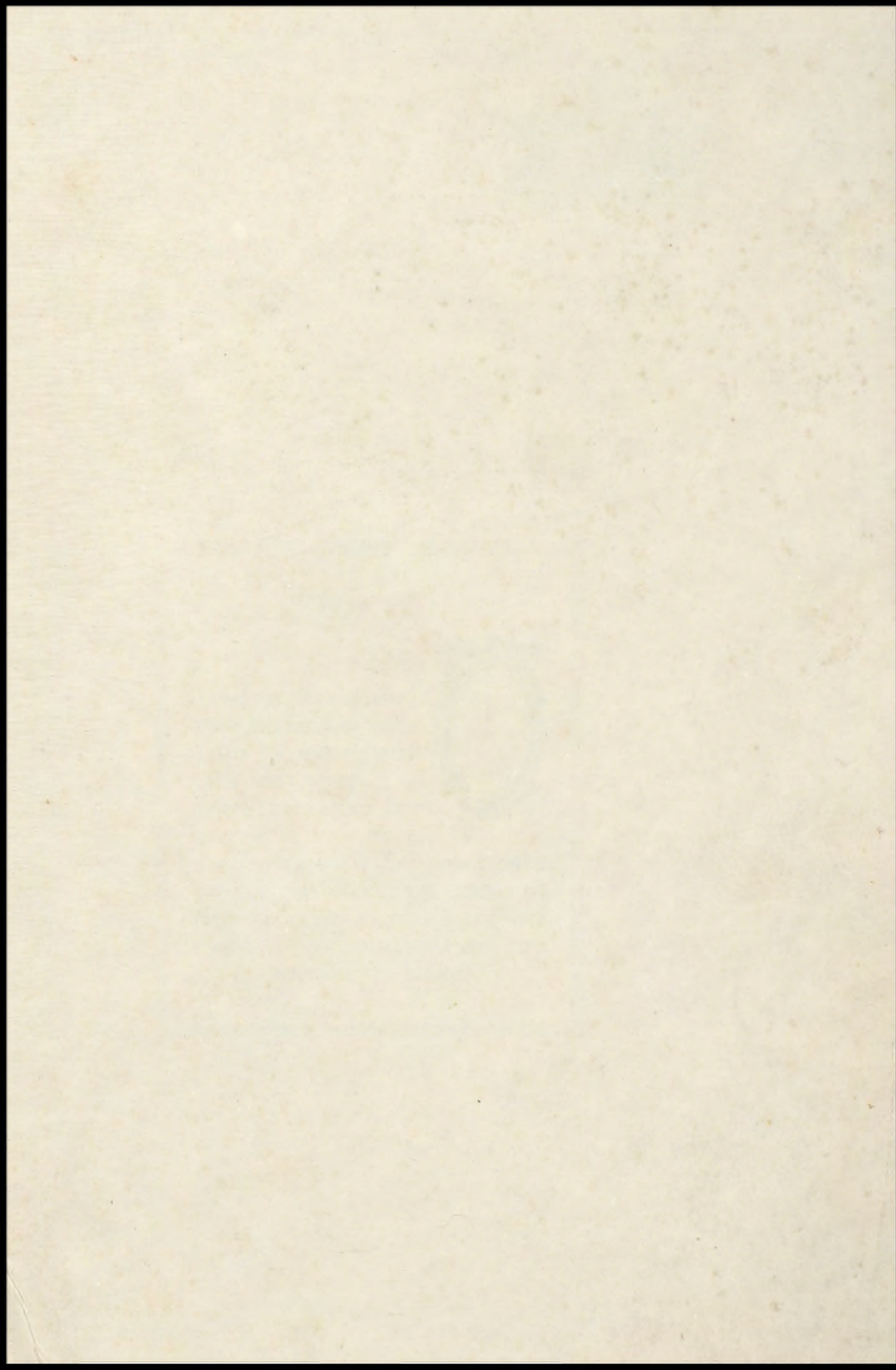


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FOREWORD



IN THE YEARS TO COME,
WHEN HIGH SCHOOL DAYS
HAVE PASSED, WE SHALL
BE FACE TO FACE WITH
THE GREAT QUESTION
MARK. IF AT SUCH A
TIME, THESE PAGES SHOULD CHANCE
TO RECALL THE EVENTS OF THE YEAR
AND THE RECORD OF THE CLASS, THEN
WILL THE MISSION OF THE '21 ARGUS
ANNUAL BE COMPLETE.





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*W*E, THE CLASS OF 1921, IN THE SPIRIT OF GRATITUDE,
DEDICATE THIS VOLUME TO OUR FRIEND AND COUN-
SELOR, PRINCIPAL J. H. BRENNEMAN. WE HOPE THE ARGUS
ANNUAL SHALL IN SOME SMALL WAY EXPRESS OUR APPRE-
CIATION OF THE INTEREST HE HAS TAKEN IN US AND IN
THE ENTIRE STUDENT BODY.



Edward Flowers B.S.



Harry McKown B.S.
A.A.



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Bertha Tindal



Kitchel Adkins B.S.



Louise Van Dyke B.A.



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Seniors

Senior Class Statistics



NIEL PERDEW—*President*

HAROLD REEDQUIST—*Vice President*

KLELLA WAREHAM—*Secretary*

CHARLES HILL—*Treasurer*

VIRGINIA SPURGEON—*Historian*

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKERS

Valedictorian—ELIZABETH MARTIN

Salutatorian—FRANCES JOHNSON

HAROLD REEDQUIST

NIEL PERDEW

CHARLES HILL

ELIZABETH WEBB

FLOWER—*Sweet Pea*

COLORS—*Nile Green and White*

YELL

Humpty! Bumpty! Hippity! Hop!
 Boomrang! Zackerang! Wallopolop!
 Rickety! Rackety! Bangity! Bah!
 1921 Rah! Rah! Rah!

Baccalaureate Sermon—June 5.

Junior-Senior Reception—June 3.

Commencement—June 9

Senior Party—June 10

JEANETTE ADAMS—"Jean"

"My man's as true as steel."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Sec. and Treas. 4; Clio 1, 2; Philo 3, 4; French Club 3, 4; Librarian 2, 3; Girls' Reserve 4.

CARL ANDERSON—"Swede"

"Life is a serious problem."

MAISIE AREINGDALE—"Shorty"

"I'm sure care's an enemy to life."

Art Club 1; Spanish Club 3; Philos 3.

MARIE BAKER—"Micky"

"Hurry is only good for catching flies."

Chorus 2; Glee Club 3, 4, Librarian 4; Clios 2; Philos 3, 4; Normal Training Club 3, 4; Chillicothe High School 1; O. H. S. 2, 3, 4.

BERNICE BAUM—"Balmy"

"Don't despair of a student if she has ONE clear idea."

Glee Club 1, 2; Philo 3, 4; Normal Training Club 3, 4.

KATHRYN BEATTY—"Kay"

"Doing nothing with a deal of skill."

Clio 1, 2, Sec. 2; Philo 3, 4; Dramatic Club 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, President 3; Librarian 2, 3; Spanish Club 3, 4.





ALFREDA BLOOMGREN—"Freda"

"Smiles are the language of love."

Glee Club 1; Red Cross Auxiliary 1; Class Historian 2;
 Clio 2; Dramatic Club 4; Argus News Staff 4; Ar-
 gus Annual Board 4; Philos 3, 4.

ALICE BLUNK—"Blunkie"

"Ask me no questions and I'll tell you no fibs."

Finished course in 3½ years; Class President 1; O. H. S.
 Basketball 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Philos 3, 4; French Club
 4; Orchestra 3, 4; Radio Club 4.

LAWRENCE BOSWORTH—"Bozzy"

*"What's the use of all this strife,
 And hurrying pell-mell through life."*

Football 3; Hi-Y Club 4.

ELOISE BRADY—"Shanghi"

*"In spite of all the learned have said
 I still my own opinion keep."*

Glee Club 1; Clio 1, 2; Philo 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4;
 Dramatic Club 4; French Club 4.

MARY LOUISE BRADY—"Mary"

"Wisely and slow; they stumble that run fast."

Clio 1, 2; Red Cross Auxiliary 2; Glee Club 2, 3, 4;
 Philo 3, 4; Spanish Club 4; Chorale Club 3.

BERTHA BRODY—"Brody"

"If I chance to talk a little wild, forgive me."

EDMUND CHIDESTER—"Chiddie"

MARGARET CECCONI—"Maggie"

"I desire no future that will break the ties of the past."

Glee Club 3, 4; Normal Training Club 3, 4; Philos 3, 4; Girls' Reserve 4.

MABLE CHICKERING—"Chick"

"Doubt whom you will, but never doubt yourself."

Philo 3.

RUTH BROWN—"Rufus"

"She keeps her thoughts to herself, mostly."

Spanish Club 2, 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Philo 4; Normal Training Club 3, 4; Girls Chorus 2, 3.

ALICE BROWN—"Brownie"

"As we advance in life, we learn the limit of our abilities."

IRENE COFFMAN—"I"

"Could I love less I should be happy."





HERBERT CRILEY—"Herb"

"I am a sad man and a serious one."

Spanish Club 3; Football 4; Track 4.

FIORY DELLA VEDOVA—"Bevo"

"I don't talk very much but I think a lot."

Radio Club 4; Argus Annual Board 4.

IRENE DEXTER—"Shorty"

"For she is such a bright little, slight little, light little, slim little craft."

BEATRICE DAVIE—"Bee"

"If my heart were not light, I would die."

Clios 2; Glee Club 2; Normal Training Club 3, 4, Corres. Sec. 4; Philos 4.

BERTHA DOLLER—"Dollar"

"No need for an introduction; everybody knows me."

What Cheer High School 1, 2, 3; O. H. S. 4; Norma Training Club 4.

NELLIE DUNHAM—"Nell"

"Behavior is a mirror in which every one displays his image."

Clios 2; Chorus 2, 3; Normal Training Club 3, 4; Glee Club 4; Philos 3, 4.

BESSIE FOGLESONG—"Bess"

*"So what care I, though death be nigh
I'll live for love or die."*

HELEN FAIR—"Fair"

"What's in a name?"

Frederick Oklahoma High School 1, Class Sec. and Treas.
1; O. H. S. 2, 3, 4; Philos 3; Chorus 3; Librarian 4.

RUTH FORSYTHE—"Ruth"

*"I've got my own opinions,
And I guess I'll keep them too."*

Clios 1, 2; Student Club 1; Librarian 2, 3; N. T. C. 3, 4.

CLAUDE FAIR

Frederick Oklahoma High School 1, O. H. S. 2, 3, 4;
Glee Club 3, 4; Hi-Y 4.

RAYMOND EMERY—"Ray"

*"He trudged along unknowing what he sought
And whistled as he went for want of
thought."*

MIRIAM DURR—"Deriam"

"Her best friend is her powder-puff."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Clios 1, 2; Philos 3, 4.





MARY GUGGERTY

"You're too interesting a phenomenon to be passed by."

Chillicothe H. S. 1; Clios 2; Philos 3, 4; Girls' Chorus 3; Glee Club 2, 3.

IRENE GUGGERTY—"Rena"

"Unusually sure about everything."

Philos 3, 4; N. T. C. 3, 4; French Club 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Chorus 3.

HAZEL GILTNER—"Hazy"

"The most effective couquetry is innocence."

Completed course in 3½ years; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Orchestra 1, 2, 3.

ANNA MARIE GALLAGHER—"Annie"

"Don't try to string the Irish."

Glee Club 1; Red Cross Auxiliary 1; Clios 2; Philos 3, 4; French Club 3, 4; Spanish Club 4; Girls' Reserve 4.

JOE FUNK—"Skyrocket"

"As good be out of the world as out of fashion."

Argus News Staff 4.

GLADYS FULTON—"Gladiola"

"'Tis hard to be in love and yet be wise."

Glee Club 3, 4; Red Cross Auxiliary 2; Sketch Club 2; Clios 1, 2; Philos 3.

PAUL GREEN—"Shorty"

"Pleased with a rattle, tickled with a straw."

Spanish Club 3; Glee Club 4.

STANLEY HAW—"Fat"

"A man's a man for a' that."

Football 3, 4; Class Basketball 2; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Argus News 4.

MYRTLE HALL—"Turtle"

"No man is quite sane."

Spanish Club 3; Philos 3, 4; N. T. C. 3, 4.

ARTHUR HALLBERG—"Art"

*"Kindness in women, not their beauteous looks
Shall win my love."*

MATHEW GROUCHY—"Budd"

*"Satan finds some mischief still
For idle hands to do."*

Chorale Club 3; Basketball 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Hi-Y 4,
Pres. 4.

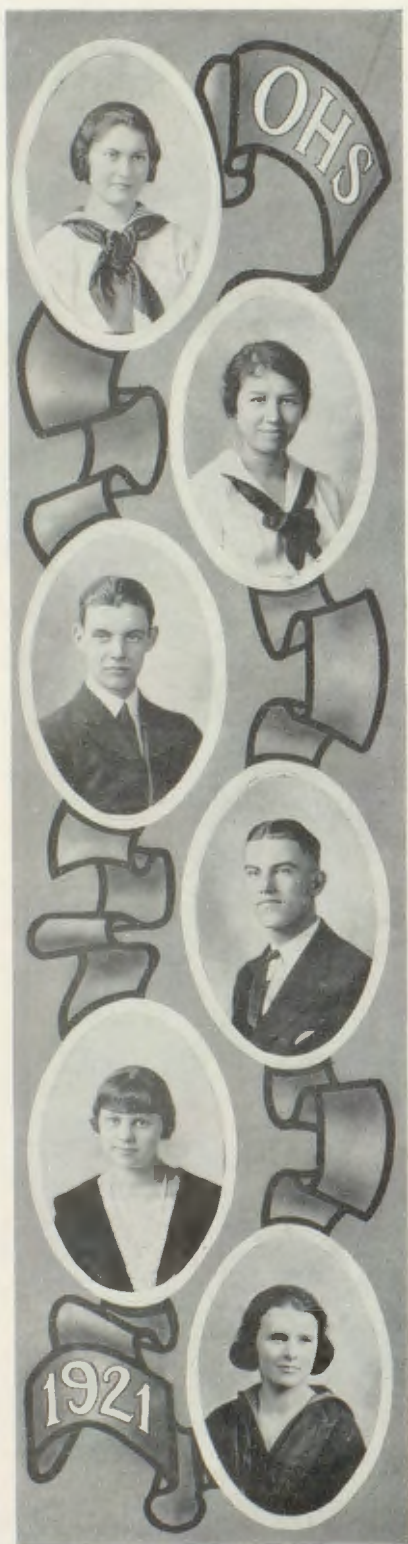
EUGENE HAGBERG—"Bud"

*"Hath so much wit and mirth and spleen about
thee*

There is no living with thee or without thee."

Lincolns 1; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Sec. 3; Pres. 4; Class Vice
Pres. 3; Chorale Club 3; Arugs News Staff 2, 3, 4;
Dramatic Club 4.





ELIZABETH HORAN—"Liz"

"Of thee something ought to be said, but I know not what."

Clios 1, 2; Glee Club 2, 3; Librarian 3; Philos 3, 4; N.T.C. 3, 4, Vice Pres. 4.

