepp, Holland.

Gertrude Kloosterman, teach elementary, Lansing, Michigan.

Ervin Knolshuizen, University of Michigan.
Elizabeth Koch, laboratory technician in Somerville, New Jersey, hospital.

Robert Koop, plans uncertain.

Mary Kooyers, teach first grade, Midland, Michigan.

Peter Kraak, Faith Theological Seminary, Wilmington, Delaware.

Louis Krat, short term missionary to Japan.

Dorothy Kranendonk, University of Wisconsin, Assistantship in Zoology.

Paul Kranendonk.

Robert Kranendonk, Columbia University, music.

Robert Krans, University of Arizona, mathematics.

John Kruthof, Dubuque Theological Seminary, Iowa.

Robert Kuiper, going into business, Dutch Boy Company.

Gow Lam.

James Lamb, in business with father, married June 19 to Hermina Van Egmond ’50.

Marlin Lambers, plans uncertain.

Don Lee.


Charles Link, plans uncertain.

Paul Lupkes.

Pierce Maasen, Western Seminary.

Herbert Maatman, Jr., teach Noordeloos school.

William Mackay, University of Michigan, law school.

John MacQueen, study automotive engineering, General Motors.

Vassel Makowsky, plans to teach.

Eugene Marcus, University of Denver, social work.

Jack Marema, teach history and physical education, McBain, Michigan.

Raymond Martin, plans uncertain.

Lawrence Massé, principal Pine Creek School, Holland.

Clifford Mastenbrook, plans uncertain.

Joseph McCrumb, plans uncertain.

Ted McFall, teach Latin, Ithaca, Michigan.

Teddy McGee, married June 15 to Ro- villa Ganote ’50, Johns Hopkins medical school.

Mary lou McRae.

Wayne Melpolder, plans uncertain.

Andrew Menarian, University of Arizona, chemistry.

Martin Meprians, plans uncertain.

Marvin Meprians, plans uncertain.

Hendrik Meyer, go into business, Moyer Music House, Kalamazoo.

William Miedema.

Dorothy Milne, plans uncertain.

Margaret Moerdijk, Northwestern, zoology.

Harvey Moe.

Gordon Moore, plans uncertain.

Wade Moore.

Charles Mulder.

Paul Mulder, plans uncertain.

Gerard Mull, personnel work with General Electric.

Paul Myskensan.

William Neathammer, plans uncertain.

Christina Nelson, plans uncertain.

Merrill Naardholt, University of Iowa, medical school.

Wallace Norgrove, teach Byron Center.

Norman Oosterbain, plans uncertain.

James Patterson, plans uncertain.

Daniel Paul, Hartford, Connecticut graduate school, social work.

Adrian Pennings, short term missionary to Japan.

James Pingstel, Western Seminary.

Samuel Picken, Wayne University, medical school.

Wendell Pyle, Western Seminary.

Roy Rabbe, work at Tower House, Mt. Vernon, Virginia.

Marion Riechert, plans uncertain.

Herbert Ritsma, teach music, McBain, Michigan.

Jean Rivenburgh, teach elementary, Waukazoo school, Holland.

Frances Rose, teach music, Spring Lake, Michigan.

Ernest Ross, Jr.

Kenneth Ruys.

John Ryskamp, Regent’s Scholarship, University of Michigan, physics.

Esther Schmidt, University of Rochester.

George Schneider, Jr., Rutgers University.

Eugene Scholten, University of Southern California, history.

Walter Scholten, Jr., Northwestern, medical school.

Marion Schroeder.

Robert Schuitenman, plans uncertain.

Carl Selover, married to Prudence Haskin June 16, teach Honor High School.

John Sharpe, New Brunswick, Seminary.

Phyllis Sherman, married to Duane Booi ’49, June 10, to study voice in Chicago.

Norman Sizerius, University of Illinois, physiology.

Antoinette Sikkels, University of Michigan.

William Sivyer.

George Slakkers, Jr., University of Massachusetts, chemistry.

Marion Slinn, married June 15 to Milton Glick who is studying economics, University of Chicago.

Dona Slayter, married June 16 to Richard Fairchild.

Bernard Smink.

Julia Smith, University of Pittsburgh.

Walter Smith, plans uncertain.

Lee Snedel, plans uncertain.

Nelson Stegeman.

John Stephens, plans uncertain.

Edward Stetsen, plans uncertain.

Alden Stoner, plans uncertain.

Harold Streeter, plans uncertain.

Isla Streu, teach fourth grade, North Muskegon.

Walter Studdifford, enter graduate school, psychology.

Duane Sutphin, University of Missouri, physics.

Robert Swander, teach elementary, St. Clair Shores, Michigan.

Calvin Swart, University of Michigan, music.

Alan Sweet, plans uncertain.

Joan Ten Hoeve, plans uncertain.

David Ter Beest, Western Seminary.

Lloyd Ter Borg.

Paul Thompson, plans uncertain.

Nan Thomson, plans uncertain.

Harry Timmer, plans uncertain.

