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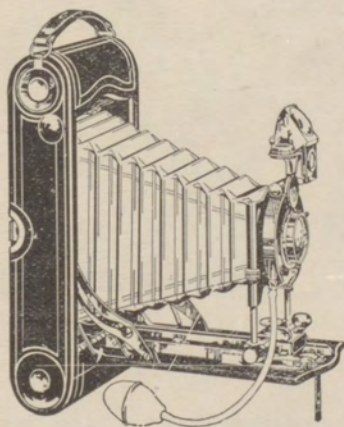
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*To the dread of Freshmen, the hope of
Sophomores, the companion of Juniors,
and the hope of Seniors, to our principal,
Prof. S. M. Nees, do we respectfully dedi-
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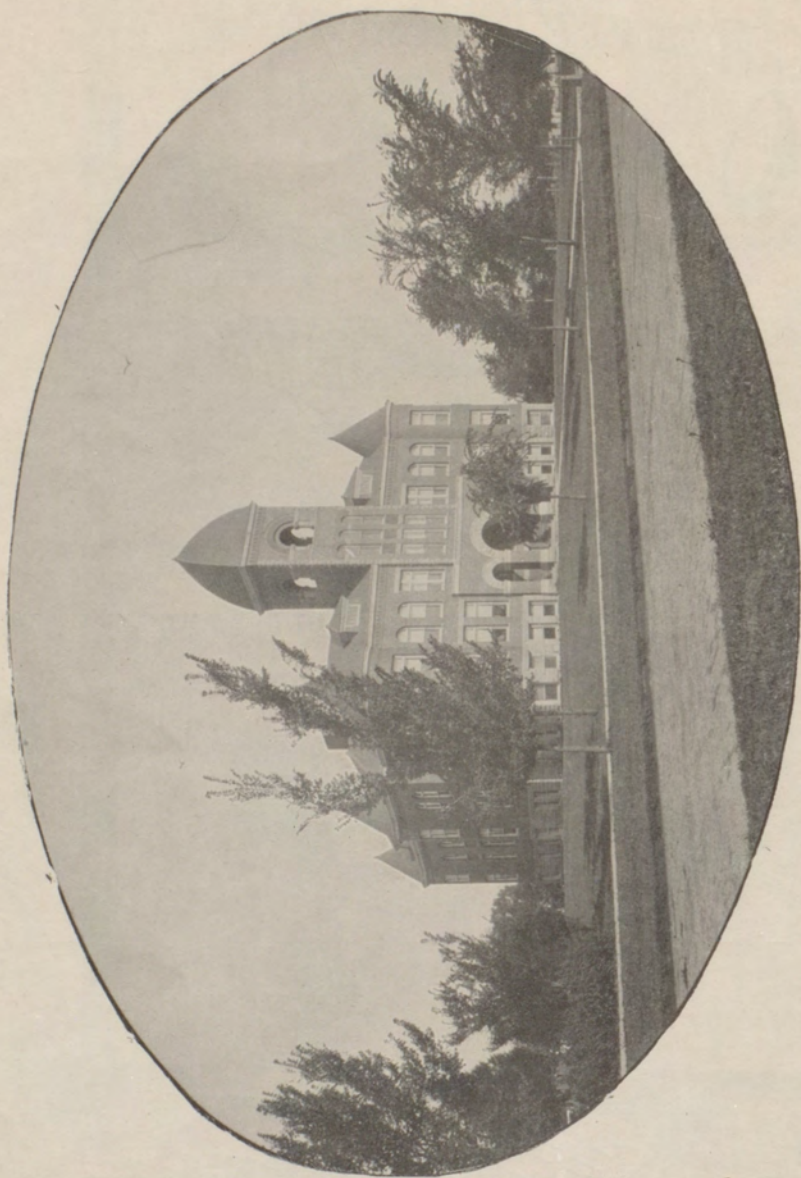
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History of M. C. H. S.

Montgomery County High School was established and located at Independence, Kansas, by a special act of the legislature, approved March 5, 1897. The site was donated by the city of Independence. The building was formally accepted by the board June 6, 1899.

At that time J. N. Dollison was county superintendent. Mr. Nees was the first principal of M. C. H. S. and is still with us. It is mostly through his efforts that M. C. H. S. has taken its rank among the highest of the schools of its kind in the state.

The first graduating class had in it, twenty-two. This was in 1900. Some of the graduating classes since have not been as large but in the last three or four years they have been growing considerably. Last year's class had in it forty-nine. The class of this year is about the same size. Many of these graduates who have gone to higher institutions of learning are highly spoken of and one, Lester Disney, has even attained an Oxford scholarship.

M. C. H. S. has for the last six years been a member of the state oratorical association and in this has won second place two times and first twice, last year and

this. Last year we also went into the debating contest and worked up to the contest for championship of the state, but things went against us and we came off second best. This, however, does not detract from either the English department or the school as a whole, as we remained champions of all eastern Kansas.

The Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A. are the only societies to give a social for the school each year, that old students and the freshmen may become acquainted. They also raise the moral standard to a higher level than without them.

The library has been built up since the beginning of the school by the earnest endeavors of the faculty and trustees. It contains about 1,700 volumes of well selected books from the best authors. It is one of the best high school libraries in the state and new books are being added each year.

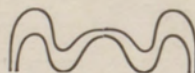
The chorus of about forty voices won first place in the mixed chorus contest during the meeting of the Southeast Kansas Teachers' Association this year and the girl's double quartette second place. Since 1907-08 when our chorus also won first place it had not entered until this year

so we feel that the standard of music has not fallen.

It seems that athletics have lagged somewhat in the last two years, especially in baseball, but we hope that next year we may have more in the line of athletics. M. C. H. S. has however had some winning basket, as well as baseball teams. The baseball of 1908-09 won ten out of eleven games, and the boys' basketball team played five games and won three, while the girls played four and won all. In the year 1909-10 Mr. James Parker won the 440-yard dash for M. C. H. S. Next year with our new gymnasium and more teachers we will have better athletics.

One of the greatest events that has ever happened at M. C. H. S. is happening now. This is the erection of the new manual training building. This is certainly a great addition to the school and ought to strengthen it a great deal in every way.

M. C. H. S. has grown to be one of the best high schools in the state. The graduates are granted entrance into all the higher schools in the state and her course of study is approved by the Northwestern Association of Colleges. So we know that with all these good things coming to us we will prosper and grow in years to come as in the past.





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To the Board of Trustees

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A new impulse in education is moving mankind. It has stirred the people of our county, and lo! the new addition to our County High School building. The faculty and pupils of the school are elated over the prospects for effective school work along the line of manual sciences. It not only opens an avenue to broader fields of learning, but also gives an opportunity for more thorough class instructions. This is a drawing card for the institution. The athletic and domestic science courses offered, are attractions that will gain new students and keep the old. Many pupils, both of this class and last year's class, intend to return next year or in the near future to take work in one or more of the new departments. We are thankful for the added opportunity it gives to more fully round out our education. It is appreciated by teacher as well as by pupil and they join with us in extending to the Board of Trustees, our most hearty and sincere thanks.



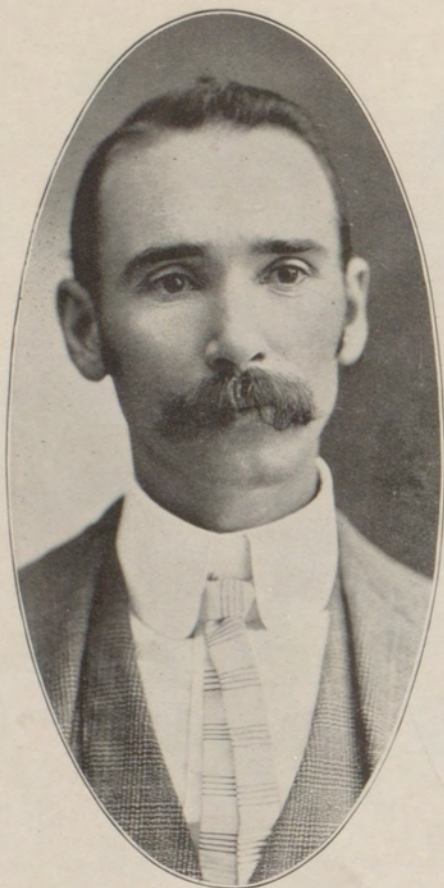
S. M. NEES, Principal.

“Our Faculty”

Every institution has one or more persons to whom the patrons look as being responsible for its success. In this instance the success of the County High School and the scope of its influence can be largely attributed to the able work of Professor Nees and the members of the faculty. The work and aims of the students have been carefully directed by this corps of teachers and compared with other schools of its kind Montgomery is regarded as one of the best in the state. Its gradu-

ates have engaged in many fields of endeavor and have not only borne evidence of the early training gained here but have reflected credit upon the state.

If with limited facilities, our worthy faculty has accomplished so much, what may we expect, with improved equipment, more rooms and added teachers? For our part we are confident that the already great prestige of the school will be greatly increased.