LELIA HOLLOWAY—"Lee"

*"I cannot tell how the truth may be
I say the tale as it was said to me."*

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Clios 1, 2; Philos 3, 4; Argus News 2; Argus Annual Board 1, 2; Spanish Club 4; Class Secretary 3.

RUSSELL HOLCOMBE—"George"

"God gives sleep to the bad in order that the good may not be distrubed."

Radio Club 4.

CHARLES HILL—"Chuck"

CLASS TREASURER

*"I made a practice to put all my worries down
in the bottom of my heart; then sit on the
lid and smile."*

Argus Annual Treas. 4; Hi-Y 4; Class Treasurer 4.

LELAH HECKMAN—"Heck"

"Her blue eyes sought the west afar."

Clios 2; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4.

ESTELLA HARLAN—"Stella"

"My memory is the thing I forget with."

Clios 1, 2; Philos 3, 4; Girls Basketball 1; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, Sec. and Treas. 4.

LEAH HUMISTON—"Four Eyes"

*"Sigh no more ladies, sigh no more
Men were deceivers ever."*

Clios 1, 2; Philo 3, 4; Sketch Club 1; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4;
French Club 4; Red Cross Auxiliary 1.

LAWRENCE HULTS—"Lanky"

*"There is nothing half so sweet in life as love's
young dream."*

Football 2; Track 3; Spanish Club 3; Dramatic Club 4.

FLORENCE IRWIN—"Topsy"

*"My tongue within my lips I rein
For who talks much must talk in vain."*

Chorus 3; Glee Club 4; Philos 4; French Club 3, 4, Vice
Pres. 4; Art Club 2; Annual Staff 4.

FRANCES JOHNSON—"Frannie"

"And now for a treat, I shall study awhile."

Clios 2; Girls Chorus 2, 3, 4; Philos 3, 4; N. T. C. 3, 4,
Pres. 4; Salutatorian.

HENRIETTA JOHNSON—"Henrie"

*"For e'en though vanquished, she could argue
still."*

Completed course in 3½ years; Chorus 1, 2; Clios 2;
Glee Club 3, 4; Philos 3, 4; Girls' Reserve 4.

ERNESTINE JONES—"Jones"

*"So wise, so young
She cannot live long—single."*

Finished course in 3½ years; Chorus 2; Clios 1, 2, Sec.
2; Philos 3; Glee Club 3; Dramatic Club 3; Argus
Staff 3; Editor in Chief Argus Annual 3.





MILDRED LAMBERTSON—"Percy"

"I am resolved to grow fat."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Philos 3, 4; Girls Big Nine Declamatory Contest 4; Argus Annual Board 4.

TINA KOLKMAN—"Tiny"

*"Her stature is tall
I hate a dumpy woman."*

LEONORE KENNY—"Skinny"

"Wrinkle not thy face with so much laughter."

Clios 1; Chorus Pres. 3; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Class Basketball 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 4; Orchestra 4; French Club 4, Sec. 4; Annual Board 4; Class Executive Committee 4.

ELLEN KELTER

"Silence is more musical than song."

MILDRED JONES—"Mid"

"We would not have her otherwise."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Clios 1, 2; Philos 3, 4; Argus News 4; Annual Staff 4; Dramatic Club 4; Red Cross Auxiliary 2, Treas. 2; Librarian 3; Art Club 1, 2, Vice President.

HELEN JONES—"Jonesie"

"Wisdom personified and sawed off."

N. T. C. 3, 4; Philos 3, 4; Chorus 2; Glee Club 3, 4.

ELIZABETH MARTIN—"Liz"

"She who bluffeth a teacher is greater than she who hath knowledge."

Clio 2; Philo 3, 4, President 4; N. T. C. Club 2, 3; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Girls Reserve 4; Valedictorian.

ISAL McREYNOLDS—"Mac"

"The course of true love never runs smooth."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

GLENN McMICKLE—"Mick"

"I find that nonsense at times is singularly refreshing."

Spanish Club 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Librarian 4.

FLOYD McCONNELL—"Mac"

"One whom fame has not called as yet."

MARY LUNDBERG—"Myr"

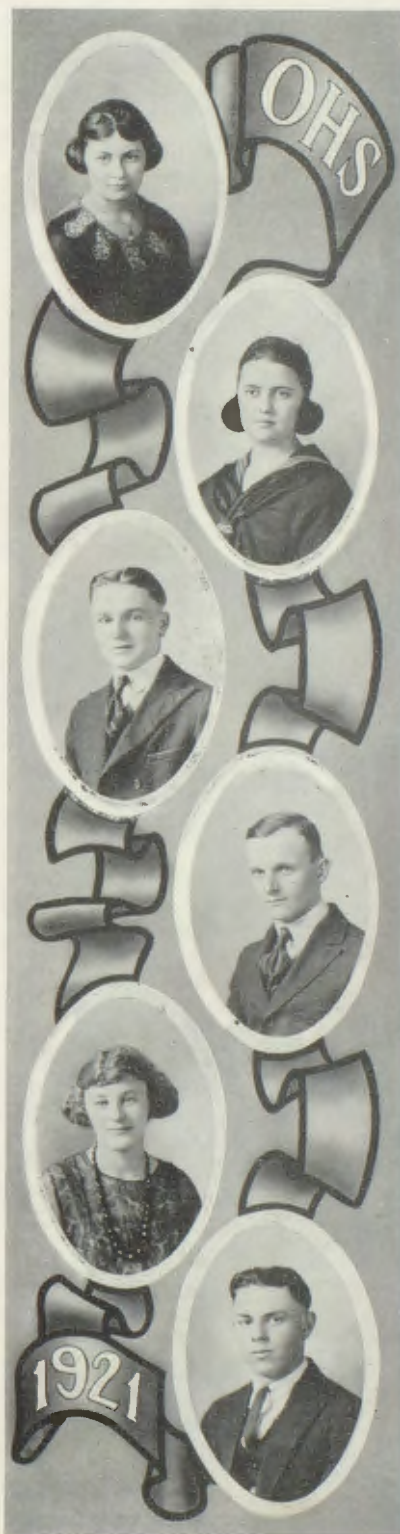
"A blush is beautiful but often inconvenient."

Clio 2; Spanish Club 3.

CARL LEINHAUSER—"Pete"

*"Demosthenes is dead—Cicero is dead—
And I am not feeling well myself."*

Lincolns 1; Boys' Glee Club 2, 3, Vice President 3; Football 4; Track 3.





EDITH MILLER—"Ede"

"I am different from everybody else."

Evansville, Wisconsin H. S. 1; Eldon High School 2;
O. H. S. 3, 4.

FRANK MORRIS—"Morris"

"He thinks (audibly) too much; such men are dangerous."

Lincolns 1; Debating 2, 3, 4.

DOROTHY MIRGON—"Debs"

"For they can conquer who believe they can."

Clios 2; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Librarian 3, 4; Vice President
French Club 3; Philos 3, 4; Basketball 4.

MARVIN METCALF—"Marv"

"I hope no young girl will think I am making too little of love."

OTTO MATHEWS—"Dick"

"We may live without friends; we may live without books;

But civilized men cannot live without cooks."

Lincolns 1; French Club 3, 4.

LORETTA MOSHER—"Retta"

"It would take a wiser head than mine to understand her."

Art Club 1; Clio 1, 2; Chorus 1, 2; Glee Club 3, 4; Philo
3, 4; Librarian 4.

HELEN POLING—"Toddy"

*"Greater singers than I may have lived; but
I doubt it."*

Glee Club 1; Clio 1, 2; Treasurer 2; Philo 3, 4.

LOUISE NELSON—"Wee Wee"

*"There's a deal of deviltry beneath this mild
exterior."*

Art Club 1; Red Cross Auxiliary 1; Clio 2; Glee Club
1, 2, 3, 4; Librarian, President 4; Philo 3, 4.

GRACE PATTON—"Pat"

"Love is blind."

Clio 2; Chorus 2, 3; Philo 3, 4; N. T. Club 3, 4, Treasurer
4; Glee Club 4; Librarian 4.

NEIL PERDEW—"Neil"

CLASS PRESIDENT

*"There is a certain something (?) in his looks
which marks a learned man."*

Lincolns 1, 2; Spanish Club 2, 3; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4;
Class Treasurer 3; Football 3; Class President 2, 4;
Track 3, 4; Hi-Y 3, 4.

ORREN NICHOLSON—"Nick"

*"If ever I am a teacher it will be to learn more
than to teach."*

Art Club 2, President 2; Stage Manager 2, 3, 4; Argus
Staff 3; N. T. Club 3, 4, Secretary 4.

LEONA PICKEN—"Pickie"

"It is as great to be a woman as to be a man."

Glee Club 2; Basketball 2, 3, 4, Captain 4; Spanish Club
3; Philo 3, 4.





LUTHER REESE—"Lute"

*"Quit your kidding, I am at this here in-
stitoosion fer work."*

Boy's Chorus 3; Spanish Club 4.

HAROLD REEDQUIST—"Reeky"

CLASS VICE PRESIDENT

*"This is Reeky, the Swede
Oh, girls, ain't he bootiful?"*

Argus Annual Board 3; Debate 3, 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4;
Argus News Staff 4; Class Vice President 4.

DOROTHY RAMBO—"Dot"

"No cupid darts for her."

Red Cross Auxiliary 1; Chorale Club 2; Glee Club 1, 2, 3,
4; Philo 3, 4; Spanish Club 4.

MARGARETE PUMROY—"Reta"

"There is mischief in this woman."

Vice President 3; Spanish Club 3, Vice President 3;
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Clio 2; Philo 3, 4; Normal Training
Club 3, 4.

MARGARET PROUD—"Maggie"

*"Up, l'p, my friend, quit your books or surely
you'll grow double."*

Clio 1, 2; Chorus 1, 2; Red Cross Auxiliary 2; Philo 3, 4;
Glee Club 4; Spanish Club 4.

JESSIE PORTER—"Pessie"

"It is not good that man should be alone."

Clio 2; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Librarian 3; Dramatic Club
1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary 3; Philos 3, 4.

ORLO ROSS—"Russ"

"Great Scott! What a busy man am I."

Blakesburg High School 1, 2; O. H. S. 3, 4; French Club 4; Argus News Staff 4; Business Manager Argus Annual Staff 4.

GRACE ROARTY—"Irish"

"She looks so meek and is not meek at all."

Basketball 3; Spanish Club 3; Philos 3, 4.

MILDRED RILEY—"Mid"

"Your hero should be tall, you know."

Glee Club 1, 2; Class Secretary 2; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Philos 3, 4.

JEANETTE RICHARDS—"Jean"

"Curses on the man who invented Chemistry."

Spanish Club 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

BRONWEN RHYS—"Bonnie"

"There is weight behind her words."

Glee Club 1, 2; Clios 1, 2; Philos 3, 4, Pres. 4; Librarian 3, 4; Dramatic Club 4.

RALPH REPLOGLE—"Rep"

*"There never was a minute
That Repie wasn't in it."*

Track 2, 3; Wrestling 3; Football 2, 3, 4.





VIRGINIA SPURGEON—"Ginger"

CLASS HISTORIAN

"She glides through life."

Class President 1; Clio 1, 2; Basketball 2; Spanish Club 3;
Sec'y 3; Philo 3, 4; French Club 4; Class Historian 4.

CLARA SPRINGER—"Clair"

*"My reputation is at stake
My fame is shrewdly gored."*

Red Cross Auxiliary 1; Clio 1, 2.

ARTHUR SHEPHERD—"Shep"

"If wit were wisdom, ye gods! another Solomon."

Dramatic Club 3; Debate 3; Football 4.

MILDRED SHAW—"Mid"

"My gentleman friend is just grand."

Librarian 1; Argus News 2; Glee Club 2, 3, 4, Accompanist
3, 4; Philo 3, 4.

CLARENCE SHADLEY—"Shad"

"If they had only left poor Adam's rib alone."

Chemistry Laboratory Assistant 2, 3, 4; Argus News
Staff 4.

MARJORIE ROTH—"Dutch"

"Infinite richness in a little room."

Clio 1, 2; Chorus 3, President 3; French Club 3, 4;
Dramatic Club 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 4; Philo 3, 4, Treas-
urer 4.

JEAN TROWBRIDGE—"Jean"

"I have so many ambitions, I don't know where I am."

Clio 1, 2; Glee Club 2, 3; Philo 3, 4; Spanish Club 4.

LOIS SWINNEY—"Lois"

"Keep busy, 'tis better than standing aside."

Bloomfield High School 1, 2, 3; O. H. S. 4; N. T. C. 4.
President.

RUTH SWANSON—"Rufus"

"Whoever blushes is already guilty."

Keokuk High School 1, 2; O. H. S. 3, 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Philo 3, 4, Secretary 4; Debate 3; Basketball 4; Argus News Staff 4.

LORETTA SULLIVAN—"Irish"

"Knows a little of everything and not much of anything."

Glee Club 1; Clios 1, 2, Vice President 2; Librarian 3; Philos 3, 4; Class Historian 3; Argus News Staff 4.

ELENA STOESSEL—"Flattire"

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

St. Clare Seminary, Winona, Minn. 2; St. Joseph's Academy 3; Basketball 4; All State Basketball Team 4.

CATHERINE STEVENS—"Kate"

"I am satisfied with myself, so why should I worry?"

Clios 2; Dramatic Club 2, 3, 4; Philos 4; French Club 4; Argus News Staff 4; Argus Annual Board 4.





HELEN WILSON—"Helen"

*"I'll be merry and free,
I'll be sad for nobody."*

Orchestra 1, 2, 3; Basketball 2; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Philo 3, 4.

RUTH WALKER—"Toodles"

"She would stop St. Peter's roll call to ask a question."

Glee Club 3; N. T. Club 3, 4.

AVERIL WILSON—"Averil"

"What will she be when she's fully grown."

Clio 1, 2; Glee Club 2, 3; French Club 3; Philo 3, 4.

CHARLES WHITFIELD—"Chuck"

"A harmless but unnecessary thing."

Argus News 3, 4, Business Manager 4; Hi-Y 3, 4; Football 4.

ELIZABETH WEBB—"Lizzie"

"Easy to start and hard to stop."

Class Secretary 1; Glee Club 1; Clio 1, 2, President 2; Philo 3; Class President 3; Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4, President 3, 4.

KLELLA WAREHAM—"Wearem"

CLASS SECRETARY

"If you were the devil, you were a good one."

Hyde Park High School, Chicago 1; O. H. S. 2½; Clio 2; Librarian 3, 4; Argus News Staff 4; Argus Annual Board 4; Class Secretary 4.

LUCILLE WORMHOUDT—"Lucy"

*"Happy am I. From care I'm free,
Why aren't they all contented like me?"*

Class Treasurer 1; Clios 1, 2; Philos 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 4;
Basketball 4; All State Basketball Team 4; Uke Club
4; Spanish Club 4.

FLORENCE YATES—"Shorty"

*"If Chemic knowledge be the food of life,
feed on."*

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3; Philo 3, 4.

MAURICE KITTERMAN

*"Come one, come all, this rock shall fly from
its firm base as soon as I."*



Victims of Dan Cupid



GLADYS DEEDS MELBERG
MARGARET PARKER HOWELLS
LILLIAN SPRAGUE NANES
WILLIAM NANES
CATHERINE PARKER NORTON
GARNETT DUNHAM MCLEAN
FERN GRAMMAR FLOWERS
LOUISE MOSS BATTERSON



Class History

THE RIME OF THE NOBLE '21



PART THE FIRST

It is a noble '21

And he stoppeth one of three,
"By thy wise looks and pile of books
Now wherefore stopp'st thou me?"

