Editorial
Our Four-Year Accreditation
By Dr. S. Scorza

For many years Northwestern has been accredited by the North Central Association, but we are especially pleased at our accreditation this year. In 1930 we were approved as a secondary school and in 1954 we were granted an upgrading to junior college standing, and this summer we were given preliminary accreditation as a "bachelor degree granting institution."

Upgrading takes a few years and may be delayed when deficiencies are present. On our first attempt we were told that our library was not up to standards for four-year colleges. We did not lose accreditation, but the upgrading was delayed. Students going on to other colleges found all their credits transferable. Many states granted our graduates full teacher certificates. Others, including Iowa, gave temporary certificates and some of our earliest (AB) graduates had to take a summer's school work to renew their certificate for 10-year certificates.

Now our graduates are granted the 10-year certificate in Iowa in both elementary and secondary education. The classes of 1963 and 1964 automatically receive the regular certification in place of the temporary recognition accorded previously. We feel the important factor in our improvement has been the building of our new library and the development of our library collection and usage.

The North Central Association decision for four-year accreditation was made by its Executive Board at its meeting in Chicago. They took the recommendation of the Examining Committee composed of Dean Orlo Strunk of West Virginia Wesleyan College and Dr. J. A. Byrne of College of St. Thomas, Minnesota, who said our college was ready. The Review Committee was composed of Dr. Perry Gresham, President of Bethany College of West Virginia; Dr. Walter C. Langsam, President of the University of Cincinnati; Dr. R. J. Hannelly, President of Phoenix College of Arizona; and Dr. Boyd Alexander, Vice President of Antioch College in Ohio.

Northwestern College will continue to improve and broaden its facilities and program to offer its students and its churches the caliber of education they are worthy of. Study is beginning even now of the needs to be met for a total four-year liberal arts program. The North Central Association has recommended that we prepare for this next step for an expanded program.

Calendar of Events

Oct. 24 - Homecoming
   10:00 A.M. Parade
   1:30 P.M. Game - Dana
   5:30-7:30 P.M. - Dorm Open House
   8:00 P.M. Homecoming Play - "Under the Gaslight"

31 - Football - Midland - there

Nov. 7 - Football - Sioux Falls - here
   1:00 P.M. Parents Day
10 - Concert Series
12, 13, 14 - "Wizard of Oz" Performances
16-20 - Consecration Week, Rev. Robert Schuller
25 - Thanksgiving recess until Nov. 30
28 - Basketball - General Beadle - here

Dec. 3 - Wind and Wall - Westmar College
4 - Basketball - Bethel - here
10 - Alpha Psi Christmas Party
18 - Christmas recess until Jan. 4

Jan. 8 - Basketball - Midland - Here
15-21 - First Semester Final Exams
Second Semester Evening School

Three courses will be offered at the second semester evening school at Northwestern College beginning on Monday, January 25, 1965.

Speech 303 - Speech Correction
   Mr. Lovelady - Monday
Sociology 314 - Social Psychology
   Mr. Wiese - Tuesday
Library Science 302 - Book Selection
   Mrs. Schutter - Thursday

Each course offers three hours credit and will meet from 7:00 - 10:00 P.M. on the designated evenings.

Further information may be obtained from Mr. Harold Vander Laan, Registrar.

20% Increase in Enrollment

The latest figures from Registrar Harold Vander Laan indicate that the college student body is more than a fifth larger than the number present in 1963-1964. The biggest jump is in the freshman class, whose size and caliber has been truly enheartening.

The chart below gives the figures.

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A few late registrants are expected to bring the total over 500. It goes without saying that this is a record enrollment for Northwestern. This past summer 139 students matriculated for our fifth summer school.

he went to Sioux Falls College as Dean and a professor in Sociology. He became acting president in June, 1953, and in December he was appointed President of the Sioux Falls College.

Dr. Jeschke is a member of the First Baptist Church of Sioux Falls where he also serves as a teacher in the Church School.

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Pictured left to right: Rev. Donald Lenderink, Trinity Reformed Church, Orange City; Rev. Fred Buseman, College Pastor; Dr. Reuben P. Jeschke, President Sioux Falls College; Dr. P. J. Stegenga, President Northwestern College; Dr. Raymond Van Heukelom, First Reformed, Orange City; and Rev. Alvin Hook, Pastor American Reformed Church.

82nd Annual Convocation at NW

Dr. Preston J. Stegenga, President of Northwestern College, presided at the 82nd annual convocation of the college on Monday, September 14. Dr. Reuben P. Jeschke, President of Sioux Falls College was the speaker using as his subject, "Appearance and Reality in Education." Harlan Vande Berg, a junior, sang "The Penitent" by Vande Water, accompanied by Professor Rodney Jiskoot, who also presided at the organ. Professor Ralph Mouw served as College Marshall. Others taking part in the service were Rev. Fred Buseman, College Pastor; Rev. Donald Lenderink, Rev. Alvin Hook, and Dr. Raymond Van Heukelom of Orange City.

Dr. Jeschke, born in Russia of German parents, spent his early years in Canada. He is a graduate of Wesleyan University, Middletown, Connecticut, and the Hartford Theological Seminary, Hartford, Connecticut. He earned his Ph.D. in Philosophy at Columbia University in 1951. He has served as pastor of the Memorial Baptist Church in New Britain, Connecticut, and the Fourth St. Baptist Church of Dayton, Ohio. He has taught Practical Theology at the North American Baptist Seminary in Sioux Falls for five years. He also served as Registrar at the Seminary from 1948-1952. In 1952

COVER PHOTO: The long and short of it is that you'll enjoy Raider football at Homecoming. Left to right: Ron Vander Meide, Larry Andrews and Dave Kleis.
New Math Professor at Northwestern College

Mr. Gordon K. Brumels is an additional full-time instructor in the Mathematics Department. A graduate of Grand Rapids Junior College and Hope College in Holland, Michigan, Mr. Brumels earned an M.A. degree in Teaching Science and Mathematics at Western Michigan University of Kalamazoo, Michigan. During recent years he has been the recipient of several National Science Foundation Grants in Mathematics. This summer Mr. Brumels also received a second Master's degree in Mathematics.