Gordon Tinneman, teach and coach, Shelby, Michigan.

Ward Toner, plans uncertain.

Thomas Toonder.

Jeanne Toussaint, teach first grade, Maplewood, Holland.

Henry Tuurling, Jr., plans uncertain.

Casper Ultee, Purdue University, chemistry.

Gerald Van Arendonk, Northwestern, medical school.

Evelyn Van Dam, teach Zeeland High School.

Frederick Vanden Bosch, plans uncertain.

Janice Vanden Borgh, plans uncertain.

Mary Vander Ley, teach elementary, Grand Rapids.

Canute Vander Meer, plans uncertain.

Ruth Vander Ploeg, teach kindergarten, South Haven.

Robert Van Eenennaam, University of Detroit, dentistry.

Hermina Van Egmond, married June 19 to James Lamb ’50, living Ganges, Michigan.

Lorraine Van Farowe, teach English and Speech, Middleville, Michigan.

Gordon Van Hoeven.

Carl Van Ralte, plans uncertain.

Lloyd Van Ralte, teach elementary, Beechwood School.

Donald Van Ry, plans uncertain.

Chester Van Wieren, teach rural school, Holland.

Craig Van Zanten, graduate work in psychology, Michigan State.

Allison Van Zyl, University of Michigan, dentistry.

Dean Veltman.

John Verger, plans uncertain.

Maurice Ver Helst, teach Maple Grove school, Muskegon.

William Ver Hey.

Joyce Vinkemulder, plans uncertain.

Henry Visser, teach science and mathematics, Dowagiac, Michigan.

Dolores Warnshuis, plans uncertain.

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George C. Dangremond
A Tribute

The Rev. George C. Dangremond was born at Hamilton, Michigan on October 21, 1872. He comes from French-Huguenot stock who fled to the Netherlands in the sixteenth century. His grandfather came to America with the Overisel colony. There his father, Gerrit Dangremond, entered the ministry of the Reformed Church and served the denomination for fifty years. George was graduated from Hope Preparatory School in 1890. He entered Hope College in the fall of that year but on account of a severe illness had to discontinue his studies for a year and finally graduated with the class of '95. He went on from there to New Brunswick Seminary and was ordained to the Christian ministry in 1898. In succession he served the churches of East Williamson, West Ghent, Rensselaer, FlatBush (Ulster County) New Hurley, High Falls and Montrose; all in the state of New York. He retired in 1939 after 41 years of active service. He spent the remainder of his life in Montrose where he died in 1950, March 24.

So another one of our veteran leaders is gone the way of all flesh. He was earnest and devoted. He did not desire or seek places of prominence, but did his work quietly but sincerely. July 6, 1899, Mr. Dangremond married Mary Gertrude Nykamp of Cleveland, Ohio. Their marriage was blessed with the birth of three daughters: Helen, a teacher-librarian in Montrose; Dorothy, who married John H. Bruins, Counselor of the American Embassy in London, England; and Ber-nice, wife of Robert J. Sieben-Morgen, now residing in Westfield, New Jersey.

Gerriet Tyse '94

Helen Van Ess has been secretary to the president of the State Bank of Albany in Albany, New York since her graduation from Hope. She has two hobbies. One is her camp in the Catskills and the other is her work with the Girl Scout organization. Helen is a member of the Girl Scout Council in Catskill. She has held active membership in scouting since she was twelve years old.

REUNION PICTURES
Prints of Reunion class pictures may be obtained by writing Du Saar Photo & Gift Shop, 10 East 8th, Holland. With the exception of the class of 1925 all may be obtained in 5x7 prints for 50c. The class of '25 requires a 10" print which will cost 75c.

"AH, THOSE WERE THE DAYS."

The class of 1903 was the first graduating class to wear Caps and Gowns! And how did they get them? They made them! Picture from the memories of Cornelius Vandermeul at the sewing machine. The others (left to right): Back row—Ned Hessenius, William H. Casper, Cornelius Barreman, Peter Grootes, Lucius Boeve (with sample cap), George Stuart. Third row—Anthony Karremann, Alice Kollen (Mrs. George Korteling), Grace Hoekje (Mrs. Hendelink). Second row—Edward Strick, Dr. George Kollen, President of the College and H. Carleton Pelgrim. First row—Sidney Zandstra "Zid," Valedictorian, Henry Vandermar, Thomas Welmers and C. Vandermel ("Molly").

REUNION OF THE CLASS OF 1925
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Many were prevented from coming this time because of attending college graduation of children. About 25 sent letters and telegrams expressing their disappointment at not being able to attend and hoping to be at the next reunion. The above is not a job of accurate coverage. It is a series of impressions jotted down at the banquet later in the day, with many supplying data. If it is inaccurate, write in your corrections to the president of the State Bank of Albany in Albany, New York.

The 25th Reunion of the Class of 1925 is past. It was a wonderful success and it's hard to think of a better reunion. However, the Class of '25, under the guidance of Mrs. and Mr. Jack, were a gang of "Horizons Unlimited." So . . . begin now to plan to attend the next reunion in 1955 and make it even bigger and better.

