

**George Williston Nash (1925-1940)**

Doctor George Nash became the fourth president of Yankton College. He graduated from the school in 1891, was a former faculty member and at one time was the principal of the Academy. Proving that he had not lost the magnetism that he had shown as an undergraduate, the new chief executive of the school sang on several occasions with three former classmates from the popular Thegn quartet of the early 1890's, originally known as the "Sawtooth Quartet." He fully understood the college's fiscal problems and his role as chief fund-raiser.

Nash and the trustees faced financial pressures little known to the general public. They wrestled with many financial ventures and other opportunities to meet the current expenses. When Nash officially retired, the school paper reported that "More than twice as many students have graduated from Yankton College since Dr. Nash's coming...since 1925 the graduates have numbered 735, while for the years preceding 1925, the total was 379."