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Our Cover: Van Vleck Hall, birthplace of Mrs. Otte, and her home until 1885. Van Vleck was the original permanent building on the campus. General Synod RCA recommended erection of the building for Holland Academy in 1854. The cornerstone was laid on May 14, 1857. It was erected at a cost of $1,200, most of which was raised through the efforts of Rev. John Van Vleck, instructor in the Academy. According to Mrs. Otte, the first two floors were used for their home, with the exception of half the west side of the basement floor which was the first chapel. The second and third floors were used for classrooms, student rooms and the library. In those days Van Vleck was the campus. It was the building to which the whole community pointed with pride. Dr. John A. Otte, principal of Holland Academy, founder of Hope College, moved his family in, in 1858. Around 1903 the building became a man's dormitory. It was completely remodeled in 1927. In 1942 it was converted to a woman's residence.

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Frances Phelps Otte was born in Van Vleck Hall on the campus while her father Philip Phelps was serving as principal of the Holland Academy. When the first freshman class was matriculated in 1862 she was 2 years old. In 1866 at the age of 6 she attended the inauguration of her father as the first president of Hope College. When the founder of the colony and of the College, Dr. A. C. Van Raalte, died she was 17 years old. She was 25 when Western Theological Seminary was established as a separate institution. During the great Kollen building era she was in her 40's. On her 90th birthday she attended the "open-house" celebrating the opening of Durfee Hall. Her memory spanned the life of Hope College and her constant concern was that her beloved college should remain true to the faith and vision of the God-fearing men who started it on its illustrious course. On October 22nd an era of Hope College history came to an end when Mrs. Otte died. She was the last of those whose memory covered the entire history and in the intimacy of her contact with that history she was unique.

She was a pioneer in co-education. She and her classmate, Sara G. Alcott (Mrs. E. A. Whitenameck), were graduated in 1882 as the first women graduates. She believed in the significance of right beginnings and took pride in the fact that she had a part in demonstrating that college education for women was not an idle dream. She had little sympathy with the introduction into college curriculums of courses for women in typing and shorthand, home economics and the like. She never tired of giving account of how these two women in a men's college demonstrated their ability to grapple with the same mental disciplines on equal terms with their male associates. She set forth on the "mind's adventure" and followed it to the end of her days. In one of his inimitable essays Thoreau observes: "Youth gets together his materials to build a bridge to the moon, or perchance, a palace or a temple on the earth, and at length the middle-aged man concludes to build a woodshed with them." Mrs. Otte never became mentally middle-aged. She was forever building "bridges to the moon." Hope College has good reason to take pride in its first girl graduate.

Mrs. Otte's heart was as active and well educated as her mind. She was not one of those who fill history's pages with tragedy as they seek to solve economic, social, and spiritual problems with developed minds and underdeveloped hearts.

Her sympathy for people and their understanding of their problems were deceptively deep and penetrating. Not trustees, administrators, teachers, but students were to her the important people on the campus. During the many years in which she made her home at the Warm Friend,

** 1860-1956 **

Frances Phelps Otte '82, Hope's oldest alumna and one of her very first coeds, died October 22 after a brief illness.

Mrs. Otte's father, the late Dr. Philip Phelps, was the first president of Hope College. He came to Holland with his family from Albany, New York, in 1858. His daughter Frances was born in Van Vleck Hall on Sept. 26, 1860.

After her graduation from Hope College she spent many years in China as the wife of the late Dr. John A. Otte '83, a medical missionary. After his death, she returned to Holland, living for many years at the Warm Friend Tavern, and later at Mulder's Convalescent Home, where she passed away.

Her memory of early days was remarkably complete. For example, she had distinct recollections of the assassination of President Lincoln when she was only five years old. She clearly remembered the great fire in 1871 when she was eleven, and recalled details of the death and funeral of Dr. A. C. Van Raalte, the founder of Holland.

Surviving are two sons, Frank Otte of University Heights, Ohio, and John Otte of Hempstead, Long Island; a daughter, Mrs. Edward Craft of New York City; two sons-in-law, the Rev. George Scholten '11 of Neshanic, N.J., and the Rev. Walter de Velder '29 of Hong Kong; seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Memorial services were held October 25 in Hope Church. Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers of Hope College and Dr. Marion de Velder officiated, at the expressed wish of Mrs. Otte. Burial was in Albany, New York.

** 1860-1956 **

Hotel she was the self-appointed counselor of the students who worked there. Many a student would never have entered college or would have quit because of discouragement had it not been for Mrs. Otte's wise and sympathetic urging. She read the student publication, The Anchor, with a critical eye and each new editor soon became aware that he was being held accountable by one whose whole interest was the welfare of the student.

This sense of responsibility she felt also in a wider field. She was a patriot and an internationalist. She felt crises keenly and sought always to find a way in which she might make some small contribution toward resolving them. To her the fall of China to the communists was a personal tragedy. In everything that impinged on her life she was always a participant. She never sat on the sidelines as an observer.

Mrs. Otte's chief concern with Hope College was its spiritual mission. In childhood she heard Dr. Van Raalte say of the college, "This is the anchor of my hope for this people." Throughout her life she ever kept reminding herself and others of the school's motto SPERA IN DEO. In China she and her missionary husband were always conscious of the fact that second only to the great commission of their Lord they were "Messengers of Hope." One of the two hospitals which Dr. Otte founded he named Hope Hospital, a tribute to his wife, the daughter of the first president of Hope College, and to the institution itself. Upon her return to America after the death of her husband she helped found the overseas club and for many years was the active secretary of the "foreign chapter" of the Hope College Alumni Association. She sought constantly to impress succeeding generations of Hope men and women of Hope's high mission in the church and in the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour. Paul's words to Timothy might have been written to her: "I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you." She was in such a succession of faith and adorned it. She was no pious prattler but her convictions were sure and her faith genuine. She suffered physical handicap, family tragedies, economic worries but she was never found complaining or lacking in poise. Knowing her taught that "To dwell always in the presence of eternity, to live consciously in the ambience of ultimate things, is to be spiritually prepared for abundance or for abasement. It makes one invulnerable."

We rejoice in the sure verdict on the life of one to whom Hope College was so dear "Well done, good and faithful servant."
Hope's first four co-eds at graduation in 1866. Front row, l to r: Lizzie Phelps, Mary E. Alcott; back, Sarah G. Alcott and Frances Phelps.

Dr. and Mrs. John A. Otte with four of their five children, during their service in the medical mission field in China.

Hope's 50 Year Circle, June 2, 1956, (see Alumni Magazine October 1956, page 11, for identifications. Mrs. Otte's last picture—third from left, front row.

Among Her Memories

The Assassination of Abraham Lincoln 1865

The Holland Fire 1871

Death and funeral of A. C. Van Raalte, Founder of Holland 1876
Dr. Lubbers, members of the Board of Trustees, of the Faculty, students and friends of Hope College:

We Christians, interested in education at its best, cannot afford to live in a capsule, narrow, cribbed, confined. We must experience a cosmic wanderlust and get stardust in our noses. The perils of schooling are perhaps brought out rather well by a sign that greeted tourists some years ago: "Choose your rut well; you'll be in it for the next twenty miles."

In a sense we are the products of the school, but we are also the organism itself. Our formative period extends far beyond college walls. What happens beyond depends on what happens here. Concentrated study may seem like forty years in the wilderness only to those who forget the life-giving manna of truth, goodness, and beauty.

A school is not a monument. That is too much like a petrified forest. It is not a mausoleum. Remember the pale and bitter immortality of the pyramids where dead Pharaohs rest. It is not a museum. These walls must never bear a plaque with this inscription: "Milton Hinga slept here."—though very likely he did.

A college is not simply a preparation for life. It is life itself. John Henry Newman's *The Idea of a University* should be compulsory reading for all college students. It bears out our contention nobly.

Education at a Christian college implies living in God's universe, a striving towards maturity, a being satisfied, not with fractions, but with the complete life.

I would define the complete life as that life lived under God, alone and in society, with the proper concern for body, mind, and spirit. It is both contemplative and active.

It stands to reason that the intellectual is a great part of it. Education demands the scientific sense. For us Christians learning is not only for its own sake, but for our sakes, and for God's sake. Because knowledge grows from more to more, specialization has its appeal. That has its merits but also its perils. Indulging in fractions we tend to lose sight of the whole. Some years ago I read that the loon at times settles on too small a pond, and as a result it land-locks itself on too short a run-way for a take-off. That way it dies. In our formative years it is wiser for us to take Sindey Lanier's advice:

"As the marsh-hen secretly builds on the watery sod,
Behold I will build me a nest on the greatness of God:
I will fly in the greatness of God as the marsh-hen flies."

