

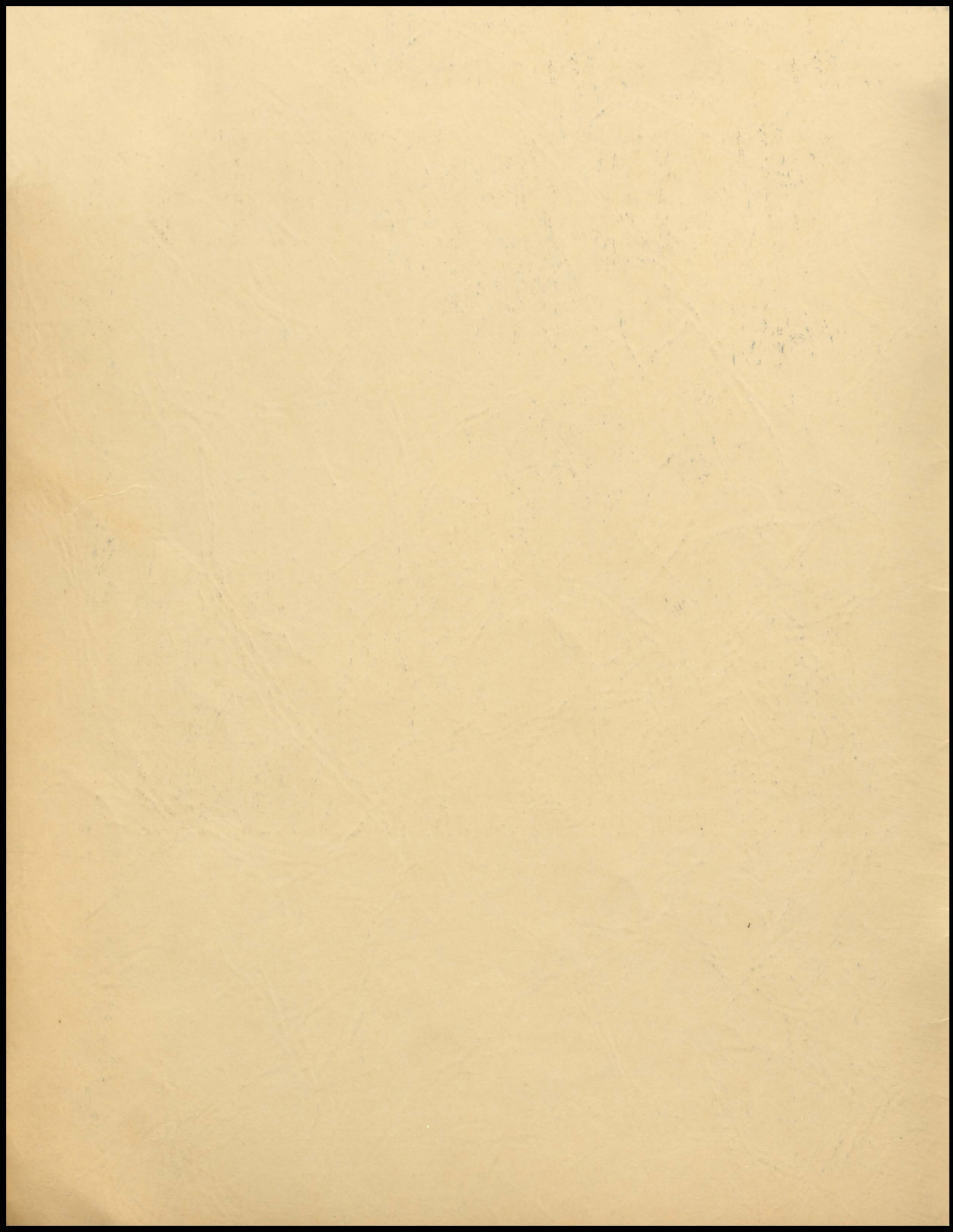
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# SILVER CHORDS

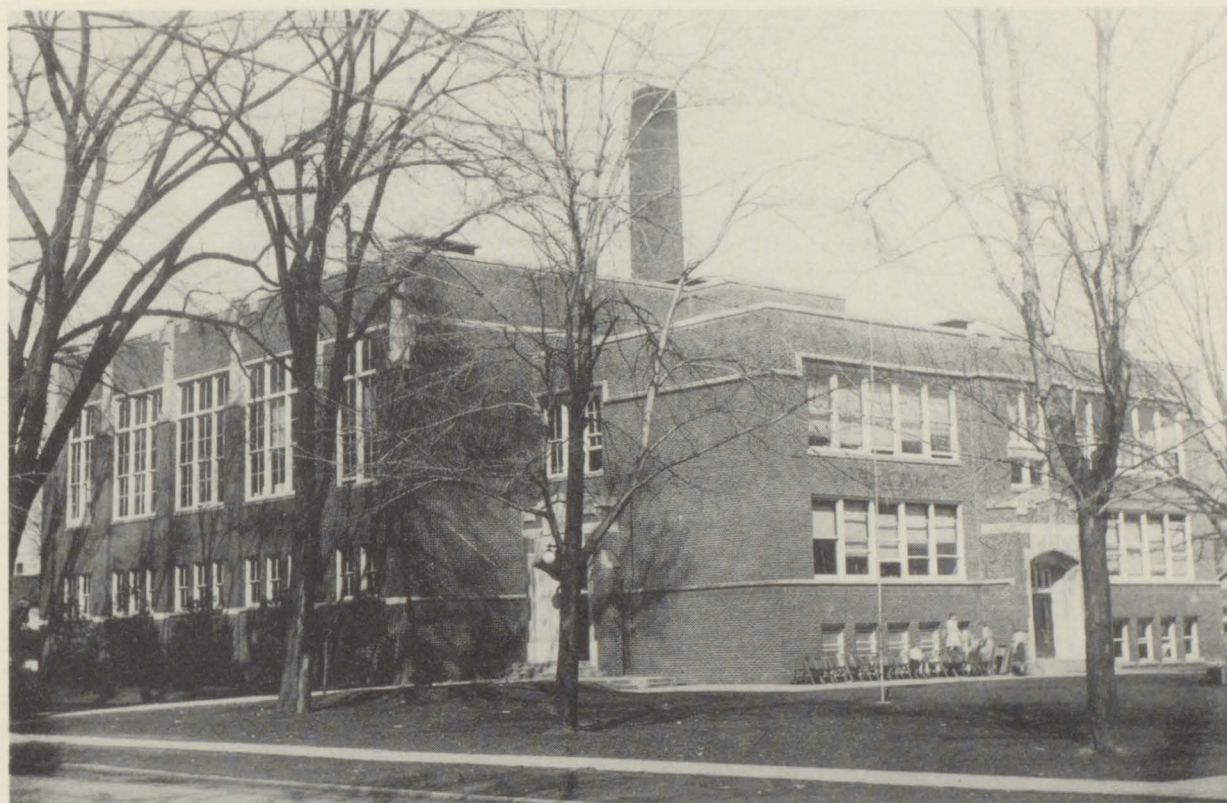
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# SENIOR-ECHOES