Mr. Brumels has served in the U. S. Navy. He has taught for seven years in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and since 1960 he has been a teacher of Mathematics at the University School of Western Michigan University of Kalamazoo. He has served as a Consistory member. Mr. and Mrs. Brumels have two children.

Faculty Miscellanea

The Social Science Division has been subdivided into two new divisions, one of which still bears the name Social Science, while the other is called the Education Division. The former includes the departments of History, Sociology, Political Science, Economics and Geography. The latter is comprised of the Psychology, Elementary Education, Secondary Education and Business Administration departments.

Professor George De Vries heads the newly-constituted Social Science Division as Acting Chairman and Professor John Rider, whose re-appointment was announced in our May issue, is the Acting Chairman of the Education Division.

Elsewhere, under alumni news, it is apparent that our alumni are blessed with many family additions. The faculty does not want to be outdone. The John Riders came to Orange City with a new daughter, Michelle Renee. Prof. and Mrs. Thomas Ten Hoeve have added Timothy James to a lively household during the professor's additional year of absence in graduate study. The Scorzza family adopted a third child in June, ten-week-old John Forrest. They say that Forrest is a translation of Sylvio. The most recent, and a good sign for a great football season, is the birth of Michael Lloyd to Coach and Mrs. Jim Welton, Coach Welton has three daughters and a son now.

Mrs. Howard Schutter, wife of the English professor, is the new instructor in library science at the college. She is teaching an evening course in library administration this semester and will

Spradling appointed in psychology

Mr. James W. Spradling of Wichita, Kansas, has come to teach Psychology and Education at Northwestern. He earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees at the University of Wichita. He did additional graduate study at Fisk University and studied psychology under the National Science Foundation at Reed College and the Claremont Graduate School in California. Mr. Spradling has taught in various schools in the state of Kansas for the past 14 years. He has also served as the local television coordinator for "Continental Classroom" at the University of Wichita.

Professor Spradling maintains memberships in numerous professional Educational Associations including the Kansas Teachers Association, the National Educational Association and the Kansas Council on Social Studies. He served in the Air Force in the Pacific area during World War II. He is also an active layman in the United Presbyterian Church having served as an elder and a Sunday School teacher. Mr. and Mrs. Spradling have five children.

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News from the Departments

ART
An exhibit of 16 original etchings, engravings, and lithographs by Dutch artists were shown in the Ramaker Library mezzanine during the month of May. Roten Galleries of Baltimore, Maryland loaned this special collection to the college art department. These prints, impressions made from etched or engraved metal plates, wood blocks, or stones, are works by Dutch artists from the 16th century to the 20th century. Professor John Kaescher was the campus coordinator for the exhibit.

BUSINESS
The Iowa State Phi Beta Lambda Convention was held at Northwestern College, April 18, 1964. Phi Beta Lambda is an organization with state and national affiliation designed to prepare students for the outside business world. The sponsoring colleges in Iowa are State College of Iowa, Centerville Community College, Westmar College, and Northwestern College. In the morning various contests were held. Northwestern was judged to have the best chapter exhibit and the most original project. Individual Northwestern winners were Gary De Koter in bookkeeping and Lauren Bolks in salesmanship. Joyce Heemstra was named Miss Future Business Executive and Wilbert Freeseman, Mr. Future Business Executive. In the evening a banquet was held at which Dr. Gordon Culver, head of the Business Department at the University of Nebraska, spoke.

Three students attended the National Convention of Phi Beta Lambda and Future Business Leaders of America held in Washington, D.C. Joyce Heemstra and Wilbert Freeseman were named Miss and Mr. Future Business Executive, thus enabling them to represent Iowa in the contest at the National Convention, Iva Jean Price, Ruth Remmerde, Lee Zutenhorst, and Duane Moret, their handling of split-second timing in the entrances, exits, and chases was exceptionally good.

The Choral Readers visited the U.S. Senate and the White House at Washington, D.C., as one of the highlights of their tour, June 2 to June 15. The group also gave concerts in Illinois, Indiana, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, New York, and Ontario, Canada. Another main stop of the tour was the meeting of the General Synod of the Reformed Church in America at Buck Hill Falls, Pennsylvania, on June 6. While in the city of New York, the Choral Readers spent some time at the World's Fair.

RELIGION
The 1964-65 officers of the Student Christian Fellowship elected last May are: President, Richard Groenhout, junior, Grand Rapids, Michigan; Vice President, K. C. Daniel, sophomore, India; Secretary, Carol Vander Meer, sophomore, St. Anne, Illinois. A treasurer will be elected from the new freshman class. The Student Christian Fellowship meets every Wednesday evening on the campus for a program and fellowship. The College Pastor serves as advisor.

A Campfire service, sponsored by the Student Christian Fellowship, was held on Northwestern's campus on April 25. Four areas of speech were represented, Northwestern College placed first with 37 total points; Yankton, second, with 30 points; and Concordia, third, with 27 points. Other colleges participating were Westmar College, Waldorf College, and Dordt College.

