"Only darkness brings out stars"

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We, the Class of '45, dedicate this Annual
-- to --

CLEVELAND R. DUSTIN

in appreciation of his influence in our school life. During his twenty-one years in Tecumseh High School, Mr. Dustin has served as teacher, superintendent, principal, and adviser, having well earned the privilege of enjoying the fruits of his labor. He has been a friend to all; his achievements have offered us a goal, his personality an inspiration.
MR. W. L. BERKHOF, A.B., M.A.
SUPERINTENDENT
"Now, I'll have to think that over."
MR. C. R. DUSTIN, B.S., M.A.
Principal, Advanced Mathematics, Social Science, Physics, Junior Adviser
"Isn't that nice!" (Isn't he nice!)

MRS. AYESHA R. LAIDLAW, B.S.
Home Economics, Annual Adviser, Senior Counselor
"Half for the Army, half for the Navy; all a good cook."

MR. C. H. CAMBURN
Instrumental Music, Band Director
"Are you busy this period?"

MR. GEORGE E. PARSONS,
B.S., M.S.
Biology, Agriculture, Guidance Director, Freshman Counselor
"Now, who has read their lesso for today?"

MR. ADEN E. MEAD, A.B.
Social Science, Track, Declamations, Senior Adviser
"Take out a piece of paper and a pencil; we've time for a short blitz quiz."

MRS. LOIS SERVICE, A.B.
Foreign Languages, English, Annual Adviser, Journalism, Sophomore Counselor
"Bounded on the west by the setting sun, on the north by the good green fields, on the east by Tony, Siste, and the hens, on the south by Latin, English, French; above all, God's blue heaven."

MR. ALVIN C. BRAZEE
Junior High Mathematics, Eighth Grade Adviser
"His faith, our need."

MR. FRED RAIZK, B.S.
Industrial Arts, Director of Athletics, Football, Basketball, Baseball, Freshman Counselor
"Do it again before you forget it."
MRS. HAZEL F. DICKENSON, A.B.
United States History, English, Junior Adviser
"I call them all blockheads, but I love them one and all."

MRS. DOROTHY McCOLL, B.S.
Chorus, A Capella Choir
"She has music in her voice and charm in her smile."

MRS. HELEN LaBounty, B.S.
Junior High English, Art, Seventh Grade Adviser
"Come on, let's settle down now."

MRS. HELEN SAGER
Secretary
"I'm sorry, you'll have to take that up with Mr. Berkhof."

MR. D. J. DICK, A.B.
Mathematics, Sophomore Adviser
"Pardon me while I yawn."

MR. D. E. CRISP, B.S.
Commercial, Junior Counselor
"I'll ask my wife."

MISS AGNES HANSEN, B.S.
Girls' Physical Training, Health, Geography, Freshman Adviser
"Okay, girls, let's play ball."

MRS. MABEL HANNA
Librarian, Attendance
"Can't you take out a book and at least look as if you were studying?"
Annual Staff

Last October, the officers of the Senior Class met together with Mrs. Laidlaw, Mrs. Service, and Mr. Mead and chose the staff for this, the twenty-seventh issue of "Senior Echoes." With the able hands of Mrs. Laidlaw guiding us, the staff planned and arranged the pictures and articles of the various departments. Mrs. Service then took up the task of editing and proof-reading the original copies. This difficult job was done very capably and is especially appreciated by members of the staff. Last-minute entries and corrections caused much excitement and some confusion, but finally, the "dummy copy" was off to the printers.

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"You're always friendly, always true. We wish, Winona, there were more like you."
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"Silence is more eloquent than words."
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"Chuck"
"He looks shy—but you never can tell."
F.P.A. 2-3-4, Baseball 1-3.

JOCELYNN CLAIRE ANDERSON
"Josh"
"I don't care, it's love I'm after."
Senior Play, Annual Staff, Journalism 1-2-3-4.

SILAS N. KRING
"Si"
"And then, no matter what they say, I go and do it my own way."
President 2, Vice-President 4, Junior Play, Annual Staff, Student Council 3, R.O.C.K.

NANCY GALE EVERY
"Nan"
"Modest simplicity is a virtue."
Treasurer 4, Annual Staff, Journalism 3-4, Student Sec'y 5, Glee Club 3, Operetta 3, Chorus 1-3, Band 4.

BONNA M. ALEXANDER
"Bonnie"
"She'd rather talk to a man than an angel any day."
Defiance 1, Junior Play, Journalism 3-4, Chorus 1-2.

RICHARD AVIS
"Dick"
"I wonder if anyone knows I'm here?"
Adrian 1-2-3, Senior Play.
CAROLYN JOAN BAKER
"Connie"
"She was a quiet girl—at times!"
Honor Roll, Senior Play, Student Sec'y, Band 1-2-3-4.

CHARLES E. BANCROFT
"Bucko"
"Good head and a good heart."
Honor Roll, Annual Staff, R.O.C.K., Football (Mgr.) 4, Basketball 1-2-3-4, Baseball 1-2-4, Tennis 1.

LILLARD BROWN
"Rod"
"Keep your eyes upon me, dear child, and mind no other object."
Vice-Pres. 2, Junior Play, Annual Staff, Student Council 1, Operetta 1-2-3-4, Chorus 1-2-3-4, Choir 5-4, R.O.C.K., Football 2-3-4, Basketball 1-2-4, Track 3-4, Tennis 1.

ARDIS JEAN DREWYOR
"Ardy"
"I want free life and I want fresh air, and I sigh for the coterie after the cattle."
Journalism 4.

BARBARA DARLINE BATER
"Borb"
"Always do we find her the same."
Chorus 1.

C. LEROY COVELL
"Roy"
"More have repented of speech than of silence."

MALCOLM DUNCAN
"Dugan"
"Hard effort is sure to win."
Annual Staff, Student Council 4 (Sec'y-Treas.).

JUANITA ISABELLE FURGASON
"Nita"
"The unexpressive she."
LOIS ARLENE FRANCIS
"Francis"
"Saline holds a monopoly on her heart."
Clinton 1, Journalism 2, Operetta 2, Band 2.

CATHERINE JEAN GRAY
"Katie"
"Through her expressive eyes her soul distinctly spoke."

LYLE C. HARPER
"Lyle"
"A gentleman makes no noise."
Senior Play, Chorus 2.

HELEN HORAK
"Susie"
"Simple, modest, and true."
D. A. R. Good Citizenship Award, Student Sec'y 4.

BEVERLY LOU JEWELL
"Jerry Lee"
"I am content to look on."
Student Sec'y 4, Glee Club 1-2-3, Operetta 3, Chorus 1-2-3, Choir 3.

WILLIAM DEAN HAMILTON
"Deaner"
"A little nonsense is always welcome."
F. F. A. 2-3-4, Chorus 1-2-3-4, Football 2-3-4, Basketball 2-3-4, Baseball 2-3-4.

MARY JANE HAYDEN
"Janie"
"Oh, her heart is a free and a fetterless thing—A wave of the ocean, a bird on the wing."

BEVERLY L. JAHN
"Bev"
"She sat by the fireside and talked the night away."
Detroit 1, Annual Staff, Journalism 2-3, Student Sec'y 4.

BARBARA LOUISE KERBY
"Bobs"
"Likeable, laughable, and lively."
Junior Play, Annual Staff, Student Council 4, Journalism 1-2-3-4.
ALVA MARY LERCH
"Pudgy"
"Man delights me not (?)"
Senior Play, Glee Club, Operetta 1
2-2-4, Chorus, Girls' Trio 3.