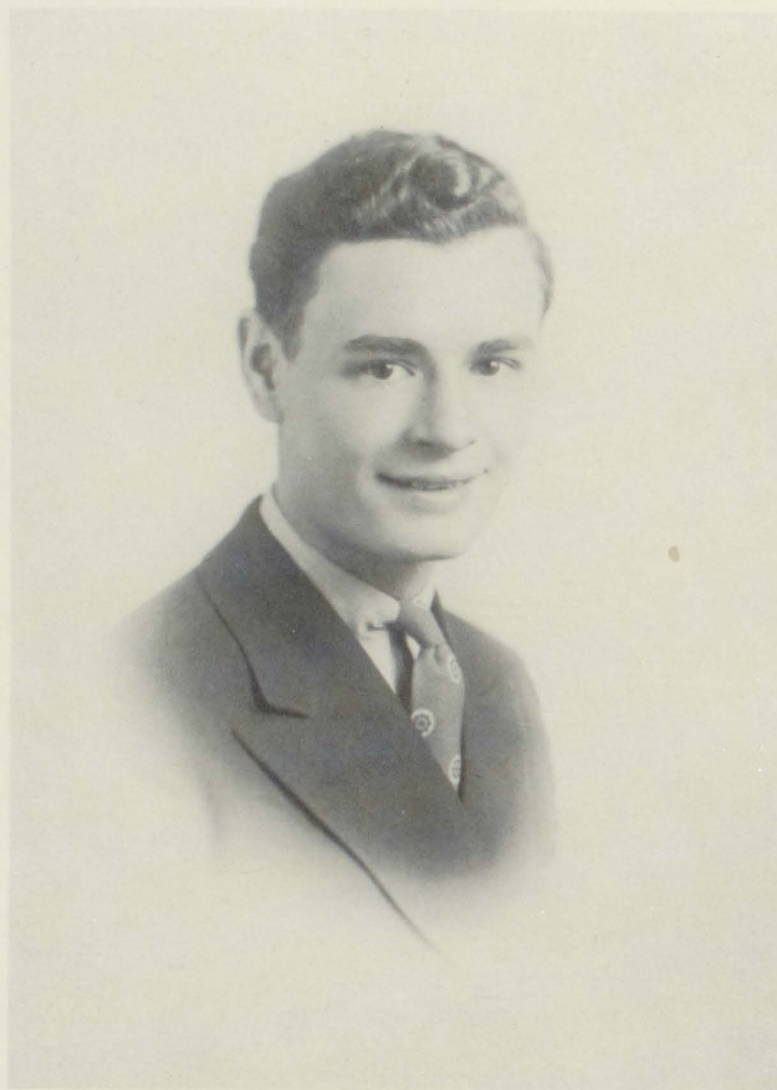


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To

JON L. YOUNG

Who, by his untiring efforts, has helped us through the difficult years of high school, we, the class of '40, dedicate this annual.





MR. W. L. BERKHOF, A.B., M.A.

*Superintendent, American history*

*"I believe that can be arranged."*



# **FACULTY**

MR. C. R. DUSTIN, B.S., M.A.  
Principal, Science, Social Science  
Advanced Mathematics.  
"Where were we, now?"



MR. JON L. YOUNG, A.B., M.A.  
English, U. S. History, Senior  
Adviser.  
"Ho, world! I've seen thee!"



MR. C. H. CAMBURN  
Band Director  
"Music hath charms."



MR. ALVIN C. BRAZEE  
Junior High, Eighth Grade Ad-  
viser.  
"This isn't a sleeping period."



MRS. AYESHA LAIDLAW, B.S.  
Home Economics, Annual Advi-  
ser.  
"All lunch bills must be paid by  
Friday."



MRS. LOIS SERVICE, A.B.  
Foreign Languages, English,  
Sophomore Adviser.  
"Well, at any rate—"





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MRS. DORIS E. WAY

*Commercial*

"Get ready for a 10-minute speed test."



MR. PAUL E. JOHNSON, B.S.

*Mathematics, Science, General Business, Junior Adviser.*

"If you'll bring your knitting, we'll turn this class into a sewing circle."



MR. GEORGE E. PARSONS, B.S.  
M.S.

*Agriculture*

"The F.F.A. will go to Chicago next week."



MISS SARAH K. HUMPHREY,  
B.S.M.

*Music, Art.*

"Now sing that over again, and do it loud."



MR. ADEN MEAD, A.B.

*World History, Social Science.*

"Get your pencil and paper ready for a quiz."



MRS. KATHERINE BLEIL, A.B.

*Girls' Physical Training, Junior High Hygiene.*

"We'll have another test tomorrow."



MISS JANE ELLIOTT, A.B.

*Speech, Debate Coach, Junior High, Seventh Grade Adviser.*

"A soft voice is a rare quality."



MR. FRED RAIZK, B.S.

*Industrial Arts, Boys' Physical Education.*

"Just one more play, boys."





# SENIORS

GREGG AEBERSOLD—"Aby"

"Tecumseh Products, here I come!"

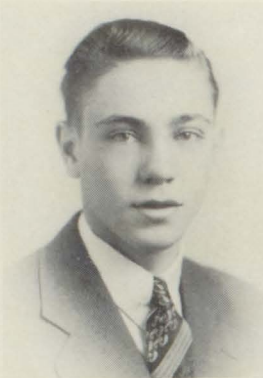
Basketball 4; Football 3, 4; Tennis 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.



ARTHUR BAASKE—"Art"

"Mirror, mirror on the wall,  
Who is the fairest of them all—  
Manchester or Clinton?"

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 4; Tennis 4; Junior and Senior Plays.



FRANKLIN BARRITT—"Frank"

"Life is just the funniest thing—  
so why not take it as a joke?"

Football 2; Band 1; Junior and Senior Plays.



HARRY BELAND—

"What would I do with brains  
when I do so much without  
them?"

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



NEAL BRAZEE—"Braz"

"He's our all-round athlete."

President 2; Annual Staff; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; (Capt. 4); Football 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1; Senior Play.



HAROLD BROWN—"Brown"

"To know him is to like him."



PEARL BROWN—"Pud"

"Her smile, her speech, her winning way,  
Will surely steal your heart away."

Secretary-Treasurer 1; Vice-President 2; Annual Staff; Junior Play; French Club 3, 4; Journalism Club 1, 2; Glee Club 1; Commercial Club 1.



ALICE LOUISE CLAUS—"ouise"

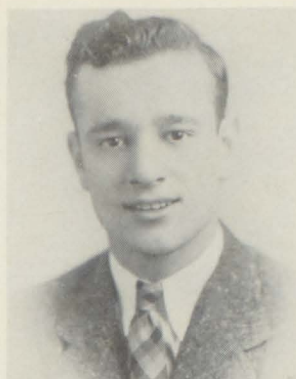
"Sweet music from her violin."

Junior and Senior Plays; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 4; French Club 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Commercial Club 1.





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LOUIS SCHNEIDER—"Louie"

"I'm not the talking kind, but when the time comes, I sure can rattle."

President 1, 3, 4; Annual Staff; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior and Senior Plays.

MARY LUE CURTISS—"Lu"

"She's efficient as can be; this gal works at the D. & C."

Annual Staff; Tennis 3, 4; Junior and Senior Plays; Debate 2; Journalism Club 2; Glee Club 1; Commercial Club 1; Cheerleader 3, 4.



WALLACE DAMON—"Waddie"

"Small men have conquered the world. Look at Napoleon!"

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior and Senior Plays.

MERVIL DICKEY—"Dick"

"Yea, bo! Sweetie! yo sho is lookin' nice! Whatcha doin' this evenin'?"



DORMAN EDWARDS—"Eddie"

"A quiet lad is he."

DONALD FRITZ—"Don"

"Hush, Hush! No one knows I'm around."

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



VERNA FURGASON—"Peggy"

"A quiet girl but well worth knowing."

Commercial Club 1.

BETTY JOYCE GREEN—"B. J."

"A winning smile has she, all the while."

Hillsdale 1; Annual Staff; Junior and Senior Plays; Band 2, 3, 4; (Pres. 4); Debate 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Operetta 4.



SAMUEL HAMILTON—"Grit"

"The world knows nothing of its greatest men."

Annual Staff; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 4; Baseball 3, 4; Junior and Senior Plays.

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## SEYMOUR BARRITT—

"Cortland"

"I don't even try to be as handsome as I can."

Vice-President 4; Basketball 1, 2; Football 1, 2; Tennis 3; Senior Play.



## RUSSELL GOVE—"Benny"

"Rather small, yet his goodness doubles his size."

F.F.A. 2, 3, 4.



## DORIS HARRINGTON—

"Happy as the day is long."

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

## BEATRICE JANE HEIDENREICH

"Quiet and shy is she; oh, cupid! have mercy."

Honor Roll; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Senior Play; French Club 3, 4; Commercial Club 1.



## GEORGE ISAACSON—"Buck"

"Just a hunter at heart."

Annual Staff; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2; Tennis 2, 3, 4; Track 4; Junior and Senior Plays.

## JUANITA JACKSON—

"She's just the kind whose good nature never varies."

Junior Play; Journalism 2, 3.



## ELEANOR JONES—

"A friend with a warm heart."

Band 2; Junior and Senior Plays; Commercial Club 1.

## DONALD LABOUNTY—"Don"

"If you're looking for this chap some night, go down to the corner and peek in Wrights'."



## RAE NITA LARSEN—"Rae"

"See her motions, watch her step, Watch her give the crowd the pep!"

Declamation Dist. Winner 1; Oration Dist. Winner 3; D. A. R. Award 4; Salutatorian; Student Council 1, 3, 4; (Sec. 1, Vice-Pres. 3, Pres. 4); Tennis 2, 3; Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior and Senior Plays; Debate 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 2, 3, 4; Journalism Club 1; Glee Club 1.



