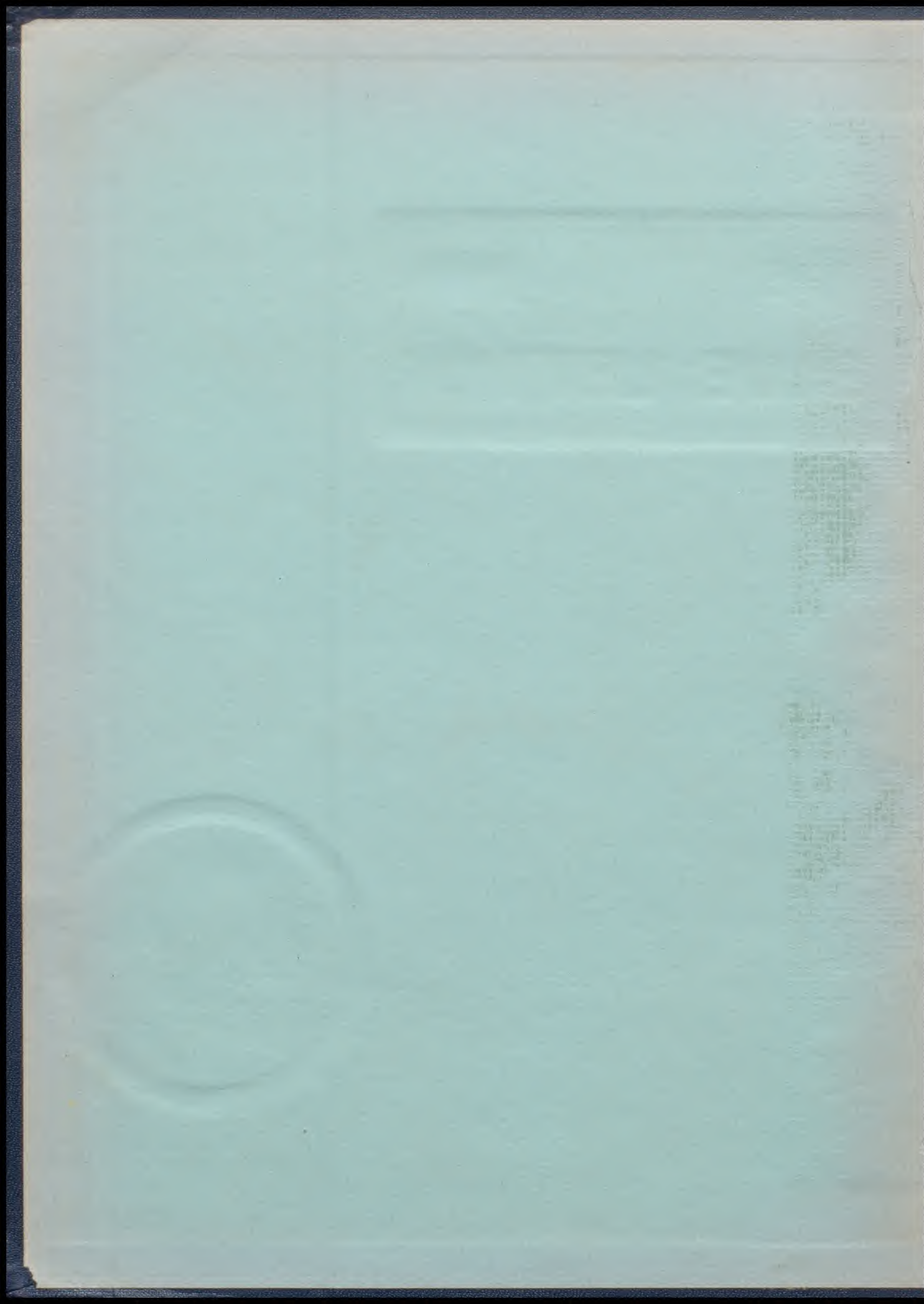


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## PROLOGUE

*“—The Indians of New Jersey were divided among twenty kings, of whom the king of the Raritan was the greatest . . . . this section had received its name from the Raritan because of its “short hill” undulating character, and . . . . the recognized head Indian of the neighborhood was . . . . designated by the Indians of this locality as Metucheon, or chief of the Rolling Land, (Metuchen meaning high hill).—”*

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## FOREWORD

May this, the Blue Letter of nineteen hundred thirty-four, leave with the students and friends of Metuchen High School a microcosm of our school life for the past year and some interesting accounts of the history of our community.





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*“—Most of these early settlers were persons of character, imbued with Christian principles, recognizing their dependence upon the blessing of God, and seeking by frugality and industry to promote the interests of their families and society at large.—”*





MR. WILLIAM THOMPSON

*President of Board of Education*

## DEDICATION

To the *Board of Education*, who in these hard and trying years have so willingly given of their time to the cause of education and to the aiding of all student activities, is this 1934 BLUE LETTER respectfully dedicated.