MAUREEN JOAN McLAIN
"Maureen"
"What sweet delight a quiet life affords."
Honor Roll, Annual Staff, Journalism 4, Chorus 4, Choir 4, Band
1-2-3.

LETHA JOYCE MILLER
"Joy"
"As quiet as a child in mischief."
Student Sec'y 4, Operetta 8, Chorus 2-3, Choir 8.

JAMES J. OSBOURN
"Jim"
"Full of pep, vigor, and vim,
Always in the game, that's Jim."
Pres. 1, Junior Play, R.O.C.K., Football 1-2-3-4 (Co-capt. 4), Basketball 1-2-3-4 (Capt. 4), Baseball 1, Track 2-3.

LAVONNE PERIN
"Frenchie"
"As variable and snappy as a snap-dragon."
Senior Play, Journalism 1-2-3-4
(Assist. Editor of Splash 3, Editor of Splash 4).

HAROLD R. MEADE
"Haroldy"
"You wouldn't think it to look at me."
P.P.A. 3-4, Football 4, Baseball
1-2-4.

ELLEN LOUISE MOHR
"Moron"
"Cupid's dart pierced my heart."
Honor Roll, Annual Staff, Student Sec'y 3-4, Band 1-2-3.

ELLA LOUISE PEARSON
"Mert"
"Light heart—happy as the day is long."
Annual Staff, Student Sec'y 3, Operetta 3-4, Chorus 1-2-3-4, Choir 3-4.

RUTH SCHNEIDER
"Ruth"
"A girl we'd like to cheer for."
Honor Roll, Vice-Pres. 3, Junior and Senior Plays, Annual Staff, Chorus 4, Cheer-leading 1-2-3-4 (Pres. 4).
ALICE SCHUMM
"Schumm"
"Her laugh would rock the notion."
Addison 1, Glee Club 3, Operetta 3, Band 2-3-4.

PRISCILLA SISSON
"Sis"
"My words are few, but spoken with sense."
Student Sec'y 4, Operetta 2-3-4, Chorus 1-2-3-4, Choir 3-4.

THOMAS JACK TONNEBERGER
"Jack"
"Jack, the Caruso of the choir."
Junior and Senior Plays, Annual Staff, Operetta 1-2-3-4, Chorus 1-2-3-4, Tennis 1.

Marilyn J. WESELoh
"Marilynn"
"She makes the most of her time."
Junior Play, Journalism 1-2-3, Glee Club 1-2-3-4, Operetta 2-3-4, Chorus 1-2-3-4.

ROBERT L. WOOD
"Woodie"
"Yes, you bet!"
Montague 1-2, President 3, Chorus 8, Band 2-4, R.O.C.K., Football 3-4, Baseball 3.

DOROTHY SCHUMM
"Dot"
"Don't worry; it makes wrinkles."
Addison 1, Senior Play, Student Sec'y 4, Band 2-3-4.

DALE E. TITLERY
"Dale"
"It takes a great man to be a good listener."

BETTY TUCKER
"B. T.
"Love is the most wonderful thing in the world, and I would not trade it for anything."
Royal Oak 1-2-3, Operetta 4, Chorus 4.

ROBERT J. WILSON
"Bob"
"Who says I can't?"
Junior and Senior Plays, Annual Staff, Baseball 4.

JOYCE ZEIGLER
"Joie"
"Wisdom and music go hand in hand."
Bilasfield 1, Journalism 3-4 (Vice-Pres. 4), Glee Club 2-3-4, Operetta 2-3-4, Chorus 2-3-4 (President 4), Trio 3.
Tonight we say good-bye. Back of us are twelve years of supervised study, play, and activities. We have been like puppets in a show—you, parents and teachers, have been pulling the strings. But tonight those strings will be cut and we shall stand alone to make our own way in this war-weary world. However, you are not sending us out unequipped, for through your guiding hands and enduring patience, we are prepared to climb the fence into our chosen fields and turn the first furrow towards success.

One of the first things we learned in school was cooperation through working and playing together. We learned to respect the other fellow’s rights, and to be good losers as well as fair winners. Best of all, we learned to get along with each other. Now that we’re on our own, these qualities will help us to work for victory and peace, for one man or small group of men cannot win the war or insure the peace. All must want peace and work for it together.

Perhaps very few facts and figures derived from our basic schooling will remain with us. But more important than specific knowledge is the ability to think for ourselves, to express our ideas, and to evaluate and respect the ideas of others. That is vital to a democratic nation where freedom of speech and freedom of the press are guaranteed. To have a government of the people, by the people, and for the people, the people must be ready, willing, and able to take a hand in it.

We are indeed sorry that it is necessary for our boys to enter the Service, but it offers a challenge to those of us who must stay here to man the home front, a challenge to do our utmost to bring them back home. Just as they are compelled to give their all to the cause of the Allies, so we must be willing to do all that is in our power to make the peace a universal and lasting one. Peoples of liberated countries and lands still under the grip of the Axis powers are looking to America for food and for freedom of speech and religion, and freedom from want and fear. The Army and Navy will achieve the total destruction of the dictatorships; we here in the United States must destroy intolerance and hatred and keep this a nation of opportunity, based on democratic principles, guaranteeing liberty. Our ancestors fought for this, other parts of the world depend on it, and our Service men and women deserve it. "The Arsenal of Democracy" must always be a guiding beam to the rest of the world.

Modern methods of destruction are cruel and thorough. Whole cities have been left in complete ruin, bridges destroyed, and miles of railroad tracks and highways demolished. But larger and cleaner cities will be built, wider bridges will span the rivers, bigger, better highways can replace the old ones. A more difficult problem than those things confronts us. Thousands of youths throughout the world have been instilled with the Nazi ideals. They won’t be ready to accept peace and self-government. For too many years their every action, their education, and even their thinking has been controlled by the party in power. They have been taught to hate Democracy and everything for which we are fighting, especially humanity and equality. Christianity has been forbidden them. Their rulers have been their God, but these rulers have failed because they are inwardly weak and corrupt. Missionaries will have to follow our armies to Tokyo and Berlin to give the conquered peoples a new, strong faith, submissive hearts, and open minds. Their entire manner of living must be changed, and it will be a long and tedious process. Winning the peace will be harder than winning the war.

World conditions offer jobs; jobs are opportunities. Tonight we Seniors, and thousands of others like us, are stepping forth to shoulder the task set before us whether it be to fight, to work, to serve, or to continue our education, and we are ready.
SALUTATORY

PHYLLIS KELLEY

The Class of 1945 welcomes you, our teachers, parents, and friends, to our graduation ceremonies tonight. We realize that this occasion has been made possible only because of your constant faith in our ability, and your guidance throughout the twelve years of our school life. Back of us, and sustaining us, is the record of those who have gone out from this school in the past. We have tried, and will continue to try, to keep up to that standard, and at the same time to hold fast to our own ideals.

Our class motto, "Only Darkness Brings Out Stars," is especially fitted to these times. The world is shrouded in the darkness of war; the clouds seem to hang low and to obscure the sun. Many of our homes appear dark because the light of a loved one's face is missing. In our own high school assembly, we have watched the number of stars increase on our service flag—some blue, too many gold. A darkness of unhappiness seems to cloud our vision. We could surrender to this feeling, but courage counsels us to keep our heads high, never to stop hoping.

As one steps out in the evening and looks up into the depths of the vast blue sky above, he sees the stars twinkling far away— the darker the sky, the brighter the glow. Far away though the sky and stars may be, there is a feeling of the presence of God and His plan in it all. He set the stars in their courses to lighten the night; so in our night of sorrow, He will lighten our way.

