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Science Hall Addition

The new addition to Science Hall has greatly improved conditions around Northwestern. It contains three well-lighted class rooms, a music conservatory, a recording studio for broadcasting activity and modern laboratories for biology and physics.

The hall floors and the steps are made of Terazzo Flooring. The floors of the individual rooms are made of Asphalt Tile. The building itself is made of fire-proof brick. The Physics and Biology Laboratories contain the latest laboratory equipment. The recording studio is something new to Northwestern. There is the commodious recording room and off to one side is the control room. The control room contains the latest in recording equipment necessary for the many broadcasts now on the air.

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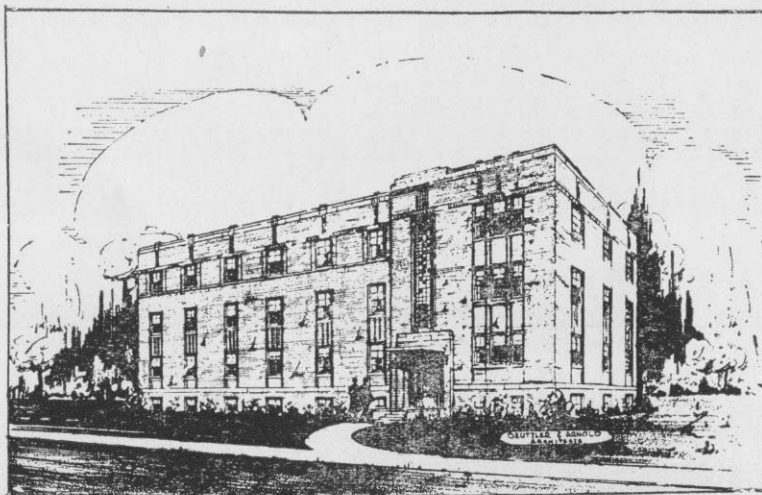
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PROPOSED GIRLS' DORMITORY

Northwestern College is to launch out upon a further construction program soon. So it was decided at a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the institution. The decision has been reached that specifications are to be drawn for the new girls' dormitory with a view to an early submission of the same for bids for construction.

It is fully realized that the growth of the school is contingent upon the provision of adequate housing facilities. The provision of housing for students attending college is not only necessary in order that students may attend school, but it is of great importance that such housing shall, in just so far as possible, provide the care and supervision of the home.

In the dormitory, therefore, the supervision and oversight of the housemother; the rules governing the conduct, relationships and activities of the students; and the help and encouragement given the students in spiritual matters, personal devotions and good habits in both study and fellowship with others, are certainly of great importance. This care should be provided for the boys



as well as for the girls. With the construction of a new girls' dormitory, with dining hall facilities for two hundred students, Dykstra Hall can be used for a boys' dormitory.

Not only is such an expansion of housing facilities necessary for the future growth of Northwestern as a two year college, but especially if it is to grow into a four year college in the future.

COMMENTS FROM AN OLD GRADUATE

Dear Prexy:

I hope this isn't a presumptuous greeting, but that is the term we have always applied. It is a friendly and familiar greeting and I hope you won't feel offended.

I was really surprised, and delighted, when I received your bulletin. I read it from first to last.

However, reading the bulletin is like eating good food. The more you eat the more you want. Why don't you have a bulletin say semi-annually?

Then there are those who might wish to help financially. Even a \$2 or \$5 contribution annually would certainly help.

I am sure there are many other graduates like myself who would be interested in each other's whereabouts. I am really interested to know their addresses. Perhaps we could get together by correspondence and form an Alumni Association.

Sincerely yours,
Walter Hyink
9020 Moran
Fort Worth
Texas

(Ed.'s note—In this issue are the addresses of all '24 graduates. Also a mimeographed copy of the "9" Club is sent to all concerned. We hope to include more in the next bulletin, but let us hear your views on the subject. Write us soon and let us know what you want.)

PERSONALIA

Isaac Hospers, Academy 1895, after being a newspaper publisher in Wesley, Iowa for a number of years, is now retired and lives in Rockford, Ill.

Jeane Noordhoff, Academy 1898, is a missionary teacher in Tokyo, Japan. In her reply to our questionnaire, her answer to the item about "children" is as follows: "Too many to keep track of—1500 or more." Under "Remarks" she says: "Happy, busy, eager for more."

Helen Slobe, Academy 1904, is the wife of Prof. G. D. P. De Jong of Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio.

Henry J. Heusinkveld, Academy 1905, is a surgeon, practicing at Clinton, Iowa.

Rev. and Mrs. John H. Brugger, Academy 1911 and 1909, are serving the First Reformed Church of Wichert, Illinois. Their address is St. Anne, Illinois.

Ellsworth De Jong, Academy 1918, is postmaster at Orange City, Iowa. His son Rodney is now a student at N.J.C.

Simon Heemstra, Academy 1920, resides at Decatur, Indiana. He is associated with McMillen Feed Mills as director of sales training.

