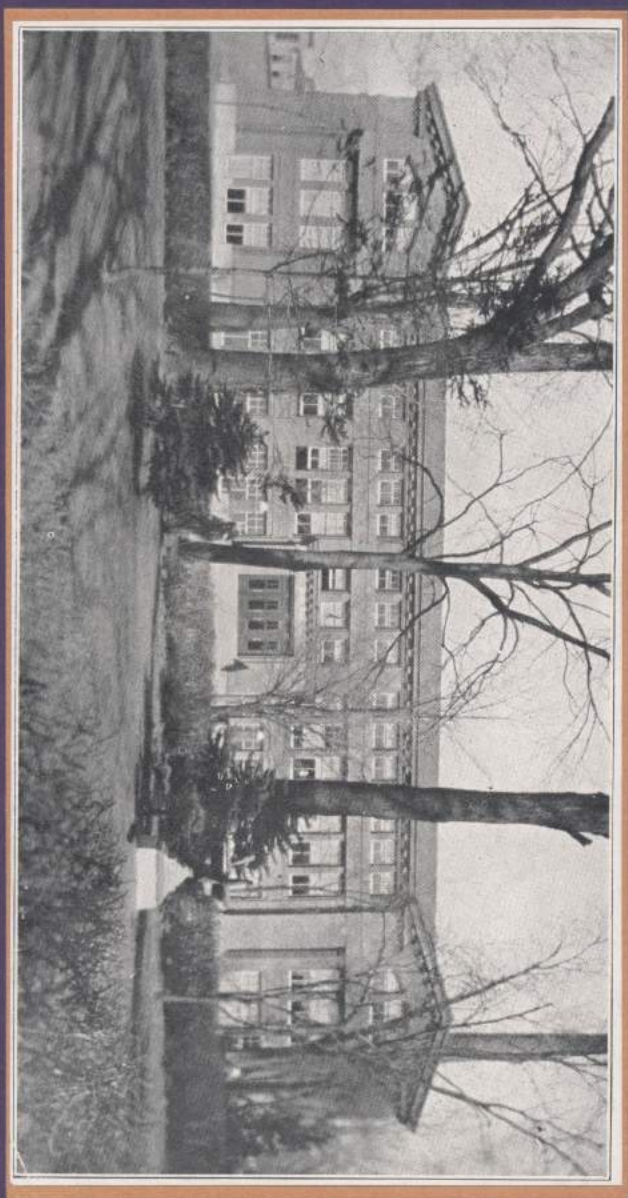


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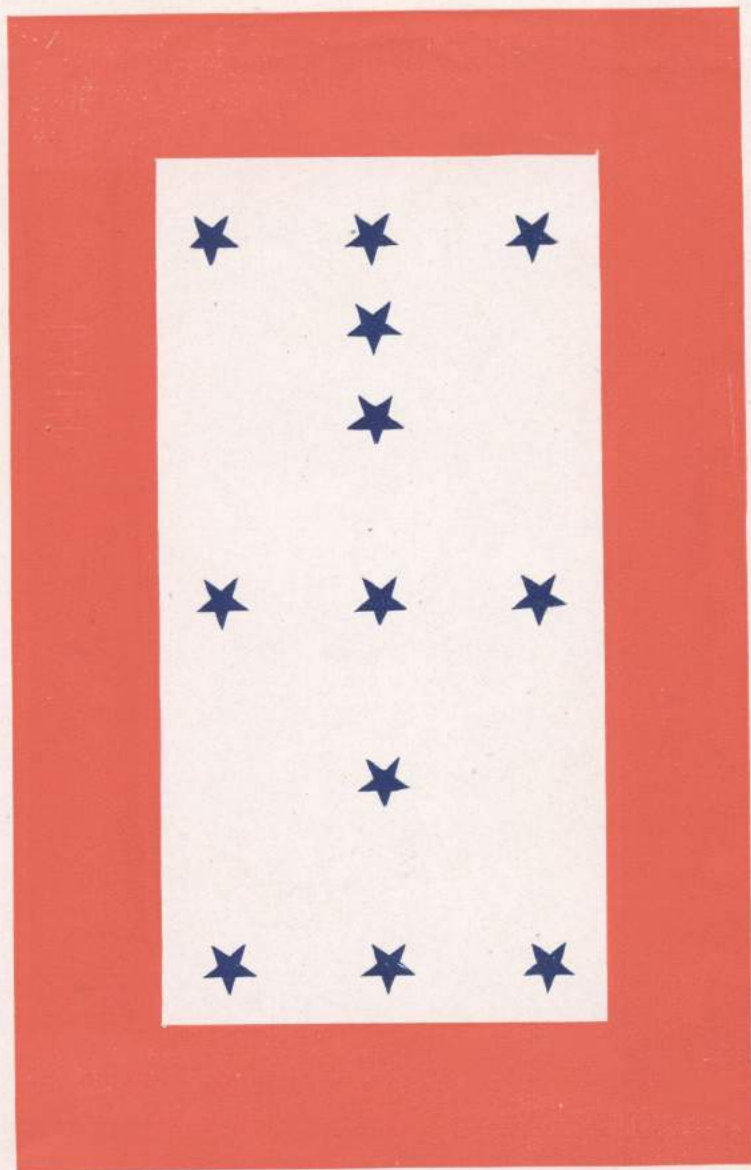
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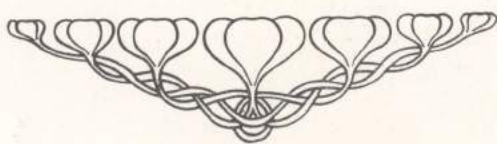
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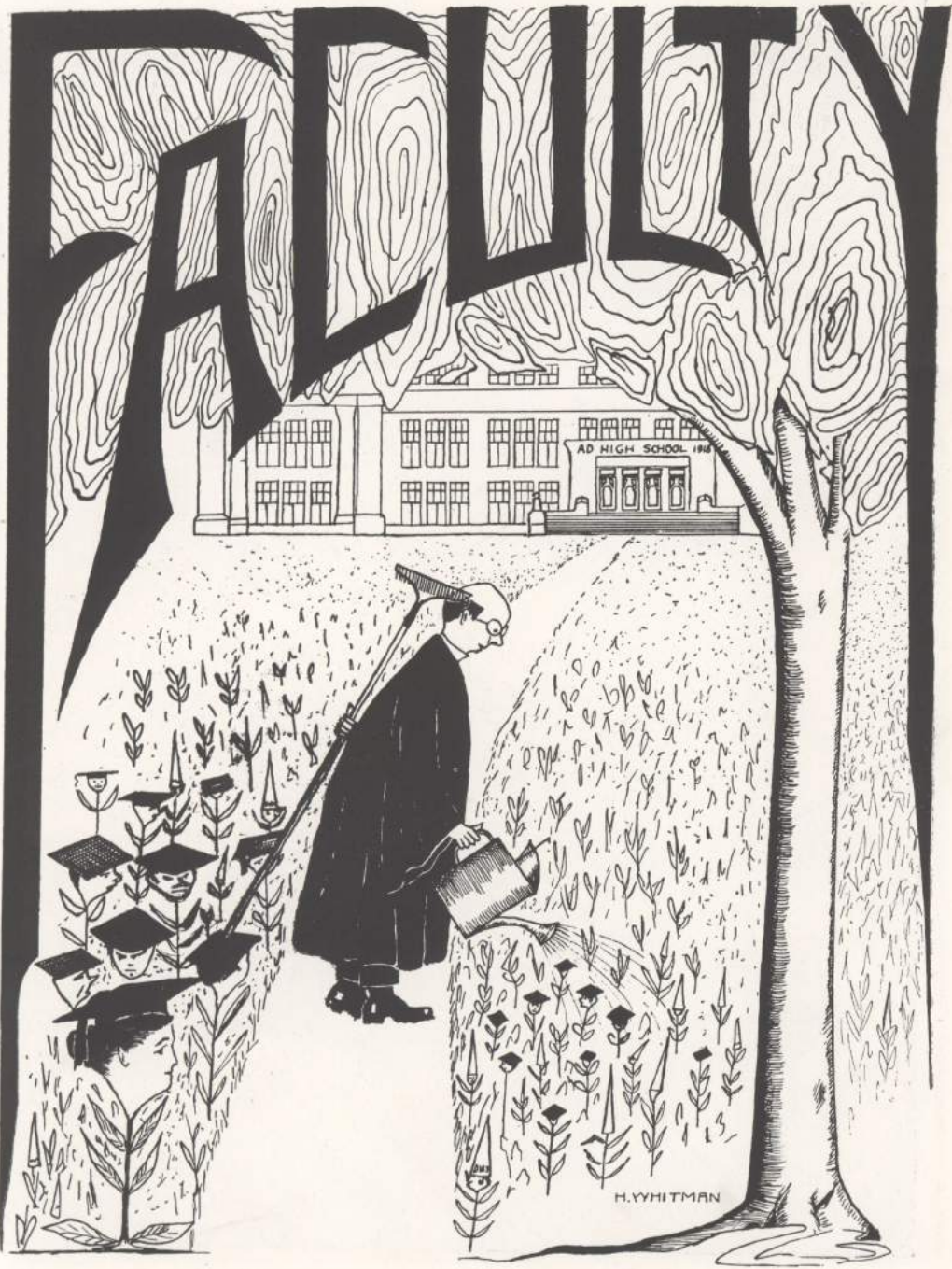
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To our readers we offer this brief chronicle of the school year 1917-1918 with the hope that within you will find something which will inspire you to greater achievements for the glory of your country and your school.







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Our Appreciation

As members of the Senior Class, it is only fitting that we should try to express our appreciation and gratitude in this "Our Annual" to the Faculty for all they have done for us the past year. Always ready to lend a helping hand and to speak a kind word of encouragement, they have turned our work from duty and hard labor to pleasure and joy. We appreciate the fact that despite their many duties and cares they have always been ready to clear up our troubles. This help has come to us not only in our studies but in our outside pleasures also. Their tireless efforts toward the success of our entertainments, our social life, "The Scoop", athletics, and now our "Annual" are greatly appreciated.

It is through the Faculty that we have learned to love our Alma Mater and from their teaching we can make our Alma Mater proud of us. The work of our Faculty with us will be treasured in the memories of the Seniors as a proof of their friendliness and loyalty.

Gertrude White.



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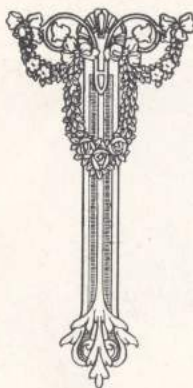
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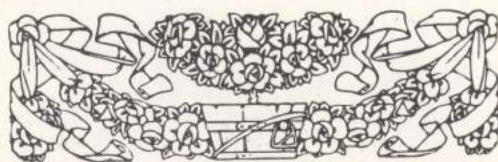
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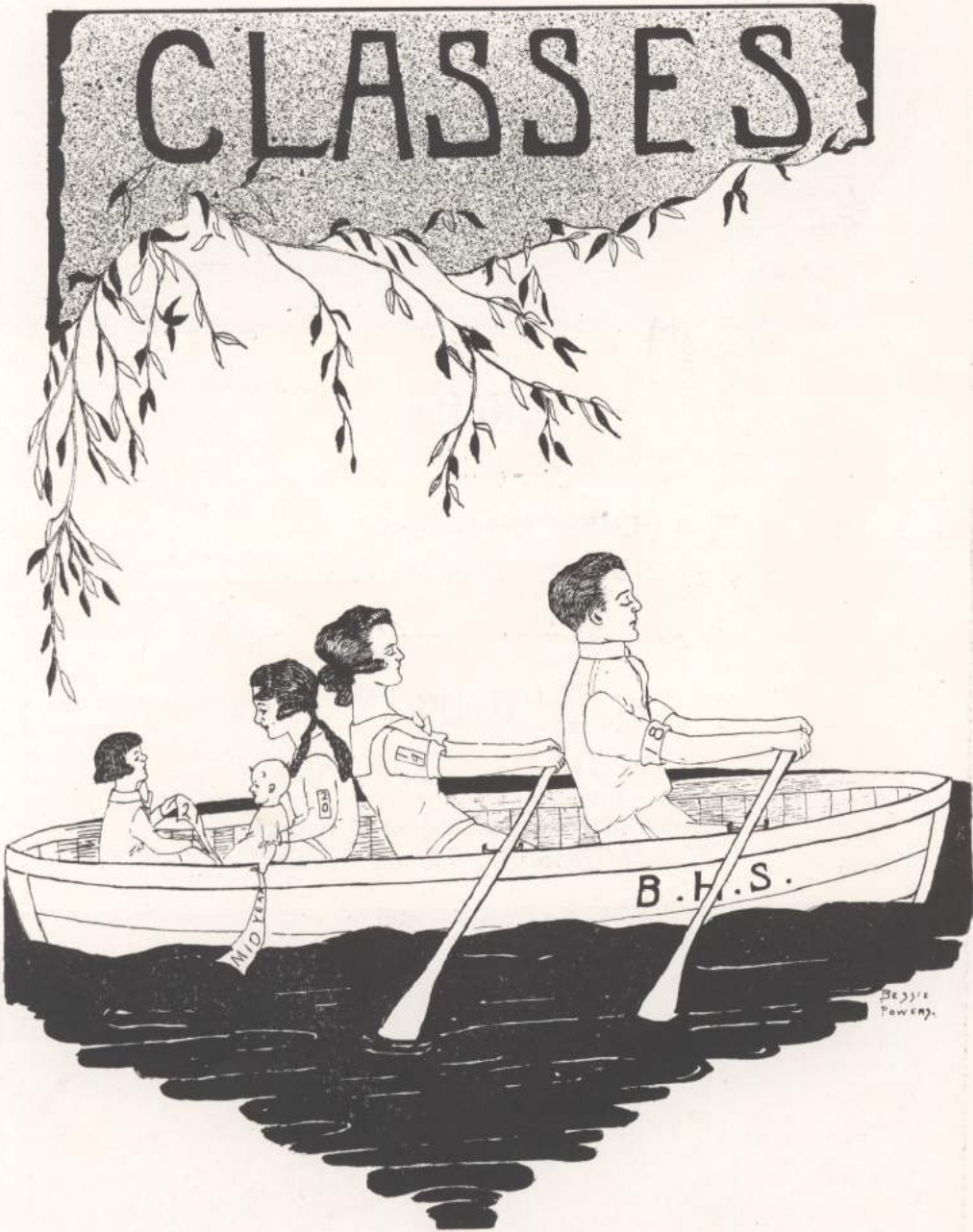
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We, the Staff of the "Annual", in appreciation of the willing assistance rendered both by the faculty and the students, take this opportunity to thank one and all for the loyal spirit with which they have helped to make this book what it is.





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Motto

COLORS: *Maroon and Cream.*

MOTTO: "*Over the Top.*"

"Holl"

Boom-la! boom-la! boom-la boom!
Hoop-la! hoop-la! hoop-la hoom!

Though we are many
We are one;
When in earnest
When in fun—

Here's to the maroon
Here's to the cream
Here's to us—
The Class of Eighteen!

(Trill.)



MILDRED ALLEN

"Mids"

The worthy Secretary of the class of '18, the miniature office girl who greets you with a smile and last, but not least, a student all the while.

"Nor know we anything so fair

As the smile upon thy face."

HAZEL BAKER.

One of our "Honor Roll" students who works with a resolute will. Not so well known but admired by all who know her is our Caledonian representative.