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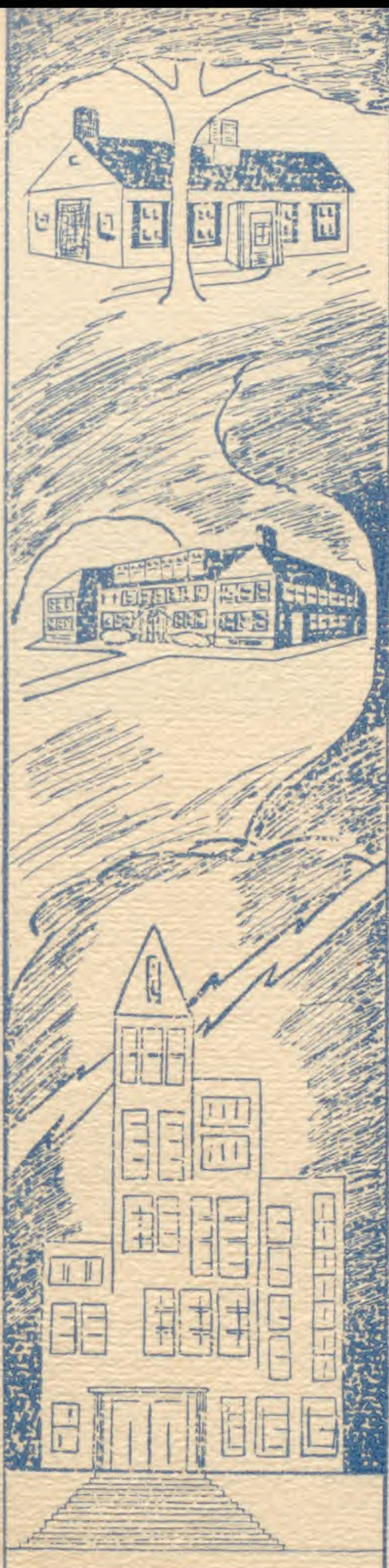
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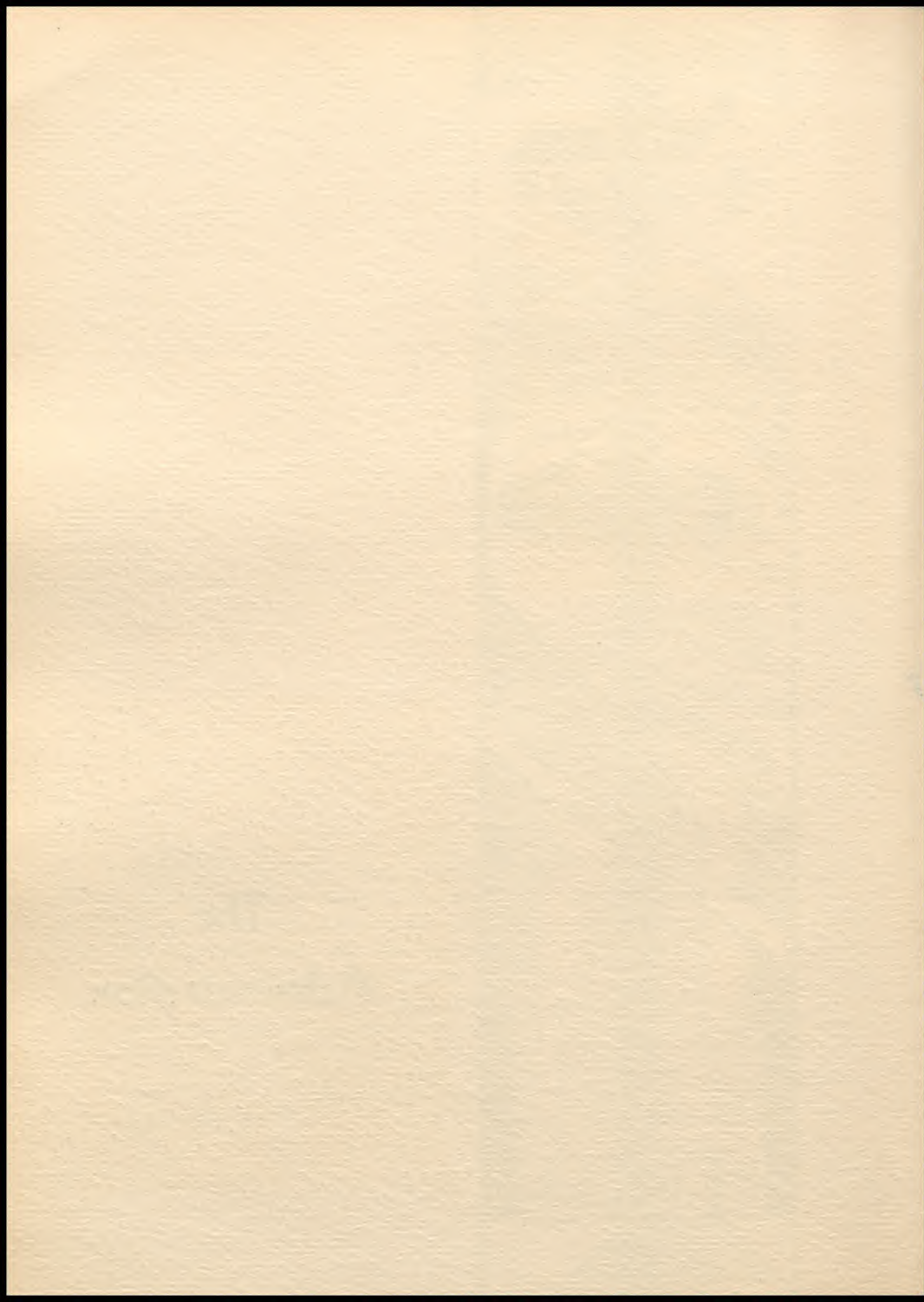
*“—Bethune Duncan, the brother of Chief Justice Duncan of South Carolina, commenced teaching school at Oak Tree, October 1819, and continued his service for forty-five years. He had found his place for he loved books and children, was competent in all he undertook to teach, and many a man and woman of this vicinity received from his thorough knowledge an impression of character which have done much to make them valued and efficient citizens.—”*





# The Administration









MR. CARL H. GALLOWAY  
*Supervising Principal*



MR. ELMO E. SPOERL  
*High School Principal*



*Commercial  
Department*

MRS. MILDRED E. TRESCH

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MRS. MILDRED H. SWANK

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*Language  
Department*

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*English Department*

MRS. ALICE M. JONES\*

MISS CATHERINE McCABE



*Mathematics  
Department*

MR. JOSEPH F. FIORILLA

MR. WILLIAM P. SMITH

\*Resigned because of health.  
Replaced by Miss Elsie Farrell



*History Department*

MR. RAY C. HERB

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*Physical Training  
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*Science Department*