Receiving Superior and Excellent ratings for Northwestern were: Extemporaneous Speaking, Karen Van Steenwyk and Jean Te Paske; Reading of Poetry, Gene Groen, Ross Ballou, Bernice Van Engen, and Dick Welscott; Manuscript Reading, Ruth Remmerde, Lee Zutenhorst, and Leland Foreman; Readers' Theatre received a superior rating for their rendition of "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

EDUCATION
Arlan Drayer was recently elected president of the Northwest Region Student Iowa State Education Association, at a meeting held at Estherville Junior College. He will preside at the Fall regional meeting scheduled at Buena Vista College and again at the Spring meeting.

A caravan of twelve automobiles took sixty Northwestern College students to the Billy Graham Crusade in Omaha, Nebr., September 12. A part of the group is shown above.

The Northwestern group was accompanied by the college pastor, the Rev. Fred P. Buseman. The trip was sponsored by the campus Student Christian Fellowship.
Congressman Hoeven, right, receives the "Distinguished Service Citation" from Northwestern College President Dr. Preston J. Stegenga.

**Commencement 1964**

The Honorable Charles B. Hoeven, the Iowa congressman, put the future of the graduates in terms of an interesting contemporary concept in his address at commencement. "We might say that in a very real sense your heritage is somewhat a matching grant. Your country has put up a share; your parents have put up a share; your college has put up a share; but the greatest share remains to be posted. Now it is your turn to contribute your share to this great heritage."

In the baccalaureate service the sermon of the Rev. Nickolas Rozeboom was entitled "Tomorrow Begins Today." With thoughts turned to the accomplishments of the past and the prospects of the future, he directed attention to the importance of present faith and incentive.

The dedication of Ramaker Library was a special event of the commencement weekend. The message of the day by Mr. Maurice TePaske, as well as Dr. Leslie Dunlap's address about "The Doors of Ramaker Library" are given in abridged form among the articles in this issue. Approximately one thousand people toured the library with Miss Van Wechel, her staff and Student Senate members as guides.

Congressman Hoeven, retiring at the end of the current legislative session, has presented his special collection of books and historic documents to Ramaker Library. The collection has been placed in the Hoeven Room on the second floor. It is open for inspection and use by students and alumni, and it will be particularly valuable to students of history and political science.

**End of year Activities**

**Honors at Commencement, Honors Convocation**

\[\text{Distinguished Service Citations} - \text{Congressman Charles B. Hoeven, Dr. Leslie Dunlap} \\
\text{B.A., magna cum laude - Forrest Harms} \\
\text{B.A., cum laude - Clarice Hulsman, Evelyn Te Slaa} \\
\text{Highest scholastic medals - Forrest Harms, Judy Vande Berg, Leon Roggen} \\
\text{Douwstra Essay Prizes (Foreign Missions) - Evelyn Te Slaa, Henry Rikkers} \\
\text{Stegeman Bible Prize - Joan Doppenberg, Forrest Harms} \\
\text{Jackson Hoppers Prize (Creative Writing) - Ruth Remmerde, Phyllis Scorza} \\
\text{Vander Aarde Mission Scholarship - Lily Chis} \\
\text{Vogel Scholarship - Gladys George} \\
\text{Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges - Hans Givens, Forrest Harms, Myrtle Mellema, Marinus Spierenburg, Dave Van Engelenhoven, and Janice Korver} \\
\text{Senior Honor Society - Erma De Vries, Joan Doppenberg, Forrest Harms, Lyle Rozeboom, Kenneth Slater, Evelyn Te Slaa, Ken Wiersma} \\
\text{Douwstra Bible Prizes - Brian Beltman, Jim Coon} \\
\text{Secondary Education Award - Joyce Heemstra} \\
\text{Elementary Education Award - Judy Jones} \\
\text{Junior High Education Award - Evelyn} \]

**Queen Sheryl Mouv reigned at the May Day festivities on campus. She gave awards to the sophomore men for their victory in the rope pull and to the freshman women for their superiority in the Stegenga Competition in music, drama and oratory.**
Campus

The campus of a developing college is never dormant. We are happy to report some of the significant steps taken in the summer and fall of 1964:

Contracts Awarded for New Dormitory-Student Union

The contracts for construction of the new Northwestern College Dormitory-Student Union to be located on the East Campus were awarded recently by the Board of Trustees. The general contract was awarded to W. A. Kepp & Sons of Orange City; Visser Brothers of Orange City was awarded the mechanical construction contract; and De Haan Electric of Orange City was awarded the electrical contract. The bids totaled $401,812, which is financed by a long-range self-liquidating loan from the Federal Government.

De Wild, Grant, Reckert & Stevens of Rock Rapids, Iowa, are the architects and engineers for the building. Construction began in September and will be completed by the fall of 1965.

General Improvements on Campus at NW

Dean J. L. De Vries has supervised the improvements which have been made on the campus preparatory to the fall term. The grounds have been beautified by the replanting and addition of shrubs and new seeding around the new Ramaker Library area. Concrete parking areas have been installed on the west end of the campus and the faculty parking area has been improved.

All three floors of Zwemer Hall have been remodeled to provide additional office space for college professors and staff members. The old library rooms have been converted into additional class room space. The campus home, formerly occupied by the College President, has been arranged for housing for women students until the completion of the new women's dormitory.

New science equipment has been placed in Dr. E. Van Eck's laboratories.

Visitors on Campus

The one hundred members of the Women's Synodical of the Particular Synod of Iowa toured the campus of Northwestern College while they were in Orange City recently for their annual meeting. Dr. Van Engelenhoven, Rev. De Hoogh, Mr. Myaskens, and Mr. Vander Laan conducted the various tour groups. On the final evening of their deliberations a banquet was held for the delegates and 400 women from the surrounding churches in the college auditorium.

The Iowa Synodical Workshop of R.C.Y.F. was held recently in Ramaker Library. The meeting, attended by 40 directors and officers from the six area classes, was directed by the Rev. Gerald Heemstra of Carmel, Iowa, and Mrs. A. Vander Bloeg, Sioux Center. Mr. James Van Zanten of Pella, Iowa, is the President of the Iowa Synodical.