Emerson once said that in the presence of mystery all men are poets. We can say that in the presence of God we are all theologians. For the Almighty has given us two revelations: the Word and the world. Some of you will become specialists in theology, a science in its own right, searching the depths from Augustine through Calvin to Barth, Brunner, Cullmann, Baillie, Niebuhr, and Berkhuwer. Others will major in varied fields. Always remember that all knowledge is of God. It is our business to be scientific within the broad and deep confines of divine truth itself.

There may be students on whose heads you can place the sign: "It can't happen here." It is really your business to determine that it can happen here.

It takes courage to be scientific. You may be called an intellectual or a heretic. But scholarship comes before popularity. We should avoid "the paralysis from analysis." We must shun intolerance and cherish the right kind of tolerance which has been described as "the necessary con-

sequence of abandoning the pretensions of infallibility."

The complete life also implies the cultivating of the aesthetic sense. We are living in an age when the ark in the holy of holies has been replaced by the juke-box in the unholy of unholies. As Christians being educated we need the nurture of the arts: literature, poetry, music, painting, architecture. The best in these is our heritage. We have a duty to ourselves and to others to set our ideals high. Life is not all singspiration, nor just an emotional binge, not even in religion. God, the Author of beauty, demands our highest response.

A sense of humor is also important, for humor has its redeeming quality as a criticism of life. It needs cultivating. Too many depend on joke books. To them I say, "When you have exhausted your file, it is high time to file your exhaust." Be able to laugh at yourself. William Lyon Phelps wrote when he wrote: "At mathematics I am slow but not sure." When I was a boy, I owned a postcard that said: "Half the world are squirrels, and the other half are nuts." That is criticism. You can make your own alliance as I did.

The spirit of humility is also important. We learn a great deal from the Carthusian who said, "When it comes to learning we cannot stand with the Jesuits; in brotherly love we are not like the Franciscans, in preaching the Dominicans outdo us; but when it comes to humility, we are tops." In *The Divine Comedy* the angel touched the pride-mark on Dante's forehead with his wing and erased it. After that the poet felt all burdens lifted.

The complete life involves our social relations. We cannot live alone and like
AFRICAN FOLD

"...other sheep I have which are not of this fold..."

John 10:16.

By Lorraine Van Farrowe Sikkema '50

'Oh, boy, am I glad to be back in the Sudan! There's just no place like it. I'd rather be here any day!' Some of us laughed when we heard this comment from an MK (missionary's kid) just arriving from attending school in the Congo. How could he really say it with such enthusiasm and conviction? For certainly the Sudan leaves much to be desired when compared with its neighbors as far as beauty of landscape and refreshing mountain breezes are concerned. But as we rode back home, I felt inclined to agree. There's a peculiar fascination about this hot, under-developed country in the heart of Africa where we have been privileged to live and work for the past four years. Like many other countries in the Near East, it is a land of contrasts. In the north we have the desert; while in the southern provinces we find vast plains of tall grass with tall slender Nilotes herding their cattle on the river bank, or fishing along the tributaries of the Nile. The people are intriguing because of their varied cultures. Those in the north are Moslemic Arabs, except for a sprinkling of other nationalities in the larger cities. Many are well-educated and some are comparatively well-to-do.

Lived Among Two Tribes

We lived in Khartoum, the capital of the country, for most of the first year, while we studied Arabic. Then we traveled south, where we lived first among the Shilluk tribe, and more recently for two years among the Anuak speaking people, with some Nuer in the same locality.

Tribal People Friendly

These tribal people are very black, and their life is extremely primitive. They are mainly pagans with many strange superstitions. They have had few educational opportunities, and their culture and language is diversified because of the numerous tribes. But the people are friendly; and we find that, like folks elsewhere, their personalities vary. Some are proud, others happy-go-lucky, still others are quiet and reserved. According to American standards, the majority are not too industrious: their needs and wants are somewhat more simple than ours. However, as more of these Nilotics come into contact with other cultures, and other Sudanese who are enjoying greater comfort and benefits of society, they too are demanding these things for themselves.

Home on the Banks of the Pibor

Our home now is at Akobo on the banks of the Pibor River, the waters of which eventually reach the Nile. In a sense we are fortunate at being stationed here, for it has the largest group of missionary personnel of any station of the American Mission, Upper Nile, Sudan, with which we are affiliated. This is a joint project of the Reformed Church in America and the United Presbyterians. The agriculture training center has been started here, and LaVerne works with Mr. Charles Jordan of the U.P. church in this new program. As "aggies" they are concerned primarily with the land, and the crops and cattle which the people raise.

Two Seasons—Rainy, Dry

In the Sudan, of course, there are two main seasons, the rainy and the dry. During this latter season the ground cracks very badly and nothing can be grown except by irrigation. Crops are planted about the first of June, after the ground has become soft enough to push a stick into it. The people themselves have no tools with which to till the soil, only a crude hoe which they use for cultivation later. Their main crop is grain sorghum, known as dura out there, of which they raise two crops annually. LaVerne and "Chuck" have experimented with 60 different varieties of this sorghum, and have found some which do very well in the soil and weather conditions of the Sudan. Some mature after a comparatively short growing season, a condition which will help to shorten the hunger period which these people endure for about 3 months annually. It is quite a trick to get the African helpers to plant the seeds in rows at an even depth so that a check can be kept on the varieties which would be most beneficial to the Sudan. The cards used to identify the row may be used for a cigarette paper. Flocks of birds may consume the crop before it is ripe. Thus, the variables are rather numerous!

Charm of Wild Life

The abundance of wild life in the Sudan is part of its charm. The river flows in front of the house—a busy highway most of the time. Pelicans, storks of various descriptions, and egrets are in abundance. Crocodiles are present also, as well as many kinds of fish, some of which make excellent supper dishes. The Sudan does not seem to be blessed with many song birds: but what they lack in this, they make up in gay plumage. Toward dusk, as the sky is painted in most gorgeous colors, the sound of whirring wings adds a most pleasant note as the missionary relaxes for a few moments on the river bank. He gazes at the small forest across the river and thrills anew at the beautiful pastoral scene as the river winds and bends up toward the government post, or down past several Anuak villages. Then during the months of February and March, particularly as one drives along the road to Pibor or in the opposite direction to Malakal, herds of tiang, roan antelope, or giraffe add excitement to an otherwise hot, dusty monotonous
Hope Men Victors

IN NOVEMBER ELECTION

Clyde H. Geerlings '27, Republican, was re-elected to a fourth term as State Senator from the 23rd district—Muskegon and Ottawa counties. He won by a vote of 52,650 to 39,467 over his Democratic opponent.

George Van Peursem '34N, Republican, was re-elected to a fourth term as State Representative from Ottawa County. The vote was 26,476 for George; 11,124 for his Democratic opponent.

Adrian de Boom '25, Republican, was victor over his Democratic opponent as State Representative from Shiawassee and Livingston Counties.

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Lion Hunt

But what about the king of the beasts? Yes, he too is present, sometimes across the river, endangering the lives of those who herd cattle there in the dry season. In December 1955, LaVerne and Harvey Hockstra '45 encountered a large male as they were returning from a hunting trip. The lion almost decided to ride in the jeep with them, but was frightened off by the movement of an Anauk who stood up to throw his spear at the oncoming beast. Guns had already been laid aside since it was becoming dark, but the men quickly got them in order. Then they gave the lion a ride to the mission, but he wasn’t aware of it! The people came for miles around the next morning to see the animal; some of the Anuaiks skinned it for us, and we put it on top of some bushes to dry. It apparently stayed there too long, for one night someone made off with it. That, too, is a part of life at Akobo.

Cow—the Bridal Price

The cattle in the Sudan are considered valuable if they have big horns and a big hump on their backs. Cows are important as they are used for the bridals in a marriage, along with special beads and marriage spears. A cow may give only a cupful of milk, but the Nilotic does not worry about that. You can understand that the health of these people is impaired by a lack of good food. So the agricultural missionary’s task is to experiment to find what other crops will grow in that soil and climate, (in order to improve the stocks of cattle a Jersey bull has been imported from Egypt for this purpose) and then to persuade the African farmer to work a bit harder and try some of these new things which will benefit his family and the church in the Sudan which we are trying to establish. We rejoice that the number of Christians is increasing, and that now there is an indigenous church known as the Church of Christ in the Upper Nile, which has three ordained pastors and several more congregations. The task of this young group of believers is not easy, but we are thankful for each one of them.