MR. WILLIAM H. TIRRELL

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*School Secretary*

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*School Nurse*

MISS ESTHER PIERSON

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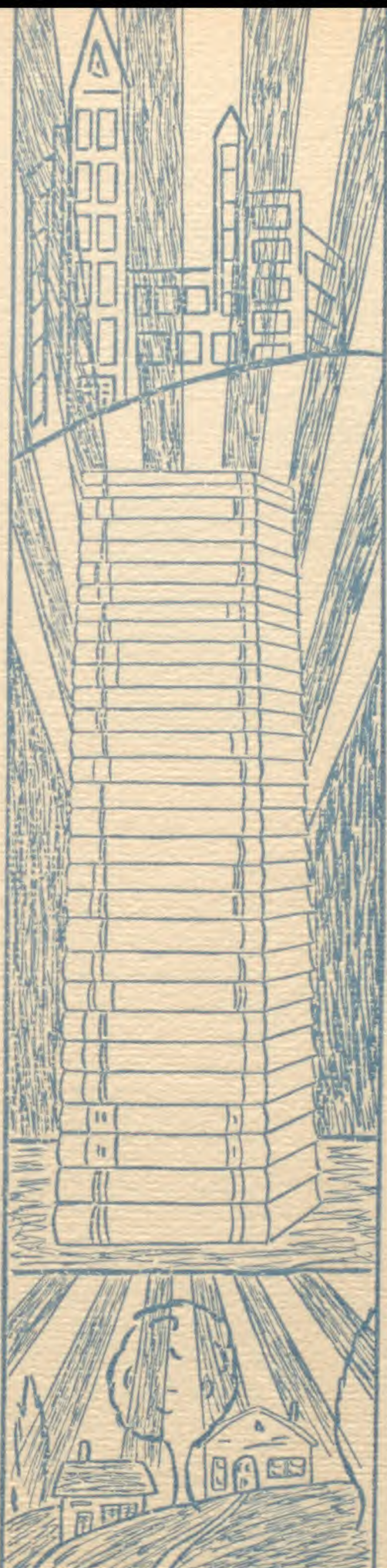


*School Doctor*

DR. JOHN WITMER

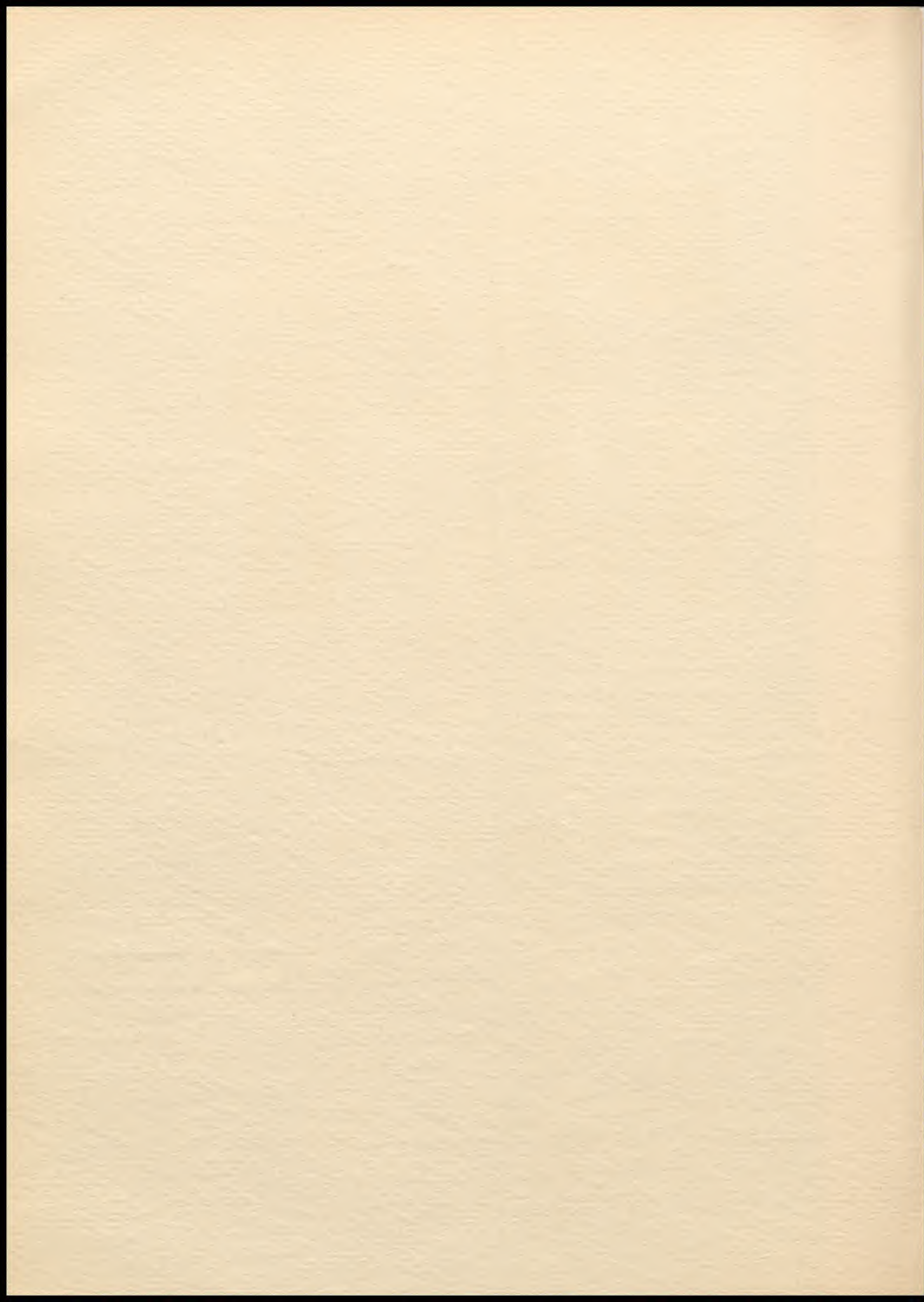
*“—It was considered something of an advance when in 1765, covered Jersey wagons, without springs, running twice a week, enabled travelers to make the time, and a line afterward of good stage wagons, the seats on springs, which in summer got the passengers through in two days was known as the Flying Machine Line, and up to the year 1800 there was no improvement upon that.—”*





## The CLASSES









## CLASS OF 1934

<i>President</i> .....	WALTER TUCKER
<i>Vice-President</i> .....	CHARLES KLEIN
<i>Treasurer</i> .....	ALICE BILLMAN
<i>Secretary — Rm. 9</i> .....	MARY JACKSON
<i>Secretary — Rm. 27</i> .....	ESTHER REIN

1934



Christine Allsopp

Clarence Bacha



Frieda Bamman

Frederick Batkin



Mae Becker

Alice Billman

CHRISTINE ALLSOPP

*"Chrissie"*

Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3.

FRIEDA BAMMAN

*"Fritzie"*

Glee Club 1, 4; History Club 1, 2; Latin Club 2; Hockey 1; Dramatic Club 4; Annual Staff 4; Blue Letter News 4; Senior Play 4; Outdoor Club 2.

MAE BECKER

Basketball 4.

CLARENCE BACHA

*"Bocka"*

Football 2, 3; capt. 4; Basketball 3, 4; Senior Play Com. 4; Varsity Club 3, 4.

FREDERICK BATKIN

*"Batty"*

Industrial Club 3; Football 4; Annual Staff 4.

