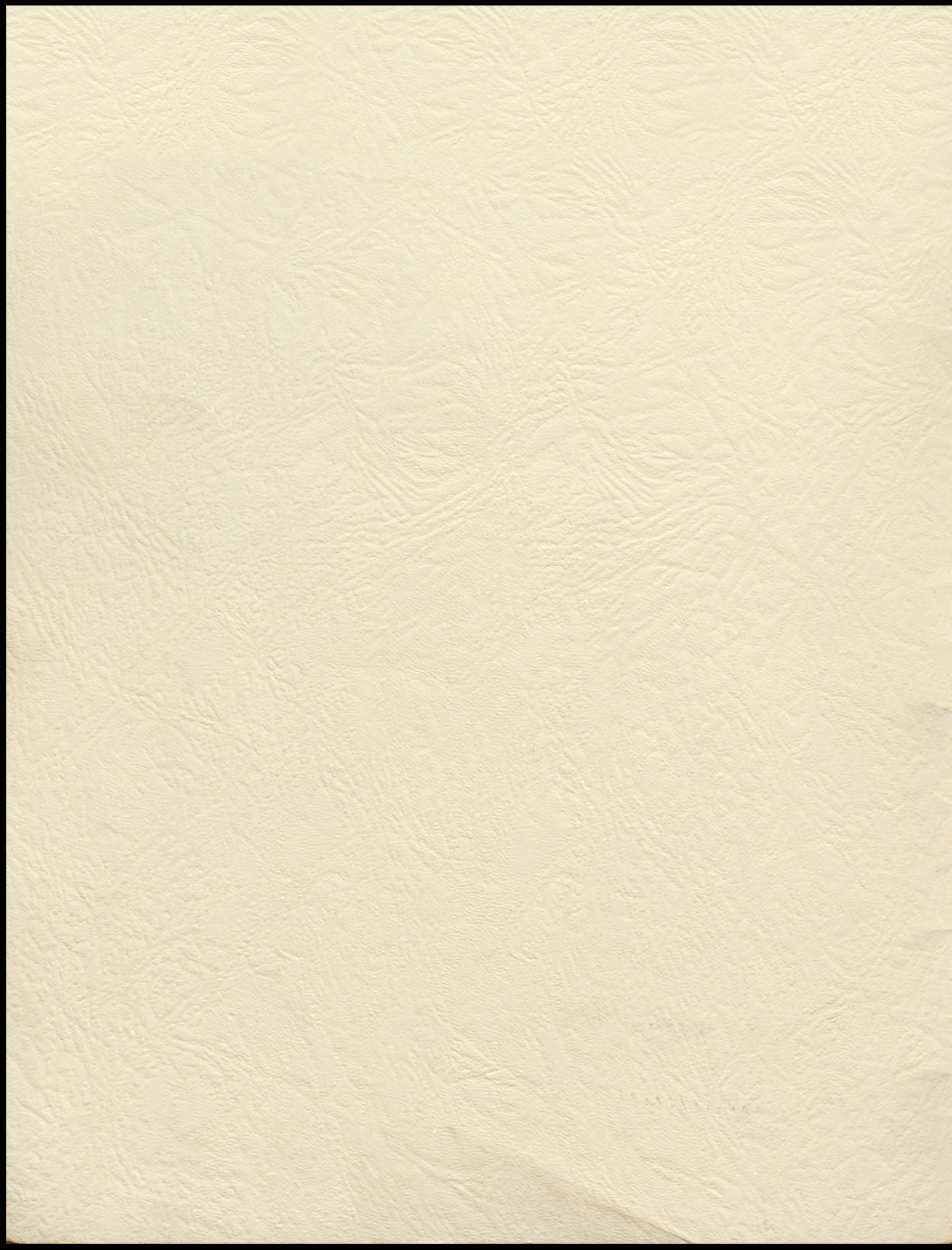




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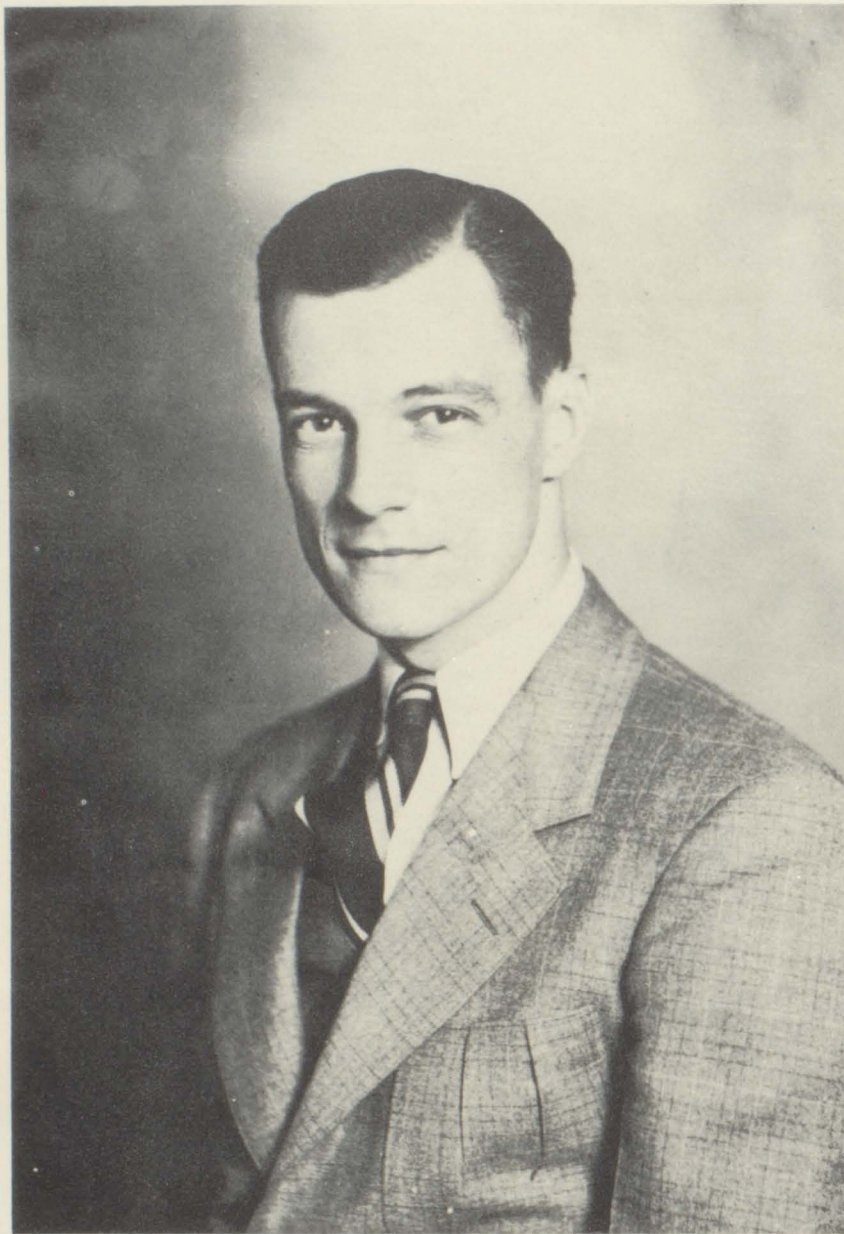
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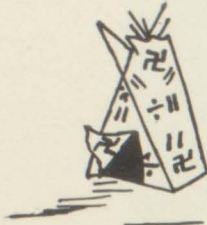


To  
PAUL E. JOHNSON


Who, by his enthusiastic service, broadmindedness, and friendship, has shown us how to make the most of the opportunities that have come our way, we, the class of '39, dedicate this annual.



MR. W. L. Berkhof—A.B., M.A.  
Superintendent, American History  
"Patience is the necessary ingredient of genius."



# FACULTY




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MR. C. R. DUSTIN—B.S., M.A.  
Principal, Science, Social Science,  
Advanced Mathematics  
"There are two sides to every  
question, my side and the wrong  
side."



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Shop, Athletics  
"Hit the nail on the head."



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Band Director  
"Who played that discord?"



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Junior High, 8th Grade Adviser  
"Rich in saving common sense."



MRS. LOIS SERVICE—A.B.  
Foreign Languages, English, Soph-  
omore Adviser  
"You seniors are noisier than  
my freshmen!"



MRS. AYESHA LAIDLAW—B.S.  
Home Economics, Adviser Annual  
"She who ruled the roast in the  
kitchen."

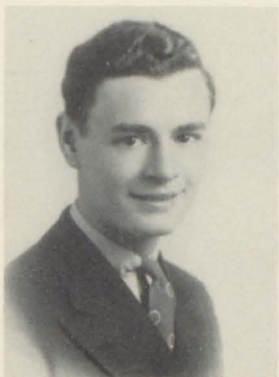


# 1939

MR. JON YOUNG—A.B.

English, U. S. History, Junior Adviser

"The world knows little of its great men."



MRS. DORIS E. WAY

Commercial

"This is for your own benefit."



MR. PAUL E. JOHNSON—B.S.

Mathematics, Science, General Business, Senior Adviser

"Now, that's not necessary."



MR. GEORGE E. PARSONS—B.S., M.S.

Agriculture, Freshman Adviser

"We'll have a little session at three forty-five."



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Music, Art

"A light heart lives long."



MISS KATHERINE ACKERMAN—A.B.

Girls' Physical Training

"Health and cheerfulness mutually beget each other."



MISS JANE ELLIOTT—A.B.

Speech, Debate Coach, Junior High, 7th Grade Adviser

"Who climb the grammar tree distinctly know  
Where noun and verb and participle grow."