A delegation of 45 members from the Reformed Church at Cedar Grove, Wisconsin also toured the campus one afternoon recently, guided by Dr. E. Van Engelenhoven, Director of Development.

Gifts to the College

The Rev. and Mrs. Matt J. Duven of Zeeland, Michigan have made an arrangement for an annuity gift of $7000 to the college. The Duvens, now retired, and former residents of Orange City, have served several Reformed churches in the Midwest.

A $7000 legacy was received from the estate of the late Peter Mullenberg. This legacy has been invested in the endowment fund. Mr. Mullenberg was a resident of the Pioneer Home in Orange City at the time of his death. He was related to the family after whom Van Peursem Hall is named.

The college is also appreciative of the other annuity gifts, legacies, and contributions of alumni and friends, some of which are reported elsewhere in this issue.

STUDENT SENATE OFFICERS

President......James Coop
Vice-President......Robert Dykstra
Recording Sec'y......Marilyn Docter
Corresponding Sec'y......Jean Miller
Treasurer......Douglas Schelhaas
**N CLUB Newsletter**

by Norman Bastemeyer, President

The biggest project ever undertaken by the N Club is nearly completed. The imposing concrete and concrete block two-story combination concession stand-press box should be completed in time for dedication at Northwestern's Homecoming, October 24. The concession stand-press box is 30' by 12' and is located directly behind the bleachers at mid-field on the west side of the football field. The first level is devoted to a concession stand. The second level contains two spotters booths, one for the home team and one for the visiting team with direct telephone communication to each bench. The two spotters booths are located at each end of the upper level. The center area is not yet partitioned but when completed will contain three booths -- two radio broadcasting booths and the larger center booth for the general announcing system, the scoreboard operator, the timer, etc.

The concrete roof also forms a 20' by 40' platform for a third level for motion picture cameras. An inside stairway provides access to the second and third levels.

From N-Club sponsorship of the Northwestern Holiday Basketball tournament, and the Iowa High School Boys Sectional and District basketball tournaments $2,000 was on hand to start the project. The balance of the $5,000 construction cost is being financed. The N Club hopes to liquidate this as quickly as possible from income in future tournaments, new projects and dues. A special effort is being made to sell N Club memberships for 1964-1965 to as many Northwestern lettermen as possible since the Board of Directors voted to apply all of the dues collected for this year toward the Press Box fund.

Plans are being made to conduct a "field day" some Saturday in the near future at which time N Club members and others interested in the project will volunteer their labor to paint the building. Vogel Paint and Wax Co. of Orange City has advised the N Club they will donate the paint for this project.

**Homecoming Plans**

Final arrangements are not yet completed for this year's homecoming luncheon and annual meeting. Although the site for this year's meeting is not yet set, it will be held at 11:45 on Saturday, October 24. That afternoon Northwestern will meet Dana College of Blair, Nebraska, a Tri-State conference opponent, in the annual homecoming game.

At the annual meeting and luncheon three directors must be elected for three-year terms on the nine-man Board of Directors. Plans have also been made to give special recognition to the Northwestern football team of 1954, When final arrangements have been made, including the site for this year's meeting, this information will be sent out to N Club members.

**NW Alumni Underwrite Aid for Ramaker Library**

The Alumni Association, meeting on May 29, assumed responsibility of supplying funds for the purchase of new books each year for the new Ramaker Library on Northwestern's campus. To meet the needs of the expanding curriculum and the growing student body, it will be necessary to add approximately 3000 volumes to the library each year.

Dr. Leslie Dunlap of the State University of Iowa was the speaker at the Alumni Banquet using the subject "The Doors of the Ramaker Library." Dr. Dunlap, the consultant for the new library, described the features of the library and the reason for their inclusion in the building. A portion of his address appears on page 16.

At the close of the program Dr. Preston J. Stegenga presented a "Distinguished Service Citation" to Dr. Dunlap. This is the highest honor awarded by the Northwestern College Board of Trustees.

**NW Alumni Association**

Elects New Officers

The Alumni Association of Northwestern College, Orange City, Iowa, recently elected the following new officers: Don Vander Welde, 2nd Vice President; Mrs. Henry Morel, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Merlyn Kraai, 2nd Banquet Chairman; Mr. William Hoeve, Chairman of the Nominating Committee; and Dale Hubers, Chairman of the Chapter Committee. Remaining in office were: Paul Van Engelenhoven, President; Gary Rens, 1st Vice President; Mrs. Art Vogel, Recording Secretary; Vernon Schoep, Treasurer; and Mr. Tom Noteboom, 1st Banquet Chairman.

Retiring officers were: Willard Rowenhurst, Mrs. John Draayer, and Mrs. Carl Penninga.

**Alumni News**

1882-1905

Never let it be said the editor cannot come up with news (?) about the most important of our alumni, When the "personage" on campus was recently fixed up for use as a girls' residence, the question arose, what shall we call it? The name "Campus Cottage" won out, even though your editor favored "B,H,M. House" after our first graduating class of ISAAC BETTEN, HENRY HOSPELS, and TEUNIS MULLENBURG. It was reluctantly agreed that they should be honored by some more permanent remembrance.

1906-1915

DORA HOSPELS, a 1909 graduate and for several years a library assistant at the college, gave her home in Orange City to Northwestern for an annuity contract. She is now residing in the Kepp Apartments, 1915-1924

About half of the remaining members of the class of 1916 held a little reunion in Orange City. They were known as GERTRUDE MULDER, ANNA DEJONG, and ESTHER DWITTRA at the academy. Now they are Mrs. Gossen Douma, Mrs. Harry Mullenburg and Mrs. William Hardy. Mrs. Hardy came from Tacoma Park, Maryland, for the occasion.
1925-1934
HENRY VISSER passed away December 10, 1963 at Worthington, Minnesota. He had been in the dry cleaning business in Worthington. He had been a member of the 1932 class.