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MARIELLA COFFEY—"Red"

"She aims high and always hits the mark."

Honor Roll; Secretary-Treasurer 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff; Junior and Senior Plays; Debate 1; Journalism Club 1; Glee Club 1; Commercial Club 1.



HERBERT FISHER—"Herb"

"I will be good, and let who will be clever."

Valedictorian; Vice-President 3; Student Council 2, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 1, 2; Junior and Senior Plays; French Club 2, 3; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Journalism Club 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2.

GLENN KOHLER—

"People say I'm the tops because I'm king of the squeeze box."

Band 2, 3, 4; Junior and Senior Plays.



RUTH LEIGHTON—"Tess"

"Here's a gal with a sense of humor."

Honor Roll; Junior Play; French Club 2, 3, 4; Journalism Club 2; Glee Club 1; Commercial Club 1.

VERN MANWARING—

"Cupid hath pierced me through and through."

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



BETTY McCAUGHEN—

"A good friend to all."  
Commercial Club 1.

LOIS McCAUGHEN—"Barney"

"We know her well, no need for praise."

Commercial Club 1.



GENEVIEVE McCLURE—"Gen"

"Wear a smile because it takes less effort than a frown."

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

GORDON MILLER—"Wimpy"

"Gordon will be our business man of tomorrow."



WILLIAM OSBURN—"Bill"

"Always willing to lend a hand."  
F.F.A. 1, 2, 3.

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BETTIE McCOY—"Tim"

"If you're good looking, she likes you; if you're not, she likes you anyway."

Honor Roll; Vice-President 1; Junior and Senior Plays; French Club 3, 4; Journalism Club 2; Glee Club 1; Commercial Club 1.



LYLE REINHART—"Reiny"

"Gangway! here comes Reiny!"

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



ROBERT RUTHERFORD—"Bob"

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

Baseball 3.



MARY LOIS SMITH—"Rip"

"For eyes can speak and eyes can understand."

Glee Club 1; Commercial Club 1.



JAMES STEVENS—"Jim"

"He's busy all the time raising 'cain,' and it's not sugar, either."

Plymouth 1, 2, 3; Annual Staff; Football 4; Senior Play.



MAX UMBARGER—"Umpy"

"Talk's cheap—have some—I've plenty for all."

Junior and Senior Plays.



JANETTE UNDERWOOD—"Jan"

"Her typewriter will bring her fame."

Honor Roll; Annual Staff; Junior and Senior Plays; Journalism Club 1, 3, 4, (Pres. 4); Glee Club 1, 2; Commercial Club 1.



RONALD VAN VALKENBURG  
"Van"

"Whenever Ronald happens to pause, you know right behind there is a Claus."

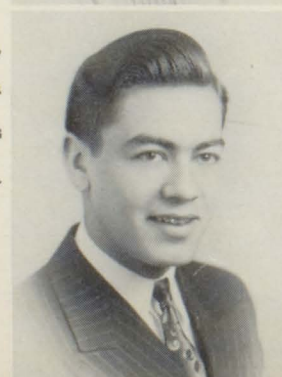
Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Commercial Club 1.



CLARENCE WALTERS—"Tillie"

"Any girl who can sing like a thrush, Tillie will gladly paint with his brush."

Annual Staff; Tennis 3, 4; Football 4.



WILLARD WOODS—"Willie"

"Master of himself and accountable to no one."

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





# CALENDAR

- Sept. 6 Back to school!—gee, but it's great to see everyone again!
- 29 Our team steps out for its first gridiron appearance. Hudson comes here. Did you say rain? We lose, 6-0.
- Oct. 10 All spring clothes are put away. Tonight is the fall style show for the Business and Professional Women's Club.
- 12 Hurrah! We're having a two days' vacation—
- 13 Teachers' Institute.
- 13 Football. What's the matter, boys? We lose again in the game with Manchester here. Score, 6-0 again.
- 20 We're entertained by Clinton and licked by the same old score, 6-0. This is getting to be uncanny.
- 27 The freshies are starting out with a bang. Their first party is tonight. Hot dogs!
- 27 Game at Morenci. Where is our luck? We lose, 19-0 this time.
- Nov. 3 Game with St. Mary's here—Luck in hand, we defeat them, 36-0.
- 10 Our first debate of the year. Milan comes here. We lose. Remember? But we top it off with a football game at Blissfield. Mud inches deep, but the boys play fine! Great fight—0-0.
- 15 The seniors are "Foot-Loose" with their play. Laugh? We nearly died. It was swell.
- 20 The Junior High has a potluck supper in the gym and program afterward.
- Dec. 1 Basketball game, first of the year! We go to Milan with a big crowd. We hit 'em in the eye by winning, 25-15. Whoopie!
- 5 Manchester game here—we lose, 17-13.
- 8 Away for a game at Clinton. We lost 29-26, but picked up our spirits at the J-Hop. The "wizard of Oz" was great. Quentin Jervis and his orchestra from Toledo. A fine time was enjoyed by all.
- 15 Game with Blissfield here, and we lose again when Blissfield takes us, 29-11.
- 19 Game with Hudson there. Back on our feet again, we showed them how to play, 32-14!
- 21 Christmas party, what fun! Paul Johnson's orchestra and lovely decorations!
- 22 Vacation! Merry Christmas and Happy New
- Jan. 2 Year to all!
- 5 After two glorious weeks of vacation, we are back again in T.H.S. Game with Onsted here—Yea, team! We win by one point, 20-19.
- 12 Addison here—oh, oh! we're slipping! We lose by one point, 22-21.
- 16 Mr. Werle addressed the assembly on tuberculosis. Excellent talk.
- 19 No sleep now,—semester exams. Good luck, everybody!
- 23 Morenci game there—We lose again by one point, 23-22.
- 24 Junior Band concert. Their first appearance, and it looks as though there will be many more.
- 26 Another game with Clinton. No change in luck; a one-point loss, 19-18. Is it a jinx?
- Feb. 2 We go to Blissfield to get revenge, but are badly defeated, 43-17.
- 8 Junior class wends its way to Toledo to see "Gone With The Wind."
- 9 Hudson comes here for basketball. We're back on our feet again, 33-27.
- 13 Manchester game there—our luck is still with us. Score, 27-23.
- 16 Morenci game here—where's Tecumseh? We lose, 24-15.
- 23 Something is the matter. We go to Addison and lose again, 34-23.
- Mar. 1 Tournament at Dundee. Score, 32-16 in favor of Dundee.
- 4-8 Sponge week! Boys, here is your chance! We girls are showing you what to do by carrying your books, opening doors, and holding coats, to say nothing of taking you to the movies in the evening.
- 8 Sponge week closes with a dance. You'll have to wait four more years for this to happen again, boys!
- 12 The assembly and Rotary Club were entertained by Dr. Mark Hillary, who spoke to us on public relations.
- 15 All-School banquet sponsored by the Juniors. First of its kind. Interesting speeches by students and faculty, and awards given to the basketball, football, and debate teams. Eats, entertainment, and dancing. One great party!
- 22 Spring vacation! Relax, kids!
- Apr. 1 Bring forth your summer wardrobe; we're back to school with spring fever (?).
- 5 School Carnival. Peanuts, popcorn, balloons, noise! And the crowning of the King and Queen.
- 9 Girls' Glee Club goes to Adrian festival.
- 11 County band festival at Adrian.
- 23 High School presents their operetta, "The Pirates of Penzance."
- 24 Pirates of Penzance."
- 26-27 State Band Contest at Ann Arbor.
- May 10 Junior-Senior Reception, one of the loveliest events of the year. It won't be long now, Seniors!
- 16 Annual Style Show.
- 16-18 National Band Contest at Battle Creek.
- 24-26 The Seniors are sailing! Three-day boat trip to Georgian Bay.
- 24 May Party. Do we enjoy it!
- June 2 We Seniors feel solemn; it's Baccalaureate Sunday.
- 5 Class night. Fun for all.
- 6 Commencement. Joy mingled with sadness.
- 7 Alumni banquet—Goodbye, everybody!

### CLASS MOTTO

"Tomorrow is what we make it."