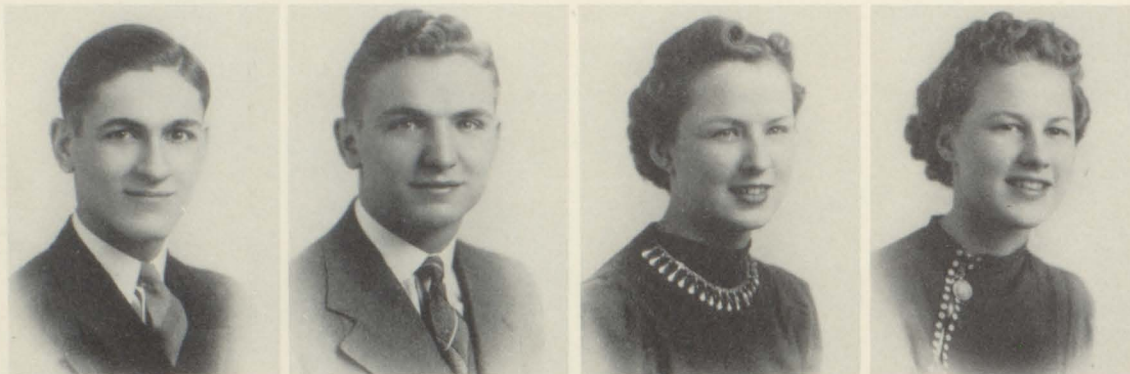
MR. ADEN MEAD—A.B.

World History, Social Science

"Who carved their name on that desk?"



# SENIORS



## CLASS OFFICERS

Jack Hammel ..... *President*  
 Clair Manwaring ..... *Vice-President*  
 Barbara Thielan ..... *Secreary-Treasurer*  
 Iota Skinner ..... *Rep. to Student Council*

CLASS MOTTO  
*"Impossible" is Un-American*

CLASS COLORS  
*Wine and White*

CLASS FLOWER  
*Red Rose*

## CLASS NIGHT PROGRAM

Wednesday evening, June 7, 1939, 8:00 P.M., H. S. Auditorium

Presentation of Cane ..... Jack Hammel  
 Acceptance of Cane ..... Louis Schneider  
 Class History ..... Anna Beevers, Vesta St. John  
 Poem ..... William De Puy  
 Prophecy ..... Wendell Wertenberger, Ellen Holdridge  
 Class Song ..... Kenneth Abbott  
 Giftatory ..... Barbara Thielan, Dean Jones  
 Class Will ..... Nelson Hoekstra, Harry Marsh  
 President's Address ..... Jack Hammel



KENNETH ABBOTT—"Scratch"

"I can't do it, boys; it might interfere with my career."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; German Band 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 4; State Solo contests 1, 2, 3, 4; All-State Band; Honor Roll.

HOPE AEBERSOLD—"Hopeless"

"She is small; she is fair; she is liked 'most everywhere."

Band 1, 2, 3; French Club 3, 4.



ANNA E. BEEVERS—"Anne"

"Oh, you kids!"

Editor Annual; Junior and Senior Play; Dramatics Club 2; Science Club 3; Glee Club 1; Commercial Club 1; D.A.R. Citizenship Award; Honor Roll.

MARY E. BLESSING—Mary

"Sun-kist, moon-kist, and enough said."

Glee Club 1, 2, 4.



ELIZABETH BLOHM—"Betty"

"She comes to school once in a while to see how classes are progressing."

Dramatics 2; Science Club 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Pepperettes 2, 3; Operetta 2, 3.

LILLIS BROWN—"Lil"

"Fun is the salt and pepper of life."

Band 2, 3; Glee Club 1, 2; Operetta 2; Pepperettes 2; French Club 3, 4.



J. LESLIE CALHOUN—"Les"

"Every man has his devilish moments."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; German Band 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Science Club 3; Football 3, 4; Junior and Senior Play.

RALPH J. CAMBURN—"Clare"

"Girls are all right, but a bachelor's life for me."

Annual Staff; Science Club 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 4; German Band 2, 3, 4.



BETTY COFFEY—"Bets"

"My heart is like the moon—it has a man in it."

Commercial Club 1; Glee Club 1, 2; Pepperettes 2, 3; French Club 3.

JEAN M. COLLINS—"Geno"

"It is well to think well; it is divine to act well."

Glee Club 2, 4; French Club 3, 4; Sextette 4.



WILLIAM N. DEPUY—"Sleepy"

"The perfect specimen."

Band 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

CAROLINE FAGAN—"Carrie"

"Man has his will, but a woman has her way."

Class Secretary-Treasurer 1; Debate 2; Dramatics Club 2; Commercial Club 1; Glee Club 1, 2; Pepperettes 2, 3.



MAXINE EASTON—"Max"

"Not by her size, but by her disposition, is she judged."

Clayton 1, 2; Adrian 3; Glee Club 4.

THELMA JEAN FEIGHT—"T.J."

"As merry as the day is long, her heart is filled with song."

Glee Club 1; Commercial Club 1; Operetta 1; Home Economics Camp 2.



MARJORIE ORLENE FRENCH—"Margie"

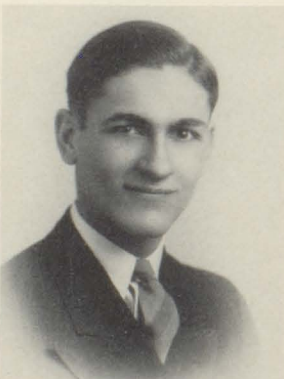
"Whate'er she did was done with so much ease."

Glee Club 1, 2; Operetta 1; Band 4; Commercial Club 1.

MARGARET GOVE—"Maggie"

"I know my wants, now watch me get him."

Junior and Senior Play; Dramatics Club 2; Pepperettes 3.



JACK W. HAMMEL—"Doc"

"A player unequalled—a sportsman complete."

Student Council 1, 2; Pres. of Student Council 4; Annual Staff; Class President 3, 4; Senior Play; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Tennis 3, 4; Band 1; Honor Roll.

ARDIS J. HARKNESS—"Ardie"

"Don't mind me, because I'm quitting."

Dramatics Club 2; Pepperettes 3; Glee Club 1, 2; Science Club 3; Commercial Club 1; D.A.R. Essay Award 3.



LAURABELLE HEWLETT—"Belle"

"One day at a time. It's a wholesome rhyme, a good one to live by—a day at a time."

Dramatics Play 2; Junior Play; Glee Club 1, 2; Pepperettes 3; Operetta 2; French Club 3, 4.

NELSON HOEKSTRA—Nelson

"A light heart lives long."

Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Play.



ELLEN HOLDRIDGE—Ellen

"Romeo, where art thou?"

Dramatics Club Play 2; Senior Play; Honor Roll.



ELIZABETH JOHNSTON—"Lizz"

"Name it—she can do it."

Glee Club 1, 2; Pepperettes 1, 2, 3.



DEAN WADE JONES—"Wrinkle"

"It is better to have bluffed and passed, than never to have bluffed at all."

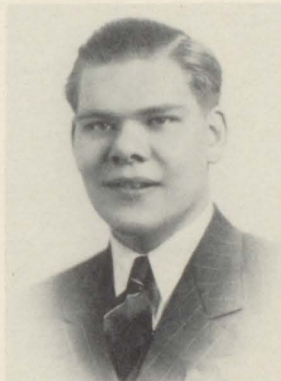
Class President 2; Annual Staff; Junior and Senior Play; Football 4; Science Club 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; German Band 2, 3, 4.



E. NEIL JONES—"Bess"

"Big man, big heart, big feet, and enough said."

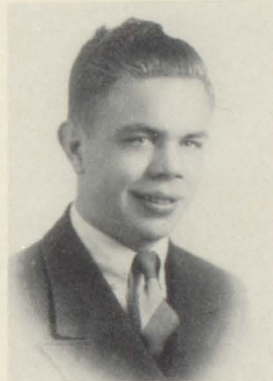
F.F.A. 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; All-State Band; German Band 2, 3, 4.



HOWARD KRONBERG—"Bud"

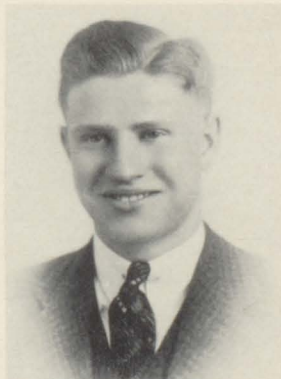
"A man who keeps his eyes and ears open and his mouth shut."

Football 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.



EARL KRUGER—"Buller"

"The less there is learned, the less there is forgotten."



GARRETT LINGER—"Lena"

"He's quiet, but when you know him. . . well, that's different."

Junior and Senior Play; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Track 2; Tennis 3, 4; Band 1; Honorable mention All-State end.



ALICE McKEE—Alice

"Her greatest sin, a happy grin."

Salutatorian; Annual Staff; Pepperettes 3; Glee Club 1, 2; Operetta 1; Commercial Club 1; French Club 3; President French Club 4.



DOROTHY E. McCONNELL—

"Dot"

"I would live to study and study to live."

Dramatics Club Play; Senior Play; Operetta 3; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 2; Science Club 3.

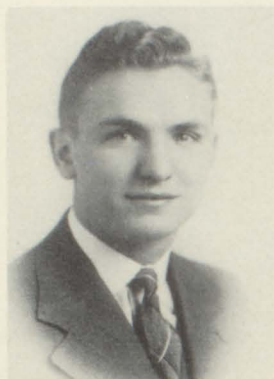
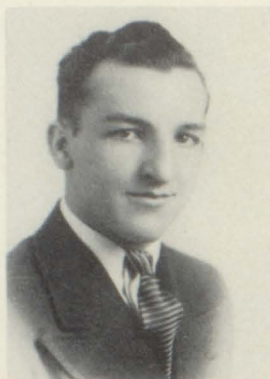


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JAMES L. MACKEY—"Swat"

"Learning to study must be won;  
t'was ne'er entailed from sire to  
son."

