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**Semi-Centennial Announcements**

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# CALENDAR 1915-1916

## FIRST QUARTER

1915

September 14—Examination for Admission, beginning at 9 A. M.

September 15—First Quarter begins at 9 A. M.

November 25—Thanksgiving Recess.

December 10—First Quarter ends.

## SECOND QUARTER

December 13—Second Quarter begins.

December 22—Christmas Recess begins.

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January 4—Christmas Recess ends.

January 27—Day of Prayer for Colleges.

February 4—Close of First Semester.

March 17—Second Quarter ends.

## THIRD QUARTER

March 20—Third Quarter begins.

March 29—April 4—Spring Recess.

April 26—Meeting of Council.

May 8—Voorhees Day.

June 8-9—Examination of Senior and "A" Classes.

June 16—Close of Second Semester.

June 18—Baccalaureate Sermon.

June 19—Closing Exercises of the Preparatory School in Carnegie Gymnasium, 2 P. M.

June 20—Meeting of Council at 10 A. M.

June 20—Meeting of Alumni Association.

June 21—Commencement Exercises in Carnegie Gymnasium, 7:30 P. M.

## A FEAST OF GOOD THINGS.

The friends of Hope College are looking forward to an unusually good time next June. That month of every year to those in any way related to a college, or living in a college town, is delightfully eventful. To the graduates and undergraduates, to their parents and friends, to the alumni and the general public, June bears its own peculiar meaning and excites its special pleasure.

But June, 1916, will have extraordinary significance. The fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Hope College will then be commemorated. A semi-centennial occasion is of too infrequent occurrence than that it should be allowed to pass without due "pomp and circumstance." Plans for the celebration are already taking somewhat definite shape. This much can be said with certainty in advance, that the week beginning the fifteenth will be full to overflowing of good things.

First of all, the one-hundred-and-tenth regular session of the General Synod of the Reformed Church will be held in Holland. Hope College is the child of the Church. This meeting will give mother and child a splendid opportunity to become mutually better acquainted. The genial presence, the kindly greetings, the unctuous benediction and the sympathetic touch of the mother will prove a needed inspiration to the daughter; and it is possible that after a week's fellowship, the mother will return home feeling that her prayers and labors and sacrifices extending over a half-century, have resulted in the establishment of an institution already strong and of world-wide influence, and full of brightest promise of increased service in the years to come.

According to tentative plans, Friday, the 16th, will be "the big day." Let us suppose what may be scheduled—a procession of classes beginning with that of 1866 and down through the years, including the class of 1920 or even 1924, with appropriate banners and floats, and headed by the College Band—an open air meeting on the campus under the shade of the maples and pines, with prayer, a Dutch psalm, greetings to the Synod and responses, an historical sketch, a poem, interspersed with choral and orchestral music and glee club selections—a luncheon—historical pageant in the afternoon—

and a banquet at the Ottawa Beach Hotel in the evening with post-prandial eloquence.

The Commencement Week, beginning with the baccalaureate sermon Sunday evening, must be one of unprecedented interest and enthusiasm.

To the alumni from near and far the occasion must spell a season of joyous reunion with those who have been out of sight and possibly out of mind for a time, and of engaging reminiscence of by-gone events.

And when the benediction has been spoken upon the assembled throng on Wednesday night, and the curtain falls upon a week of memorable doings, the words upon the lips of all should be those of praise and doxology to Almighty God.

## A LETTER TO THE ALUMNI OF HOPE COLLEGE.

Dear Alumni:

At the annual meeting of the Alumni Association held on June 16, 1915, a new Constitution was adopted. We are calling your attention to two very important articles of that Constitution.

### ARTICLE VIII

Section 1. The annual dues shall be fifty cents.

Section 2. Non-payment of dues for one year will result in forfeiture of membership. But membership can be renewed upon payment of back dues.