We, the Class of 1945, will enter a busy world, ready to accept any responsibilities awaiting us. We must be prepared to overcome the difficulties that may arise, to give of our youth and vigor to a tired world. One of these days—we hope, soon—our boys will be coming home. We must be ready for them. They have been fighting to make the world fit for all to live in. We must see to it that Tecumseh, that Michigan, that the whole United States, is ready and waiting for them. That will be everyone's job; it will be our job, too. If we falter, if we grow weary, let us look up to God's Heaven. "ONLY DARKNESS BRINGS OUT STARS."
CLASS MOTTO
"Only Darkness Brings Out Stars"
CLASS COLORS
Maroon and White
CLASS FLOWER
White Rose

CLASS NIGHT PROGRAM
(Tuesday Evening, May 29, 1945)

PRESENTATION OF CANE................................................. Don Purkey
ACCEPTANCE OF CANE.................................................. Lucille Murdoch
CLASS HISTORY......................................................... Maureen McLain, Jocelynn Anderson
POEM .............................................................................. Barbara Kerby
PROPHECY................................................................. Nancy Every, LaVonne Perin, Ellen Mohr
CLASS SONG................................................................. Mary Jane Hayden, Joyce Zeigler
GIFTATORY................................................................. Lois Francis, Carolyn Baker, Marilyn Weseloh
CLASS WILL...................................................................... Dean Hamilton, Charles Bancroft
PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.................................................. Don Purkey

CLASS HISTORY
(Maureen McLain and Jocelynn Anderson)

September of 1941 ushered a new class into the fold of Tecumseh High. To begin our work as Freshmen, we elected Jim Osburn our president; Martin Phibbs, vice-president; Phyllis Kelley, secretary-treasurer; Lenore Larsen and Lillard Brown, student council representatives; and Miss Humphrey, our adviser. We completed the first year of various activities with a picnic at Wampler's Lake.

Returning as Sophomores, we chose Si Kring as president, Lillard Brown, vice-president; Phyllis Kelley, secretary; Lenore Larsen, treasurer; Martin Phibbs and Winona Waldron, student council representatives. Miss Van Dommelen acted as adviser. Among the events in which we participated were an assembly program, serving at the Junior-Senior Reception, and again a picnic, which concluded our year.

As we reached our Junior year, we elected Bob Wood president; Ruth Schneider, vice-president; Phyllis Kelley, secretary; Lenore Larsen, treasurer; Si Kring and Winona Waldron, student council representatives. Mr. Mead became our class adviser. Sponsoring the Gridiron Dance, producing "Murder in Rehearsal," and planning our Junior-Senior Reception (which had a French setting) kept us all busy.

With high spirits we enrolled as Seniors. Positions of authority were filled by Don Purkey as president; Si Kring as vice-president; Phyllis Kelley, secretary; Nancy Every, treasurer; Malcolm Duncan and Barbara Kerby, student council representatives. Mr. Mead was again named adviser. It pleased us greatly when Winona was elected by the student body as president of our Student Council. This year we decorated the gym for the Christmas Party, worked hard in preparing the Annual, and had fun in presentation of "Grandma Goes Hollywood." One of the highlights of our entire high school career was our Senior trip, which left us with many pleasant memories.

During our four years we lost many of our boys, who left to serve in the armed forces. We wish that they could all be with us this week of graduation. We have attended Baccalaureate, and are now eagerly awaiting Commencement.

We realize that there are yet many hard roads to travel, and we hope to achieve not only our own success, but also to aid in our nation's peace, keeping in mind our motto, "ONLY DARKNESS BRINGS OUT STARS."
PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS
DON PURKEY

CLASSMATES AND FRIENDS:
We Seniors of 1945 can see rapidly drawing to a close our last year at Tecumseh High School. This year will perhaps be the last formal education that many of us will receive, but it may also mean one more stepping stone toward higher achievements. To all of us this is a sad moment, and for years to come we shall be able to look back and be very proud of what our class as a unit accomplished.

We have learned the power of cooperation, the meaning of a lasting friendship, and the value of good sportsmanship. This, I believe, is shown through our attainments in activities and sports in which members of our class have participated.

In behalf of the class, I wish to express our thanks to the parents, teachers, and friends who have helped us during these past four years. May I also take this opportunity to thank my classmates for their cooperation in our achievements. It has been a great honor to be your president this school year. Now, at the end of our four years of companionship in high school, I want to say goodbye and good luck.

Class Poem
"THE BRIDGE"
Barbara Kerby

There is a bridge which we have built
With girders of our mind,
To cross into the outside world
And leave the past behind.

Its buttresses are stronger than
Concrete of any kind;
They are the friendships we have made
Along the years that bind.

The hour has come for us to cross,
For our first bridge is done,
We hope our next "construction crew"
Will be as grand as this one.

Class Song
("Sweet Dreams, Sweetheart")
Mary Jane Hayden, Joyce Zeigler

VERSE:
Well, classmates, here we are tonight,
We've seen twelve years go by,
Until at last we proudly say
We've reached this height,
And now it's time to say:
CHORUS:
Shine on, be bright, though darkness seems bound to rule,
Shine on till dawn breaks through;
Be brave, be true, there's always a better day
In which to dream anew.
May angels up above watch over you,
And keep you safe, classmates, whatever you may do.
Shine on, be bright, the darkness will bring out stars,
Shine on till dawn breaks through.
CLASS PROPHECY
NANCY EVERY—ELLEN MOHR—LaVONNE PERIN

SCENE: Department of Forestry
TIME: Mid-afternoon—New York
PLACE: Switchboard

Opertao (L. Perin): Department of Forestry ...

No, Mr. Sanes isn’t in this afternoon. I'll connect you with his secretary. One moment, please ... Dept. of Forestry ... Oh, hello, Mazie! Gee, I can’t talk now, kiddo—hold the fort! ... Dept. of Forestry ... No, Mr. Sanes handles the washing of trees. His extension is busy: will you wait? ... Dept. of Forestry ... No, Ruggles is in conference. Will you leave a message? ... Thank you. I'll have him call you ... Hello, Mazie? Gee, has this been one wild day! Early this morning Kate Gray, the regular switchboard operator, received an offer to ice-skate in “The Follies of 1955,” and whattaknow, she took it! ... And I haven’t seen hide nor hair of her since. So what does that leave me? If I hadn’t had my training as an operator in Tecumseh, this firm sure would have been in a spot! ... What say? Oh, tomorrow Miss Weseloh is leaving her designing studio to relieve me until we are able to locate a permanent girl. It’s so hard to find help nowadays, you know. It’ll be wonderful to get back to my regular duties as a down-to-earth secretary. Just a minute, Mazie ... Dept. of Forestry ... Do you have an appointment? ... I’m sorry, Mr. Kanow can be reached by appointment only. I'll connect you with his secretary. One moment, please ... Mazie? Speaking of Tecumseh, two of the girls I graduated with are coming in this afternoon. By the way, tomorrow is my day off. How about getting in to hear Joyce Zeigler sing at Carnegie Hall? ... Fine! Oh, here comes the girls now, so I'll ring off, but I'll give you a buzz later.

(Enter Ellen Mohr and Nancy Every)

L. Perin: This certainly is wonderful! How long did it take you to get here from Michigan?

E. Mohr: Normally, it would have been less than thirty minutes, but the Rocket Ship got caught in a wind pocket, and it delayed us ten minutes.