"There is nothing so kingly as kindness,

And nothing so royal as truth."

EMMA BARNEY

"Babe"

Emma is a pleasant girl who has been content with silent work and hard study. Well spoken of by those who know her.

Here's to you: Success!

"If e'er she knew an evil thought

She spoke no evil word."

WALLACE BLACKLEDGE

"Kitty"

Not so much like a kitten as the name implies. Likes a good time, a royal time with plenty to eat and time to sleep.

"Sleep, sleep today, Tormenting Cares
Of earth and folly born—"

HAZEL BLAKE

"Mae"

A willing helper and a faithful "Booster" in her capacity as president of that organization. Just at present her middle name is "Happy".

"The reason firm, the temperate will
Endurance, foresight, strength and
skill."

ALINE BOLLMAN

"Sal"

Aline is a popular lass possessing the hearts of each, a city boy, a farmer boy and a sailor boy; and has a smile for those worth while. Her part in the "Hunsdon House" proves her motto:

"Dance and they all dance with you"



**AMBROSE BOODEL****"Andy"**

When "Dick" fell in the tranquil waters of our school he made a big splash—in athletics and dramatics—to say nothing of his hit with our society damsels.

"Blew in from other fields to get his final polish here."

HAZEL BURTON**"Stubby"**

She is active socially and therefore capably fills her position on this staff. One of our highest esteemed classmates and an "Honor Roll" student, who sincerely believes:

"Today let us rise and go to work.

Tomorrow we shall rise and go to our reward."

PEARL BURTON**"Puss"**

Pearl intends to become a country "school marm", but is intensely interested in pharmacy. We trust that her experience in handling bronchos will aid her in controlling a pharmacist as well. She is on the "Honor Roll" and on the Senior cast.

"She knows she's not forgotten
By the boy she can't forget."

FLOYD BYERS**"Algernon"**

When Floyd can't get a lesson you may be sure that it's hard. He always succeeded in everything he undertook, therefore we have perfect confidence in him.

"Maintain your rank; vulgarity despises
To swear is neither brave, polite, nor wise."

HELEN COLLIER**"Wiggy"**

Oh! Oh! Oh! Those eyes! No wonder she's popular! She is an Honor Roll student with musical, dramatic and social abilities. As "Emily Ladew" she verified her motto:

"A perfect Woman, nobly plann'd
To warm, to comfort, and command."

HERBERT COMSTOCK**"Commie"**

Class President, member of the "Korridor Quartet" and one of the best liked fellows in school. "Herb" is a star in both basketball and football and declares the most difficult part is abiding by training rules and escaping ineligibility.

"I dare do all that may become a man
Who dares do more is none."





ERWIN DAVIS

In every class there are steady, studious, jolly students. Our class is blessed with a goodly number of such members, of whom Erwin is by no means the least. He comes from the country. Good looking? Well, I should say! That may account for his many friends.

"The only way to have a friend is to be one."

VERA DODSON

"Doddie"

"Shorty" is a good dancer, a good Dodger, and a gay chaffeuse.

"Every prospect pleases,
And only man is vile."

LOWELL FAIR

Famed as an orator, actor, pugilist, "and so forth." The presentation of "The Neighbors" marked the beginning of "Ezra's" theatrical career. Efficient student adviser to cheer leaders, "and so forth."

"Then Fancy, her magical pinions
spread wide,
And bade the young dreamer to ecstasy
ride."

MADALINE FANE

"Dimples"

Madaline has a close circle of friends who proclaim her popularity. She is a good cook, a student, and a jolly classmate.

"I never could quite find a reason
Why sorrow unbidden should stay,
And all the bright joys of life's season
Be driven unheeded away."

AMY FIFIELD

"Skinny"

A word to the wise is sufficient they say, so listen—watch for "Red Jones". Sh. he's coming to the Commencement Exercises. Amy sings well, talks much, and on the whole acts well.

"Be good, my child, and let who will be clever."

RUTH FITZER

A student of nature, poetry, and art; loved and admired by all who know here. Ruth did very commendable work as Art Editor of this volume.

"I always find, in the book of life
Some lesson I must learn."





LILLIAN FOSSLER

A quiet worker who always does her part and gains a place on the "Honor Roll." As Secretary of the Forum and Dramatic Editor of the Annual she has proved her efficiency. Her standard is:

"Do not, friend, stand idly waiting
For some greater work to do."

LUCILE GRAVES

How she has been able to keep the library, prepare her lessons, be on the "Honor Roll" and take an active part in society is more than we can guess. Yet, she did it and did it well. The associate editor is the chief source of advice for both the Senior President and Editor-in-Chief.

"Example is a living law, whose sway
Men more than all the written laws
obey."

EDITH HAMMOND

Another of our unerring, studious classmates from the North Side. "Edy" never blushes or gets fussed.

"So sweet the blush of bashfulness
Even pity scarce can wish it less."

GERALD HOUSTON

"Pee Wee"

"Pee Wee, the Vicious", brightens every corner with a bit of "Irish Wit". In every class he just has to get into some kind of mischief. A good athlete, a better dancer, and some student!

"There surely must be some hard work
in him

Because none ever came out."

MARY HUDDLESTUN

In a quiet conscientious manner Mary diligently works each day; strives to learn and truly she succeeds. Very accommodating, willing to help, but when it comes to checking up the tardy roll—Have you ever been tardy?

"A thoughtful mind directs her skillful
hand."

ERNEST HUMPHREY

"Napoleon"

When you see that everlasting smile coming down the hall you may be sure "Ernie" is in the neighborhood. He is always ready for a good time.

"Whence that three-cornered smile?"





HELEN JARDINE

Thinks she is rather good looking and we do not feel justified in contradicting her. She has been prominent socially, dramatically. She has added to the many successes of our class and to those of her man. (Herman)—for,

"On one she smiled and he was blessed".

ROY JOHNSON

Roy has one fault, that is, he's afraid of the girls. We sincerely hope that his part in "The Neighbors" helped him along in that line.

"Attempt the end, and never stand in doubt,

Nothing's so hard but search will find it out."

WILLARD JUKES

"Bill"

"Bill", we give you a glad hand for you have certainly backed our class and school in every undertaking. May you ever be as successful! An all 'round good fellow—an athlete of ability, and a ladies' man.

"Good nature and good sense must ever join,

To err is human; to forgive, divine."

"Micky"

HELEN KEATOR

"Kate"

Another of our rural maidens—pleasant and demure. Accomplished in both music and dramatics, and an "Honor Roll" student. Local Editor of the "Scoop." In each of these and in her many other activities, Helen has done her part.

"Blessed is she who has the gift of making friends,

For it is one of God's best gifts."

LORETTA LAMPERT

A farmer lassie who readily adjusts herself to city life. The "Honor Roll" bears her name for she surely is diligent.

"There is language in her eye, her cheeks, her lips;

Nay, her foot speaks."

CATHERINE LEITZELL

"Tacka"

She has been prominent socially and for some time, has been a member of the "Heart Guidance Club". Her name appears on the "Honor Roll", while HIS is on the "Roll of Honor."

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever."





HELEN LENTZ

Talk about "pep"! No dull moments when she's around. The "Little Deutsch Shark" was never known to have a sad moment except when meditating on the fortune of her "Sammie".

"Fie! What a spendthrift is she of her tongue."

LILY LEPPER

"Lily B."

She has met with success in music, drama and society. Is Editor of the joke department of the "Scoop". His song is her song till the end of the war:

"I'll be just as true to you
As to the red, white, and blue,
Though I'm gone for a long, long time."

FRANK LUHMAN

"Hank"

"Hank" is poet-laureate of the Belvidere High School. He can write poetry, draw cartoons and run a Ford equally well. Republican Party Leader! Great Politician!

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

MARIE MARTH.

"Jacksy"

Salutatorian. In other words high up in intellectuality. She has many noble virtues and accomplishments too numerous to mention. Her advice is:

"Either win or make the man ahead break the record."

MARY MEYERS

"Merry Mary" has been a success in everything from Valedictorian and Editor-in-Chief of the "Scoop" to a "Sal." Under a capable tutor, she has become a most successful 1918 debutante.

"Some are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them."

EDWARD O'BRIEN

"Eddie"

Ed is a keen-eyed "detective" who enjoys eating and jokes. Be thou a hero! He was awarded the Last Will and Testament for class day.

"True wit is everlasting, like the sun, Which, though sometimes behind a cloud retired,

Breaks out again, and is by all admired."





FLORENCE O'CONNOR

"Nora"

Her reward for faithful and hard study was a place on the "Honor Roll". She says little but thinks much.

"Only a sweet and virtuous soul."

HELEN PARTRIDGE

"Ha Ha"

Always lively and jolly; likes to dance and "Hunt", with John. Has more fine feathers than the ordinary partridge and is as much admired. Our advice is suggested by this little motto:

"To rise at five and dine at nine,
To sup at five and bed at nine,
Will lengthen life to ninety-nine."

ANNA PENNING

Just fancy Anna, "sparing the rod and spoiling the child", but take this advice: Spare the director's child.

"She is very fond of jollity
Just as the Irish ought to be."

AMY PINEGAR

"Amiable"

No matter what she is called upon to do, she does it cheerfully and well. If she is as concerned for her rural scholars as she was over the "buffalo bug" in "The Neighbors", she cannot fail in her profession.

"Finds tongues in trees, in books, in the running brooks,
Sermons in stones, and good in everything."

IRENE PHELPS

"Rene"

Amy's shadow. A good student and willing worker. Likes to be teased by—the boys. See "The Blat" for further recommendations. She possesses—

"Truth—that golden key,
That opens the palace of eternity"

ARTHUR PERLET

"Art"

A good sport and big tease. We advise "Stuart" to go on the stage. He figured prominently in "The Man Who Married a Dumb Wife" and "Her Husband's Wife."

"Has he not always treasures, always friends,
The great, good man."



**DOROTHY PORTER****"Dor"**

A charming country hostess—especially to "Sals" and "Sal Bats." She is an "Honor Roll" scholar.

"With sympathies large enough to enfold

All men as brothers—'tis better than gold."

FLORENCE RASMUSSEN**"Flossie"**

Enjoys automobiling with a certain Baker whose soul occupation is to please her. Her troubles are many, her pleasures still more.

"I chatter, chatter as I go."

JUNE RICHARDSON**"Babe"**

A warm friend—specially to "Hug". The capable Vice President of the class of '18, and "as popular as they make 'em. She enjoys working, reading, talking and dancing. But after all, life's what we make it and you have done "your bit" for our high school welfare. Congratulations!

"I must work at my task with a resolute will

Over and over again."

DOROTHY SCRIVEN**"Dot"**

Dorothy intends to be a country "school marm". She has earned her place on the "Honor Roll" in more ways than one.

"True hearted, whole hearted, faithful and loyal."

ESTHER SEXAUER**"Polly Anna"**

Esther sings a little, laughs a little, jokes a little, and in short, makes some of the joy we enjoy. Dig in, Esther, for Howard may catch up with you yet.

"Be grateful for the gifts that you possess,

Nor deem a rival's merits make yours less."

HOWARD SEXAUER**"Sex"**

Here's to one who has successfully borne the Senior Mantle, may he bear the mantle of Life with equal dignity. Howard is a busy lad—Class Treasurer, Forum President, and Editor-in-Chief of the "Annual." What is it, Howard—janitor, farmer, or prof?

"So give to the world the best that you have,

And the best will come back to you."





DORIS SHERMAN

Pretty? Popular? Yes! Yet she can be serious and that's when her charming personality, coupled with her blue eyes, throws the boys at her feet.

"Fair as a star when only one is shining in the sky."

GEORGE SISSON

"Cap"

The pharmacist football player. An efficient chemist (?) and mighty good sport. It is rumored that he has arrived home as early as 3:30 a. m. from the south. Loving the girls is his only bad habit, so that is excusable.

"He knows he's not forgotten by the girl he can't forget."

That's Pearl!

ANNIE STEPHENSON

"Ann"

She believes it is better "to be seen than heard", but has something worth saying when she does speak.

"Ambition is a spirit in the world,

That causes all the ebbs and flows of nations."

NELLIE STONER

"Nell"

Contributes at least her share of the poetry—written while en route to and from Garden Prairie. A conscientious, faithful worker who never fails to recite.

"A noble life with poetry that flows
In mighty music of the major chords."

BERNARD SULLIVAN

"Bernie"

A little worker, an athlete, a student and a jolly good fellow. He is a member of the "Annual" staff.

"The world still needs a champion as
of old,
And finds him still."

ARTHUR SWANSON

"Art"

Studios for a boy; a very determined young man with a mind of his own—and no woman on earth can change it! He has just at present become interested in society, especially in dancing.

"Let me alone; women mean nothing
to me."





HELEN SWIFT

Quietly fills her niche in life and also as a side line, manages to rope in her share of the Ex., as evidenced by her place on the "Honor Roll". She will present the Senior Memorial on Class Day.

"O Woman! Woman! Thou art formed to bless

The heart of restless man."

GLEN TAYLOR

Financial Secretary of the "Korridor Quartet", who practices his tenor solos in English IV., entitled, "All that worries me." Glen succeeds in almost everything from a "Gay" man, publicity man and stage manager to poster designer.

"He does nothing in particular And does it well."

CHARLES THOMAS

Dutch is an athlete, a good dancer, and a good sport. He is so courteous to all the girls that it is no wonder that he's popular. His favorite song is:

"I love the ladies."

"Peg"

FLORA TOBYNE

She is another of our country girls and the country could scarcely have picked a better representative. "Texas" is a quiet, earnest, conscientious girl.

"Her modest looks the cottage might adorn

Sweet as the primrose, peep beneath the thorn."

DONALD TRIPP

If a considerable amount were subtracted from "Shorty's" grades and added to him, they would go better together. The smallest boy in the class and on the "Honor Roll". Class Cheer Leader! Republican Party Leader of the fifth Civics class.

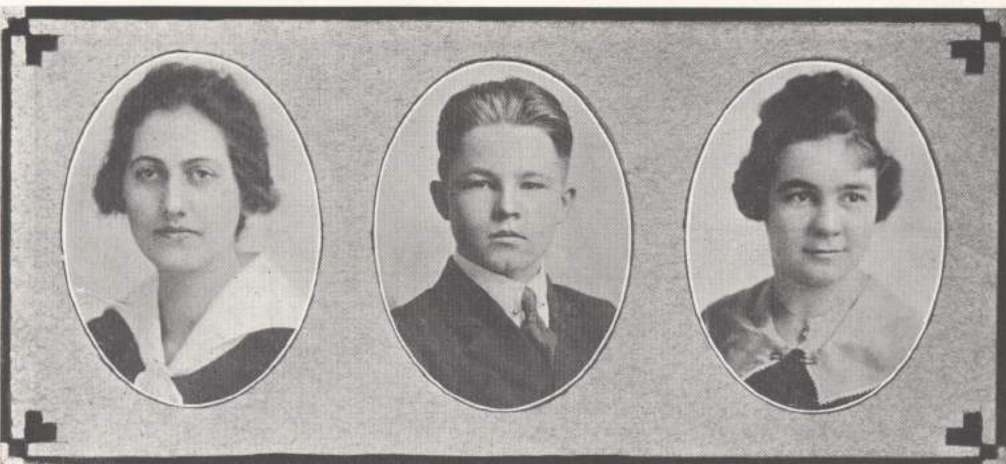
"A laughing school boy, without grief or care."

MILDRED TYNAN

She is little of stature but has a mind bigger than her body.