Junior Play; Science Club 3.



CLAIR MANWARING—"Boolie"

"Winds may come and winds may  
go, but I'll blow on forever."

Class Vice-President 3, 4; Jun-  
ior Play; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2;  
Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Football  
Captain 4; Honorable mention  
All-State quarterback.

HARRY MARSH—Harry

"You know him by the noise he  
doesn't make."



HERBERT MAYNARD—"Barney"

"Ferociousness in football, and a  
good fellow always."

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball  
1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 3; Tennis 3,  
4; F.F.A.

THELMA JEAN POUCHER—  
"Jean"

"The best of friends to those who  
know her."

Junior Play; Band 1, 2, 3, 4.



WILLIAM POWELL—"Bill"

"There is room at the top, but  
climbing makes me dizzy."

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball  
1, 2, 3; Baseball 1, 2, 4.

LEE ROBISON—"Robie"

"I never dare to be as funny as I  
can."

Junior Play; Senior Play; Foot-  
ball 1, 2, 3, 4; Tennis 3, 4;  
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.



LOIS ESTHER RODGERS—"Lolly"

"Her brush will bring her fame."

Annual Staff; Pepperettes 3;  
Glee Club 1, 3, 4; Operetta 1, 3;  
Science Club 3.

MARIAN L. M. RODGERS—  
"Susie"

"Silence is a great peacemaker."  
Clinton 1.



VESTA ST. JOHN—Vesta

"Was there ever a damsel with a  
soul so dead, who never to herself  
has said, I'll spend one more min-  
ute in bed."

Junior Play; Dramatics Club 2;  
Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Pepperettes 2,  
3; Commercial Club 1; Oper-  
etta 1.

# 1939

IVA MARIE SCOFIELD—"Snooks"  
"An innocent face—but you never  
can tell."



IOTA M. SKINNER—Iota  
"Those that think must govern  
those that don't."



Valedictorian; Annual Staff; Student Council 3, 4; Dramatics Club 3; Pepperettes 2, 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Journalism Club 4; Operetta 1; Commercial Club 1.

JEANNE K. SLUYTER—"Jean"  
"The way to have friends is to be  
one."  
Commercial Club 1; Journalism  
Club 2, 3, 4.



BASIL SMITH—"Bud"  
"I feel relieved at last, for my  
working days are past."  
Basketball 1.

JACK SMITH—"Five Buck"  
"I'm willing to be convinced, but  
I'd like to see someone try it."  
Annual Staff; Football 1, 2, 3,  
4; Tennis 3, 4; Science Club 3.



HELEN TESKE—"Slim"  
"My ambition: to have the nerve  
to be naughty."  
Honor Roll.

BARBARA I. THIELAN—"Bobbie"  
"Isn't it a shame we aren't all good-  
looking!"  
Annual Staff; Class Secretary-  
Treasurer 2, 3, 4; Operetta 1;  
Junior and Senior Play; Band 3;  
Glee Club 1, 2; Pepperettes 2, 3.



BEULAH TRUESDALE—"Booie"  
"I love only one man—at a time."  
Science Club 3.

J. WENDELL WERTENBERGER—  
"Werty"  
"For the more a man knows, the  
more worthy is he."  
Hudson City 1, 2, 3; Band 4;  
German Band 4; All-State Band.



DORIS WINTERSTEEN—"Dorie"  
" 'Tis a good thing to be clever,  
but not to appear so."  
Class Vice-President 2; Annual  
Staff; Dramatics Club Play;  
Junior Play; Band 2, 3; Glee  
Club 1, 2; Operetta 3; Pepper-  
ettes 2; Commercial Club 1.

# VALEDICTORY

IOTA SKINNER

Tonight there is a feeling of sadness among us as we are gathered as a class for the last time. But there is also a feeling of happiness, for tonight we will have completed part of our journey toward success.

As Freshmen, we began our tour on the highway which was to prepare us to successfully meet the problems of life. As we traveled from one mile-post to another, we found that the road became more rough, and that there were many hills to climb. Only through the kind coöperation, patience, and helpfulness of you, our parents and teachers, have we been able to keep on the road and reach the top of these hills. Without your guidance, we would have been stalled by the wayside.

Now we have reached a turning point in our journey. We are ready to start on a new road. Each one of us will choose his own road to travel. Some may take the high road, some the low—but whatever road is chosen, it is in the hope that it will lead all of us to the same destination—Success.

In order that we may reach this goal in the least possible time, we have chosen as a guide, the motto: "Impossible" is Un-American. We feel that this expresses the true meaning of democracy, and that it should be the guide of every American citizen. If everyone followed this motto in everything he attempted, we would have fewer so-called "failures" in the world to-day.

So, dear classmates, choose your course with precision and thoughtfulness. Even though the road may seem rocky and impossible to follow at times, I feel that you will be able to face your disappointments and sorrows without flinching. If you stumble and fall, get up with a smiling face!

So far, I have spoken only of the disappointments you will meet. But there will also be many chances for advancement. Do not let these opportunities pass by, for upon these is based much of your chance for success.

Even though your apparent failures may seem to outweigh your opportunities, keep working towards your goal with this motto forever as your guide: "Impossible" is Un-American.

# SALUTATORY

ALICE MCKEE

Tonight I bring you a welcome from the Class of 1939, the 21st class that has been graduated from this Tecumseh High School.

This is the last time that we will greet you as students of this school. Tonight we have our commencement exercises.

To-day and each day we lay to-morrow's foundations.

Our future is before us. No one can foretell what it holds. Tecumseh High School has afforded us excellent training and preparation. Our future achievements should be great. Whether or not they will be remains with us.

We are now graduating from high school. Does this constitute true success? No, success is a high record for personal advancement and for service to humanity. It is an ideal. We have only laid the foundation for obtaining it. Ninety per cent of the joy of achievement comes from the effort; only ten per cent, or less, from the outward rewards which success brings. We hope that every member of our class will attain some kind of success.

During our school life, our parents, teachers, and friends have given us ample opportunity to equip ourselves for our approaching journey through life; and we wish to thank them earnestly for their patience, forbearance, and sympathetic help.

We are very much pleased and very proud to see so many friends and well-wishers with us tonight. A salutatory is a welcome, and I have fulfilled that requirement in welcoming you to our commencement exercises. In reality, however, yours is a greater welcome, for you are welcoming us to your world of responsibility and reality.

# PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

JACK HAMMEL

Parents, classmates, and friends:

For four years we have worked together towards one common goal—graduation. Through the coöperation of our teachers and parents we have attained that goal. I have had the honor of being your leader for the past two years. As a class, we have set our aims high; and as a unit, our goal has been completed. These aims were met only by the full coöperation of each one of you. Now, as our days are concluded as members of the Tecumseh High School, we feel that the debt we owe to those who made our first step in life possible can only be repaid by showing them that the educational opportunities which they have afforded us have not been in vain, but that it was a great stride in making us better American men and women.

The day has now come when our ways must part, and as we meet new people amid unfamiliar surroundings, may we always strive to do as we have done in our high school days—aim high and hit the mark.

Now, dear classmates, as this is the last time that we are all together, let me express my uppermost feeling—that in the years to come, when we meet, may it be said of all that we have reached our goal. Farewell, classmates, and may it be our lot at some future period to again be assembled together.

## CLASS POEM

WILLIAM NEIL DUPUY

Close the book; yes, close it softly,  
This the end of chapter one,  
Choose a new one from life's bookshelf;  
Chapter two has now begun.

Here on white, unsullied pages  
Ours the privilege to pen  
Day by day our own life's stories  
And those of our fellowmen.

May each chapter be a record  
Worthy of its author's pride,  
Records of success or failure  
Proudly standing side by side.

Now for all my friends and classmates  
Here's a wish, whole-hearted, true—  
May your books all be best sellers;  
May they bring success to you!

## CLASS SONG

WORDS AND LYRIC BY KEN ABBOTT

To-night we are leaving this high school  
And all of our teachers so good;  
When we have grown slack,  
They've gotten in back  
And helped us as much as they could.  
But to-night when we pass from this building  
We will be all on our own.  
So we'll carry through  
Our motto so true,  
"Impossible" is Un-American.

### CHORUS

Oh, we'll fight, fight, fight if we lose,  
And we'll keep on fighting till we win.  
For we've all an aim  
And a life to claim  
That will take us through thick and thin.  
We will push ahead through the blast  
Till we've reached our goal at last.  
We will never stop  
Till we've reached the top,  
For "Impossible" is Un-American.

# CLASS HISTORY

ANNA BEEVERS, VESTA ST. JOHN

For youth to look ahead four years, what a long stretch of time it seems; but now that it has passed, we feel as though it had gone all too quickly.

In September, 1935, a new group of sixty-three papooses, wards of Old Chief Tecumseh himself, entered Tecumseh High School, each with his own war-whoop.

At our first tribal meeting we chose as our leaders the loudest of our war-whoopers, those whom we thought could lead us through the wilderness of our Freshmen year. As chief of our tribe we chose Guy Collins, with Hattie Mae Boyd and Caroline Eagan assisting. To represent us at council meetings, we chose Lillis Brown. We found Miss Woodhams a very helpful witch-doctor.

After scouting the Tecumseh Hunting Grounds, we were fortunate enough to win the five-dollar prize for selling the most season tickets to our home games.

Before many moons had passed we were without an adviser, as Miss Woodhams was called to her home wigwam.

Our tribe was put in the care of Mr. Kleinheksel during our Sophomore year. As our head tribesmen we chose Dean Jones, Doris Wintersteen, and Barbara Thielan.