### ARTICLE IX

#### BRANCH ASSOCIATIONS

Section 1. The General Alumni Association shall through its Executive Committee seek to organize as many Branch Associations as possible in various centers in which a sufficient number of Alumni, former students and friends of Hope College reside, to make Branch Associations effective, these Branch Associations to be affiliated with the General Association.

Section 2. All members, both active and associate of all the Branch Associations, shall be eligible to membership in the Alumni Association upon receipt of proper credentials from the officers of the Branch Associations.

Section 3. Branch Associations shall be governed by the same general laws and by-laws by which the Alumni Association is governed. They shall not, however, be required to have the same standing committees. Each Branch Association can have such committees as it shall require.

Section 4. Any action that a Branch Association may take upon any question shall not be considered official until it is approved of and acted upon by the General Alumni Association. The General Alumni Association shall always be open to suggestions from any of the Branch Associations.

This year, Hope College is celebrating her fiftieth anniversary. For fifty years Hope College has been raising her educational standards. The result is, that today she is occupying a larger place in the affections of the professional, business, educational and religious world than ever before. The words of Dr. Van Raalte, "This is my anchor of hope for this people in the future," are as true today as they were when first uttered in 1851. Hope College appeals to its Alumni to make this the greatest year in her history. You can help Hope College and the Alumni Association by:

1. Sending your dues to the Secretary.
2. Forming in your community a Branch Association such as is suggested above.
3. Talking Hope College at all times to every one.
4. Attending the Semi-Centennial celebration in June.
5. Holding Class Reunions.

For the Alumni Association,

DR. J. J. MERSEN, '95, President.  
PROF. W. WICHERS, '09, Secretary.

## PRIZES.

The following prizes will be awarded to students at the Commencement in June:

1. The "George Birkhoff, Jr., Prize" of twenty-five dollars will be awarded to that student of the Junior Class submitting the best essay on "Charles Dickens."
2. The "George Birkhoff, Jr., Prize" of twenty-five dollars to that student of the Senior Class submitting the best essay on "Isaac Da Costa."
3. The "Mrs. Samuel Sloan Foreign Missions Prize" of twenty-five dollars to that student of the College submitting the best essay on "Union Movements on the Mission Field."
4. The "Henry Bosch English Prizes" of fifteen dollars and ten dollars to the students of the "C" class passing the best and second best examinations in English Grammar and Orthography.
5. The "A. A. Raven Prize in Oratory." The first prize is thirty dollars and the second prize is twenty dollars. Public Oration. Open to the whole College.
6. The "Dr. J. Ackerman Coles Debating Prize." Public Debate. Open to the College.
7. The "J. Ackerman Coles Oratory Prize." The prize is a bust of George Washington, after Houdon. The Oration must be of a patriotic nature.
8. The "Van Zwaluwenburg Domestic Missions Prize" of twenty-five dollars is awarded to that student of the College submitting the best essay on "The Success of the Institutional Church."
9. "The Southland Prizes"—Faculty Award.  
Gerrit H. Albers Gold Medal to a young woman of the Senior Class.  
Mary Clay Albers Silver Medal to a young woman of the "A" Class.
10. "Prohibition Prize" of twenty-five dollars. Public Oration on a Temperance subject.
11. "Preparatory School Oratorical Contest Prizes." The first prize is ten dollars and the second prize is five dollars.
12. The "Mrs. W. C. Roe Indian Essay Prizes." Three prizes of five, three and two dollars to students of either department offering the three best essays on the subject, "The American Indian."



## ANNOUNCEMENT OF COURSES GIVEN IN THE THIRD QUARTER 1915-1916.

No detailed description of the courses is attempted in this bulletin. Those desiring information concerning pre-requisites and Texts used will find it under the corresponding numbers in the general catalog.

### BIBLE

1. Studies in the Life of Christ.
2. Studies in the Acts.
3. Old Testament Studies.
4. Old Testament Studies.
5. Studies in the Teachings of the New Testament.

### BIOLOGY

1. Morphology, Physiology and Ecology of Flowering Plants.
3. General Bacteriology.
12. Bacteriology. An advanced course.