"The happy smile of welcome on the lips,

Upspringing from the heart."





CLIFFORD VAN EPPS

A horseman of great renown! He is always willing to bet on his horse. If he liked English as well as football he would be on the "Honor Roll."

"Whatever anyone does or says,
I must be good."

GLEN VAN EPPS

"General"

"Fat" is the luckiest guy in B. H. S. We are forced to recognize his ability to stall classes by asking questions or "chewing the rag". May he go through life with the same good will that he entertained during his high school career.

"Night after night he sat, and bleared
his eyes with books (?)"

GUY WAITE

A corn-fed rural lad. He drives a good horse but never takes anyone riding. He does half a day's work before school and a day's work after school. The only time he causes a disturbance is when "General" sits behind him.

"Sweetest' lit'le fellow,
Everybody knows."

"Kip"

MERRITT WEMPLE

"Wemp"

An actor of great renown and a skilled drummer. He is a member of the "Korridor Quartet", and its sub-organizations. We will long remember "Uncle John" in the Senior class play.

"Oh Mischief, thou art swift to enter
In the thoughts of desperate man."

PEARL WENZEL

"Pern"

Ever see "Pern when she wasn't smiling? Did you ever see her without Mildred? She is a member of the Executive Committee of the Forum, and of the "Honor Roll."

"Her happy disposition, her pleasant
smile,
Have won her friends for many a mile."

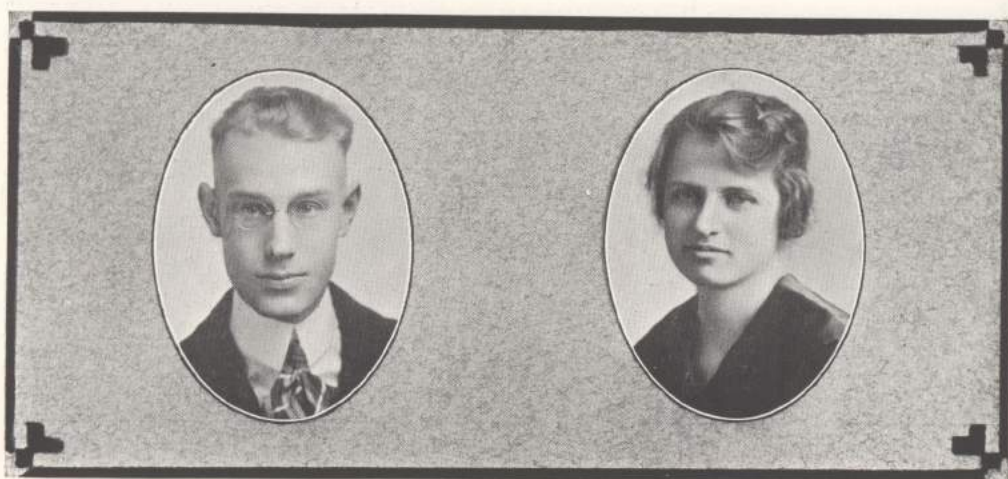
GERTRUDE WHITE

"Gert"

Of this we are certain that she will do justice to our Class Day "History." She is one of the "Honor Roll" students who finds:

"Lots of time for lots of things,
Though 'tis said that time has wings."





HERMAN WHITMAN

"Herm"

The Business Manager of the "Annual" a tall, slender youth with light hair and blue eyes. Doesn't that sound like a real dream hero? "Skin" has entered everything musical and theatrical that he could find. He is a good actor, sings tenor and plays a trombone.

"A gentleman through and through,
And what's more, a sportsman o'er and
o'er."

HAZEL YOUNG

"Buzz"

She knows the art of rippling laughter and is a jolly good friend who doesn't mind being teased (?). She doesn't believe in disposing of friendship for you couldn't buy her's. (Byers).

"Beneath the magic of a smile
Our doubts will fade away,
As melts the frost in early spring
Beneath the sunny ray."

FAREWELL TO B. H. S.

Dear Alma Mater, fare thee well,
Our high school days are ending;
In thee we'd forever dwell.
But time is ever wending.

As all Life's changes come and go,
With much of joy and sorrow,
The blessings that today o'erflow
Are richer by to-morrow.

The world its welcome arms extends,
To greet us on our journey;
We grieve that we must leave the friends
We've met in class or tourney.

In basement walls in days of old,
We Freshies popped out questions,
The old "North Church" soon did behold
The Juniors' wild suggestions.

Successors, now we leave to you
Our High School with its treasures;
And as we bid our last adieu
We wish you hosts of pleasures.

—NELLIE STONER.

HISTORY

In September of the year 1914, over one hundred brave, loyal citizens entered the recruiting station at Camp Garfield and volunteered their services in the Belvidere High School Army. After they were placed in the Freshman regiment and all had their new green uniforms a meeting was called at which they elected Floyd Benson for their Captain and Hazel Blake, Lieutenant. It was decided that another officer would be needed to guard the money while the others were sleeping and report to a higher officer in case the enemy should try to steal into their camp and do any harm. Miss Chewning was made Major General over this regiment. Week after week they spent in training and finally someone suggested that they have a social gathering. The officers, aided by a few of the privates, spent many days in making plans and when the eventful eve arrived, the Rookies forgot their weariness, went to the Masonic Temple and entered into the festivities with joyful hearts. This first party proved to be a success and they pleaded for more but were refused them by higher authorities than those in their own regiment.

Throughout the next year they remained in the same camp but were placed in the Sophomore regiment under Major General Wagner. A change was made in the officers: Willard Jukes being appointed as Captain; George Sisson, Lieutenant;; Lucile Graves, Reporter; and Herman Whitman, Guardsman. During this year at Camp Garfield they had two small battles. The first was in inter-class football and the other, basketball, but in both they came out triumphantly waving their banner of Maroon and Cream. One night after their strenuous training was over these soldiers began to long for roast wieners. A large supply was purchased and roasted over a huge bonfire built near the barracks where the Reporter lived. When the beautiful month of May arrived they were given permission to have a dancing party at the Masonic Hall. Under the supervision of the Major General, this event proved to be an enjoyable one. The soldier girls of this regiment formed a "Seromophos Club" and held meetings once a month on an afternoon when off duty. They spent the time in talking, tatting, crocheting and reading.

In the year 1916 this same regiment called "Juniors" was transferred to Camp

North Baptist. Again a change was made in their officers. Miss Graves became Major General; Victor Rompel, Captain; Hazel Blake, Lieutenant; Pearl Wenzel, Reporter; and Howard Sexauer, Money Guarder. While at this camp they had another fight in inter-class football but remained undefeated.

A promise was made them that they might leave this camp with its unventilated and cold barracks and go to a new camp across the water. For weeks they anticipated this time with anxious hearts. At last the day arrived and with baggage packed they boarded the transport of Delight and set sail. On December fourth they arrived in port "Over There" on the south side. Two social events were carried out after they were thoroughly arranged and settled. One was a basket social and the other a reception at which they entertained the Senior regiment.

In the year 1917-1918 this regiment called "Seniors" because of advancement in military achievement remained at the same camp under the same Major General but Herbert Comstock was made Captain; June Richardson, Lieutenant; Mildred Allen, Reporter; and Howard Sexauer, was given the office of Guard for another year. On November first the "Senior" regiment gave a reception to the soldiers of the three other regiments at this camp and it was an event to be long remembered by those who were present. Later in the year a business meeting was held after training hours. After the important matters were discussed and the meeting had adjourned, a lunch was served in cafeteria style and the remainder of the evening spent in dancing. April nineteenth was another important date for a party was given to which no one except the officers of higher rank and the soldiers of the "Senior" regiment were invited.

Throughout the four years of service in the army this 1918 regiment has led nearly every month in the number of soldiers on the "Roll of Honor" for brave deeds.

Although the number of soldiers in the regiment has decreased from one hundred to sixty-eight, during the four years of service, these sixty-eight are soldiers well trained in all military tactics and are prepared to go "Over the Top" in the greatest battle, the battle of life.

—MILDRED ALLEN.

"I'M TELLIN' YU"

Belvidere High School history without the illustrious class of '18, would be like American History without such men as Washington, Lincoln, Grant, or Wilson; or like a modern novel with the most fascinating scenes cut.

Each month the '18's have led the "Honor Roll" by an overwhelming majority. Beside this, there are twenty of the class who have made the "Senior Honor Roll"—who have an average above ninety (90) for the complete four years. They are as follows:

Mary Meyers -----	96.2	Esther Sexauer -----	92.1
Marie Marth -----	95.3	Lucile Graves -----	91.4
Helen Swift -----	94.8	Pearl Burton -----	90.9
Hazel Burton -----	94.3	Florence O'Connor -----	90.9
Pearl Wenzel -----	93.7	Catherine Leitzell -----	90.8
Lillian Fossler -----	93.0	Dorothy Porter -----	90.8
Hazel Baker -----	92.8	Loretta Lampert -----	90.6
Helen Collier -----	92.6	Donald Tripp -----	90.6
Mildred Allen -----	92.1	Dorothy Scriven -----	90.2
Helen Keator -----	92.1	Gertrude White -----	90.2

Of the remaining forty-eight (48), forty-one (41) have an average of between 80 and 90, and seven (7) average between 77.6 and 80. This makes the average of the entire class, about 85 per cent.

In athletics, the record is unusual; for, of the twenty-six Senior boys, more than two-thirds have participated in some form of school athletics. Of the eleven Senior members of the 1917 Football team, nine won B's.

Herbert Comstock
Erwin Davis
Willard Jukes
Gerald Houston
Victor Rompel
Arthur Perlet

Charles Thomas
George Sisson
Glen Van Epps
*Clifford Van Epps
*Ambrose Boodel
(*Men marked thus won R's.)

Of the 1917-18 Basketball squad, these Seniors were members: *Comstock, Houston, Thomas, *Sullivan, and G. Van Epps. (*received B's).

Dramatics of B. H. S. owe much to the ability of various Seniors.

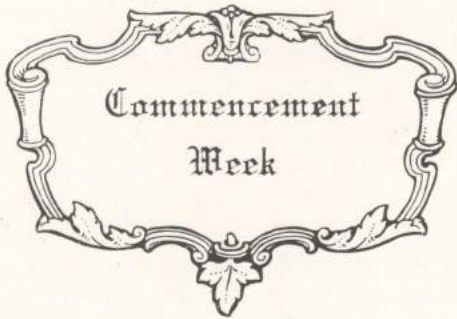
Socially, '18 as a class, has not yet been surpassed, for many are the good times they have had together.

We do not submit this record boastfully, but with a toast to our successors—

"May your worst in the future,
Be better than our best in the past!"

Look out for the Seniors
Ding, dang, dong!
Here comes the class
That helps the school along.
Our work to us is play
Our lessons are a snap
Were we ever known to stop
When we were not on top?
That's the way we work,
That's the way we play,
That's what makes our life
Just a holiday.
Look out for the Seniors
Look out for the strong,
Here comes the class
That helps the school along.

—R. F.



Baccalaureate Sunday	- - - - -	June 9
Class Day	- - - - -	June 12
Commencement	- - - - -	June 12
Junior-Senior	- - - - -	June 13

Class Day

Salutatory	- - - - -	Marie Marth
Class Poem.		
Prophecy	- - - - -	Ruth Fitzer
Class Song.		
Presentation of Mantle	- - - - -	Howard Sexauer
Reply	- - - - -	Alfred Gilman
Class History	- - - - -	Gertrude White
Memorial	- - - - -	Helen Swift
Last Will and Testament	- - -	Edward O'Brien
Valedictory	- - - - -	Mary Meyers
Presentation of Gifts:		
To the Boys	- - - - -	June Richardson
To the Girls	- - - - -	Gerald Houston
School Hymn.		

SOCIETY

*“Laugh, if you want to be welcomed,
Weep, if you want to be guyed.
Enter Society’s portals, but,
Please leave your troubles outside.”*

This seemed to be the password with which, every student and faculty member in B. H. S. gained entrance to the social activities of the passing season.

The first big event was the Senior Reception to our faculty and student body. The “gym” was turned into a ball room for the occasion where the figures '18 were artistically formed in the grand march led by the class President and Miss Lucile Graves. Dancing and games completed the pleasures of the evening.

Hallowe'en night the Freshmen enjoyed a masquerade and dancing party in the gymnasium.

At Christmas time the Forum gathered about a prettily decorated tree in the school library where Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus with the aid of Buster and Mary Jane, distributed timely gifts. An informal dance followed the “eats” which were served.

A “snowball party” was sponsored by the Forum later in the winter in the “gym”. Great fluffy snow flakes fell from the balcony during the games and dancing. Like true snow flakes, they melted in one's mouth for concealed within the cotton balls were tiny bags of taffy.

In April, the Forum, in recognition of the new organization, the Junior Forum, gave a cordial welcome to all the members at an informal dance in the gymnasium, after school.

Boosters! Ask the boys whether they enjoyed the two “hops” which the club gave during the year.

Another afternoon party and dance was held in the “gym” by the Junior and Sophomore classes and was much enjoyed by all.

The annual Basket Ball Banquet was given at the “High” on the evening of April 18, at six o'clock. A four course dinner was served by the girls of the Domestic Science Department. Capt. Allen Jukes acted as Toastmaster and various members responded to his call.

The Class of 1918 held a gay festivity on April nineteenth. The program will long be remembered by such numbers as the following: Songs—Girls' Glee Club, Boys' Quartet; Sermon by Wm. A. Sunday himself; The Street Faker and the Impersonators. At nine o'clock, the orchestra struck up the grand march and the dancing began. Every one present claimed the “Big Senior Blow-out” a grand and glorious event.

All eyes are eagerly turning toward the gayest festival on the social horizon—the Junior-Senior Prom. All hail to its success!

HAVE YOU HEARD THIS?

*A crash, a bang, an awful roar!
The ceiling must have kissed the floor.
But calm yourself and ease your fears,
'Tis only the Glee Club singing up stairs.*



HISTORY of CLASS of 1919

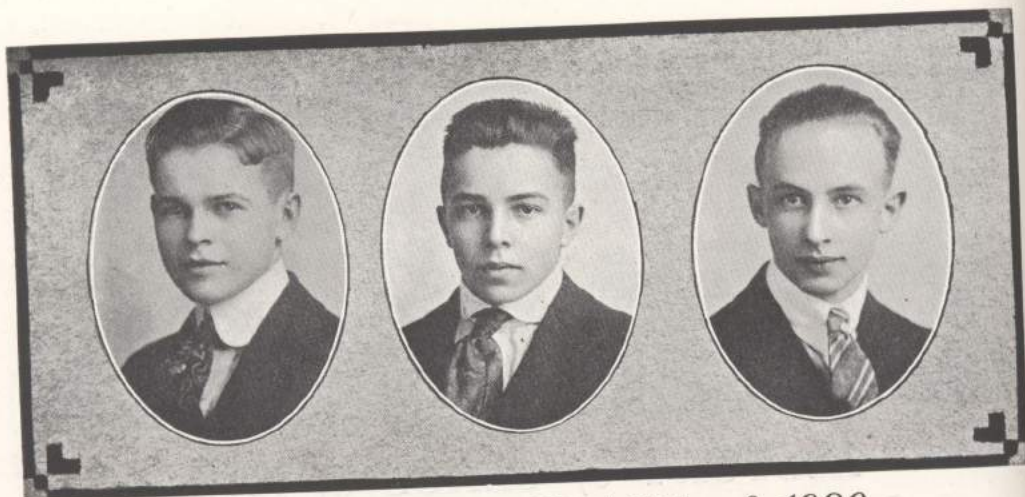
In September 1915 the doors of the Belvidere High School cordially opened themselves to the class of 1919 and extended a hearty welcome to the eighty-three timid nomads who desired to obtain higher education. We immediately realized that the unity of our class necessitated the election of officers. Those chosen were: Alpha Barret, President; Alice Porter, Vice President; Ruth Helligas, Secretary; and Fording Fellows, Treasurer. As Freshies we participated in our first social event which consisted of a very pleasant party in Kuppler's Hall.