The Senior held him with his hand,
"I have a charge," quoth he,
"To tell to all that I may meet
How great a class are we."

"September, 1917
We started our career,
We were a class both bright and gay,
No gloomy looks nor drear.

The High upon the hill was full,
There was no room for us,
So to the Junior High we went
Without a bit of fuss.

Our captain, there was Mr. Grant,
But soon he had to leave.
We loved him much; we loved him well;
It made us all to grieve.

To show that we were fond of him
And wanted him to stay,
We gave a party for this man
And it was surely gay.

They called a new man, Brenneman,
A "Brainy-Man" was he,
He knoweth much; he knoweth all;
We would we were as he.

And then with days of ice and snow
In January drear,
We went to Big Ottumwa High
To lend it of our cheer.

And there a purpose some did win
And others had some fun,
They told us we must do their bid
And made us errands run.

They sent us to the furnace room
Then up again on high,
From attic room to basement low
But never knowing why.

But they soon tired of all this sport
And left us all alone,
To have our meetings and our fun,
And leaders of our own.

Quoth Mr. Rice, the principal,
"To me it's plain indeed,
To guide them thru their Freshman year
Some officers they need!"

A president was chosen first,
To lead the sturdy crew,
Virginia Spurgeon was her name
She pulled the old class through.

The only laddie of the staff
Was called Vice President,
Bob Sheehan was the chosen one
And all were well content.

Elizabeth McClelland made
A Secretary fine,
Elizabeth Webb, the treasurer
We made the next in line.

Historian was Nettie Lord,
The finest of the class,
But soon she from their midst did go
This bonnie, youthful lass.

Our year as preplets ended then
Without a party too!
The other classes all had theirs
But we had none! Boo Hoo!

But we were brave, so very brave
And never shed a tear.
We said with patience we would wait
Until our Sophomore year.



PART THE SECOND

Back to our school we came again
One cool September day;
To us our wish was granted now
For we were Soph'mores gay.

New officers again we chose,
For president, Perdue.
Vice president was Olive Manns
A very fine one, too.

"Mid" Riley was the "secretaire"
And all the notes took she;
With Lawrence Hults as treasurer
They made a team you see.

Historian we then did choose,
Alfreda Bloomgren won,
She did her duties well indeed
Surpassed was she by none.

Then from the faculty we picked
As sponsor, Gertrude Lynch,
She helped us many and many a time
When we were in a "pinch."

The sweet-pea was our chosen flower,
Our colors white and green,
We in the big assembly room
Were heard as well as seen.

Our members in declaiming work
Stood far up in the line,
For "Libby" Webb took highest place
In contest called "Big Nine."

We had a party at the "Y"
And all the "Sophs" turned out,
We had one grand and glorious time
Of that there is no doubt.

The first semester ended thus
And grade-cards passed around,
But on the cards of '21's
Few failing grades were found.

And thus we passed the year around
All working long and hard,
That we might have our praises sung
By many a wandering bard.

And then came June with parties gay,
At Simmons' we held ours,
And there with many a laugh and shout
We spent the happy hours.

And now the second year was gone
And studies were no more,
Vacation days were once again
As in the days of yore.



PART THE THIRD

September brought school days again
As Juniors, proud we felt
The under classmen 'neath our glance
Were always sure to melt.

New officers were chosen then
To guide us through the year,
We chose "Lizz", our president,
Well known both far and near.

Gene Hagberg with his ready jokes
We chose to be our "vice,"
We knew he'd chase all clouds away
And make hard things seem nice.

A secretary too, we chose,
'Twas Lelia Holloway,
Who kept the minutes of our work
As well as of our play.

For treasurer, our Junior year
Was chosen Neil Perdew,
He handled all their dollar bills
To him all debts were due.

Loretta Sullivan we chose
To be historian,
The duties that this post required
Were every one well done.



A critic then they did elect
For Gertrude Lunch had left,
Of all her helpful kindly ways
The class had been bereft.

Miss Martha Ogden we did choose
And everyone was glad,
All knew her and all loved her well
No better could be had.

Our dignified and learned class
Laid off its grown-up ways,
As kiddies once again we went
To Wilson's house to play.

Our members all were prominent
In music clubs and such,
In basket-ball our champion girls
Were honored very much.

Our noble boys as athletes too
Gained fame both near and far,
The inter-class track meet we won
Our page we could not mar.

And later on when spring was gone,
And warm June days were here,
We entertained the Senior class.
Old custom 'twas, 'tis clear.

That we might do it very well
A fine place we did choose,
It was in our big new hotel
The best place we could use.

The Seniors all turned out "full force"
In silks and dress suits gay;
With program, eats and dancing fine
The hours were sped away.



PART THE FOURTH

And then our Junior year was o'er
A long time we did rest,
Then we returned as Seniors gay
Of all the classes—best.

Our old friend, Mr. Rice was gone
And in his place we spy.
The "Brainy-Man" we all had met
Down at the Junior High.

Of course the first thing that we did
Was choose our leaders new,
To be last leader for our class
We all chose Neil Perdue.

Swede Reeky then was chosen "vice"
Debator, quite well known,
Our secretary Klella, who
Had merits all her own.

Then some one mentioned Charlie Hill
To guard the bank account,
All thought he very fine would be
To keep such large amount.

We chose a fine historian
To tell of all our work,
Virginia Spurgeon did quite well
She ne'er was known to shirk.

Again, we picked a teacher new
To guide our senior way,
'Twas Mrs. Phelps the Latin "Prof.,"
As gentle as the May.

Soon in the year some stunts we gave
In chapel Monday morn,
And laughter we provoked from all,
Ee'n from the most forlorn.

The paper was of next import
The Argus News, its name,
It was so good, so full of pep
That all have heard its fame.

The '20 Annual left a debt
Left it for us to pay,
And there it hung about our necks
While we had naught to say.

And there it hung and there it swung
The Senior's Albatross,
And there it hung and there it swung
Like some great heavy cross.

The Paper drive we started then
To cancel out this debt,
We labored one, we labored all
In weather dry or wet.

A "hop" at Christmas time was held
Down at the K. C. Hall,
All cares and trials we there forgot
It was a glorious ball.

It seems we Seniors have hard luck
To keep our class Advisor,
We said good-bye to Mrs. Phelps
And sorrowed much to lose her

For she intended leaving us
For Colorado drear,
And yet, she said she'd always keep
Our memory very dear.

Miss Edna Huston then we chose
To tell us what to do,
When we came up against a wall
We had her shove us through.

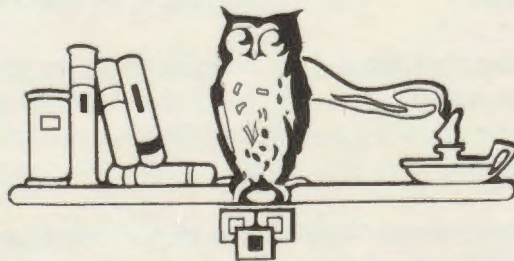
Our last year thus went sailing on
Oh! how we hate to go!
We did not know till last days come
We loved our High School so!

The time for parties came at last
The Juniors entertained,
We all enjoyed it very much
Yet sane we all remained—?

At last there came commencement time
With glorious flags unfurled,
Each Senior lad, each Senior lass
Stepped out to face the world.

And now my tale has all been told
I bid you, friend, farewell—
For I must travel on my way
My story still to tell."

—FLORENCE IRWIN
LOUISE NELSON



Class Will



THE class of 1921, of Ottumwa, Iowa, being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make this, our last will and testament, hereby revoking all wills hitherto by us made.

We do hereby bequeath and bestow all the most valuable of our earthly possessions, hoping that the class of '22 will take advantage of our generosity and use them to the furtherance of their future success.

Lest O. H. S. become a dry, uninteresting and loveless void, we do bequeath the numerous "affairs" of our worthy classmates to those of the class of '22 who have proved themselves most worthy of this honor, viz:

The mutual admiration of Jeanette Adams, Gladys Fulton, Miriam Durr, Mildred Shaw, Averil Wilson, Charles Whitfield and Mildred Riley for their especial affinities, we do bestow upon Ruth Fisher, Bernie LeBow, Mary Chambers, Paul Frasier, Gerald Tullis and Troy Proctor.

To Dwain Curtis we give and bequeath Clarence Shadley's love for the girls.

We the class of 1921, desiring to eliminate extremes in grades do will and bequeath, to be divided in an equitable manner among the class of 1922, the "poor" grades of Mary Lundborg, Elizabeth Martin, Ernestine Jones, Margaret Ceconi, Frances Johnson, Virginia Spurgeon and Harold Reedquist in order that Mr. Brenneman will have less to worry him in our absence. Furthermore, to aid in this adjustment of grades we grant to Donna Curran the combined English grades of Glenn McMickle and Lucius Lee, feeling assured that this will be of inestimable value to the English department.

That certain valuable characteristics of the members of the class of 1921 should be perpetuated in O. H. S., we leave various and sundry items to our worthy successors, namely—The babish ways of Jessie Porter, Edith Miller, Luther Reese, John Skirvin, Carl Leinhauser and Elena Stoessal to Wilma Belknap, Burdette Hilliard, Paul Eaton, Ida Blanch McCarroll, Dorothy Porgue and Rolland Fisher, respectively; as we would very much regret that an unnatural absence of kiddishness should be displayed in the halls of learning on the hill.

The bashfulness, blushes and quiet ways of Marvin Metcalf, Kathryn Beaty, Bertha Brody, Ruth Swanson, Arthur Shepherd, Ralph Replogle and Eugene Hagberg, we will and bequeath to the 1922's as a class, as we believe that humility is an essential in the gaining of wisdom which the class of 1921 do now enjoy.

As it is an undoubted fact that a faculty is necessary for the attainment of this ideal, we further bequeath Florence Irwin's friendship for the teachers and Frances Johnson's interest in Normal Training, to Glenn Meagher and Marjorie Holley respectively. Further and finally as an aid in the attainment of supreme wisdom, the pupils of the 12A chemistry classes in their entirety, will to the members of the 12B chemistry class, their curiosity and interest in that inseparable companion of Mr. Flowers, the little "Black Book."



Since it is right and proper that the attaining of wisdom should be the goal of the class of 1922 and that this of necessity is dependent on certain other items which we do bequeath, namely—The punctuality of Alfreda Bloomgren to West Bonnifield, the sunny disposition of Florence Yates to Theodore Giles, the curiosity of Jean Trowbridge to Grace Irwin and Stanley Haw's excellent English to Jack Merner.

Some of the personal possessions of certain members of the class of 1921 have doubtless done much toward the enlivenment of O. H. S. and the entertainment of its faculty. We do bequeath these same to deserving members of the class of 1922 namely—Harold Reedquist's especial, imported brand of brilliantine to Charles Anderson and Ernest Mungoven. In order that the luggage room of the class of 1922 will be well filled, we give to them the vanity cases of Isal McReynolds, Irene Coffman, Loretta Sullivan, and the rings of Lelah Heckman, as we, the class of 1921 must needs travel light.

Certain members of the class of 1921, aside from the absorption of all the knowledge of O. H. S., have accomplished much toward the furtherance of the well fare of the community by reason of certain talents which they do bestow as follows—The democratic views of Dorothy Mirgon to Lily Brody; the vocal efforts of Mildred Jones to next year's Glee Club prima-donna; Elizabeth Webb's "peculiar" friendship for the gang to Elma Williams—*She needs it.* (?) Raymond Emery's unusual ability as usher at the movies we give to George Zika, hoping that George may acquire some of Raymond's dignified bearing, Helen Poling's ability as soloist in the assembly room during study hours we bestow upon Ruth Miller, this we feel sure will be appreciated by Miss Enoch. Louise Nelson's ability to "parley-voo" we leave to Elenore Larson.

In testimony whereof, we, the said class of 1921, have set our hand and seal to this, our last will, and have declared and published the same as, and for our last will, at Ottumwa, Iowa this year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by said testator, the class 1921, as and for their last will and testament, in the presence of us, who at their request, and in our presence, and in the presence of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses this year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one.

—Signed

A. BLOOMGREN,
M. JONES,
E. WEBB,
J. PORTER.





Class Prophecy



Washington D. C., 1931.

Dearest Miriam:

Well finally I find myself alone. Budd has taken the children out for a fly in the plane. Really I haven't time to do anything anymore. But I just had to write to you though because I have so much dope on the old 21ers.

First of all I want to congratulate Russell on his last publication of poems. They are all so beautiful and you should be so proud of him.

You remember Lucy and Tom. Those crazy kids are in South America teaching the heathens essentials of good citizenship. I always thought that they would do something crazy but what do you think—the other day when I was reading the paper I saw Ringling Brothers Circus advertised and who do you think the manager was? Clarence Shadley. Of course, Budd and I took the children to see it. Louise Nelson was there and as a tight rope walker has broken the world record. Virginia Spurgeon while trying some of her hair breath acrobatic stunts fell from the top of the tent and lit on her head on the back of a large elephant. She was uninjured but the blow that the surprised elephant received knocked him unconscious and as he fell his tamer Chuck Whitfield, who had been riding on his head was thrown to the ground. Although the elephant has not regained consciousness, the two clowns, Gene Hagberg and Dorothy Mirgon, whom he fell upon were reported today as slowly recovering.

And what do you think of Shep as leading man in "Uncle Tom's Cabin"? Kay Beaty is upholding the part of Little Eva. Art owing to ability to entertain has added a chorus and I was surely surprised when I saw that Hazel Giltner, Bernice Baum, Maisie Areingdale, Ruth Forsythe, and Mable Chickering were among the list of chorus girls. It is feared that the company will have to break up because just as the audience was about to burst into tears over the death of Little Eva, Kay got the giggles, thus ruining a most pathetic scene.

Elena Stoessel is now coaching the national girls basket ball team which soon leaves for Europe where they are expected to get the international championship, but owing to her flirtatious nature, Leona Picken will go as chaperon. She leaves Glenn Meagher in charge of the Deaf and Dumb School which she has lately founded. Among the faculty of this lately founded school are Edith Miller, Averil Wilson, Bertha Doller, and Florence Irwin.

I suppose you heard of the gang of bolshevists who were deported but did you know that the leader and six of its members were old 21ers? Catherine Stevens was the leader and her followers were Jean Trowbridge, Leah Humiston, Clara Springer, Orlo Ross, Frank Morris, and Niel Perdew. And to think that their own classmate Judge Fair had to deport them. Well I don't know what this world is coming to. It makes us realize the great responsibility we have in raising our own dear little ones.



Oh yes, the thing I meant to tell you about most was our trip to Europe. Well, first Budd came home and said, "Well Jess, you can't guess who signed our pass-ports?" Raymond Emery—but Ray has given his position to Helen Wilson as he has received his patent on moving side-walks—which makes me think that you may soon see Alice Blunk and Lawrence Bosworth. While Ray was trying out his sidewalk for the first time—Alice and Bozzy wanting to be the first to use it—well they were moving along peacefully, then wishing to get off signalled to the engineer, Fiory. Fiory surprised to see the old friends became excited and pushed the lever forcefully into reverse. Ray has been unable to make the sidewalk stop and the reports are that the sidewalk is still going. The lonely occupants unable to alight from the walk are being fed by planes dropping food, piloted by the world famous aviatoress Mid Shaw, and Myrtle Hall. This is being studied by the great scientist Joe Funk and his assistant Morris Kitterman, and it is hoped that they will soon solve the great mystery.