ALICE BILLMAN

*"Billie"*

Glee Club 1; History Club 1, 2; Latin Club 2. Class Secretary 3; Class Treasurer 4; Annual Staff Business Manager 4; Senior Play Com.



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Hayden Boland

Dorothy Breen

William Bromfield

Audrey Brown

Alys Burgess

Joseph Carroll



#### HAYDEN BOLAND

*"Tex"*

Hi-Y 2; Sec. 3, Chpln. 4; Hall Patrol 3; S. G. O. Pres. 4; Class V. Pres. 3; Senior Play 4; Latin Club 2; Football 3, 4; Jr. Sr. Prom. Com. 3.

#### WILLIAM BROMFIELD

*"Speed"*

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball, J. V. 1, Capt. 2, 3; Varsity 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3; Track Manager 4; Varsity Club 3, 4; Operetta 2; Blue Letter Staff 4, Senior Play Committee 4.

#### ALYS BURGESS

*"Alley"*

Glee Club 1.

#### DOROTHY BREEN

*"Dot"*

Typing Club 2; Dramatic Club 1, 2; Senior Play 4; Hall Patrol 4; S. G. O. 4; Operetta 2.

#### AUDREY BROWN

*"Auddy"*

Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, Pres. 4; Glee Club 3; Operetta 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Hockey 1, 2; Outdoor Club 2; History Club Sec. 2; Senior Play 4; Blue Letter Staff 4; Debating Club Corr. Sec. 4; Latin Club 2; Blue Letter News 4; Industrial Club 3.

#### JOSEPH CARROLL

Boys Glee Club 4.

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Harry Cheche

Florence Clare

Marion Dalsgard

Maxwell Denecke, Jr.

Muriel Drake

Julia Galambos

HARRY CHECHE

*"Harry"*

Industrial Club 3.

MARION DALSGARD

*"Cici"*

Glee Club 1, 2; Typing Club 2.

MURIEL DRAKE

*"Moo"*

Glee Club 1, 2.

FLORENCE CLARE

*"Floss"*

Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 2, 3;  
Senior Play 4; Annual Staff 4; Art Club  
2; Operetta 2.

MAXWELL DENECKE, Jr.

*"Max"*

Latin Club 2; Debating Club 2, 4; In-  
dustrial Club 3; Harmonica Club 2, 4;  
Football Manager 3, 4; Varsity Club 4;  
Operetta 2, 3; Senior Play 4; Annual  
Staff 3; Hi-Y 4; Business Manager Mag-  
azine Campaign 4; Dramatic Club 1, 2,  
3, 4; History Club 2; Cheerleader 3;  
Math. Club 1; Latin Club 2.

JULIA GALAMBOS

*"Judy"*

Glee Club 2.



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Robert Gatewood

Leopold Graziade

Peter Guzzardo

Margaret Halvorsen

William Hansen

Caroline Healy



ROBERT GATEWOOD

*"Bob"*

Track 3, 4.

PETER GUZZARDO

Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Harmonica Club 2, 4; Radio Club 3;  
Track 2, 3, 4; Wrestling 3; Football 3;  
Soccer 4; Basketball 4; Baseball 4.

WILLIAM HANSEN

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

LEOPOLD GRAZIDE

Soccer 4.

MARGARET HALVORSEN

*"Halvie"*

Latin Club 2; History Club 2; Outdoor  
Club 2.

CAROLINE HEALY

*"Carrie"*

Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2,  
3, 4; Operetta 2, 3; Senior Play 4; His-  
tory Club 2; Industrial Club 3; Student  
Council 1, 2, 3; Cheerleader 4; Annual  
Staff 3, 4; Latin Club 2.

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Mary Jackson

Kenneth Jensen

Roger Johnson

Augusta Juhrdén

John Karabinchak

Grace Kelly

## MARY JACKSON

*"Jackie"*

Glee Club 1; Typing Club 2; Industrial Club 3; Class Secretary 4; Senior Play Com. 4.

## ROGER JOHNSON

*"Rabo"*

Baseball 2; Industrial Club 3; Radio Club 3.

## JOHN KARABINCHAK

*"Johnny"*

Class Treasurer 1; Class President 2; S. G. O. Vice-Pres. 3; Student Council 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4.

## KENNETH JENSEN

*"Kenny"*

Radio Club 3; Industrial Club 3.

## AUGUSTA JUHRDEN

*"Gussie"*

Blue Letter News Typist 4; Typing Club 3.

## GRACE KELLY

*"Gracie"*

Industrial Club 3; Dramatic Club 4; Tennis Club 3.



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Charles Klein

Pauline Koncur

Josephine Labanco

Katherine Larsen

Steve Lazar

Lillian Lowman



CHARLES KLEIN

*"Clark"*

Latin Club 2; Hall Patrol 3, 4; Track 4;  
Wrestling 3; Class Vice-President 4.

PAULINE KONCUR

*"Pauline"*

Glee Club 1; Dramatic Club 1, 2.

JOSEPHINE LABANCO

*"Jo"*

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Typing Club 2; Industrial Club 3; Dramatic Club 4; Tennis Club 3; Senior Play Committee 4.

KATHERINE LARSEN

Glee Club 1, 2.

STEVE LAZAR

*"Comrade"*

Track 2, 3, 4; Wrestling 2; Harmonica Club 4.

LILLIAN LOWMAN

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

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1934

Charles Mankowitz

Ignatius Montalbano

G. Elizabeth Mook

Theodore Moss

J. Stephen O'Brien

Ruth Olsen

CHARLES MANKOWITZ

*"Chas"*

Industrial Club 3.

G. ELIZABETH MOOK

*"Betty"*

Glee Club 1, 2; Dramatic Club 1, 2, 3; History Club 2; Latin Club 2; Debating Club 2, 4; Blue Letter Staff 3, 4; Blue Letter News, Editor 4; Senior Play 4; Industrial Club 3; Operetta 2.

J. STEPHEN O'BRIEN

*"Steve"*

Football 3, 4; Varsity Club 4; Track 3, 4; Wrestling 3; Math Club 2, 3; Radio Club 3; Photography Club 2; Industrial Club 3; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 4; Harmonica Club 2, 3, 4; Operetta 2.

IGNATIUS MONTALBANO

*"Iggy"*

Latin Club 2, 3; Basketball 2; Ass't. Mgr. Baseball 3.