1935-1944
A 1940 graduate, ELAINE KANIS LUBBERS, was appointed assistant professor of Christian Education at Western Theological Seminary, Holland, Michigan, after completing her initial period of two years of teaching. She expanded the observation program in a highly enjoyable experience for prospective ministers.

Dr. CLARENCE L. VER STEEG, professor of history at Northwestern University, has been awarded a Guggenheim grant. He will study the "changing concepts of liberty in early America," he and his wife and son, John, a senior at Evanston High School, went to Europe June 13 for the summer, returning September 1 when the grant started. After Christmas he and Mrs. Ver Steeg will go to England for study for about half a year.

Dr. Ver Steeg's latest book is "The Formative Years: 1607-1763," published this year.

The Rev. BENJAMIN VER STEEG of the 1935 class accepted the call to become pastor of the Zion Reformed Church in Artesia, California. As president of the Congregational Synod of Iowa he has moved from one end of the synod to the other. He has also served on the executive committee of the Board of Trustees of Northwestern. His wife is MILDRED VANDEN BOS VER STEEG of the same class.

In Shellsburg, Iowa, Sup't, and Mrs. Don Breisch (she was AMY VANDER SCHAAF of the 1943 academy class) have welcomed into their home at the age of one month, Patricia Anne, She joins two brothers, Paul, 5, and John, 3. Mr. and Mrs. EUGENE VAN WYK are the parents of a third son, David Allen. Mr. Van Wyk was in the 1941 junior college class.

The Frank De Haan named their new boy Warren Keith, In 1944 Mrs. De Haan was JOHANNA FEDDERS.

1945-1949
WILLARD DEAN TOP, junior college, 1947, received his Ph.D. in Education from the University of South Dakota. He is now an Associate Professor in Elementary Education at Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa.

Mrs. Thomas Noteboom, the former ELINOR DE BLAuw, graduated from the Famous Artists Schools of Westport, Connecticut, recently. She specialized in commercial art and illustration during the three-year course. She graduated from Northwestern in 1949.

A son came to the Vernon Ferriks home. They honored dad by calling him David Vern. His mother attended college till 1946 as BEULAH MAE BARR.

1950-1952
LEE KRAAI graduated from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln with an M.A., in sociology and psychology. He has accepted a position in the Veterans' Hospital in Lincoln.

The class of 1950 greets another member of the second generation as AUDREY BRINK Siebersma and her husband Cornelius present their son, Jeffrey.

The Rev. Joel Bensema has moved from the Morningside Reformed Church of Sioux City, Iowa, to Holland, Michigan, where he will attend Western Theological Seminary to work toward an M.A. degree in Christian Education. He and Mrs. Bensema (ARLENE FRANKEN, 1951) also have a baby boy, Bryce Alan.

Jonathan Derek Veen Camp is the name chosen for the pride and joy of Willard and Carol GROOTERS Veen Camp, Carol graduated in 1952.

Another 1952 colleague, RUTH VANDE GARDE, now Mrs. George Meendering, announces with her husband the birth of Larryl Wayne.

1953-1955
FREEMAN FABER and the 1953 classmate he married, MARJORIE EKDOM, are parents of Douglas Jay, a good prospect for the class of 1985.

A daughter, Rhonda Kae, graces the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jonker (EVONNE POSTMA, the 1954 class).

The ALYIN NETTENS (he and wife LILA BETH TOP were here till the 1955 commencement) announce the birth of Jane Elizabeth.

Dr. and Mrs. Elmore Duncan have a daughter, Kathleen Joan. Mrs. Duncan was 1952 collegian, RUTH VANDENBOS VER STEEG of the same class.

The Rev. ELMER VANDER PLOEG recently changed pastorates from Belmont, Iowa, to Corsica, South Dakota.

The Biology teacher of the year for the state of South Dakota is JOHN LANDEGENT (1954). John is the head of the Biology Department at Washington High School at Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

1956-1957
Joy was followed by sorrow in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Vander Laan. They became parents of a new son, Scott Alan, but late this summer lost an older son, Steven, from injuries received when he was struck by a car. Mrs. Vander Laan Is the former JEAN ALBERS.

JOHN F., HARTOG graduated from the Dallas Theological Seminary last spring with a Master of Theology degree. His thesis was written on the subject "The Use of Figurative Language in the Book of Nahum." He Is the associate pastor of the Memorial Baptist Church of Dallas, Texas. His new bride is Martha Nunez.

Wedding bells sounded for MARCIA JELTEMA and John Pulsocher recently. They have made Minneapolis their home.

LEE VAN ENGELENHOVEN has been named an Area Director of Northwest Iowa by Partake, Inc. of Oak Brook, Illinois. Partake is an organization with a unique program developed to meet the need of more effective national distribution of products and services through ethical franchising.

ROLYN NYHOF is working in a saw mill factory in Portland, Oregon.

1958
ROBERT VAN DRIEL was awarded a National Science Foundation grant this summer for study at the University of Arkansas.

It's a girl for MELVIN and GENEVA VINK VAN PEURSENI They call her Gaylene Joan.

DAVE SMITS graduated from Western Theological Seminary in May. He is serving as youth director in the Family Reformed Church, Canoga Park, California, a name sake.

Douglas Jay, a senior at Dallas Theological Seminary last spring with a National Association of Evangelicals. A namesake, David Rick, was born to DAVID and Erma DE VRIES. ERMA (nee VOORDERMAN) Is in the 1955 college class.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Ten Haken (she was THELMA TE SLAA) report that Kimberly Dee came to live with them.