Choosing to herd cattle rather than young Indians, Mr. Kleinheksel deserted us, and in his place we chose Miss Montgomery, who ably guided us through the remainder of the year.

One of our greatest privileges was to serve the upper classmen at the annual Junior-Senior reception.

We completed our Sophomore year with a class picnic at Wampler's Lake.

In the fall of '37 we again assembled at Camp Tecumseh, a few less in number, but with a great deal more school spirit.

As bravest of braves we chose Jack Hammel, with Clair Manwaring and Barbara Thielan assisting. Iota Skinner represented us at council meetings. We chose Mr. Johnson as our chief scout, and he accepted the responsibility of guiding us through our Junior year.

Our first party of the year consisted of a steak roast at Sutton's Crossing. We soon found out, however, that "all play and no work," did not increase the Junior wampum, so we gave our fellow tribesmen a Junior Fall Frolic, which was a great success.

In the spring, "Guess Again", a highly amusing comedy, was presented to an appreciative audience.

We immediately set to work on our reception, as a farewell gesture to our superiors. This took place in Camp Tecumseh, which was converted into a typical Hawaiian paradise.

At last we were supreme rulers of the different tribes, having reached this position by our perserverance and determination. We re-elected Mr. Johnson as a most able guide; Jack Hammel was again chosen Big Chief; and as his counselors we chose Clair Manwaring and Barbara Thielan. Again we sent Iota Skinner to council meetings.

This year the tribe presented "The Yellow Shadow", which was well received.

Our crowning achievement of the year was the publication of the "Senior Echoes."

A trip to Niagara brought to a close not only our Senior year, but our whole high school course. As we step out from the helpful, kindly guidance of our teachers, we have many happy memories to carry with us through future years.

# CLASS PROPHECY

WENDELL WERTENBERGER AND ELLEN HOLDRIDGE

TIME—Twilight of June 10, 1939.

PLACE—Battlefield of Thames, Ontario, Canada.

CHARACTERS—Spirit of Chief Tecumseh, Pupil of Tecumseh High School.

Pupil—So this is the grave of Chief Tecumseh, the famous chieftan that my home town, the village of Tecumseh, was named after! I wonder what he would say if he knew there was a town named after him.

(While she has been looking around, an Indian's head appears and looks over the top of the tombstone on Chief Tecumseh's grave, unnoticed by her. Then it speaks.)

C.T. —I know all about it.

Pupil—(Jumps and looks frightened) Oh, who are you?

C.T. —Don't be frightened. I am only the spirit of Chief Tecumseh.

Pupil—But what are you doing here?

C.T. —I came to talk to you about the town that was named after me. I keep a close watch over the village. I know just what is happening there.

Pupil—You mean that you know everything that we do?

C.T. —I know all that you have done and all you will do in years to come.

Pupil—You mean that you can tell me what each person in Tecumseh will be doing ten or even twenty years from now?

C.T. —Yes. I know all.

Pupil—Then you can tell me just what I would like to know. I was graduated from Tecumseh High School Thursday night, and I know that I'll probably lose contact with most of my classmates. Could you tell me what they'll be doing in 1949?

C.T. —Yes.

Pupil—Then what will become of the most honored Chief of our class, Jack Hammel?

C.T. —Jack will retain his powers of leadership and become President of the Humane Society.

Pupil—And what about those industrious young ladies who are planning to become nurses? Lillis Brown, for instance.

C.T. —Lillis will follow the usual course of many nurses and become the blushing bride of her "Doc".

Pupil—And the ever gay and popular Margaret Gove?

C.T. —Margaret will be nursing her family through the chicken-pox.

Pupil—What about the ambitious Jack Smith?

C.T. —Jack will hit the head-lines of the "Tecumseh Herald" with a "smash" when he crashes into his father's milk-house with a plane which he will design himself.

Pupil—Speaking of the "Tecumseh Herald", who will be publishing it ten years from now?

C.T. —None other than scholarly Earl Kruger of your class.

Pupil—Oh yes, and what will that quiet lad, Howard Kronberg, be doing?

C.T. —Howard will become the pop-corn king of America and will spend lazy afternoons on his three-hundred-acre pop-corn estate near Tipton.

Pupil—Coming back to our future nurses, will Jeanne Sluyter, Beulah Truesdale, and Laurabelle Hewlett succeed in their chosen field of work?

C.T. —Jeanne will be found trying to teach other nurses how to play tennis and its importance in relation to health. The nurses won't be very responsive because of their tired feet. Laurabelle will be nursing a pumpkin to health for the first prize at the Lenawee County Fair. And Beulah will be curing handsome love-lorn young men (after working hours) at the usual gay "night spot"—Pete's Candy Kitchen.

Pupil—And will Leslie Calhoun and Dean Jones be seen together as much as they were in school?

C.T. —Their ways will have parted. Dean will replace Orson Welles as a director of radio thrillers, and his troupe will present "The Lone Ranger" every Wednesday night at seven-thirty. Leslie will become the proprietor of the hot-dog concession at the World's Fair to be held in Holloway.

Pupil—How about that charming young miss, Alice McKee?

C.T. —Alice and Ardis Harkness will become popular hostesses of the Roller Skating Rink at Wamplers Lake.

Pupil—What will become of the musically inclined members of my class, Clair Manwaring and Ralph Camburn?

- C.T. Ralph will take over the duties of his father in directing the Tecumseh High School band and will publish a 1949 "jitterbug" arrangement of "The Old Gray Mare". Clair will be found playing "hot swing" with his accordion in Benny Goodman's orchestra. There are several others among your classmates who will take up music.
- Pupil—Who are they, and what will they do?
- C.T. —Neil Jones will become the conductor of a world famous all-girl orchestra. Doris Wintersteen will become one of his most prominent singers, and Marjorie French will become a popular drummer in his orchestra. Kenneth Abbott will become a featured performer of the Philadelphia Symphony. In his spare time he will be a tenor soloist in the Metropolitan Opera Company of New York.
- Pupil—What will our class artist, Lois Rodgers, be doing?
- C.T. —Lois will be completing a portrait painting of Lee Robison, one of your classmates who will be very famous because of his contribution to the cause of world peace through the consolidation of the programs of Jack Benny and Fred Allen.
- Pupil—What will we find Elizabeth Johnston doing ten years from now?
- C.T. —Elizabeth will spend her time guiding tourists through her native state, Texas.
- Pupil—Will we find Nelson Hoekstra doing great things, too?
- C.T. —Nelson will have become a prominent citizen of Tecumseh because of his excellent work in plumbing. He will be piping water from the hot springs of Arkansas to heat the Old Vendoma Hotel, which will be redecorated by Marian Rodgers.
- Pupil—And what can you tell me about Barbara Thielan?
- C.T. —Barbara will become popular with all the young men because of her theory that a woman's place is in the home and because she proves it.
- Pupil—What about the valedictorian of my class, Iota Skinner?
- C.T. —Iota and Iva Scofield will operate a widely advertised Beauty Salon in Ridgeway. One of their most popular and regular customers will be Garrett Linger, who will come from his cattle ranch in Omaha for one of their special permanent waves every few months.
- Pupil—And Basil Smith?
- C.T. —Basil and William DePuy will open a fruit and vegetable stand on Broadway, and will turn their newspaper routes over to their grand-children.
- Pupil—What will become of Helen Teske?
- C.T. —Soft-hearted Helen and Elizabeth Blohm will open a nursery for stray puppies with the money given to them for this purpose by Herbert Maynard, who will be a famous coach of the New York Yankees.
- Pupil—Could you tell me what Maxine Easton and Mary Blessing will be doing?
- C.T. —Maxine will take the place of Tizzie Lish and will be the originator of many famous new recipes. Mary will give lectures to young girls on "How to Act on Dates".
- Pupil—And William Powell and Harry Marsh?
- C.T. —William will be earning \$15 a month as a stand-in for his famous name-sake of Hollywood. Harry Marsh will become the president of the Marshall Field Company of Chicago, and his favorite secretaries will be Caroline Eagan and Betty Coffey.
- Pupil—What will become of James Mackey?
- C.T. —James will become important politically through his position as Mayor of Macon.
- Pupil—What about those girls from Brownville, Vesta St. John and Anna Beevers?
- C.T. —Vesta will be one of America's foremost tap dancers and will give a command performance before Adolf Hitler, and Anna will continue to display her admirable managing ability when she becomes owner of the Brownville store.
- Pupil—One of the most brilliant students in our class was Wendell Wertenberger. What will become of him?
- C.T. —Wendel will gain fame and fortune through the publishing of his most outstanding book "How To Get A's Without Studying."
- Pupil—Tell me about Dorothy McConnell and Thelma Jean Feight.
- C.T. —Dorothy will be furthering the success of a new Grigg's Dairy, and Thelma Jean will be traveling and lecturing to new brides on "How To Keep House". She will be influential in stopping many Reno divorces.
- Pupil—What will Jean Collins and Jean Poucher be doing?
- C.T. —Jean Collins will become known internationally in the business world, and Jean Poucher will be learning new facts about carpentry.
- Pupil—And what about my future?
- C.T. —You will become a successful breeder of thoroughbred horses to race in the Kentucky Derby.
- Pupil—My class will certainly live up to their motto, won't they? "Impossible" is Un-American.

# CLASS WILL

*Attorneys—NELSON HOEKSTRA AND HARRY MARSH*

**LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT:** We, the Senior Class of Tecumseh High School, County of Lenawee, State of Michigan, being of sound mind and memory, do make, publish, and declare this our last will and testament, whereby we do will and bequeath the sum total of our worldly belongings, collectively and individually, according to the following provisions:

**FIRST:** We direct that all of our just debts and funeral expenses be paid by the Juniors, to whom we hereby give and bequeath all monetary assets and liabilities. We do also leave the above named class our reputation for business integrity and sagacity.