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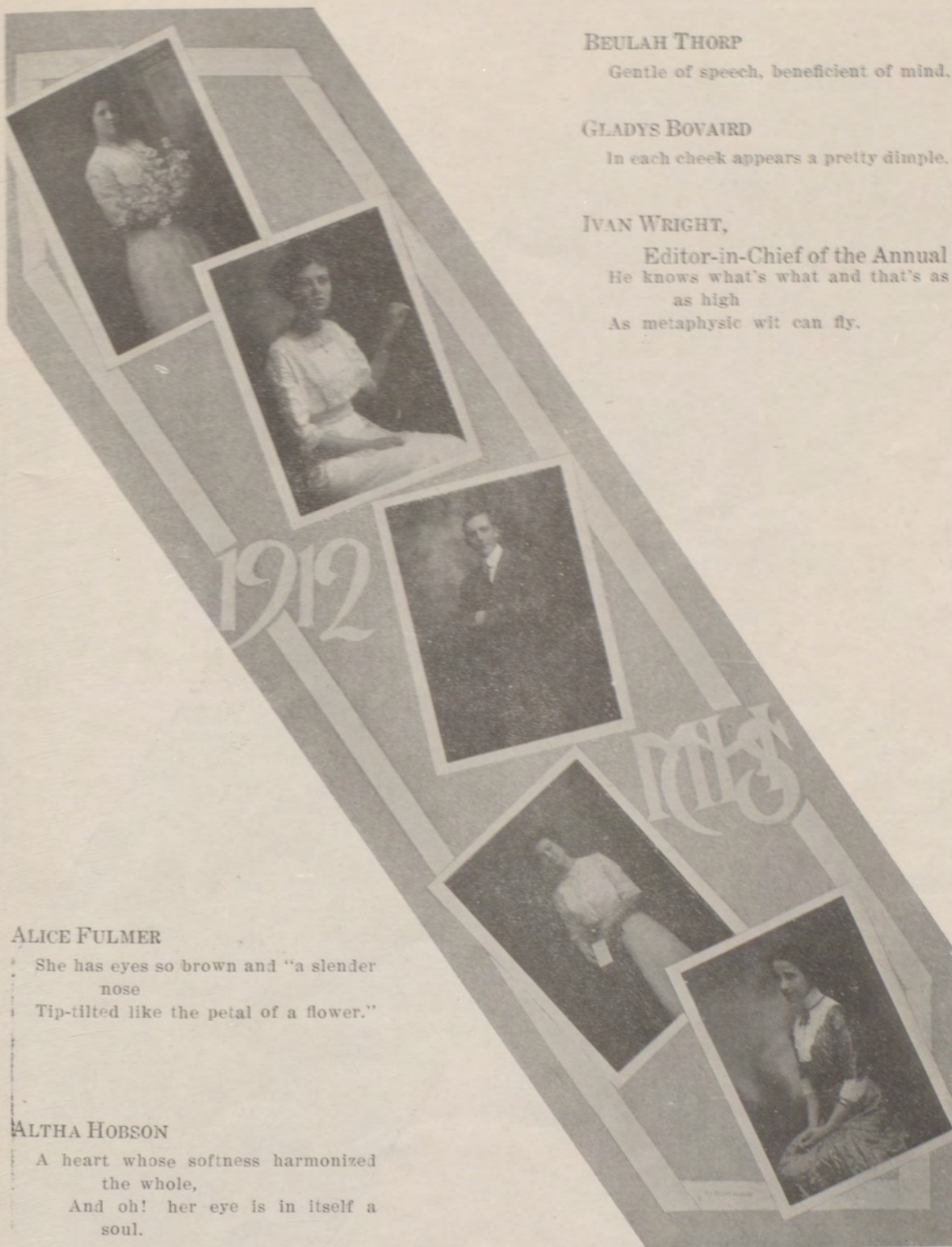
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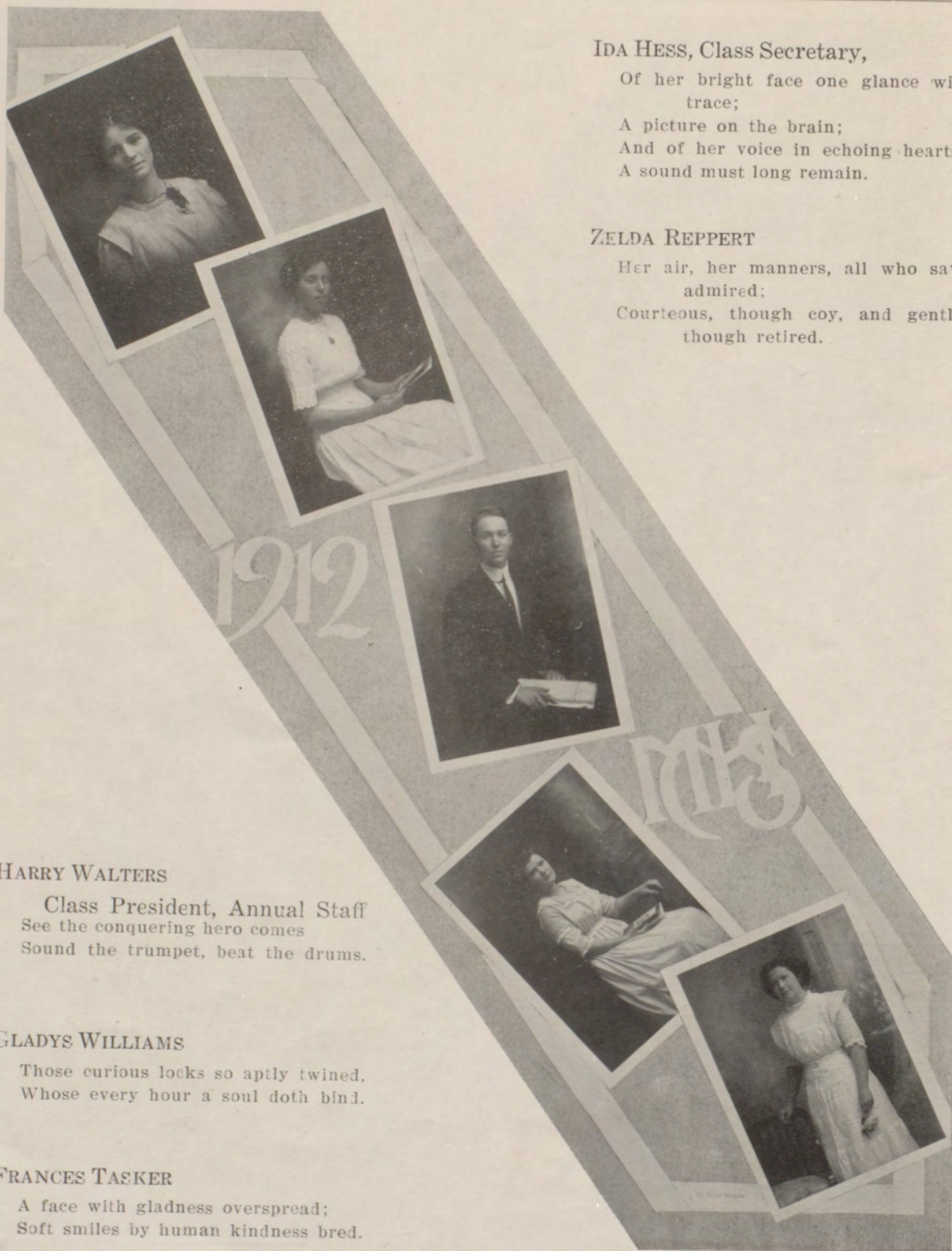
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IDA HESS, Class Secretary,

Of her bright face one glance will
trace;

A picture on the brain;
And of her voice in echoing hearts,
A sound must long remain.

ZELDA REPERT

Her air, her manners, all who saw
admired;

Courteous, though coy, and gentle
though retired.

HARRY WALTERS

Class President, Annual Staff
See the conquering hero comes
Sound the trumpet, beat the drums.

GLADYS WILLIAMS

Those curious locks so aptly twined,
Whose every hour a soul doth bind.

FRANCES TASKER

A face with gladness overspread;
Soft smiles by human kindness bred.

LUCY McNEAL

A true friend is a friend forever.

WYLLYS BENEON

Let the world slide, let the world go,
A fig for care and a fig for woe.

EDYTH BRADEN

Persuasive speech and more persua-
sive sighs,
Silence that spoke, and eloquence of
eyes.



CLARA KONZ, Annual Staff,

As merry as the day is long,
She's noted for her fun and song.

ELLEN McNEAL

Her yellow locks like the gold-
browed hills;
And her eyes like the radiance the
sunbeams bring.



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EVERETT STURGEON

God hath sworn to lift on high,
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FLORENCE ANGELL

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Blue eyes shimmer with Angel glances
Like spring violets o'er the sea.

CATHERINE CURRAN

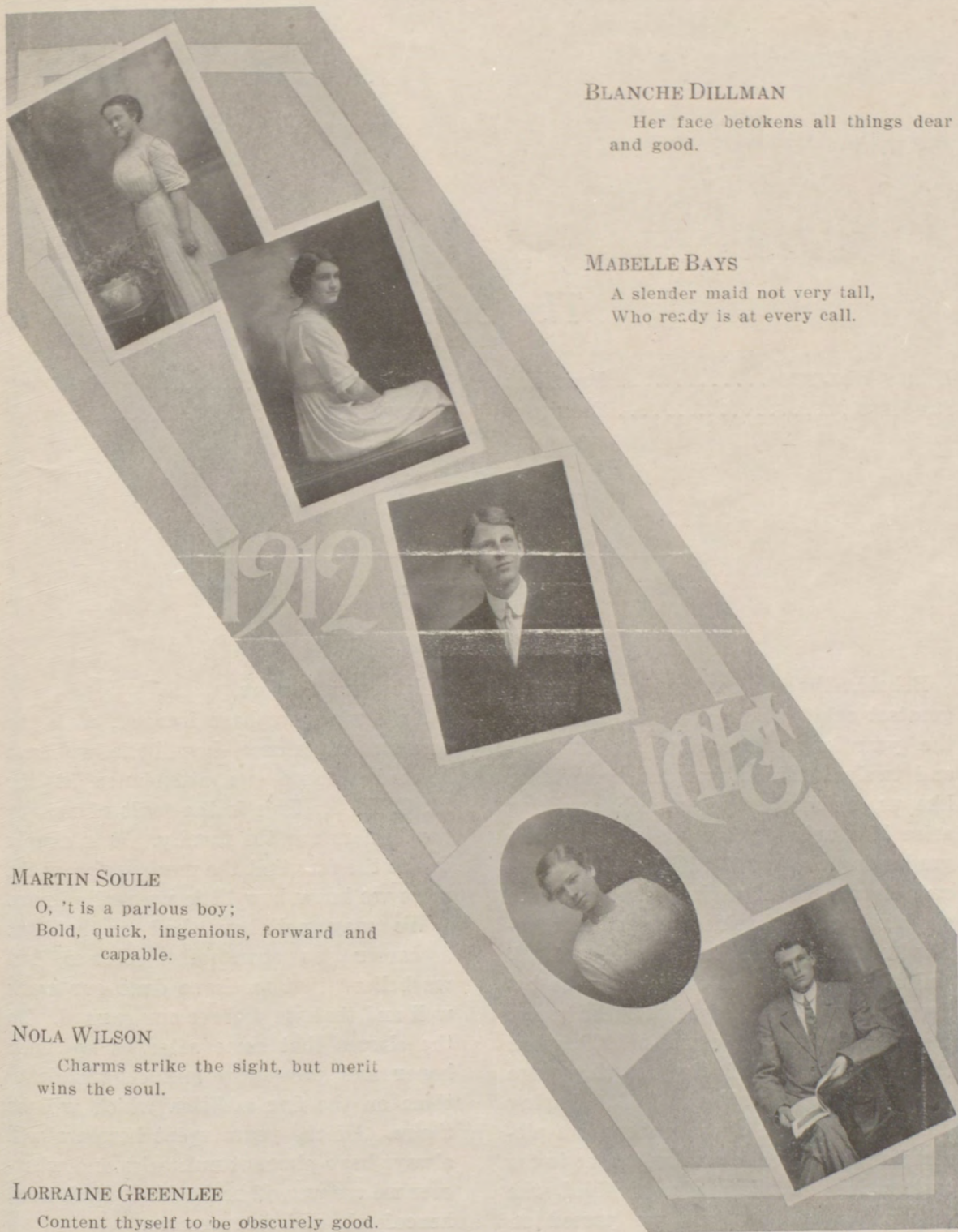
A lovely being scarcely formed or
moulded,
A rose with all its sweetest leaves yet
folded.