### CLASS COLORS

Blue and White

### CLASS FLOWER

White Rose

### CLASS NIGHT PROGRAM

Wednesday evening, June 5, 1940

Presentation of Cane . . . . .	Louis Schneider
Acceptance of Cane . . . . .	William Lenardson
Class History . . . . .	Mariella Coffey, Neal Brazee
Poem . . . . .	Janette Underwood
Prophecy . . . . .	Betty Joyce Green, Ruth Leighton Bettye Heidenreich, Gregg Aebersold
Class Song . . . . .	Bettie McCoy
Giftatory . . . . .	Seymour Barritt, Juanita Jackson, Gordon Miller
Class Will . . . . .	Eleanor Jones, Vern Manwaring
President's Address . . . . .	Louis Schneider

## PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

LOUIS SCHNEIDER

Classmates and friends:

The group before you on the platform tonight is much more than a group of assembled students meeting together. This is one of the last occasions before our final graduation. For twelve years this group has lived a great part of their lives together. From our early childhood we have played, worked, and studied together as we grew and approached this hour. We have learned many things and gained many things. We have learned the importance of co-operation and the satisfaction that may come in achieving a definite goal as a result of hard work. We have gained new and, I hope, lasting friendships that have taught us much about following the rules in playing a square game of life.

In a few days the members of our class will separate. Each will go his separate way along the road of life. As this time approaches, and we think of the spirit of comradeship that has flourished among us, we part with a tinge of sadness.

I earnestly hope that many of us will go on to centers of higher learning. Those who do not, I am sure will treasure the memory of the years spent here, and it will give us courage to face the future.

I wish to express my gratitude to the parents, teachers, and friends who have helped us in all our undertakings during these years.

In conclusion may I say that I have considered it a real honor to have been your President. Farewell, Classmates. May each one of you have a full measure of happiness and success.



# VALEDICTORY

HERBERT FISHER

Classmates, parents, teachers, and friends:

We meet here tonight to participate in one of the most dreamed-of occasions in the short span of our young lives. Through twelve years of school life we have come, ever looking forward to this hour. What have been the results of these years?

Our Creator plans for each one of us a happy and successful life, if we but live according to His laws and under His guiding love. From infancy until kindergarten, our main function in life was to grow and develop physically. Our parents provided for us as well as molded our characters to develop in the proper direction. During the first few years of school we were taught to use our hands, eyes, and ears, and to become skillful with them. A little later we were given facts, and we absorbed knowledge to better equip us for the future. In high school we not only received all these things, but were taught to think, to solve things for ourselves, and to evaluate. Up to this time most of our problems had been solved for us. But now we were given practice in solving our own problems, and were guided along branches of knowledge that will inestimably enrich the rest of our lives. Through these years we have lived in our own little world of school life. Graduation seemed the ultimate end and conclusion of all this. However, as we reach it, we see that it cannot be the finish, but is in reality the beginning.

What we have accomplished so far is much like the foundation of a structure about to be built. The importance of this foundation cannot be over-estimated, because it forms the bed-rock of our character. What we do in the next few years will determine the frame-work of our life's structure. We ourselves will largely decide whether the building will be solid and spacious, with girders of sterling character, or whether it will be small, mis-shapen, and unable to withstand the tempests of life. Some of us will continue our education in college or university and so build our life's frame-work. Some will go in with a merchant and learn a trade. Still others of us will find our places in the factory, on the farm, in the home, starting directly on our life's work of developing as individuals in a democratic society. But as we build, let us ever be doing that which points heaven-ward, for we can go no higher than we aim. Oliver Wendell Holmes has so well said in "The Chambered Nautilus":

*"Build thee more stately mansions, O my soul!  
As the swift seasons roll!  
Leave thy low-vaulted past!  
Let each new temple, nobler than the last,  
Shut thee from heaven with a dome more vast,  
Till thou at length art free,  
Leaving thine outgrown shell by life's unresting sea!"*

Tonight we have completed the foundation of our life's structure. We pause here to look over the work we have just finished. And now, filled with high ideals, we gaze into the future that holds the key to all our plans and dreams. We know not what lies beyond, but perhaps our greatest source of encouragement is to remember our motto: "Tomorrow is what we make it."

# SALUTATORY

RAE NITA LARSEN

Parents, teachers, and friends:

We, the class of nineteen hundred and forty, are very happy to welcome you to our commencement exercises tonight. It is altogether fitting that you should be with us on this very important and eventful evening of our lives. Only with your help, love, and sacrifices have we been able to attain the goal of every high school freshman—to successfully complete our high school course and graduate with our fellow classmates. We fully realize that we have been able to reach this goal mainly through the careful guidance and patience of our teachers.

During our school life we have met difficulties and have overcome them. We have enjoyed the fruits of endeavor through co-operation and teamwork. Although we regret that tonight is the last time that we shall all be together as members of Tecumseh High School, we rejoice that forty-six of us are graduating, and that so many of our relatives and friends are here to see their wishes, and ours, realized.

*"Tomorrow is what we make it."*

This achievement of graduation gives us increased confidence in ourselves to strive for a successful tomorrow. No matter what profession or occupation we enter, the training which we have received in Tecumseh High School will be invaluable to us. The associations and friendships that we have formed here will never be forgotten. After tonight we go our separate ways in seeking happiness and success, but this night, and all of our school life, will be remembered by each of us.

Once again we are at a starting point; but this time we must run our race alone. It is up to us whether or not we drop out at the quarter, or half, or cross the finish line. You, our parents and teachers, have given us our training for this race. Let us all show our gratitude by putting forth our best efforts in the future, and let us whole-heartedly aspire to cross the finish line of success.

To you, who have made this night a reality, I wish to offer again our heartfelt thanks and a sincere welcome.



## CLASS HISTORY

MARIELLA COFFEY, NEAL BRAZEE

### "Tomorrow Is What We Make It"

We, the Class of 1940, entered Tecumseh High School four years ago—seventy-two strong—each ambitious to succeed. To aid us in reaching our goal of "Tomorrow," we chose as our leaders: Louis Schneider, president; Bettie McCoy, vice-president; Pearl Brown, secretary-treasurer; Rae Nita Larsen, Student Council representative; and Mrs. Service, class adviser. We had many social affairs during the year, which included our "Freshmen Follies" at the carnival, class parties, and various other school activities. The year passed so quickly that we were over a quarter of our journey before we were aware of it.

Upon reaching another milestone in our travels toward "Tomorrow," we as Sophomores numbered fifty-three, having lost nineteen of our original number. We felt that we were approaching our goal, but also realized that we had much yet to learn before reaching it. Our leaders this year were: Neal Brazee, president; Pearl Brown, vice-president; Mariella Coffey, secretary-treasurer; Herbert Fisher, Student Council Representative; and Mrs. Laidlaw, class adviser. The outstanding events of this year were our assembly program and class parties, one of which included ice-skating, games, refreshments, and pictures of our class members from the first grade through the ninth. Our year was concluded with a class picnic at Wampler's Lake.

We were very proud when we reached our Junior year, knowing that we had progressed another step in our journey toward "Tomorrow." Although we were now only forty-eight in number, we worked hard to reach our mark. This proved to be a very busy year; and with the help of Louis Schneider as our president, Herbert Fisher, vice-president, Mariella Coffey, secretary-treasurer, Rae Nita Larsen, Student Council representative, and Mr. Young, adviser, it was also a successful one. We accomplished several important things this year; outstanding were our Junior Play and Junior-Senior Reception. Our play, "The Strategy of Grandma Gates," proved to be our most profitable work, monetarily, but our reception was an outstanding success, with its gay and realistic decorations of the under-sea. This third year was ended with our annual trip to Wampler's Lake, which everyone enjoyed greatly.

On September 6, 1939, we entered our fourth year as forty-eight determined seniors—working toward one aim. Guided by our efficient leaders, Louis Schneider, president; Seymour Barritt, vice-president; Mariella Coffey, secretary-treasurer; Herbert Fisher, Student Council representative; and Mr. Young, adviser, we accomplished much this year. Our Senior Play, "Foot Loose," was presented November 15-17 and was well received by a large and appreciative audience of parents and friends. Following this, we transformed the gymnasium into a winter land for the annual Christmas Party. With high spirits we continued our year, striving to reach Tomorrow's goal. The class, working as a unit in order to raise funds for a trip to complete our high school course, undertook various tasks. Among these were bake sales, candy sales, tea-dances, the soliciting of magazine subscriptions, and carnival concessions. We were rewarded by a boat trip to Georgian Bay on May 24 to 26. In the meantime the Seniors were the honored guests at the Junior-Senior Reception.