Life is Primitive

We live in a mud house with a grass roof. Our water and milk must all be boiled; the sugar is dirty, and the flour often old and full of weevils. We haven’t any TV and mail comes only once a month or even less frequently during the part of the year when the roads are flooded. Occasionally we missionary women go to a super market rather than shopping for groceries by mail. We often wonder what the Greek merchant two hundred miles away will be able to supply. If we aren’t always satisfied, at least we’re surprised when we open the boxes and examine the contents (with a sprinkling of cockroaches for good measure).

A Real Occasion

It is a real occasion when we hear the roar of an outboard motor in the distance. We run to the riverbank to greet those returning from an evangelistic trip up river. Eagerly we listen to the reports of the Lord’s care along the way, the working of His Spirit in the lives of these people about whom the Lord said, “Other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring. And there shall be one fold and one shepherd.” And so the missionary is continually challenged by the very evident physical and spiritual needs of the people around him, and rests content that, no matter what the external situation, God is there, and some day His authority will be recognized everywhere under the sun.

1949: Clayton Van Hall has accepted a position with Dow Chemical Company in Midland, Michigan. Address: 5805 Lee-way Dr., R. D. 5, Midland.
Bronson Using Dramatic
"Heart Exploration"
Technique

By DAN RYAN

Back in 1929 a Berlin doctor-scientist named Werner Forssmann sliced into the large vein at the crook of his arm, pushed a thin flexible tube into the vein and kept pushing until he had moved the tube up his arm and down into his heart.

As he performed this seemingly suicidal maneuver he watched the path of the tube within his body by means of a mirror and an X-ray machine.

His horrified associates told him he couldn't do such a thing and live. He insisted that he not only would live but that his unorthodox procedure would someday give life to others.

Time proved the daring German correct on both counts. Just a few weeks ago he was named one of three scientists to share the $38,000 Nobel Prize in medicine. Two Americans, Dr. D. W. Richards and Andre Cournand, share the award for their work in the same field.

Forssmann's technique, called heart catheterization, is now recognized as the most effective means of exploring the human heart short of surgery.

Kalamazoo is one of only four cities in Michigan in which the catheterization service is now available. The others are Detroit, Ann Arbor and Grand Rapids.

Under the leadership of Dr. H. E. De Pree, Kalamazoo's Bronson Hospital began planning for the establishment of a heart catheterization clinic nearly four years ago. The preparation involved not only the training of Dr. De Pree and his team of assistants but also the purchase of well over $10,000 worth of special equipment by the hospital.

The first patient, a woman whose heart had been damaged by rheumatic fever, went through the new clinic just last June. Since that time 13 others have received the benefits of the dramatic "heart exploration."

"This technique must not be confused with treatment of heart ailments," Dr. De Pree warns. "It is a tool of diagnosis. It is of tremendous help in finding out what is going on inside the human heart so that proper treatment can follow."

"It is also important to know that catheterization is not designed for use in what is commonly called heart attack cases. It is used to check on hearts which are mechanically imperfect."

The blue baby patient is an example. In this situation the heart is not providing a proper supply of oxygen for the blood for some reason or other. Perhaps the valves aren't working, maybe there's a heart wall, or an obstruction in the heart. There are mechanical flaws, not diseases, although they may have been caused by a disease such as rheumatic fever.

"Before the catheterization technique was refined, and that's only in the past few years, we were limited by what we could see in an X-ray or hear through the chest. Surgery was the only way to find out what was wrong and that often proved fatal."

"Now, by pushing this thin tube into the heart and watching it on an X-ray screen as it moves from chamber to chamber and even out into the lung, we can check the valves, the walls and everything else without surgery. It can be used on persons of any age."

A typical catheterization takes about three hours. The patient is under anesthetic.

In addition to watching the progress of the tube on the X-ray, the doctor takes periodic samples of blood and tests the pressures within the different parts of the heart.

"We analyze the blood samples at once to give us a picture of how well or poorly the heart is supplying oxygen to the blood in key locations," Dr. De Pree says.

"We test pressures continually because any changes in pressure can be clues to possible holes or improperly operating valves. It's just like a mechanic examining a pump."

While the doctor and his crew of technicians watch the tube moving through the heart on the X-ray screen, a complicated array of electronic equipment maintains a constant check on the patient's heart beat, blood pressure and general condition.

This information is recorded automatically on graphs for later examination by the team. It constitutes a permanent record of the condition within the heart as uncovered by the probing tube.

This complicated electronic monitoring system is operated by Dr. Donald Van Liere of the psychology department of Kalamazoo College and head of the Special Diagnostic Service department of the hospital.

"This process is most valuable in determining whether a certain heart condition can be operated on or not," says Dr. De Pree.

"Just last week we checked the heart of a 21-year-old girl. We had been almost sure that we couldn't operate. The catheterization showed us that we could. She now stands a good chance of a normal life."

"It's the next best thing to having the patient's heart in your hand."
Hollenbaches Give Vivid Account of Evacuation

Reprinted from Holland Evening Sentinel of Nov. 19, 1956

"The big world has changed significantly in the last 10 days, and in the process the little world of the American University at Cairo and the tiny private world of the Hollenbachs have been shaken at least temporarily from their moorings. You have undoubtedly been following the events of the big world—bitter and tragic as they are. Perhaps you would be interested in hearing something of our experiences, caught up as we were in the southern vortex of the conflicts.

"The American colony in Egypt was caught as unaware as, apparently, the U. S. State Department by the Israeli-French-British move. Our first real warning occurred at 2 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 29. Then word burst from the Embassy in many directions stating that a very critical situation existed and all American personnel not in essential positions were urgently encouraged to leave the country. This was Phase C of the 'steps toward evacuation' which the Embassy had prepared this spring during the earlier troubled period and again this summer. Throughout the whole of the Suez Crisis, we had never been given Phase A warning—let alone B or C. When the word got around most of us could not and would not believe it.

"But pressure began to be exerted quietly. Admiral Stevens, in charge of all Point 4 programs in Egypt announced that all of the personnel—not only wives and children—had to go. So, the University Administration called a meeting of American personnel and explained the situation. At this point—5 p.m.—there was some feeling that faculty wives with children perhaps had better go, the staff itself 'of course' would stay on for the time being.

"At 2 a.m. on Tuesday, the first group left the Embassy for the airport to start airlift evacuation. At 4 a.m. they had returned from the airport. The port had been closed by the Egyptian government. At 6:30 my warden rang the doorbell with a note from the Embassy that all evacuation plans were suspended for the time being and that pending reopening of the airport a special train was being engaged to take Americans to Alexandria where they would be evacuated by sea.

"Tuesday passed with classes going on nearly as usual, interrupted by one air raid alert and two more meetings of the staff. Tuesday night came the first bombings, although most of us did not know whether they were real or "mock." By evening it was decided to have motor convoys go to Alexandria from Cairo (120 miles) to leave at 7 a.m., Wednesday. At 5:30 a.m. the warden again appeared, this time urging all Americans to stay in their homes that day, and stating that the motor convoy idea had been postponed "indefinitely." By then the French-British ultimatum had come out. The Cairo papers (at least the English one) had played down the Israeli attack very considerably—but they certainly played up the ultimatum!

"At 11 a.m. on Wednesday, at our regular assembly the President and I outlined the university's position—which was, basically, that we would continue as usual, although some American wives and children were leaving.

"Ten minutes after assembly word arrived that the motor convoys were to leave in one and a half hours. Whereupon I drove like mad back to Maadi to get the family. The idea was for me to drive them to Alexandria and then return to Cairo. We did get to Alexandria without incident—two convoy groups of about 60 cars, where three naval units were waiting for us. As for me, I never got back to Cairo.

"I put the family in a bus bound for the customs house Wednesday morning and then tried to establish contact with Cairo by phone. By this time the ack-ack and 5 inches were firing away at planes from Cyprus in broad morning daylight.

"A French morning paper carried news of the closing of all schools and universities including the American University. Evacuation fever was running high, and with the entrance into our hotel of a group of English people who had been refused exit visas, the crowd of Egyptians outside the hotel became more ominous. Finally I got a call through to the University dormitory to learn that all the Americans, with the exception of the President and two "old timers" were enroute to Alexandria in another convoy. By Thursday afternoon there were some 1,500 Americans plus the U. S. personnel, plus some Germans and other Europeans stacked into the three navy vessels.