Graveside services were held for the late Lt. Col. John M. Hubers, Academy 1934, College 1936N, on Dec. 17, 1948 at Orange City, Iowa. It was on Thanksgiving Day, 1945 that official word was received by his parents that their son had been killed in the crash of his P-38 plane over Burma. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Betty Hubers of Los Angeles, California, and a daughter, Johnna.

TAKE NOTICE

More than 1,300 questionnaires were sent to graduates and former students last December. Only 700 replies have been received. Please send your reply and help us to keep our records complete.

N. J. C. PRODUCES TEACHERS

N. J. C. Graduates lead a varied life. A great percentage enter the teaching profession while practically as many attend higher institutions of learning. Here are a few statistics of the fields that our graduates of the last three years are pursuing.

	'46	'47	'48
Teaching	6	13	11
Iowa State Teachers		1	1
Hope	2	2	4
Westmar			2
Iowa State	1	2	3
Morningside		1	1
Pethel			1
Iowa U.			2
Buena Vista			1
Calvin			1
Central		2	
St. Paul Bible Institute		1	
U. of S. Dak.		1	
George Washington			1

The remainder are working in various fields of endeavor. Of the thirty two students attending higher institutions of learning, twelve are completing their degrees to begin teaching upon completion. Thus, of the 67 graduates in the past three years, 43 will be teachers of the coming generation. Northwestern not only builds youth but helps mold the educators of tomorrow's world.



NORTHWESTERN ALUMNI AT
SIOUX CENTER

Northwestern Alumni excel in every field of endeavor. The Public School at Sioux Center, Iowa, Mr. Kinsey, Superintendent, feels that graduates from Northwestern Junior College make very fine teachers. This year, Northwestern Alumni boast of four positions of a staff of seven elementary teachers. They are pictured above. Left to right: Miss Lena Mulenburg, Academy 1940, College 1942; Miss Helen Van Peurson, College 1942; Miss Marcine Mulenburg, Academy 1946, College 1948; and Mrs. Gerald G. Bosch (nee Artella Mouw), Academy 1941, College 1943. Many communities seek consistently to fill any vacancies occurring on their staff with graduates of Northwestern. This year Northwestern will supply thirty-four new teachers throughout this area, and in nearby South Dakota and Minnesota. Twenty-two students are doing practice teaching at this time in Orange City, Sioux Center and Maurice.

ALUMNI AND COMMENCEMENT OF 1949

Commencement will soon be here and with it there will be Alumni Reunions. Last year at the Alumni Banquet, classes which were graduated in the years ending with an "8", such as 1888, 1898, etc. were especially honored. These were known as the "8" Club. This year is the year for the "9" Club to plan a reunion.

To make it extra worth while for alumni to come from a distance, a whole day of activity has been planned for Friday, May 27. At ten o'clock in the morning Farewell Chapel exercises will be held, to be followed by the Campus Farewell. At the Farewell Chapel we hope to give particular recognition to the silver anniversary class of 1924.

In the afternoon, alumni and their families congregate in Science Hall for a short reminiscence program and afternoon tea.

The big Banquet takes place in the Town Hall in the evening, and tables are reserved for classes having reunions. Be sure to reserve the date May 27, 1949 for a day at Northwestern.

Since the graduating class of 1924 is having a silver anniversary, we have listed them below with their addresses as accurate as possible:

- Priscilla Bekman Bowen—Colthurst—Box 218
R.R. 1—Penticton, British Columbia
- Minnie De Vries Van Roekel—Route 1, Box 392—
Tillamook, Oregon
- Nellie Faber Kraai—3029 Davenport St.—Omaha,
Nebraska
- Rev. Henry Franken—3541 W. Walsh Pl.—Denver
9, Colorado
- Dick J. Freriks—1010 Arlington Ave.—LaGrange,
Illinois
- Adrianna Geels Stevens—Orange City, Iowa

- Rev. Herman A. Harmelink—Rock Valley, Iowa
- Nellie Huisman—Orange City, Iowa
- Cornie Hubers—715 S. Prairie—Fairmont, Minn.
- Frank Klynsma—R. F. D. 2—Pella, Iowa
- Marjorie Korver Roth—Sioux City, Iowa (?)
- Nelson Kraai—6623 3/4 Crenshaw Blvd.—Los
Angeles, California
- Jennie Mouw Rowerdink—812 First Ave.—Vinton,
Iowa
- William L. Muyskens—2301 Harvey—Omaha,
Nebraska
- Dick Pals—Y.M.C.A. Hotel—351 Lurk St.—San
Francisco, California
- William Plooster—unknown
- Alfred Popma—2 Hulbe Road—Boise, Idaho
- John Rognair—15142 Origaba Ave.—Paramount,
California
- Rev. Garret B. Rozeboom—Lucas, Michigan
- John Scholten—45 Lathrop St.—Madison 5, Wisc.
- Mabel Schuller—Orange City, Iowa
- Mildred Straks Mansen—1505 Central Ave.—Ha-
warden, Iowa
- Herman Stuart—Orange City, Iowa
- Sophia Vander Wilt Koerseiman—Hull, Iowa
- Elmer Van Roekel—Maurice, Iowa
- Dorothy Wiersma Popma—2 Hulbe Road—Boise,
Idaho



PENNINGS FAMILY

Commencement exercises at Northwestern Junior College and Academy will be of special importance to the Henry Pennings family of Orange City, Iowa.