Now our four milestones are past, we have reached the threshold of "Tomorrow," and we trust that one and all may find his place in life's plan.



## CLASS WILL

We, the Senior class of nineteen hundred and forty of Tecumseh High School, being of sound mind and memory, this fifth day of June, nineteen hundred and forty, do hereby make, publish, and declare this our last will and testament, and do make the following bequests:  
ART. 1, Sec. 1

To the faculty we give our deep appreciation for their help during the past four years.  
ART. 1, Sec. 2

To the Juniors we leave our funeral expenses and all other just debts, and also our extraordinary ability in building up the class treasury.  
ART. 2, Sec. 1

To the members of the student body:

1. Gregg Aebersold leaves his boxing skill to Maurice Hoekstra.
2. George Isaacson gives to Ernest Oliver his theory on "How to Bluff."
3. Neal Brazee leaves his "tackle" position to Oliver Bovee.
4. Lyle Reinhart wills his football talents to Robert Bailey.
5. Bettie McCoy leaves her quiet manner to Evelyn Lindsley.
6. Janette Underwood leaves her typing speed and skill to Ruth Sipe.
7. Jennie O'Pravil wills her sweet disposition to her sister Camilla.
8. Mariella Coffey leaves her immense height to Max Green.
9. Herbert Fisher wills his outstanding talents and cleverness to Ernest Van Valkenburg.
10. Clarence Walters leaves his ability to play tennis to Bob Wilson.
11. Rae Larsen wills her magnetic personality to Margaret Hardy.
12. Sam Hamilton leaves his acting ability to his brother Robert.
13. Arthur Baaske wills his capacity for dancing to Bob McKee.
14. Seymour Barritt leaves his good looks to Sonny Schneider.
15. Louis Schneider bequeaths his pencils to the teachers.
16. Verna Furgason wills her talkativeness to Ruth Brainard.
17. Ruth Leighton leaves her dependability to Mary Lou Boyd.
18. Pearl Brown wills her quick-wittedness to Peggy Clark.
19. Neal Brazee wills his bashfulness to Bob Mohr.
20. Max Umbarger wills his excellent reading ability to Camilla Satterthwaite.
21. Juanita Jackson wills her shyness to Lucy Arnold.
22. Glenn Kohler wills his well-known ability to play the accordion to Norman Reinhart.
23. Lois McCaughen leaves her diet sheet to Ida Woodcox.

ART. 3, Sec. 1

We, the Senior class, hereby appoint Mr. C. R. Dustin executor of this will, and revoke all preceding wills and testaments.

Class of T. H. S., 1940  
Vern Manwaring  
Eleanor Jones

In Witness Whereof: We have hereunto subscribed our names and affixed our seal this fifth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty.

Harold Teen  
Superman  
Dick Tracy  
Paul Johnson

## CLASS PROPHECY

Gregg Aebersold  
Ruth Leighton

Bettye Heidenreich  
Betty Joyce Green

SCENE: Home of Betty Joyce Green.

TIME: 1950

Betty Joyce, a Hollywood star whose current picture "The Miller's Daughter" has just been released, is reading a letter to Ruth Leighton, who is Mr. Berkhof's secretary, Bettye Heidenreich, just home from teaching in Hawaii, and Gregg Aebersold, who has been experimenting in grafting apple trees and has developed a giant peach.

Betty Joyce: I just received this letter from Rae Nita Larsen, the salutatorian of our class in high school. Did you know that Rae is a ballet instructor at Hunt's College? Listen, and I'll read what she says.

"Dear Betty Joyce,

I have just returned from our class reunion, and I am so proud of the members of the class of '40 that I feel like writing you a long letter. I am very sorry that you were unable to attend the reunion, but I shall tell you all about our fellow classmates.

Herbert Fisher, our valedictorian of whom we were so proud, is now a professor in Tecumseh University and in his spare moments is directing the Tipton Symphony Orchestra.

You can't imagine what our class president, Louis Schneider, is doing! At present he is in the central part of Africa, carrying on Livingstone's work.

Mariella Coffey is running "Smith's Coffee Shop" in Adrian.

Vern Manwaring has become famous for his invention of the new wire wicks that burn all night."

Betty Joyce: Here, Ruth, you read some of it, will you?

Ruth: "Juanita Jackson is sketching covers for 'Vogue Magazine', published by Becker.

Bill Osburn has a very worthy occupation, for he is a minister in the large city of Newburg.

Arthur Baaske is now manager of the Gamble store.

Verna Furgason, Betty McCaughen, and Mary Lois Smith are starring in the Broadway hit 'Not Enough Boys.'

Glenn Kohler is now featured on the radio with his 'Accordionettes.'

George Isaacson, better known to us as 'Buck,' is running a deer lodge at Podunkville, in northern Michigan.

Donald LaBounty is chief photographer for 'Click.'

Sam Hamilton is manager of the Swift's Packing Company in Chicago.

Lyle Reinhart is playing football with the Detroit Lions.

Janette Underwood is a well-known novelist, working under the auspices of the Powell Publishing Company."



Ruth: How did Rae ever remember what everyone is doing? Betty, don't you want to read part of it?

Bettye: "Jim Stevens is a forest conservation officer in Claus County, Montana. Frank Barritt, the noted senator, is famous for his orations in Congress. Mary Lue Curtiss is a stenographer in Robison's Implement Store. Alice Louise Claus is running the 'Stevette Beauty Shoppe' in Tipton. Dorman Edwards is a talent scout for the 'Paris Follies.' Mervil Dickey is a professor at Vassar College. He always was fond of the girls. Russel Gove is warden at Sing Sing. Gordon Miller has given up a position as executive in the City Service Oil Company and is now operating a 'Green' house in New Zealand. Max Umbarger is Grand Master of the Grange. Willard Woods is a super salesman for John Deere. Harold Brown is a drummer in an orchestra in Detroit."

Bettye: Rae certainly got a line on the boys in our class! Here, Gregg, it's your turn.

Gregg: "Donald Fritz is teaching the Russian ballet in New York. Lois McCaughen is keeping house in Manchester. Clarence Walters is an artist for 'Petty Pictures, Inc.' Ronald Van Valkenburg is lecturing in South Africa on the extinction of the corn-borer. Seymour Barritt is a traveling salesman for Allison's Clothing Company, and his headquarters are in Missouri. Robert Rutherford has become very much interested in 'Church' and is devoting most of his time to it. Pearl Brown, who tried to manufacture 'Stay-Fresh Gum,' failed because she chewed up all of her profits. She is now a reporter on the Osburn Gazette. Bettie McCoy became famous for setting to music 'The Village Blacksmith.'"

Gregg: Betty Joyce, you'd better finish reading this letter.

Betty Joyce: "Neal Brazee made a fortune by manufacturing a new cosmetic that is guaranteed to conceal all blushes.

Wallace Damon is a missionary to Little America.

Doris Harrington is operating a beauty shop in Wales. She always was fond of the Welsh people.

Harry Beland is running the Jitney Repair Shop.

Eleanor Jones is head nurse in the Ridgeway Hospital.

That is all I can tell you about the members of the Class of '40. Can you add any information? Please write to me soon. Sincerely,

Rae Nita."

Bettye: That was very interesting, and I'm very glad you asked us over.

Ruth: Yes, I enjoyed it, too.

Gregg: Too bad we didn't know all this when we were asked to write the class prophecy ten years ago.

Betty Joyce: Well, I'm glad you could come tonight, and please come again.

All: Thank you, we will. Goodnight!

## CLASS SONG

By Bettie McCoy

Our high school days are at an end,  
But they're filled with mem'ries dear  
Of teachers kind and friends so true  
And loyal throughout each year.

And now we bid our fond farewells;  
May we meet again some day!  
Until we do, good luck to you,  
And happiness down life's way.

### CHORUS:

Though we roam many miles from home,  
We will ne'er forget these days;  
So here's a toast to Tecumseh High,  
The school we'll always praise.

## CLASS POEM

By Janette Underwood

With tears we bid a fond farewell  
To you, the school we dearly love;  
Four years of striving side by side;  
Those years of fun and happiness  
Are ending; graduation's here.

One phase of life is over now,  
A new one waits for us, and we  
Must take our places in the world.  
With heavy hearts we bid adieu.  
Tecumseh High, we'll miss you so!



STANDING—Sam Hamilton, James Stevens, Mrs. Laidlaw, George Isaacson, Betty Joyce Green, Clarence Walters.  
SITTING—Mariella Coffey, Janette Underwood, Pearl Brown, Mary Lue Curtiss, Louis Schneider.

