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WATERLOO COLLEGE

This week Waterloo College begins its twenty-eighth year as a university college. The history of this educational institution, however, goes back almost forty years when the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Canada decided to establish a Theological Seminary in the large residence immediately south of the present College building. Facilities for pre-theological training were established and the northern half of the present building was erected. For fifteen years courses leading to Senior Matriculation were given in the Waterloo College School. In 1923 the College School offered one year's work beyond Grade XIII. In 1924 this venture was expanded into the third of Waterloo's educational units, the Waterloo College of Arts, offering a full four years' Arts course. The south wing, which was made necessary by this expansion, was added at this time. In the spring of 1925 the Faculty of Arts under the name of Waterloo College became an affiliated college of the University of Western Ontario.

By virtue of this affiliation Waterloo College has the privilege of recommending students who have fulfilled the requirements to the Senate of the University for certain degrees. The courses offered at Waterloo are prescribed by the University and the examinations are set by the Professors of the University in conference with the Professors of Waterloo College. The standards of Waterloo College are those of the University of Western Ontario.

During the past quarter of a century some 435 graduates have gone forth from Waterloo College into numerous vocational fields and into many communities in Canada, the United States and overseas. Several hundred others have spent one or more years at Waterloo before transferring to other schools or entering some business or profession. No matter where they are today, these alumnae and alumni recall frequently the happy days they spend in these halls and they speak to you who begin your college days this week to carry on in the tradition and spirit that is uniquely Waterloo.