"Aboard ship there was some tension. Word went around that the British and French had mined the entrance to the harbor, also that they were holding up bombardment of the port until we left and we had better leave soon. At 2:30, while we were waiting for the last LSTs to reach the ships, the air raid warning sounded, and all the shore batteries and warships anchored right alongside us opened up. For half an hour we had a Fourth of July bang-fest. Not a plane was hit but they laid their eggs neatly upon an Alexandria airport about one mile from the harbor, then retired.

"At 5 p.m. we steamed out of the harbor in a beautiful sunset, marred only by the smoke from the smoldering airport tower.

"Then began a two-day pleasure cruise aboard the U. S. S. Chilton to Suda Bay, Crete, entertained by a wonderful crew of sailors and marines (500 Navy and 427 Marines) who gave us better service than the best ocean liner—even though the accommodations were slightly different. The women took over the crews' compartments and the men the Marines' compartments (there were 1,165 men, women and children aboard—mostly the latter two) in addition to the 900 odd Navy and Marine personnel. The boys and I were in one of the smaller compartments only 69 inches and three-tiered bunks. Mrs. Hollenbach was in a big compartment with about 180 women and children, plus tons of baggage.

"At Crete we transferred to a regular MSTS ship, the General Patch, which transports armed forces personnel and families. Already aboard were 160 refugees from Haifa. The accommodations here were a little better but the service was not too good. By the time we arrived in Naples everyone was glad to get to a place where he would not stumble over someone else at every step.

"The University group consists of 22 staff members and their families—all in all. We have migrated to Geneva and expect to set up "exile headquarters" here for a time to see whether we can go back shortly. (We hope to be back in a month.) We will not bring women and children back into Cairo until we are sure everything is really quiet. So Mrs. and the boys are flying home—leaving tomorrow—and settling in Two Rivers, Wis., with her mother until I get back next summer."

Editor's note: The foregoing letter was received by Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers, Hope President, from Dr. John W. Hollenbach, Hope dean on leave to work in the administration department of the American University in Cairo. Mrs. Hollenbach, who is living with her mother at 1421 25th Street, Two Rivers, Wis., has written that Dr. Hollenbach returned to Cairo, late in December.
PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES OF THE FACULTY

Miss Emma M. Reeverts, dean of women, and Mrs. Della B. Steininger, house director at Durfee Hall, attended the fall conference of the Michigan Association of Women Deans and Counselors at Kellogg Center, East Lansing, October 5 and 6. As president of the association Miss Reeverts presided at the Executive Board Meeting and the first General Session.

Dr. Morrette Rider of the Hope Music department was made an honorary member of the Michigan State Band and Orchestra Association at the fall meeting of the organization. The MSBOA is the professional organization of High School Band and Orchestra conductors in the state of Michigan.

Rev. Paul E. Hinkamp, college Registrar, showed slides on the Hope College building program at the annual meeting of the Detroit Area Hope College Club at the Redford Presbyterian Church on November 2.

Rev. Paul E. Hinkamp, college Registrar, attended the State Convention of college registrars, held at Central Michigan College on November 15.

Dr. William Schirrer, Mr. Paul Ried and Mr. Dale De Witt of the Hope College speech department attended the annual fall meeting of the Michigan Inter-collegiate Speech League held at MSU October 5. Mr. Paul Ried was elected secretary of the organization and Mr. William Schirrer was appointed to a committee to celebrate the 60th annual celebration of the MISL Oratorical Contests at Wayne University. Dr. Schirrer was League Director of Orature for 8 years.

Prof. Metta Ross, of the history department, Dr. Clarence De Graaf, head of the English department and Mr. John Van Ingen of the business administration department attended the 10th annual conference on Higher Education held at the University of Michigan, November 20-21. Theme of the conference was "The Role of the College in the Effective Development of Superior Talent."

Prof. John Ver Beek, of the education department, represented Hope College at the Southwestern Michigan Conference on Adult Education held at Western Michigan College on November 20. Prof. Ver Beek appeared on a panel considering "The Role of the Private College in

Left: Robert Ritsema, cellist; center: Charles Lindahl, clarinetist; and right: Harold Ritsema, bassoonist. Missing from picture: David Martin.

Community Adult Education Programs."

Prof. Garret Vanderborgh, education department, was co-chairman of the 2nd annual convention of Laymen, RCA, held in the Palmer House, Chicago, November 23-25. Prof. Vanderborgh presided at the Saturday afternoon session. Others from the Hope faculty at the convention were Rev. Paul E. Hinkamp, Robert Vanderham, Prof. John Ver Beek and Prof. Clarence Klein, who were consultants. Prof. Klein presided at the Sunday Morning session of the convention at which 689 were present. Prof. Jay E. Folkert, Prof. Albert Lampen, Thomas Van Dam, John Van Ingen and Robert De Haan were present as delegates.

Dr. J. Dyke van Putten '22, chairman of the Hope College history department, was named to the executive committee of the Michigan Citizenship Clearing House on Tuesday, October 2. Through his appointment Dr. van Putten represents 17 private colleges in Michigan. There are 24 organizations in the United States, the purpose of which is to interest college students in partisan politics. The Ford Foundation has recently given the national organization one million dollars to be spent in the next 5 years for the promotion of the project. Hope College was one of the original members of the state organization organized four years ago. Dr. Irwin J. Lubbers, college president, was the original representative. He appointed Dr. van Putten to the body three years ago.

FOUR HOPE STUDENTS ACCEPTED TO FIRST BERKSHIRE MUSIC CENTER

Four Hope College music students were accepted as members of the first orchestra of the Berkshire Music Center during the summer of 1956. The six week session is operated by the Boston Symphony as an advanced professional training school at Lenox, Massachusetts.

All of the students were granted scholarships from the Tanglewood revolving fund and were regular members of the 100 piece first orchestra. They worked under Charles Munch, conductor of the Boston Symphony; Elezar de Carvaho, conductor of the Rio de Janeiro Symphony, Richard Burgin, concert master of Boston; Aaron Copland, noted composer and many other world known artists. In addition to the orchestral work the students performed chamber music and studied privately with the first chair players of the Boston Symphony.

The Berkshire Music Center is recognized throughout the world as the leading professional orchestra training school. Students come from all over the world. It is extremely rare for four students to be accepted from any one school. The Center is similar in operation to the Salzburg festival of Europe, but with more opportunity for study with the extremely large faculty numbering one teacher for every three students.

The students selected from Hope were Robert Ritsema, cellist of Momence, Ill., Harold Ritsema, bassoonist of Momence, Ill., David Martin, violinst of Herkimer, N.Y. and Charles Lindahl, clarinetist of Chicago. All are Junior or Senior Music Majors at Hope.

The picture at left was taken in front of the Tanglewood Concert Hall.

HOPE STUDENTS PERFORM AT STATE CONVENTION

Several Hope College music students were on the program of the state convention of the Music Teachers National Association in Detroit October 22 and 23. Four students from the Hope music department played the highly interesting and unusual set of eight pieces by Paul Bowles entitled "Music for a Farce." Included in the group were Charles Lindahl, senior from Chicago; William Meeng, Holland junior, Ruth Moore, senior from Hawthorne, N.J. and Calvin Langejan, also a Holland junior.

Prof. Morrette Rider, director of instrumental music at Hope College who is president of the American String Teachers Association, was moderator of a panel discussion by teachers, administrators and professional musicians on the topic "The Music Teacher's Place in the Community."
Twenty-two Hope College students, one alumnus of the class of ’48, and 9 faculty members, travelled in Europe during the summer of 1956. It can be said that all of these travellers studied, but the students took courses and earned hours of credit for their “on the spot” studies in history, German, French and Spanish.

Dr. Paul Fried ’46 accompanied and instructed the history and German students; Dr. Donald F. Brown did likewise with Spanish students.

Two of the students went on independent missions: Larry Siedentop, now a senior from Downers Grove, Illinois, was Holland’s Community Ambassador to France; and David Van Eenenaam, now senior from Muskegon, had a work scholarship to Der Gummiwerke, Pulda, Deutschland. (see letter on page—).

Dr. Brown’s students for the summer were: Mary K. Diephuis, South Haven; Deanna Deas, State Island, N.Y.; Janice Peck, Grand Rapids; Sheryl Rutema, Quinton, N.J.; Roger Garvelink, Anita Van Lente and Ronald Kuiper, Holland.