## ANNUAL STAFF

Adviser..... Mrs. Laidlaw  
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Assistant Editor..... Neal Brazee  
Club Editor..... Mariella Coffey  
Society Editor..... Mary Lue Curtiss  
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Mariella C. Louis S. Mary Luc



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WILLSON CLEVELAND, O.



A Party



When you and I were "young."



Janette U. Betty H.

W. J. d  
Schneider



# CLASSES



**TOP ROW**—Ernest Oliver, Robert Miller, Donald Sloan, Hugh DesErmia, Dorothy Cole, Robert Jewell, Betty Kruger, Bill Lenardson, Robert Hamilton, James O'Neill, Robert McKee, William Mackey, Donald Woods, Ernest Van Valkenburg.

**MIDDLE ROW**—Harold Easton, Ida Woodcox, Caroline Phibbs, Ellen Smith, Ruth Brainard, Evelyn Lindsley, Olive Gurtzweiler, Ruth Sipe, Leola Boyce, Peggy Clark, Camilla Satterthwaite, Jean Osborn.

**SITTING**—Mr. Johnson, adviser, Juanita Graf, Abbie Cowen, Ruth Galloway, Frances Glenn, Jane Clark, Florence Wilson, Bertha Mae Kring, Ruth Johnston, Margrett Cadmus, Mrs. Way, counselor.

## JUNIOR CLASS

Adviser . . . . .	Mr. Paul E. Johnson
President . . . . .	William Lenardson
Vice-President . . . . .	Ernest Van Valkenburg
Secretary . . . . .	Dorothy Cole
Treasurer . . . . .	Bertha Mae Kring
Student Council Representative . . . . .	Camilla Satterthwaite

Our class has been very busy this year, engaging in many activities, such as class parties, an assembly program, a class play, and an All-High School Banquet.

We sponsored the annual J-Hop on December 8, with Quentin Jervis and his orchestra furnishing the music. The gym was realistically decorated in The Wizard of Oz design.

The Junior Play, "Headed for Eden," was given February 27-28 to two large audiences. This successful play was under the direction of Jon L. Young, and the cast was composed of: Ruth Johnston, Ida Woodcox, Harold Easton, Jean Osborn, Abbie Cowen, Evelyn Lindsley, Frances Glenn, Bertha Mae Kring, Camilla Satterthwaite, Hugh DesErmia, Ruth Galloway, Bill Lenardson, Jane Clark, Robert Hamilton, Robert Jewell, Ernest Oliver, and Ernest Van Valkenburg.

We are looking forward to a successful Junior-Senior Reception, for which plans are now being made.





## SOPHOMORES

**TOP ROW**—Helen Claus, Crystal Wise, Joan Ward, Louise Harper, Lois Harper, Wilma Hoagland, Irene Dobek, Jacqueline Bowers, Margaret Jack, Rhoda Peotter, Mary Lou Boyd, Lucille Arnold, Margaret Hardy, Phyllis Ferris, Lois Clark, Aline Lerch, Margaret Teske, Doris Aebersold, Joyce Waldron.

**MIDDLE ROW**—James Smith, Camilla O'Pravil, Mary Hewlett, Joan Hanna, Barbara Dannels, Mary Wickwire, Elva Mae Dickinson, Charles Spillman, Donald Carlson, Oliver Bovee, Wayne Jackson, John Gardner, Mary Cook, Joan Poucher, Mary Wolters, Marian Hastings, Ethel Cook, Maurice Hoekstra, Robert Wilson.

**SITTING**—Mr. Parsons, counselor, Robert Larsen, William Underwood, Harold Gorrell, Marvin Rumpf, Charles Coffey, George Wilson, Jack Curtiss, Willis Davenport, Mrs. Service, adviser, Alfred Allen, Robert Mohr, James Meade, Allen Brooks, Mahlon Sebring, Robert Bailey, Richard Hammel.



## FRESHMEN

**TOP ROW**—Jack Osburn, Richard Eggleston, John Hamilton, Billie Loyd, Glen Hagadorn, Malcolm Bagshaw, Norman Reinhart, Hunter Heesen, Donald Winter, Gale Taylor, Bill Brown, Karl Schneider, Robert Laidlaw, Donald Smith, George Underwood, Max Green, Albert Seitz, Norman Kemp, Latham Dewey, Leland Kerby, Wilbur Meads, Donald Brazee, Irving Gurtzweiler, Margaret Zick, Halcyon Mead.

**MIDDLE ROW**—Mr. Mead, adviser, Corleone Hunt, Gwendolyn Kring, Joyce Sallows, Betty Jane Gray, Dorothy Stuart, Delee Perin, Jane Leighton, Gay Larsen, Marjorie Colson, Mary Louise Stevenson, Betty Purkey, Genevieve Dobek, Ernestine Pawson, Helen Holmes, Jean Ferguson, Alice McAtee, Katherine Davis, Adalene Hammack, Virginia Dwyer, Betty Holdridge, Aileen Wintersteen, Pauline Sell, Ruth Ellis, Jo-Anne Sharp, Joyce Judson, Joyce Church, Kathleen Powell, Lillian Underwood.

**SITTING**—Alice Keith, Lula Sneyd, Mary Wright, Jean Marie Herrick, Yolande Baldwin, Mary Jane Smith, Gertrude Watson, Dolores O'Neill, Doris O'Neill, Virginia Boyer, Mrs. Bleil, counselor, Aileen O'Neill, Rita Hoffman, Norma Opel, Margaret Forgacs, Lorraine Service, Kathryn Beevers, Mary Shea, Ruth Kronberg.





## EIGHTH GRADE

**TOP ROW**—Jack Bater, Glenn Socks, William Clark, Jack Puffer, Ned Harrington, Howard McLain, Richard Murphy, Leon Shaffer, Franklin Humble, James Spooner, Archie Porter, John Hewlett, Lee Coffey, Dalton Van Valkenburg, Max Brandt, Jack Brown, Dean Ammer, Perry Satterthwaite, Lowell Wise, James Murphy, Bruce Osburn, Russell Miller.

**MIDDLE ROW**—Donald Gallant, Virginia Fogle, Joan Lott, Jean Bailey, Dolores Isaacson, Nancy Tingley, Floris Howe, Patricia Hickey, Suzanne Bills, Mary Lou Carlson, Dorothy Bowen, Lucy Adams, Nancy Cheetham, Doris Gallant, Geraldine Haviland, Arlene Easton, Arvella Covell, Vivian Clark, Betty Jane Smith, Leona Schultz, Henry Strand, William Clark, Bill Sisson.

**SITTING**—Patsy Nyland, Mary Jane Cordray, Joyce Service, Jackquiline Rodgers, Donna Bowers, Faith Nichols, Bob Rumpf, Bob Hoekstra, Mr. Braze, adviser, Marilyn Wilson, Virginia Collins, Isabel Hamilton, Mary Jane Covell, Wilma Meads, Marguerite Stuart, Jack Slater.



## SEVENTH GRADE

**TOP ROW**—Mary Jane Hayden, Winona Waldron, Catherine Gray, Lavonne Perin, Marilyn Weslow, Ella Pearson, Theyone Eggleston, Ellen Mohr, Alice Rumpf, Donna Starkey, Norma Smith, Margretta Covell, Lauretta Harrison, Edith Campbell, Lois Ann Kerentof, Varel Woodcox.

**MIDDLE ROW**—Donald Purkey, Harold Meads, Lester Frost, Leroy Covell, Earl Cook, Darrel Skinner, Arthur Teske, Robert Wilson, James Osburn, Lillard Brown, Charles Bancroft, George Kempf, Dean Skinner, Richard Socks, Martin Phibbs, Richard Beaubien, Arthur Cubberly, Samuel Watson.

**SITTING**—Jocelyn Anderson, Ruth Schneider, Lenore Larsen, Ardis Drewyer, Betty Jewell, Barbara Kerby, Maureen McLain, Barbara Bater, Joyce Miller, Ardath Church, Margaret Hand, Miss Elliott, adviser.





## CHAPEL

"Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness."

—Matthew 6, Chapter 38.

So, the beginning of each week of school, all the pupils of the Central Building, and also Mr. Driscoll with his group from the Brownville school, gather in the study hall for chapel exercises. It is an opportunity that the local ministers appreciate, and the messages are much enjoyed by the student body and faculty. Each service is preceded by assembly singing, led by Miss Humphrey, and a salute to the flag. This is the third year that we have had chapel, and we feel that it has an important place in our school program.