### CHEMISTRY

1. Inorganic Chemistry. Daily Recitation. Laboratory four hours a week. This course will be continued in the First Quarter of 1916-1917.
5. Organic Chemistry. This course is a continuation of Course 4. Daily Recitation. Laboratory six hours a week.
9. Water Analysis. Eleven hours a week. Prerequisites: Courses 1, 2, 3, 6.

### DUTCH

3. Grammar, Reading and Composition. Essays.
6. History of the Dutch Literature. Reading.

### EDUCATION

6. History of Education.
8. Secondary School Problems.

### ENGLISH

3. American Literature.
6. Wordsworth.
9. Tennyson.
10. Browning.

### FRENCH

3. Modern French Fiction. Selections from Daudet and Hugo.
8. French Romanticism. Chateaubriand, De Musset, Lamartine. Lectures.

## GERMAN

3. A Continuation of Course 2.
9. Heine. Reading of the Harzreise and parts of the Gedichte.
12. Introduction to Goethe. Hermann and Dorothea; parts of the Dichtung and Wahrheit.
15. Outline Course in German Literature. Lectures and reports.

## GREEK

4. (a) Lyric and Melic Poets.  
(b) Comedy. Aristophanes' Frogs.
7. Demosthenes. The Philippics and Olynthiacs.
9. The Greek New Testament.

## GYMNASIUM

All Gymnasium work is in charge of the Medical Director, Dr. Godfrey.

## HISTORY

3. The History of England. Freshmen and Sophomores.
7. The History of American Diplomacy. Juniors and Seniors.

## LATIN

5. (a) Tusculan Disputations.  
(b) The Dream of Scipio.  
(c) Elegiac Poetry.

## MATHEMATICS

3. Surveying.
6. Calculus.

## MUSIC

Thorough training under capable teachers may be had in Piano, Pipe Organ, Voice Culture, Violin, Viola and other orchestral instruments. Besides the private work of the studio, opportunity is afforded for ensemble work, including classes in Harmony, Composition, Theory and History of Music. For cost of tuition and other expenses, application should be made to Prof. John B. Nykerk, Holland, Mich.

## PHILOSOPHY

5. Christian Evidences.

## PHYSICS

3. Carhart's University Physics.

## PUBLIC SPEAKING

The work of the Department of Expression and Public Speaking covers the four years of the College course. Opportunity is also afforded for private work in expression and public speaking.

THE  
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

## COURSES GIVEN IN THE THIRD QUARTER 1915-1916.

For complete information in regard to these courses consult the general catalog.

### BIBLE

1. Studies in the Pentateuch.
2. Studies in the Historical Books.
3. Studies in the Life of Christ.
4. Studies in the Acts and in the Period of Reconstruction.

### BIOLOGY

4. Elementary Botany.

### EDUCATION

4. School Management.
5. General Review. Arithmetic.

### ENGLISH

3. Literature. Scott's Ivanhoe; Scott's Lady of the Lake.
- 3e. Grammar Reviews.
6. Composition and Rhetoric.
- 9e. English Literature.
12. Literature. Macauley's Essay on Milton; Milton's L'Allegro, Il Penseroso, etc.

### GERMAN

3. Beginners' Course. Continuation of Course 2.
6. An Introduction to German Poetry. Memorizing of some of the Poems.

### GREEK

3. Xenophon. Anabasis, Book 1. Composition.
6. Thucydides. Selections.

### HISTORY

3. History of Rome. "D" Class.
6. Modern European History. "C" Class.
9. Civics. "B" Class.

### LATIN

3. Continuation of Course 2. The Gradatim. "D" Class.
6. Caesar. Books II and III. "C" Class.
9. Cicero. "B" Class.
12. Vergil. Books V and VI. "A" Class.

### MATHEMATICS

3. Algebra. Equations, Fractions, Problems. "D" Class.
6. Algebra. "C" Class.
8. Plane Geometry. "B" Class.

### PHYSICS

3. First Principles of Physics. "A" Class.

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