HARM OLDENKAMP is now teaching in Lyle, Minnesota. Katie HARTOG and MARY HAVERDINK DE JONG are parents of a new arrival, Daniel Kurt De Jong.

With a recently earned M.A. degree in Christian Education from Wheaton College, Mrs. JOYCE VAN ZANTEN began working as a research assistant with the National Association of Evangelicals. A namesake, David Rick, was born to DAVID and Erma DE VRIES. ERMA (nee VOORDERMAN) Is in the 1955 college class.

CARL J. DE JONG is the minister of the Church of the Comforter in the Bronx, New York, after graduation from Western Theological Seminary. The third and most important step was his marriage to Mary Elizabeth Ziesnitz.

1959
SANDRA VANDER WEIDE and Carter S. Hennessey said "I do" before the preacher. They are making Mountain View, California their home.

With the power of a new M.A. degree filling his sails, A. JAMES VAN VUGT made port at Penn Junior High in Bloomington, Minnesota.
1960

Returning from Navy duty in the Pacific (including a visit to Vietnam) DON DE VRIES was greeted by his wife RUTH (nee JACOBSSMA) and a brand new son, Daniel Joe.

DON ROWENHORST is now associated with the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company in Decatur, Illinois. Don's wife is the former SYLVIA PETERSON.

CAROLYN JASPER and Jereme Tutje took the marriage vows and settled in Sioux City.

Mr. and Mrs. LYLE GRITTERS have a baby girl, Lynette Suzanne.

At Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant, ROBERT H. DYNSTRA was granted an M.A. in mathematics. He is a teacher in West Ottawa High School, south of Holland, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. DENNIS VANDERMAATEN announce the arrival of Susan Beth.

1961

HANK VELDHUIS participated in a summer science and physics institute at the University of Idaho, Moscow, Idaho, returned at the end of the summer to his teaching in Sheldon, Iowa.

GLEN and BEVERLY PLASIER DE VRIES have a new daughter, her name unknown to us. Glen was in the 1964 class.

KATHRYN WESTENBERG and CALVIN NYHOF were married and are living in Dulce, New Mexico, where they teach and work in the Mission of the Reformed Church.

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FRED VERDOORN is hospitalized at Rochester, Minnesota. He and Judith have a young son, Robert John. JUDY POST was her name in school.

Mr. and Mrs. MAX TJIOA welcomed a daughter to their family.

1963

It was a joy when she came, so Mr. and Mrs. ALVIN SOMGAARS called her Pamela Joy.

RICHARD BAUER was on active duty with the Navy on the U.S.S. Hazelwood in the Mediterranean this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. RODNEY KLUB's Lori Lynn is the center of attention at their house, as a new baby should be.

A son, Bradley Jay, brings new activity in the household of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Oldewurtel (nee MARLENE HIEMSTRA).

LEROY KRAAI has been commissioned as a short-term educational missionary of the Reformed Church to the United Mission of Iraq. The commissioning service was in his home church, Trinity Reformed, Orange City. He will teach this year in Baghdad, at the Mansour Girls School and the next two years in the Boys High School in Basrah. On the way to Iraq he visited in England, France, Italy and Lebanon.

JUDY JONES married RON DYKHOUSE and is teaching in Sioux City.

LEONARD BLECHER has taken a teaching job in Emerson, Nebraska.

GEORGE BONNEMA's bride is Sharon Mouw. They reside in Marnoila, Minnesota, where he teaches.

The Floyd Valley School system at Alto, Iowa, hired JOEL BOEYINK and JIM VERMEER.

FORREST HARMS is a student at Western Theological Seminary, Holland, Michigan.

Vocational electronics is the specialty of Professor RICHARD AUBERG at Elsworth Junior College in Iowa Falls, Iowa. Richard's wife is the former DOROTHY OLENKAMP (1958).

The partnership of JACK MANDERS and MYRTLE MELLEMA started in marriage and continues on the staff of the Belmond, Iowa, school.

PAUL KOETS and ROGER WYNGARDEN went back to Michigan to teach in Grand Rapids.

New teachers at Sioux City include LEON KOSTER, MARILYN NATTE and JOHN ARNOLD MULDER.

STANLEY HOOGVEEN is the Christian School principal in Sully, Iowa.

Our 1964 graduates on the Sioux Center school staff are GERALD WIEKAMP, JEAN BOONE and MARINUS SPIERENBURG.

JAMES D. MUIW took a teaching position in Craig, Colorado.

LOIS and CLARICE HUISMAN and MARILYN VAN ROEKEI teach at Worthington, Minnesota.

The wedding of Larry Kruse and Henrietta Mellema took place recently.

VERN JOHNSON and LEROY VER MULM are on the faculty in the schools of Alta, Iowa.

Harley has put the instructional ability of BILL VANDER WOUDE to use.

Further study in library science has been undertaken by JOAN DOPPENBERG under a grant from the University of Denver.

SANDRA DE JOE and JANICE FREY are teaching in Akron, Iowa.

Now Mrs. BENNET BRETFVLED, the former SYLVIA ANKER is a teacher for the Maurice-Orange City Schools.

LYLE ROZEBOS is taking a breath before seminary by teaching in Melvin, Iowa.

SUE MADDEN and Cadet John G. Lorber were united in marriage at the Air Force Academy. M.G.M., was present to film the ceremony for inclusion in a movie about the academy.

KEN WIERPSMA is employed as a teacher in Independence, Iowa.

The schools of Rochester, Minnesota have chosen RUTH ANN KNOLL for their staff.