N. Every: Yes, and I had an appointment with Phil Spitalny, and the delay caused me to be exactly ten minutes late. But Mr. Spitalny put me at ease, and when he asked me to sign a two-year contract to go on a concert tour of the world, well, I nearly buckled up!

L. Perin: Say, that’s great news. Send me a postcard from Paris, will you? What have you been doing since I last saw you, Ellen?

E. Mohr: Haven’t you heard? Bob Purkey and I were married soon after graduation. We thought we could make it a double wedding—Don Purkey and Barbara Kerby—but as it is, Don is still courting!

N. Every: She isn’t the only one that got “hitched.” Beverly Jahn married Norm, and they are operating an airline between Tecumseh and Tipton; Juanita Furgason is raising little “Davenport’s”; Betty Tucker is still living in the country with her husband; Alva Lerch is Mrs. Tommy Manville, XIII; Winona Waldron is raising little “gobs”; Ella Pearson is helping Max manage a chain of 5c-10c-15c-20c-25c-50c-1.00 stores; Thyeone Eggleston is acting as secretary and nurse for her veterinary husband, Silas Kring, Jr.; and Lois Francis and her husband have invented a dinner bell that can be heard from one end of their farm to the other.

L. Perin: That takes care of the girls for the present—but what about the fellows? I know that Jack Tonnenberger is the latest “swoon crooner,” but what are the rest of them doing?

E. Mohr: Bob Wood won the Charles Atlas award and is operating a “Keep Fit” workshop. Lillard Brown is campaign promoter for the President (which party, I’m not mentioning); Charles Bancroft is a professor at Vassar; Leroy Covell is an Admiral in the Navy; Dean Hamilton and Lyle Harper are competing for first prizes in a cow contest at the World’s Fair; Harold Meade is famous for his antique cars; and Jim Osburn is football coach at Notre Dame.

L. Perin: Gee, we surely did have a famous class, didn’t we?

N. Every: But you haven’t heard anything yet. Richard Avis is a great Shakespearean actor, and Malcolm Duncan is now famous as a scientist because of his discovery of the fifth dimension. Betty Jewell is the Champion girl athlete and is so good that she is going to compete against the men.

L. Perin: Gosh!

E. Mohr: But that isn’t all! Helen Horak is confidential secretary to Henry Ford! Ruth Schneider became so expert at designing that she makes Adrian look like an amateur.

N. Every: Bob Wilson is a cartoonist in the Disney Studio; Dale Titley is a chef at the “Ritz”; Charles Aebersold holds the world’s record for being the heaviest sleeper; and Jocelynn Anderson is the greatest emotional actress on the New York stage.

L. Perin: Whatever happened to Priscilla Sisson and Dorothy Schumm? They were always pal-ing around together.

E. Mohr: Oh, they’re still taking dictation from George Parsons. Joyce Miller has taken over the Billie Burke show, and Alice Schumm has a little place outside of the city limits that is spoken of in a whisper as “Abbey’s Speak-Easy.”

L. Perin: Whatever became of Mary Jane Hayden?

N. Every: Remember Ted she was always talking about? Well, they were married, settled down in Tecumseh, and now she is music teacher at the high school.

E. Mohr: Remember Bonnie Alexander? She operates a Beauty Reducing Salon in Boston under the supervision of Barbara Bater. Phyllis Kelley is the accounting instructor at Michigan State Normal College, and Ardis Drewyor owns the largest horse ranch in the West.

N. Every: That takes care of everyone except one, I guess, and that is Maureen McLain. She became a champion figure roller-skater.

L. Perin: This really has been the most enlightening afternoon. My goodness! I’ve been so interested that I forgot all about the switchboard. Just a minute ... Dept. of Forestry ... No, I’m sorry, Mr. Sanes hasn’t come in yet (thank goodness) ... Oh, THIS IS Mr. Sanes. But I answered the board just as soon as I saw the light—(it says here) ... Yes, sir ... never again, sir ... That was Mr. Sanes!

N. Every and E. Mohr: This is where we came in.

(Exit N. Every and E. Mohr)

L. Perin: Nothing like a little gossip ... Hello, Mazie? ... Yes, they just left ... You say you’ve been trying to get me? I’m sorry, I was so wrapped up with memories that I forgot everything I was supposed to remember. Say, listen, I’ve got a new crooner you’ll simply be wild about ... Yes, one of my old classmates ... Okay, I'll pick you up in my jeep about one tomorrow. So long ... Dept. of Forestry ... Oh, hello, Darling!
CLASS WILL

CHARLES BANCROFT and DEAN HAMILTON

We, the Class of Nineteen Hundred and Forty-five of Tecumseh High School, having grown old in the search for wisdom, and being of sound mind and memory, this twenty-ninth day of May, nineteen hundred and forty-five, do make, publish, and declare this our last will and testament. We make the following bequests:

ARTICLE I, SECTION 1—To the faculty we leave our classroom memories for the past four years.

ARTICLE I, SECTION 2—To the Juniors we leave all our just debts and funeral expenses, to be paid as soon as possible after our death.

ARTICLE II, SECTION 1—To the members of the student body:

1. Harold Meade and Charles Aebersold leave their tendency to skip school to John Keeney.
2. Betty Jewell leaves her laugh to Bill Hayden.
3. Jim Osburn leaves his sleepiness to Jim Sisson.
4. Don Purkey leaves his ability to bluff and get away with everything to George Kizer.
5. Winona Waldron leaves her superior brains to Jerry Coffey.
6. Bob Wood leaves some of his weight to Harold Anderson, who can certainly use it.
7. Lillard Brown leaves his quiet ways to Tom Judd.
8. Ellen Mohr leaves her typing proficiency to Dorothy Cook.
9. Phyllis Kelley and LaVonne Perin will their capability in stenography to Lenore Mohr.
10. Ella Pearson wills her ability to hook a man to Betty Swain.
11. Marilynn Weseloh wills some of her weight to Beppy Escolme.
12. Joyce Zeigler and Mary Jane Hayden leave their beautiful singing voices to Lee Clark.
13. Charles Bancroft leaves his ability to shoot baskets to Norbert O'Hara.
14. Nancy Every wills her car to anyone who can use it.
15. Barbara Kerby leaves her immense height to Janet Gallaway.
16. Theyone Eggleston leaves her beautiful blonde curls to Emma Rae Witt.
17. Jack Tonneberger wills some of his height to Douglas Tate.

We hereby appoint MR. DAVID DICK executor of this, our last will and testament.

CLASS OF 1945
RICHARD AVIS
CATHERINE GRAY
(Class Attorneys)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto subscribed our names and affixed our seal this twenty-ninth day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-five.

ELEANOR ROOSEVELT
DICK TRACY
SUPERMAN
GENERAL GREENMAN
Lois

LaVonne

Barbara

Nancy

Ardy

Helen

Ted

Priscilla

Pudgy

Winona

Kindergarten

Dick Avis

Rodney
Juniors

TOP ROW—Lucille Murdoch, Marilyn Beaske, Barbara Humble, Martha Jane Kempf, Erma Swain, Betty Swain, Joan Church, Mary Ann Horak, Leon Lewis, Alvira Tucker, Daryle McClure, George Holmes.

SECOND ROW—Mr. Crisp, Emma Rae Witt, Edna Reed, Billie McKenzie, Lenore Mohr, Marjorie Wickwire, Rosemarie Kirtland, Virginia Kirtland, Janet Gallaway, Dorothy Higgins, Ted Sisson, Donald Everhart.