Four of the five Pennings children attending the institution will graduate. Mathilda, Harriet and Wilbur will graduate from the College while Lawrence will complete his studies in the Academy. Clarence still has two years until his Academy graduation. Mathilda and Harriet are going into the teaching profession. Wilbur is married, a veteran, and is interested in business. All three are Academy graduates of former years.

Left to right:

Front row: Harriet and Mathilda

Second row: Wilbur, Clarence and Lawrence

"Good Ole Days"



This group of lovely ladies represents the coeds on Northwestern's campus at the turn of the century. Members of the classes of 1898, 1899, 1900 and 1901 appear in this picture. Some of them had the thrilling experience of being the first to use Zwemer Hall after having had classes in the old Town Hall. The faculty was as follows: Rev. James F. Zwemer, Principal; Philip Soulen, Latin and Greek; Cornelia A. Vander Linden, Mathematics; Henrietta Zwemer, History; and William H. Gleysteen, English. Rev. Matthew Kolyn was President of the Board of Trustees.

The classes in those days were known as senior, middle, junior and preparatory. The seniors in this picture were especially honored at last year's commencement, and we hope that the others will come to celebrate their anniversaries this year and in the two years to follow. It was through the kindness of Mrs. T. J. Stientjes that this picture was made available. Northwestern has begun a collection of historical documents and articles which will exhibit the early days of the institution and the community. If any of our former students have pictures or other articles that they desire to contribute to this museum, this courtesy will be appreciated.

Now we will let you in on the identity of these beauties of the "good ole days." We hope our information is correct. Left to right: First row—Kitty Smeenk Paxton, Sioux City, Iowa; Henrietta Snyder; Jennie Cambier Giebink, Orange City; Anna De Jong Van Roekel, Orange City. Second row—Jennie Slikkerveer; Kate Schalekamp Orton, Sioux City, Ia.; Jeane Noorhoff, Tokyo, Japan; Effie Veenschoten Stientjes, Sheldon, Iowa; Annie Sipma Hyink, Watertown, S. D.; Grace Gerritsen Springer, Peshastin, Washington. Third row—Bertha Severson; Kate Rowenhorst Manus, Freeport, Illinois; Annie Niemantsverdriet; Gertrude De Jong Douwstra, Holland, Michigan; Coba Ver Steeg Vander Laan, Orange City; Lydia Schultz, deceased. Fourth row—Henrietta Van Rooyen De Jong, Orange City; Ella Beyer, deceased; Jennie Jansma Claerbout, Huil, Iowa; Ella Hyink De Pree, deceased; Anna Hollander Smidt, Des Moines, Iowa.

GLEANINGS FROM NORTHWESTERN

The Junior College Basketball Team closed their season by losing their first game in the State Tournament at Webster City. Muscatine, second place winners, defeated the Raiders by a score of 51-33. The college record for the season was seven wins and twelve losses.

The Academy Little Hawks finished their season in grand style. The Hawks handed Ireton a 31-27 defeat in the first round of the sectional tourney. In the second round, they went down in defeat at the hands of Alton St. Marys by a score of 48-34. The record for the season was five wins and ten losses.

The annual all-college play has been selected with an excellent dual cast. Mrs. H. England will again direct the production. The name of the play is "I Remember Mama", and it will be given on April 7 and 8. The two casts are working diligently to make it a grand success. If any alumni coming from a distance are interested be sure and write in for tickets in advance.

The Junior College participated in an invita-

tional Festival at Sheldon on March 14. Among the entries were one act of the forthcoming play, "I Remember Mama", two male quartettes, choir piano and clarinet solos, and five vocal solos. The event was not judged, but one of our alumni, John Marion Fonkert, was one of the critics. Mr. Fonkert is now teaching at Spencer, Iowa.

The Junior College choir, under the able hands of Miss Fern Smith, will be ready to begin its Sunday evening concerts on March 20. The choir is composed of approximately fifty voices and is looking forward to a successful season.

The Academy choir recently rendered a fine selection in the daily chapel exercises. The Academy choir is under the direction of Prof. Vaag. They also plan to make some outside performances in the near future.

The Gospel Team is something new to Northwestern campus. This team has been organized under the supervision of Dr. Stegeman. It is composed of a group of young men and women who conduct meetings in the churches of the near-by communities. They are busy practically every Sunday evening and also conduct some weekly meetings.