Well back to Europe. We went on the "Jewelry" named in honor of Lelah Heckman by Floyd McConnell who is captain of the ship. While exploring the ship we were very surprised to see John Skirwin shoveling coal, and Jeanette Richards as chief cook. And my dear what do you think, Alfreda Blomgren and Loretta Sullivan, two of the popular girls of the 21ers, were going to France in answer to a matrimonial bureau advertisement.

When we landed in London we certainly were one tired bunch and took the first cab that we came too. There was Tina Kolkman driving a cab. Tina took us to the leading hotel where the Sponslers were in charge. Jeanette told me that she heard that Frances Johnson and Grace Roarty were teaching English in the French Grammer schools. She told us that when we went to Switzerland to be sure and go to see Ernestine Jones who is now a duchess. Budd and I didn't get to see her as she was on an exploring tour, but we did get to see Charles Hill who is a great pharmacist in Switzerland.

Oh yes, and I also heard of Bertha Brody. She is a leader of a riotous bunch in Lavisca having been driven from Russia. There is a reward of \$1.98 for her dead or alive. This certainly struck me funny for Bertha was always so quiet.

Since I could never begin to tell you all about our trip to Europe, I'll wait until I see you which I hope will be real soon.

It seems that I have had the strangest lunch these last few months, I've seen or heard from nearly all the old classmates of the 21ers. Why just the other day while Budd and I were out flying in the plane, we went out over the lake a ways and Budd finding that something was wrong with the engine, and having sighted a small island, decided to land. 'Twas the funniest place I'd ever seen, and the people looked stranger still, as they were dressed in costumes which resembled Puritans. I was so amused at seeing a parade down the street. I asked a small boy about it, and he said, "Why that's the guy what talks in our church," and he also said that this was a bunch of people who had come to live a quiet life from other people. Oh! Who do you think that Leader was? Why Mottie Friedman. We went down town and noticed a few signs over the doors such as—RALPH

REPLOGLE—Come Ye People To The Village Blacksmith, PETE LEINHAUSER—Thou Shalt Bring Thy Horse (To Me For Cure.) ? ? , SISTERS POLING AND ROTH—Come That Ye May Learn To Sing, SISTERS WEBB AND LAMBERTSON—Come That Ye May Speak With A Clear Voice.

I tried to see them but no they were all at church. Budd was in a hurry to get back. Finally when Budd got the plane fixed we started for home. We hadn't gone far when just as we were flying over a farm-house, the engine stopped. After Budd's usual amount of small talk we landed in a farmer's field, real near the house.

A small boy who had been playing in the yard ran into the house calling "Mamma, Papa, come quick!" and who should come out of the house but Lawrence Hults and Gladys Fulton. I was so astonished that I could but stare, but soon I recovered and told them of our trouble and Gladys said, "Wait till I call Bernie, he's out milking the cows," and Lawrence called, "Mid, see who is here"—and so you see 'twas all right, Gladys and Bernie and Lawrence and Mid had gone in partnership on a farm.

Here it is two days since I wrote this letter, but Budd found some more news to day, so guess I'll finish this. You know Budd being clerk at the census office finds so many things. He told me today that he ran across cards concerning some of the old 21ers. You remember Leanoire Kenney? Well, she's Gallie Curci's accompanist. They are great companions now. Carl Anderson—oh, you remember that adorable looking blonde? Well he is manager of a beauty parlor and—still a bachelor. He doesn't realize how many hearts he's broken—why even yet some of the girls have followed him and have positions in his shop—Margaret Cecconi, Eloise Brady, and Estella Harlan. Guess where old Reekie is? In Bear Creek. Still debating on whether or not Bear Creek should have a system of street cars. He promised Florence Yates and Lois Swinney a job sometime if they would advertise his speech on bob-haired women. So he is trying to stick to the proposition and get them jobs on Bear Creek street car service.

Klella and Stanley are still devoted to each other—they were the most adorable couple—and what do you think? Stan is upholding the part of Macbeth and Klella, Lady Macbeth in a traveling show.

Elizabeth Martin, Mary Guggerty, Beatrice Davis and Ruth Brown under the leadership of Marvin Metcalf, have gone to France to establish a chain of ice cream parlors.

You remember the old statues in High—well Bonnie Rhys is the best sculptor in Agency now, and she is remodeling them and says that they will be just like new. Those sacred statues never were treated with very much respect.

Anna Marie Gallagher, Dorothy Rambo and Margaret Proud are traveling now as the Triplet Trip Light Toe Dancing Interpretative Dancers. Gee, Miriam, we were foolish enough to get married—I'll bet we could have made a hit at that. Oh, well—

Ruth Walker and Paul Green are both in jail, now. They had a hand to hand fight in the office they were working in over who wrote the most words a minute—both claim 250.

Otto Mathews, Arthur Hallberg and Loretta Mosher have rewritten the dictionary—by this method we can spell night "nite", are "r", and you "u".

Say—Mildred Jones and Helen Fair are selling hair dye. I have heard that they both have had six different shades of hair this year. Mary Lundborg is in competition with them and it is one battle after the other.

Irene Coffman, Irene Dexter and Alice Brown are out demonstrating the vulgarness of the present day dancing. They hope to have dancing revised.

Irene Guggerty, Nellie Dunham and Margaret Pumroy are managing the county poor farm in Mexico. They always were sweet, kind hearted girls, Miriam, and we never realized it.

I got a letter from Henrietta Johnson, the other day. She is in partnership with Marie Baker in Ottumwà—making sugared soap. She told me there were lots of the old classmates in Ottumwa yet. Ellen Keltner, and Helen Jones have charge of the Iowa Restaurant. Orren Nickolson slings the hash for them. I guess he didn't know as much about teaching as he thought he did.

Isal McReynolds and Elizabeth Horan are planning a new stage for the Opera House. Well, it's about time. I guess they got the inspiration to do it from Mary Louise Brady and Anna Marie Gallagher who are putting on a fashion show every month. Well, there is just one more that I can tell about and that is Bessie Foglesong—she is making stump speeches for the Salvation Army.

Well dear, I didn't realize how much I was writing. Budd is home and has put the children to bed. The clock just struck 12,—I must go.

With lots of love,

Your old pal,

Jessie.





Class of 1922



MISS MERRITT
FACULTY ADVISOR

It is a class of splendid possibilities, the class of '22. Early in the Junior year this fact became apparent to all. Perhaps in no other field is their ability more evident than in athletics. Glance over the list of letter men. The captain of this year's football team, Richard Perdew, is a member of this famous class, as is also Roland Fisher, captain elect. Roland Fisher also was chosen for a place on the all State Team for Boys Basket Ball; Mary Chambers winning a similar honor in Girls Basketball. Elizabeth Morrow and Dorothy Pogue received honorable mention at the state tournament, while of the classes the Juniors are champions.

Not alone in athletics have laurels been won. Fern Huey and Frances Pierce have received much favorable comment for cartoons appearing in the Argus News, while Marjorie Holley has won much fame for her unusual ability in short story writing.

The Junior Chapel given last December was declared to be one of the best ever given in our assembly and was enjoyed alike by school and visitors.

The social functions undertaken by the '22's have each had clever and unusual features. The Kid Party given this year proved to be one of the most enjoyable ever given by the '22's; the climax of the year's work having been reached by the lovely reception given to the Seniors.

Miss Merritt, faculty advisor of the Junior class, deserves a great share of the credit for the successful year which the class has just completed.



JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS



Forensic

Debate



MR. C. C. CARROTHERS
COACH

The Debate season of 1920-21 was a decided success from every standpoint. Candidates for the teams began work early in October, and late in November the tryouts were held. From a large list of excellent material six boys were given places on the teams, three having had previous experience.

The question used in most of our inter-school contests was that adopted by the "Iowa Nine" Schools—Resolved: "That more definite and restrictive Immigration Laws should be enacted by the United States." The affirmative of this proposition was assigned to the three second-year debaters—Frank Morris, Harold Reedquist and Glenn Meagher. And Harry Munsell, Sam Cohn and Richard Per-dew were placed on the Negative side. During the Debating season these teams represented O. H. S. in eight forensic encounters with six experienced high schools.

On February third we met Washington in a dual debate, each Affirmative team appearing on its opponent's floor. The arguments were well handled by each of the four contesting groups—especially as these were the first trials for both schools this year. Each Affirmative team won—Ottumwa by a 3-0 decision, and Washington with a 2-1 vote.

On March fourth we met Newton in our second dual debate. This time the Negative teams visited their opponents' floors. Although our Affirmative boys were forced to change, on four weeks notice, to the Shop-Council Labor Question, which was being debated in the Iowa State League, Ottumwa registered a victory in each contest. In the home encounter, Gordon Strong replaced Harold Reedquist on the Affirmative team and made a very creditable showing.

On March eleventh occurred the preliminaries. The result was that Ottumwa, from the outset, proved superior to her younger and less experienced opponents in both argument and delivery, and received a unanimous decision in each case. The final Triangle for the Big Nine Championship was held March twenty-fifth with Iowa City and Davenport. Ottumwa lost both decisions. Davenport furnished the closest contest of the season, but Iowa City's victory remains a dark mystery.

Coach Carrothers' ability as a leader in forensic work has been realized not alone by the members of the teams but by the entire school. The willingness with which he has carried on this work and the encouragement he has given when fate seemed to play havoc with decisions, have spurred the teams on to victory. Success, such as has come to the O. H. S. in debate this year, doubtless could not have been attained without the able leadership of Mr. Carrothers. With five experienced debaters continuing in school next year, and with Coach Carrothers working in the same capacity, the outlook will be bright for another large percentage of victories, which should put Ottumwa even more prominently on the Forensic map.

HAROLD REEDQUIST—Affirmative Team

A smooth and polished speaker—always ready, always dependable. Harold's absence next year will be a real handicap.

RICHARD PERDEW—Negative Team

Our most convincing talker. He has a faculty for picking out and hitting the Big points.

HARRY MUNSELL—Negative Team

A hard worker, a logical thinker and a very forceful speaker. Harry's resourcefulness was best shown in his good rebuttals.

GLENN MEAGHER—Affirmative Team

About the best all around debater we have heard this year—'Nuff said!

FRANK MORRIS—Affirmative Team

Steady and careful in main speech and a fire eater in rebuttal. Frank's closing arguments went far toward the decisions.

SAM COHN—Negative Team

Always full of pep and thoroughly in earnest. Sam played a large part in the success of his team.





FEBRUARY 11th the girls' "Big Nine" declamatory contest was held at Fairfield. The schools represented were Clinton, Ottumwa, Iowa City, Muscatine, Fairfield, Grinnell, Davenport, Oskaloosa, and Burlington. Ida Sheen of Clinton won first place with the humorous selection entitled "*Miss Casey in Lawn Tennis*." Mildred Lamberton represented O. H. S. remarkably well in that she gave her reading "*Within the Law*" in a pleasing and unaffected way. We are proud of her ability to win for Ottumwa second place in as well organized a contest as the girls' "Big Nine."

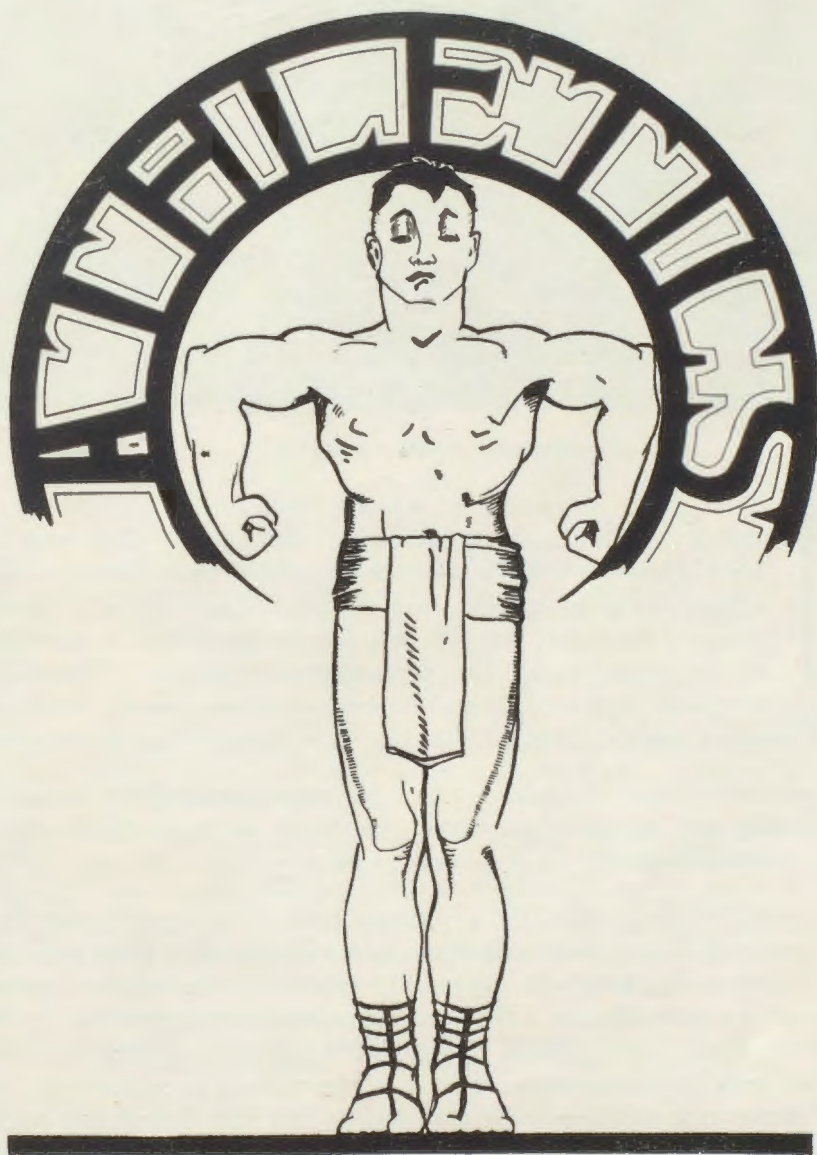
The fourth annual Iowa Nine boys' declamatory contest was held at Grinnell, Iowa, December 10. Our representative, Glenn Meagher with his selection "*Quo Vadis*" failed to place in this contest. Luck seemed to be against us at this time, but Glenn has another year at O. H. S. and a chance to compete in other declamatory contests.