**SECOND:** As a group, we hereby leave to the Faculty as a whole a full measure of our heart-felt gratitude and appreciation for their efforts in developing hidden powers during the last four years.

**THIRD:** Individually, we wish to make the following bequests:

1. Dean Jones leaves his acting ability to Lyle Reinhart.
2. Jack Hammel wills his unceasing loyalty and leadership to Louis Schneider.
3. Lee Robison wills his inexhaustible package of gum to any person who is sly enough to get by with it.
4. Lois Rodgers bequeaths her love for the arts to Jane Clark.
5. Mary Blessing leaves her talkativeness to Verna Furgason.
6. Bill De Puy bequeaths some of his pencils to Ernest Oliver.
7. Doris Wintersteen leaves her typing skill and speed to Wallace Damon.
8. Lillis Brown wills her convincing ways to her sister Pearl. Make the best of it, Pearl, as Lillis really knows **HOW!**
9. Anna Beevers leaves her dependability to Ruth Leighton.
10. Iota Skinner leaves her immense height to Bill Lenardson.
11. Alice McKee leaves her pleasant personality to Art Baaske.
12. Elizabeth Johnston leaves her elegant handwriting to anyone who may want to be a good writer.
13. Kenneth Abbott wills his musical ability to George Isaacson.
14. Beulah Truesdale wills her cute freckles to Janet Underwood.
15. Wendell Wertenberger leaves his mental aptitude to Herbert Fisher.
16. Neil Jones wills his loud, booming voice to Robert Bailey.
17. Earl Kruger bequeaths his thrift to Frank Barritt.
18. Herbert Maynard leaves his sophistication to Jennie O'Pravil.
19. Basil Smith wills his passion for skating to Donald Woods.
20. Garrett Linger leaves his ability to "go steady" to Clarence Wolters.
21. Ralph Camburn leaves his mathematical genius to anyone who needs it.
22. Bill Powell wills his versatility to Donald Fritz.

**LASTLY:** We hereby nominate and appoint Mr. C. R. Dustin, attorney-at-law of Tecumseh, Michigan, to be the executor, without bond, of this, our last will and testament; and we hereby revoke all former wills and testamentary instruments.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** We have hereto subscribed our name and affixed our seal, this 7th day of June, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-nine A. D.

*Senior Class of Tecumseh High School, 1939*

**WITNESSES:**

Madam Queene  
Andy Gump  
Smoky Stover  
Judge Puffel





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# CLASSES



BACK ROW—Gordon Miller, Louis Schneider, Wallace Damon, James LaBounty, Clarence Wolters, Arthur Baaske, Lyle Reinhart, Franklin Barritt, Henry Smith, Max Umbarger, Russell Gove, Ronald VanValkenburg, Herbert Fisher, Harry Beland, Neal Brazee, Willard Woods.  
MIDDLE ROW—Glenn Kohler, Seymour Barritt, Gregg Aebersold, Wanda Francis, Betty Heidenreich, Eleanor Jones, Bettie McCoy, Betty Joyce Green, Juanita Jackson, George Isaacson, Vern Manwaring, William Osburn, Robert Rutherford, Mr. Young.  
SITTING—Sam Hamilton, Janet Underwood, Ruth Leighton, Pearl Brown, Jenny O'Pravil, Rae Nita Larsen, Alice Louise Claus, Mariella Coffey, Mary Lue Curtiss, Betty McCaughen, Mary Lois Smith, Lois McCaughen, Verna Furgeson, Dorman Edwards, Donald Fritz, Donald LaBounty.

## JUNIOR CLASS

<i>Adviser</i> .....	Mr. Jon Young
<i>President</i> .....	Louis Schneider
<i>Vice-President</i> .....	Herbert Fisher
<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i> .....	Mariella Coffey
<i>Student Council Representative</i> .....	Rae Nita Larsen

The Class of 1940 started their Junior year off by holding a class party at the Iron Creek Mill Pond. On the evening of December 2, 1938, we sponsored the J-Hop, with Jerry Beissel furnishing the music. The gym was realistically decorated in the night club fashion. Another class party was held at the home of Alice Louise Claus, the diversion being ice-skating and sliding. An assembly program showing the Junior Class's conception of a broadcasting station's daily routine was given on January 28. Then came our play on April 26-27. The cast was composed of Eleanor Jones, Herbert Fisher, Betty Joyce Green, Mariella Coffey, Mary Lue Curtis, Samuel Hamilton, Louis Schneider, Harry Beland, Glenn Kohler, Betty McCoy, Wallace Damon, Janet Underwood, Jennie O'Pravil, Rae Nita Larsen, Pearl Brown, Juanita Jackson, Ruth Leighton, Alice Louise Claus, George Isaacson, and Arthur Baaske.

Plans are being made for, and we are all looking forward to, a successful Junior-Senior Reception.

## SOPHOMORES



TOP ROW—Robert Hamilton, Ernest Oliver, Hugh Des Ermia, Harold Easton, James O'Neill, George Rockwood, Bill Lenardson, Robert McKee, Donald Woods, Ernest VanValkenburg, Bob Jewell, Billy Mackey, Ivan Maynard.  
MIDDLE ROW—Ruth Galloway, Ruth Brainard, Olive Gurtzweiler, Ruth Johnston, Camilla Satterthwaite, Ellen Smith, Peggy Clark, Leola Boyce, Margaret Cadmus, Evelyn Lindsley, Betty Kruger, Mrs. Service.  
SITTING—Ruth Vest, Juanita Graf, Ruth Sipe, Lorraine Haviland, Florence Hunt, Ida Woodcox, Florence Wilson, Abbie Cowan, Jean Osburn, Jane Clark, Frances Glenn, Rose Marie Strand, Bertha Mae Kring, Dorothy Cole.



## FRESHMEN



TOP ROW—Marian Hastings, Rodah Peotter, Helen Claus, Margaret Jack, Margaret Peters, Beulah Logan, Mary Hewlett, Elva Mae Dickinson, Joan Hanna, Barbara Dannells, Camilla O'Pravil, Ruth Denny, Hazel Jarrett, Joyce Waldron, Alline Lerch, Wilma Hoagland, Joan Poucher.  
MIDDLE ROW—Alfred Allen, Mr. Parsons, Marvin Rumpf, Ethel Cook, Joan Ward, Crystal Wise, Mary Jo Dewey, Mary Lou Boyd, Margaret Hardy, Lois Clark, Margaret Teske, Mary Wickwire, Carol Johnston, Lucille Arnold, Mary Wolters, Mary Cook, Stella Matyka, Irene Dobek, Louise Harper, Lois Harper.  
SITTING—Harold Gorrell, Willis Davenport, George Wilson, Bob Bailey, James Meade, Wayne Jackson, Billy Underwood, Jim Smith, Bob Wilson, Richard Hammel, Allen Brooks, Bob Mohr, Jack Curtis, Charles Coffey, Mahlon Sebring, Charles Spillman, Maurice Hoekstra.

## EIGHTH GRADE



**TOP ROW**—Jack Osburn, Donald Smith, Donald Winter, Ronald Wilcox, Malcolm Bagshaw, Donald Brazee, George Underwood, Max Green, Karl Schneider, Robert Laidlaw, Latham Dewey, Norman Kempf, John Hamilton, William Brown, Wilbur Meads, Irving Gurtweiler, Carl Vest, Glen Hagadorn, Hunter Heesen.

**MIDDLE ROW**—Mr. Brazee, Mary Wright, Helen Holmes, Adalene Hammack, Aileen Wintersteen, Kathryn Beevers, Dawn House, Katherine Davis, Alice McAtee, Halcyon Mead, Virginia Schultz, Doris O'Neill, Dolores O'Neill, Elaine Cousino, Aileen O'Neill, Betty Jane Gray, Fern Beevers, William Loyd.

**SITTING**—Yolande Baldwin, Kathleen Powell, Joyce Sallows, Marjorie Colson, Jane Leighton, Delee Perin, Gertrude Watson, Dorothy Stuart, Mary Shea, Emma Gallant, Alice Keith, Lorraine Service, Corleone Hunt, Mary Jane Smith, Mary Louise Stevenson, Betty Lou Campbell.



## SEVENTH GRADE



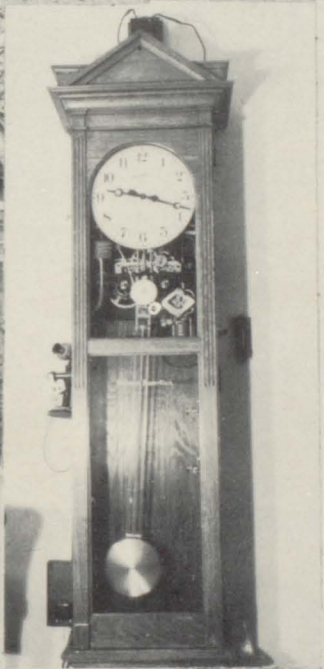
**TOP ROW**—Robert Rumpf, William Clark, Junior Strand, Billy Sisson, Howard McLain, Leon Shaffer, Jack Slater, Billy Clark, Lowell Wise, Jack Bater, James Spooner, Dick Murphy, James Murphy, Perry Satterthwaite, John Hewlett, Jack Puffer, Bruce Osburn, Dorman Lowry, Dalton VanValkenburg, Max Brandt.

**MIDDLE ROW**—Donald Gallant, Cuyler Hills, Glenn Socks, Lee Coffey, Robert Hoekstra, Patty Nyland, Joan Lott, Virginia Collins, Geraldine Haviland, Helen Kelley, Donna Bowers, Doris Gallant, Martha Martin, Arvilla Covell, Betty Jane Smith, Leona Schultz, Marguerite Stuart, Dorothy Bowen, Miss Elliott.