THEODORE MOSS

*"Ted"*

Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Radio Club 2; Latin Club 2; Hi-Y Club 2, 3, 4.

RUTH OLSEN

*"Ruth"*

Glee Club 1, 2.



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1934

Julia Orr

Frank Owsik

Margaret Peake

Lorraine Peartree

Ruth Petersen

Alfred Peticolas



JULIA ORR

*"Julie"*

Hall Patrol 1, 2, 3, 4; Hockey 2, 3; Basketball 3.

FRANK OWSIK

*"Mahatma"*

Basketball 1, 2, 3; Golf 3, 4; Harmonica Club 2, 4.

MARGARET PEAKE

*"Marge"*

Hall Patrol 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3; Hockey 2, 3; Senior Play Com. 4; Latin Club 2.

LORRAINE PEARTREE

*"Lorrie"*

Student Government 3, 4; Hall Patrol 3, 4; Senior Play Com. 4; Class President 3; Latin Club 2; History Club 2.

RUTH PETERSEN

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

ALFRED PETICOLAS

Dramatic 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Senior Play 4.

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Larry Peticolas

Morris Procyk



Catherine Rapp

Esther Rein



William Rhoades

Joe Ribinsky

#### LARRY PETICOLAS

Dramatic Club 4; Track 3, 4; Football 4;  
Senior Play 4; Latin Club 2.

#### MORRIS PROCYK

Soccer 4.

#### CATHERINE RAPP

Glee Club 1, 4; Dramatic Club 1, 4; Typ-  
ing Club 2.

#### ESTHER REIN

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

#### WILLIAM RHOADES

*"Dusty"*

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 3, 4; S. G. O. 2;  
Hall Patrol 2, 3, 4; Senior Play Com. 4;  
Blue Letter Staff 4; Varsity Club 2, 3, 4.

#### JOE RIBINSKY

Football 4; Golf 3, 4; Soccer 4



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1934

Virginia Rohland

David Ross

Joseph Roy

Henry Rublewsky

Joseph Rublewsky

Nellie Schlesinger



VIRGINIA ROHLAND

*"Ginger"*

Glee Club 1; Dramatic Club 1, 2; Basketball 1, 2; Outdoor Club 2; Hockey Club 2.

DAVID ROSS

*"Dave"*

Hi-Y 3, treas. 4; Track 3, 4; Soccer 4.

JOSEPH ROY

*"Joe"*

Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Blue Letter Staff 4; Varsity Club 2, 3, 4.

HENRY RUBLEWSKY

*"Horace"*

Track 3, 4; Harmonica Club 3, 4; Soccer 4; Football 4.

JOSEPH RUBLEWSKY

*"Joe"*

Soccer 4.

NELLIE SCHLESINGER

Dramatic Club 2; Typing Club 2; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

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1934



Frank Schneider

Francis Schuler



Dorothy Schultze

Phillip Schwalje



Elizabeth Schwartz

Charles Seel

FRANK SCHNEIDER

*"Square Head"*

Football 3; Industrial Club 3.

FRANCIS SCHULER

*"Mickey"*

Football 2, 3, 4; Tennis 3, 4; Hall Patrol 2, 3, 4; Senior Play Com. 4; Blue Letter Staff 4; Blue Letter News 4; Varsity Club 4.

DOROTHY SCHULTZE

*"Dot"*

Blue Letter Typist 4.

PHILLIP SCHWALJE

*"Dutch"*

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Tennis 3, 4; Varsity Club 2, 3, 4; Senior Play Com. 4; Hall Patrol 3.

CHARLES SEEL

*"Prime"*

Track 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Student Gov't. 3, 4; Sergt. at Arms 3; Blue Letter News 4; Latin Club 2; Hall Patrol 2, 3, 4; Senior Play Com. 4; Hi-Y 2, 3; Varsity Club 2, 3, 4; Tennis 3, 4.

ELIZABETH SCHWARTZ

Typing Club 2; Basketball 1, 2; Glee Club 1; Blue Letter News 4.



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Grace Turner

Marietta Wagner

Robert Walton

Janet Wilson

Helen Ziegler

Frieda Zimmerman



GRACE TURNER

Glee Club 1, 2.

ROBERT WALTON

"Bob"

Student Council 4; Senior Play 4; Football 3; Radio Club Sec.-Treas. 2; Latin Club 2.

HELEN ZIEGLER

Outdoor Club 2; Typing Club 2; Blue Letter News 4.

MARIETTA WAGNER

"Waggie"

Student Council 2, 4; Hall Patrol 2; Glee Club 2; Dramatic Club 2; Outdoor Club 2; Industrial Club 3; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Typing Club 2; Hockey Club 2; Senior Play Com. 4.

JANET WILSON

"Janey"

Debating Club 4; Annual Staff 4; Senior Play 4; Student Government 4.

FRIEDA ZIMMERMAN

"Fritz"

Blue Letter Typist 4; Glee Club 3.





Charlotte Seggel

Irene Short



Helen Siegelhoffer

Anna Strapko



Walter George Tucker

John Tilp

**CHARLOTTE SEGCEL**

Basketball 3; Hockey 2, 3; Hall Patrol 3, 4; Class Treasurer 3; Senior Play Com. 4; Outdoor Club 2; Latin Club 2; Industrial Club 2.

**HELEN SIEGELHOFFER**

Outdoor Club 2; Typing Club 2; Blue Letter News 4.

**WALTER GEORGE TUCKER**

*"Walt"*

Class President 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Golf 3, 4; Annual Staff 1, 2, 3, Ed. 4; Class Treasurer 2; Varsity Club 4; Hi-Y 2, 3; Pres. 4; Hall Patrol 2, 3, 4; Debating Club 1, 2; Senior Play 4; Council 3; Latin Club 2; Dramatic Club 1, 2; Operetta 3; Glee Club 2.

**IRENE SHORT**

*"Rea"*

Industrial Club 3; Dramatic Club 4; Glee Club 4; Typing Club 2.

**ANNA STRAPKO**

*"Anne"*

Blue Letter News Typist 4; Typing Club 3.

**JOHN TILP**

*"Big John"*

Football 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, Mgr. 4; Blue Letter News 4; Latin Club 2; Varsity Club 2, 3, 4.



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## SENIOR HISTORY

With high hopes and ambitions the Class of 1934 entered Metuchen High School in September, 1930 to do big things in the lines of educational, social, and athletic activities.