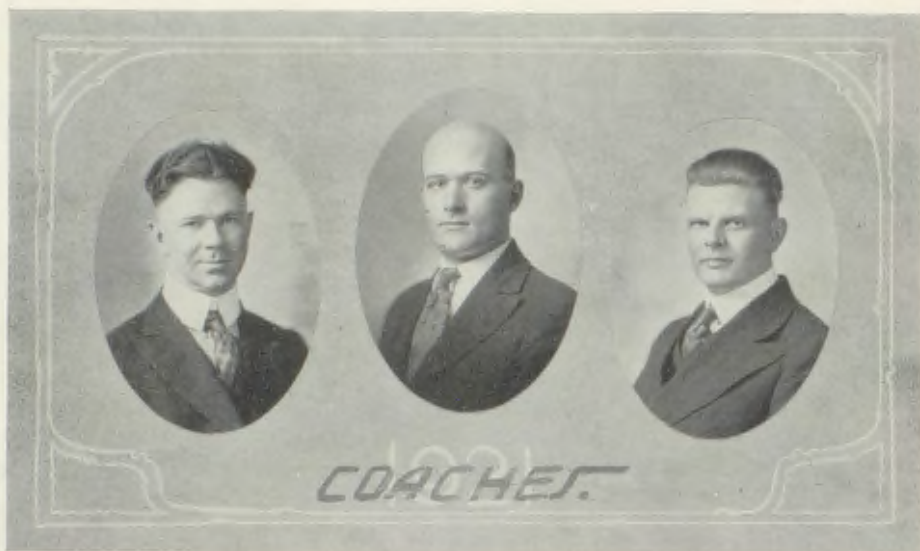
Elizabeth Webb entered the sub-district contest held at Chariton March 8. Her reading "*Sally Ann's Experience*" placed second, while "*Who's Afraid*", spoken by a contestant from Allerton, Iowa placed first. Elizabeth did herself honor as well as O. H. S. in this contest.

On April 20th at Davenport was held the Annual Big Nine Extemporaneous Speaking Contest. One week before at the local tryout Glenn Meagher was chosen as Ottumwa's representative.

In the final contest Glenn placed sixth against some very strong competition. The work of our contestant was very creditable; but we believe with a little more interest on the part of the student body we should do much better next year.

The Annual Big Nine business meeting was also held at this time. The old officers were re-elected. The Debate question settled; and the affairs of the organization closed up in excellent shape. Let's all pull together to make O. H. S. a bigger winner among these Big Nine Schools next year than ever before.





Football Season



AFTER many unsuccessful seasons, interest in Ottumwa's football teams had dropped almost to the zero point. But people whose association with this school activity dates back many years noticed a complete change in the 1921 season. The cause was Coach George Yount—the result was the best season any O. H. S. team can boast of for seven years. Every member of this year's "ground gaining machine" can recount to his grand-children that he was a factor in the first Ottumwa team to defeat Oskaloosa in a period of seven years length.

We had a very heavy schedule of nine games this season, but lost only two—one to Fairfield and one to Washington. However, we more than retrieved ourselves by beating Fairfield in a return game.

The credit for the making of a winning team undoubtedly goes to Yount; but the varsity skill and success in the field could not have been possible had it not been for the scrubs who willingly gave themselves to the sacrifice and slaughter that the great might be greater. This second team was made possible by the never ending patience of Coach Douma. Night after night he worked with these unskilled men until they became proficient in the rudiments of football. But per usual, as is the case with assistant coaches, he did not receive the credit really due him for his excellent services.

In every well organized and successful venture we are well aware that there must be a business head. This position was capably filled by Mr. H. C. McKown.

Each of these leaders gave their best and did their full share in their own line of work, nevertheless it was necessary to have the combined efforts of these three for the successful year which we have just experienced.



THE 1920 FOOTBALL TEAM



Dick

CAPTAIN DICK PERDEW—Dick Perdew is one of the best examples of the exceedingly rare combination of athlete, gentleman, and student ever placed as an O. H. S. representative. His sterling qualities, admirable personality, and unceasing efforts are responsible for much of the success of the 1920 Football season.

GROOMS—"Skinney" was the season's sensation as ground gainer on off tackle smashes. He possessed a wicked twist and pivot that completely baffled opposing teams. This was his second season and he is improving fast. Show your stuff in 1921, Skinney—an all state position awaits you.



Skinney



Shep

SHEPHERD—"Shep" did the kicking off this season, and it was his style to "place 'em 'way down," the kind that makes the halves drop back and fumble from nervousness. He was a flash of speed in breaking up attempts to gain through and around our line. His tackling and skill in breaking through the opposing line was often praised from the side lines.

ROLAND FISHER—Captain 1921. It was Fisher's heady generalship at Quarter back that often put our opponents to route. He was Coach Yount's most dependable man in both kicking and passing; and all the credit in the team's aerial work goes to him.



Rol



Sedore

SEDORE—Lowel plays left end this season. He had the necessary size and weight to man any of Osky's or Fairfield's would-be end run aspirants. Sedore will be an experienced and much valued man next season.

LEINHAUSER—"Pete" was the season's find in a combination of a world of speed, a successful stiff arm and a baffling pivot. It was through his successful runs that he earned the title—"Galloping Pete" and with it O. H. S. often galloped to victory.



Pete



Ray



Rep



Merner



Tommy



Kelly



Fat

RENFRO—Ray added to his already many laurels with his speed in both offensive and defensive playing. It was "Pass from Fisher to Renfro" that often spelled "Big end of the score for Ottumwa."

HAW—Left Guard. "Stan" Haw was certainly a stone wall on defensive work and a whirlwind on the offensive. He gave us all a glad surprise when he evidenced his speed, in combination with his weight.

REPLOGLE—A man who struck terror to the hearts of our opponents. His line smashes were spectacularly characteristic of his indomitable will and determination to gain his objective.

GROUCHY—"Bud" played half back last year but was instructed to fill end position this season. Because he was adapted to catching passes, he was a dangerous man on the offensive and helped the team much in gaining ground via the aerial route.

MERNER—Guard. Because of his adeptness and quick comprehension of plays, Jack filled either guard or tackle position, and when a man was hurt or did not play up to the Coach's standard, Merner was "Jacky" on the spot and he always played the game as it should be played.

SOLOMAN—"The tiniest tot on the field", his small size and paper weight was an advantage and help to the "ground gaining machine." On smashes he slipped through the merest crack in the line and was only a not-to-be-tackled, taunting shadow on end runs.

THOMPSON—"Tommy" was a new man on the Varsity this season, and although hurt so he was out of the mix off and on, he often injured our opponents' chance to win. Coach Yount just got started on "Tommy" last season, and under his skillful direction we expect Grandstand material next year.

STIRNAMAN—"The grand old man." Johnny donated his skill, knowledge and experience to Coach Yount in September and Coach soon placed him at right end. He won many games for us by his skill at grabbing Rol's long accurate passes out of the atmosphere and galloping between the goal posts while they all stared gaping.

KELLY—He's fast but not slow. He's hard but not soft. He's Irish but not green. Some combination. "Fighting Spike" we call him, and next year's team is going to be blessed by a future all state Irishman who plays end.

RATER—Although only a "yearling," Rater secured and held the center position in Coach Yount's line on his initial appearance on the field. He is following in the footsteps of his two brothers. His ability to stop line smashes from the opposition bids fair to be a valued asset to next year's eleven.

MANN—"Fat" sure was the "berries" in opening up holes and making room. Often, through his efforts, our off tackle smashes were good for consistent gains. His weight helped him in breaking up the opposition's interference, and he often tossed gloom into an enemy camp by his terrific smashing and blocking.

CURTIS—Right Guard. Determination and fight, not weight, secured Curtis a position on the team. Credit is due "Goldylocks" as a pep injector into his cohorts in moments of trial. Curtis's greatest value was his finely perfected system of blocking, and he proved the downfall of many a would-be line smasher.



Stan



Bud



Sallie



John



Rater



Curtis



Basketball Season



THE boys basketball team fought out a very successful season this year, but unfortunately they were unable to bring home the bacon in the form of any championship honors. The chances for a winning season were even better than in years previous, because of the abundance of material to pick from, and also to the fact that they had for their coach Mr. George Yount.

The boys made a poor start at the beginning of the year and did not entirely regain their stride throughout the season. They were defeated in several of the first games and this seemed to rob the boys of a great deal of pep and fighting spirit. Nevertheless they kept fighting and with the school back of them, managed to bring down several of their rivals in fast and furious mixes.

The boys put up good lively games and always managed to get in with a pretty close score even in defeat. Ottumwa has always been known for fair athletics, and the basket ball squad lived up to their habitual characteristics.

The lineup for the season was as follows: Capt. John Stirneman, Roland Fisher, Clarence Matheney, Mathew Grouchy, Francis Von Shroeder and Paul Soloman.





MISS MOORE
COACH



Girls' Basketball



We had a girls basket ball team to be proud of this year. For the last five years girls basket ball has been on the downward path. This year with Ruth Moore as coach and Leona Picken as Captain, the girls team made a record that will long remain in the O. H. S. hall of fame.

The girls' games this year were all won by large scores. Our old rival, Albia, undefeated for six years, met their defeat this year at Ottumwa. Fremont, victor in thirteen consecutive games was forced to defeat by our girls.

For the first time in the history of O. H. S. girls' basketball, the school was represented in the tournmant at Drake. Forty strong teams entered. We are proud to say that Ottumwa was one of the two teams, who played the finals thus placing second in the meet.

Three of our girls were chosen for the all state star team—Stoessel, Chambers and Wormhoudt. This was the largest number from any school. Morrow and Pogue received honorary mention.

It is with deep regret that we lose three of our first team by graduation. Stoessel will be remembered as the "basket a minute forward," Pickens the "never beaten guard" and Wormhoudt as "the high jumper."

Our subs have aided greatly in the victories for the school. They are: Alice Blunk, Ruth Swanson, Helen Sloan, Ruth Baum, Grace Irwin and Olive Connelly.



1921 BASKETBALL TEAM

Wrestling and Swimming



MR FRANK DOUMA
COACH

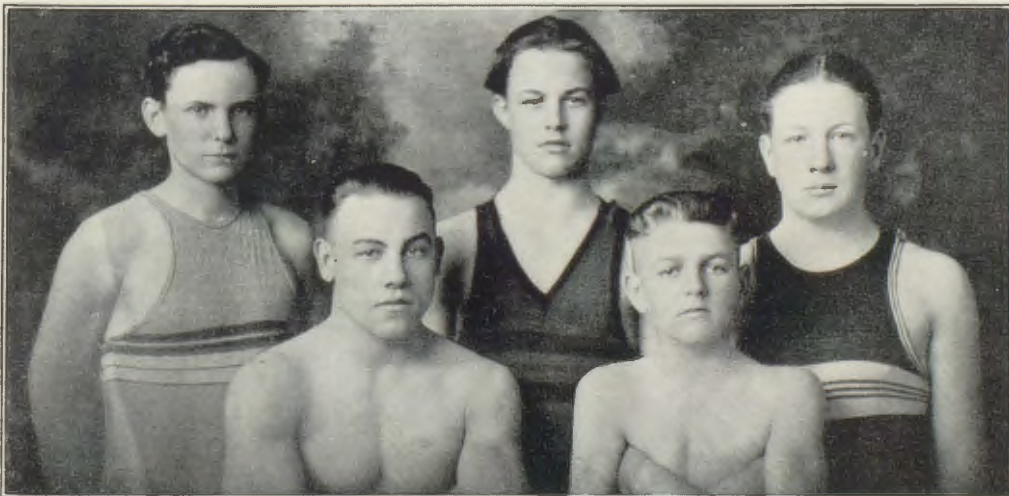
Classed among the newer sports on the athletic calendar of our high school are wrestling and swimming.

Shortly after the football season ended Claire Grooms, our foremost wrestling enthusiast, began looking around for wrestling material. At about this same time Coach Yount received an invitation from Ames to send a wrestling and swimming team to the state tournament to be held there Feb. 4th and 5th. We decided to accept the invitation and a call for candidates was issued. In all about forty boys tried out for the two teams. After several try-outs, Claire Grooms, Walter Riley and Edmund Chidester were chosen for the wrestling team and Arthur Tyler, Paul Solomon, Edward Tullis, Paul Irwin and Edwin Barton were chosen as our representatives in the swimming meet. These men were taken to Ames by Coach Douma.

In the wrestling meet, Riley entered the 95 pound class, Chidester, 115 pound class, Grooms, the 158 pound class. In the first round, Riley won over Warrington of Garden Grove, Chidester over Newman of Story City and Grooms over Copenhagen of Boone. In the second round, Riley and Grooms defeated their men but Chidester lost to Burke of Mason City. This put Riley in the finals. In the semi-finals Grooms defeated Thompson of Red Oak. In the finals, Riley lost to Liegerot of Red Oak and Grooms lost to Burkholder of Cedar Rapids. This gave them both second place with silver medals.

Our swimming team entered the 40 yard dash, the 40 yard relay, the 40 yard breast stroke, the 80 yard back stroke and the 220 yard dash. We failed to qualify in the dashes. In the breast stroke, Edwin Barton qualified in the semi-finals and took fourth place in the finals. Paul Irwin qualified in the 80 yard back stroke and took first place in the finals, winning the gold medal.

On the whole, our boys did very good work despite their lack of experience, for the wrestling team took fourth place and the swimming team took sixth place in the tournament.





O. H. S. YELL LEADERS



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ORGANIZATIONS

Glee Clubs



MISS CLEVA CARSON
SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

The girls of O. H. S. have had an unusual opportunity to study singing this year under the supervision of, first, Mrs. Heald and later Miss Carson. Mrs. Heald had had much experience with glee clubs and she certainly succeeded in making for the girls a club worth while, and one with a state wide reputation. Just before her marriage in January to Mr. Graham of New York, a Christmas Musical was presented which was really a big success and attracted the attention of the public to the work of the glee clubs.

At the beginning of the second semester, Miss Carson, another director possessing valuable experience in handling "howlers" came to fill the vacancy left by Mrs. Graham's resignation. That she has ably filled Mrs.

Graham's place is evidenced by the quality of the many concerts given during the past semester. On Easter Sunday, the First Girls' Glee Club gave a concert at the Baptist Church and later occurred the High School Night, programs featuring among other activities three of the Glee Clubs.

A very successful season has been experienced by the First Boys Glee Club. At the beginning of the year, Mrs. Graham had charge of this organization, and started them on the right road but she had to leave them in January. Miss Carson took up the task where Mrs. Graham left off and has certainly made the club a fine one. The work of the boys club in High School has always been good and this year they have lived up to their reputation, as was proved by the number of programs and entertainments in which they participated. They were certainly well received at the Annual Musical, and their stunt at the High School Night program was one of great cleverness and kept the audience in convulsions of laughter. Most of the members of this club will be lost by graduation, so it is hoped that boys in school who can warble at all, will try out for places in the Glee Club of next year and thus continue the work of an organization so valuable to our High School program.



Glee Clubs



BOYS' GLEE CLUB

FIRST TENOR—Melvin Hallberg, Lucius Lee, Claude Fair, Paul Green. SECOND TENOR—Harry Long, Glenn McMickle, Donald Pearson, Gilbert Sponsler. BARITONE—Eugene Hagberg, Leo Hahn, John Farrell, Irwin Kranz, Claire Stockberger, Edward Tullis. BASS—Paul Hasselquist, Norman Wallace, Harry Healy.



GIRLS' GLEE CLUB

FIRST SOPRANO—Florence Yates, Isal McReynolds, Orah Tullis, Constance Evans, Miriam Durr, Helen Wilson, Dorothy Rambo, Gladys Fulton, Jeanette Richards. SECOND SOPRANO—Irene Dexter, Loretta Mosher, Estella Harlan, Lelia Holloway, Lelah Humiston, Dorothy Mirgon. ALTO—Mildred Jones, Margerite Pumroy, Julia Clark, Leone Tullis, Margaret Proud, Louise Nelson

Orchestra



H. C. MCKOWN
DIRECTOR

One of the most important organizations of the O. H. S. is the orchestra. Our ambition for study is aroused every Monday morning by its peppy music as we assemble and are dismissed from chapel, in fact, the Monday morning exercises would not be complete without the aid of these musical pep-inducers.