"BILLY" REED FRANK.

Curtis M. Snow received his Ph.D. on June 10. He has accepted a position as Plant Manager for an insecticide concern in Denver, Agricultural Processing Industries.

OUR 1950 ALUMNI
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Paul Warnshuis, plans uncertain.
Henrietta Weener, teach second grade Cicero, Illinois.
Richard Welch, teach science Stevensville High School.
Robert Westerhoff, Wayne University, medical school.
Willis White, Jr., University of Connecticut, social work.
Jack Wickert, teach elementary, Ionia, Michigan.
Lloyd Wieghmink, plans uncertain.
Joan Wilson, plans uncertain.
Margaretta Wolfenperger, plans uncertain.
Jacob Wolterbeek, Northwestern, medical school.
Ann Wolters, teach second grade, Mason, Michigan.
Nicholas Yonker, Columbia University, philosophy.
Frank Zwemer, Western Reserve, biology.

1949

Vergil Dykstra has accepted an assistant ship in the Department of Philosophy at the University of Wisconsin for next year. He will teach while continuing his work toward his Ph.D. degree.
The Alumni At the annual meeting of Council the Alumni Association on June 13, 1950, on the occasion of the annual banquet the old association was dissolved by allowing it to die a natural death. No new officers were elected. Instead, by vote of those assembled the matter was referred to the alumni office at the college with instructions to set up an Alumni Council which shall be representative of all alumni and alumnae throughout the world.

The first step in procedure will be as follows: The alumni office will invite each organized chapter to send its president or secretary to a meeting to be held on the campus. The directors who served last year will be invited to meet with the representatives and with college administrative officers. This group which should number about twenty or twenty-five will spend several days in committee meetings and in discussions by the group as a whole with the purpose of formulating a new constitution.

We cannot predict what the nature of the new organization will be but the proposed constitution will be submitted through the pages of the Alumni Magazine for your approval, rejection or amendment. It is assumed that there will be stipulations in the constitution or in the By-laws, indicating how the memberships in the Council shall be determined, what are the duties of the council, how officers are to be nominated and elected, by what procedure alumni projects shall be undertaken and who shall determine what is to be done with the money collected.

Any reader having an idea that may prove helpful in organizing the new Alumni Council and in defining its functions is invited to send them to The Editor, Alumni Magazine, Hope College, Holland, Michigan.

Alumni It was a rare privilege for Mrs. Reunion Lubbers and me to be invited to attend several class reunions. We were able to participate briefly in two of them—those of the class of 1910 and the class of 1925. News concerning the many who traveled great distances will be found in other pages of this issue of the Alumni Magazine. The enthusiasm and the heartfelt joy that characterized those reunions can be appreciated by personal presence. There was to my mind one sad note in the otherwise happy occasion—particularly in the older classes. I give expression to it knowing that those who are concerned will be pleased to be informed. I refer to the disappointment experienced by those who have traveled many miles after many months of preparation and with great expectation when they discover that some person they were particularly anxious to meet fails to put in his appearance. An alumnus or alumna who lives near Hope College and is able to visit it on a moment's notice may not be particularly intrigued by the prospect of spending a day on the campus.

But for the alumni who has not been back for 30 years it is a great experience—an experience that is doubly exhilarating if the schoolmates of long ago are on hand to welcome him. A class reunion is a combination, so prevalent in all of life's situations, of opportunity and obligation. To the extent that each member accepts the obligation, the opportunity is enhanced.

Alumni Some years ago at an alumni banquet the Centennial Fund was originated with the objective of presenting to the college before the Centennial year—1966—gifts of $1,000 each from at least 1,000 alumni and former students. These gifts are to be cumulative and may be for any object that is being promoted during these intervening years. To date contributions have been received from 710 individuals ranging from $1.00 to $2,000.00 There are two whose cumulative gifts have reached $2,000; one, $1,500; one, $1,300 and one, $1,000. That total in all funds from alumni and former students since the inception of the Centennial Fund is $36,870.73 or an average of $51.93 per donor. The great service which Hope men and women will render their alma mater is only in its humble beginnings but holds great promise for the future.

Van Zoeren One of the highlights of the banquet was the presentation to the audience of Mr. G. J. Van Zoeren of the class of 1912 and Mrs. Van Zoeren. The Van Zoerens have been very generous to Hope College and it was a rare privilege for the president to announce that all of their property has been by bequest presented to Hope College. Though changing values may somewhat alter the amount of the gift, this will be the largest gift ever received from one source by the College. The largest previous gift was somewhat in excess of $100,000. Many thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Van Zoeren!

COMMENTS ON THE "TUG-OF-WAR"

"I hope this little tug on the rope will help just a little to pull you out of the 'river'."

"Can't be the anchor man at the end of the rope, but will give an extra tug."

"The clever tug-of-war card came just when we were about to send our delayed contribution. The ten we pledged has been blessed. Enclosed find $50.00 check."

"This check is accompanied with my best wishes for a very successful Tug-of-War."