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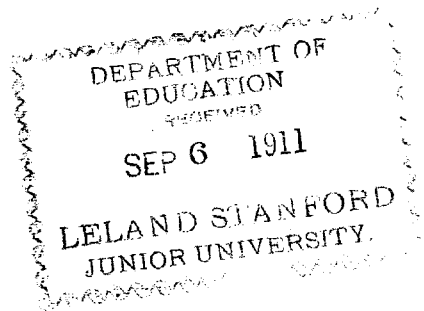
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## ENGLISH LITERATURE AND RHETORIC

The faculty of the department consisted of Professors Melville Best Anderson and Alphonso Gerald Newcomer; Associate Professor Raymond MacDonald Alden; Assistant Professors Samuel Swayze Seward, Jr., Howard Judson Hall, Lee Emerson Bassett, Henry David Gray, and William Dinsmore Briggs; Instructors John Kester Bonnell and Theresa Peet Russell, and Assistants Edith R. Mirrielees (Acting Instructor), Alice W. Kimball, Italia E. Flaus and Lillie M. Rible.

At the close of the academic year, in May, Dr. Melville Best Anderson resigned his chair, withdrawing under the provisions of the Carnegie Foundation that he might continue uninterrupted his work in the translation of Dante. Professor Anderson assumed charge of the Department of English at the opening of the University in 1891, and continued in that position for fifteen years. In 1906 he laid aside his administrative duties, but remained as senior professor and adviser, carrying his full share of academic work. In establishing the policies of the department and shaping its ideals his influence has been both wide and deep, and the loss which by his withdrawal the University suffers on the side of pure humanism is one that cannot be easily repaired.

For the ensuing year Mr. Everett Wallace Smith, A. B. (Stanford, 1899), has been appointed Instructor in English. Mr. Smith has been engaged in journalism, holding for the last three years an editorial position in the Forest Service at Washington, D. C. His special work here will be the conduct of classes in composition looking toward news and editorial writing.

Leaves of absence for the ensuing year were granted to Professors Seward and Hall, who have been in residence ten and six years respectively.

Doctor Alden conducted courses in English literature at the University of Chicago during the first term of the summer quarter (1910), and Doctor Gray conducted courses at the summer session of the University of Oregon.

The number of major students registered in the department was 149, of whom 1 was a special student, and 17 were graduates. Thirty students were given the degree of A. B., and 3 the degree of A. M.

Following is a table of the courses given, with the enrollment in each. In addition to these, Dr. Briggs gave two courses in the Department of English Philology.

ALPHONSO GERALD NEWCOMER,  
Professor of English.