The orchestra has taken part in every program given by the school and due to its popularity has frequently furnished music elsewhere. The special numbers given last fall in chapel were appreciated and enjoyed by the entire school. The organization is well known throughout the city and always has an appreciative audience whenever it plays.

To the director, Mr. McKown, is largely due the enviable reputation that our orchestra has earned for itself. Mr. McKown was also leader in 1917-1918 and has continued in this capacity since his return from the U. S. Air service.

The orchestra is an accredited organization and it is partly due to this fact that it has such a large membership. Very few of this number however, are Seniors, as it is largely made up of underclassmen. Bearing this fact in mind we may well look forward to another successful year.



Dramatic Club



MISS HAZEL BLACK
COACH

The year 1920-21 is the sixth year of the organization of the Dramatic Club. The membership has gradually increased until this year the limit of 30 members has been reached.

The success of the club has been due, largely, to the fact that Miss Hazel Black is critic and coach. The aid of Miss Black has meant much to the society and manifested itself in the excellent play presented High School Night and in the interesting programs which have been given at the bimonthly meetings.

The play presented this year at the High School Night program was "P's and Q's". The parts in this playlet were well carried by Bernice Brown, Glen Meagher, Harold Reedquist and Louise Nelson.

Membership in the club is based on scholarship as well as on ability. Only students who have passed all subjects the preceding semester and who have an average of C are eligible. Tryouts are held at which the coach and officers act as judges. From these the best are chosen and approved by the principal.

The Dramatic Club is a live organization which tries to reflect the spirit of O. H. S. in all of its work. However, the club is conscious of imperfections and is trying each year to remedy them. The interest and support of the entire student body is asked. If cooperation is given, the club is certain to make as much of a success of 1921-22 as it has this year.



Normal Training



MISS LOUISA A. VAN DYKE
ADVISOR

This year the membership of the Normal Training Club was greatly increased by election, as associate members, of Sophomore and Freshmen girls. Every three weeks a club meeting was held in Miss Van Dyke's room where a hot dish, appropriate for a rural school was served with the regular lunch, and an educational talk concerning rural life was given. In October a play "A Model Rural School" was presented in chapel and later on at Thanksgiving time a formal dinner was given at the Y. W. C. A.

During the second semester, aside from the regular business meetings, Valentine day was remembered by a party at the home of Miss Van Dyke and St. Patrick's by a spread in the cafeteria. At the party, opportunity was given to elect the officers for the ensuing semester and to initiate the new members.

To instruct the members socially as well as educationally, is the purpose of this club and every member is better prepared by practical training to meet the difficulties confronting the rural school teacher.

The first semester officers of the N. T. Club were Frances Johnson, President; Marjorie Holley, Vice President; Orren Nicholson, Secretary; Grace Patton, Treasurer. For the second semester, Louis Swinney, President; Elizabeth Horan, Vice President; Laverne Pierce, Secretary; Irene Guggerty, Treasurer; Beatrice Davis, Corresponding Secretary, and Margaret Cecconi, Reporter.



French and Spanish Clubs



FRENCH CLUB

Francis Pierce, Margaret Bonnifield, Otto Mathews, Fiory Della Vedova, Ruth Williams, Bertha Dollar, Helen Githens, Ida Blanche McCarroll, Claudyne Stahl, Evelyn Jepson, Leanor Howk, Lucille Wright, Florence Irwin, Catherine Stevens, Jeanette Adams, Leanore Kenney, Alice Blunk, Eloise Brady, Constance Evans, Ruth Miller, Cleo Funk, Miriam Durr, Lily Brody, Helen Criley, Theresa Reeves, Anna Marie Gallagher, Vivian Brady, Gwen Vincent, Helen R. Jones, Ida Barmash, Elizabeth Spiwak, Orlo Ross



SPANISH CLUB

Paul Eaton, Irwin Kranz, Atherton Manroe, Gilbert Freeman, Gilbert Sponsler, Jack Merner, Catherine Potter, Miriam Potter, Margaret Proud, Dorothy Rambo, Marian Brown, Ella Lundberg, Madeline Burtnett, Joseph Grier, Glenn Rienier, Hazel Young, Mable Walker, Mary Gordon, Clara West, Gwendolyn Johnson, Burdette Hilliard, Anna Gallagher, Esther Larson, Thelma McVeigh, Mary Keefe, Irene Hueston, Dorothy Christie, Ora Tullis



MR. J. H. BRENNEMAN
ADVISOR

Hi-Y Club



The Ottumwa Chapter of the National Hi-Y, an organization of older high school boys, affiliated with the Y. M. C. A. for the purpose of attaining better moral standards and influencing others to the same end and in general making themselves useful to the community and nation, has just completed a very successful year.

Among the numerous things done by the club this year may be listed the giving of coal and baskets of food at Christmas time and the petitioning for better movies. The Hi-Y participated in the Annual High School Musical

and High School Night programs.

The year began with Arthur Shepherd, president; Mathew Grouchy, vice-president; Stanley Haw, secretary and Neil Perdew, treasurer. However, the president who had shown himself a capable and popular leader, having completed his high school course in January was lost by the club. Grouchy took his place and guided the club successfully until the new cabinet was chosen.

At the annual election of officers, Jack Merner was chosen president, John Warren vice-president, Francis Von Schrader secretary and Frank Clark treasurer. Frank Kemp who had shown himself a capable advisor through the year, resigned to finish his education, and was succeeded by E. T. Lay, who also gives promise of successful guidance.

Much of the success of the club has been due to the efforts of the advisory board which is composed of Mr. J. H. Brenneman, principal of the High School, Rev. Heath, pastor of the Main Street Methodist Church and Mr. E. T. Lay, boy's work secretary of the Y. M. C. A.



Reserves



MISS LOUISA A. VAN DYKE
ADVISOR

Early in the year when plans were presented at the High School for the organization of a girls' club, an enthusiastic group of Juniors and Seniors at once responded to the suggestion by cooperation with the Y. W. C. A. Secretary in order to make the movement a success.

The Girl Reserve is a nation wide organization. The object of the movement is to give girls, through normal, natural activities, the habits, insights, and ideals which will make them responsible women, capable and willing to help make America more true to its hopes and traditions. Its purpose is summarized in the phrase, "To find and give the best." The aim of the Reserves is to face life squarely.

The Senior Reserves of the Blue Triangle was organized in February by Junior and Senior girls from O. H. S. Their program is one of exceedingly attractive and interesting plans. The club intends to be represented at the High School Girls Annual Conference to be held at Lake Okoboji in the summer. Several parties, hikes and a Mother-Daughter banquet have already been given by the girls.

The Club is under the supervision of a board composed of Miss Louisa A. Van Dyke of the High School, Miss Curtis Leekley and Miss Olive Reese.

If the future programs of the club may be measured by the standards which the girls have set in their past work the Reserves may feel sure of success.



Philos



MRS. RUTH DOUMA
ADVISOR

The Junior and Senior girls have had an excellent opportunity to develop an appreciation of literature through their activities in the Philomathian Literary Society.

The year's work was begun with the usual initiation and spread. This was very successful and everyone who attended expressed their satisfaction both with regard to the "eats" and to the program. Miss Anna Louise Owen was chosen as faculty critic and assisted by her suggestions and advice, the Philos have enjoyed a very successful semester.

The second semester, Mrs. Douma was chosen as sponsor for the Philos. The semester was properly started by a spread served in our new cafeteria. The program of the evening was of unusual interest.

The meetings this semester were necessarily held quite irregularly because of the debates. However, the meetings that were held were quite successful. This success was partly due to Mrs. Douma's skill as a leader and partly due to the fine spirit of the girls belonging to the society.

The ability of both members and leaders was demonstrated to its fullest extent by the splendid stunt given at the High School Night program.

The last meeting of the year was of a purely business nature, and the officers for the following year were chosen.





Publications

Argus Publications



MR. E. H. FLOWERS
ADVISOR

The anniversary marking the seventh year of the Argus publication has passed. For the past six years the appearances of the Argus News and Argus Annual have been among the more important activities of O.H.S. For six years ambitious and enterprising young journalists have labored in their efforts to produce for the school these representative publications. Their ambitions have not been without reward, nor have the echoes of their successes yet been suppressed.

Such a record having been left by previous workers. Principal Brenneman joined with O. H. S. students, and with the senior class particularly, in their desire to make the 1920-1921 publications worthy sequels of former Arguses.

The resuming of the Argus News presented many problems. The first was that of selecting a faculty advisor upon whom the maintaining and improving of the standard was, in a large measure, to depend. Mr. E. H. Flowers consented to act in this capacity and the choice proved a happy one from the standpoint of O. H. S. His knowledge of printing, conscientious efforts and devotion to the task through many extra hours of labor have made a notable showing.

The next matter for solution lay in the selection of a dependable corps of workers, the staff. To give each student a fair chance to work on the staff, applications specifying the positions desired, were made by all who wished to do such work. With a list of these applicants before them, Mr. Flowers and Mrs. Phelps selected the staff, assigning to those who were best qualified, the various positions. However, this did not eliminate all others as the positions were not permanently assigned. From time to time, according to their respective merits, new members were added to the different departments.

Laboring under extremely adverse conditions—financial difficulties, paper shortage, and an inexperienced corps, the first issue of the Argus News was brought forth and one after another throughout the entire school year came the editions, fourteen in all.

With the second semester came the Argus Annual. A board, composed largely of seniors, was chosen for this work. Although started unusually late in the second semester, by unremitting effort, the volume is presented to the public as early as in former years. Much of the credit of the success of the "Argus Annual" is due to the interest, suggestions and supervision of Mr. Flowers, who with the staff has spent many many hours in planning and supervising the contents of our High School year book.

Yes, the seventh year of the Argus publications has been completed. We do not know how great our success has been—that is a matter to be determined by history.

The staff members earnestly hope that the reader will accept this volume, together with the Argus News numbers, and remember them as typifying the spirit of O. H. S.

Argus News



MISS CLARA B. ENOCH
ARGUS NEWS CRITIC

The Argus News has gained many distinctions this year, the greatest of which is the fact that this publication has continued to appear throughout the school year at regular intervals. Although the dimensions were somewhat reduced, each issue comprised from eight to sixteen pages, filled with good, live, news, entertaining cartoons, pictures and original humor. The student body was allowed to take a more active part in the activity this year. A dollar was given for the best class-room item printed in each issue, and any contributions to the literary and student opinion sections were always appreciated. The result of these features was that the Argus News has been placed upon the exchange list of many larger papers, ranking as one of the best of its class.

The work of Mr. Flowers, Mrs. Phelps and later Miss Enoch, with the staff has been consistent. They have sponsored, undoubtedly, the best Argus News ever published in O. H. S. It was at mid-year that the Argus staff lost the able services of Mrs. Phelps as critic, who at that time left Ottumwa High to make her home in Colorado. However, by good fortune, Miss Enoch consented to carry on the work for the remainder of the year. Her ability, originality and willingness to help have been appreciated by the Argus Staff. Much of the success of the school paper is due to her and to her loyalty as a true Argus booster. All are happy in the knowledge that she is planning to return to O. H. S. next year.

ARGUS NEWS STAFF—1920-1921



HAROLD REEDQUIST—EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

GLENN MEAGHER—MANAGING EDITOR

CHARLES WHITFIELD—BUSINESS MANAGER

Argus Annual



MISS EDNA HUSTON
ARGUS ANNUAL CRITIC

The planning of this year's Argus Annual is due to the group of enthusiastic workers who comprised the Annual Board, as well as to the co-operation of the Senior class, and to the helpful advice of Miss Huston, Mr. Brenneman and Mr. Flowers. In the earlier part of the year the publication of the book seemed almost impossible but when it was seen that conditions would warrant its publication, the Seniors and not a few under classmen promptly offered their services to get up the book in the unusually short time remaining.

The Board has tried to make this Annual one of school interest, more so than any other. Instead of being a picture album, they have made it a book of interesting stories, facts about school and the activities of the school.

Miss Edna Huston, Senior Faculty Advisor has given much of her time and energy toward the editing of this volume. The Board extends its sincerest appreciation to Miss Huston as well as to Mr. Flowers for their aid in helping to make this Annual one of the best books ever edited by O. H. S.

The Board has worked under difficulties which have not been encountered before in the publication of any Argus Annual, but they have worked well and faithfully. Its readers can easily see that they have succeeded in offering an Annual which clearly portrays the spirit of the class of '21.

ARGUS ANNUAL BOARD 1921



ERNESTINE JONES—EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

ORLO ROSS—BUSINESS MANAGER

CHARLES HILL—TREASURER



Senior Alphabet



A—is Alfreda, who comes to school late,
She's brimful of pep and keeps up-to-date.

B—is for "Budd", the society man
He moves like a snail, but looks spick
and span.

C—is for Coffman, Irene, I mean
She goes out with "Skinny" who's lanky
and lean.

D—is for Durr, who with Russell is seen
In speaking of vamps, she sure is some
queen.

E—is for Emery who sometimes wears
glasses,
And Raymond, he who is so fond of the
lasses.

F—is for Fair, the fairest of fair,
She trips and she glides with never a care.

G—is for Grace—Patton's the one,
You often can find her in room 31.

H—is for Huston, our advisor true blue.
Without her whatever would 21's do?

I—is for Isal, she's such a mere child,
We all hand it to her for not being wild.

J—is for Jessie, the girl full of wiles,
On all of the boys, she passes out smiles.

K—is for Klella, you love her I know,
In the making of friends she sure is not
slow.

L—is for Lawrence, who's not very tall,
With dear little "Mid" he parades up
the hall,

M—is for Matthews, it's Dick, whom
I mean,
Don't know much about him, they say
he is keen.

N—is for Nelson, Louise, they say
She can laugh, she can giggle, throughout
the whole day.

O—is for Orah, the intelligent lass,
She is simply a wonder in Brenneman's
class.

P—is for "Pete" and also Perdew
Our class needs them always, we all
surely do.

Q—is for quit, which I am tempted to do,
But I guess I'll keep on until I am through

R—is for Roth. She is not much for size
But one of our yell leaders, classy and wise

S—is for "Shep," so shy (?) and so sweet,
This dear little boy 'twould be hard to
beat.

T—is for talking—its Lelia's fad
She's such a good angel and never bad.

U—is for U, who owe me a debt,
For not getting mentioned in this alpha-
bet.

V—is for villain, of whom we have one,
I'm going to give you a guess just for fun.

W—is for Wormhoudt, who with Pickens
and "Stace".

In basketball surely did win a high place.

X—is for future, your future I mean,
The unknown quantity yet to be seen.

Y—is for Yates, so jolly and gay
And she is some chemist—at least so
they say.

Z—stands—Oh, dear! if my wits would
but mend!

Z—stands—let's see. Why, Z stands
for end.

—RUTH SWANSON

Calendar

SEPTEMBER

School begins with PREPS 'neverthing.

First lessons and all is well.

Old friends are again united. Yes, Gladys and Bernie for example.

The Seniors organize.

Senior Chapel in which "Four Famous Flats" make their first public appearance.

