NORTHERN INDIANA NORMAL SCHOOL VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY
PHOTOGRAPHS
CA. 1890S–1913

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

Valparaiso University was founded in 1859 as Valparaiso Male and Female College. It was established by Methodists as an institution pioneering coeducation. The college was forced to close in 1871 due to circumstances brought about by the Civil War.

In 1873 the college was revived by educator Henry Baker Brown, who opened it as the Northern Indiana Normal School. It was renamed Valparaiso College in 1900, and rechartered in 1906 or 1907 as Valparaiso University.

In 1925 the school was bought by the Lutheran University Association, an independent organization of clergy and church laity, to promote higher education in the Lutheran tradition. This organization continues to operate the university today.

Sources:


SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection consists of two series of photographs, including seventeen cabinet cards, two real photo postcards, and six real photo panoramic postcards. All are portraits of individuals or groups of people who were associated with Northern Indiana Normal School in the 1890s or Valparaiso University around 1913.

Series 1, Northern Indiana Normal School, ca. 1890s: This series consists of seventeen cabinet card photos. Fifteen are of young women; most are identified by name, and some also include the individual’s hometown. There are two cabinet cards that have montages that include many individual portraits of men and women. One of these has no identification, but contains some of the same portraits that are on other cabinet cards in the collection. The other includes a list of faculty members of Northern Indiana Normal School who are pictured.
**Series 2, Valparaiso University, ca. 1913:** This series is comprised of two standard-sized real photo postcards and six panoramic real photo postcards. One of the standard ones is of Henry Kinsey Brown standing on stairs outside of a building; the other is of “Prof. Ellis” sitting in a car. The panoramic photos include groups of young men wearing long aprons, large groups of men and women, and members of “Agar’s 3:00 p.m. Grammar class” on 4 August 1913. All but one of the postcards have the name “Cleo Hostetler” written on back.

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### Series 1: Northern Indiana Normal School, ca. 1890s

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Montage with thirty-two individual portraits of men and women. All are unidentified, however some can be matched to individual portraits on other cabinet cards, such as Grace Dye, Miss Stockman, and Ella (Sa Viess?). Cabinet card by Beatty (Valparaiso, n.d.).

Nettie Beatty. Cabinet card by Beatty (Valparaiso, n.d.).

Grace Dye. Written on back: “Boone Grove, Ind. Aug. 16, ’94.” Cabinet card by Beatty (Valparaiso, [1894]).

Blanche Graham. Written on back: “Shueyville, Johnson Co. Iowa.” Cabinet card by Beatty (Valparaiso, n.d.).

Miss Stockman. Cabinet card by Beatty (Valparaiso, n.d.).

Georgine E. Yost. Written on back: “Hays City Kansas.” Cabinet card by Beatty (Valparaiso, n.d.).

Unidentified woman in profile. She looks like the same woman in another portrait identified as Ella (Sa Viess?). Cabinet card by Beatty (Valparaiso, n.d.).

Ella (Sa Viess?). Cabinet card by J.M. Harkles (sic) (College Hill, Valparaiso, n.d.).

Miss Nimsgeam(?). Cabinet card by J.M. Harkless (sic) (College Hill, n.d.).

Montage with twenty-four individual portraits of men and women, identified as faculty of Northern Indiana Normal School. Included are: H.B. Brown, principal; O.P. Kinsey, associate principal; Florence Higgins, elocution; Henri Ruifrok, piano; C.W. Benton, commercial department; J.B. Showalter, common branches; Grace Groth, piano and voice;
H.N. Carver, ancient languages; S.P. Corboy, stenography; J.N. Roe, pharmacy; O.P. McAuley, common branches; H.V. Hibbard, sciences; Mrs. O.P. Kinsey, common branches; Kate Corboy, private secretary; M.E. Bogarte, special mathematics; M.L. DeMotte, law; J.E. Roessler, German; G.H. Dodge, telegraphy; H.M. Evans, natural sciences; Mantie E. Baldwin, literature; S.B. Wright, fine art; L.G. Campbell, stenography; R.A. Heritage, music; Lizzie McAlilly, common branches. Cabinet card by M.M. Mudge (Valparaiso, n.d.).

Clara Allen. Cabinet card by M.M. Mudge (Valparaiso, n.d.). Photographs, Box 1, Folder 2

Stella Chubb. Written on back: “Boyd, Wis.” Cabinet card by M.M. Mudge (Valparaiso, n.d.). Photographs, Box 1, Folder 2

Florence Dale. Cabinet card by M.M. Mudge (Valparaiso, n.d.). Photographs, Box 1, Folder 2

Katherine Livingston. Written on back: “Centre Junction Iowa. Valpo. 1893.” Cabinet card by M.M. Mudge (Valparaiso, [1893]). Photographs, Box 1, Folder 2

Reba Reid. Cabinet card by M.M. Mudge (Valparaiso, n.d.). Photographs, Box 1, Folder 2

Unidentified blonde woman. Cabinet card by M.M. Mudge (Valparaiso, n.d.). Photographs, Box 1, Folder 2

Margaret Kemp(?). Written on back: “Mishawaka Ind.” Cabinet card by Van Sickle & Hogue (South Bend, Ind., n.d.). Photographs, Box 1, Folder 2

Series 2: Valparaiso University, ca. 1913

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Henry Kinsey Brown standing on stairs outside of a brick building, 4 August 1913. Photographs, Box 1, Folder 3

Prof. Ellis sitting inside a car. Photographs, Box 1, Folder 3

About seventy men and women gathered for a group portrait outside a brick building. Identified as “Agar’s 3:00 p.m. grammar class,” 4 August 1913. The man seated in front in the center is presumably Professor Agar. (An Edgerton W. Agar was mayor of Valparaiso from 1922–26.) Photographs, Box 1, Folder 3

http://www.ci.valparaiso.in.us/Residents/history/CityMayors/citymayors.htm
Twenty-six young men wearing ties and long aprons, with three men in suits standing in back, outside a brick building. Written on back: “I is Robert Hester only one I can remember.” Some of the men are also in the photo of apron-wearing men described below.

Twenty-four young men in long aprons and three men in suits all in a row outside a brick building. Written on back: “Waiters at East Hall Valpariso (sic) in 1913 No. 1 is Robert Hester of Miss.” Some of the men are also in the photo of apron-wearing men described above.

Large group of men and women gathered for a group portrait with brick buildings in the background. In the windows of one building are posters advertising a minstrel show. One poster or sign in the window says “YWCA.”

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