In September, with less timidity, we again entered Belvidere High School with a total of one hundred and five members, eighteen having joined our ranks at the beginning of the second semester of the first year. As officers we elected Hazel Rislow, President; Fording Fellows, Vice President; Mabelle Meyers, Secretary; and Harold Yates, Treasurer. Our one social event was a sleighing journey to Margaret Schwebke's home.

Having successfully climbed the first two rounds of the ladder of knowledge, we became Juniors, this time choosing as our guides Ninabel Fredrickson, President; Fording Fellows, Vice President; Nelva Lobdell, Secretary; and Doris Champlin, Treasurer. Our entertainment was an afternoon party celebrated with the Sophomores in the "Gym". The class did their bit in welcoming the football season by conveying the boys to Doty's Flats in an ancient chariot trimmed with Maroon and Black, our class colors. They gave the boys more pep and confidence, knowing that the spirit of the crowd was back of them.

We are proud to say that some of the members of our class have answered their country's call and are now helping Uncle Sam guard the seas. Other patriots at home are doing their bit to help the boys "Over There" by buying War Savings Stamps and Liberty Bonds.

Nelva M. Lobdell, Secretary.



HISTORY of CLASS of 1920

A band, one hundred thirty-four strong, founded a town, Freshmen, located at the foot of the mountain of Education in the year 1916. The leader of the band was Alfred Gilman, assisted by Hubert Sears. Amber Newcomb recorded the events of the year and Frank Hall took charge of the financial affairs. Miss Vandervort looked upon all undertakings approvingly. The inhabitants of this town made themselves popular by giving a masquerade ball held in the town hall.

The band having overcome many obstacles, advanced to a larger town farther up the mountain—Sophomores. They chose Myron Silvius, mayor of the town with Merrill Penticoff his assistant; Leonard Haines took charge of the records and Ted Timoney paid the bills. Miss Brown was chosen by the town council to act as guide in all affairs.

The inhabitants went to the town council and gained permission to have a gathering with a town just above, the Juniors. Because of the youth and inexperience of the populace, the council decided that it would be best to have the gathering in the afternoon. Accordingly on the afternoon of November sixteenth the Sophomores and Juniors held a social meeting. The gathering was a huge success.

This strong band is proud to say that it has won the inter-class basket ball championships both years and has four star players on the first team, and a complete second team which has won many honors both in town and out of town.

It has been decided by the town council that next year the populace move to the town of Juniors almost at the summit of the mountain. Let us hope that when this illustrious band has gained a foothold on the summit of this mountain of Education that it can nod its head approvingly to the bands that are to follow, for it will then have overcome all obstacles by its own will power.

—Margaret McCarthy.



HISTORY of CLASS of 1921

In September 1917, the class of 1921, a band of eighty-seven was enrolled in the ranks of the Belvidere High School. In February 1918, this class of eighty-seven was reenforced by forty-three more "Freshies" making a total of one hundred and thirty, the largest Freshman class that has ever been enrolled in the Belvidere High School.

The need of officers brought about a class meeting and Louise Fuller was chosen President; Pauline Hanchett, Vice President; Clyde Long, Secretary; and Nina Sager, Treasurer. Miss Lindquist was chosen counselor. Maroon and gold were chosen for class colors. The second semester brought about a new election as the president, vice president, and treasurer became Sophomores. The result of the election was: Berl Beatson, President; Lucile Parkis, Vice President; and Mabel Atkins, Treasurer.

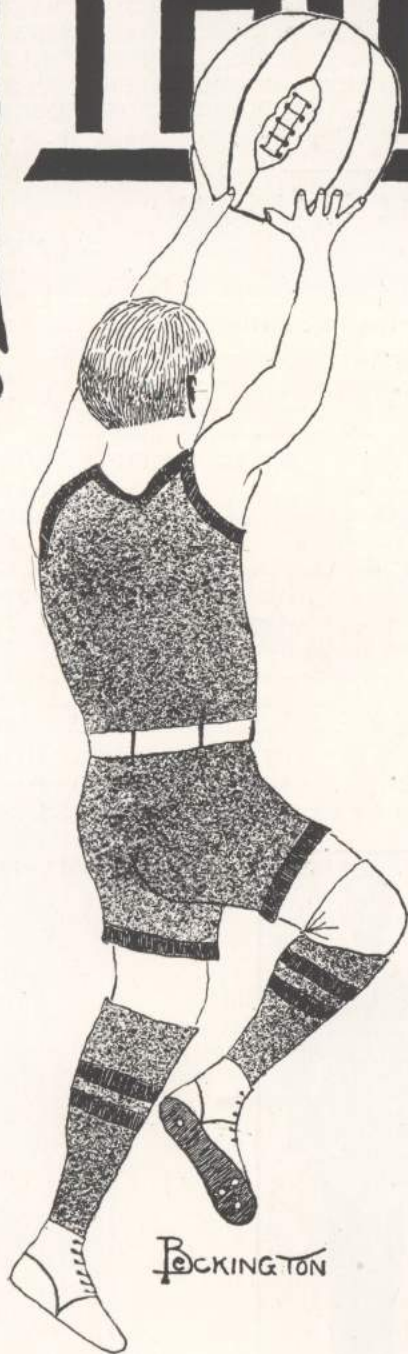
Social occasions of the season were few but well attended. On Thursday, October twenty-sixth, a Hallowe'en dance was given.

In March the class was enrolled one hundred per cent in the Junior Red Cross.

Beulah Miller.

In Memoriam
MILDRED MAE ROWAN
A MEMBER OF THE CLASS OF 1921.

ATHLETICS



POCKINGTON

BOARD of CONTROL

President ----- M. L. HEITTER
 Secretary ----- MABELLE MEYERS
 Manager ----- CHARLES MAPLE
 Treasurer ----- GLENN HICKLE
SENIOR—HAZEL BLAKE, GEO. SISSON. **JUNIORS**—ALFRED GILMAN
SOPHOMORES—CLYDE HOUSTON. **FRESHMEN**—ROSS STEURER
FACULTY—MISS GRAVES, MISS HARVEY and MR. ALMAN.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Football season tickets sold -----	\$ 130.00
Single admission sold -----	109.02
Basket-ball tickets sold -----	867.77
Rec'd from Atty. Roberts (custodian of contributions) -----	25.01
Class games -----	55.00
From Rockford Tournament -----	44.20
Return of Tournament fee -----	10.00
Grade Class games -----	1.65
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$1242.65
Carfare -----	\$ 317.71
Officials -----	188.18
Printing -----	63.80
Meals and lodging -----	82.90
Equipment -----	328.04
Tournament dues -----	10.00
Lumber and posts -----	20.42
Medical service -----	19.00
Miscellaneous -----	15.75
Tournament expenses -----	67.10
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1112.90
CASH ON HAND	\$ 129.65
Atty. Roberts to John Klass, paid for services as trainer ----- \$ 25.00	





TROPHIES WON IN BASKET BALL

Basket Ball Personnel



ALLEN JUKES

"Allie" has the honor of having been the captain of the 1917-1918 basket ball squad. Allen has played at the guard position for two years, and although lighter than most of the opponents, he has always been able to hold his own with them. In the Dixon and Polo games he held his forward basketless and scored two goals for himself against Dixon. Although he is not a senior, he will probably not be back in a uniform next year.



MYRON SILVIUS

"My", who made his debut before the Belvidere fans last year, was back in the ranks this year and led his parntners in the scoring. He secured fifty-three goals and thirty-nine free throws or a total of one hundred and forty-five points. He has an eye for the basket which all other teams respect and he was very closely watched. "Sil" has two more years, and much is expected of him. Myron is the originator of the "Silvian Twist" and few guards can keep track of him.



FRED SCHULT

"Fritz" played with the majors for the first time this year, although he played with the "ponies" last year. The fans instantly recognized that "Fred-die" was the future star when he made his first appearance. He rarely ever hits the rim of the basket and is a very accurate shooter. He tossed forty-two goals and thirty-eight free throws during the season. "Fritz" is a Sophomore and will be seen in action for two more years.

HERBERT COMSTOCK

"Herb", the backbone of athletics in the Belvidere High School for many years, graduates, and leaves behind him a record which is rarely surpassed. He has played in four district tournaments and one state tournament, and is known as the best center in the district. He succeeded in tossing forty-six field goals during the season, and was also a strong factor in the team's defense. His loss will be most keenly felt by the students as the pivot position is a hard one to fill.



HAROLD GILROY

"Skin," the old reliable guard, upon whom every fan can depend to play a star game, will be with us again next year. He expects to end his high school career by being on a state championship team. "Gillis" joined the squad a little late this season, and played his first game against Sterling. His guarding ability is nowhere questioned and all the tournament officials picked him as a star guard. We expect great things from Harold next year, because we know he has the ability.



BERNARD SULLIVAN

"Bernie" known to his teammates as "The Fighting Irishman", has played with the purple and gold squad for two seasons. He played a stellar game at standing guard all season, and no matter how large his opponents were, they all looked the same to him. Luck is against him, however, as he is a Senior and must depart. "Sully" will be remembered as having tossed the winning basket against Dixon, although the score was sixty-three to two. Several Rockford papers picked him as a star guard of the tourney.



LEONARD HAINES

"Ted" did not have much of a chance to show his ability this year. He played throughout the entire game against Freeport and held his own with his much larger opponents. He also played in the Sycamore and Polo games scoring a goal and free throw in the latter contest. "Ted" has two more years to don the uniform of purple and gold, and with a little added weight will develop into one of the 'fame protectors' of the B. H. S.

Review of Basketball

No! We did not win the district tournament at Rockford, nor even play in the semi-finals, but we had a most successful season. Freeport and Rockford were the only two teams in this section which defeated us, and we in turn handed each of them a trimming before the season was over. Elgin, who won the tournament in its district, bowed in defeat, and Sterling was given a double beating. Sycamore, Polo, and Dixon were easy victims, and the local Y. M. C. A. team was no match for the lads in purple and gold. Each of the defeats, excepting the game in which we lost out title of district champions, was won from us by a few points. Victories from both Rockford and Freeport were snatched from us in the last few seconds of play. A record of ten victories and but four defeats is one to be proud of and, although we lost our title, we still think that our team is the cleverest and most sportsmanlike quintet in the state of Illinois.

The Tournament

The drawings for the tournament were decidedly different than in other years. Belvidere, Freeport and Rockford, classed as the three strongest teams in this section, were generally in the finals or semi-finals, but this year they were pitted against each other in the first round.

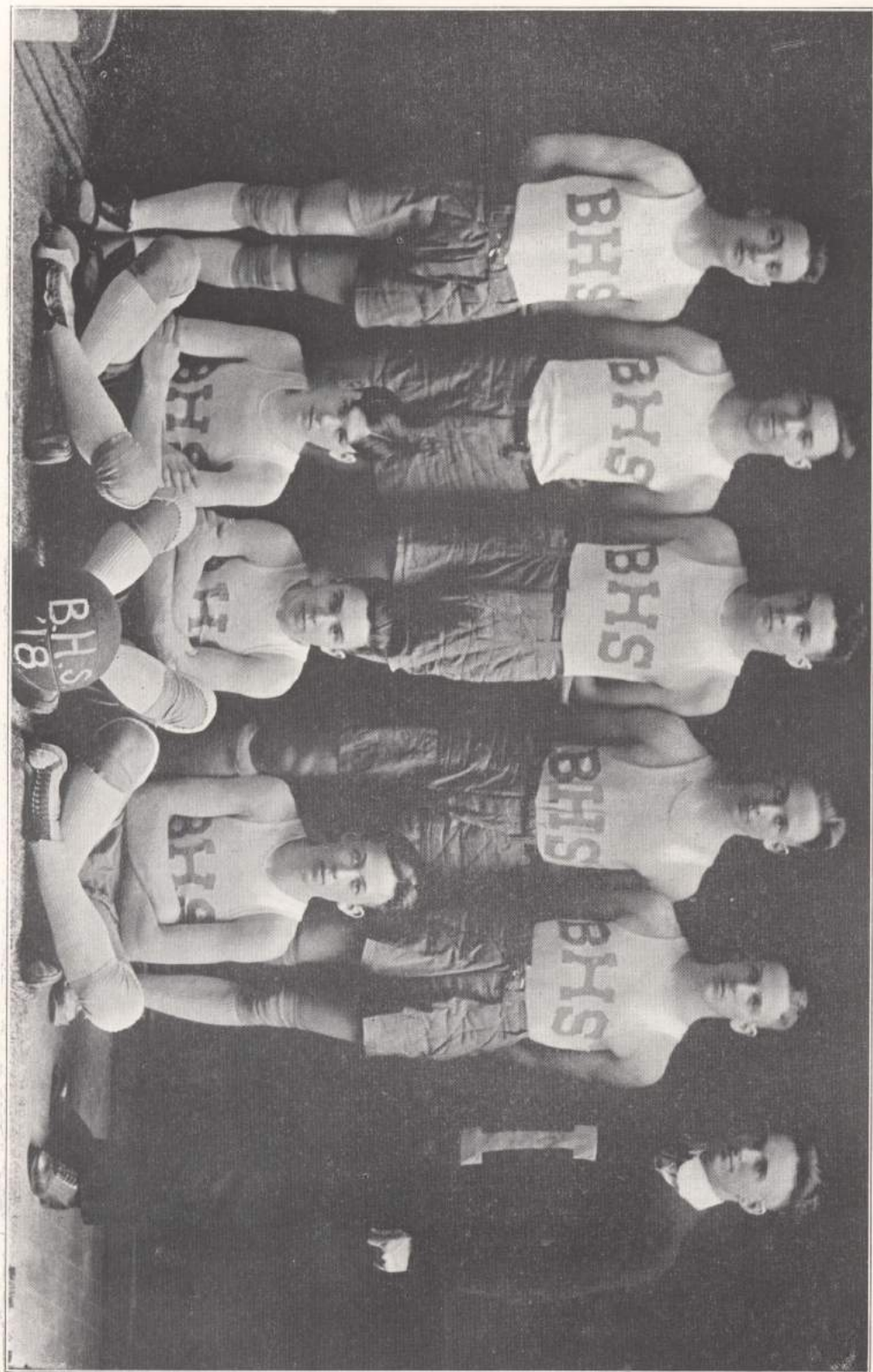
The B. H. S. quintet played Freeport for the first game, and defeated both the hoo-doo and Freeport by the score of 28 to 13. That was an accomplishment of which few other B. H. S. fives can boast. Unfortunately this victory was counteracted by a similar game in which Rockford gained the title of "District Champions" by the score of 28 to 15. It was Rockford's only real game of the tourney, and they had an easy time afterward. But they proved poor representatives of Northern Illinois at the state tourney, and were defeated in the opening contest.

Although the purple and gold players lost their title, they made a good showing at the tournament, and a double victory over both Rockford and Freeport was almost too much to be expected.