First Football game of the season. O. H. S.—30. Seymour—0. Good start, I'd say.

George Zika stages a debate with Ralph Starkey in room 20. Miss Moore sends George in to talk to Mr. Brenneman. Keep the good work up, George.

Small prep gets in Mr. Johnson's "Manual Training Room."

Spitting contest between Pete L. and Fat Haw in the assembly room. Pete wins.

I reckon school is all right, but it is going to be a long time till next summer.

Crepe noticed on the piano in the assembly room. No dancing allowed.



An Open Letter

GLENN MEAGHER



HON. ED. ARGUS:- It is with greatest antipathy that I always see forward ahead to receipt of "Argus News" copy and such case having been in recent future I with big express of mingled joy and willingness mixed together now take up my pen to scribe for Hon. Argus. However, I feel much amputated to narrate your request that I so decrop. It make me belief that you have depreciate my scarce genuis ability and I must negotiate my most sinseer depreciation.

But to reknock to beginning I snagger after most researchingly made study of subject to tell orig. and mean of word Argus which is most hard. I make study of subject and uncover no doubtless to your compounded interest that Argus were once word unspired and in use by Greeks of old ancient days when men make speak of karakter composed to have possess one hundred (100) eyes all of which at same time never slept at once. And Hon. Mad. Ed. Argus this karakter keep watch over self or be snarl like in voice of silent drama. However my memory make forget, but that dib no differential or transmish. But fact divluge itself concern of us is that Hon. Argus esq. was made to put all his one hundred (100) eyes to sleep unanously together by 4 beutifull maiden who renig sleepful music and hence therefore I survive the term have bolshevized to our day. Thus hashly it mean that Argus defined-viz. that anyone, even if Ottumwa he make preside, may be observant or keen sighted or all-seeing. From which I draw confusion and make thought like bursted sonnet that Argus make good title to name Hon. paper and book. Because there is scarce many or any on your paper stick that make use of I glasses and hence I conjure that therefore they all have possess sight like eagle eye.

After such studious submarine effort of Japanese Brain power I feel like a dish of cafeteria hash. Hoping you are the same,

Hashtomorrow Stu.

P. S. I hope to ollocute that Argus be not object to fate as old Argus that namely he be made sleepful by beutifull maid. I decapitate maiden to save space.

H. S.



FICKLE, FIERCE,
AND VAIN

Oh, Reckless Chuck, how can it be?
Your love has changed its lodge.
You used to drive a Ford Sedan
But now you drive a Dodge.



Naughty, Naughty.



?His Hobby?



Off for Grinnell



Hitting the Stride



Statuesque?



In Action



Hoboes



Breakers Ahead!!!



On the Gaboose—

Episode I.



Through hall past 31 one noon
A maiden roved at will
In 31 she sought to look
So climbed up to the sill.

And while in thus most grace-
ful pose
She gazed and grew no sadder,
A sinful man in passing by
Removed the borrowed ladder.

Was ever maiden so forlorn
So sad, or so disgusted
As Clara Springer, "stalled
on high."
Her temper sure was busted.

Episode II.



Black smoke was rolling from
a house.

Unnoticed from within

Two teachers passing by that
way

Commenced to raise a din.

"It's fire! O fire!" dear teach-
er cried

And in the door she hurried

She grasped a chair and turned
about

And out again she scurried.

But hardly had she issued
forth

Into the light of day

Than sallied forth a darksome
maid

And grabbed that chair away.

OCTOBER

Frank Mann's famous talk (?) on Fairfield game, given in chapel.

We win another game. O. H. S.—14. Chariton—0.

Perdew drinks too much cider one Saturday night. Careful now, Neil.

The Argus News started, organized N'everything.

Mystery. Who stole the pumpkin pies from Curran's home on Hallow'en night? Dirty shame, it was.

We stage Fairfield's funeral. (Good thing we had it before the game.)

Our yell leaders are selected in competitive tryouts. Some noise!

Burlington goes home with a 64-0 defeat.

Irene Coffman is noticed powdering her nose. How unusual!

Junior-Senior joint meeting for purpose of discussing paper drive.

Shep goes to sleep in Civics class.



Friday, June 13, 1931

HICKSVILLE, ARKANSAS

13 Cents a Month

MR. HILLIARD SUSTAINS IRREPARABLE LOSS

The Gazette joins the friends and neighbors of Mr. Burdette Hilliard in expression of sincerest sympathy for his recent loss.

Tracks were found leading down through the pasture and into a small hazelwood thicket. There the trail was lost for a short time, but was taken up again near the creek. The tracks followed the bank of the creek for some distance, then suddenly disappeared. The sudden vanishing of the tracks at this critical moment roused dark fears in the mind of our now almost frantic friend, Mr. Hilliard. In agnoized tones he commanded his followers to drag the creek.

Alas! His worst fears were realized! The lifeless body of the unfortunate recipient of Mr. Hilliard's devotion was brought up from the depths of the dark abyss! Lamentations and mourning filled the air!

After the first excitement had somewhat subsided, inquiries were launched as to the probable cause of the sudden drowning. The tracks leading along the side of the creek would indicate premeditated suicide, but Mr. Hilliard declares that this could not be the case for the deceased one had seemed perfectly happy. He had had a good home, plenty to eat, as well as life and liberty. The next theory advanced was that it was purely an accident, that the slippery bank of the creek gave way under the unaccustomed weight.

Mr. Hilliard is bearing up as well as could be expected under the great loss of his prize pig.

MANRO COLLIDES WITH CITY LAMP POST

Atherton Manro learning to drive his recently purchased Ford, mistook our city lighting system for a hitching post. The machine shyed, side stepped in an unruly manner and then collided with the lamp post in front of George Areingdale's Blacksmith Shop. The city will be in total darkness tonight!

OWNER OF LIVERY STABLE ARRESTED BY SHERIFF

Officer Virginia Spurgeon noticed a very suspicious looking rig driving into Fat Mann's livery stable yesterday and in her efficient manner followed up the clew. On reaching the rig, she found evidence in the form of a half-emptied bottle of root beer. She hurried forth-with to procure a warrant and returned post haste. Horrors! The evidence had disappeared! Wild with disappointment she gazed frantically about and in an obscure corner noticed the proprietor of our livery stable absorbing the last drop of the evidence. In order to procure the evidence it became necessary to arrest Fat Mann. Judge Mungoven and Sheriff Spurgeon are both in favor of a heavy sentence.

PLEASURE PALACE RAZED AS LANDMARK BURNS

Last night about nine o'clock, the citizens of Hicksville were all roused from deep slumbers by the clanging of the steeple bell! This meant FIRE! Great was the consternation when it was rumored that the Blomgren Soda Fountain was in flames.

Each man rushed valiantly to the rescue. But the flames, mounting higher and higher, seemed to dare anyone on pain of death to enter there. Nothing could be done until the sheriff arrived with enough buckets to form a fire fighting squad. Finally the owner of the livery stable, Mr. Frank Mann, became frantic at the thought of no more sodas served by Miss Freda's fair hand. He rushed wildly into the vortex of the flames; and staggered out a few minutes later with a gallon can of ice-cream clasped lovingly in his arms. But he was doomed to disappointment. Upon investigation, it was discovered that the contents of the can had been reduced to cream soup in place of the much anticipated ice-cream.

At last the sheriff arrived with the buckets and the work began. Stalwart men toiled diligently, but all in vain. The conflagration had gained



Scene of last night's terrible
conflagration

such momentum that it was impossible to impede its progress.

Nothing remains but ashes to mark the site of Hicksville's erstwhile most popular resort. The total loss is estimated at seventy-three dollars and thirteen cents. Miss Blomgren states that her personal loss will probably be four dollars and ten cents.

Not only does Hicksville mourn the loss of this well known landmark, but also the neighboring villages of Cobweb Center, Monkey Mountain, Hokus Pokus, and Rumpus Ridge.

Clarence Shadley drove into town today with a span of mules to do his yearly trading. He then visited our new barber shop of which Miss Pinkie Lewis is the proprietor and after several hours emerged a new man. Shad says it's the first cut since the Republican inauguration in '21. We understand that this celebration set Mr. Shadley back to the extent of twenty cents.

LOCAL DEBATE ENDS IN FISTIC ENCOUNTER

A very interesting debate was held last night in the hall of our friend and fellow citizen, Mr. Floyd McConnell, over Sam Cohen's grocery store. The question for debate was: "Resolved—That Plymouth Rock chickens are a better breed than Rhode Island Reds." The affirmative was upheld by Mr. Sam Sprinkle, Mr. Marvin Randall, and Mr. Van Tharp all of whom possess large flocks of Plymouth Rocks. Against these men were Mr. Frank Mann, Mr. Harvey Kephart and Mr. Harry Kephart, who possess equally large flocks of Rhode Island Reds.

At times the debate became quite heated and it was necessary for the sheriff, Virginia Spurgeon, to interfere to preserve order. The climax, however was reached when the judges, including the sheriff, retired to make their decision. The contestants, weary of waiting for the return of the judges, decided to settle matters for themselves. A fierce battle followed with victory for the negative. All of the participants sustained some bruises. Mr. Mann now carries his right arm in a sling and Mr. Sprinkle, has a broken nose and a black eye.

We hope they will soon recover for we look forward with much eagerness to many future debates.

Miss Dorothy Alice McElroy was arrested by sheriff Spurgeon on the charge of keeping unruly chickens. It is charged that the chickens are in the habit of visiting the garden of Miss Rosamund Fiedler every morning. The case will come before Judge Mongoven Friday, the thirteenth.

Postmaster Ross Resigns in Favor of Mirgon, Democrat

The democratic friends of Miss Mirgon are very much pleased to learn that she has obtained the appointment of Postmistress of the Hicksville office.

This appointment was made three years ago, when President Bryan won out in the election of 1928. However, due to the snail-like pace of the mails, under the efficient regime of Postmaster General Haw, the news of this appointment did not reach us until a year ago. Then it was necessary to appeal to the Government for federal aid in deposing Mr. Orlo Ross, who had held the position during the two administrations of Ex-President Harding.

It seems that Mr. Ross had not yet learned of the election of President Bryan and was, therefore, firmly resolved not to give up his position. He states "Mr. Harding appointed me to this here job and no loyal Republican ain't goin' to give up to no Democrat so long as he lives."

His arguments were finally overruled by a letter from the great Bryan, himself.

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A EULOGY

It is with swellings of pride that we note the honor which has come to one of our prominent businessmen who has climbed the ladder of success in our midst. Ten years ago, he came to us a highly educated, but penniless young man. He was a serious minded, deeply religious young man who immediately showed his intention of putting to use the knowledge he had gained in his high school course, which he had just completed in the metropolis of Ottumwa, Iowa, by becoming errand-runner for the firm of I. M. Broke, Now & Forever. However, such an industrious worker as our friend could not long remain as such and he gradually ascended to the honorable position of President of the company. Then the citizens of our fair community persuaded him to enter politics. There he rose from driver of the patrol cart, to the seat of glory he now occupies.

Few men can boast of such a rapid rise to the highest pinnacle of the tower of self-made men. If there were many more ambitious Hickvillians, our already popular town would rival New York City. Let's see if we can't get the spirit that has won for Mr. Carl Leinhauser, the proud and responsible position of Chief Caretaker of the Marbel Grove.

Our Hometown Poet

In this number of our "Gazette", we print a poem by our rustic genius, Russell Holcombe. This poem depicts spring as it appears in our little hamlet of Hicksville. We are looking forward to the time when our friend, Holcombe will leave his cows and chickens to become the celebrated poet of our beautiful county.

Echoes from Cobweb Center

The LeBow family celebrated their wooden wedding yesterday at Cobweb Center. Mrs. LeBow was presented with a superb rolling pin. Bernis says it is just like old times.

Matt Grouchy was accidentally bit in the pasture by a sheep yesterday. He is now at home recuperating. His Hicksville friends extend their best wishes to Matt for speedy recovery.

Mr. Niel Perdew of the Cobweb Center Post Office reports the heaviest mail in the last ten years. Yesterday, four letters, two Sears Roebuck catalogs, and a post card passed through that office.

BASEBALL RESULTS

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OLD SETTLERS IN MATRIMONIAL VENTURE



Mr. and Mrs. Della Vedova

snapped by our reporter as they are leaving for their honey-moon.

City Water System Damaged Residents Flee to Safety

Last night there occurred in Hicksville a great flood, equalled only by the flood in the good old days of Noah.

After years of strenuous service, the northeast leg of the water trunk succumbed to the ceaseless strain and the tank was overturned! At first the water spread but slowly, gradually increasing until it became a raging, roaring torrent. All obstructions were swept away, including chickens, pigs, geese, and rats.

The climax burst when the audacious flood threatened the lower story of one of the oldest dwellings of our city. Mr. Lawrence Bosworth and wife Alice, fled to the attic in terror. There they remained all night, shouting for help. But everyone was too busy, bailing out his own home, to aid this frightened couple. Finally, near daybreak, Mr. Mann, early abroad and in spite of his well known aversion to water, stepping daintily down the muddy street, heard the unwonted noise, entered the house and informed the inmates that the unundation had only reached the steps. Mr. Bosworth is still in hiding.

REWARD OFFERED

\$1,000.00 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of Frank Clark for breaking and entering the store of Sam Cohn, and confiscating a bottle of that rare liquid, concentrated H2O.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Our esteemed fellow citizen, Honorable Judge Mungoven, reports the loss of two nights' sleep, suffering with a dental cavity.

Fat Mann accompanied Sheriff Spurgeon to Cobweb Center today to await the sentence of Judge Mungoven. Fat was charged with absorbing evidence.

We learn from Mr. VonSchrader, proprietor of the Hotel, that the barrel of gravy failed to arrive this week. Operator Creta Wheeler has kept the wires busy, but to no avail.

Our lightening rod agent, West Bonfield, failed to catch No. 23 which was reported out on time. A wireless interview with Mr. Ralph Replogle, superintendent of the road, brought the news to Hicksville that No. 23 had not yet arrived, the train missed being yesterday's train just 24 hours late.

We regret very much to note the departure of our esteemed fellow-citizen, Mr. Carl Anderson. One night last week, while watching his corn grow by the light of the silvery moon, he received a severe moon stroke. Consequently, it is necessary for him to spend a few days at the Just-Rite Sanatorium.

We learn with regret that Miss Klella Wareham, our district school teacher has sprained her arm between the front step and the hitching post.

Mr. Jim Arnold went out to harness his mules yesterday. The funeral will be held tomorrow.

AN ODE TO SPRING

Sweet glorious spring has come at last
With little pigs and things,
And high above the sleeping earth
A buzzard flops his wings.

The lambs are playing o'er the sward,
The breeze goes whoopin' by,
And all the earth seems full but me—
And that is no durned lie.

The hens with cackling fill the air,
It seems their throats would bust
With all the joy of living,
As they waller in the dust.

The air with sweet perfume is filled
From barnyards 'cross the way,
That thrills and fills each heart and head
Through all the live-long day.

WANT ADDS

Wanted—To buy a carriage by a man with a buggy top.
Call Raymond Renfro.

Wanted—A position in a reliable family by a maiden lady with no washing.
Lenore Kenney.

For Sale—A saw by a lady with good teeth. Call Ernestine Jones.

For Sale—A cow with calf and four chickens.
Miss Florence Yates, R. F. D. No. 10

Wanted—A wagon by a farmer with a flat top. See Louis Bumstein.



