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Spring Bulletin of

NORTHWESTERN

Christ Calls to Service



JUNIOR COLLEGE AND ACADEMY

ORANGE CITY, IOWA

Northwestern Junior College

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High Academic Standards—

Northwestern believes in high academic standards and a well-rounded educational program which does not neglect any phase of life—the spiritual, the intellectual, the social, or the physical.

The Junior College is **fully accredited**.

1—Liberal Arts Courses preparing for—

Full-time Christian Service, Music, Medicine, Dentistry, Nursing, Library, Law, Engineering.

2—Normal Training Courses prepare for—

One Year Course—First Grade County Certificate issued upon completion.

Two Year Course—State Standard Elementary Certificate issued upon completion.

History of South Dakota offered for those who wish to teach in State of South Dakota.

3—Commercial Courses prepare for—

Pre-Commerce, preparation for Four Year Business Administration Course.

Secretarial—Two Year, Terminal Course.

The Academy is a Christian High School with a higher academic standard than most high schools. It has a wholesome Christian atmosphere and offers the additional advantages of college equipment and professors which most high schools do not have.

Sacred and Secular Are Not Divided.

At Northwestern the students enjoy good educational opportunities, a wholesome social life and a well-rounded athletic program in an atmosphere of Christian refinement.

"What Christ Expects of a Christian Institution"

Rev. Herman Rosenberg

GEORGE, IOWA



In response to the question, "What does Christ expect of a Christian institution?", I give my answer in one word. Christ expects consecration. He expects the very mind, body and soul of a Christian institution to be consecrated to Him.

If an institution is Christian, it will be consecrated to Christ. The very name Christian implies that. In one of the articles written by Klaus in the Sunday School Guide, he said that the word Christian did not need an adjective. There are no good or bad nor true or false Christians. He stated that a person either was or was not a Christian. So it is with an institution. It is either Christian or it is not. Institutions where Christ is completely or relatively out of the picture are far from Christian. If an institution is Christian, it will be wholly consecrated to Christ.

Consecration means the subjection of the will to Christ. Without the subjection of the will to Christ there can be no consecration. All who are not thus subjected are primarily interested in furthering their own plans and selfish purposes. This is characteristic of non-Christian institutions. A Christian institution is first of all interested in subjecting its mind to the will of Christ. A most appropriate admonition from God's word to a Christian college is, "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus." Ph. 2:5.

Consecration means an earnest endeavor to carry out the will of God. It has been said that the road to destruction is paved with good intention. A Christian institution must have more than good intention to do the will of God. Such an institution must strive with the dawn of each new day to exert its every energy to bring about the purposes of God as they have been revealed to her. Such efforts by themselves are to no avail for the prophet said, "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts." Zech. 4:6. However, God works through His people and through institutions made up of His people to bring about His plans and purposes in the world. It is He who blesses the consecrated efforts of His humble servants. Fully subjected to the will of Christ and conscious that in all things she is dependent on Him, a Christian college places her shoulder to the wheel. Unmindful of personal loss or danger, she exerts her every energy that there may be progress toward establishing the eternal purposes of God in her time.

Christ not only expects this consecration; He demands it. He said, "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." Matt. 16:24. By the grace of God, Northwestern claims to be a Christian institution, therefore Christ comes to her with this demand of consecration. The demand comes to all who in any way are connected with the institution. The demand comes to the administration and to the Board of Directors. Through your consecrated efforts, Northwestern will be directed to further and continued usefulness in God's plan. The demand comes to the faculty. Through your consecrated efforts, He will develop the personalities of the young men and women who daily sit at your feet so that He may better use them in His divine program. The demand comes to the student body. Christ demands consecration in your days of learning that you may come forth well developed Christian personalities. Unconsecrated students can only develop mentally and physically. There will be no development of the soul. Such young people render themselves helpless to later deal with the great problems of the world. They can never expect thus to be used of God in His Kingdom program. On the other hand, God needs and will be pleased to use young men and women who have developed mentally, physically and spiritually.

The demand comes to the many who have so faithfully prayed and given for this institution in the past. Consecrate yourselves anew to Him today. Continue to give and to pray and you shall be as vessels in His hands, by which He pours His light and love upon coming generations.

If we as an institution are thus consecrated to the Christ, we can expect big things of Him. It is an undeniable fact that He works through His children who in humility are consecrated to His cause. We can believe that He will also use us, if we are wholly consecrated to Him. He will use us in a more abundant measure than we can think or imagine. God will be pleased to use His consecrated institutions in this crucial period in the history of mankind. Few though they may be, He will use them to extinguish the burning fires of hate and to kindle again His flares of love over this be-nighted world.