Under a scholarship, JOYCE HEEMSTRA is doing graduate study at the University of Nebraska.
Articles of Lasting Interest

The Doors of the Ramaker Library

An Address by Dr. Leslie Dunlap

Tomorrow, many of you will tour the new Ramaker Library, and in doing so, I hope you will consider it as a building designed to facilitate the use of books by students. The main entrance faces the south, which will keep ice and snow from the front steps; and this made possible the location of the principal reading room along the north wall, which offers the best natural light and is as far as possible from street and entrance noises. The outside doors of the Ramaker Library are made not of carved bronze but of clear glass so that you and the students at Northwestern College may see the books inside. After you pass through these outside doors, you enter the lobby where you will notice at your left a display case for exhibits. At the right is a cloak room, a book slot for the return of volumes when the building is closed, and lockers. Also, on the left side of the lobby is a stair case which leads to a class room and to projection and staff rooms on the floor above. At the end of the lobby is a second set of doors, also of glass, flanked by panels of glass. Beyond these now are placed large potted plants to keep students and faculty members from walking into a panel, a misadventure which almost happened to one of your respected deans. When you pass through the second set of doors, you will be in the library proper. Here you can perceive the general plan which is simple, indeed. There are three principal areas, two reading rooms separated by book shelves above and below a mezzanine. Each of the three areas is divided by a center aisle which serves to disperse traffic, always a problem in a building which has seats for more than 200 persons. I shall repeat this since some of you may not be familiar enough with the building to follow my explanation. The plan of the inside of the library is extremely simple; there are three large areas -- two of which are reading rooms, and these are separated by books shelved above and below a mezzanine. You may walk from the front to the back of the building along a center aisle which cuts the two reading rooms and the shelving area into halves. Indeed, I hope you will feel an urge to walk all the way across the ground floor of the library, because the new book shelf is placed in the very center of this far reading room where it can be seen from the front door.

After you have stepped into the library proper, you will notice on the far side of the first reading room the public catalog which is the principal key to the books on the shelves. At your immediate left, is the circulation desk behind which are books placed on reserve for
class use. In the reading room at your far left are shelved reference works which include encyclopedias and dictionaries and the lists of books available from publishers which are useful in purchasing new volumes. I would like to see here a set of the printed Library of Congress Catalog in more than 200 volumes, and I hope that some generous friend of Northwestern College will present this major bibliographical compilation to your library.

Adjoining this reading room is Miss Van Wechel’s office, a workroom for her assistants, and a shipping room plus a loading dock -- because books are heavy and some library operations resemble those regularly conducted in a warehouse. At the right of the second set of doors is the library’s collection of periodicals, current and bound, and the published indexes thereto. Here one also finds newspapers, and one of the great needs of the Northwestern College Library is for a microfilm file of the New York Times. Your library has a projector for the reading of microfilms, and the students and faculty should have access to a film copy of this country’s only indexed newspaper, at least the issues published during the last twenty-five years. Adjoining the periodicals room, you will find the Dutch Heritage Room, which is truly distinctive because of its wood paneling and the bright red carpet, which I assure you wasn’t my selection, but Miss Van Wechel’s. If you step into the Dutch Heritage Room, you will find a door of metal instead of glass, because this is the door to a vault which protects treasures pertaining to the history of the Dutch in America and to your church. Many of you may not know that the Association of College and Research Libraries, a division of the American Library Association, made in 1963 a grant of $750 for the purchase of additional materials to be shelved in the Dutch Heritage Room; and, after this money is expended, I hope a second grant will be forthcoming.

From the second set of doors, you will notice directly ahead the bookstacks above and below the mezzanine floor which separate the south and north reading rooms. This mezzanine serves as a room divider, yet the aisles between the stack ranges below the mezzanine provide fourteen passageways from one reading room to the other. Along each of the fourteen passageways the students will brush against about 3,000 books, and we hope that this frequent and direct exposure will make students at Northwestern curious about the insides of books. Grouped together under the mezzanine on both sides of the center aisle are four conference and six typing rooms. One of the typing rooms contains a microfilm reader, and at least one of the conference rooms is to contain the listening machines utilized in foreign language instruction. These rooms can be used by individuals who like to study alone, by advanced students and scholars who may need to utilize a typewriter, or by small groups of students who like to study together. The second reading room is a quiet area beside the high window wall which overlooks the campus. Of central interest in this room is the new book shelf which is visible from the front door, and this as was mentioned before, is intended to operate on students as a magnet. Two-thirds of the books acquired by Northwestern’s Library last year were published in the 1960s, and most of these possess interest to college students. These should be featured on the “new book shelf” so that students who visit the Ramaker Library will come to realize that important books are published daily and that this is an activity which is indispensable in a country as highly developed as ours.

After your tour -- perhaps after you return home -- I hope you will try to answer this question, “Will the Ramaker Library contribute substantially to Northwestern’s educational program?” -- or, in less highfalutin terms, “Will Northwestern’s students like to study in the Ramaker Library?” A final answer will not be possible until the building shall have been used for more than four years by several classes of students, but the signs are favorable. Within a month after occupancy of the new Library, students requested and received an extension of the hours of opening. Surely, each student who goes in and out of the Ramaker Library once or twice a week for four years will derive something of benefit from his contact with the books which await him on the shelves, and the eager student who earnestly desires to obtain an education will find his way paved at Northwestern College.
Give Away Our Christian Colleges?

An address delivered by Attorney Maurice A. Te Paske, Chairman of the New Construction Committee of the Board of Trustees of Northwestern College, at the dedication of the new Ramaker library on Northwestern's campus in Orange City, Iowa. The Dedication ceremonies took place on Memorial Day, May 30, 1964.