### A BETTER WAY TO LIVE

By James A. Sanaker

If we pray a little more  
And scold a little less,  
If we bear a little more,  
Though things are in a mess,

If we work a little more  
Without a bitter groan,  
If we talk a little more  
To Jesus when alone,

If we cling a little more  
To faith instead of Doubt,  
We'll have more peace within  
And spread more joy without.

# **SPORTS**



**TOP ROW** — George Isaacson, Bill Lenardson, Oliver Bovee.

**SECOND ROW** — Ernest Oliver, Clarence Walters, Arthur Baaske, Vern Manwaring, Neal Brazee.

**THIRD ROW** — Robert Hamilton, Jack Osburn, Karl Schneider, Bob Wilson, Malcolm Begshaw, Gregg Aebersold.

## FOOTBALL

Our new Coach, Fred Raizk, who came from Clarksville, Ohio, sent out his first call for football practice on September 6. A great deal of time was spent in teaching fundamentals, as the squad was made up of inexperienced candidates.

The Tecumseh Indians started their season with one of the smallest squads in years, numbering about twenty-five boys, who were very small and light in weight compared with our bigger and heavier opponents. But nevertheless their fighting spirit was pleasing to see. In fact, they had a total of only 37 points scored against them the whole season, and they in turn scored 36 points, which goes to show that the Indians were in there fighting until the final whistle.

Next year's team will be made up mostly of Sophomores and Juniors, who give much promise for the coming season.

The Indians won one game, lost four, and tied one for the '39 season.

Senior squad members were Neal Brazee, Gregg Aebersold, Jim Stevens, Vern Manwaring, Sam Hamilton, George Isaacson, Louis Schneider, Bus Smith, Wallace Damon, Lyle Reinhart, Clarence Walters, and Arthur Baaske.

## TENNIS

Tecumseh High School's tennis squad is facing a hard schedule for 1940. Meets are scheduled with University High, Roosevelt High, Blissfield, Dundee, and games are in prospect with Adrian. Although Tecumseh is now a member of the Lenawee County League, it is necessary to play matches with outside teams, since only a few Lenawee County League schools have tennis teams.

Veterans from last year's squad are Bob Wilson, George Isaacson, Gregg Aebersold, Seymour Barritt, Clarence Walters, Harry Beland, and George Wilson.





**TOP ROW**—James Smith, Malcolm Bagshaw, Coach Raizk, Arthur Baaske, Donald Carlson, Robert Mohr, Marvin Rumpf, Donald Brazee.  
**MIDDLE ROW**—Charles Coffey, Charles Spillman, Max Green, Samuel Hamilton, Neal Brazee, Robert Wilson, Bill Lenardson.  
**SITTING**—Jack Osburn, Robert Laidlaw, Karl Schneider, Richard Eggleston, John Hamilton, Robert Hamilton.

## BASKETBALL

The Tecumseh Indians got off to a good start by defeating Milan 25 to 15, which gave promise of a very successful season; but hard luck seemed to follow them most of the season, and they lost three games by one point. In general, the Indians found it difficult to hit the basket, getting numerous shots but failing to make them good.

The Reserves were more successful in their campaign, winning eleven games and losing only three, which points to a brighter future next year.

Letter men were: Neal Brazee, Arthur Baaske, Sam Hamilton, Bob Wilson, Bob Mohr, Don Carlson, Bill Lenardson, Marvin Rumpf, and Charles Spillman. Seniors were Neal Brazee, Sam Hamilton and Arthur Baaske.



**TOP ROW**—Wallace Damon, Alfred Allen, Donald Brazee, Allen Brooks, Bill Brown, Mahlon Sebring, Max Green, Charles Coffey, William Mackey, Donald Winter, Jack Curtiss.  
**SITTING**—Donald Carlson, Marvin Rumpf, Charles Spillman, Willis Davenport, Coach Raizk, Robert Mohr, Samuel Hamilton, Arthur Baaske, Donald Sloan.

## BASEBALL

The spring call for baseball members brought out twenty candidates. There is a great amount of enthusiasm and spirit, and we are hoping for a successful season.

The 1940 schedule is:

April 19	Blissfield at Tecumseh
April 26	Addison at Addison
May 3	Manchester at Tecumseh
May 10	Clinton at Clinton
May 17	Hudson at Tecumseh
May 31	Morenci at Morenci











# ACTIVITIES



## BAND

This has been a very busy year for the Tecumseh High School Band, which is under the direction of Mr. Clare Camburn, with Betty Joyce Green as president and Florence Wilson as secretary-treasurer. The band participated in football activities, Fun Day, and the County Fair, and was placed first in playing and second in marching at the Clinton Festival. Invitations for the Tulip Festival at Holland and the New York World's Fair have been extended to the organization. The band will play in the district festivals in Adrian and Ann Arbor, and some members will participate in the district solo contest at Ann Arbor on April 27.

We especially wish to thank the Band Mothers' Club, who gave much time and effort to raise money for the purchasing of our uniforms, which we so proudly displayed for the first time at the County Fair.





**STANDING**—Marian Hastings, Bertha Mae Kring, Jean Furgason, Betty Joyce Green, Lucille Arnold, Florence Wilson, Ruth Galloway, Ida Woodcox, Joyce Judson, Ernestine Pawson, Joan Ward, Anna Karpo, Mary Cook.

**SITTING**—Miss Humphrey, Joyce Sallows, Florence Hunt, Caroline Phibbs, Margaret Hardy, Alice Louise Claus, Crystal Wise, Helen Claus, Margaret Zick.

**KNEELING**—Jane Leighton, Kathryn Beevers, Kathleen Powell, Lula Sneyd, Alice Keith, Gwendolyn Kring, Bettye Heidenreich.

## GIRLS' GLEE CLUB

The Girls' Glee Club was organized in the fall, and the following officers were elected: President, Alice Louise Claus; Vice-President, Betty Joyce Green; Secretary-Treasurer, Florence Wilson; Librarian, Ida Woodcox.

The Glee Club has been very active this year, singing at Chapel services, Parent-Teachers' meetings, and before various community clubs.

A very enjoyable assembly program was given by the thirty members of this club under the direction of Miss Sarah Humphrey.



**STANDING**—Florence Wilson, Betty Joyce Green, Gordon Miller, Margaret Hardy, Ida Woodcox.

**SITTING** — Richard Hammel, Camilla Satterthwaite, William Lenardson, Alice Louise Claus, Franklin Barritt.

## OPERETTA

The operetta, "Pirates of Penzance", by Gilbert and Sullivan, was given April 23-24 at the Tecumseh High School. This was an all-school project, with pupils from the ninth through the twelfth grade taking part under the direction of Miss Sarah Humphrey. Leading parts were played by Betty Joyce Green, Ida Woodcox, Florence Wilson, Alice Louise Claus, Margaret Hardy, Gordon Miller, Richard Hammel, Max Umbarger, Bill Lenardson, and Franklin Barritt. There were thirty-five girls and thirty-five boys from the various classes in the chorus.



LEFT TO RIGHT—Jane Leighton, Mr. Mead, Herbert Fisher, Rae Nita Larsen, James Smith, Camilla Satterthwaite

## STUDENT COUNCIL

The officers of the student council this year were as follows: Rae Nita Larsen, President; Herbert Fisher, Vice-President; Camilla Satterthwaite, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Student Council conducted a Student Activity Contest among the classes this year. It aroused a good deal of interest, and competition was keen.

One of the most important accomplishments of the Council was the drawing up and adoption of a Student Council Constitution, which was voted upon and accepted by the student body.

Student monitors, under the direction of the Council, were appointed to take charge of hall duty this year.

Sponsored by the Student Council, a School Carnival was given April 5-6, with each of the upper classes having concessions of various kinds. The carnival was a great success.



STANDING—Betty Joyce Green, Alice Louise Claus, Rae Nita Larsen.  
SITTING—Richard Hammel, Miss Elliott, Mr. Mead.

## DEBATE

The question for debate this year was: Resolved that the Federal Government Should Own and Operate the Railroads. The team was composed of Alice Louise Claus, Rae Nita Larsen, Richard Hammel, and Betty Joyce Green. These debaters have had a very successful year, winning three debates and losing one in the preliminary series. In the district contest they placed second, having won from Plymouth and lost to Belleville.





