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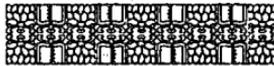
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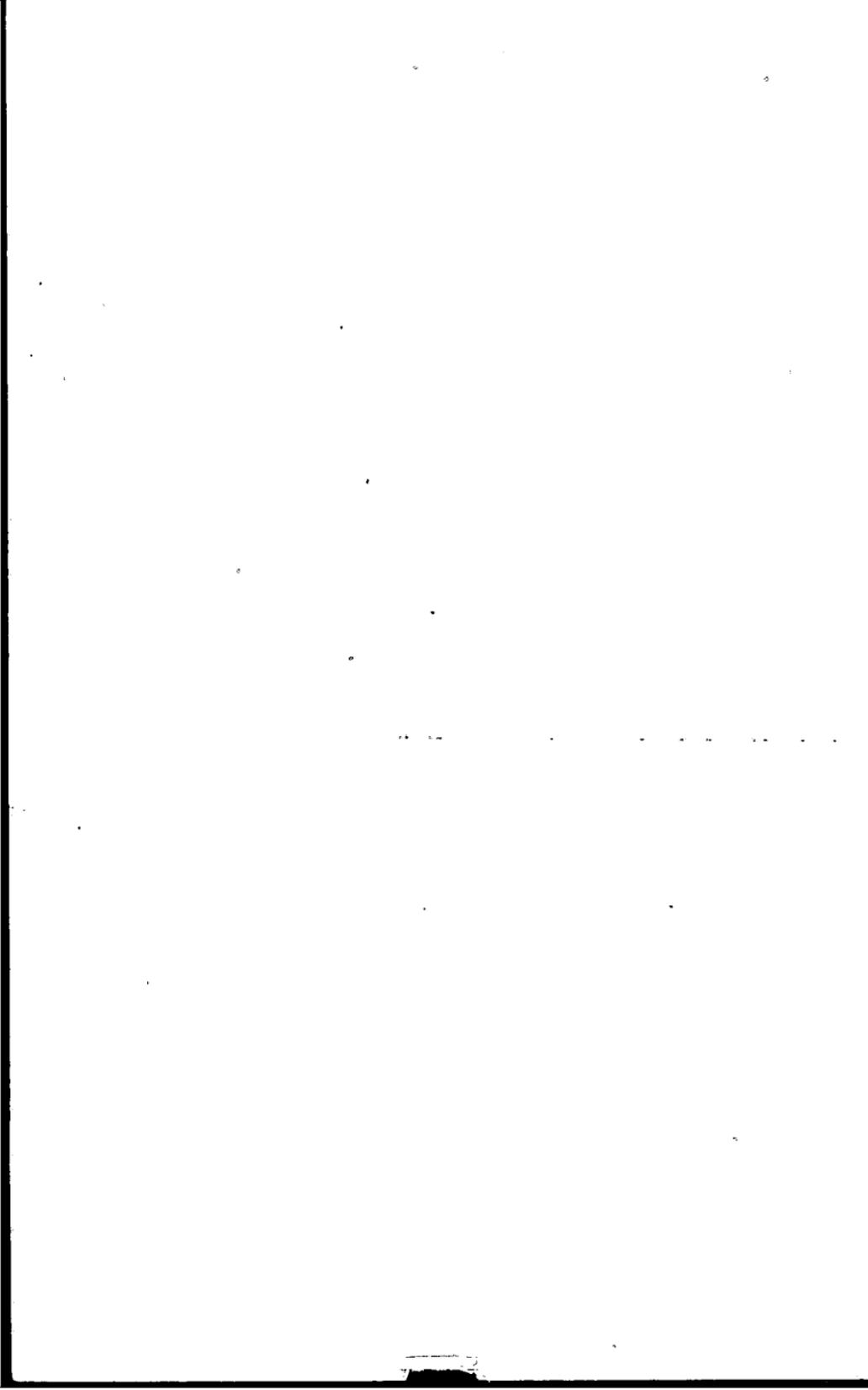
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A Circular of Information for the Alumni of Hope College:

“For the leaders of the future of this country, the men who must solve its most perplexing problems and guide its destinies, will be, as they always have been, not men of mere intellect, but men of intellect plus the high idealism of the cross of Christ.” These were the words of the Rev. J. M. Vandermeulen, D. D., on the occasion of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Hope College in June of 1916. To train men and women of such intellect and high idealism was the purpose of those who laid the foundation of Hope College in 1866. During fifty years of growth and development, Hope College has been true to its purpose, and now, as it stands at the threshold of another fifty years of greater promise, resolves once again to carry out to a fuller measure the noble purpose of the Fathers.

We are fortunate to begin the year under such auspicious omens. The campus, with its nine well appointed buildings is at present amply sufficient for our needs, although the time is not far distant when additional buildings, such as a Men's Dormitory and a Central Heating Plant, will be urgently needed. In the spring of 1916 the permanent funds were increased to over one half million dollars. Some of the buildings are still encumbered by debt but the administration is now engaged in an effective campaign to liquidate this indebtedness and is hopeful of success. The churches have in the past years come to realize the large debt which the Church of Christ owes to Hope College and have been a little more liberal in their contributions to the ordinary maintenance funds of the College. The funds at our disposal are perhaps sufficient to care for the work at its present stage, but the growing needs of a healthy institution, and an increasing

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studentry makes imperative the loyalty and support of Hope's sons and daughters and friends.