CLASS OFFICERS

PRESIDENT ................................................................. Lucille Murdoch
VICE-PRESIDENT ............................................................. Dermont Poley
SECRETARY-TREASURER .................................................... Janet Gallaway
STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ........ Earl Baldwin, Lenore Mohr
ADVISERS ................................................................. Mrs. Dickinson, Mr. Dustin
COUNSELOR ............................................................. Mr. Crisp
Sophomores

TOP ROW—Evelyn Tilton, Mary Solarski, Colleen Davidson, Juanita Kerentoff, Louise Wilson, Marie Phillips, Dorothy Strachn, Luella Joseph, Joyce Upell, Mary Lou Ruhl, Thelma Jarrett, Norma Shandley, Jeannine Clark.
SECOND ROW—Norma Kenrick, Phyllis Kahle, Geraldine Daniels, Viola Retter, Erma Spreaman, Dorothy Cook, Elizabeth Gallaway, Janet Frost, Peggy Gorno, Helma Hailman, Gwendolyn Watson, Phoebe Covell, Loretta Young, Jean Leonard, Evelyn Murphy, Mrs. Service.
THIRD—Mr. Dick, Dolores McKenzie, Joan Weldon, Shirley Baker, Jeanette Goodacre, Jane Bookstra, Emma Kossey, Jean Wilson, Lawrence Church, David House, Tom Judd, Jim Sisson, Dwaine Louden, Donald Aeberson.
FOURTH ROW—Louise Bowen, Dorothy Brandt, Gloria Underwood, Martha Hewlett, Kenneth Hunter, Sonny Waldron, Bill Hayden, Marvin Barber, Ben Hammack, LaMar Cheever, Donald Beaubien, Roger Williams, Darwin Creger, Robert Dinse.
SITTING—Jerry Murphy, Douglas Fairbanks, George Baibak, Jack Barnes, Bill Stuart, Ned Ruesink, Ralph Peotter, Jerry Coffey, Gordon Pearson, Jesse Gray, Gilbert Ives, John Reed.

CLASS OFFICERS

PRESIDENT .................................................. Thomas Judd
VICE-PRESIDENT (First Semester) ...................... Darwin Creger
VICE-PRESIDENT (Second Semester) ................. Robert Dinse
SECRETARY-TREASURER ................................. Peggy Gorno
STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ......... Jeannine Clark, LaMar Cheever
ADVISER .................................................. Mr. Dick
COUNSELOR ................................................ Mrs. Service
Freshmen

TOP ROW—George Avis, Douglas Tate, Conrad Fosbender, Dick Colson, Dick Henkel, Irving Shaw, Harold Anderson, David Vanderpool, Herman Dick, Jay Tressler, Arlo Payne, John Keeney, Darrel Coover, George Kizer.
THIRD ROW—Charles Bater, Miss Hansen, Gertrude Shervino, Marilyn Malady, Irene Yenor, Anne Thompson, Janet Frost, Marilyn VanWinkle, MarLou Gilman, Irene Hammel, Mary Louden, Patsy Wilson, Richard Lent, Donald Baker, Lloyd Cooley, Stanley Frost, Mr. Raizk.

CLASS OFFICERS

PRESIDENT.................................................. Marilyn Van Winkle
VICE-PRESIDENT............................................ Jere Ann Kizer
SECRETARY-TREASURER.......................... Conrad Fosbender
STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES.......... Bill Brown, Harold Anderson
ADVISER.................................................. Miss Hansen
COUNSELORS............................................. Mr. Parsons, Mr. Raizk
Eighth Grade

THIRD ROW—Betty Miller, Roberta Holmes, John Underwood, John Collins, Gene Tuckey, Franklin Rumler, Richard Hoag, Dennis Pace, Donald Hunt, Eldon Service, Herbert Poley, Mr. Brazee.
SITTING — Jeanette Ehinger, Manna Woodcox, Fay McKenzie, Shirlie Moore, Barbara Schoeck, Jack Whelan, Melvin Murphy, Duane Murphy, James Colson, Harold Holmes.

CLASS OFFICERS

PRESIDENT................................................. Patty Hammack
VICE-PRESIDENT............................................... Jack Whelan
SECRETARY-TREASURER................................... Louise Poley
STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES...Barbara Schoeck, John Cameron
ADVISER.......................................................... Mr. Brazee
TOP ROW—Jennie Bird, Betty Duncan, Nerissa Strand, Ellen Myers, Wilma Gurtzweiler, Mennie Sparks, Lorraine McKenzie, Patty Patton, Mary Glancy, Sally Brown.
SECOND ROW—Charles Freshcorn, James Stuart, David Green, Gerald Judd, Bill Freshcorn, Jason Woodcox, Joan Buehrer, Marcene Kilbury, Bonnie Beasley, Jo Ann Johnston.
THIRD ROW—Sherry Fielder, Charles Goodacre, Shirley Dewey, Claudia George, Shirley Teske, Marietta Service, Josephine Powell, Mrs. LaBounty.
SITTING—Garland Holmes, Gordon Keyser, Marvin Higgins, Seaton Wilson, Lee Phibbs, Tommy Hamilton, Gerald Van Valkenburg, David Lott.

CLASS OFFICERS

PRESIDENT ................................................................. David Green
VICE-PRESIDENT ........................................................... Gerald Van Valkenburg
SECRETARY ........................................................................ Shirley Teske
TREASURER ........................................................................ Joan Buehrer
STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES .................................. Jo Ann Johnston, Sherry Fielder
ADVISER .............................................................................. Mrs. La Bounty
Tough Guys

Mr. Purkey

O-o-o-oh Tom

Love Birds

Dugan & Don

Such Feet

Bill & Sonny

Can't you read?

Kids

Rodney

Martha

More Kids
Big Stuff

Long May it Wave

Dot & Louise

Patsy

Song Bird

Country gals

Wolfesses

City gals
Prayer Offered by Rev. John Scarlett at the Football Banquet December 1, 1944

TO THEE, MOST GRACIOUS GOD, we offer heartfelt thanks for the game that makes us train our bodies, minds, and spirits, that as we grow in years we are better able to serve Thee and mankind; for teamwork that teaches us to share and to bear responsibility; for competition that tests our fortitude and sportsmanship; for the sheer fun of wholesome exercise and fellowship; for the joyful thrill of winning; for defeat that chastises for our faults and drives us to new heights of effort; for the guidance of good and able teachers. For these and all Thy bountiful blessings we thank Thee, gracious Father. (And especially at this hour for the fellowship of friends and loved ones.) Accept our gratitude in the Name of Thy dear Son, our Guide for life, Jesus Christ. Amen.
STANDING—Martha Hewlett, Miss Hansen, Barbara Humble, Ruth Schneider.
SITTING—Martha Jane Kempf, Norma Kenrick, Marda Gene Duncan.

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT................................................. Marda Gene Duncan
SECRETARY-TREASURER................................. Barbara Humble
TECUMSEH INDIANS
1945

Jim Osburn H.B.
Dermont Poley FB
Harold Meade R.T.
Bill Brown L.G.
Ted Sisson L.E.
Dean Hamilton R.E.
Bob Baker H.B.
Bob Dinse R.T.
John Murdoch Q.B.
Tom Judd R.G.
Lillard Brown H.B.
Ben Hammack C.
Bob Wood R.T.
Football

After winning the L. C. A. A. title for three consecutive years, the Tecumseh Indians ended up this year in second place. Only four lettermen returned last fall, with only two regular starters, Osburn and Wood. Starting with thirty-three boys, Coach Raizk worked hard to get a team ready for the first game. With nine positions to fill, it was a free-for-all for the boys who wanted them. The first game with Hudson showed up some mistakes, but Tecumseh came out ahead, 12-0. The following week was a hard week, for the next game was with Clinton. That Friday night our mistakes were too numerous, and Clinton won, 26-0. The next two weeks the boys gained experience, and they played Manchester to a tie, 13-13. Our next game was with Morenci, who had previously beaten Clinton. This was a rainy and muddy affair, which we won, 6-0. Our team improved as the year progressed, and we showed this by beating Blissfield, 41-0.