With Dr. Fried were: Judy Rypma, Donald Van Lare, Holland; Edward Anderson, Muskegon Heights; Erika Volkenborn, Irvington, N.J.; Kay Rynbrand, Kalamazoo; William Waggoner, St. Louis, Mich.; Jack Walchenbach, Haw-thorne, N.J.; Melvin De Weerd, Hudsonville; David Dethmers, East Lansing; Everett Nienhouse, Chicago and Robert Cook ’56, Detroit. Joseph Palmer ’48 was in this group.

Faculty members who spent the summer in Europe were: Miss Emma Reverts, dean of women, who spent time in England, France, Germany, Yugoslavia, Italy and Switzerland. Outstanding experience: “Our visit to Brioni, Yugoslavia —two hours at President Tito’s summer home, a mansion beautifully located on the shore of the blue Adriatic. Our conference with him was enlightening and stimulating. He welcomed forthright questions and he responded with forthright answers. He gave us a very friendly welcome.”

Prof. Harvey Kleinheksel, Chemistry department, who, with his family, visited Scotland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, France and England. Outstanding experience: “We sailed from Montreal along the St. Lawrence, then by way of the northern route which brought us into the ice fields of the Labrador coast. Because of fog and icebergs we stopped dead in the Atlantic at that point for 25 hours because of the possibility of disaster.”

Miss Janina Holleman of the music department visited in France, Austria and The Netherlands.

Outstanding experience: “A visit with my twin brother (he is a doctoral candidate in Bio-Chemistry at the university of Lille, France) and his family occupied most of my summer. It was a great pleasure to meet friends and acquaintances whom I had known in 1953 in my year’s study at Amsterdam.”

Mrs. Peter Prins and Nella Meyer of the French Department had an 85 day trip on the continent. They traveled BOAC to London. They spent time in London, Edinburgh, the Scandinavian countries (5 weeks). One of their pleasurable experiences was an evening in Copenhagen with the author, Fr. Mary Houmuller, arranged through the national organization “Meet the Dames.”

Mrs. Henry Schoon, education department, spent three months in Europe, visiting Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Ireland, Wales, Scotland, England, The Netherlands, Belgium, Germany, Austria, Italy, Switzerland and France.

Comment: “The most enjoyable part of my visit to ‘Geutlickheet’ Austria was the week I spent at Alt Aussee with the Hollenbachs. We became quite adept at hiking long distances with “alpenstock” on the wonderful roads made only for those who walk. We rode on the longest chairlift in the world, in a high cable car in the Austrian Alps, opening up never-to-be-forgotten vistas of the mountains and valleys.

Dr. Joy Talbert of the English department visited with friends in England where she spent all of her time.

Dr. Paul Fried ’46 commented on his summer with Hope students: “Most of the Austrians I met were intensely interested in American life and education, and in the reactions of the Hope group. Without exceptions those who came in contact with our students complimented me on their good conduct, which apparently stood in sharp contrast to the record of some of our servicemen or other tourists. The minister of the American Chapel (Moravian Brethren Church) could not get over the fact that a whole bus full of young Americans had come to his service. I think he changed his sermon so he could comment on this unusual event.”

SUMMER 1957

Are you interested in a study tour of Europe during this summer? A fine program is being planned called ’57 Hope College Summer School in Vienna, Austria, in cooperation with the University of Vienna and the Institute of European Studies in Vienna.” Brochure containing all facets of the program may be obtained by writing Dr. William Vander Lugt, Dean of the College, Hope College, Holland, Michigan.

*1948, Alice Van Kampen Wheatley (Mrs. John) is in the mission field with the Far East Broadcasting Co. Address: Box 2041, Manila, Philippines.
NETTINGA BECOMES DISTRICT SECRETARY OF AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY

James Z. Nettinga '34, district secretary for the southern California district of the American Bible Society for the past seven years, has been appointed secretary of the society in charge of educational publicity. In his new post, he will be one of seven secretaries who administer the society's affairs.

He will assume his new duties immediately but will not transfer his office from Pasadena, Calif., to New York, until May 1. Dr. Nettinga will be in charge of public relations, radio and television activities, encouragement of the use of the Bible, publication of the "Bible Society Record," and production of audio-visual materials.

During his work in the southern California district, Dr. Nettinga has increased the annual distribution of Scriptures there from 90,000 to 500,000 in approximately 40 languages and dialects. He has presented the work of the society on radio and television on such programs as "The Bible in the News," "The Bible Speaks" and "The Bible Is My Beat."

Dr. Nettinga is an ordained minister of the Reformed Church in America. He served as pastor of the East 89th St. Reformed Church, New York, from 1938 to 1942. He left this pastorate to become secretary of young people's work for the denomination. In 1946, he was named a secretary of the denomination's board of domestic missions with special supervision of new church fields and the area of inter-racial activity.

In inter-denominational work, he has served as recording secretary of the Home Missions Council of North America; as member of the Joint Commission on Missionary Education, United Christian Youth Movement, and on the executive committee of the International Society of Christian Endeavor.

Born in the parsonage of the Englewood Reformed Church, Chicago, in 1912, Dr. Nettinga was educated in the public schools of Holland, Mich. He earned the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Hope College, Holland; Bachelor of Theology, Western Theological Seminary, Holland; Master of Theology, Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, N.J., and Doctor of Theology, Union Theological Seminary, New York. His doctorate thesis, "The Church in a Changing Century," was a study of the social and economic influences of the church life of New York City.

He married the former Margaret Diane Drew, of Ridgewood, N.J., in 1942, and has two sons, Drew 9, and Jon 5.

JAMES B. MULDER RETIRES

Rev. James B. Mulder '12 retired from his 26-year ministry to the Reformed Church, Highland Park, New Jersey, on October 30, 1956.

Mr. Mulder's ministry in the Highland Park church covered the period of the depression and two wars. 125 members of his church served in the armed forces during the second World War.

During his ministry, Mr. Mulder served three churches, which pastorates covered a forty year period—1916-1956. He received 1913 members into the Reformed Church; officiated at 793 baptisms, 318 weddings and 424 funeral services.

His service was not confined to parish ministry. During these years he served as a member of the editorial council of the Church Herald, president of the Classes of Westminster, Raritan, Newark and New Brunswick. At one time he was President of the New Brunswick Council of Churches and he served two years as President of the Board of Superintendents of the New Brunswick Seminary.

Born in Zeeland in 1888, he was a graduate of the Hope Preparatory School as well as of Hope College. He took post-graduate work at Rutgers University before attending New Brunswick Seminary from which he was graduated in 1916, the year he was ordained as a minister in The R.C.A. His first pastorate was the Van Nest Reformed Church, Peekskill, New York. In 1920 he became associate Pastor with Dr. Joseph R. Zizoo '07 in the Second Reformed Church, Somerville, New Jersey. From 1922 to 1930 he served the Second Reformed Church, Irvington, New Jersey.

For many years Mr. Mulder has been a member of the Civic Defense Union, New Brunswick YMCA, Historical Society and Clergy Club. He was one of the organizers of the Highland Park Ministerial Fellowship. Through the volunteer efforts and donations of many civic-minded residents, a recreation center was built in connection with his Highland Park church.

Though he has retired from the active ministry, Mr. Mulder is Pastor Emeritus of the Highland Park Church, and stated supply of the Belleville (N.J.) Reformed Church, a church founded in 1697. He is residing at 215 Magnolia Street, Highland Park, N.J.

BECKSFORT AT ALBION

Howard Beckfort '40 has accepted a position as professor of mathematics at Albion College. He has been at work in his new position since September.

After Hope, Howard received an assistantship to Tulane University where he earned his M.A. in 1942. He then attended radio-operators-mechanics school at Scott Field, Illinois and served as an instructor with the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command at both Scott Field and Triax Field, Wis., until 1944 when he was commissioned in the Navy.

In the Navy he attended the Aeronautical Engineering School at MIT and served as an aeronautical engineering officer at Corpus Christi, Texas and Long Beach, California until 1946. He then accepted a position as instructor in mathematics at Syracuse University which position he held until 1954. He received his Ph.D. in math from Syracuse U. this past summer.

He has been assistant professor of mathematics at Ohio University in Athens since 1954 until he accepted the Albion position.

Howard was married to Lois Weller in Madison, Wisconsin in 1943. They have three children: Jane Ellen, 9; Kenneth Bradford, 5 and Paula Terese, 2.

For recreation he officiates football and basketball games.
and obtained his Master degree in public health from the University of Michigan.

Dr. DeKleine made the first tuberculosis survey in Michigan, when that disease was the big killer, and then he served as the first full time health officer in Flint and Saginaw. After work in the field of child health, Dr. DeKleine was named medical director of the American Red Cross in 1928 and served in that position for 15 years. In 1944 he was named Health Commissioner for Michigan and served one term. Now he lives in retirement in Lansing.