Our Second Team

No high school team can be successful without a second team to scrimmage against, and to spur them on to victory. This year we had a second team which was almost equal to the first team in fighting spirit and speed.

Like the first team their only defeats were administered by Rockford, and Freeport. Houston, Van Epps and Thomas, members of this speedy aggregation, are Seniors and leave the team this year, but Penticoff, Wentworth, McConnell, Graves, Hall and Timoney will be back next season and several of them will probably fight for their school on the first team.



REVIEW of FOOTBALL

When Coach Maple called the football men together for their first practice, the outlook was bright for a successful season as most of the players were veterans of last season.

Of the eight scheduled games only two resulted in defeats. The opening contest was lost, but in the next three games they registered large scores and held their opponents scoreless. Dixon was the only team which may have been superior to the B. H. S. eleven. Walworth was also a speedy team and fought a tie game with Belvidere on their home field.

During the season our team scored 201 points to their opponents' 63, the largest score being 78 to 0 against DeKalb.

Twelve of the players will not be seen in action again, and the outlook for next year is not very promising. The members of the team who will be missed next year are Rompel, Comstock, W. Jukes, Thomas, A. Jukes, Sisson, Davis, Perlet, Houston, Van Epps, Boodel and Droysen. All were valuable men and their departure thins the ranks considerably.

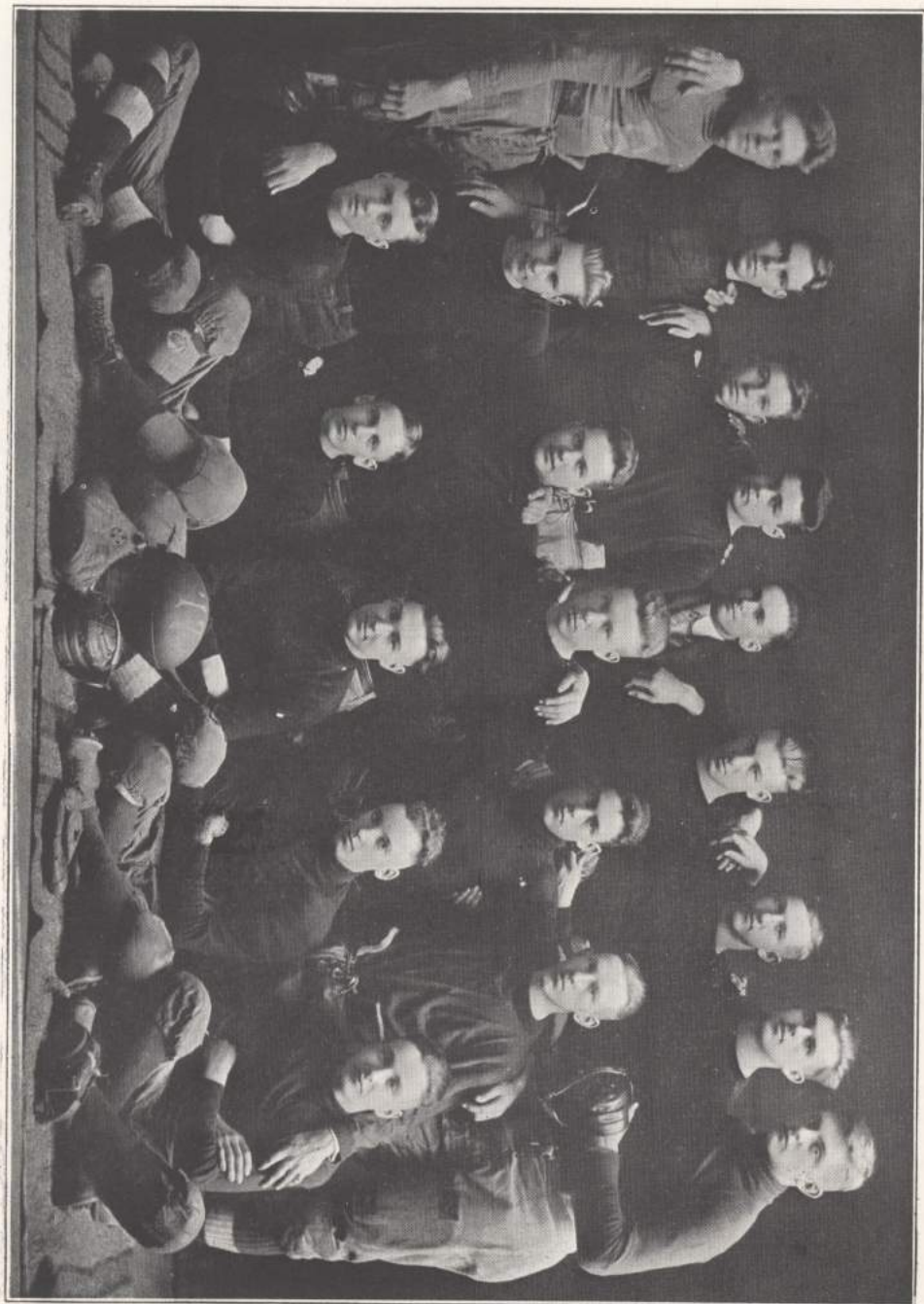
The leadership of next year's team will be under Fred Schult, and he can be depended upon to collect a squad from the green material, which may develop into a champion eleven.

RESULTS OF GAMES

Walworth at Belvidere.....	13	Belvidere.....	7
DeKalb at Belvidere	0	Belvidere.....	78
Woodstock at Woodstock	0	Belvidere.....	33
Rochelle at Belvidere	0	Belvidere.....	32
Dixon at Belvidere	19	Belvidere.....	13
Woodstock at Belvidere	13	Belvidere.....	19
Walworth at Walworth	6	Belvidere.....	6
Mendota at Mendota	12	Belvidere.....	13

LINE UP

Right end	Sullivan, W. Jukes
Right tackle	W. Jukes, Boodel
Right guard	Davis
Center	Rompel
Left guard	Perlet, Droysen
Left tackle	Thomas
Left end	Houston
Quarter back	Comstock, Houston
Right half back	Sisson
Left half back	Schult
Full back	A. Jukes





CLASS ATHLETICS: *Gym Classes*

Coach Maple introduced wrestling into the B. H. S. this year, and staged a tournament at which forty-one boys tried their skill. Leo Norton, Dwyer Pierce, Harry Dunbar, Floyd Gustavison, Irving Steurer, Fred Schult and Herbert Comstock were the winners in their weights and each will be awarded a B.

MILITARY TRAINING

Coach Maple organized his gym classes into fourteen squads and for several months drilled the boys. They learned the manuals of marching, arms, firing and signalling. A set of punishments was prepared for military misdemeanor, such as helping the janitor sweep and wash blackboards. Each private and officer has regular duties to perform similar to those of the regular army.

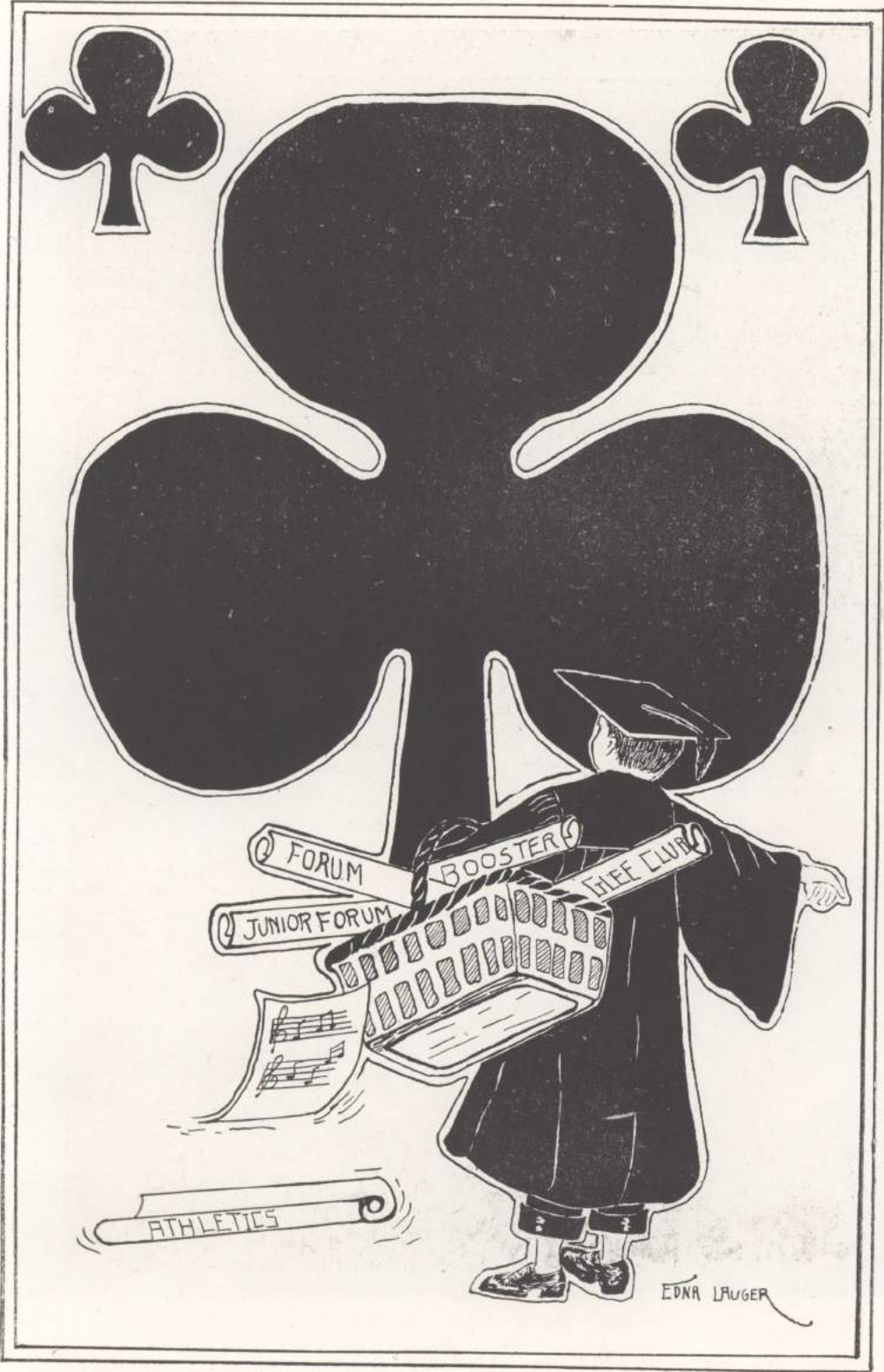
GIRLS' GYM CLASSES

Miss Harvey, the girls' gym instructor, has nearly one hundred and sixty girls under her supervision. The girls seem to be as interested in athletics as the boys. The volley ball class held a tournament in February and invited the boys to be witnesses. The Freshmen girls won first honors by defeating both the Junior and Sophomore teams, the latter taking second place.

CLASS BASKET BALL

The Sophomores seem to be the class which is destined to carry off the basket ball honors during their term in high school. As Freshmen they defeated all opponents last year, and this year they again took first honors by defeating both the Freshmen and Seniors.

They even challenged the rest of the high school put together, but the Seniors played them unassisted by the other classes and were handed a decisive trimming, the score being 36 to 12.



EDNA LAUGER



HISTORY of the FORUM

The Forum held its first business meeting for the year 1917-1918, on November the first. The following were elected:

President	HOWARD SEXAUER
Vice President	NINABEL FREDRICKSON
Secretary	LILLIAN FOSSLER
Treasurer	IRVING STEURER
Faculty Adviser	MISS MERRIMAN

All the plans and business of the Forum were carried out by the executive committee, which held a meeting regularly once a week. The chairman of the various committees mentioned below, carried out the plans:

Chairman of the Literary Department	PEARL WENZEL
Chairman of the Dramatic Department	MERRITT WEMPLE
Chairman of the Musical Department	HELEN KEATOR
Chairman of the Social Committee	DORIS SHERMAN
Publicity Man	GLEN TAYLOR

Monthly open meetings were held in the assembly. The following activities took place:

A Hallowe'en program of stories and songs was given in the High School Auditorium, October the thirty-first.

The play, "The Man Who Married a Dumb Wife", was given December the twenty-first.

The Christmas program composed of songs and stories was given December the fourteenth.

A Christmas party given for the members of the Forum, was held December the twentieth, at which Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus presented each member with a ten cent gift. The gifts and Christmas tree were later given to Mrs. Covey to be distributed among the poor.

Because of examinations and of the "Better English Week", the Forum did not give a program in January, but a party was given instead, at which a snow ball fight took place.

A Lincoln program of poems and stories was given February the twelfth.

On February the fourteenth, a Valentine program was held at which love lyrics from English literature were recited. Hunsdon House, a colonial square dance, followed.

The "Amateur Parliamentarians" or "The Society for the Promulgation of Universal Participation in Parliamentary Proceedings" had Mr. Huff speak before the assembly on Parliamentary Law. After his talk, they gave a demonstration of a model mass meeting.

"The Neighbors" was given March the twenty-second. With the money taken in at the plays, "The Man Who Married a Dumb Wife", "The Neighbors", the appointed committees purchased materials and constructed the lambrequin and scenery. The Forum wishes to thank Lucile Tabor, Merritt Wemple, Authur Perlet, and Herman Whitman for the time they gave to the construction of the lambrequin and scenery. It was through their efforts that the Forum was enabled to present to the high school its first scenery.

In the spring, the Freshmen and Sophomores organized a Junior Forum under Miss Beck. Wishing to welcome this younger organization, the Forum entertained in honor of the Junior Forum in April.

We wish to extend a hearty welcome to the class of 1920 and to send our Senior members on their way with happy hearts. The success of the Forum this year was largely due to the enthusiasm, loyalty, and ability of the Class of 1918.



"The Man Who Married a Dumb Wife"

Giles Boiocortier	Donald Tripp
Alison, a servant	Mildred Allen
Adam Fumie, lawyer	Ambrose Boodel
Leonard Botal, judge	Herman Whitman
Catherine, dumb wife	Helen Jardine
Simon Collone, doctor	Authur Perlet
Jean Maugier, surgeon	Ernest Humphrey
Madame Da la Bruine	Mabelle Meyers
Her Lackey	Vernon Carlson
Emmeline de la Garandier, orphan	Ruth Helligas
Candle man	Haswell Snyder
Chickweed man	Harold Yates
Street musician	Fording Fellows
Watercress man	Melvin Galbeck
Doctors attendants	
Serafin Dulariner, apothecary	Ivan Anderson

The "Man Who Married a Dumb Wife" by Anatol France, was presented by the Forum on December, the fourteenth.

The scene is laid in the judge's home. The judge wishing his dumb wife, Catherine, to have some of the joys that others have, consults a famous lawyer who advises him to have his wife undergo an operation. The operation is successful, and as a result, she talks incessantly. This nearly drives the judge insane, and so he takes a powder which deafens him. The play was a great success. A great deal of credit is due to our well known faculty adviser, Miss Merriman, who directed the play.



“The Neighbors”

Grandma -----	Hazel Young
Mrs. Diantha Abel -----	Lily Lepper
Mrs. Carry Ellsworth -----	Helen Swift
Inez -----	May O'Connor
Peter -----	Roy Johnson
Mrs. Elmira Moran -----	Esther Sexauer
Mrs. Trot -----	Amy Pinegar
Ezra Williams -----	Lowell Fair

The play was written by Zona Gale.