The boys who will be lost to the team are Osburn, L. Brown, Meade, Purkey, Wood, and Hamilton. The boys who will be back next fall are Judd, B. Brown, Hammack, Dinse, Sisson, Russell, Murdoch, Baker, Poley, Williams, Corkery, Anderson, Hayden, McVay, Baldwin, and Barber. We wish them luck.
TECUMSEH INDIANS 1945

John Murdoch G.

Ben Hammack F.

Charles Bancroft F.

Bob Baker G.

Bob Dinsel F.

Dermont Poley C.

Jim Osburn G.

Coach Raiz.

Bob Dinsel Mgr.

Don Purkey C.
Basketball

Tecumseh's basketball team enjoyed a good season this year, although not as good as last year. With only three lettermen returning (Murdoch, Osburn, and Bancroft), Coach Raizk started from scratch. In about two weeks' time he had put together a team to start our first game, which we won against Dundee, 38-19. We made a good start on our schedule by winning the first four games. The one with Morenci was won 30-29 when John Murdoch flipped in a field goal in the last ten seconds.

Next came Adrian as a preparation for Clinton. This was a slow, well played ball game in which we came out on top, 32-28. But the following week was not so good, and Clinton won, 19-16: During the whole game Clinton made only four field goals, but they made eleven out of twelve free throws for their victory. Manchester also defeated us. They were hitting the basket with ease, and we weren't. After winning our next three games, we were again defeated by Clinton, 47-21. More hard work came with the tournament. In our first game with Dundee we won in an overtime, 36-35. On Saturday night we had some tough luck, losing to Milan, 30-25. We ended the season with 12 wins against 4 losses.

The players returning next year will be Randall, Poley, Hammock, Murdoch, Baker, Sisson, and Cheever. Those who will graduate are Osburn, Purkey, Bancroft, and Hamilton.
Track

STANDING—Mr. Mead, Sonny Waldron, Lawrence Russell, Fred Ward, Lillard Brown.
SITTING—Bill Hayden, Jim Osburn, Marvin Barber, Gene Tuckey, John McVay, Earl Baldwin.

Baseball

STANDING—Dale Titley, Tom Judd, Jack Brown, Ted Sisson, Jim Murphy, Seaman Packard, Dick Gallaway.
ACTIVITIES
The Student Council of Tecumseh High School has for eight years arranged through local ministers to present chapel services each Monday. These weekly programs reach all students in the central building, from the elementary grades through the Junior and Senior High. Their purpose is to further acquaint students with the principles and teachings of the Bible, which all Christians seek, especially in these days of war and world conflict. Special services are also offered to Catholic students.

Each Monday the members of the Tecumseh Ministerial Association take turns in conducting chapel exercises at Tecumseh High School. The purpose of these chapel services is not to stress the teachings of any one church, but rather to emphasize the great truths we all hold in common. These chapel exercises are a short course in applied Christianity.

A soap manufacturer and a preacher were walking together along a city street, and the former said "Christianity is a failure; look at the state of the world." The preacher said nothing.

Farther down the street they saw a group of small boys with very dirty faces playing together. It was now the preacher’s turn, and he said "Soap is a failure; look at the faces of those boys."

The soap manufacturer answered: "Soap is not a failure—it has not been applied."

Whereupon the preacher said, "Christianity is not a failure; it just has not been applied."

The will of God, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit must be brought to bear on human hearts and lives in order to be effective. One may have the finest assortment of flower and vegetable seeds, but unless the seeds are planted, one will not pick any flowers or gather any vegetables from them. The local "Dynamic Kernels" project has been an illustration of the words of Christ our Lord as found in John 12:24: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn (grain) of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." From a tiny seed-plot, eight by four feet, in which 360 grams of wheat were planted in September, 1940, 230 acres of land were planted in September, 1944, even though one-tenth of each crop had been taken out, and set apart for the promotion of Christian work. Seed must be applied or planted in harmony with the laws of God in order to produce a harvest.

One may own a check drawn by a man of means on a reliable bank, but the check will not do any good unless it is signed and cashed.

Food must be eaten to give strength. It is not enough for a hungry man to admire good food, or to speak in appreciation of good food, he must eat it in order to gain nourishment.

Even so in the realm of spiritual realities. The will of God must be accepted, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ must be received, and the power of the Holy Spirit must be embraced in the heart and life of the individual ere their realities accomplish the purpose of God.

"Break Thou the bread of life, Dear Lord, to me, As Thou didst break the loaves beside the sea; Beyond the sacred page I seek Thee, Lord, My spirit pants for Thee, O living Word.

   "Bless Thou the truth, dear Lord, To me— to me, As Thou didst bless the bread by Galilee; Then shall all bondage cease. All fetters fall; And I shall find my peace. My All in all."
STANDING—John Cameron, Earl Baldwin, Mr. Mead, LaMar Cheever, Harold Anderson.
SITTING—Jeannine Clark, Barbara Schoeck, Lenore Mohr, Winona Waldron, Barbara Kerby,
Jo Anne Johnston, Sherry Lee Fielder.

OFFICERS

President......................................................... Winona Waldron
Vice-President............................................... Lenore Mohr
Secretary-Treasurer......................................... Malcolm Duncan
Chorus

TOP ROW—Edna Reed, Mary Louden, Elizabeth Avis, Mary Solarski, Evelyn Murphy, Geraldine Daniels, Norma Kenrick, Phyllis Kahle, Shirley Baker, Phoebe Covell, Ruth Schneider.
SECOND ROW—Jeanne Swick, Elizabeth Galloway, Emma Rae Witt, Marilyn Baaske, Jeannine Clark, Louise Wilson, Marilyn VanWinkle, Marlo Gilman, Patsy Wilson, Rhonda Hunter, Nadine Covell, Barbara Bater.

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT......................................................... Joyce Zeigler
VICE-PRESIDENT............................................... Dean Hamilton
SECRETARY-TREASURER..................................... Dermont Poley

CHOIR

The Choir of Tecumseh High School includes a special group of Chorus members selected to handle parts which are more difficult or which need only a few voices, and not the volume of the entire Chorus.
TOP ROW—Lois Purkey, Keith Swain, Donald Maves, Dorothy Schumm, Carolyn Baker, Ronald Goodacre, Wesley Whelan.
SECOND ROW—Sally Brown, Charles Goodacre, Lawrence Church, Ned Ruesink, Daryle McClure, Marcene Kilbury, Bonnie Beasley, Gerald VanValkenburg, David Lott, Donna Martin, Robert Irwin.
SITTING—David Green, Dwaine Louden, Richard Lent, Duane Hayes, Joan Lewis, Mr. Camburn, Nancy Wilson, Bob Wood, Bob Randall, Jeanette Goodacre, Dorothy Cook.