But even in retirement from his chosen profession, Dr. DeKleine continues to serve by means of his latest effort, "Derk DeKleine and His Descendants."

**REPRESENTING HOPE COLLEGE**

Donald Cordes '40 at the third annual Christian Liberal Arts Festival on the occasion of the Dedication of Carver Science Hall and recognition of the Kresge Conditional Gift in memory of George Washington Carver, at Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa, October 5 and 6. Comment ... the entire occasion was a very dignified and moving one."

Jacob Heenstra '10 at the installation of Harry Henry Kalas as president of Westmar College, Le Mars, Iowa, October 26.

Martina De Jong '19 at the inauguration of President Hilman, Manchester College, North Manchester, Indiana, November 30.

**JOINS FUNERAL HOME STAFF**

John S. Den Herder '41N and his family have recently moved from Cincinnati, Ohio to Paulding, Ohio, to assist in the operation of the Crowell Funeral Home of that city, and will assume management and ownership on January 1, 1957.

Upon leaving Hope College in 1940, John attended the Cincinnati College of Embalming and Funeral Directing. Immediately following graduation he became associated with the Charles A. Miller Sons Funeral Home of that city.

Mrs. Den Herder, the former Lucille Matson of Chicago, Ill., is a graduate of St. Francis Xavier College for Women and Mercy Hospital School of Nursing. They have two children, Betsy, 9; and Jack, 5.

John's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Den Herder has been affiliated with Hope College for the past ten years as a House Mother.

**BILL HINGA HOLLAND FOOTBALL COACH**

William K. Hinga '51 was named Holland High School head football coach early in December by the Board of Education.

Bill has been varsity backfield coach for the past two years. He succeeds Dale Shearer who will take an administrative position.

He is a social studies instructor who has been on the Holland High faculty since November, 1953. He started coaching in 1954 as head reserve football coach and was moved up to varsity backfield coach in 1955. He has also been assisting in track for three years.

Bill received his master's degree from Western Michigan College this past summer. His first coaching assignment was at Belding High School in 1951. He served in the Army in Korea during 1952-53 and joined the Holland High staff upon discharge.

Bill and his wife, Connie Boersma '53, have two daughters, Cathy, 2½ and Lynn, 6 months. They live at 171 West 26th Street.

Bill's appointment established a Hinga tradition at Holland High. His father, Hope's dean of students, Milton L. Hinga, held the same position at Holland High from 1923 to 1941, the year he came to Hope College where he coached for 17 years.

*1949. Timothy S. Harrison has been appointed Research Fellow in Surgery at Harvard Medical School. The Medical School, established in 1782, is now located in Boston near numerous medical and hospital facilities associated with it to offer students a broad range of opportunities for clinical investigation and study.*

Tim, who received his M.D. from Johns Hopkins in 1953, will be affiliated with the Massachusetts General Hospital.

*1953. John F. Zack has accepted a position in the research division of Dow Corning Corporation, Midland, Michigan. Address: 3901 Lancaster, Midland.*

*1951. Robert Japinga is now assigned as an instructor in the Army Transportation School at Fort Eustis, Virginia. He has served in Korea with Army Intelligence as an interrogator and in the field of his specialty, Transportation, in Yokohama, Japan. He is a career man in the army presently bearing the rank of Captain.*
Alumni Directors to Sponsor Drive

At the Homecoming meeting of the Alumni Association Board of Directors (October 13) President Harold Dykhuizen '36 expressed his desire for the alumni to attempt a campaign for an annual fund larger than the $11,000 asked for in the "Match the Ford Foundation" drive then in progress.

Adrian de Boom '25 proposed that data be assembled on the aggregate number of alumni in each class. The total each class should donate should be determined on the basis of $1.00 per year per graduate since his commencement. The goal of an alumni fund campaign should be the amount due by all classes. A maximum of 35 years was suggested.

The directors voted to definitely attempt to get 100% participation in an alumni fund during 1957 on the basis of a schedule prepared by the alumni office.

The directors also voted to take the responsibility for the success of the campaign through the work of committees appointed for their various clubs.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTION

It was decided by the Board of Directors that an amendment to the constitution be submitted to the members of the association. The amendment is to the effect that the three directors-at-large, now elected directly by the alumni membership, be changed to permit their election by the Board of Directors.

In the past, so few alumni have sent in their ballots, that the board felt the vote has not been representative of the 8,256 Hope men and women.

The proposed change is submitted in italic letters:

ARTICLE IV—DIRECTORS

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of the following association members:

1. Directors at Large—Three directors at large to be elected for terms of three years and in such manner that no two terms expire in the same year. The three directors shall be elected by ballots issued through the Alumni Magazine in time to enable them to take office at the time meeting of the Board of Directors.

The Directors at the Annual Homecoming Meeting.

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*1950 Lawrence DeVoogd has been promoted from instructor to assistant professor at Western Michigan College. He is a supervising teacher in the fifth grade of the Paw Paw elementary school, a training school for future teachers.

BALLOT

Proposal No. 1: Amendment to Article IV, Section 1.

Name ___________________________________________

Address _________________________________________

YES [ ] NO [ ]
At the annual alumni dinner in June 1947, Dr. Otto van der Veldt '15 presented the report of a special alumni committee. The proposal of the committee was to encourage alumni gifts to the college for special and general purposes. By establishing a Centennial Fund all alumni gifts are recorded in this over-all fund—all gifts made by alumni for whatever purpose. It is the goal of this committee that the total of these gifts should reach a Million dollars by the Centennial year—1966.

We have published the results of the Centennial Fund twice before—January 1953 and January 1955. We are now bringing you up to date as to the end of 1956 in this issue.

The total gifts recorded in the Centennial Fund through August 31, 1956, amount to $176,614.52.

**CENTENNIAL FUND THROUGH 1956.**

**DONORS DURING PAST YEAR STARRLED.**

During 1956 there were 975 donors. Gifts amounted to $42,651.63, making the average gift $45.74. By comparison, and to show progress, the previous year, 1955, 850 donors contributed $30,321.06, for an average gift of $35.67.

In 1953 we presented the donors by classes; in 1955 we presented them by degrees of membership in the Centennial Fund. Our donor, $5,000; Fellow, $1,000 to $5,000; initiate $100 to $1,000. We find the first method impractical for our office set-up. Several who have reached higher degrees of giving have asked that their names not be placed in the proper degree, as in 1955.

We are, therefore, publishing an alphabetical list of contributors in this issue.
Necrology

EDWIN W. KOEPPE

The Rev. Edwin W. Koeppe, D.D. '14, Reformed Church missionary in China for 32 years, died December 18 in Holland Hospital following an illness of several weeks.

Rev. Koeppe was born in Oostburg, Wisconsin and was graduated from Wisconsin Memorial Academy in Cedar Grove in 1910. After graduating from Hope he attended Western Seminary, being graduated in 1919.

Following his education he and Mrs. Koeppe, Elizabeth Renskers '20N, left for the mission field in South Fukien Province in China where they served as missionaries of the Reformed Church until 1951. His work was principally evangelistic but he did serve as a professor in the South Fukien Theological Seminary.

Dr. Koeppe also worked with refugees during the early years of the Sino-Japanese War and on Dec. 7, 1941, he was interned by the Japanese forces and held until September, 1942. He remained at his mission post for a year and a half after the Communists took over South Fukien Province.

From 1952 to 1954, Dr. Koeppe served as acting field secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, RCA. He retired from active service in 1955.

Surviving are Mrs. Koeppe; two sons, Roger '44, Memphis, Tenn.; and Owen '49, Columbia, Mo.; one daughter, Ruth Koeppe De Young '52, Waupun, Wisc.; six grandchildren; three brothers and three sisters.

DIRK DYKSTRA

Dr. Dirk Dykstra '06, long-time missionary to the Arabian field, died unexpectedly in the evening of November 1 at his farm home in Holland. Mr. Dykstra, who was 77 years old, was seized by a heart attack while downtown and died shortly after he was taken home.

He had served in the mission field at Muscat for 46 years. He was supported by the Alto Reformed Church at Alto, Wisconsin, and had retained his membership there. His first wife, the former Minnie Witterdink '11N, died in May, 1955. She had been supported by the First Reformed Church of Holland.

A graduate of Western Seminary as well as Hope College, he retired from active service about two years ago.

On August 17, 1956, he married the former Mrs. Harriet Coburn of Zeeland, who survives him as do a brother, Siebren, Monroe, S.D., and a sister, Mrs. Rose Buss, Marion, S.D.