Organizing their first group under their faculty advisers Mrs. Tresch and Mr. Neilsen, they elected William Tarey president of the freshmen class, with Bill Powers, Gus MacLachlan, and John Karabinchak as his fellow officers. Their first social activity was a Hallowe'en party, which proved to be a social success. Later in the year a card party was held.

Resting somewhat in the Sophomore year for the more strenuous years to come, a well organized class under the leadership of John Karabinchak played host at a card party and settled fundamental things such as class dues, flowers, and colors. The other class officers were George Pruefer, Anne Strapko, and Walter Tucker.

As Juniors, the Class of '34 began their social season by giving a cake sale which netted the treasury quite a tidy sum. The most startling event of the year was the Junior Dance in which the class gained great prominence by being the first class to clear financially so large a sum, and yet have the event successful socially.

The most enjoyed event of the year was the annual Junior Senior Prom in which the Class of '34 gave the graduating class a much appreciated send-off. The competent officers were Lorraine Peartree, President, with Hayden Boland, Alice Billman, and Charlotte Seggel.

Starting off in their final year of school life by presenting "Ice-bound", the senior play, the Class of 1934 looked forward expectantly, tho' somewhat reluctantly, towards graduation. Sponsoring luncheons weekly netted enough money to insure a trip or dance at the end of the term. The Senior dance given in December was a great social

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success, and the financial income was of appreciable size. Noon and sunset dances were also a source of entertainment. The officers during the last year were: Walter Tucker, Charles Klein, Alice Billman, Esther Rein and Mary Jackson.

After being entertained royally by the Juniors at the Prom, the Seniors began to look toward their last and greatest social event — Commencement.

On June 15, graduation day, the Class of 1934 left Metuchen High School, some of its members to go on to other institutions of learning, others to go straight out into business life, but all with the feeling of time well spent in educational and social activities of their high school life.

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## Singing Along

"We'd Like to Know" .....	Senior Play Theme Song
"Keep the Home Fires Burning" .....	H. Boland in Senior Play
"You've Got Everything" .....	Peggy Ruegger
"I Want You, I Need You" .....	"70"
"Temptation" .....	To cut classes
"The Big, Bad Wolf" .....	Still at the door!
"Don't Blame Me" .....	Bill Rhoades
"Smoke Gets in Your Eyes" .....	Sr. Luncheon Cooks
"I Can't Find a Substitute for You" .....	Broomfield
"Deep River" .....	Legion Field
"You've Got to Be a Football Hero" .....	Gus MacLachan
"Moaning Low" .....	Glee Club
"We'll Make Hay While the Sun Shines" .....	Twitchell
"Sweet and Lovely" .....	Ruth Olsen
"Marching Along Together" .....	Senior Class
"We'll Always be Sweethearts" .....	Jean and Bill
"You've Got Me in between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea" .....	Those chemistry formulas
"Alice in Wonderland" .....	Alice Billman
"The Street where Old Friends Meet" .....	Main Street
"Two Hearts" .....	Seggel and Schwalje
"I Want to Ring Bells" .....	Doris Oehlers
"Did You Ever See a Dream Walking?" .....	June Lamb
"Sophisticated Lady" .....	Anna Seel
"When Irish Eyes Are Smilin' " .....	Steve O'Brien
"The Whistlin' Cowboy" .....	Hayden Boland
"Absent Minded Flo" .....	Florence Clare
"I've Done My Work" .....	Class of '34
"The Last Round-up" .....	Graduation
"You're Such a Comfort to Me" .....	Diploma

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## SENIOR WILL

Now you know why we wanted your birthdays. Not for your ages, but for your gifts. As this is the 200th birthday of Metuchen Schools, we thought we'd celebrate and give you birthday presents. Many times during the developing of this have we thought of leaving you out completely; but better natures prevailing, we leave much worse to you, most likely.

We give to:—

## JANUARY

- J. SEGAL — *A day without sickness*  
 T. RIBINSKY — *Brother Joe's ability*  
 S. UCHIN — *An automatic head-twister*  
 E. MURPHY — *Ex-Mayor O'Brien's chin*  
 G. BOXWELL — *An artist's future*  
 B. SCHWARTZ — *Right to be barker at a circus*  
 C. STEAD — *A car of his own*  
 A. CVETKO — *A pack of chewing gum—for himself*  
 F. ELLIS — *The right to talk to the boys*  
 M. LINK — *A Royal Typewriter*

## FEBRUARY

- M. FEKETE — *Her father's store*  
 L. PENDLETON — *His saxophone*  
 H. MYARSKI — *A make-up kit*  
 J. VINCENT — *A blonde*  
 A. HEMMER — *The pet name "Phoenician"*  
 E. BLAZEJOWSKI — *What little girls are made of!*

## MARCH

- C. SMEDICK — *A harem*  
 E. MCKEE — *A pallet and brush*  
 J. LAZAR — *The right to become manager of the A & P*  
 A. HALL — *More attention*  
 G. DILLBERGER — *The right to blow up the Lab.*  
 R. KISTRUP — *An excellent English theme*  
 D. SINCLAIR — *The ability to harmonize*  
 M. SMITH — *A Latin pony*  
 W. CONTARDI — *The right to beat Andy in Math.*  
 G. CULLEN — *A pair of pants that won't rip.*  
 F. J. PATRICK — *The right to become a Varsity man*  
 A. RONNAN — *An alarm clock — what! late again?*

- R. BRICE — *A new overcoat*  
 R. KRAMER — *Sister Agnes*  
 P. SALAMONE — *The right to follow in his father's footsteps*  
 E. HARRIS — *Eric Lund*

## APRIL

- R. TWITCHELL — *The right to be the original "April Fool"*  
 R. MACKEY — *Mr. Herb*  
 J. YELENSICS — *A position on the Varsity*  
 B. POWERS — *Jean*  
 F. CONNORS — *An escort to High School Dances*  
 Y. HOEPFNER — *The ability to transcribe shorthand notes.*  
 C. MOLLOY — *A bottle of "Coty's"*  
 A. BETTS — *The ability to differ from Tommy*  
 J. JAROS — *The right to give a report in History without blushing*  
 H. EMERY — *Dare we say Larry?*  
 A. HAIDUK — *An answer to all perplexing questions*  
 F. BRUNO — *The right to stick with Corinne*  
 J. TUFFARO — *The right to become a class "A" caddy*  
 J. FLYNT — *A compact*  
 L. GRAZINE — *A contract to Hollywood*  
 G. MORRIS — *Signatures for her autograph album*  
 R. SMALLEY — *The attraction on Durham Avenue*