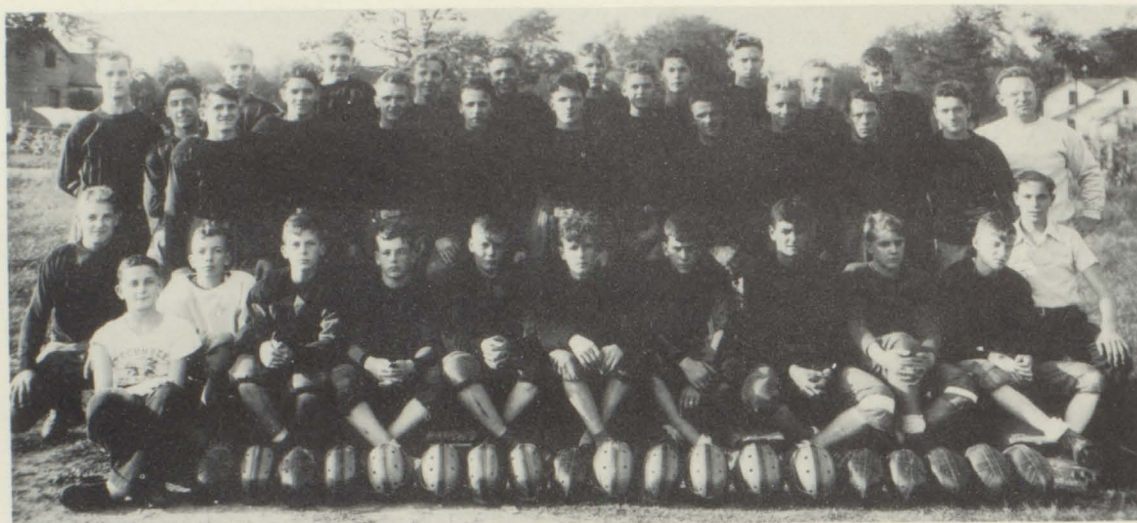
**SITTING**—Jack Brown, Vivian Clark, Mary Jane Cordray, Jackquiline Rogers, Arlene Easton, Patricia Hickey, Joyce Service, Nancy Tingley, Floris Howe, Dolores Isaacson, Suzanne Bills, Wilma Meads, Mildred Martin, Mary Jane Covell, Marilyn Wilson, Isabel Hamilton, Jean Bailey.



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# SPORTS



STANDING—Mr. Johnson, Jones, Wallace Damon, Brazee, Calvin Damon, Lenardson, Clair Manwaring, Powell, Henry Smith, Kronberg, Calhoun, Chase, Linger, Isaacson, Reinhart, Jack Smith, Aebersold, Robison, LaBounty, Herbert Maynard, Schneider, Coach Wilson.  
SITTING—Vern Manwaring, Hamilton, Jim Smith, Wilson, Coffey, Mohr, Hoekstra, Ivan Maynard, Shavalier, Mackey, Oliver, Baaske.

## FOOTBALL

Dundee	13	0
Roosevelt (Ypsi.)	12	0
Belleville	6	0
Chelsea	29	0
Milan	0	6
Clinton	0	6
Saline	13	7
Blissfield	7	13

Hopes for a very successful football campaign ran high as the '38 season opened. The squad numbered about thirty boys, who were somewhat small in size to play this rugged sport. The old injury jinx pursued the Indians throughout the season, and not until the closing games did Coach Wilson's warriors hit their stride. After dropping the first four games by very close scores, our boys did an about-face and finished very strong.

Highlights of the season were Reinhart's touchdown run against a highly touted Clinton team for a 6-0 victory; also our 13-7 win over our traditional rival from Blissfield.

Next year's team will have a goodly number of veterans; however, there will be a scarcity of experienced line material.

Senior squad members were Cap't. Manwaring, Linger, Powell, Robison, Maynard, Kronberg, Jones, Calhoun, J. Smith.

## BASEBALL

The season's prospects are rather gloomy. There is little veteran material available; however, there are about thirty candidates out for various positions, most of them Freshmen and Sophomores. It looks as if we will spend our spring season developing ball players for next year's team.



STANDING—Coach Wilson, LaBounty, Smith, Schneider, Jewell, Lenardson, Sebring, Spillman, McKee, Beland.

SITTING—Baaske, Damon, Hoekstra, Maynard, Manwaring, Hammel, Linger, Brazee, Sam Hamilton, Roy Hamilton, Rumpf, Wilson, Coffey, Smith, Moore.

## BASKETBALL

Our team this year struggled through a rather hectic season. We started with a bang, defeating a supposedly strong Addison team, 18-14, for the scheduled opener. Then came the Lenawee County tournament at Hudson. The first night of play saw us defeating Blissfield, 21-13. (Blissfield later on in the season won the Lenawee County championship.) On the second night of play we defeated Morenci in an overtime tilt, 22-21, thanks to Lefty Chase and his two free-throws. We lost to Hudson in the finals, however, by a three point margin, the score being 30-27.

The remainder of the season proved very disastrous, as we won only one game,—the one with Roosevelt. However, in the district tournament we won from Manchester in the first round, 28-20. In the second game, after leading Dundee for the entire game, we were sunk in the overtime, 22-20. Our boys played great basketball, and it should have been our ball game. "The Old Gray Mare" was the battle song, and Dundee didn't seem to like it.

The "Bob-Tail Band" sure did a grand job all season going everywhere with the team.

The following boys will be lost to the squad next season: Cap't. Jack Hammel, Garrett Linger, Clair Manwaring, Herbert Maynard, and Nelson Hoekstra.



## TENNIS

Tecumseh will again be represented in the Huron League Tennis schedule. Prospects look bright, with most of the 1938 squad back and with the addition of some promising new candidates. In addition to the Huron League games, the team will have an opportunity to meet some of the teams of the Lenawee County League.



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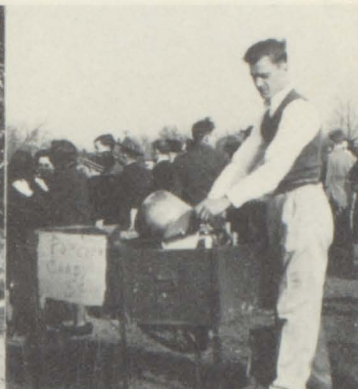




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# ACTIVITIES



TOP ROW—Neil Jones, Rodah Peotter, Herbert Fisher, Kenneth Abbott, Dean Jones, Hugh Des Ermia.

MIDDLE ROW—Leslie Calhoun, Wendell Wertenberger, Alice Claus, Evelyn Lindsley, Joan Poucher, Richard Hammel, Joyce Waldron, Mary Wolters, Corleone Hunt, Betty Joyce Green, Dalton VanValkenburg, Ronald VanValkenburg, Glenn Kohler, George Rockwood, Harold Brown, Marjorie French.

SITTING—Rae Nita Larsen, Maxine Easton, Wanda Francis, Bob Bailey, Helen Claus, Camilla Satterthwaite, Bill DePuy, Jean Poucher, Ralph Camburn, Mr. Camburn, Florence Wilson, Betty Kruger, Betty Heidenreich, Crystal Wise, Mary Cook, Ernest VanValkenburg, Carl Vest, Elva Mae Dickinson.

## BAND

The Band is an "all year 'round" organization, with Dean Jones as President, Herbert Fisher as Vice-President, and Florence Wilson, Secretary-Treasurer. They play for street concerts in the summer, and for football games and other concerts, the remainder of the year.

The Band Mothers' Club, with the help of the band students, is earning money for new uniforms. One of the first activities for this purpose was a Variety Show. This consisted of a play given by adults, one by the band members, two tap dances, an accordion solo, and a number by the Girls' Sextette. The next program which the band sponsored was a concert by the Albion College Band.

The band was honored this year by having six of its members go to Detroit to play in the All-State Band and Orchestra. They were Neil Jones, Florence Wilson, Kenneth Abbott, and Wendell Wertenberger, who were in the All-State Band, and Alice Louise Claus and Herbert Fisher in the All-State Orchestra.

Mr. Camburn is the band director.



STANDING—Kenneth Abbott, Donald VanValkenburg, William DePuy, Wendell Wertenberger.

SITTING—Herbert Fisher, Mr. Berkhof, Neil Jones.

## BOYS' SEXTETTE

The Boys' Sextette was organized this year as an initial step toward the formation of a Boys' Glee Club for our high school. Although the crowded schedule of the boys made it difficult to hold regular rehearsals, the meetings which were held were enjoyed by the group. They hope to contribute to one of the assembly programs in the spring of the year.



TOP ROW—Barbara Dannells, Helen Claus, Bertha Mae Kring, Frances Glenn, Lois Clark, Carol Johnston, Margaret Hardy, Ruth Johnston, Lucille Arnold, Mary Wolters, Ethel Cook, Mary Blessing.

MIDDLE ROW—Miss Humphrey, Mary Cook, Alice Claus, Joan Ward, Crystal Wise, Rodah Peotter, Elizabeth Blohm, Ruth Galloway, Camilla Satterthwaite, Ruth Brainard.

SITTING—Marian Hastings, Wanda Francis, Florence Hunt, Ida Woodcox, Florence Wilson, Maxine Easton, Joyce Waldron, Iota Skinner, Ruth Vest, Rose Marie Strand, Stella Matyka, Joan Poucher.

## GIRLS' GLEE CLUB

The Girls' Glee Club was organized in the fall under the direction of Miss Humphrey. The sextette is composed of Ida Woodcox, Ruth Brainard, Jean Collins, Helen Claus, Margaret Hardy, and Florence Wilson. The trio is composed of Alice Louise Claus, Betty Joyce Green, and Crystal Wise.