Funeral services were held in First Reformed Church, Holland, with burial in Pilgrim Home Cemetery.

ESTHER BOER VAN OOSTENBURG

Esther Boer Van Oostenburg '25, whose father, the late Nicholas Boer '06, was one-time president of the Hope College Board of Trustees, passed away August 30, after a lingering illness.

Mrs. Van Oostenburg was born in Jamestown, Michigan, December 11, 1902. She attended Grand Rapids Junior College for one year after graduation from Grand Rapids Central High School, before attending Hope College.

After her graduation she taught public speaking and dramatics in South Haven High School for four years.

After her marriage to Neil Van Oostenburg in 1929, she lived for the most part in Detroit and its suburbs where her husband was affiliated with Michigan Bell Telephone Company.

Always active in affairs of her church, she organized girls' groups in the First Reformed Church of Detroit and later was active in the Women's Association of Grosse Pointe Woods Presbyterian Church.

She is survived by her husband Neil '27; two sons, David and Bruce, and two sisters, Mary Boer Wiers '23 of Milwaukee and Mrs. Francis Meens of Grand Rapids.

MAURICE SNYDER

Rev. Maurice Snyder, pastor of the Reformed Church of the Boght, Cohoes, New York, died at his home by accident on September 23. He was a native of Cobleskill, New York, and a graduate of Western Seminary. He was ordained in the Stone Arabia and Sprakers Reformed Churches, which he served in 1939-42. He served the Second Reformed Church of Ghent, N.Y., 1943-47, and the Church of the Boght from 1947. He was also serving the Amity Reformed Church of Vischers Ferry as Stated Supply.

Mr. Snyder was a past president of the Synod of Albany and the Albany area Reformed Church Ministerial Association. He was a member of the board of the Fowler Memorial Camp, a member of the Central Youth Committee, RCA and of the Board of Domestic Missions, RCA.

He is survived by his wife, the former Anne Frissel '36, a daughter, Betsy Mac, 15 and Rancy, 13.

Funeral services were held in the Boght Church, September 25, with burial in Cobleskill rural cemetery.

MARGARET WALSH BROOKS

Margaret Walsh Brooks, prep '12, whose husband Earnest C. '12 is chairman of the State Corrections Commission, died at her home on Sunday, December 16, after an illness of two years. She was 67.

Born in Holland, Mrs. Brooks lived her entire life in the community. She attended Holland public schools and Hope preparatory school and was graduated from the school of dramatic arts of Northwestern University.

Mrs. Brooks gave generously of her time and talents to musical and dramatic events in the city. She was often hostess to the city's Tulip Time and other distinguished guests.

She was a member of Hope Church, Woman's Literary Club, Century Club, American Legion Auxiliary and the DAR.

Survivors are her husband, her sister, Mrs. Kenneth Peirce, of Holland; a daughter, Mrs. Robert O. Evans of Lexington, Ky.; a son, Louie '48 at home; and three grandchildren.

ELMER S. HULKEBOER

Elmer J. Holkeboer '38, principal of Oakdale Christian school, died unexpectedly December 17 of a heart attack in Butterworth hospital, Grand Rapids. He was 42.

Mr. Holkeboer, who was nationally known in Christian school education, had served as a teacher and school administrator in Michigan, Iowa and Wisconsin. He took his position at Oakdale last September.

A native of Holland he attended the University of Michigan after his graduation from Hope, where he obtained his master's degree.

Surviving are his wife, Dorothy; a son, James R. at home; his mother, Mrs. Katherine Holkeboer of Holland; a sister, Mrs. Peter Vander Plats of Jenison and three brothers, Gilbert, Philip of Holland and Paul '51 of Kalamazoo.

WILLIAM A. VANDERWEP

William A. Vanderwerp '20, active many years in business and civic affairs, died suddenly of a heart attack at his home in Muskegon on December 28. He was 58.

For a number of years Mr. Vanderwerp was engaged in the insurance and real estate business with his father and was secretary of Vanderwerp and Schrier agency, a widely known firm. In 1944 he entered the novelty store business and had operated a store in Muskegon and another in Lansing.

Mr. Vanderwerp was active in civic affairs. He was president of the Y's Men's Club and was elected in 1929 to head the Y's Men's Clubs of Michigan. He
was also active in the Young Republicans and in 1934 was president of the Muskegon County Club.

He was born in Muskegon and was a lifelong resident of the community. He served in the armed forces during World War I. He was active in Bethany Christian Reformed Church and had served on its consistory.

He is survived by his wife, the former Bernice Brooke of Ithaca; one daughter, Jo Ann '52 Dobben; two sons, William L. of Muskegon and George F. of Marion, Ind.; a sister, Mrs. Harry Hager (Jeanette '20); and two grandchildren.

THEODORE TRITENBACH

Rev. Theodore Tritenbach '23N, pastor of the Fruitvale Presbyterian Church of Oakland, California, and a former minister in the Reformed Church in America, died on June 7 on his return homeward from attendance at the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.

He is survived by his wife, the former Marian Klaasen '24, three sons, Rev. David, Paul and John K. and two daughters, Hope.

( Editor's Note: At about the time word arrived of Mr. Tritenbach's death, Alumnus Director Clyde Geerlings received a letter from him written from the General Assembly, in which he said he had discovered other men at the Assembly who had attended Hope and had planned a get-together at lunch on May 29 to renew old acquaintances. Those who attended were: Rev. Isaac Schepers '23 of Bowling Green, Ohio; Rev. William H. Drukker '33, Spearfish, S.D.; Rev. Allyn Ten Pas '25, Alton, N.Y.; Rev. Maurice Verdin '21, Waddington, N.Y.; Rev. Allan Wenzel '43, Detroit, Mich.; and Rev. Theodore Tritenbach '23.)

OSCAR HOLKEBOER

Rev. Oscar Holkeboer '28, pastor of the First Orthodox Presbyterian church in Waterloo, Iowa, died on December 13 in Allen Memorial Lutheran Hospital in Waterloo after a four-month illness. He was 53.

He is survived by his wife, Winifred; three daughters, Cecelia and Lois, students at Calvin College, and Jean at home, two sons, David and Robert at home; four sisters, Miss Tina Holkeboer '20 of Manilla, P.I.; Miss Gertrude Holkeboer and Mrs. Harry Bratt of Grand Rapids; and Mrs. Bartel Honkes of Chicago and a brother Dr. Henry '20 of Grand Rapids.

JACOB D. BROOKS

Dr. Jacob D. Brook, Prep '10, Kent County health officer from 1931 to 1954, died in St. Mary's Hospital on December 13. He was 80.

Dr. Brook lived in Grandville. After

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it. We need the enrichment of fellow beings. We can have delightful conversation which is far more than talking about nothing with a little less than something. The garrulous person is painful; the taciturn is like a dog who carries his bone to a corner. Communion with others in a sound ecumenical spirit saves our lives from fractions.

Finally and basic is the religious and spiritual life. We are the children of God and the people of the Book. We are sinners needing the divine grace. C. S. Lewis discovered that and tells us about it in *Surprised By Joy*. This brilliant thinker has become the child of God, caught by the inescapable Hound of Heaven.

Personal piety, not pietism, is the foundation of the complete life. Daily we must grow in faith, in knowledge, in Christian deeds. There lies our sanctification, the upward pilgrimage of the man made whole. Always there must be the personal encounter with Jesus Christ.

I urge you to have the enthusiasm of Paul, the devotion of Augustine, the brotherliness of Francis, the warmth of Luther, the indissoluble logic of Calvin, the courage and humility of Pascal, the new insights of the contemporary mind and heart—in a word, the faith of our fathers living still. That way we are, not only the "music-makers and dreamers of dreams," but also the "movers and shakers of the world forever."

Would you have the complete life and not live in a capsule? Then walk with God in the city streets, through alleys and on highways, in pastures and over mountains, in the atom and among the stars, in realms of beauty and of duty. And as you walk, always keep your eyes on the City of God.

attending Hope Prep he was graduated from the old Detroit College of Medicine in 1912. In 1915 he was appointed by Gov. A. E. Sleeper as member of the state board of registration of medicine and surgery. He was a pioneer in preventive medicine. Prior to his Kent health post, Dr. Brook was health officer of Wyoming Township in the early 1900s.

He was a member of the American Medical Association and the state and county medical associations, serving as president of the Kent group several years. He was president, at one time, of the Grand Rapids Academy of Medicine.