The words of Paul in Romans 12:1 have a special meaning for us today. "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."

N. DAKOTA

Northwestern is plainly the Strategic Center of the Reformed Church of the West

Each † represents a Reformed Church

The first circle represents a radius of 50 miles

The second circle represents a radius of 100 miles

S. DAKOTA

MINNESOTA

WISCONSIN

ORANGE CITY

50 miles
SIOUX CITY

100 miles

IOWA

GERMAN VALLEY

CHICAGO

NEBRASKA

DES MOINES

PELLA

ILLINOIS

Dormitory Fund Reaches \$50,000 Mark

We praise God that the fund for the Girls' Dormitory has reached the goal of \$50,000 which was the amount sought in starting this fund. In the meantime construction costs have sharply risen, so that when the building is to be constructed considerable more may be needed. In order to make this fund go as far as possible the board may have to postpone construction for a while. In the meantime temporary facilities are being provided. We sincerely thank everyone who has helped us to reach the goal and request your continued and united intercession in behalf of Northwestern.

Expansion Fund Growing

Northwestern must expand. The cause of Christ demands that this school of Christian education "lengthen its cords and strengthen its stakes," that it may be a greater spiritual force and influence for Christ and His Kingdom.

The State also has increased its demands. By September 1, 1950, all college training teachers must be accredited by the North Central Association. This gives us no alternative, we must meet the requirements, which necessitates an additional college classroom and administration building.

Several churches have already generously contributed toward this fund.

Students are challenged with the principle of Christ that "He who would save his life shall lose it and he who loses his life for Christ's sake shall find it."

Beauty Mints

Tertallian, the Christian writer, speaking to women whose true conversion had freed them from the world's vanities, said: "Let simplicity be to you for a lovely complexion, modesty a roseate bloom, and discretion the grace of your lips. Fix in your ears the words of God, and upon your neck the yoke of Christ. Array yourselves in the silk of sincerity and in the fine linen of a saintly life. With such adornments, God will be your lover."

Some years ago a monument was erected in the largest park in the city of Denver, Colorado, to the memory of one of her well known citizens. You can read his life message cut in stone near the base of the monument. "All that a man has when he comes to die is what he has given away."

"Ignorance is the devil's college."—Christmas Evans.

"Opinions are like a spider's web, spun from our inner self; they are easily broken. Convictions, based on facts, are the forces that move and mold mankind."—Charles H. Spurgeon.



Food is good and plentiful at the College dining hall



Reformed Church Radio Broadcast

The Reformed Churches of this area are planning a weekly Gospel broadcast, in cooperation with Northwestern. The recordings will be made in Northwestern where a room will be provided for this purpose. Time and station will be announced later. Both the school and the churches will be heard over the air.

Youth Evangelism Rallies

Evangelistic Youth Rallies are being held in many towns of Northwest Iowa, under the sponsorship of C. E. District No. 1. One of the features of these rallies is the massed chorus composed of young people from the churches of the city and the surrounding towns.

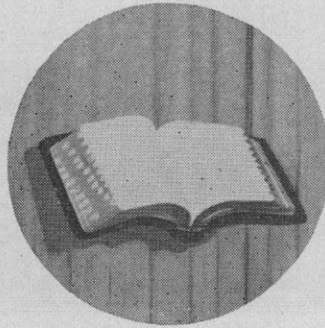
March 22 a rally was held in Hawarden, Iowa, which was very evidently blessed of God. Mr. E. P. Dykhuizen, the First Vice President of the Iowa Gideons, brought a message which God honored. Several young people responded to the simple, direct invitation. Community leaders are interested in continuing these rallies in Hawarden.

Rock Rapids, Iowa, will be the scene of such a rally, April 8. Dr. Prins, our minister of Evangelism, will be the speaker.

Another rally will be held in Hospers, May 10.

Pray that the Holy Spirit will convict the youth of sin, righteousness and judgment. And that those who know Christ as their personal Savior will serve Him by winning other youth.

Northwestern's Goals



TO EFFECTIVELY TRAIN young people for their life work, guiding them to give Christ the pre-eminence in every interest, that we may have trained Christian leadership in every walk of life.

TO GUIDE each student to be a happy Christian who experiences day by day the genuine pleasure of growing in knowledge while living for Christ.

TO CHALLENGE AND DIRECT each individual student to possess the true riches of life.

TO HELP EACH STUDENT to face victoriously life's problems, success and disappointments.

TO ENCOURAGE young men and women to offer their lives in full-time Christian service.

TO BE A BULWARK OF TRUTH in the midst of false philosophies and perverted thinking.



"And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

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