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We stand here in the presence of history. Behind those beautiful walls and windows of Northwestern's Ramaker Library is the accumulation of the story, good and bad, of all of man's history, and we are here to judge it and to be judged by it. The hopes and fears of the years and the success and failure of man's tour here on earth are there waiting to judge us. We pray that in the blessed years to come thousands of our young people within these walls will be exposed to this history. Is not this the basic role of the Christian College: the conservation and retention of trained minds for the Kingdom of God? May I quote a very wise man who called attention to it that "the Christian College is the manufactory which takes the finest raw material the church can furnish, multiplies its value a hundred fold, and returns it to the church in a life giving stream of intelligent faith-trained power and consecrated leadership." I believe that it was the Dean of our College of Law, Mason Ladd, who also once said, "all education is hastened experience." It is hastened experience -- the experience of the ages. The experience of the present and the past is enshrined in these walls for the use of our students. So without affectation, I would like to explore briefly with you two thoughts which are woven indelibly and historically in the fabric of our beloved Reformed Church in America. One is Dutch -- "Eendracht Maakt Macht", and the other is Latin -- "Nisi Dominus Frustra." These two expressions which we have gotten to take so for granted that we rarely give them another thought, are carried in our church emblem and have particular application this afternoon. In the providence of God and loyalty to the faith of our fathers, a large group of dedicated souls have made this occasion possible. All who confess to be followers of the Master can be very grateful that the progress Northwestern has made has not been at the expense of the worldwide demands of our denomination.

In this area of the church those who have supported Northwestern have supported the total program of our church and its worldwide missionary outreach; those who have not supported Northwestern have supported very little else. So when we spell out more specifically our gratitude, we do it with the humble assurance that we have not done so here at Northwestern at the expense of the total Christian program.

Colonel and Mrs. Ramaker have been loyal to the ideals which they profess. Our aims, our hopes, our strengths, our valuation of life itself come from our loyalties. Mr. and Mrs. Ramaker have lived a life of devotion to Christ and His Church. This loyalty, not only to Christian institutions, but to family and friends, has been almost awesome. Those of us who have known him, intimately bear witness to these loyalties, and the generous gift which is part of this library program is only the climax of a long life-time of generous giving to the support of this institution. So we are grateful for what they have done with their lives and how their lives have been built into these hallowed walls.

The churches and organizations of the Reformed Church and particularly of this area have given again and again. It is worth noting, and perhaps it is taking a calculated risk to call attention to it, that the support of the Christian cause is frequently in inverse proportion to the educational level of supporting churches. There may be, and probably are many other factors, but the diversionary nature and the divisiveness of our culture have often placed such demands upon the minds of those who have been exposed to wide experience, that they have grown "too smart for God" and haven't anything left to spend on the Kingdom. So we are very grateful to this inland area of the Reformed Church where genuinely enduring and generous support has been given to this institution.

This library is truly a case of "Eendracht Maakt Macht" -- all working together to achieve these wonderful things which have been done, and for all of us let us be mutually grateful. Perhaps there is a sobering thought we ought to inject at this
point; too few have yet assumed responsibility. This is only a milestone along a long road. Big effort will be needed continually, and the Master of Men still looks into your hearts and mine and says, "the fields are white unto the harvest, but the laborers are few." This is a day of dedication: but it is a day of dedication for all of us.

Now we turn to the Latin portion of the inscription which appears on our church emblem: NISI DOMINUS FRUSTRA. That is an abbreviated Latin version of the first verse of Psalm 127, "Except the Lord build the House, they labor in vain that build it." The rest of the sentence which incidentally has tremendous significance in this day and age in which we are living is, "... except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain."

You are acquainted with the fact that the traditional American college was originally founded consciously and with conscientious Christian planning and sacrifice. The history of higher education in America is one continuous pattern of the church having established these institutions of tremendous significance and importance, and then gradually over the years losing them. We can refer in the long-range view to most of the Ivy League, to Harvard, to Yale, to our own Reformed Church's experience with Rutgers, and we could go right on down the list with scores of other formerly Christian institutions. Dr. Elton Trueblood has called attention to the fact that the history of Christian higher education is that "Christian forces once controlled their institutions of enormous potentiality and then slowly gave them away." On one side, academic independence and arrogance alienated the support of the church, and on the other side, niggardly church thinking was looking for an excuse not to pay the bill, and in the process gave away our institutions. Trueblood goes on to say that this so-called matter of academic freedom is the freedom of a ship which has lost both anchor and rudder and drifts the victim of any wind that blows.

I could go on at great lengths with this; we watch the eroding influences of enforced legal secularization. Our entire public educational system is being morally strangled in the hands of some very vocal groups of atheists who are systematically stripping the nation's educational system of anything like moral and Christian values. This is what we seek to preserve and to keep and it is not going to be easy. We are subject to economic pressures also, and as one leader in Christian education commented a few days ago, "We are being priced out of the market." All of us are engaged in the process of giving away these institutions, and the Reformed Church should heed the lesson of history; the history that judges us and sees to it that we are not going to give away these institutions because it will be simpler and easier and cheaper for some secularized operation to pay the bill.

What a beautiful gift has been placed on the altar of Christian devotion these past weeks! Until a few weeks ago, bricks and glass and steel were being brought in from all over the nation and being fabricated into this beautiful building. It is almost like unto Creation, isn't it? I'm sure I do not do violence to Scripture when I read those early verses from Genesis, "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life: and man became a living soul." This Northwestern College Library has become a living soul and we pray God that it will always retain this soul. This is truly a fortress of our faith. And as one mankind has gone through the centuries from one tower of Babel to another, from one disaster to the next, let us learn these lessons; that all knowledge and all wisdom ultimately flows from the first phrase of the first chapter of the First Book, "In the beginning, God."

See you at Homecoming! October 24, 1964