RAY POMEROY

Nothing to blush for and nothing to
hide,
Trust in his character felt far and
wide.

EDNA DILLMAN

The joy of youth and health, her eyes
displayed,
And ease of heart her every look
conveyed.



BLANCHE DILLMAN

Her face betokens all things dear
and good.

MABELLE BAYS

A slender maid not very tall,
Who ready is at every call.

MARTIN SOULE

O, 't is a parlous boy;
Bold, quick, ingenious, forward and
capable.

NOLA WILSON

Charms strike the sight, but merit
wins the soul.

LORRAINE GREENLEE

Content thyself to be obscurely good.

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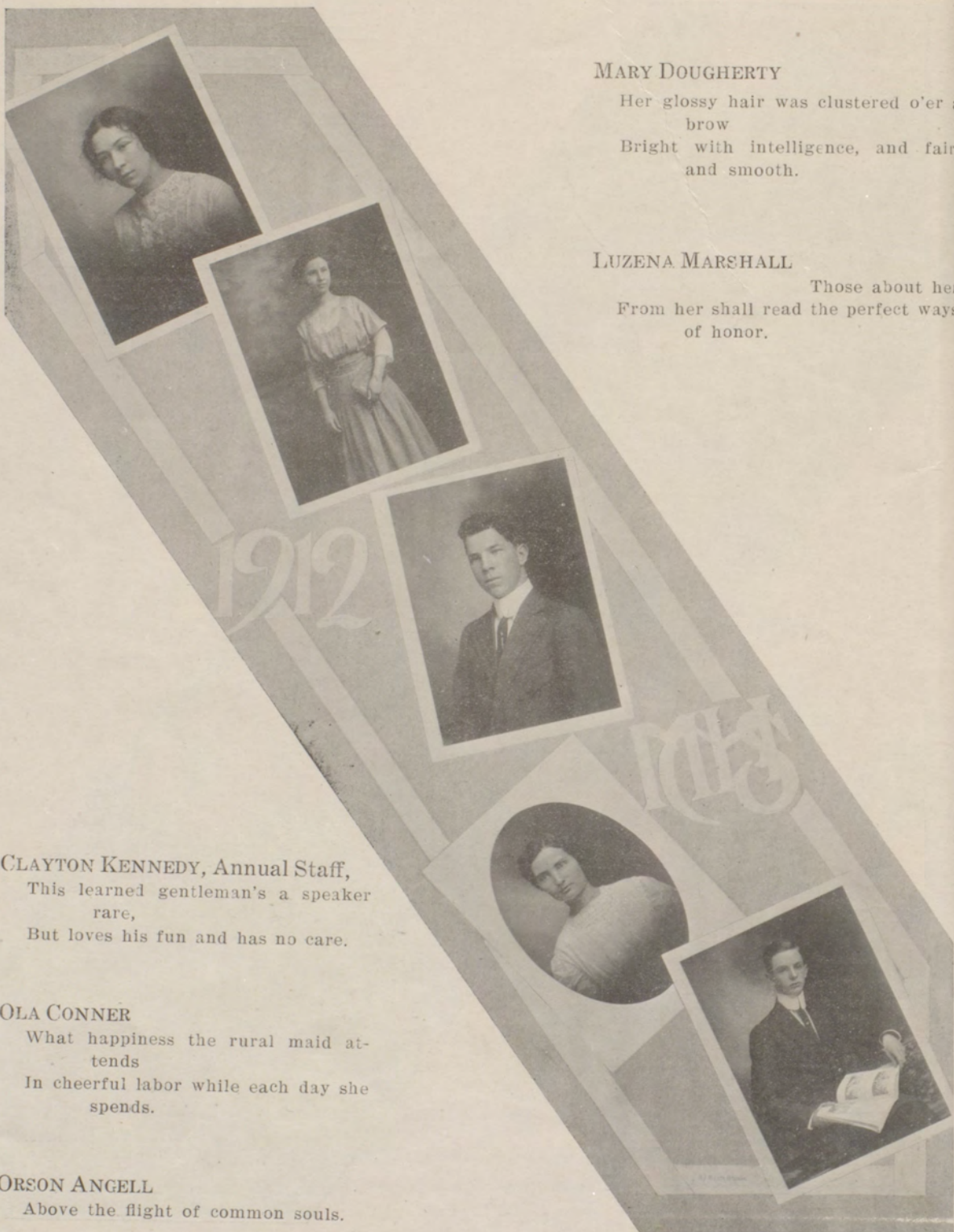
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MARY DOUGHERTY

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brow
Bright with intelligence, and fair,
and smooth.

LUZENA MARSHALL

Those about her
From her shall read the perfect ways
of honor.

CLAYTON KENNEDY, Annual Staff,
This learned gentleman's a speaker
rare,
But loves his fun and has no care.

OLA CONNER
What happiness the rural maid at-
tends
In cheerful labor while each day she
spends.

ORSON ANGELL
Above the flight of common souls.

CHARLES STURGEON

An honest man's the noblest work of
God.



TWILA PORTERFIELD

In every star thy wisdom shines.



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O, she delights to work in rhymes,
And hours has spent, thus, many
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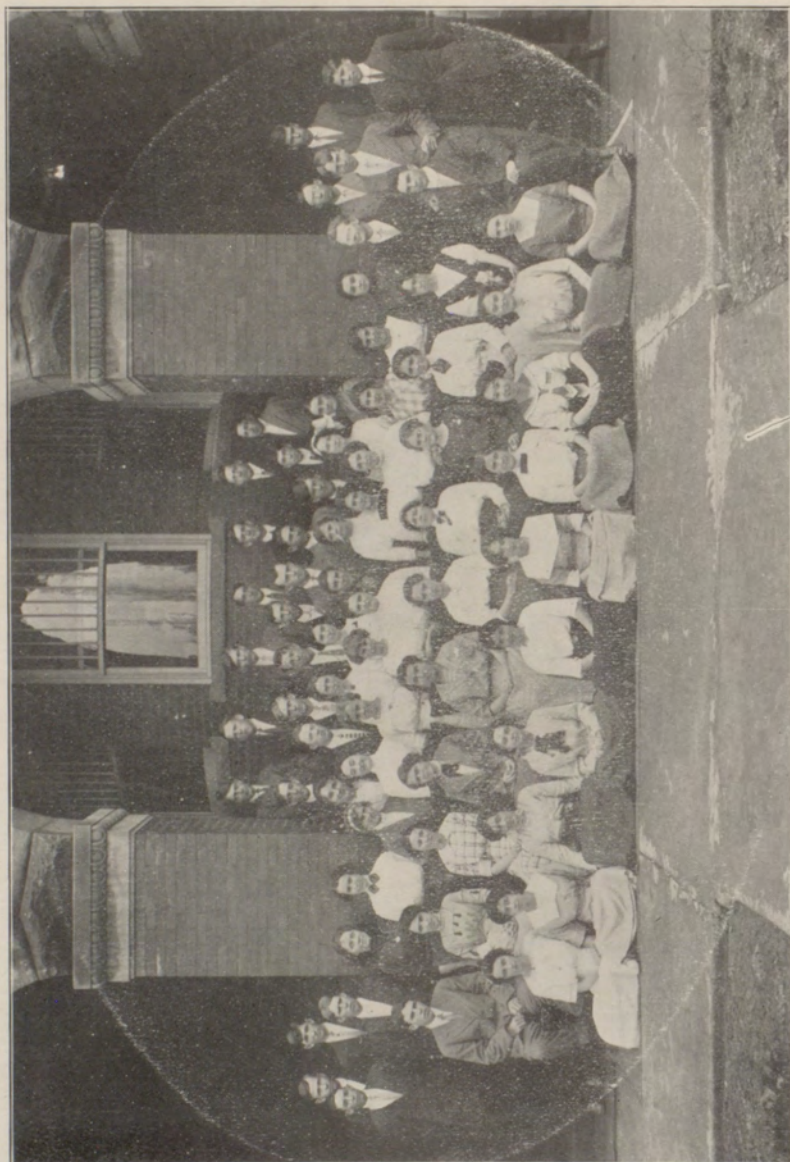
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THE JUNIORS

Juniors

*"Lives of Seniors all remind us
That each dog will have his day;
For next year we noble Juniors
Will be heroes of the fray."*

Up to the hour of going to press, Vernon Hill, who had been assigned the Junior write up, had not turned in his copy. But it would be a shame to let so fine a class go without notice because of the negligence of one of its members and there being no other Junior at hand to take Hill's place, a Senior, who was once a Junior, will try his hand at praising the class of 1913.