OFFICERS

President ........................................ Ronald Goodacre
Vice-President .................................... Bob Randall
Secretary ......................................... Jeanette Goodacre
Treasurer ......................................... Dorothy Cook

In March of 1944 the Class of 1945 presented a three-act mystery play, "Murder in Rehearsal," under the direction of Miss Elliott. A "bare" stage was used, which gave the proper atmosphere and represented the rehearsal background indicated in the title.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

JACK ELLERY .......................................................... Jack Tonneberger
CLAUDIA WARREN ................................................... Lenore Larsen
MRS. FISKE WARREN .............................................. Marilyn Weseloh
HAROLD KNIGHT ..................................................... Si Kring
MORTON HILL ........................................................... Jim Osburn
TRILBY ................................................................. Bonnie Alexander
SHEILA BURNETT .................................................... Ruth Schneider
CHUBBY FORBES ..................................................... Bob Wilson
SHERIFF CULLEN .................................................... Don Purkey
MARGE PENNY .......................................................... Catherine Gray
BUNKY SIMMS ........................................................ Barbara Kerby
DAFFY CARMICHAEL ................................................ Lillard Brown
STACK HILTON ........................................................ Wayne Dunbar
PROMPTERS ............................................................ Theyone Eggleston and Jocelynn Anderson
STAGE MANAGER .................................................... Ardis Drewyor
In January the Class of 1945 presented its Senior Play. This time we chose a three-act comedy, “Grandma Goes Hollywood.” Mrs. LaBounty, with the assistance of Mrs. Service, acted as director.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

GEORGE PHILLPITS.................................................. Bob Wilson
EMMA PHILLPITS..................................................... Mary Jane Hayden
PHYLLIS PHILLPITS................................................. Ruth Schneider
GRAM................................................................. Carolyn Baker
BRADFORD JONES.................................................. Richard Avis
MRS. BRADFORD JONES........................................ LaVonne Perin
JANET LOVELEE.................................................... Jocelynn Anderson
RANDY KNOWLES................................................ Lyle Harper
JASMINE............................................................... Dorothy Schumm
LILY BROWN.......................................................... Alexi Lerch
ALEXIS SHARPETHORNE........................................ Jack Tonneberger
PROMPTERS........................................................ Helen Horak and Joyce Zeigler
STAGE MANAGER................................................... Bob Wood
ASSISTANT STAGE MANAGER................................. Ardis Drewyor
Journalism Club

MIDDLE ROW—Barbara Kerby, Maureen McLain, Nancy Every, Bill Hayden, Barbara Humble, Mrs. Service, Joyce Zeigler, LaVonne Perin, Janet Gallaway, Marjorie Wickwire.
SITTING—Colleen Davidson, Jocelynn Anderson, Bonnie Alexander, Patsy Wilson, Martha Jane Kempf, Ardis Drewyor, Beppy Escalme, Lucille Murdoch, Joan Church.

Journalism Club Officers

PRESIDENT ......................................................... LaVonne Perin
VICE-PRESIDENT ........................................ Joyce Zeigler
SECRETARY ..................................................... Janet Gallaway
TREASURER .................................................... Bill Hayden
September
18—School begins, seat grabbing, books, gum, and summer gossip.
19—Shy glances and romances begin.
27—Yippee! We walked home with that pigskin and our first victory.

October
6—Got scalped by our rival tribe, Clinton, 0-26.
13—Clang, clang, clang goes the firebell!
27—Easy does it with Morenci, 6-0.

November
1—Fire drill again. Disappointment, no fire.
2—Yum, yum, Senior Pancake supper.
3—Beat Blissfield, 41-0.
13—Grid Dance. May I borrow your frame for the wrestle?
24-25—Give thanks on Thanksgiving for two days' rest.

December
1—Umm, food again plus good time. Football Banquet.
5—Roll out the basketball, we'll have a barrel of fun. Beat Dundee, 38-9.
8—Manchester boys, sad sacks. We beat them, 18 to 12.
12—Addison in a sadder state, 48-34.
15—Hudson, tch, tch, is sad, too—43-14.
19— and Morenci, 30-29.
22—Mellow music, smooth dancing. Oops! Don't fall! Christmas Dance.
22—Ah, a little well-earned vacation.

January
2—School again.
5—Adrian's downfall in a little game of ball, 32 to 28.
12—Ugh, we are victims of assault and beatery by Clinton, 19-16.
16—Consolation, beat Blissfield, 40-20.
18-19—Ah, superb drama, Senior Play, "Grandma Goes Hollywood."
19—Lost our shirts again to Manchester, 35-24.
23-25—Exams! Cramming, cokes, and potato chips.
26—Addison hangs its head in shame. We beat 'em, 50-13.

February
1—Took Hudson by storm, 23-8.
9—Oh, the pity of it all, beat Morenci, 41-31.
15—Oh, oh! Lost to Clinton, 47-21.
23—Consolation, took Blissfield, 35-20.
23—"Orbit" takes a beating—gum-chewing day.
21-28—Sponge Week, but men are practically nil.

March
1—Whee! Spirits up in the wagon again. We beat Dundee, 35-36, in District Tournament.
3—Going down. Lost to Milan, 35-30. That's the end of that.
30—Ah, long-awaited rest.

April
2—Trekkin' back to school again.
5-6—Juniors present "Made-To-Order Hero," a four-bell production.
20—Hard-Times Party . . . lots of fun!

May
11—The Juniors, bless their hearts, throw a party for us. Junior-Senior Reception.
18—Swish of gowns, sophisticated airs, May Dance.
27—Baccalaureate . . . nearing the finish.
29—Class day, last big Senior get-together.
31—Commencement . . . well, bye-bye, all.
Gridiron Dance

Following our successful football season of 1943 came the annual Gridiron Dance, sponsored by the Class of 1945, on November 12. The walls of the gym were bedecked with tombstones representing our defeated opponents, and there were goal posts at either end of the room. "Mellow" music was furnished by Nick Jabe and his orchestra.

Football Banquet

The Athletic Club Mothers, who sponsor the annual football banquet, chose December 1, 1944, for the occasion, thus terminating a good football season. "Chuck" Butler served as an entertaining toastmaster. Letters of award were presented by Fred Raizk to the boys.

Christmas Party

The twenty second of December, 1944, noted the Christmas Party, an annual holiday dance, in the high school gymnasium. Characteristic evergreen boughs with colored lights ornamented the dance floor, and a huge Christmas tree stood at one end of the room. We were glad to welcome the few Servicemen, alumni of our high school, who could be present for the occasion.

Junior-Senior Reception

Along with spring came the Junior-Senior Reception, given by our class in honor of the Seniors of '44. In a cafe setting of old France we all spent an enjoyable evening, which included a very delicious dinner, a program, and later, dancing. At our sidewalk cafe L'Avenue des Champs Elysees, we saw in the distance La Tour Eiffel and the graceful winding Riviere Seine. Gay and colorful mademoiselles and garçons waited on table. Nick Jabe and his orchestra furnished the music.

**PROGRAMME**

COMMUNITY SING LEADER .................................................. Mary Jane Hayden
MASTER OF CEREMONIES .................................................. Silas Kring
TOASTMASTER .................................................................. Lillard Brown
WELCOME ........................................................................... Robert Wood
RESPONSE ............................................................................ William Aebersold
LA MUSIQUE ........................................................................ Lowell Wise, Lillard Brown, Jack Tonneberger, Darwin Creger
UN TOAST .............................................................................. Ruth Schneider
SOLO ...................................................................................... Mrs. McColl
LA PREMIERE PAROLE ......................................................... Mr. Aden Mead
LA DEUXIEME PAROLE ......................................................... Mr. David Dick

DINNER MUSIC by LOIS HATT

May Party

With the same decorations that we used for the Junior-Senior Reception, the Annual May Party was held on May 19th, 1944. The music was furnished by Nick Jabe and his orchestra.