The scene is laid in the kitchen of Mrs. Dianatha Abel. In the beginning of the play, the neighbors do not seem to be on very good terms with each other. Mrs. Carry Ellsworth, who is a very poor woman, receives a letter stating that her nephew, whose parents have died, is coming to live with her. The neighbors plan a surprise party on Mrs. Ellsworth. Then a letter arrives saying that he is not coming. Peter, who has been visiting Inez very often, but who never can think of what to say when he is in her presence, finally overcomes his bashfulness, and all ends well. The cast of “The Neighbors” had the pleasure of using the new scenery for the first time. Miss Meriman coached the play.



BOOSTER CLUB

The Girls Booster Club, now one of the oldest organizations in The Belvidere High School, had its first meeting of this year, under the chosen officers, Hazel Blake, President; Helen Partidge, Vice President; Vera Dodson, Treasurer; Pauline Hanchette, Secretary, and Miss Harvey, Faculty Adviser.

The most interesting activities of the Booster Club were the matinee dances, held in the new "Gym". All the boys of the high school were invited to these; and we are sure that they enjoyed them to the greatest extent, as evidenced by the number who attended. The music was furnished by the Booster Privates.

In order to help the financial standing, artistic Japanese pictures were sold by the members at a reasonable price. The girls were very fortunate in this attempt and added five dollars to their treasury.

The history of the Booster Club for this year is finished and we hope that this organization may still continue in future years with great success.

Pauline Hanchette, Secretary.

JUNIOR FORUM

Owing to a misunderstanding the picture of the Junior Forum Executive Committee was omitted from this issue of the Belvidere High School year book.









“SCOOP HISTORY”

This school year again brought a change in the issuing of the high school paper. Owing to the high cost of paper and printing, and not wishing to discontinue the publication of the paper, it was thought advisable to publish the “Scoop” monthly instead of weekly, as was the custom the year previous, and to make each issue twice as large as that of last year. In that way it was possible to have an issue large enough to cover all of the important school interests occurring during the month.

The yearly subscription remained seventy-five cents by mail, and fifty cents for the high school students, but the price of single copies was raised to ten cents. The members of the staff, as heretofore, were chosen by the faculty.

The first issue of the “Scoop” was edited, October nineteenth. Since then there have been seven issues, three of which were special ones. The first, a boys’ issue, was very attractive. It was printed on gold paper with purple ink. The next two, the girls’ and the Senior issues were also very good, especially the Senior one, which was printed on white paper in red ink, the class colors of the 1918 graduates.

On account of economic conditions, there was a lack of cartoons, but, nevertheless a few good cuts added to the attractiveness of the paper.

The “Scoop”, this year, has proved a success, and everyone hopes that next year’s publication may be just as successful—perhaps a little better, since all things should improve.

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Activities among the Alumni have been few the past year owing to the many calls upon the time and strength of its members for assistance in Liberty Loan drives, Red Cross work, etc. Several of the individual classes have held reunions, which have been very enjoyable. We have missed the cooperation and help of many of our most ardent workers who have had a greater duty to perform but the influence of their spirit and loyalty pervades the school room.

It is with just pride we present our honor roll, (with apologies for any mistakes), and as our boys stand ready to make the supreme sacrifice for their loved country and us we revere them and pray for their safe return. In their absence we must do our utmost to hold unwavering the efficiency and enviable record of their Alma Mater.

NORA VANDERWALKER,
Alumni Secretary.

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VEO DOUGLAS	'11	BAILEY PORTER	'16
MARSHALL HANNAH	'11	HAL CUNNINGHAM	'16
ALBERT HARLOW	'13	WILLARD CLEAVER	'16
NED LOOP	'13	GAIL BIRKETT	'16
RAYMOND LIST	'13	CLIFFORD PORTER	'16
THOMAS MARSHALL	'13	GEORGE BENDER	'17
		CLARENCE MOULTON	'17

SENIOR PLAY

"HER HUSBAND'S WIFE" by A. E. Thomas.

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

Nora, her maid -----	Florence O'Connor
Richard Belden, her brother -----	Ambrose Boodel
John Belden, her uncle -----	Merritt Wemple
Stuart Randolph, her husband -----	Arthur Perlet
Irene Randolph, herself -----	Doris Sherman
Emily Ladew, her husband's wife -----	Helen Collier

Entre Act I.

Helen Keator	George Sisson
Dorothy Porter	Gerald Houston
Pearl Burton	Wallace Blackledge
Aline Bollman	Charles Thomas

Entre Act II.

A True Love Story

Version One

Johnny -----	Donald Tripp
Jane -----	Mildred Allen

Version Two

John -----	Lowell Fair
Jane -----	Helen Jardine

Class plays have been staged by the Seniors from year to year, always with success. But it is safe to say that the actors and actresses of the class of 1918 have excelled all of them in producing the three act farce, entitled, "Her Husband's Wife".

A young wife imagines herself the victim of numberless ills, and upon receiving a visit from her bachelor uncle, proceeds to narrate her troubles to him, confiding in him her intentions of selecting a suitable wife for her faithful and beloved husband that she may know he is well cared for after her demise, and that she may die in peace.

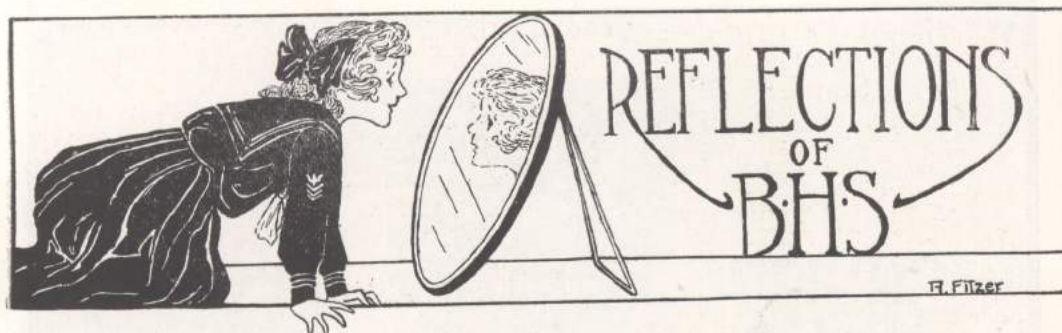
The girl whom she has selected to serve in that enviable capacity, she tells her uncle, is a friend of former years, who has secretly told her that her one love affair is over forever, and who has become quite determined to accept the lot of an "old maid".

The girl arrives unexpectedly and is made aware of the proposed plan, by the "ill" wife and her uncle, and although under protest, apparently, accepts the situation. It develops later that the wife's brother is the girl's former lover.

Upon meeting the husband, the second wife-to-be is decidedly agreeable to him, while he is delighted with the company of his wife's charming friend, a little too much so for his wife's peace of mind, who thinks they are somewhat premature, and overly friendly. During the following three days the lovers make up. The wife's feeling are divided between her jealousies of her husband, and determination not to allow her brother to break up her unselfish and thoughtful scheme. As the play progresses, matters become more entangled, and to the husband and brother, who, of course, are ignorant of the scheme, the affairs are entirely beyond comprehension. After many dramatic incidents, the whole affair finally unravels itself, and they are unquestionably "happy ever after."

The splendid success of the play is due largely to Miss Esther B. Merriman, under whose direction, the entire performance was presented. To her abilities to select just the proper ones for the individual characters and to personally enact the various parts, her preparation, experience and untiring efforts in the coaching, is due the major success of the affair.





SEPTEMBER

- 3 School starts as usual, and, my! my! what a lot of green Freshmen.
- 4 Behold! Senior flag up at noon, general excitement in the halls.
- 5 Flag rush called off. Seniors claim the victory.
- 6 Schedule disorder.
- 10 Monday. No one knows his lessons (as usual).
- 12 Freshies in every room. A great many were collected and put in the lost and found department until their respective teachers called them.
- 17 Schedule at last in order. Everyone down to business and working hard.
- 21 Freshies finally understand what a semester is.
- 22 Take it all back; found one Freshie who thought it was the Junior class flower.
- 31 End of the month ?????? (You will catch the joke at exam time.)

OCTOBER

- 2 Methodist conference comes to town. Miss Graves gives a penny lecture and then promises some treats.
- 4 First treat. The speakers were afraid to talk too long because they knew "how anxious we were to get to our classes."
- 5 Rally.
- 8 Second treat. Men's quartet, and Rev. Tommy Gale, furnished a very delightful entertainment.
- 12 Seniors entertain themselves in the "Gym." For further particulars ask some Seniors.
18. Pete Lander takes a short cut from Miss Lindquist's room to library by falling down stairs. He recommends this as an easy and reasonable way to get from one floor to another.
19. First "Scoop" out. The new staff seems very capable.
26. Freshman Party.
27. Woodstock and victory. Hurrah!
31. Day after Hallowe'en. Everybody looks innocent. Forum entertains us with spooky stories.

NOVEMBER

1. Senior Promenade.
2. Vacation while our worthy teachers go to the annual meeting of the Illinois State Teachers' Association at Rockford. Were we glad? Well I guess.
8. Edith Bishop wears her hair down in a braid. Evidently "Big Ben" was off or she didn't hear his call.
13. Rain and bad luck. "Allie" and Hazel agree to disagree.
14. Sun shining. "Allie" and Hazel seen walking down the street together.
16. Domestic Science girls begin to give a series of luncheons in the dining room. Several absent as a result.
21. Boodel reads in English IV, "It was a beautiful September Morn".
23. Miss Brown declares that there are some big rats down in the kitchen.
24. Three tiny mice caught searching the waste basket in the kitchen.
26. Jesse Poulton honorably discharged from English class.
30. End of a Perfect Month.



DECEMBER

5. "The Man Who Married a Dumb Wife" was here today.
7. Dr. F. A. Weld and his assistant, "John Henry" explain the proper care of teeth.
8. Jesse Poulton is dishonorably discharged from English class.
10. The heat has gone on a vacation. Familiar sayings begin to appear in the papers, "Do your Christmas shopping early" and "only fifteen days until Christmas."
15. We, at least, have a vacation to hope for. Only eleven days before Christmas.
19. The Domestic Science class experimented serving banquets, on the members of the football team. As a result, many of the seats were empty the next day.
22. Only three days until Christmas. School adjourns for a week's vacation.

JANUARY

1. Everybody makes resolutions.
2. Everybody breaks them.
4. Clair Carney was with us again. "He ain't lost his pep yet, and wants all of us to get back of Mulford."
9. Belvidere vs. Dixon. The Dixon boys forgot they were playing, and we took the game at 63 to 2.
12. Jack Frost blew his breath at us forty miles an hour.
15. The members of the Forum have a snowball fight in the "Gym". Doris Sherman was one of the victims of rough play.
16. Joe Swanson hitched his wagon to Miss Chewning.
19. Ernest Humphrey, Lee Peet Wilcox, and Clyde Huston manicure the picture of Sir Galahad.
21. The Garden Prairians fail to arrive on account of the heavy snow storm.
26. This is a very Biblical day; "Take heed lest thou shalt fall."
30. Miss Graves lost thirty-nine cents to Mr. Hart playing 'Rum'.

FEBRUARY

4. The stork arrived and brought us forty-three new children.
7. Mr. Maple (to new Freshies) "Come to order now, I will arrange your seats algebraically."
10. Who was the Freshman who wrote "Fresh One" on his card?
11. Nellie Stoner springs her latest work: "Boyabus kissabus sweeta girls. Girlabus likabus wanta somorum. Papabus heardabus landa somorum. Kickabus boyabus outa back doorum. Boyabus comabus backa nomorum."
17. We found Miss Simonsen was a loyal knitter. This conversation, one student overheard in the hardware store. Miss Simonsen, "Give me three spools of barb wire."
Dealer: "Going to fence your house for fear of the Germans?"
Miss S.: "No, I'm going to knit sweaters for them."
18. Field Marshal Maple begins to train the "Royal Grenadiers of the Western Hemisphere."
20. Fred Schult comes to school with a new hair cut. We wonder why.
21. Mystery solved. Schult gets a date for the tournament.
23. White vest parade.
24. White vest parade No. 2.
25. White vests appear on the platform.
28. Tournament begins. Lots of excitement. Belvidere beats Freeport 28-19.

MARCH

1. 1. Long faces. Less excitement. Belvidere defeated by Rockford 28-15.
5. Crepe found on Chemistry lecture room door. Who's dead? Why Mr. Hickie has gone to Camp Grant to do his bit in Y. M. C. A. work.
7. In Botany: "What are the three foodstuffs essential to the body?"
Blanche Wakefield: "Breakfast, dinner and supper."
9. The teachers say, "Study your lesson." The pupils say, "Lessen your study."
11. Myron: "I dreamed last night that I proposed to a beautiful girl."
Ruth H.: (breathlessly) "And what did I say?"



12. Attorney Huff gave us an interesting talk on Parliamentary Law. First appearance of the "Amateur Parliamentarians", or "The Society for the Promulgation of Universal Participation in Parliamentary Proceedings".
14. Another treat. Miss Grace Curtis gave us two piano solos much enjoyed by everyone.
19. Seven boys receive medals for War work. Rev. Lawler explained the work the boys had done. Mayor Ray presented the medals.
21. Mrs. Mary Reid Cory in charge of the Salvation Army War Fund in Belvidere told us about the work that the "Army Lassies" are doing in France. She just came from "Over There".
23. Mildred Clark is seen in the hall talking to half a dozen boys. (No wonder they call her a "heart breaker".)

APRIL

1. Too bad to-day is vacation. We could have played some jokes on the teachers.
5. Miss Brown: "What is the largest jewel in the world?"
Bessie Powers: "Emeral Isle."
15. Mr. E. O. Andrews presents War Savings Stamps to Hazel Burton and Violet Burstatte for writing the best themes on "What We As High School Students Can Do To Help Win The War".
Clair and Claude Carney are with us from the Great Lakes Naval Training Station.
17. Miss Vandervort (in History), "Mr. Blackledge, who was Joan of Arc?"
Clair B.; "Noah's wife."
18. The advanced cooking class serves a banquet to the members of the basket ball team. One of the boys was heard to say, "Gee, that was sure **some** feed."
23. Raymond Kelly comes to school wearing a new suit.
24. Morning paper quotes a big drop in wool. "There's a reason". Guy Waite has a hair cut. Teachers meeting.
25. The Senior class presents a bridal bouquet to Miss Graves.
26. Several people are electrocuted in the lecture room. The list of casualties includes: Wayne and Alice Porter, Lucile Graves, Miss Stowe, Ninabel Fredrickson and Mr. Maple.

STOP! LOOK! LISTEN!

Sh! We think we're awfully clever!
Why? It's a 'secert'!
Don't tell the Editor-in-chief anything
about the last page of this book.

ANNUAL STAFF.










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WOMAN MAKES GREAT MISTAKE

Popular Young Man Falsely Accused.

Glen Taylor while gathering rags for the Lyceum Fund was mistaken for a real rag picker. The accident happened in the following manner:

Taylor, trying to uphold his reputation of being a hustler, was making a house to house canvass in the wealthy district of the city, endeavoring to persuade the people to give their old papers to the worthy cause.

He walked gingerly, in a movie-like fashion, to the front door and rang the bell vigorously. The lady of the house greeted him with a searching glance and inquired, "Good morning."

"Good morning," said Glen in a real book agent tone. "I am representing the Lyceum Bureau of the High School. Have you any old papers?"

"Why, how much are you paying?" replied the mistress of the household.