The Juniors can certainly be proud of their record in scholarship, which is one of the best in the history of the school. In their Sophomore year they were sharks at Ceasar and they finished Cicero two weeks ahead of time. We are also told that they eat Geometry alive and beat the Dutch at German and we know that they have several one plus students. Next year with the added advantage of the new Manual Training addition the Juniors ought to make even a better record.

Not to be outdone in athletics the Junior class furnished, in Elan Robley, the captain of both our basketball and our baseball teams. Whether or not the Juniors can beat the Seniors at baseball is yet to

be decided, but of course the Seniors think that they (The Juniors) cannot turn the trick. When these two teams get together a hot game is looked for.

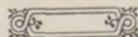
In oratory the Juniors are as yet untried but with the record of two consecutive state champions to encourage them they have simply got to turn out a winning spellbinder.

Now being only a "has been" Junior and not the real thing, I am not very well versed in the hopes, aims and aspirations of the class of '13, and cannot speak with authority on the subject. I can only record some of the hopes of the class of '12 for the class of '13. To the class of '13 we bequeath, among other things, the best High School on earth, as a place to work and play in, and one state championship in oratory, a thing greatly sought after. May you enjoy the former as much as we have and we charge you to keep the latter where it belongs. And when you leave M. C. H. S. next Commencement may it be truthfully said that the class of '13 was the greatest class in the history of the school.

I. D. W.

Herbert Allen,
Tom Ashby,
Carl Baker,
Bessie Bankes,
Maude Bender,
Ruth Bettes,
Lydia Bolton,
Alice Born,
Vernon Bowersock,
Edmund Bryant,
Georgia Brown,
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Iva Frost,
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Morris Geye,
Ross Gillen,
Ecka Gillen,
Abe Greenawalt,
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Clarence Haslett,
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Mildred Hilton,
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Lela McKibben,
Pauline McLaughlin,
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Nat Newlin,
Charles Newman,
Jessie O'Brien,
Olive O'Brien,
Kate O'Connell,
Jessie O'Connell,
Elmer Orwig,
Nolan Ottman,
Paul Otto,
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Marie Parker,
George Parshall,
Edna Potter,
Ruth Reardon,
Harry Relph,
Thomas Relph,
Grace Riney,
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Electa Spaht,
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Ben Taylor,
Nelle Todd,
Meeva Wilhoit,
Harold Landon,
Hallie Stafford.
Theta Pinkston,





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History of the Sophomores

Owing to the crowded condition of the school in nineteen hundred and ten it was thought expedient by the County Board of Education that the attendance from each district should be limited to six and one-half per cent. As the attendance for the ensuing year from this city would exceed that percentage, it became necessary to provide for the city school graduates of nineteen hundred and ten.

Trivial as it may seem, it was quite a disappointment to us to be shut out from the County High School. We longed to participate in the varied amusements and privileges enjoyed by its members. We had anticipated a change from the monotonous routine of the city schools to to the courses of the higher institutions, which would be better adapted to our needs. Nevertheless our course was not governed by our wishes and we necessarily attended the school provided for us by the City Board of Education.

Possibilities for supplying our needs upon such short notice were very limited. The Board was at that time pressed with many other problems that required a great deal of attention. Our numbers did not call for any material change. Practically the only necessary provisions to be made were to provide teachers and furnish some place, among the City Schools, for class rooms. These arrangements were made by them with the best judgment. The Lincoln building was chosen as a central

location. Professor Ferguson, principal of that school, taught Ancient History and three other teachers were employed to assist him in the various Freshmen subjects of the Collegiate course and German.

One privilege, enjoyed by us, proved a great advantage to many. This was the manual training and domestic science departments which were presided over by capable and energetic instructors who did their utmost to promote the work in charge. In these branches the work was carried out dexteriously and with marked success as is shown by the numerous exhibits of the work done by them.

Those who had creditably preformed the prescribed work were admitted last fall as sophomores in the Collegiate course of Montgomery County High School. All of the credits, except German, received in Independence High School were granted. Our former numbers were expanded by the out-of-town students and thus far we have performed creditably the prescribed work of the Sophomores.

The Sophomores as a class represent a very studious body. Many one plus students may be counted in our number. Plainly decernable genius has developed among our members. Already many are striving for the grades that shall elect the salutatorian and valedictorian of nineteen hundred and fourteen. They have caused the faculty an exceedingly small amount of trouble while they have assisted them in many instances, only one of which

is their recommendable proof of many of Miss Paterson's experiments.

It is, perhaps, too early in the season to comment upon the work accomplished by the Sophomores in Athletics. They have furnished two good players for the boy's and three for the girl's basketball team. They also promise good material for the baseball nine. Later on we are sure that we will be able to report more accomplishments along this line.

Such has been our fortune. We now approach the end of our second year in High School. Earnestly hope that none of our present members may drop out during the coming vacation. For with greater facilities and our former material we hope to make a Junior Class of nineteen twelve and thirteen that will prove a great merit to Montgomery County High School.

C. J. P. '14.



A BIT OF SENIOR HISTORY





THE FRESHIES

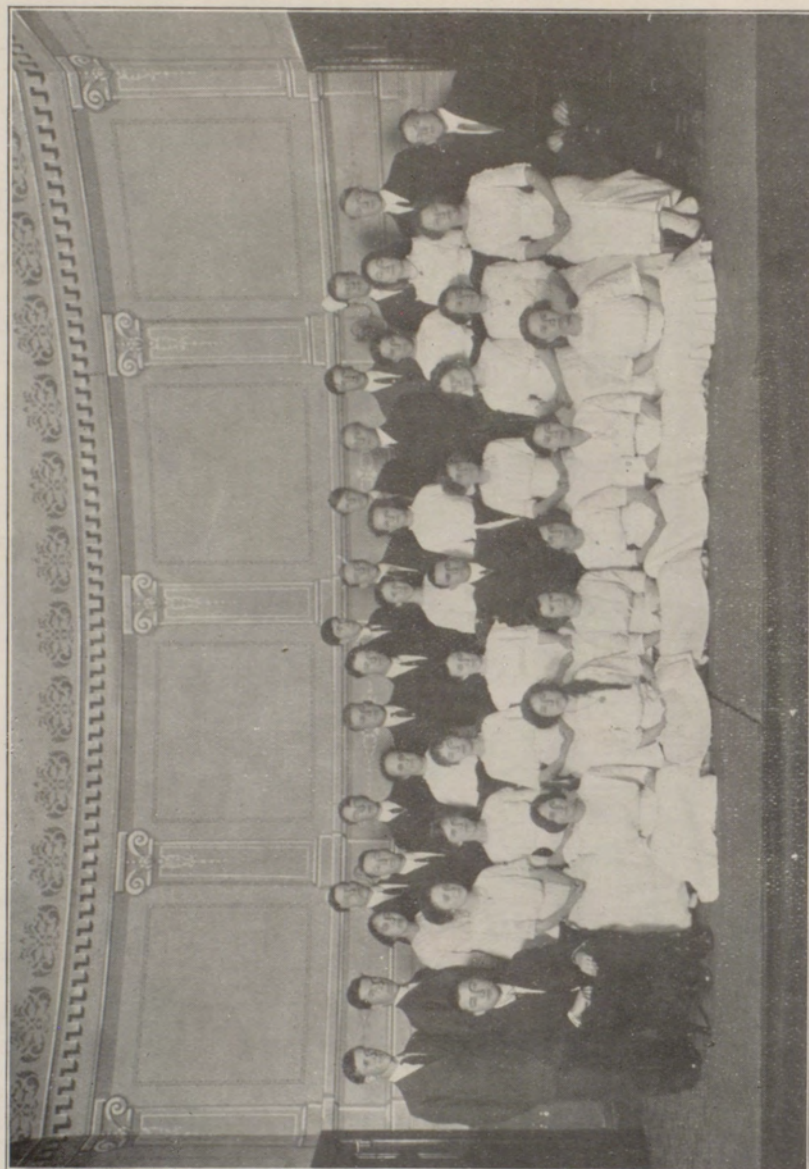
History of the Freshmen

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It was indeed a memorable day, the 6th day of September, 1911, when the brilliant Freshmen class made their debut in the halls of learning in Montgomery County High School, the best equipped and qualified school in the State. We swarmed into the halls and class rooms like range cattle on the plains. While we are irregular in size this is easily made up in good looks. There are only about sixty of us but as we are always on the go, one would think that we were four times the number. But nevertheless our class on the whole is the best and brightest the school has ever known.

Here's to the Freshman, one and all,
Some are short and some are tall.
So good-bye to High School hall,
Till we meet as Sophomores next fall.

C. D.



THE CHORUS THAT WON FIRST PLACE



The Music Department

Montgomery County High School is justly proud of it's music department. The principal organizations are the chorus of about forty-five voices, the boys' glee club, the girls' double quartett and the boys' quartet, a new organization.

This year, for the first time in the history of the school, the chorus gave a Christmas cantata. This was given the week before the holidays and was well received. In the chorus contest held in connection with the meeting of the South-eastern Kansas Teachers' Association in this city, March 7, 8, 9, our organization won first place. This is the second time we have turned the trick in as many attempts. On May 7, was given the annual spring cantata. This year Silvia, an operetta in two acts, was presented. For the last three years our cantatas have been given in the Beldorf theater, the attendance being too great to be accommo-

dated in the school auditorium.