Dr. Brook is survived by his wife, Sue; two daughters, Mrs. Russell D. De Jong and Mrs. Henry R. Craig, both of Ann Arbor; a brother, Rev. John Y. Broek, Prep '98, of Plainfield, N.J., and five grandchildren.

DANFORTH FOUNDATION INVITES APPLICATIONS

( Editor's note: Hope College is proud to have two alumni who are now Danforth scholars. Kenneth Weller '48 received a 1955 Danforth Teachers Study Grant; James D. van Putten '55 received a Danforth Graduate Fellowship in 1955.)

The Danforth Foundation, an educational trust fund in St. Louis, Missouri, invites applications for the sixth class (1957) of Danforth Graduate Fellows from college senior men and recent graduates who are preparing themselves for a career of college teaching, and are planning to enter graduate school in September, 1957, for their first year of graduate study. The Foundation welcomes applicants from the areas of Natural and Biological Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities and all fields of specialization to be found in the undergraduate college.

President Lubbers has named Milton L. Hinga as the Liaison Officer to nominate to the Danforth Foundation two or not to exceed three candidates for these fellowships. These appointments are fundamentally a "relationship of encouragement" throughout the years of graduate study, carrying a promise of financial aid within prescribed conditions as there may be need. The maximum annual grant for single Fellows is $1500; for married Fellows, $2000 with an additional stipend for children. Students with or without financial need are invited to apply. A Danforth Fellow is allowed to carry other scholarship appointments, such as Rhodes, Fulbright, Woodrow Wilson, Marshall, etc., concurrently with his Danforth Fellowship, and applicants for these appointments are cordially invited to apply at the same time for a Danforth Fellowship. If a man receives the Danforth Appointment, together with a Rhodes Scholarship, Fulbright Scholarship, or Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, he becomes a Danforth Fellow without stipend, until these other relationships are completed.

All Danforth Fellows will participate in the annual Danforth Foundation Conference on Teaching, to be held at Camp Miniovanac in Michigan next September.

The qualifications of the candidates as listed in the announcement from the Foundation are: men of outstanding academic ability, personality congenial to the classroom, and integrity and character, including serious inquiry within the Christian tradition.

All applications, including the recommendations, must be completed by January 31, 1957. Any student wishing further information should get in touch with our Liaison Officer.
WEDDINGS

Ronald R. Bos '53 and Jan Darcia Rottschaefer '57N, September 8, Alma, Mich.
William H. Heydorn '55 and Joan G. Kilian '55, September 8, Holland, Mich.
Alfred Penning '48 and Margaret Schuppke, October 20, Fonda du Lac, Wis.
Carol Kuyper '56 and Philip D. De Witt, June 16, Angola, Ind.
Lawrence Weenstra '54 and Jean Wierenga '54, June 28, Holland.
James Van Hooven '54 and Mary Lee Rozeboom '56, June 16, Holland.
John Busman '54 and Joyce Schultz '57N, August 24, Holland.
Robert D. Smith '54 and Karagay Hardy '57, August 25, Grand Rapids.
Harris Verkaik '55 and Jane Bosman '59N, San Jacinto, Calif.
Catherine A. Christies '53 and Grier Nicholl, September 9, Flushing, N.Y.
Mary Jane Rietveld '55 and William Kiskon '54, June 22, Chicago Heights, Ill.
Glenn Van Hautsma '49 and Ruth Romaine, September 15, Furtigen, Switzerland.
Peter W. Siderius '55N and Jeanine Lorraine Upton, September 6, 1955.
Donald Lloyd York '55 and Irene Katherine Westch '55, September 29, Flint, Mich.
Robert E. Winship '51 and Martha Herfort, July 6, 1956, Hackensack, N.J.
Clinton Fisk Beach '52 and Margaret Raleigh Cousar, November 3, Baltimore, Md.
Betty De Ryke '49 and Kenneth Be saw, July 20, 1956, Grand Rapids.
Cecil Bacheller '43N and Mrs. Angela N. Passmore, November 21, 1956, Greens- castle, Ind.
Julie Bernius '52 and Henry R. Spitzer, June 30, 1956, Freeport, N.Y.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Willard G. and Anna Ruth Workman '49 Crum, Rodger Bruce, March 9, Pasa- dena, Calif.
Eugene '50 and Joyce Mulder '54 Scholten, John Robert, April 8, Holland.
Harlan J. '50 and Mrs. Tailor, Bruce Harlan, July 31, Rochester, Minn.
Delbert and Doris Adams De Young (both '52N), Peter Adams, June 20, Wilmington, Del.
Herman '49 and Lenora Ridder, Mary- lee, September 24, Homewood, Ill.
Albert '51 and Elaine Gronstra '52N Boers, Mark Albert, August 30, Grand Rapids.
Louis P. '50 and Margaret Schoonveld '51 Kraay, Linda Ruth, September 2, Inkster, Mich.
John H. '50 and Connie Van Zylen '53 Ryskamp, Richard P., March 1, Cleveland, O.
Paul '50 and Gladys Lupkes, Janet Lynne, August 21, 1954 and Debra Jean, August 24, 1956, Waterloo, Iowa.
John T. '52 and Marjorie Dobbs Beuker, Katherine Lee, October 4, Forest Park, Ill.
James and Barbara Penning Kremer (both '56), Cheryl Jean, October 5, Fort Dix, N.J.
Harold '51 and Greta Dean, David Andrew, Sept. 18, New Brunswick, N.J.
Roger '47 and Evelyn Rietberg, Jonathan Craig, October 12, Holland.
Seymour '43 and Mrs. Padnos, Cynthia Beth, October 5, Holland.
Fred S. '41 and Lorraine Timmer '42 Bertsch, Mary Jo, September 8, Holland.
Don '49 and Lynn Van Weelden '51 Ihrlen, Lauret Anne, June 26, Muske- gon, Mich.
James and Barbara Penning Kremer (both '56), Cheryl Jean, October 5, Fort Dix, N.J.
Cornelius and Jda Vander Zalm '35 Nieuwkoop, Anthony James, February 27, 1956, Cadillac, Mich.
Verne and Kathleen Kempers Fuder, both '53, John Edwin, October 6, Hol- land.
A. Don '53 and Eunice Mayo '52 Rubbers, John Irwin Darrow, December 7, Holland.
Carl '53 and Lucille Van Heest '55 Schroeder, David Carl, November 15, Hartford, Conn.
Harris '50 and Mrs. Timmer, Joan Elizabeth, Nov. 27, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Glenn '48 and Phyllis Voss '47 Brug- gers, Joan Elizabeth, June 18, 1956, Kyoto, Japan.
John '50 and Marjorie Voss '47 Stephens, Mary Margaret, July 30, 1956, Holland.
Kenneth '52 and Eunice Gross '49 Van Regenmorter, December 18, 1956, South Bend, Ind.
Ind. and Elaine Ford Coffill (both '54), Gretchen Lynn, January 2, 1957, New Brunswick, N.J.
Glenn '54 and Norma Tabb '55N Hine, Laura Kay, June 30, New Bruns- wick, N.J.
Kenneth '48 and Shirley Gess '50 Weller, Matthew Jay, October 31 (same date as Billy's birthday, now 3), Ann Arbor.
Peter W. '55N and Jeannine Siderius, Jeffrey Alan, August 27, Chicago, Ill.

ADVANCED DEGREES

Patricia Pas Carrough '52, M.D., U. of Michigan, June, 1956.
Paul E. Holkeboer '51, Ph.D. Chemis- try, Purdue U., August, 1956.
Howard Beckfort, Ph.D. Math, Syra- cuse University, Summer, 1956.

ANNOUNCEMENT—SIBS

The Sibylline Alumnae is making plans for a Valentine luncheon and bridge-ca- nasta, February 16 at Cumerford's Restau- rant, Holland. This will replace the usual spring tea. All Sib alumnae are urged to make a real effort to attend. The luncheon will be served at 1:00 P.M., the social time immediately following. Call or write reservations to any of the following officers:

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"The Sib Line," former news sheet, will no longer be published. Sibs are strongly urged to send news items regularly to this magazine.

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Robert and Eunice I. Schipper '52 Van- denbelt, Sharon Jo, October 9, Holland.
Paul '50 and Doris Prins '50N Alder- ink, Sue Ann, November 10, Grand Rap- ids, Mich.
HOPE COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION CHAPTER OFFICERS

Editor’s note: We are publishing the names and addresses of all the officers of all the Hope College Clubs. All the clubs will be planning spring meetings. If you have not received notice of the club meetings in your preferred area, will you please drop a note to the secretary of that club?

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