Mr. Taylor, scratching the dandruff off his head in a dignified manner, replied, hair tonically, (laconically), "Madame, er a——"

"Oh, you're one of those fellows always looking for something for nothing."

The enraged mistress immediately launched a broom handle offensive. Mr. Taylor straightway made a strategic retreat to his "Henry" limosene which was waiting in the street.

COURT CONVENES FEB. 29

The following cases were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Perlett's court this morning.

Gerald Houston—speeding. He was assessed fifteen dollars and costs.

Nelva Lobdell was summoned to answer a charge of running down chickens belonging to Anna Penning. Her lawyer entered a plea of not guilty, for the defendant. The case was bound over to the Grand Jury.

Leslie Byers was booked on charges of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. He was unable to pay the fine of five dollars and costs, so remained in jail.

On complaint of Miss Amy Fifield, Boyd McLain was summoned to answer a charge of poisoning a thoroughbred Midnight Prima Donna Tom Cat, belonging to the aforesaid young lady.

Russell Lander brought charges against Pauline Hanchette on grounds of breach of promise. The case was dismissed because of the absence of Charles Thomas, the chief witness.

Herbert Comstock brought suit against Oliver Rupprecht on grounds of assault with intent to harm. The complainant appeared in person to substantiate his case. He exhibited a terribly battered eye and claimed it was the result of an attack with a brick.

HELPING THE BACHELORS!

Junior Awkward Squad is Receiving the
Finishing Touches.

The Junior girls have leased the "gym" for the purpose of teaching the boys to dance. The opening was on Friday evening. The walls were decorated with dark green and the new aspirants fitted appropriately with the color. The two piece orchestra was hidden in the alcove under the balcony surrounded by Indian clubs and wooden guns.

A number of new dances were invented. Clair Blackledge originated a new dance and as yet has been unable to think of a suitable name for it.

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NOTICE!

We, the publishers of the "Blat", wish to thank all who have helped us in this department. We wish to congratulate all those who have escaped honorable (or dishonorable) mention in these columns. We hope you are as well pleased with this, the first publication of the "Blat" as we are. The following poem expresses our wishes for the future:

May this volume continue in motion
And its pages each year be unfurled,
Till an ant to its dregs, drinks the ocean
Or a tortoise hath crawled 'round the world.

EDITORIAL

Just why the editor should pick me for a dissertation on this subject, I do not know, for I am a demure, unsophisticated maiden without any first hand knowledge. After all, it may be that that very reason caused them to make the choice. For one not well informed is much more apt to "rush in where angels fear to tread" than one well educated—especially in regard to a subject which should be handled so delicately.

It is a difficult subject for research work, because the very students who are supposed to stand high in this branch of high school work hesitate to discuss IT. The more they know, the less they are willing to disclose to the ignorant, which, I think, is very selfish indeed. But it only goes to prove the above statement in regard to the choice of the writer of this article.

My fellow students to whom I have applied for information, have most generously offered to demonstrate IT, but they say IT is something which defies explanation.

Of course, a demonstration could not be put into the "Annual" (unless a kodak or moving picture machine were at hand) and the writer feared that if she posed for the illustration she would be in quite the same class as those who know too much about IT. Since this paper must be written, it must be written by one who doesn't know—for if she knew she wouldn't tell.

Having obtained no tangible results from the students (who are all too young to know about IT anyway), I betook my puzzled self to the older, more experienced faculty—the source of great wisdom. They appeared to know something about IT, but at once a dreamy, reminiscent look came into their eyes—and they, too, refused to divulge the secret, except to admit that IT was a very awkward subject to discuss.

As a last resort, I, frantically, and in desperation, rushed to the highest authority in this magnificent edifice of learning. Here I learned that IT is a very serious thing and should be given only when one is in a very Grave (s) mood, and then should come directly from (the) H(e)art. But still this information did not tell me what IT is.

Worn out and weary, I finally resorted to Noah Webster's ever faithful help. He says: A kiss is a form of affectionate salutation expressed by the contact with pressure of the lips, (accompanied by a smack.)

The only kind that the author is personally familiar with is those which the confectioner tosses over the counter, so many for a penny, all wrapped in oil paper to exclude microbes. The real kind, I am told, are very insanitary from a medical standpoint.

However, IT is much like carbolic acid—good for some ailments, but fatal to others; for instance, there is a certain "tickle of the heart" that can be scratched only by a kiss.

From the newspapers I have learned that they are extremely valuable. In law suits they are often worth thousands of dollars.

Then there is the literary kiss, where the hero gently presses a kiss upon the heroine's pale brow—but that doesn't seem to be very popular.

There is also the Mary Pickford brand, where it is about to happen when the curtain falls.

Besides the two named above, there is the sunbonnet kind for stage use only—where the sun bonnet conceals all that doesn't happen—at least so we are told.)

For a detailed discussion see "Mids" and "Shorty."

Now the above is all I have been able to glean from the innumerable sources in regard to IT.

Since I have done my bit without flinching and have conscientiously endeavored to search out and write down the truth about this elusive subject; I shall now, with clear conscience and unquenchable curiosity go forth to have IT demonstrated and I shall then be in the class of those who know and won't tell.

ESTHER SEXAUER.

P. S.—

My Dear Reader:

After you have been so kind, and lenient, and patient with me, and I have caused you to suffer through all this long harangue about something of which I as yet, know nothing; I have come across the very thing I should have had in the beginning. It would have saved days of hard work and nights of sleeplessness. Here in these few short lines I have found a complete and wholly satisfactory definition:

"A kiss is a peculiar proposition of no use to one, yet absolute bliss to two. The small boy gets IT for nothing, the young man has to steal IT, and the old man has to buy IT; the baby's delight, the lover's privilege, the hypocrite's mask; to a young girl, Faith; to a married woman, Hope; and to an old maid, Charity."

E. M. S.

IMPORTANT!

All Flunkers filing mostly complete answers to these questions with the editors of the "Blat" will be officially recognized thereupon.

(See page 5)

HIGH SCHOOL ZOO OPENS FOR SUMMERS SEASON

Brief Classification of the Peculiarities of the Animals in the Zoo..

The Monkey. Very mischief loving. Rage easily aroused.—Roy McMillan.

The Flea. A minute animal with the amazing faculty of making itself invisible.—Vernon Carlson.

The Squirrel. Noted for its activity, liveliness of disposition, and desire for nuts.—Willis Scriven.

The Giraffe. Extraordinarily tall with long slender neck and body—Herman Whitman.

The Elephant. The largest in the collection, noted for its appetite and violence while in a wild state.—Glen Van Epps.

The Oyster. The animal that has no speed or motion.—Howard Frye.

The Ox. The most bulky of all domesticated animals. Stolid and patient.—Arthur White.

The Whale. A big fish. Very valuable. Length, fifty to eighty feet.—Melvin Galbeck.

WOULD YOU BELIEVE IT?

Mary had a stick of gum,

She chewed it long and slow,
And everywhere that Mary went

That gum was sure to go.

She took it to school with her one day

Which was against the rule,
The teacher took it away from her
And chewed it after school.

JUNIORISMS

Name	Swears	Drinks	Smokes	Wants
FORDING FELLOWS ---	To beat the band	When treated	Clay pipe	"A Steady"
MELVIN GALBECK-----	When nobody's looking	When nobody's looking	Grape vine	To be great
LAWRENCE RALSTON.-	(Talks to himself)	H 2 O	Cornsilk	A 'stand-in' w th the girls
PERRY NORCROSS-----	In Physics class	When thirsty	Real cigars	Spring tonic
SIDNEY EICHLER-----	Intermittently	Fire water	Camels	A million
EARL PHELPS-----	When aggravated	Snake juice	Cubebs	All he can get
CLAIR BLACKLEDGE..	For fun	Malted Milk	3 for 5c	(Censored)
CARL SUHR-----	(Against his religion)	River Water	To be sociable	To keep eligible
HOWARD FRYE-----	(Uses slang)	Grape juice	Stogies	An athletic figure
HASWELL SNYDER-----	(His mother won't let him)	Mellin's Food	Cabbageolas	To be tough

PEOPLE'S COLUMN

WANTED—An ever lasting good complexion. Margaret McCarthy.

WANTED—To be in things. Louise Shattuck.

WANTED—More time to talk. Dorothy Jordan.

WANTED—A self-lighting pipe. I am learning to smoke and have a hard time getting a light. Ralph Daniels.

WANTED—Someone to laugh at my jokes. Bill Mulford.

WANTED—An accommodating young man who has plenty of "Jingle." Lucille Tabor.

WANTED—Urgently needed! A good "stand-in" with Miss Simonsen. Jess Poulton.

WANTED—A competent man to handle chemicals. Inquire at Laboratory, fifth or sixth periods, Monday or Tuesday. (Good chance for a raise.) Nash & Poulton Bomb Co.

\$5,000 FOR AN IDEA—What shall I do with second-hand gum? Isabelle M. Vanderbilt.

LEARN TO DANCE—The latest dances taught while you wait. Prices unreasonable. Give me a trial. David Sullivan.

WONDER NEW INVENTION—Prof. Wemple's "Palooza Gazza". Guaranteed to be good for what ails you. Can be purchased at all up-to-date garages and laundries. Half pint jugs 39c each or three for two bits.

FOR SALE—Five thousand Basket Ball tickets; good for last season's games. Cheap if taken at once. M. L. Heitter.

FOR SALE—A Caesar book with all notes written in. Evelyn Melzer.

FOR SALE—A nice packet of love letters, good enough to send any gentleman friend. Used only once. Eldora Catchpool.

TAKE HEED

He who skips and runs away
May live to skip another day,
But if Miss Stowe catches him,
I'll bet he'll never skip again.

FOOLSIFY

"The more I see of human nature, the better I like myself."—Guy Waite.

"The greatest disadvantage in trying to get a 'stand-in' with a good looking girl is

that you have too big a crowd to compete with."—Hubert Sears.

"Never do to today what you can put off till to-morrow, because you may not have to do it then."—Wallace Blackledge.

"Don't let anyone treat you like a dog, unless it is to pat you on the head and tell you that you are a good fellow."—Robert Meyers.

"Don't lose courage if you flunk. Noah was six hundred years old before he learned to build the ark."—Glen Taylor.

"Don't lose heart if you get bawled out. There are a hundred million people who will never impose on you a bit."—Joe Pettey.

Floyd Byers sez: "The vocabulary of my German book is like a Woolworth Store. You can find everything but what you want when you want it."

"Dead men tell no tales; dead dogs wag none."—Edward O'Brien.

NATURAL MISTAKES

Stranger (breathlessly rushing into Longcor's): "By mistake I left my Chinese laundry check in here this morning."

Sisson: "Oh, that explains it. I've been trying to fill that confounded prescription all morning."

Edward O'Brien: "You look sweet enough to eat."

Helen C.: "I do? Where shall we go?"

Hazel: "You are wasteful. Very few girls would marry you."

"Happy": "Very few would be enough I'm not a Mormon."

She: "Excuse me for walking on your feet."

"Herb": "Don't mention it; I walk on them myself, you know."

BEST SELLERS OF THE WEEK

"Partial Payments" by Richard Brown.

"The Hawaiian Method of Courtship" by Samuel Katowsky.

"The Phantom Sardine" by Albert Mattson.

"The Tyranny of Debt" by Wayne Porter.

"Ninety Miles an Hour in a Baby Cab" by Russel de Palma Fredburg.

"Seeing China Through a Porcelain Eye" by Harry Wemple.

"Translation of 'Caesar's Gallic War'" by Donald Tripp.

"When a Woman's a Woman" by Helen Collier.

"Our Debt to Men" by Mildred Clark.

FASCINATING FACTS

We are sadly in need of contributions for this department.

If all the people who knock the "Annual" were placed on a straight line, they would reach half way to Garden Prairie; but if all who praise it were put in a Ford, there would still be room for more.

Civics sounds like Physics; but it ain't.

If all the erasers thrown in the mantels by the boys during one semester were placed end to end, they would reach from Belvidere to Cherry Valley.

The pupils of the Belvidere High School drink approximately six hundred seventy-nine gallons of water a day. If all the water consumed in two semesters was mixed with a sufficient number of prunes, the amount of Goulash resulting, would be sufficient to supply all the inhabitants of South America for seven months.

Algebra is a study of letters arranged in order to flunk.

The basket ball boys and football men waste as many paper towels every year as would be required to paper all the rooms in the Belvidere High School.

If all the poison gas turned loose in the Chemistry Laboratory was taken to the Western front, the "Yanks" would have about three less divisions of Huns to contend with.

Charles Thomas is the only person in school, who can use Packard words to express Ford ideas and get away with it.

If all the swear words expended by the Sophomores in Geometry quiz were gathered together in one volume, they would make a valuable addition to the devil's library.

Cigarettes are injurious to the human system.

The only way to prevent collars from wilting in summer is to take them off.

Glass will frequently break if dropped on the floor.

Silence would improve some people's conversation.

The energy wasted in the Belvidere High School in chewing gum would be sufficient to run all the coffee mills in the city.

A man seldom exhibits his temper until he loses it.

Cold blooded animals are those whose blood runs cold and makes them vicious, fierce, and wild. They are untamable. Warm blooded animals are gentle and have been domesticated.

The explosion of the kings took place in 405 A. D. (Ed. Note—The two above facts were secured from examination papers. No

wonder the teachers go insane.)

There are 144 boys in school; 139 of these have smoked cigarettes some time during their career. Three of these have never been "canned" from class—so far as available records show.

FLUNKERS' QUESTIONNAIRE

Do ships have eyes when they go to sea?
Is a newspaper white when it's read,

Does the Jolly Tar flow from a tree?
Is an undertaker's business—dead?

If the moon got full would you call a cop
To put the poor thing in jail?

If teacher fainted would she take air
(care)

Or get a little pale? (pail.)

Are fishes crazy when they go insane?

Can an old hen sing her lay?

Can you bring relief to a window pane,
Or mend the break of day?

If you ate a square meal, would the corners hurt?

Can you dig with the ace of spades?

Would you throw a rope to a drowning lemon

Just to give a lemon-ade?

What kind of a vegetable is a policeman's beat?

Are there springs in the ocean bed?

Is a baker broke when he's making dough?

Does a river lose its head?

And if Barney Oldfield won the Grand Prix race,

Could he win a mill race, too?

And if someone washed the face of a clock

Would it seem absurd to you?

Now I've acted only as questionnaire,
So answer me if you can,

And if you fail in your first attempt,
If you choose—you may try again.

F. J. L., '18.

NOTHING LIKE BEIN' FRANK!

Some people say it's the smile that counts,

For it's worn everywhere;

But the time most folks keep smiling;

Is when the weather's fair.

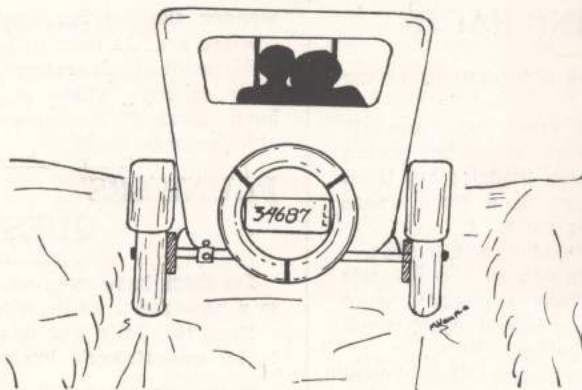
Now! I believe when the wind blows cold

And the sky, from clouds is clear;

It's not the smile that counts so much

As it is the underwear.