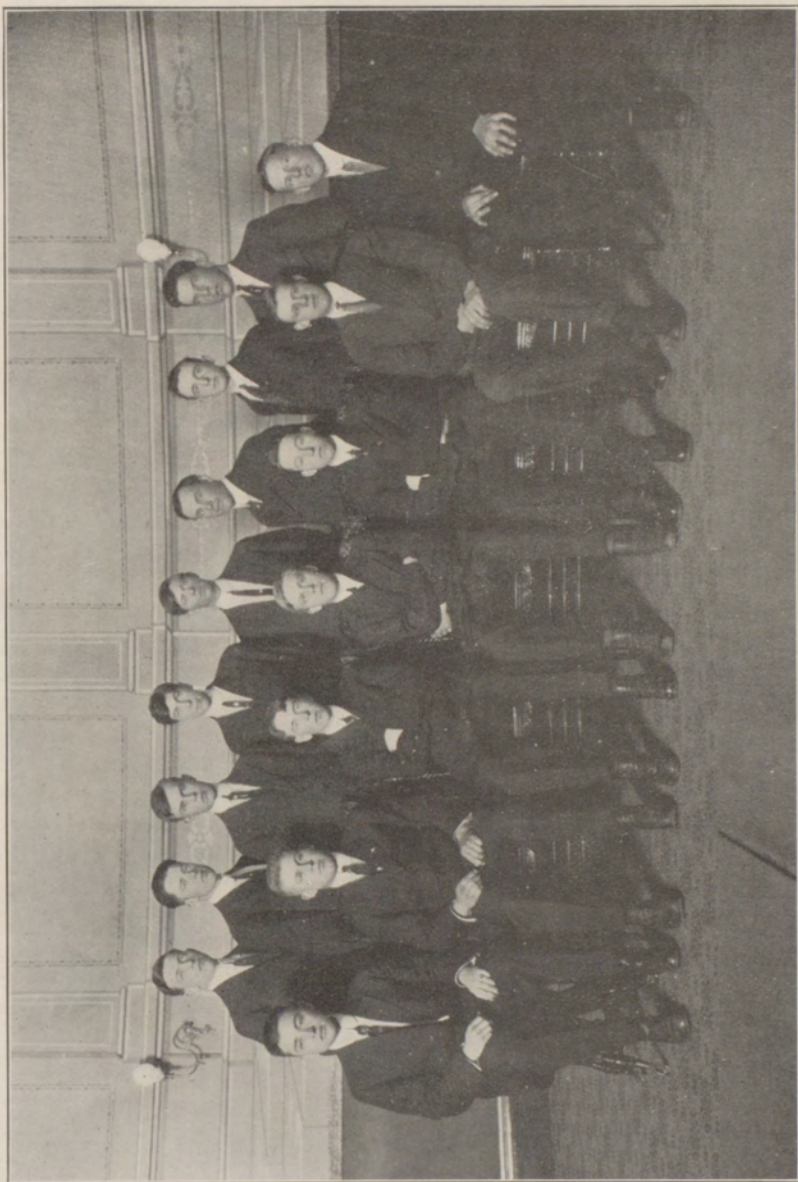
At the same time our chorus won first honors in it's contest, our girls double quartett won second in it's contest, being defeated by the fine Paola organization, whose score was 99 per cent. However, to be beaten by such an organization is no disgrace and we hope for better luck next time.

While our boys glee club and our boys quartett have won no contest honors (not being entered in any contest) they are up to the Montgomery standard. They have sung in chapel a number of times and their reappearance is always greatly wished for.

Most of our musical success is due to the good work of the director, Miss Hurst. Her good work during the time she has had charge of the department is in a large measure responsible for our present high place in musical activities.



GIRLS DOUBLE QUARTETT



BOY'S GLEE CLUB

The class of '12 wishes to express its appreciation of the excellent work done by the Scott Studio in preparing the photographs used in this book. In the matter of posing, lighting, etc., every effort was made to get the best effects.

As the success of a publication of this kind depends in a large measure upon the quality of its illustrations we feel that the Scott Studio is entitled to our thanks for the part it played in making this Annual a success.



A Tale of Woe

The Montgomery County High School Basket Ball teams had been practicing, it seemed like ages, and still they had no games, not even a date for a game. Therefore, by one's and two's and three's the players went to Mr. Nees and asked, "When are we going to have a game?" And to one and all he replied: "Just as soon as we can get one." What a reply to make! He had sent out challenges and the replies were to the effect that, "Our teams are not yet ready to play." or, "We wont begin basketball until next term." At last a game was arranged for with the National Business College in our city, and the teams met with fear in their hearts. But our girls quickly showed themselves to be the better team and a final score of 17 to 3 was the result. The boy's game was different. After a bitter struggle the N. B. C. was the winner, they making 16 points to M. C. H. S. only 14. But the games were not mentioned in chapel the next Monday. However, the effect of these games was to give the girls confidence, and to arouse the boys with determination to show the school that they could play ball and win.

The Neodesha boys came to Independence the next Friday. The Neodesha girls were unable to come, so Zelda Rappert, our captain, divided our girls into two groups, and in order to distinguish one side from the other, they were called the Reds, and the Yellows. The Reds were victors by a score of 8 to 7. Our boys played a good game that night, 'twas ours from the beginning. We were victor by eight points, Neodesha making a score of seventeen. A few days later everyone rejoiced—we had been challenged by Caney to play a game at that city the following Friday, and to play a return game here February the ninth.

Our manager accepted the challenge. At Caney the girl's team was taken directly to the Palace Hotel and assigned to room thirty. Every girl will remember that room and the tendency of the bed to "cave in." The boys were left to look out for themselves. We had supper in the best restaurant in town, but I am positive a few persons will never forget that steak. The game was called at eight, and the girls played a good game from start to finish. The score at the end of the first half was four to nothing, favor of M. C. H. S., and the principal of the Caney school was trying to keep up his courage by telling our team that the "Caney teams always play twice as hard the last half." But victory was ours to the tune of ten to nothing, the first shut-out in the history of the school. The boys game was also fine, tho' we were kept pretty busy telling the Caney people that we didn't think 'twas a very rough game. Our boys won the game with fourteen to eight score. A bunch of little boys took a dislike to Jimmie Gavin's "girl's cap" and they therefore tried to take it away from him. It was comical to see how close to Mr. Nees Jimmie would stay, and all the while Mr. Nees never imagined that he was fulfilling the position of protector. Judging from all reports received, however, everyone had a good time.

Next the Altamont teams came to Independence. The boys didn't look so bad, but the Altamont girl's team certainly had our girls "skeered." Parker had played her last game with us at Caney, and consequently the girls were nervous. However, they worked very hard and even though the opposing girls were large, the result was a victory for M. C. H. S., with a score of nineteen to six. And those great big Labette County Girls who said they



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had never been beaten actually sat down and cried about their loss.

Our boys played a very fast and clean game. H. I. Craig had quit school and Bailey took his place. The result of the game, the fastest and cleanest thus far, was our victory, the score being 15 to 14.

Two weeks later we went to Altamont. Everyone seemed to think that the girls would win, but we, who knew how crippled the team's condition was on account of the illness of Cecil Thornbrugh, thought different. At Altamont we were taken to the best hotel in town. The least said about the girl's game the better. The score was 15 to 7 in Altamont's favor. But much of the pleasure of victory was denied the Altamont girls because our girls did not cry over the loss. The boy's game was certainly great. The score was tied at the end of each half and Altamont was the team lucky enough to make the final basket, winning by a score of nineteen to seventeen. About three in the morning we all went to the little depot to await the train which arrived at last some thirty minutes behind its schedule, and reached Independence at five a. m. There surely was a tired and sleepy bunch of students at school Friday; but let us talk of something more cheerful.

In a return game with Caney the outlook for the girl's team was bad. Thornbrugh was still out of school, we'd lost Parker some time before, and Garlinghouse, our jumping center left us to go to Winfield. Nevertheless, we went into the game to win, and win we did. Thirteen to nothing! The Caney boys expected to win their game, but our boys also intended to win. With Oberholtzer in as forward our team had reason to hope for honors. At the end of the game Caney had four points less than the County, 18 to 14, being the score.

We do not believe in hoodoos, and are not superstitious; but Friday the twenty-third was too much for us and we fell a

prey to our enemies. In other words, on that eventful date our basketball teams started for Chanute supposedly accompanied by Miss Ingleman and Mr. Castillo. It was a very cheerful bunch that met at the station. Did not the train remain here until twelve-one? But we were mistaken. Recent changes caused the time to be changed, and the train started off without us. There was a scramble and a rush to get aboard the moving train. At last everyone was on, or at least we thought everyone was on, but imagine our chagrin, when we discovered that Miss Ingleman was not present. About that time someone said they "saw her steaming down the street just as the train pulled out." The boys retired to the "smoker" and the girls, feeling that a chaperone was absolutely necessary, at once elected Miss Skinner to fill the temporarily vacant position.

At Chanute our chaperon register for the whole team while the boys' team departed for their rooms. Everyone took lunch at the Manhattan and I believe everyone enjoyed that "pie a la mode." All afternoon the girls hunted for a picture show and finally learned that "they don't run in the afternoon." The boys disappeared. All of them except Guy Ferrel, went down to the Star rink and practiced baskets. Guy stayed in the rooms and slept.

In the evening, shortly after we arrived at the rink a wonderful and surprising event occurred. We could hardly believe our eyes, but it was really so; Miss Ingleman had arrived. Not having a very good opinion of the girls' ability to take care of themselves, the girls took up a collection and sent Miss Ingleman, accompanied by Clarence Hazlett (she was afraid to go alone), to Chanute by the 2:30 freight. Miss Ingleman declared that she will never again ride in a caboose unless it is a matter of life and death.

The game was called at 8 o'clock. Those Chanute girls looked like giants beside our



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team, and they certainly walked away with our girls. The final score was 34 to 4. The boys played a good game, but Friday the twenty-third was too much for them also, and they were defeated. The score was 38 to 18.

A little trouble rose after the game. Chanute's coach accused our team of taking their ball. He even had the impudence to suggest that our girls had it. Failing to discover it, he stated that we would either hand over the ball or lose its value out of our railroad fare, and we could see how we would get home. This latter they did, and the game which had been scheduled for the next Friday night at Independence, was accordingly cancelled.

Mr. Castillo and the principal of the Chanute High School kept the telephone line hot for the next few days. It seemed as though Chanute was eager to have a game with us on our own floor; but Mr. Castillo said; "No \$6.00, no game." Then in some mysterious way, it was discovered that a former Chanute High School boy had a ball of ours which had disappeared last year when we played Chanute. They therefore magnanimously consented to return our money, and keep our ball which they had stolen the year before.