Hope College has thus far granted the Bachelor's degree to 608 graduates. Including the class of 1915, there were 561 graduates. Of this number 310 have gone into the Ministry and rendered the Church valuable service on the home and foreign fields. It is safe to say that Hope College has been true to the ideal of training intellect and character when 55-25 per ct. of all its Alumni or 63-25 per ct. of its male Alumni have gone directly into the service of the Church. In addition to these, the class of 1916 graduated with 47 members. Of these, 8 are now preparing for the work of the Ministry in the Seminaries of the Church, 27 are engaged in teaching, 8 are doing post-graduate work in Universities, while 4 have given themselves to other pursuits. With a record of 608 Alumni to its credit, Hope College is certain of strong support in its work of the coming years.

The faculty numbers 22. They are all giving excellent satisfaction and are enthusiastic in the work they are doing. Some changes in the faculty will be of interest to the Alumni.

Prof. William Brasser Pietenpol, Ph. D., succeeds Prof. D. B. Yntema in the Chair of Physics. He received his Bachelor's degree from Central College in 1909. The University of Wisconsin has granted him the degree of M. S. in 1913, and the degree of Ph. D. in 1916. Prof. Pietenpol has had successful teaching experience. He was instructor in Science, first in the High School of Pella, Iowa, and later in the High School of Mount Pleasant, Iowa. From 1912-1916 he was assistant in Physics at the University of Wisconsin.

Prof. J. William Beath, M. A., who succeeds the late J. H. Kleinheksel in the Chair of Mathematics, received his early education in the High School at Verona, Wis., and in the Wisconsin Academy at Madison. The University of Wisconsin granted him the Bachelor's degree in 1908, and the Master's degree in 1916. Prof. Beath has

had a wide experience in public school work. He was Principal of the High School, first at Union Grove, Wis., and later in the city of North Fond du Lac, Wis. From 1912-1915 he was Superintendent of Schools at Durand, Wisconsin.

Prof. Carl J. Knock, A. M., was elected to the Chair of Education to succeed Prof. Waide. Gustavus Adolphus College granted him the Bachelor's degree in 1908, and the University of Pennsylvania conferred upon him the Master's degree in 1911. He has since done post-graduate work at the University of Chicago during the summers of 1908-1911, and at the University of Iowa from 1914-1916. He has had extensive experience in school work. He was Superintendent of Schools in Mitchell, Iowa, 1904-1905. He served Gustavus Adolphus College, first as Instructor 1905-1909, and later, as Professor of Education and Psychology 1911-1914. Since then he has been instructor in Psychology in the University of Iowa during the summers of 1915 and 1916, and Laboratory Assistant in Psychology in the year 1915-1916.

Rev. Ludwig Eyme comes to the Chair of German and French to succeed Prof. Edward Elias. Born a Hanoverian, he received his education in German Universities. He is a graduate of Gottingen, Leipsiz and Heidelberg. He has taught languages since 1905, beginning at the Progymnasium at Legcherg. Coming to the United States, he did post-graduate work in the University of Penn. He was Head of the Department of German and French at Tusculum College, Tenn., and later of the two honor schools of the United States army at Peekskill-on-Hudson and Shattuck, Minn.

Miss Christine Van Raalte, A. B., graduated from Hope College in 1916 and is Instructor in Latin and French.

Student Enrollment 1916-1917.

College:—

Seniors	38
Juniors	52
Sophomores	55
Freshmen	74

	219

Preparatory School:—

"A"	22
"B"	22
"C"	37
"D"	27

	108

Specials:—	40
School of Music:—	60

	427

Hope College experienced a wonderful awakening during the annual Week of Prayer. We were especially helped by the visit made here for a few days by "Dad" Elliott. His addresses were powerful and the impression created has been lasting. One of the direct results has been the adoption of the Honor System to apply to Examinations at the College. This has been undertaken entirely upon the initiative of the student body and is to be executed alone by the studentry.

In Oratory and Debating, Hope College yields to none. The year is to witness a great many contests between the students of this and other colleges. The Michigan Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest will be held in Holland on March 2, and Hope is working hard to duplicate the feat of last year in taking first place in this contest.

Athletics at Hope College are a means and not an end in itself. All branches of Athletics, with the exception of Foot-Ball,

are encouraged and supported. Basket Ball still remains the major event, and Hope College is able to do better than hold its own with the strongest teams in the state. The requirements as to schedule and eligibility are enforced by a Board of Control consisting of two members of the faculty, two students, and one Alumnus.

Plans already under way will strengthen materially the equipment and curriculum. The Faculty is now engaged in conducting a survey of its course of study on the basis of work done by the best institutions in the land. The Physics Department has been very much strengthened by the purchase of necessary and valuable equipment. Hope College is building up a good library. We are now fortunate in having an able Librarian who has already done a large work in re-cataloging most of the books and pamphlets. The President is now laying the foundation of something which we hope will prove to be an adequate endowment for the support of this very necessary branch of the work of a College.



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