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FOUNDERS' DAY, October 11, 1927, was celebrated at the Boys' High School. Some of the facts reported at that time were as follows:

The Board of Managers has authorized the preparation of a semi-centennial diploma, in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the College. This diploma will be given to all living graduates of the College, and will state that the recipient was graduated from Central Turkey College in a certain year. It is planned to have the diploma bear the fac-simile autographs of as many former members of the College faculty as possible.

1700 books from the College Library at Aintab have been brought to Aleppo.

The physical apparatus, purchased with a grant from the Higher Educational Funds of the American Board, has been received and installed. It includes a radio equipment. New equipment has been purchased for laboratory work in chemistry and biology.

The College Press has bought new Armenian display types and a font of music type. During 1926-27 the Press printed a series of vocabularies for use with Junior High School text-books in Armenian and English, a re-print of *Pourasdank*

(Ancient Armenian) for use by the Freshman class, a second edition of *The Christian's Secret of a Happy Life*, in Armeno-Turkish translation, and the Announcement of the Boys' High School for 1927-28, in English.

Gifts were received during 1926-7 from about ninety living donors, whose names, as reported, are given below:—

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REGARDING THE BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL AT ALEPPO

Since 1923, the Boys' High School of the Armenian Protestant Community at Aleppo has been conducted by the Board of Managers of Central Turkey College, as an aided high-school, with a view to the possibility of the future re-establishment of the College at Aleppo.

In the upset conditions of 1923-24, the actual grade of the highest class was that of the Third Form before the war. Each year since then, the grade has been raised, so that at present the highest class is the Sophomore.

Since 1926-7, the High School has been divided into two practically independent schools in separate buildings, the Junior High School (Forms I, II and III) and the Preparatory and College classes (Forms IV and V, Freshman and Sophomore classes).

Most of the over 200 students are now residents of Aleppo, only one-seventh coming from other places (Alexandretta, Beirut, Beylan, Beytias, Damascus, Homs, Jerablous, Kessab, Mardin, Mosoul). But the list of their birth-places shows that, while 14 were born in Aleppo, 197 were born in 34 other places, two only of which are now in Syria, the remaining 32 being in Turkey.

The development of the School since 1923 is

shown very clearly by the following chart:

	1923/4	24/5	25/6	26/7	27/8
College				8	24
PREPARATOR	Y	13	26	33	46
JUNIOR HIGH	33	82	102	120	138
Totals	33*	95**	128	161	208
SPECIAL				2	3
4.0				163	211

^{*} Also 156 boys in Grades 4, 5 and 6.

** Also 42 boys in the 6th Grade.

A striking summary of the work of the School in 1926-27 states that there were 16 teachers, 24 outside lecturers and speakers, 164 students, 250 general exercises conducted by teachers, 5200 class appointments, and 250,000 pages printed at the College Press.

Four new teachers came to the School this fall: Mr. R. Aladjadji (Robert College) for Biology, Mr. Paul DerBoghossian (University of Basel) for French, Mr. W. G. Elias for Arabic, and Mr. David J. Julius (Gettysburg College) in place of Mr. Carleton.

The radio installed in the fall has given better results than might have been anticipated. Several groups from the School and from outside have "listened in" on different evenings. The night when the alumni of the different colleges were invited was the best that we have had.

Dr. Abd-ur-Rahman Keyali spoke recently on "The Citizenship that Syria Needs," Rev. E. C. Partridge on "Helen Keller," and Mr. A. Levonian on "The Development of the Antioch Plain."

Two prizes are offered by a friend who does not wish his name to be announced, one for the best essay on "Educational Conditions in Syria," and the other for the best original short story.

Rev. A. A. Shiradjian offers a prize for the best work in English in the Junior High School.

The Freshman Class in Physics are visiting factories and machine shops on Saturdays.

The average ages of students, as of October, 1927, were as follows, by classes:

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Sophomore	20.12
Freshman	19.56
Fifth Form	18.36
Fourth Form	16.94
Third Form	15.67
Second Form	14.08
First Form	13.8