On the 20th the champions came to Independence. Due to the scandal and the defeat and the promise of a good game, there was a large crowd out. In spite of the referee our girls managed to be victorious in the first half. They sure played hard, but the Chanute team, long experienced in basketball, was the winner of the game. Our girls certainly put up a plucky fight, but the final score was 13 to 8. The boy's game was a "beauty."

Everyone enjoyed it. The Chanute team played a fast clean game and our boys did likewise. It was the best game of the season and the M. C. H. S. team carried off the honors, 19 to 17.

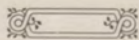
This practically closed the season for the County teams. There was only one more event of importance in the year, the annual Southeastern Kansas Teachers' Association Basketball Tournament. This was the first time the organization met in our city, and it was also the first time our team had entered into a contest of this nature.

There were fourteen entries. Six girls and eight boys teams. The preliminary games were all played the same afternoon. The girls played in the Commercial Club rooms and the boys at the Band auditorium. Erie, Sedan, Coffeyville and M. C. H. S. were eliminated. This left Altamont and Chanute to play in the finals that night.

Of the boys' teams all were eliminated except Buffalo and Chanute. By a peculiar coincidence both the county teams played Chanute, they being the winner in each case. The boys' game resulted in a tied score and Chanute made the first two points when playing off the tie.

In the finals, the girls' game was a little slow, due to the players being rather tired. The Chanute team again won the cup and retained their championship honors. The boys' game was hotly contested, but Buffalo managed to be the victor.

This closed the basketball season. On the whole the teams were reasonably successful. The girls won four games and lost four. The boys won five out of nine games.





Y. M. C. A. CABINET

The Y. M. C. A.

No man gets on so well in this world as he whose daily walk and conversation are clean and consistent, whose heart is pure, and whose life is honorable.

—WM. MCKINLEY.

Throughout the United States and other countries are bands of young men who have organized for the purpose of developing the youth into the full-rounded man—the man with physical strength and energy, the man with mental ability and power, and the man with lofty moral, social and religious ideals. This organization has chosen as their name the “Young Men’s Christian Association.” The first association in America was organized in 1851. The membership and associations have steadily and rapidly increased until at the present time there are fifteen hundred associations in America with a total membership of about three hundred thousand. The combined libraries contain five hundred thousand volumes and the property valuation is twenty two and a half millions. In the larger associations, reading rooms, gymnasiums and amusements are maintained.

Nine years ago a student association was chartered at M. C. H. S. Since that time much has been done toward maintaining a high standard among the boys of the school. Some of our strongest graduates owe much of what they are to the Y. M. C. A. and its influence.

We feel that this year especially has been one of success in the Y. M. C. A. work. Under the capable and earnest leadership of our president, Harry Walters, we feel that the Y. M. C. A. has been a profitable institution. We always feel that our missionary meetings held jointly

with the Y. W. C. A. are an important phase of the work because of the added interest which comes with increased numbers, especially when all are the “wide-awake” kind. Our regular semi-monthly meetings are a strong feature of the work. In some of these the students are leaders, in others, outside speakers, men of experience speak upon topics of interest and importance to the wide-awake and progressive young men of the school.

One feature of the Y. M. C. A. this year is the large Bible study class which has just completed the “Life of St. Paul” (Leacock). This class is worth belonging to. In addition to the regular work assigned the class has spent many pleasant evenings in a social way.

Much good was received by the association from the enthusiasm brought back from our state convention and summer camp. Two delegates attended the state convention, but owing to unlooked for difficulties we were represented at the summer camp by only one in place of the half dozen delegates we had expected to send.

With the addition of a new manual training department and the correspondingly increased attendance, we look forward to a year of unequalled prosperity to the Y. M. C. A. and the school as a whole.

Let us sincerely hope that our expectations may be fulfilled, and may we ever strive to uphold the high standards which the faculty and students of M. C. H. S. have set.

C. H. B.



Y. M. C. A. BIBLE STUDY CLASS.



Y. W. C. A. CABINET

The Y. W. C. A.

The Young Womans Christian Association is one of the live features of our high school life. It is an organization which gives to the girls the highest possibilities for christian developement, true standards for womanly conduct, and opportunities for close and helpful friendship. Our society stands for clean, prue christian womanhood, and it seeks to unite the girls of our school in bonds of friendship and love.

The meetings held every Monday evening give help and pleasure to all the girls who attend. The work done is most entertaining and instructive and the society spirit encourages the feeling of comradeship and emphasizes the value of co-operation. Those meetings are especially enjoyed by girls, in which there are talks given by the ministers of Independence.

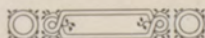
The society looks after social affairs as well as spiritual. At the beginning of school a reception was given to the new girls, which proved a success and aroused much interest in the society. The "Airship" social given by the Y. W. and Y. M. was enjoyed greatly by the girls and boys of the school. This year we had the Na-

tional Secretary, Miss Burner with us. She gave a very interesting talk to the girls and we were all glad to hear what other girls were doing.

For several years our society has sent delegates to the National Convention at Cascade. Last year two of the girls were sent and returned with helpful plans. Two delegates will be sent this year and so will receive helpful pointers for our society next year.

We wish the time would come when every girl in our school would be an enthusiastic member of the Young Womans Christian Association, for then our school will have attained greater perfection. "The truth comes to us more and more the longer we live, that on what field, or in what uniform, or with what aims we do our duty matters very little, or even what our duty is, great or small, splendid or obscure. Only to find our duty certainly and some where, or some how, to do it faithfully makes us good, strong, happy and useful women and tunes our lives into some feeble echo of the life of God."

Z. R.



Our Rooter's Club

Shortly after the basketball season began at Montgomery County High School, the Rooter's club was organized. Clayton Kennedy was elected yell master and by his faithful and persistent work, has proven himself worthy of the honor. The Rooter's Club flourished and grew, attended the ball games, and was in evidence everywhere where its loyal support was needed. I can truly say that the Rooter's Club was a factor which had a big effect upon the winning or losing of games. When the team felt that the school was interested in how well it played, and sincere-

ly hoped that it would win the laurels, the team could and did put more effort into the game; but on the other hand, when the Rooters Club failed to show its interest, or offer its encouragement, the team couldn't help but play in an indifferent manner, and thus a victory for the opponents was the result. On the whole the rooters have been very faithful and no doubt Clayton and his followers gave their best efforts to the Club. Kennedy leaves the school this year and the school joins with him in wishing that the Club will be bigger and better in the year 1913.



Captain Henry and Company
on a Forced March.

Again State Champions In Oration

Once again are we State High School champions in oratory. This makes two consecutive state victories, a feat not equaled by any other high school in the state. This year, for the first time in the history of the school, a girl, Miss Edyth Braden, was our representative and she won a clean victory, receiving all three ones on thought and composition. On the following pages will be found her oration. It will be worth your while to read it.

The Everlasting Struggle

Americans proudly declare that "all men are created equal." Yet when has there been an ideal equality? Since ear-



OUR ORATOR
EDYTH BRADEN

liest times war has been one of the most potent forces in the affairs of mankind. The conquered became the slaves and serv-

ants of the conquerors. To one class of men life meant wealth and leisure, to the other degradation and poverty. Then came Christ and his Gospel. From its very advent, Christianity struck fear to all oppressors. In the eighteen hundred years following, though kingdoms have been shattered, though thrones have fallen, and though the teachings of the Christ have spread throughout the world, to drive before them all slavery and servitude, yet the two classes of men are still remaining. The slave, released from the visible chains and manacles, still toils, a laborer, to fill the coffers of the rich.

The rich man, the capitalist, has made his position more secure than that of lord or master ever was. Long before the serf had gained his feet in the struggle for existence, he found himself facing his old taskmaster in a new light. No longer, indeed, must he bend his body under the lash yet must he drag himself through his daily toil till faint from exhaustion, and in return for long dreary hours he must accept what is offered him from the alliance of capitalists. The laborer and his family must live, yet he has but one com-

modity, the labor of his hands, to offer in exchange for the necessities of life, and the consumers of this commodity are the capitalists. At every turn the laborer finds these consumers organized to pay for his product the lowest market value. He has no alternative; he must sell. Thus even on the threshold of the twentieth century, behold mankind still divided: Capital, arrogant and haughty, protected by impenetrable armor; Labor, oppressed and cowering in deadly fear of the "wolf at the door."

Labor, toiling through long dreary hours, robbed of the Sabbath's rest, starved by its miserable pittance, is writhing in discontent. Nor is this without reason. For, while the world is yet wrapped in slumber the laborer partakes of a meager breakfast and hurries to the dark door of the factory, past the exacting time clock which gives no reward for the prompt yet metes out a penalty for the tardy. There he bends over his task, subservient to the watchful eye of the overseer whose own recompense depends on his ability to note any faltering in the work of his fellowman. Compelled to toil till the shades of night, he pauses only for a short respite during his hard earned mid-day meal. Then, his day's work done, he trudges home heavy of foot, heavy of heart, home to his family, home for a short rest; a rest ended all too soon by a call to another day's exactions.

Think not for a moment that he looks upon his work, hard though it may be, as a curse. To be unemployed while there are those dependent upon him would be despair. No, the American working man is not afraid to toil. It is the unavailing grind, the bare keeping of soul and body together that takes the spirit out of him. Place adequate reward before him and with an almost superhuman energy will he throw himself into his task. Nor does he grudge his employer, the capitalist, a proper, even a munificent profit. But it

does embitter him to see profits that he has earned and needs for the absolute necessities of life, squandered on needless luxuries.

Over and above all this, there arises in the path of the working man that greedy monster monopoly, crushing within its grasp both the laborer and that part of capital which would befriend him. Powerful capitalists, not content with their enormous profits, greedy lest others pay the laborer his due, resolve to crush both small manufacturer and laborer with their combined power.