## MAY

- V. THIRIKAIN — *The right to play hooky in peace*  
 A. SPOERL — *Her father, with hopes that it doesn't "Spoerl" her*  
 L. RYDER — *A boyfriend big enough to take care of her*  
 E. BRUNER — *First violin in orchestra*



## JUNE

- J. PATRICK — *The right to be a football star*  
 C. DINGMAN — *Something to help him grow up*  
 A. KRAMER — *Sister Ruth*  
 J. DEWENDER — *We leave more Power(s)!!*  
 E. FAUQUIER — *A permanent wave*  
 M. HEMMER — *Clark Gable*  
 F. ZAHN — *Ruby*  
 H. NOLL — *A new spirit*  
 O. THORNALL — *A rowing machine*  
 K. KOYEN — *Something for bashfulness ..*  
 G. FOOTE — *Blue-jays for her crops*  
 J. WARGO — *A pair of gym shorts (not orange)*

## JULY

- F. DIBBLE — *The right to "dibble" in politics*  
 J. TEN EYK — *A certain Senior girl*  
 H. TOROK — *The right to become a professional hooky player*  
 H. ROGACH — *Honors in typing*  
 R. GRAZINE — *An admirer*  
 M. McMANUS — *A "mary" life*  
 A. DUDAS — *Money to get Miss Crowell a new thermometer*  
 M. PROYOR — *A powder puff*  
 C. O'NEILL — *Frieda*  
 M. MEYERS — *A gas station on the Super-Highway*

## AUGUST

- C. SCHREYACK — *More audiences to conquer (?)*  
 W. HUNTER — *The right to graduate*  
 B. LETSON — *The right to be a basso (if he lives long enough)*  
 D. MOSS — *More instruments to play*  
 M. BROWN — *A set of crayons*  
 M. LEISS — *The right to be a star athlete*  
 L. RITTHALER — *A Public Service Ticket*  
 R. HINDS — *Honey and almond cream (?)*  
 A. BREMS — *Blonde curls*

## SEPTEMBER

- R. WRIGHT — *Success on the golf team*  
 G. JENSEN — *A boy*  
 J. MOOK — *Ph. D. degree*  
 H. DARROW — *Defense against Larry*

- F. MACMAHON — *A Chemistry Partner*  
 J. GEHRUM — *His clarinet*  
 W. WUEST — *Some new orchestrations*  
 N. SORENSON — *A radio Transmitter*  
 A. SEEL — *The right to fill (?) Charlie's shoes*  
 R. REMLEY — *Gilbert Cullen*  
 D. KISTRUP — *A new brief case*  
 G. MURRAY — *The ability to be a scientist*  
 G. OSBORNE — *Longer (?) legs*  
 C. GLANFIELD — *A successful Ball team*  
 L. DECK — *The right to be conceited*

## OCTOBER

- E. LUTH — *Nice weather up there*  
 J. MARZELLA — *A day to skip*  
 G. HALPIN — *Pep tablets*  
 F. PATRICK — *A book on "How to Study"*  
 G. HOWATT — *A nurse*  
 J. KENNADAY — *More girls for his Pontiac*  
 C. MEIXNER — *It "Meix—ner" difference what he gets*  
 C. HEIBURG — *Germany*  
 D. PIERSON — *A "pier—son" glance*  
 A. SHERIDAN — *A pair of silk stockings*

## NOVEMBER

- G. MILLER — *Lots of "Love"!*  
 J. BATYI — *A bus to get to school*  
 W. YUCKYMOW — *A book on "How to Speak French"*  
 M. PERSON — *"Person"—ality plus*  
 J. HANSON — *The right to call himself superior to all others*  
 J. CARROLL — *The right to be a scholar*  
 M. KUNCEWIZ — *The right to be at her "wiz" end*  
 R. ELY — *A pack of "ciggies"*

## DECEMBER

- J. HOGSTROM — *A left-handed football*  
 S. KODZKO — *The Varsity*  
 A. EMANUEL — *A longer trombone*  
 P. BRILL — *An "O" to go with Brill*  
 M. DIMLER — *Lessons on how to make tea*  
 H. VOORHEES — *The right to be Captain of Football, 1934*  
 R. MACMAHON — *The ability to protect Frances from Chem. Partners*  
 A. KOSHINSKY — *Reducing tablets*  
 B. HOPE — *A French Notebook*





## CLASS OF 1935

<i>President</i> .....	JEAN DEWENDER
<i>Vice-President</i> .....	BEN LETSON
<i>Secretary</i> .....	FRIEDA BRUNO
<i>Treasurer</i> .....	DOT KISTRUP
<i>Faculty Advisers</i> .....	{ MRS. RUSSELL MR. SENERCHIA MISS McCABE MR. FIORILLA



## GIRLS

Blazejowski, E.  
 Boxwell, G.  
 Brown, M.  
 Bruner, E.  
 Bruno, F.  
 Connors, F.  
 Darrow, H.  
 Dewender, J.  
 Dimler, M.  
 Dudas, A.  
 Ellis, F.  
 Emery, H.  
 Fauquier, E.  
 Fekete, M.  
 Foote, G.  
 Grazine, L.  
 Haiduk, A.  
 Hall, A.  
 Harris, E.  
 Hemmer, M.  
 Hoepfner, Y.  
 Hope, R.  
 Jensen, G.  
 Kistrup, D.  
 Kodzko, S.  
 Kramer, A.  
 Kramer, R.  
 Kuncewicz, M.  
 Leiss, M.  
 Luth, E.  
 Marzella, J.  
 McManus, M.  
 McMahon, F.  
 Meyers, M.  
 Morris, G.  
 Molloy, C.  
 Morgan, F.  
 Myarski, H.  
 Noll, H.  
 O'Neill, C.  
 Person, M.  
 Pierson, D.  
 Pryor, M.  
 Rogach, H.  
 Ronnan, A.  
 Ryder, L.  
 Schreyach, C.  
 Seel, A.  
 Sheridan, A.  
 Sinclair, D.  
 Spoerl, A.  
 Tomecho, M.  
 Torok, H.  
 Turikain, V.  
 Uchin, S.  
 Zahn, F.