Senior Trip

All of the members of our class are looking forward to the "famed" senior trip. On completing our examinations, we plan to leave Detroit May 20 by boat, to journey through the "Soo" Locks, and down Lake Michigan to Chicago, where we shall spend one-half day. We plan to arrive home on Thursday, May 24th, in time to prepare for Class Night on Tuesday.
Future Farmers of America

TOP ROW—Donald Aebersold, Roger Williams, Stanley Frost, Bill Stuart, Darrell Coover, Edward Furgason, Charles Every, Arlo Payne, Wesley Whelan, Robert Irwin.
MIDDLE ROW—John Reed, Tom Rutherford, Wesley Hunt, LeRoy Covell, George Holmes, Mr. Parsons, Harold Meade, Charles Aebersold, Lawrence Church.
SITTING—Daryle McClure, Gilbert Ives, Ron Goodacre, Don Purkey, Dean Hamilton, Darwin Creger, Ted Sisson.

OFFICERS

PRESIDENT......................................................... Don Purkey
VICE-PRESIDENT............................................... Theodore Sisson
SECRETARY...................................................... Darwin Creger
Treasurer......................................................... Ronald Goodacre
The Teachers' Club is a prominent and active organization in our school. The members meet once a month for dinner and a social evening, with varied programs. This year the club sent Christmas presents to Mr. Young, Mr. Hart, and Mr. Johnson, former members of the staff who left to join the Service.

**OFFICERS**

President: Mr. Dick  
Vice-President: Miss Hansen  
Secretary-Treasurer: Mrs. Dickinson  
Assistant Secretary: Mr. Mead
DEAR SCHOOL FRIENDS:

Kate Smith reminds us daily, "If you don’t write, you’re wrong!” Because we can’t write to each alumnus and alumna in the Service, we are taking this opportunity to send our greetings and tid-bits of news from Tecumseh High School.

The war has affected the atmosphere here at school more than it has the routine. Our Service Flag, with its 220 blue stars and four gold stars, keeps us constantly aware that others who once sat in these same class rooms are now fighting and dying on foreign battlefields for the rights we all enjoy. The weekly war stamp sales have been good, and we have kept our Minute Man Flag flying since last November. In December we attained 100% participation in stamp sales as a tribute to Edward Brazee, who was killed in a plane crash in India.

School lunches taste better than ever this year. Mrs. Laidlaw has a new electric stove, refrigerator, and dishwasher to lend a helping hand. The large crowds that come down to eat are testimony enough!

The assembly reminds one of a new Easter suit, with its fresh coat of green paint. Several of the class rooms, and even the gym, have had a change of color, too; and after several months, the light green walls and cream-colored ceilings are still fresh and clean. The stage has been adorned at the back and sides with beige curtains that offer a fine neutral background.

This year Tecumseh High School bowed to Clinton and accepted second place titles in both football and basketball. Nevertheless, we’re mighty proud of the boys and the record they made, and are looking forward to the spring sports with enthusiasm and optimism. You can’t keep a good school down!

Mother Nature, with the aid of a few students, lent a sympathetic hand to late-risers this winter by building a diagonal walk out of snow and ice from the end of the white fence to the south entrance. Even Mr. Dustin admitted traversing it once! Maybe someday someone will see fit to construct a walk there, and consequently save the annual spring warning of “Keep off the lawns!”

Scarcely a week passes without one or more of our alumni in uniform dropping in with fascinating stories of his training or travels. We are always glad to see “our boys” (and girls, too!). Our hearts are full of pride and gratitude for the grand job you are doing in bringing peace to a war-weary world. Thanks, good luck, and may God grant you all a safe and speedy return.

Sincerely yours,

THE ANNUAL STAFF
So nigh is grandeur to our dust,
So near is God to man,
When duty whispers low, they must,
The youth replies, 'I can.'

W. E. Mcession

Bob Mohr '42
Nancy Tingley '44
Bill Allen
Gale Taylor '43
* killed in flight

Joan Ward '42
"Jimmie"

Malcolm, Karl, Bob, Don '43
Neal Brazee
Latham Dewey '43
HOLLYWOOD JAIL

H. Heesen '43
L. Shaffer '44
G. Wilson '42

Don Russell '43

Doug '44, George '43

"Wish you were here" Bill Martin

Jack Curtis '43
Lee '43
Don
Max, Jack, Archie '44
T. H. S. CAMPUS QUIZ

This tripe test is designed to enable our dear readers to discover the rate of intelligence which they undoubtedly have not. On this and following pages are photos of famous personages and places. Suggestions of possible answers are given, from which you are to select the one which applies to the picture. Add your score, divide by three, and deduct ten per cent for cover charge. Since this test is given on the honor system, we rely on you all to be "honest injuns." Remember—no cheatin'.

P. S.—Any similarity to persons living or dead is purely confidential.

I. THIS SLAP-HAPPY LOOKIN' GROUP IS—
1. The Dionne quintuplets in their play pen.
2. T. H. S. labor organizers.
3. East-side kids.
4. The gang, bless their little hearts.

II. THESE TWO ARE—
1. Moonshiners from Kentucky mountains.
2. Construction engineers on the W.P.A.
3. Einstein and his protegee.
4. Dave and Del making an important discovery.
III. FOUR GUESSES! WHY IT'S—
1. A new addition to this year's license plates.
2. Grinning gremlins which have just emerged from the exhaust pipe.
3. Experimenting members of the "Ways and Means" committee.
4. Girls! . . . Is this trip really necessary?

IV. THIS GAL IS AIMING HIGH; WELL, SHE SHOULD, BECAUSE SHE'S—
1. An electrician's daughter with good connections.
2. John's other wife.
3. Apple of William Tell's eye.
4. Winona Waldron—"nuff said."

V. THE FORLORN-LOOKING BUILDING IS NONE OTHER THAN—
1. The goon castle on the Raisin River.
2. A tract of land donated to T. H. S. for biological research.
4. Once the Tecumseh "Teen Canteen," but now a deserted tepee.

VI. THIS ABSOLUTELY FAMOUS FIGURE IS—
1. Frank Buck's (bring 'em back alive) right-hand man.
2. Widely misquoted military analyst on vacation.
3. Editor of "Field and Stream."
4. "C. R."—a real sport and a real sportsman.
VII. Hey! How did he get in here? He's a vital part of T.H.S., for he's—
1. Frankenstein's monster.
2. Owner of a hearse.
3. A well-known Communist.
4. Tecumseh gals' idol swoon-crooner engaged in gargling contest.

IX. This attractive trio is... look again!
1. Three eskimos who swam the Arctic.
2. Hula dancers from the Strand.
3. Faith, Hope, and Charity.
4. Three Tecumseh slick-chicks on a local bond tour.

VIII. well, look who's laughing—
1. The local Fuller-brush salesman.
2. Ye old tavern bouncer.
3. Model for a toothpaste ad.
4. Senior's pal.

X. This architect's delight is—
1. A real estate plot in seventh heaven.
2. A hatchery for geniuses and child prodigies.
3. Jones Junior High on a foggy day.
4. Good old Tecumseh High.
Under Classmen

Out for Lunch

Watch the Birdie

Skimming again?

Smilin' pretty

Under Classmen

My, My, Corky!

Pals

Gang Way!!

What's going on?

Loafers

Man Shortage

Toughies
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