Down trodden and oppressed, baffled at every turn, labor at last realizes that "in union there is strength." Organization must fight organization, be the odds never so overwhelming. So the battle rages, money against muscle, the rich against the poor. The worm oft trod upon has turned. Labor driven to the last ditch, in sheer desperation oversteps the bounds of honorable protest and destroys in the twinkling of an eye millions of capital. Rash, inhuman acts! The world pauses in its selfish rush; and capital realizes that it has driven the dagger too deep into the quivering flesh of labor. Sleeping Justice startled at the crash of dynamite sets the slow machinery of law at work to grind out a temporary settlement of the controversy.

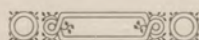
In crises such as these can America learn anything from history of the past? From the records of the rise and fall of empires there is one unwelcome truth pressed upon us. We have but to read of Babylon, of Rome, of France, and unconsciously we turn to compare the career of America. Ancient Babylon bowed her head in shame because luxury and vice had brought low the powers that had won in many conflicts. Rome was once the flower of the civilized world, yet her glory could not endure, because her aristocracy vaunted itself to the skies though her plebeians were grovelling in the dust. In France the lower classes, driven beyond the point of human endur-

ance, turned like wild beasts upon the aristocracy and the bloodiest days of all history followed. And now, what think you of America, with ten thousand Pompeys, and hundreds who squander the wealth of a Croesus in a week; America, where the rich revel in luxury and the poor die of want? What is to be her future?

A grave proposition confronts this generation. Labor and capital each on the defensive, are glowering at each other in deadly menace. To say that either is wholly to blame would be absurd. Both are to blame. Each has interests that depend on the other. Labor employs capital as much as capital employs labor. Without labor the great forces of capital would be powerless. What is the true ground of harmony? Reforms have been attempted; what lack we yet? In some of our states there are provisions for arbitrating labor difficulties, but these are only optional. Such arbitration must be made compulsory. There must be a national council with power to compel arbitration and to right the wrongs of each party. The existing laws against such firetraps as the notorious Triangle Building in New York must be enforced to guard the lives of the workers. Justly do the friends of labor complain that many a good law is allowed to become a dead letter. It is the vote of the working men that elects our law makers. Are they adequately representing such a constituency? Are they above taking a bribe that only capital can offer, a bribe taken ultimately out of the laborer's just earnings?

But the true solution of all these problems must come from a change in the spirit

of the parties themselves. All honor to those corporations who by a brotherly and equitable sharing of surplus profits, raise their employees to the rank of partners in the firm. All the American worker asks is a margin—a margin of time to live his own life; a margin of comforts, provided by his own hands for his loved ones. When he is made to feel that he is being treated fairly he will respect his employers and make their interest his own. Let labor give up its weapon, the strike; let capital withdraw from monopoly and open the doors of opportunity to the working man. Let both remember their mutual dependence. Never has there been a more urgent call for the Golden Rule than in these very problems. The solution that will last must be worked out on the basis of each doing unto the other as he would have the other do unto him. Only by such measures can the struggle between capital and labor be brought to a peaceful end. That the happy future holds such a solution of the difficulty we must believe for American patriotism will not ignore the signs of the times and permit our ship of state to go on to sure destruction. No! We will not give up that ship whose flag is stained by the blood of our Puritan forefathers, the ship before whose mast the honored Lincoln fought and fell. Clear our courts and legislative halls of all that hinders and perverts the wholesome operation of law. Elect to office men for whom the touch of gold has no allurements and incorporate in our constitution the spirit of that God-given law on which all peace, all happiness is founded, "THE GOLDEN RULE."



A Chart Regarding

Name.	Hobby.	Aims to	Chief Att.	Past Rec.
Walters.	Offices.	Make a hit.	Maudie B.	Ask her.
Kennedy.	Billy Goat.	Adopt a class emblem.	Cute smiles.	Nice.
Wright (Snitch)	Annual.	Avoid Juniors.	Pauline McL.	Good.
Boys.	Girls.	Graduate.	Eyes.	Nothing.
"Pinky."	Extem.speeches	Startle the world.	Wit.	Punk.
Lulu Smith.	One Plus.	Get married.	Wisdom.	Excellent.
Kooney Kontz.	Chewing gum.	Be an actor.	Curls.	Nothing like it.
Gladys Bov.	Joy rides.	Have a time.	Dimples.	Ask T. W. B.
"Jeff" Bailey.	Talking.	Be known.	Ugly hair.	Hard to tell.
"Mutt" Soule.	Telling Jokes.	Ring the fire alarm.	Extreme fatness.	Slim.
"Mashuggen" Sewell.	Most anything.	Become brave.	Edyth B.	Not noticeable
Skinner.	Literature.	Be a poet.	Gentle voice.	Medium.
Luzena M.	Reciting.	Be a school-teacher.	Dignity.	Incomparable.
"Tight Wad" Benson.	"Wintons."	Be funny.	Gladys B.	Left behind.
Pratt.	Orations.	Rival Cicero.	Soft voice.	Blank.
Rogers.	Asking foolish questions.	Be smart.	Landon.	Strayed.
Hess.	Looking nice.	Be a secretary	Lockmiller.	Unknown.
Fields.	Annual.	Be good (some-times).	Library.	Lost.
Fulmer.	Boys.	Catch a beau.	Eyes.	Fine.
Braden.	The Mind.	Rival Pratt.	Complexion.	Faint.
Bedell.	Carrying papers.	Look nice.	Curly locks.	Fair.
Baker.	Being bashful.	Get over it.	Blushes.	Passable.
Reppert.	Basketball.	Be a star.	Cute manners.	Ashby knows.
O. Angell.	"Bluebird."	Fly.	Red socks.	Taken by Juniors
G. Williams.	Being cute.	Sing loud.	Harry W.	Cute.
Class of 1912.	Good time.	Evade Miss Kiddoo.	Good looks.	Glorious.

Some Seniors.

Name.	Favorite Song.	Pastime.	Detests.
Walters.	When the moon swings low.	Strolling.	Flattery (?).
Kennedy.	They gotta quit kickin' my goat aroun'.	Campaigning.	History.
Wright (Snitch)	Let me call you sweetheart.	Selling "Posts."	Lessons.
Boys.	All that I ask is love.	Making eyes.	Work.
"Pinky."	I wish I had a girl	Making monkey-shines.	Acting in Class play.
Lulu Smith.	Maybe that's why I am lonely.	Studying.	Foolishness.
Kooney Konz.	I am going to do what I please.	Flirting.	Nothing.
Gladys Bov.	"Billy."	Rehearsing the play	Tire trouble.
"Jeff" Bailey	I am falling in love with someone.	Trying to catch Miss T.	Book agents.
"Mutt" Soule	Nobody loves a fat man.	Making alarms that flunk.	Burfield.
"Mashuggen" Sewell.	I am afraid to go home in the dark.	Hiding from Juniors.	To hurry.
Skinner	It's the same old me, but not the same old girl.	Taking dictation.	To recite.
Luzena M.	I love it.	Writing Poetry.	To have a beau.
"Tight Wad" Benson.	In my merry "Winton Six."	Fixing sparking plugs.	Hazing.
Pratt.	"Sacred songs worth singing."	Rehearsing her oration.	Boys.
Rogers.	Unknown.	Digging flowers.	Teasing.
Hess.	Harvest moon.	Ask Vernon.	To be watched.
Fields	School days.	Chorus Practice.	Laziness.
Fulmer.	Naughty eyes.	Primping.	Dirt.
Braden.	Oh! Sugar Moon.	Taking walks.	Science.
Bedell.	Won't you come over to my house?	Sleeping.	Work.
Baker.	It must be love.	Reading.	Being looked at.
Rappert.	We've kept the Golden Rule.	Practicing.	History.
O. Angell.	They're after me.	Eating Ice Cream.	Being hungry.
G. Williams.	"My Rosary."	Singing.	Discords.
Class of 1912.	"College Life."	Making the Juniors have a good time.	Study hours.

Society Items for 1912

*"Society is now one polished horde,
Formed of two mighty tribes,
The Bores and Bor'd."*

Tuesday evening, February thirteenth, the fourth number of the lecture course was given in the auditorium. The number consisted of a lecture, "Hoodooes of the Mind," given by Dr. Bancroft, the psychologist. The number was exceptionally fine.

The fifth lecture number was given Tuesday evening, March twenty-sixth. The program was given by McCray's band. Miss Hurst, Mr. Poe, and Mr. White were the solists for the evening. The program was a musical treat for all and every number was enthusiastically applauded.

The Y. W. C. A. gave a program in the School Auditorium Wednesday evening, April 10. The program consisted of readings, music and a one-act farce, entitled "The Burglar." The program was splendid and the farce exceptionally clever. The proceeds of the entertainment will be used to send delegates to the Y. W. convention at Cascade next summer.

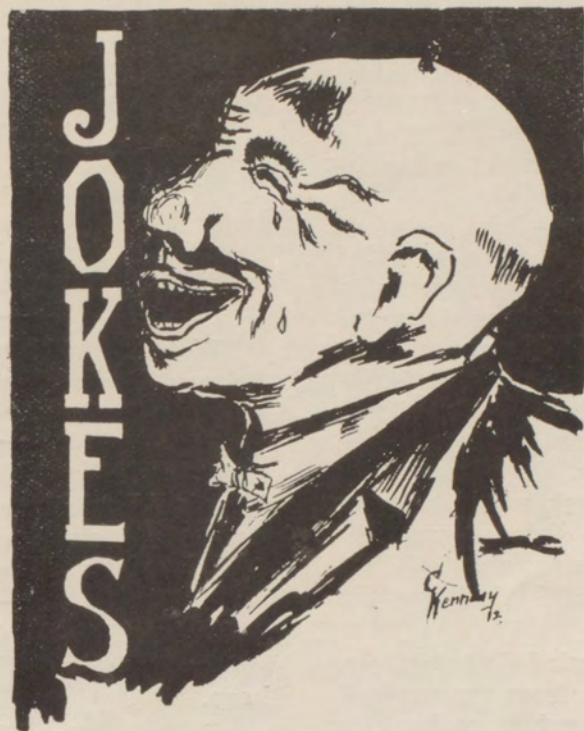
The school event of the sixth of February was Ralph Oberholtzer's entertainment of the members of the Glee Clubs at his home. The Chaperons for the evening were Miss Hurst and Miss Ingleman. Music and games furnished the amusements and everyone had a very pleasant time.