Their first appearance was in an assembly program on November 4. The Glee Club also sang at the Music Festival in Adrian on April 13. The sextette sang at Adrian on March 29.



STANDING—Barbara Thielan, Lois Rodgers, Jack Smith, Doris Wintersteen, Alice McKee.

SITTING—Jack Hammel, Ralph Camburn, Mrs. Laidlaw, Iota Skinner, Dean Jones, Anna Beevers.

## ANNUAL STAFF

<i>Adviser</i> .....	Mrs. Laidlaw
<i>Editor</i> .....	Anna Beevers
<i>Assistant Editor</i> .....	Ralph Camburn
<i>Club Editor</i> .....	Iota Skinner
<i>Society Editor</i> .....	Barbara Thielan
<i>Feature Editor</i> .....	Doris Wintersteen
<i>Sports Editor</i> .....	Clair Manwaring
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<i>Advertising</i> .....	Dean Jones
<i>Typist</i> .....	Alice McKee



STANDING—Rae Nita Larsen, George Rockwood, Jim Smith, Norman Kempf.

SITTING—Mr. Mead, Iota Skinner, Mr. Dustin, Joan Lott, Jack Hammel.

## STUDENT COUNCIL

The officers of the student council this year were as follows: Jack Hammel, President; Rae Nita Larsen, Vice-President; Iota Skinner, Secretary-Treasurer.

The most important among the council's activities this year was the conducting of a Student Activity Contest. This contest gave points to the class having the highest attendance at basketball games and debates, the best assembly program, the best-conducted P.T.A. dance. The class having the highest number of points at the end of the year is to be awarded a banner.

The student council attended the Huron League Student Council Convention at Roosevelt High School, Ypsilanti, and exchanged many ideas on student council activities.



STANDING—Ronald VanValkenburg, Willard Woods, Billy Mackey, Howard Kronberg, Donald Fritz, George Rockwood, William DePuy.  
SITTING—Donald Woods, Leslie Calhoun, Gregg Aebersold, William Osburn, Mr. Parsons, Russell Gove, Robert McKee, Herbert Fisher, Lyle Reinhart.

## F. F. A.

The officers of the Tecumseh Chapter of the Future Farmers of America are as follows: Adviser, Mr. George Parsons; President, Herbert Fisher; Vice-President, Ronald Van Valkenburg; Secretary, Willard Woods; Treasurer, Gregg Aebersold; Reporter, William De Puy.

The members of the organization try to live up to their motto: "Learn to do by doing."



LEFT TO RIGHT—Miss Elliott, Betty Joyce Green, Rae Nita Larsen, Alice Louise Claus.

## DEBATE

The question debated by members of the Michigan High School Forensic Association this year was: "Resolved, that the United States Should Establish an Alliance with Great Britain."

The 1938-39 Tecumseh High School Debate team members were three veteran debaters, Betty Joyce Green, Alice Louise Claus and Rae Nita Larsen. The first scheduled debate took the team to Milan, where Tecumseh upheld the negative side of the question. The decision was given in favor of the Milan team.

The next two debates were with Britton, whom we defeated, and Ypsilanti Roosevelt, to whom we lost. Having lost two out of three debates, Tecumseh was eliminated from the remainder of the season's Forensic Association schedule.

The team is grateful to Mr. Berkhof and to Miss Ingersoll for their coöperation in the preparation of this year's briefs. Miss Elliott was our debate coach.



## THE JUNIOR FALL FROLIC

As a result of many hours of hard work on the part of the Junior class, the Junior Fall Frolic, held October 29th., 1937, was a great success. The gymnasium was appropriately decorated with black and orange streamers, leaves, and pumpkins. At one end of the gymnasium a miniature corn field was built, with a rail fence, corn shocks, and leaves. Refreshments were served, and the music was furnished by Bernard Stadtmiller and his orchestra.



## THE JUNIOR-SENIOR RECEPTION

The annual Junior-Senior Reception was given on May 13, 1938, in honor of the Senior class. The gymnasium was beautifully decorated to represent the Hawaiian Islands, the walls being covered with paintings of Hawaiian landscapes, and the orchestra platform presenting the appearance of a grass hut. Miniature palm trees added to the Hawaiian atmosphere. The dinner was served by the Sophomores, who were dressed in Hawaiian costumes, and it was followed by a program. Music was furnished by Bernard Stadtmiller for the dancing that completed the evening.



## THE CHRISTMAS DANCE

The annual Christmas Dance was held on December 22, 1938, in the High School gymnasium under the supervision of the Senior class. A very large lighted Christmas tree stood in the center of the gymnasium, which was beautifully decorated with red and white streamers. The music was furnished by a local orchestra.



**STANDING**—Harry Marsh, Nelson Hoekstra, Herbert Maynard, Garrett Linger, Jack Hammel, Lee Robison, Leslie Calhoun, Clair Manwaring, James Mackey.

**SITTING**—Dean Jones, Doris Wintersteen, Laurabelle Hewlett, Margaret Gove, Barbara Thielan, Anna Beevers, Vesta St. John, Ellen Holdridge, Jean Poucher, Mr. Young.

## THE JUNIOR PLAY

The Junior Play, "Guess Again", was given before a receptive audience on March 23 and 24, 1938, under the direction of Mr. Jon Young.

## THE SENIOR PLAY

On November 16 and 17, 1938, the Senior class, under the skillful direction of Mr. Jon Young, presented a thrilling three-act mystery play entitled "The Yellow Shadow".



STANDING—Juanita Jackson, Margaret Cadmus, Ruth Brainard, Jeanne Sluyter, Robert Bailey.

SITTING—Janet Underwood, Wanda Francis, Mrs. Service, Iota Skinner, Hugh Des Ermia.

## JOURNALISM CLUB

The Journalism Club was organized last fall with the following staff: Editor-in-chief, Jeanne Sluyter, and Secretary-Treasurer, Janet Underwood.

The purpose of this club is primarily to write school notes for the "Tecumseh Herald". The club also studies the art of newspaper writing and examines other school papers in the hope that some day they may be able to print one of their own.



STANDING—L. Hewlett, P. Brown, L. Brown, A. McKee, A. Claus, J. Collins, R. Camburn, P. Clark, R. Brainard, J. Osburn, R. Leighton, R. Johnston.

SITTING—L. Boyce, J. Hammel, C. Satterwaite, R. Larsen, B. Heidenreich, Mrs. Service, H. Aebersold, R. Vest, J. Poucher, H. Fisher.

## FRENCH CLUB

The French Club was not organized until late in the year. The following officers were elected: President, Alice McKee; Secretary-Treasurer, Ruth Leighton.

The purpose of the club is to promote an interest in the French language and customs and a better knowledge of the French people. Meetings are held every two weeks at the home of the adviser, Mrs. Service.

# 1938-39 CALENDAR

- Sept. 5 School again, and freshmen late for classes in all the confusion of finding new class-rooms and deciding what subjects to master this year.  
7 Pupils are getting into routine work after making many changes in their schedules. We certainly are going to have enough nurses to keep us healthy, if present plans of many of the girls mean anything.  
23 First football game of the season. Played at Dundee.  
30 Football with Roosevelt High—at Ypsi.
- Oct. 7 Football at Belleville. They won.  
8 Bake sale sponsored by Seniors. We're out to make a little "mazuma".  
14 Chelsea game, and the Seniors had selling rights.  
20 Pep meeting. Old "pep" was right there, too. The Sophomores had the highest representation, and after the yelling and the bonfire, they began the snake dance with "Chief Jack" in the lead.  
21 Milan game, and our warriors were victorious. The war-whoops were deafening.  
28 Clinton game. Good old Tecumseh High invaded Clinton ten thousand strong and marched home with the laurels.  
30 Ghosts, goblins, and witches in the gym for a Hallowe'en party.
- Nov. 4 Glee Club assembly program. Football with Saline here. Also "Crashing Society", a play sponsored by the band.  
5 Bake sale. Does that \$15.00 look good in our treasury!  
10 Pep meeting for Blissfield game.  
11 Armistice day program and game with Blissfield here. A glorious victory!  
16 Senior play—"The Yellow Shadow". Don't look so frightened, but confidentially it was scary!  
17 Senior play again to-night. Wasn't that sheriff a scream?  
18 The "Big Chief" (Mr. Dustin) goes big-game hunting. Debate with Britton. We won! Hurrah!  
23 Junior High assembly program.
- Dec. 2 Juniors give a J-Hop.  
3 Bake sale.  
5 Hot lunches start, and are the barbecues delicious!  
6 Ardis has a sneeze.  
7 Ardis has a cough and interrupts our speaker, Mr. Bailey, who lectured to us on narcotics.  
8 Ardis has a cold.  
8 Time for basketball—First game with Addison here. We won!  
13 Debate; also football banquet.  
15 Basketball at Saline. We lost. Christmas program.  
20 Basketball at Addison.  
22 Christmas party. Mr. Collier got a few pictures of it.  
23 Hurrah! School is out for the holidays!
- Jan. 3 Everyone back, and all pepped up for those exams—we hope!  
4 Speaker for assembly—Mr. Barnes.  
5 Tournament at Hudson. We defeated Blissfield to-night.  
6 We won again in the tournament at Hudson, this time over Morenci.  
7 Hudson tournament again. We lost to Hudson by a narrow margin.  
10 Tea dance in gym.
- 13 More basketball, with Milan, here. Also Junior assembly program.  
14 Bake sale. Things are slowing up, but nine dollars is quite a feather in the headdress of the Seniors.  
17 Blissfield basketball game, there.  
18 Lincoln here.  
23 Clinton comes to fight the Indians.  
26 Dundee there.
- Feb. 3 Belleville there.  
4 Well, what do you know! The Seniors made \$11.50 on their bake sale! Gee, maybe we will have a skip day after all!  
10 Basketball with Roosevelt here.  
13 Chapel to start the week out right.  
14 Let me see—today is Valentine's Day, and who was it on the staff that received such a nice big valentine? Did she blush!?  
16 The Honor Roll is posted. Oh me! Why can't we all be as smart as Iota? But you can't have brains and looks too, can you, Iota?  
17 Basketball with University High team at Ann Arbor.  
18 Ardis still has a cold.  
21 Blissfield plays here.  
22 Band presents "The Man With the Bowler Hat" and "The Teeth of the Gift Horse". Very amusing plays.  
24 Chelsea there.  
31. Speaker from Africa. Interesting.
- Mar. 4 5 berries cleared on the bake sale today. Boy, are we going to the Falls or not, Seniors?  
7 Speaker from Liberia.  
8 What's going to happen? Ardis isn't coughing today!  
14 Humpty-Dumpty Circus. Very entertaining.  
21 Band puts on a program for the Rotarians.  
22 Matinee of the lower grades' operetta, "Tom Sawyer"—Nobody should have missed it, 'cause the admission was only a nickel. Do you suppose they are trying to lower the "Strand's" prices?  
23 Last showing of "Tom Sawyer". A big night for the kiddies, wasn't it, Lee?  
24 Last day of hot lunches, and no more barbecues. Woe is me! Did we make any profit this year, girls? Poor Mrs. Laidlaw! She surely needs a spring vacation. The rumor is that we Home Eckers are going to take shop work and the shop boys Home Ec. for a few weeks after spring vacation. Sounds like a good idea. Don't you think so, too, Coach? Or don't you?  
28 Speaker for assembly.  
31 Hot dog—Spring vacation! Careful—don't get too enthusiastic and get a "bad coad id the head."
- Apr. 11 C. L. Burgderfer, impersonator.  
25 Freshman assembly program.
- May 2 Sophomore assembly program.  
9 Speaker.  
19 Junior-Senior Reception.  
25 Senior boat trip to Niagara Falls! At last it's coming true!
- June 2 June Frolic.  
7 Class Day.  
8 Commencement Exercises.  
9 Oh, Seniors, don't look so forlorn! But I know how the rest of you feel—folks, today is the last day of school!