Two of a kind



The Horrid Things



Feeling Jazzy



Smile!



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'Mack'



Hi De Ho!

Broke!



NOVEMBER

Little Ford Metcalf collides with a street car.

Defeated Osky, 14-6. First time in five year.s Good work, boys.

Initiation into the Dramatic Club held at Louise Nelson's. Say, remember way back when Lawrence Hulst wore short trousers?

Assembly by classes. Mr. Brenneman tells of his plan for make up work.

Senior Party. Oh, what a headache in the morning!!!

Hi-Y banquet for members of the football team.

Argus News editor loses his cap. From all appearances, Reeky, you should go out for track.

Mrs. W. Nanes and Mrs. Howells, former members of the class of 1921 visit O. H. S.

The first issue of Argus News out. A big day.

Normal Training Program at the Y. W.

Loretta Sullivan at last misses a basket in Miss Gilling's room, which she has been using as a deposit place for her gum.

Fat Mami just simply can't get along without dancing. That's all.

Shep snores loudly in Civics Class.



Episode III.

There is a lass in chemistry
Whose nerve exceeds by far
The nerve of all the other girls
When time to stop a car.

She placed her foot upon the step
Her shoe-string to retie,
Admiring classmates watching her
Of laughter nearly die.

Oh naughty, naughty, Lily B.
Such conduct is quite shocking,
To take so long to tie your shoe
And show expanse of stocking.

The motor-man, he held the car
To let our maid get on,
The shoe was tied, fair Lily smiled,
Said, "Thank you", and was gone.

Episode IV.

A Senior strolling down the hall
Her shoes were new and neat,
'Till Earnest M., a preplet small
Trod on the lady's feet.

At this the wrath of Jessie grew
It waxed and waxed the hotter,
She turned upon that freshie small
And made him reel and totter.

And when forgetting Ernie M.
She sallied forth for air,
That impish "Frosh" slipped up behind
And pushed her down the stair.

At this Miss Jessie grew quite wroth
But uttered not a cry,
She waltzed up to that Ernie boy
And calmly blacked his eye.

—Oh Women!!!!!!!!!!!!!!—





Favorite Sayings



A. Blunk—"Aw don't now."
 K. Wareham—"Rave on!"
 Sydney Scott—"Oh Franny."
 Mr. Flowers—"Use your head!"
 Claude Thompson—"Oh you flat tire!"
 Jessie Porter—"Oh! Bud! Oh, Oh Bud!"
 Dorothy Pogue—"Well let me tell ya."
 Irene Coffman—"Gotta powder puff?"
 Elena Stoessel—"Ignatz!"
 Dick Perdue—"Oh, Gee; Golly Ned!"
 Loretta Sullivan—"Oh you big nut!"
 Jack Merner—"I'm mad!"
 Leonore Kenny—"Oh shute, that makes me tired."
 Marvin Metcalf—"I'll knock you for a goal."
 Paul Hasselquist—"Oh quit your kidding."
 Clarence Shadley—"You tell 'em."
 Mr. McKowen—"Well why?"
 Mr. Johnson—"One minute!!!!!!!!!!!!!"
 Charles Hill—"Oh! for goodness sakes!!!!!"
 Leo Hahn—"Hot Dog".
 Mary Lundberg—"Hello Honey!"
 L. Heckman—"Well for cats' sakes!"
 Helen Fair—"Oh say Kid!"
 Bud Grouchy—"Toot! Toot!"
 Grace Roarty—"Oh Piffle!"
 Neil Perdew—"Oh shute."
 Florence Yates—"Oh, don't make me laugh."
 Estella Harlan—"You make me tired."
 Jeannette Adams—"Oh, I had the best time with my steady last night!"
 Charles Whitfield—"Goo Goo"
 Harold Reedquist—"Oh, shut my mouth!"
 Eugne Hagberg—"Go burn my clothes."
 Helen Poling—"I'm just as happy as if I had good sense."
 Berth Brody—"Look me over, Kid, look me over."
 Miriam Durr, Hazel Young, and others—"Is my nose shiny?"
 Miss Gilling—"Remember your business—like attitude."
 Mildred Riley—"Come on, Lawrence."
 Lawrence Hults—"Coming, Mildred."
 Marjory Roth—"I'm going to vamp him."
 Dorothy Mirgon—"What d'ya think this is—a Y. M. C. A.?"
 Miss Van Dyke—"Honest?"
 Lucille Wormhoudt—"Here comes, Tom, goodbye."
 Ida Blanche McCarroll—"Well I don't think you're very nice."



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Sunday School Quartett



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DECEMBER

The Junior "Kid Party." Yes, they are all still kids.

Our great Xmas Musical.

Chuck and Donna are on the "outs" again.

Glenn Meagher at Grinnell in Big Nine Declamatory Contest. Nice trip, Heh?

Dick Perdew loses his religion at Keosauqua. Golly Ned! Dick this will never do.

Drawing class win honors in contest at Council Bluffs.

Lucy Wormhoudt loses her slipper. FOUND in Mr. McKown's desk drawer.

Bobbed hair gradually "leaks" in. Big sale of curling irons at Woolworth's.

Fat Mann tries to reduce by attending holiday dances.

Extra! Extra! West Bonnifield gets to school on time! Oh, it's all wrong.

Shep, still asleep almost falls out of his seat in Civics class.



H₂S Poem



You ask what smell I love the best
H₂S Oh! H₂S.

Of all sweet smells it beats the rest
H₂S Oh! H₂S.

It comes from yonder chemic lab
To smell it gives my heart a stab
Of this perfume all day I gab
H₂S Oh! H₂S.

It smells like roses, hot-house grown
H₂S Oh! H₂S.

It smells of pink sweet-peas, full blown
H₂S Oh! H₂S.

It fills me up quite full of glee
When this dear fragrant gas I see,
Remember it though in Heaven I be
H₂S Oh! H₂S.

—M. ROTH





Heard in the Halls



We print by request the following original class-room jokes which have appeared in the humor section of the "Argus News" from time to time throughout the school year:

Ernestine Jones: "Does any one know where the dictionary is?"

O. Ross: "Well, I'm a walking dictionary. What do you want with it?"

E. Jones: "I wanted to sit on it."

Stranger: "Can you tell me where to find the janitor?"

Miss Tindall: "Perhaps he is in the furnace room."

Stranger: No, I was just there and I didn't see him. The janitor's name is Mr. Flowers, isn't it?"

Mr. Carruthers, speaking of the national convention: "Yes—men go along holding up their supporters and there is great excitement."

C. Hill: "Mr. Flowers, if I would touch a bird on a trolley wire with a wire would it kill the bird?"

Mr. Flowers: "Yes, Charles, it would kill two birds."

Miss Huston: "What kind of a clause is in this sentence. "Though my wit is not good I do have common sense?"

Charles Meyer: "Contrary to fact."

Old gentleman to Miss Tindall coming from school: "Well, little girl, did you have a good lesson?"

Mr. McKown: "There are many institutions for taking care of the feeble minded in our present time. The one at Houston, Texas is the largest I was ever in."

Mr. Carothers: "There are commissioners hunting for different kinds of seeds all the time. In this way there have been a lot of nuts introduced into the U. S."

V. Meagher: "Say do you know where I can find Miss Ola?"

Freshie: "Mazola—sure, at the Standard Grocery."

V. Meagher: "Oh you poor fish, I mean Miss Ola Huston."

C. Shadley: "Do Jews have more than one god?"

C. Stevens: No, why?"

C. S.: "Because I heard Bertha Brody say 'Ye Gods'."

Mr. Brenneman in Physics Class: "What is a couple? Give example."

Humiston: "Bernie and Gladys."

Teacher: "What is democracy?"

D. Mirgon: "Democracy is the democrat party."

Miss Huston: "Dwain, what is the age of Elizabeth?"

D. Curtis: "Twenty, why?"

L. Heckman, identifying her illegible signature—"H-e-c-k."

Mr. Flowers: "It sure looks like it, Lelah!"

Miss Owen: "George, what is a metaphor?"

Zika: "How do I know, what it's for, I never saw one."

An Incident

RICHARD PERDEW



It is a practical use of our cracker-box street cars has been discovered. And of course it was a student of O. H. S. who brought to light this epoch-making revelation. The affair was somewhat unique and no doubt unparalleled in the history of Ottumwa.

One balmy day in early spring Mr. Flowers was leading his Chemistry flock to browse in new pastures of knowledge. As they passed along Second Street on their journey to the ice plant the students were moving in small groups, and of course the girls were talking. One of them suddenly ceased and continued silent. She was struck by an idea; and, though uninjured, the surprise rendered her speechless. Recovering sufficiently, she planned the action necessary to execute the thought. The action would demand nerve, iron bound nerve, warranted not to rip, ravel or rust. In this respect the maiden was well suited to the part. Thoughts of what might result were quickly thrust aside. The plans were completed, only the opportunity was needed. It soon appeared coming down the middle of the street at a snail's pace and belching huge clouds of smoke from an orifice in the roof.

Our heroine stepped into the street. The tin receptacle approached. Curiosity caused the search for knowledge to be forgotten and everyone stopped to satisfy that curiosity. Without any perceptible change in speed, the car ceased to move. The maiden waited until the captain-cashier-fireman-pilot opened the door and lowered the step. Upon the latter she placed her foot. Only your imagination can adequately conceive the surprise of all present when with perfect ease and composure she bent over and proceeded to polish her shoe. Exclamations and laughter from the audience at the curbing. The above named four-in-one individual lost his power of speech entirely and could but stare in surprise. The passengers craned their necks in a way to put rubber to shame. Our timid student polished diligently and satisfied with the shine, was about to depart but noticed that the shoe lace needed attention. Highly pleased with the usefulness of the step and the comfort of the position she determined not to be too hasty. She carefully tightened and retied the shoe lace. By this time the inhabitants of the smoke factory were becoming irritated with the delay. The maiden, having completed the operation to her satisfaction, with a smile and pleasant "Thank you" turned about and joined her classmates. The money-changer had by this time revived; and, being one of these rare personages who enjoys a good joke, he laughed softly to himself, spurred his tin horse with a warm spark and passed from view, hidden by an efficient smoke screen.

The Chemistry class after an appropriate reminder from Mr. Flowers resumed their journey along the path of learning with light steps and mirthful hearts. Perhaps you wish to know the name of this student who has so aided human progress by this amazing discovery. 'Tis Lily Brody. May the good work go on.

JANUARY

The Argus News Staff holds a party at the Tullis home in honor of Mrs. Phelps. Frances Pierce stages a solo dance.



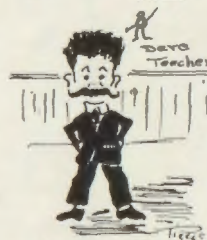
Basketball Season.

The Faculty banquet at the Hotel Ottumwa. Miss Black tries to out run Miss Pinch in the art of face making.



O. H. S.—21. Albia (girls)—22. Wasn't that a little bit o'hard luck?

McKown steps out in a brand new mustache, and a red one at that.



Ottumwa—15. Burlington—12.

Mr. Kemble very pleasantly entertains us by singing in chapel one morning.



Room 11 wins Argus News Drive. Alfreda Blomgren, captain, appears on front sheet of Argus News.

A very pleasant odor is noticed throughout the halls. Yes, the Cafeteria is opened. Oh, mamma!!



We defeat Albia 15 to 11.



FAIRFIELD'S



FUNERAL



-An Apology -
We note with regret
that our Artist
insisted on
knocking the 'L'
out of Fairfield..



Fairfield's
Funeral -
The end
of a
Perfect day

JANUARY—Continued

The first chapel for over a week. Declamatory tryouts in which Hazel Hervey, Ruth Swanson and Mildred Lambertson try for first place.

Ottumw'a girls defeat Albia 14 to 13. Everybody out of breath.

Hults and Riley are victims of fate. Poor Mildred goes to the office to see WHY she and Lawrence were not put in the same Physics class.

The Glee Clubs sing in chapel—the last public appearance of Mrs. Heald.

One of those slippery morns, Miss King has trouble in getting to school in the NARROW skirt.

Still slippery.

Lawrence Bosworth's Ford turns turtle down 4th street hill. Our Editor of the Argus News says "Safety First" and jumps out, thus beating the Ford down the hill.

Fat Mann gets up a petition that there should be dancing in O. H. S.

We all notice whose arms are around backs of the seats.

O. H. S.—12. Muscatine—11.

Shep is missed by Mr. Carruthers in Civics class.





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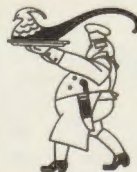
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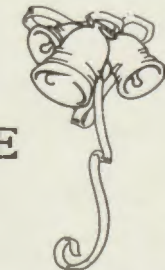
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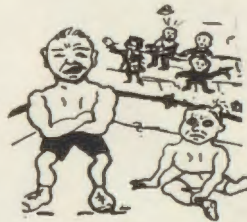
FEBRUARY

Jesse Wolfe, a '17 entertains us with a saxophone solo in chapel.



Fairfield and Fremont. Some games!

Our swimmers and wrestlers step into the lime light as they place fourth in the tournament at Ames.



The orchestra gives a concert at the First M. E. Church.

Mildred Lambertson wins second in the declamatory contest at Fairfield.



Some Seniors use the chemistry lab. as a Cabaret.

The sinks and pipes are at last fixed in the chemistry lab. and rubber boots are abandoned.



O. H. S. in dual debate. Affirmative team—3. Washington—0. Negative team—1. Washington—2.

Mr. Yount was unable to come out for practice because he had to walk the floor with the baby last night.



The "Purloined Luncheon" was given in chapel by the Clio Literary Society.



"Arise and Sing"



Cry Baby



T.O.M.



Shocking



Treed



Our



Artists



Out for Argus Snaps



"Cheeky"



C.C.C.



"Roll"



Look us Over, Kid!

MARCH

Mable Pogue decides that the Bonds of Matrimony will release her from all further worries???????????



The chemistry classes visit the ice plant. Brrrrrrr!

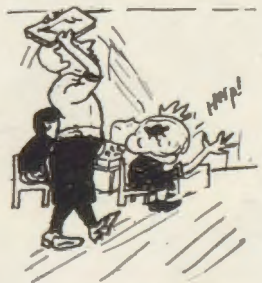


The Seniors pose for their pictures for the Annual. Lucy is embarrassed by the lump on her nose.



The girls' basketball team wins second place in the state championship contest at Des Moines. Elena Stoessel, Lucille Wormhoudt and Mary Chambers are named for places on the all state team.

Swede Swenson ruins a perfectly good pair of silk hose in the chemistry lab. Poor Swede! We do sympathize with you.



Lily Brody stops a street car to tie her shoe-string. NERVE? Oh, no! Just natural.

A bee gets in Miss Gilling's shorthand class. More excitement! Mildred Riley sustains a headache.



First day of Spring. Ho Hum!

A new magazine in the library. Big Rush.

Our spring vacation. Oh, what a G R A N D and glorious feeling!!!!



Farewell



*Fleeting time so swiftly bears us
From you, Alma Mater dear,
But the future, dawning, dares us
Make a triumph of our fear.*

*In our thoughts we'll ever hold thee,
Full of rev'rence, tender, warm,
As across life's boundless sea,
Mem'ry glows through pictured form.*

—FLORENCE IRWIN