Monday evening, January twenty-second, the members of the basket-ball teams were very pleasantly entertained at the home of Miss Maudie Bender. The guest of honor was Miss Donna Garlinghouse star center of the girl's team, who was leaving to make her home in Winfield. Music and games furnished the amuse-

ments for the evening, and the guests had a fine time in spite of the fact that all deeply regretted the departure of Miss Garlinghouse.

Tuesday evening, January twenty-third, the Y. W. C. A. delightfully entertained the students at a box supper. The ministers and their wives were guests of honor. First, Miss Hurst and Miss Paterson gave a very interesting program in the auditorium. Miss Hurst sang several solos and Miss Paterson gave dialect readings. After the program the guests were taken to the gynasium where the boxes were sold. After refreshments were served, games were indulged in, and at a very reasonable hour the guests departed, declaring the Y. W. C. A. very delightful entertainers.

The social event of the school year was the Junior-Senior Kid party, given Monday evening, April 15. This was the first time in the history of the school that the mighty Seniors had condescended to entertain a Junior class and we sincerely hope the future Seniors will keep up this delightful custom. The party was a very jolly one in every way. The boys and girls were the little tots and the haughty faculty were the parents. A program of recitations and music was given in the studio and then all kinds of delightful games such as, "London Bridge Is Falling Down," "Drop the Handkerchief," and "Pussy Wants a Corner," were played. The refreshments consisted of oranges and stick candy. The little ones departed very reluctantly but father Nees said it was time for little folks to go home to bed and they obeyed.



How To Write An Essay

There are many things which I dislike to do, but the thing that I like least of all is writing and reading essays. It wouldn't be so hard if I would read someone else's essay, or some one else would read my essay, but to get up in front of an audience of Seniors and read that which I myself have written—that is enough to give anyone stage fright.

Perhaps you orators know not what stage fright is. If that is so, just ask any essayist and he will explain it to your entire satisfaction.

In writing a Senior essay the first thing necessary is a subject. It must be something that will pass the inspection of Mr. Nees and which when read, will procure

a grade of three plus or more. Following the fashion of all people who do what they don't wish to do, I put off the ordeal as long as possible. At last I realize that if I am going to have my essay by the assigned date, I will have to get to work. With pen and paper before me I plunge into my troubles, resolved that I shall conquer them, and decide to write about "A Trip Through the Cement Plant." I think I am fully fitted and capable of handling this subject intelligently. I have heard a great number of essays on the subject, and believe I could tell a number of things which no one would dare question as to truth. You probably wouldn't doubt my veracity anyway, because you, like me,

have to write and read essays when you would much prefer going strolling or listening to one of Mr. Kerby's beneficial lectures.

I now commence:

"One bright sunshiny day last summer I started for the cement plant. The birds were singing in the trees, and the beautiful flowers were spreading their fragrance on the balmy air. I boarded the car at Main and Pennsylvania avenue, and had a delightful ride. Upon reaching my destination or when the car stopped for the last time, and I descended from the steps, the plant was still an object to be found. After walking some distance I crossed over a bridge and was informed that the stream beneath was Rock creek. It seemed to me that the name Mud creek would be more appropriate. In the distance was the plant and I was very curious about—There goes the telephone, and I shall have to answer it.

"I'm very absent minded today, my thoughts have all flown from the scene of my story and I can't get them back to where I left off, I think I'd better write of something else. Maybe some trip would make a good theme. No, I didn't take any trips lately that are worth mentioning so I cannot do that. I wonder how a little fiction would do?

"Once upon a time there lived a beautiful maiden whose name was Mary-Jane. Her eyes were the color of the blue heavens, and her hair was like the golden rod. She lived in a beautiful country where the flowers bloomed all the year and the birds sang enchanting melodies in the tree tops. One day when Mary-Jane was walking along the banks of the crystal stream she saw—she saw a—Oh, Pshaw! I don't know how to go on with this essay. I believe I'll let the whole thing go and persuade Miss Paterson to give me another week in which to write it. It has been postponed only three weeks she surely couldn't have any objection to

one more. Well I'll ask her and see what she says and if she won't give me more time I'll borrow some Sophomore's essay and read it. Then, I will be able to sit down with a peaceful heart and say, Thank Heaven, that's over, at last." C. K.

Miss Paterson, in discussing the drama: "Why would Samson have made an excellent actor?"

Paul Pinkston: "Because he could so easily bring down the house."

"We seem to be preparing for the new Science Department early from the increase in the faculty during the past term."

Angry father, Mr. Rogers: "Ah, sir! How is it I catch you kissing my daughter? Answer me, sir! how is it?"

H. Landon: "Fine, sir; fine indeed!"

One of Mr. Allen's jokes: If one were lost on the Great Salt Desert, he would keep.

Its the little things that tell: Said Florence P. as she pulled her little brother out from under the sofa the other night.

Lawrence to Faye: "May I take you to the opera?"

Faye: "Have you secured the seats?"

Lawrence: "I didn't know you were that heavy."

Miss Angell: "Mr. Kerby, will you kindly explain what a marshmallow flower looks like?"

Mr. Kerby: "Miss A., have you ever seen a Poppy?"

Miss A.: "Yes."

Mr. K.: "Well, it doesn't look like it."

Mr. Nees: "Give the principal parts of the verb flunko."

Mr. Bryant: "Flunko—flunkere—faculty—fixum."

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"O wad to ithers some power the giftie
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To behold our virtues, as we ourselves
them see."

"It has been asked: When rain falls,
does it ever get up again? Of course it
does; in dewtime."

Miss Marshall, at Dinner Table: "Oh,
I just got me the loveliest coat today,
it is just fine."

Mr. Sewell (unsophisticated): "Is it
the kind that has places for arms?"

Miss Marshall (icily): "Yes, my
arms."

We are glad to know that the rumor
of Mr. Allen's breaking his toe by letting
the tea-kettle fall on it is false.

Mr. Nees in Civics: "Sherman de-
fined war, as hell; and Sherman ought
to know as he had been there."

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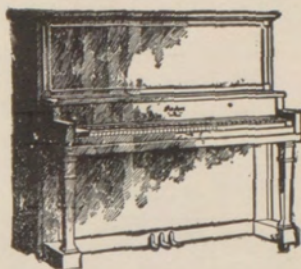
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"A coming-out ball? I don't understand."

His father has just released him after a short session in the woodshed."

Mr. Allen (after Miss Angel's failure to recite in history): "We have all heard of the class of people who rush in when Angels fear to tread. Miss Williams you may recite."

Mr. Nees, in Cicero: "You may go on translating, Miss Betts."

Betty (just waking from a comfortable nap): "O, ye immortal gods! Where in the world are we?"

Miss Paterson (reading Comus): "The spirit rises and speaks. Next, Mr. Angell."

Miss Paterson (in Sophomore English): "Mr. Robley, run up that shade, will you please."

HEAD SLANG.

Bone-head.

Chuckle-head.

Block-head.

Sap-head.

Big-head.

Puddin'-head.

Miss E. in Elo.: "Mr. Pratt can you make a speech?"

Mr. P.: "Yes, I can make a speech like the Seniors give when they come home from college."

Miss E. "All right, do it."

Mr. P.: "But I don't want to."

I used to think I knew I knew,
But now I must confess,
The more I know I know I know
I know I know the less.

Minister: "James, do you know where little boys go who fish on Sunday?"

J.: "Sure. Follow me and I'll show you."

It used to be said that "absence makes the heart grow fonder." The saying may still be in vogue or it may not, but anyhow, absence makes the postcards accumulate.

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He who knows not, and knows not that he knows not, is a Freshman, shun him.

He who knows not and knows that he knows not, is a Sophomore, teach him.

He who knows and knows not that he knows, is a Junior, wake him.

He who knows and knows that he knows, is a Senior, follow him!

A cautious look around he stole
His bags of chink he chunk;
And many a wicked smile he smole,
And many a wink he wunk.

Gladys Bovaird: "Are you fond of tea?"

Willis B: "Yes, but I like the next letter better."

Gallant Mr. Walters (after a party):
"Any of you girls going my way?"

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Just before Mr. Allen handed back the History quiz papers, he took the opportunity to comment upon the poor writing he had to contend with in grading the papers. One of his remarks was that, they had all been taught better in their copy books when they were in the grade schools. Mr. Prayther took the opportunity to remark, "I ain't never

seen none of them thare copin' books." Mr. Allen: "I don't guess you ever seen none of them there Grammars either, did you Mr. Prayther?"

When a boy starts out to sow his wild oats, the father better call in the threshing machine.

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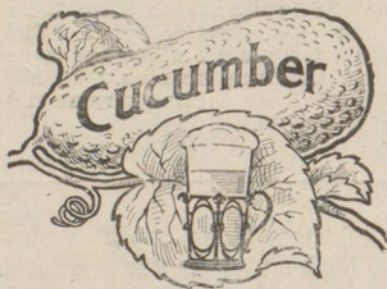
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Mr. Allen (after a long explanation) :
"Who recited last?"

Wyllys Benson: "The Angell."

Mr. Allen: "All right. Now we will
go to the other extreme of the class. You
may recite, Mr. Benson."

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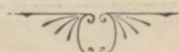
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Nolan O: "My goodness; how unsanitary!"

Zelda Reppert, in chemistry: "Dear me, how careless of me! I forgot to notice whether that solution I swallowed yesterday experimentally, was poison or not." (How thoughtless, Zelda!)

Latin Teacher: "Translate the vocative of girl."

Pupil: "Oh, you girl."

A friend: "Have you been through Geometry?"

Dora Jones: "Yes, but the only thing I remember is that we crossed the pons asinoeum." (Ask Mr. Henry.)

Junior: "Did you ever take castor oil, Freshie?"

Freshie: "No, sir; in what room is it given?"

Mr. Henry (after a long drawn out proof) "Thus we have that X equals nothing."

Bun Hill: (sleepily) "O Gee! all that work for nothing!"

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