F. J. L. '18.



Notice the Number!

ADVICE: WISE AND OTHERWISE

Dear Miss Taken:—

A few nights ago as I was leaving my girl's home I tried to kiss her on the front porch. She became very peeved and would not let me. How shall I go about it next time?

WM. FANE

My advice is: Next time kiss her on the cheek.

Dear Miss Taken;

The other day I wanted to tell Miss Vandervort something. She refused to listen to me. Please advise me.

VERA SWANSON

Don't tell her everything you know, she might know something herself.

Dear Madame;

I am afraid I shall flunk, what do you think would be most advisable thing to do. I am waiting for your advice.

RICHARD BROWN

Try studying your books, they may help some.

Dear Editor;

Why does Art Perlet open his mouth so wide when he sings. Yours through curiosity.

,WAYNE FLEMING

Ask Mrs. Keely.

Every time I walk across the assembly floor the boys stamp their feet. How can I walk so they won't hear me?

ERNEST HUMPHREY

Walk on your hands, Ernest, then they won't hear you.

Dear Lady,

I have a good reputation and wish to keep it thus. How can I do so?

J. RUSSEL NASH

Put it up in alcohol.

Dear Miss Taken;

I am worried half to death for fear I shall not get on the "Honor Roll" every month. Please advise me.

In haste,

W. SEARS.

Don't worry; die.

Dear Miss Taken;

I have never experienced falling in love. Please tell me what it is like, so shall recognize it.

ROBERTA BROWN

I have never had the misfortune of falling in love, but I have fallen in a river. If they are anything alike, you had better go slow or you will get soaked.

Dear Madame;

Every time I see a good looking girl my left eye begins to flutter. What is your advise?

FORDING FELLOWS

Wear goggles.

Miss Taken:—

How can I stop a swarm of bees?

ROSS STEURER.

Put salt on their tails.

My Dear Miss Taken,

I asked a young lady to go to the show. She turned me down for another fellow. I am heart broken.

HAROLD DOWNING

Cheer up, Harold, the other fellow is probably just as down hearted as you are.

THE SCRAP HEAP.

INCIPIENT LAUGHS

Melvin Taylor, (with hoe in hand): "Dad, the fish are biting down at the river."

Dad: "Just keep on hoeing weeds, son, they won't bite you."

Mrs. S.: "Helen, are you going out with Ralph tonight?"

Helen S.: "Yes, mother."

Mrs. S.: "Don't you think he's a little fast?"

Helen: "Oh, maybe, but I don't think he'll get away."

Charles: "I can't see why you wear your skirts so short, Dorothy."

Dorothy, (amazedly): "You can't?"

Pete: "May I have the next dance?"

Louise F.: "I'm particular who I dance with."

Pete: "I'm not. That's why I asked you."

Shorty Tripp: "If I were to kiss you would you call for help?"

Nina: "Would you need it?"

Overheard in Class Meeting.

Dorothy Jordan: "Do you like tea, Pikey?"

Pikey Carlson: "Yep, but I like the next letter best."

(We did not think it of the boy.)

Frank Hall and Joe Pettey were holding hands in Geometry class. Miss Fellows saw them and said: "Boys, if you want to hold hands with anyone come in here at four o'clock."

Alice in Wonderland.

Alice Pettey in Geometry.

Alice Porter in the moonlight.

"Dear Dad: Here I sit at my desk with a revolver at my head. Please send checks to stop the bullet."

"Dear Son: Enclosed find check for sixty-five cents. Buy a box of cartridges and be darn sure you don't get blanks."

If the rebel soldiers in the civil war wore rebel suits; what did the union soldiers wear?

FROM THE NEOLITHIC AGE

The trouble with most patriots is that they are like the letter P, first in patriotism and pity but last in help.

Ezra: "See you got a new ottermobel, Hiram. Did ye pay cash?"

Hiram: "No, by gosh, I got one of those electrics and had it charged."

Teacher: "What is velocity?"

Freshie: "Velocity is what a fellow lets go of a wasp with."

What is responsible for the breaking up of most homes, women's love of dry goods or men's desire for wet goods?

Hotel Detective: "I found those placards, 'Not to be used except in case of fire', which those college boys stole from the hall."

Clerk: "Where?"

H. D.: "Nailed on the coal bin."

Why is Germany like Holland?

Because it's a low lying country dammed on all sides.

RIMES

My daddy fell upon the ice,
Because he couldn't stand.

He saw the glorious stars and stripes,
But I saw father land.

I met a nice man yesterday
The weather wasn't fine.
He never mentioned it all all;
Oh, would that he were mine.

I'm saving buffalo nickels now,
That isn't so absurd;
I've only done it but a week,
And now I've quite a herd.

She was a brave young Militant
And did not lack for charms,
For as he came into the room,
She answered the call to arms.

Frete ate peanuts,
She ate them skin and pod,
And now with countless other nuts
She lies beneath the sod.

PURELY PERSONAL

Lawrence Ralston took a girl to the Belvidere-Elgin basket ball game. (Ed. Note—He must have been discouraged; he never tried it again.)

Haswell Snyder is considering applying for a position as door knob polisher at the local jail. We would suggest that as a patriotic duty he work on a farm; he would make a fine milk maid. Perseverance, obedience and diligence would be rewarded by a commission of straw boss in the hay field.

Erwin Davis is reported to have broken all previous Boone County speed records in his "Flivver." He makes eighty miles an hour—twenty miles straight ahead and sixty up and down.

"The Society for the Promulgation of Universal Participation in Parliamentary Proceedings" has been organized in our school. We extend our sincere congratulations to the members of this organization on having secured some other name than the ordinary "Chatter Circle", "Gab Society" or "Soap Club."

Willard Jukes has been making frequent visits to the country studying agricultural conditions. We understand he is collecting statistics for the government crop report.

"Shorty" Tripp, Wayne Porter, Dick Brown, Haswell Snyder, and Francis Leonard are among those who have blossomed out in long trousers this year.

Andrew Mitchell is reported to have had his first shave. By the time this edition has gone to press he will need another.

Russel Swanson has joined the "Benedict Club". Go it, Russ, while you are young.

Harry Dunbar, a star wrestler, from the Freshman class, has invented a new hold. It is known as the "Bunion, Dandruff, Eye Brow Grip." He uses this grip in all bouts and up to the present time all opponents have succumbed to it.

**WATCH
THIS
SPACE
BLACKLEDGE'S
LAUNDRY**

READERS NOTE!

This paper is the official organ of the "Night Hawks".

Don't read this publication if you are conceited; it might hurt your feelings.

Take a substantial amount of "Laughing gas" before you start reading this so you can laugh at the jokes.

If you don't like this paper throw it away.

If we have something in it on you, it's your fault, not ours. You should have handed in something on some one else.

Don't try to read this upside down.

SIGHTS WORTH SEEING

Pete Lander in a gym suit.

Mildred Allen's scowl when you come for your cards without an excuse.

Bert Beatson when his hair isn't combed.

Haswell Snyder learning to dance.

Melvin Gahlbeck milking a cow.

Mildred Clark when Emory Bahr sits beside her.

Howard Frye and his girl.

Miss Lawrence trying out a new typewriter.

A Freshman who doesn't ask, "What makes the hands of the clocks jump.

The advanced chorus when they really try to sing.

Roy Johnson and May O'Connor in "The Neighbors."

Pee Wee Houston making a speech in football assembly.

Miss Simonsen censoring the material in the "Annual."

Miss Harvey correcting Latin papers.

Mr. Glen I. Tucker scrubbing up ink.

Foreign Lady to Pharmacist.

"I want some powder."

"Mennen's?"

"No, vimmen's."

"Scented?"

"No, I vill take it with me."

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Exhibited by Martha A. Linquist, Faculty Adviser to the Freshman Class.

ACT THREE

Poulton and McLain: School Greatest Speed Demons

Mr. Poulton was awarded the Nobel Prize in 1918 for making the best time from the assembly to the laboratory.

Mr. McLain has proved that fear has a psychological effect on the gait of Man and Beast.

ACT FOUR

Wentworth and Graves, Greatest Soapbox Orators of the Age.

Will debate daily. Subjects include:

Cigarettes are injurious to athletes."

"Is Miss Vandervort justified in giving the boys zeros for chewing gum in her classes?"

Resolved: That the custom of trimming the tops of felt boots with lace be dispensed with.

ACT FIVE

Capt. Katowsky drills the "Crack Squad" of the twenty-third regiment in front of the school house.

One will be mystified by the evolutions executed by some of the intelligent members of this organization.

ACT SIX

The "Late Risers" will give their daily after-concert in room 201.

The latest snores will be demonstrated.

The interrupted sleep of the night before will be continued.

ACT SEVEN

Humphrey, Huston and Tucker, the Great Gold Dust Trio will present their one and one-half hour farce entitled "Dutch Cleanser Napoleon."

Class Enrollment

JUNIORS

Alderman, Geraldine
Anderson, Hilda
Bishop, Edith
Blackledge, Viola
~~Bogardus, Hubert~~
Bryan, Hazel
Burton, Violet
Champlain, Doris
Chena, Fern
~~Clark, Mildred~~
Eichler, Sidney
Fellows, Fording
Fredrickson, Ninabel

Fry, Howard
Gahlbeck, Melvin
Gilman, Alfred
Helligas, Ruth
Keating, Eileen
Krans, Eunice
Lanning, June
Langer, Edna
Lobdell, Nelva
~~Long, Ruth~~
Mattson, Albert
Mayberry, Fern
McGonigle, Irene

McKeown, Mae
McLain, Boyd
Melzer, Evalyn
Meyers, Mabelle
Nash, Russel
Norcross, Perry
O'Connor, Mae
Phelps, Earl
Porter, Alice
~~Poulton, Jesse~~
Powers, Bessie
Purcell, Marie
Ralston, Lawrence

Rubeck, Arthur
Slattery, Helen
Smith, Ila
Snyder, Haswell
Steurer, Irving
Suhr, Carl
Swanson, Russell
Swanson, Vera
Tabor, Lucille
Taylor, Iva
Tefft, Theora
Tobyne, Anna
Wheeler, Merie

SOPHOMORES

Ackerman, Lillian
Ackerman, Marie
Alber, Russell
Ames, Richard
Bahr, Emory
~~Beach, Lois~~
Beckington, Percy
~~Blackledge, Clair~~
Blanchard, George
Brown, Bertha
Burstatte, Violet
Byers, Leslie
Carlson, Alice
Carlson, Mildred
Carlson, Vernon
Collier, Gladys
Coudrey, Gladys
Crawford, Anna
Crowell, Robert
Davis, Gladys
Dooley, Darlene
~~Downing, Harold~~
Dunbar, Iva
~~Dwan, Irene~~

Eby, Laura
Fair, Harold
Fair, Ruth
Frank, Ida
Fry, Olive
Fuller, Louise
Fry, Robert
Gallagher, Genevieve
~~Gilroy, Harold~~
Graves, Melvin
Greene, Aletha
Haines, Leonard
Hall, Frank
~~Hannan, Verna~~
Heage, Beulah
Huston, Clyde
Howe, Elizabeth
Huff, Alberta
Jackson, Annie
Johnson, Leslie
~~Jones, Iris~~
Kelly, Helen
King, Elsie
Koelling, Bessie

Lane, Harold
Larson, Boyd
Loveridge, June
Marriet, Maude
McCarthy, Margaret
~~McConnell, Gabriel~~
McMillan, Roy
~~Midkirk, Jewel~~
~~Miller, Leota~~
Mitchell, Andrew
Mulford, William
Newcomb, Amber
Parke, Ruth
Penticoff, Merrill
Peters, Alvin
Petty, Alice
Petty, Joe
Peterson, Ruby
Phillips, Edith
Porter, Wayne
Pratt, Norman
~~Raymond, Dorothy~~
Rewoldt, Donald

~~Rupprecht, Oliver~~
~~Rymer, Clara~~
Sager, Nina
Schult, Fred
~~Schwabke, Margaret~~
Sears, Hubert
Sexauer, Margaret
Silvius, Myron
Slater, Harry
Smith, Lydia
Strong, Gwendolyn
Sullivan, David
~~Tanner, Jesse~~
Timoney, Teddy
Waite, Marie
Wakefield, Blanche
~~Waltz, Clara~~
Warn, Margaret
Wheeler, Marian
Whitehead, Annie
Whitney, Helen
~~Wemple, Harry~~
Young, Marvin

FRESHMEN A.

Andrews, Ruth
Atkins, Mabel
Barker, Frances
Beatson, Berl
Beckington, Percy
Bennett, Harold
Best, Charles
Bluhm, Evelyn
Brown, Irene
Brown, Richard
Burlingame, Ruth
Cappers, Max
Catchpool, Eldora
Choumont, Elsie

Conwell, Elizabeth
Crawford, Blanche
Day, Orald
Dwyer, Gerald
Eisenstein, Ruth
Fane, William
Fleming, Wayne
Force, Gladys
Foster, Margaret
Fredberg, Russell
Gustavison, Floyd
Habermehl, Katherine
Hammond, Vernona
Hanchett, Pauline

Harling, Ruth
Henry, Rupert
Howe, Helen
Johnson, Minnie
Jordan, Dorothy
Katowsky, Samuel
Kauer, Gertrude
Keating, Norma
Kelly, Raymond
Krieger, Alva
Lander, Russel
Larson, Irene
Leonard, Francis
London, Evelyn

Long, Clyde
Lyon, Isabel
Magnuson, George
McConnell, Agnes
McElroy, Arlene
McElroy, Helen
McLain, Ruth
Meyers, Claribel
Miller, Beulah
Morris, Floyd
Norton, Leo
O'Connor, Eugene
Parkis, Lucile
Paulson, Quentin

Class Enrollment

FRESHMEN A.

Pearson, Gladys
Powers, Raymond
Rands, Mabelle
Reid, Myrtle
Reser, Cora
Rickart, Beatrice
Rosekrans, Iva

Schuler, Marian
Schwarz, Gladys
Scriven, Willis
Sears, Weyland
Shawcross, Dorothy
Sheley, Dorr
Spencer, Margaret

Starr, Pauline
Steurer, Ross W.
Storm, Linda
Stowe, Sterling
Strom, Blanche
Strong, Adelaine
Taylor, Melvin

Taylor, Ruby
Tobyne, Mildred
Walls, Arlene
White, Arthur
White, Bernice
Wentworth, Stewart

FRESHMEN B.

Beardsley, Ruth
Blackburn, Minerva
Bollman, Arthur
Bollman, Maude
Bowman, Francis
Carlson, Glen
Comery, George
Crinklaw, Harry
Daniels, Ralph
Davy, Vivian

Demus, Ella
Dave, Mildred
Dunbar, Harry
Fair, Leslie
Frint, Beatrice
Greenlee, Helen
Grothman, Herman
Helligas, Clyde
Jacobs, Donald
Jones, Leslie

Lawler, Ernst
Lawrence, Bernita
Leitzell, Janette
Lewis, Lillian
Meyers, Robert
Moore, Genevieve
Moore, Herman
Neufer, Davis
Norton, Leah

Olson, Olga
Pierce, Dyer
Schwarz, Alden
Shattuck, Louise
Sisson, Florence
Slater, Bessie
Smith, Marvin
Stegemann, Ella
Stupfell, Rupert
Sullivan, Bessie

Signatures

Finale



*See how those round blue eyes
prophesy the success of the 1913
Annual.*

*As Wordsworth says, 'The child
is father of the man.'*

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