## FACULTY-CAN YOU IMAGINE?

Mr. Berkhof .....	Without a smile?
Mr. Dustin .....	Telling his correct age?
Mr. Camburn .....	Without a good band?
Mrs. Laidlaw .....	Making poor barbecues?
Mrs. Way .....	Without her transcript?
Mr. Brazee .....	Not telling a story?
Mr. Wilson .....	Being an art and song teacher?
Mr. Parsons .....	Without a date at 3:45 in the assembly?
Mrs. Service .....	Weighing 150?
Miss Elliott .....	Not saying "Get to work!"?
Mr. Mead .....	Not being hungry?
Miss Humphrey .....	Getting angry?
Mr. Johnson .....	Not playing a sax like Jimmy Dorsey?
Miss Ackerman .....	Without Miss Elliott?
Mr. Young .....	Giving up reading the latest novels?

# DEATH NOTICES OF THE YEAR 2050

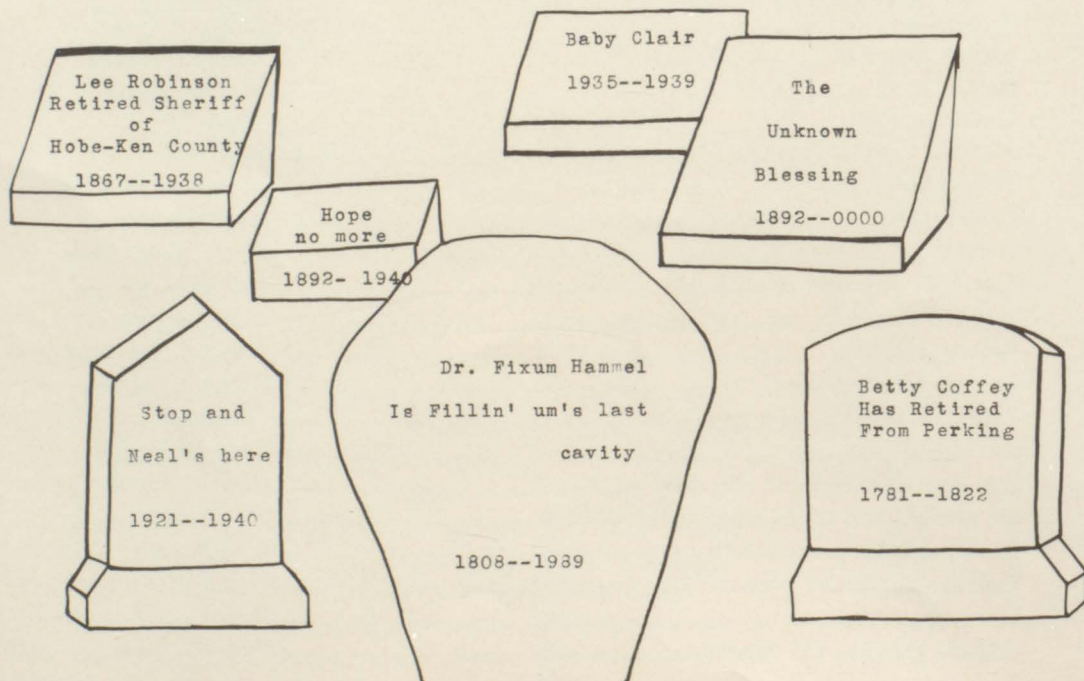


Flat feet .....	Neil Jones
Wheel came off bicycle .....	Alice McKee
Old age .....	Dean Jones
Entered Walkathon .....	Hope Aebersold
Melancholyosis .....	Ralph Camburn
Embarrassment .....	Iva Scofield
Heart Failure .....	Beulah Truesdale
Smothered in an ant hole .....	Ardis Harkness
Studyosis .....	Elizabeth Johnston
Her ship didn't come in.....	Barbara Thielan
Hanged in fun .....	Leslie Calhoun
Boiler explosion .....	Herbert Maynard
Bumped head on ladder .....	Marian Rodgers
Hit by boomerang .....	Jack Hammel
Swallowed plate from false teeth .....	Helen Teske
Their canoe sank .....	Betty Coffey
Same canoe sank .....	Caroline Eagan
Slippery walksitis .....	Elizabeth Blohm
Hit by lightning .....	Lois Rodgers
Thoughtosis .....	Earl Kruger
Overweight .....	Iota Skinner
Too much work .....	Nelson Hoekstra
Automobile turned over .....	Garrett Linger
Steering wheel came off .....	Lillis Brown
Fell in a man-hole .....	Lee Robison
Drowned in a rain-storm .....	Jeanne Sluyter
Fell off a wind-mill .....	Bill DePuy
Broke glasses .....	Jean Collins
Too much literature .....	Jack Smith
Tripped over a cat .....	Margaret Gove
Rocked too much .....	Marjorie French
Broken heart .....	Maxine Easton
Lightning stroke .....	Harry Marsh
Planting a garden .....	Bill Powell
Temperature .....	Laurabelle Hewlett
Chair broke .....	Anna Beevers
Nerves .....	Doris Wintersteen
Too much carpentering .....	Jean Poucher
Touched a live wire .....	Mary Blessing
Broken right arm.....	Wendell Wertenberger
Lost his breath in the baritone .....	Kenneth Abbott
Too much singing and bright lights .....	Thelma Feight
She turned gray .....	Ellen Holdridge
Run over by a tractor .....	Howard Kronberg
He saw red and white, black—then nothing .....	Jim Mackey
Drowned in his first tub bath .....	Basil Smith
Thunder frightened him .....	Clair Manwaring
Love sick .....	Dorothy McConnell
Called a grandma too many times .....	Vesta St. John

## THE END



## EPITAPHS



dear class of '39

we are sending you this farewell letter to let you know that you were greatly appreciated, and that we really are going to miss you. we are going to miss those sheeches of jack ham-mel's and jean collins's lovely voice in the girls' sextette. just the other day i saw a girl weeping and wiping tears away at the same time. i asked her why she was crying, and she said that she was going to miss the seniors. so, you see, we really are going to miss you. i don't know what our basketball team will do without you senior boys, and also the football team. the girls may not be so interested in them after you graduate.

but just think, seniors, you can look back at good old tecumseh high as the school from which you graduated, and it will bring back many pleasant memories. we wish you luck.

class of '42.



Dear Seniors, Esq.,

Truly, the Sophomores hate to see you go. No one else could have done as good a job of lording it over us. Without you, we realize that we would have become unbearably conceited. You helped to keep our hat size normal. And when we needed advice, we always knew that we could appeal to you, and that you would condescend to give us the benefit of your superior wisdom.

What would our algebra class have been without Lee Robison to set us a shining example of conduct? Who but Dean Jones could have answered our history questions? Who could have given us better lessons in salesmanship than the Annual-selling Seniors? All these things and more, we owe to you.

We shall always remember you as our ideal. We shall always try to live up to your example, and when we all become Presidents of the United States, we shall say, "We owe it all to the Class of 1939. They set us an example of industry and social conduct which we have never forgotten."

With tears dimming our sight, we bid you a fond farewell.

*Best wishes from*

The Class of 1941.



Dear Seniors,

It is with great pleasure, but with much regret, too, that we write this, our farewell letter to you.

Needless to say, you will be missed by all the underclassmen who have regarded you as an active class and one that will long be remembered by all of us.

We, the Juniors of Tecumseh High, extend our best wishes for your graduation exercises.

Taking the place of such a class as the class of 1939 will not be easy, but we shall try to fill the coveted place which has been left by you.

Wishing you all a successful future,

We remain,

*Sincerely,*

The Class of 1940.

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