**STANDING**—William Underwood, William Osburn, Willard Woods, Ronald Van Valkenburg, Mr. Parsons, Wayne Jackson, Donald Woods, Russell Gove.  
**SITTING**—Alfred Allen, Donald Muckensturm, Donald Fritz, Gregg Aebersold, Herbert Fisher, Max Umbarger, James Meade, Lyle Reinhart, Willis Davenport.

## FUTURE FARMERS

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 Osburn.

This organization meets every two weeks in the evening at the High School. A short business meeting is held, followed by recreation in the gymnasium. The aim of the club is to develop rural leadership and a respect for agricultural enterprises.



**STANDING**—Jean Collins, Olive Gurtzweiler, Camilla Satterthwaite, Pearl Brown, Alice Louise Claus, Bettie McCoy, Ruth Leighton, Jean Osburn.  
**SITTING**—Leola Boyce, Rae Nita Larsen, Mrs. Service, Bettye Heidenreich, Peggy Clark.

## FRENCH CLUB

Bettie McCoy is the president, and Ruth Leighton the secretary-treasurer, of the French Club. There are fourteen members this year. They meet about once a month at the home of their adviser, Mrs. Service, and they have had some enjoyable picnics and wiener roasts at the homes of various members. The programs include French songs, games played in French, and information concerning the French people.





**STANDING** — Adalene Hammack, Genevieve Dobek, Jacquelyn Bowers, Ethel Cook, Jo-Anne Sharp, Mary Shea.  
**SITTING**—Margaret Jack, Mrs. Service, Marjorie Colson, Janette Underwood, Betty Holdridge, Mary Louise Stevenson, Mary Jane Smith, Margrett Cadmus.

## JOURNALISM CLUB

The Journalism Club was reorganized last fall with the following officers: President, Janette Underwood; Secretary, Ethel Cook.

There are twelve members belonging to this group, the majority of whom are Freshmen this year. They meet once a week, and their principal work is preparing the school notes for the local paper. Mrs. Service is the adviser.



**TOP ROW**—Sam Hamilton, Harry Beland, Herbert Fisher, Louis Schneider, Neal Brazee, Seymour Barritt.  
**MIDDLE ROW**—Arthur Baaske, Pearl Brown, Alice Louise Claus, Ruth Leighton, Mary Lue Curtiss, Jennie O'Pravil, Rae Nita Larsen.  
**SITTING**—George Isaacson, Eleanor Jones, Janette Underwood, Betty Joyce Green, Mr. Young, Mariella Coffey, Bettie McCoy, Juanita Jackson, Glenn Kohler.

## THE JUNIOR PLAY

The Junior Play, "The Strategy of Grandma Gates", was presented in the High School auditorium April 28 and 29, 1939, under the direction of Mr. Jon L. Young. It was a farce in three acts. A double cast was used in some parts.

## THE SENIOR PLAY

On November 15 and 17, 1939, the class of 1940 successfully presented a three-act comedy entitled "Foot Loose" under the skillful direction of Mr. Jon L. Young, who was assisted by Bettye Heidenreich and Janette Underwood.

### Senior Play Characters

Wallace Damon  
 Eleanor Jones  
 Neal Brazee  
 Rae Nita Larsen  
 Samuel Hamilton  
 Betty Joyce Green  
 Mariella Coffey  
 Mary Lue Curtiss  
 Arthur Baaske  
 Bettie McCoy  
 Louis Schneider  
 Herbert Fisher  
 Alice Louise Claus  
 Seymour Barritt

### Junior Play Characters

Eleanor Jones	Janette Underwood
Herbert Fisher	Rae Nita Larsen
Betty Joyce Green	Jennie O'Pravil
Bettie McCoy	Pearl Brown
Mariella Coffey	Arthur Baaske
Mary Lue Curtiss	Ruth Leighton
Samuel Hamilton	Juanita Jackson
Glenn Kohler	Alice Louise Claus
Wallace Damon	George Isaacson
Louis Schneider	Harry Beland





## J-HOP

The class of 1940 sponsored a J-Hop on December 2, 1939. The gymnasium was cleverly decorated in black and white as a modern night club. The ceiling was dark blue and the walls white with stick figures painted on them. Light refreshments were served, and the guests were entertained by a short floor show with Franklin Barritt as Master of Ceremonies. Music was furnished by Jerry Beissel of Ypsilanti.



## JUNIOR-SENIOR RECEPTION

The annual Junior-Senior Reception was given on May 28, 1939, in honor of the Seniors. After many hours of hard work, the Juniors successfully decorated the gymnasium. The theme used was "Under the Sea," with a ceiling of graduated blues and sea objects printed on the walls. Aquariums with real fish were used on the tables and about the room to make it seem more realistic. Dinner was served by the Sophomores, the girls dressed in mermaid costumes and the boys in white. Music was furnished by Larry Clark and his orchestra from Ypsilanti.





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## POPULARITY CONTEST

### Senior High

#### GIRLS

- Most popular*
1. Rae Nita Larsen
  2. Mary Lue Curtiss
  3. Pearl Brown
- Best looking*
1. Bettie McCoy
  2. Pearl Brown
  3. Mary Lue Curtiss
- Most valuable*
1. Rae Nita Larsen
  2. Betty Joyce Green
  3. Mary Lue Curtiss
- Best actress*
1. Betty Joyce Green
  2. Rae Nita Larsen
  3. Bertha Mae Kring
- Best dancer*
1. Rae Nita Larsen
  2. Mary Lue Curtiss
  3. Jean Marie Herrick and Pearl Brown
- Friendliest*
1. Rae Nita Larsen
  2. Betty Joyce Green
  3. Mary Lue Curtiss
- Best student*
1. Rae Nita Larsen
  2. Camilla Satterthwaite
  3. Bettie McCoy
- Best dressed*
1. Bettie McCoy
  2. Pearl Brown
  3. Jean Marie Herrick
- Best athlete*
1. Rae Nita Larsen
  2. Mary Lue Curtiss
  3. Pearl Brown
- Most talented*
1. Rae Nita Larsen
  2. Betty Joyce Green
  3. Virginia Dwyer
- Most devoted couple*
1. Mary Wickwire, Vern Manwaring
  2. Jean Herrick, Gregg Aebersold
  3. Joan Hanna, Frank Barritt

#### BOYS

- Most popular*
1. Bill Lenardson
  2. Louis Schneider
  3. Arthur Baaske
- Best looking*
1. Seymour Barritt
  2. Karl Schneider
  3. Cal Damon
- Most valuable*
1. Bill Lenardson
  2. Herbert Fisher
  3. Louis Schneider
- Best actor*
1. Bill Lenardson
  2. Sam Hamilton
  3. Ernest Van Valkenburg
- Best dancer*
1. Cal Damon
  2. Arthur Baaske
  3. Louis Schneider
- Friendliest*
1. Bill Lenardson
  2. Neal Brazee
  3. Sam Hamilton
- Best student*
1. Herbert Fisher
  2. Bill Lenardson
  3. Richard Hammel and Neal Brazee
- Best dressed*
1. Seymour Barritt
  2. Cal Damon
  3. Vern Manwaring
- Best athlete*
1. Neal Brazee
  2. Arthur Baaske
  3. Wallace Damon
- Most talented*
1. Wallace Damon
  2. George Wilson
  3. Herbert Fisher
- Most popular teacher*
1. Mr. Young
  2. Mr. Johnson
  3. Mrs. Service

## POPULARITY CONTEST

### Junior High

#### GIRLS

- Most popular*
1. Lenore Larsen
  2. Ruth Schneider
  3. Patricia Hickey
- Best looking*
1. Theyone Eggleston
  2. Ruth Schneider
  3. Lenore Larsen
- Best dancer*
1. Lenore Larsen
  2. Patricia Hickey
  3. Lucille Adams and Ruth Schneider
- Friendliest*
1. Lenore Larsen
  2. Nancy Tingley
  3. Dorothy Bowen

#### BOYS

- Most popular*
1. Lillard Brown
  2. Jack Brown
  3. Dick Murphy
- Best looking*
1. Jack Brown
  2. Dick Murphy
  3. Donald Purkey
- Best dancer*
1. Ned Harrington
  2. Lillard Brown
  3. Jack Brown
- Friendliest*
1. Archie Porter
  2. Lillard Brown
  3. Jimmie Spooner

#### Most popular Junior High teacher

1. Mr. Brazee
2. Miss Elliott
3. Mr. Mead



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"Smile" Service



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