# JUNIOR

Although the Junior Class had home-room of-  
 ficers, group class meetings were held the first  
 and third Tuesdays of the month. Mrs. Russell,  
 Miss McCabe, Mr. Senerchia, and Mr. Fiorilla  
 were the class advisers. In outside activities  
 the class was notable, taking a prominent part  
 in clubs and sports. The class held a dance  
 on March 16, and gave the Seniors their annual







# CLASS

prom on June 1. During home-room periods committees met and gave reports which were discussed with the groups during class meetings. Next year the class will step forward to carry the burden of being the Senior Class of the school. Lots of luck to it!



## BOYS

Baty, J.  
 Betts, A.  
 Brill, P.  
 Contardi, W.  
 Cullen, G.  
 Cvetko, A.  
 Deck, L.  
 Dibble, F.  
 Dillberger, G.  
 Dingman, C.  
 Ely, R.  
 Emanuel, A.  
 Flynt, J.  
 Gehrum, J.  
 Glanfield, C.  
 Grazine, R.  
 Halpin, G.  
 Hanson, J.  
 Heiburg, C.  
 Hemmer, A.  
 Hinds, R.  
 Hogstrom, J.  
 Howatt, G.  
 Hunter, W.  
 Jaros, J.  
 Kistrup, R.  
 Koshinsky, A.  
 Koyen, K.  
 Lazar, J.  
 Letson, B.  
 Link, M.  
 Mackey, R.  
 Marko, O.  
 McKee, E.  
 McMahon, R.  
 Meixner, C.  
 Miller, G.  
 Mook, J.  
 Moss, D.  
 Murphy, E.  
 Murray, G.  
 Osborn, G.  
 Patrick, F.  
 Patrick, F. J.  
 Patrick, J.  
 Pendleton, L.  
 Powers, W.  
 Remley, R.  
 Ritthaler, L.  
 Salamone, P.  
 Schwartz, B.  
 Segal, J.  
 Smalley, R.  
 Smedick, C.  
 Smith, M.  
 Sorenson, N.  
 Stead, C.  
 TenEcyk, J.  
 Tuffaro, J.  
 Twitchell, R.  
 Wargo, J.  
 Wright, R.  
 Yuchymow, W.



# BLUE LETTER NEWS

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## BROADWAY MUSIC HALL FIRST OPENED TO PUBLIC

Large Audience Attends Program  
by Soloists, Chorus and Quartet

Last evening the new music hall on Broadway was opened. Quite an audience turned out to hear the soloists of the evening, who were the Misses C. Healy, F. Bamman, D. Breen, and J. Orr. The chorus was composed of J. Wilson, M. Peake, C. Rapp, E. Schwartz, A. Burgess, M. Dalsgard, and I. Short. A mixed quartet sang some very pleasing numbers. The quartet's conductor was Miss L. Peartree.

Another performance is scheduled for next Tuesday evening.

## MILKMEN'S RIOT AT PEAK; GUARDS HOLD SPEAKERS IN JAIL

Compromise Expected Soon,  
Leaders Have Been Consulted

The Milkmen's riot that is being led by W. Tucker and W. Hansen has finally reached a peak. Last night speakers took their place on a box platform outside the city here. L. Lowman, W. Rhoades, and A. Brown all had a few things to say. It is expected that the riot will be terminated by a compromise in the near future. The guards of the city took the three speakers and many of the audience to the city jail where they will be held for bail. No further information has been able to be obtained as yet, but all expect that everything concerning the riot will be in tomorrow's news.

## AVIATION QUESTION CLOSES; DECISION FAVORS RAILROADS

Question: "Shall Aviation Take the  
Place of Railroads"

The question "Shall Aviation Take the Place of Railroads" has finally closed with the decision as negative.

When the question came up before, Secretary of State Denecke, presided; but at this last vote President Cheche, of the incorporated aviation service was chairman,

## VOCATIONAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS OBTAINS ENOUGH FUNDS TO OPEN

Miss Labanco Appointed Head of  
Association with Assistants

The Vocational School in lower New York has finally succeeded in obtaining sufficient funds to open. The school is open to girls only between the ages of 15 and 25.

Miss J. Labanco has been appointed by the board of directors as president of the association. She was to choose three helpers. The three chosen by her were the Misses M. Jackson, R. Perterson, and M. Wagner. The faculty is as follows:

Art- Miss F. Clare; Beauty work- Miss D. Schultz; Domestic Arts- Miss M. Halvorsen; Music- Miss J. Galambos; Science- Miss A. Billman.

## KONCUR COLLAPSES WHEN VERDICT IS "ACQUITTAL"

Lawyer Claims Strain Affected  
Heart

Miss P. Koncur was acquitted of the murder of F. Zimmerman yesterday, in the third District Court. When Judge Boland read the verdict, Miss Koncur fainted. The lawyer for the defense, the Honorable S. Lazar reports that Dr. M. Procyk says that she has had too much strain and it has affected the heart.

A mob gathered outside the court when the acquitted came out, but it was successfully beaten off by Sergeant A. Peticolas and his men.

The court now intends to try D. Ross, who has been up for trial before.

F. Batkin and C. Bacha were his right hand men. Miss E. Mook and Miss B. Gahan spoke for the Railroad. If the decision had been yes, President L. Peticolas of the railroad would have taken the position of assistant president in the aviation service. However, now that the answer is no, his status will remain as before.

## RIOTS IN SING SING LIBERATES PRISONERS

Nine Former Metuchen Students  
Escape.

Last night an attempt to escape was made and carried out by the inmates of Sing-Sing prison.

About eleven o'clock a sham fight started between two of the men in one of the cells. When the guard entered the cell, he was attacked and four prisoners took his keys and unlocked two other cells. Among those missing are: F. Schneider, J. Karabinchak, I. Montalbano, F. Owsik, C. Mankowitz, G. Kelly, E. Rein, A. Juhnden, and M. Becker.

Any information concerning the whereabouts of these persons will be gratefully accepted by the police authorities.

## NIGHT CLUB RAIDS CONTINUE AS CITY'S FINEST OBEY MAYOR

Lieutenant Tilp as Leader Proves  
Worthiness of His Squad

Mayor O'Brien's idea of raiding all the New York night clubs is being carried out by Squad number 34, under the leadership of Lieutenant Tilp. Last night some of the most prominent clubs were closed. Among them were The Jolly Miller, owned by C. Seel; The Haven, owned by R. Gatewood; The Champion, owned by F. Schuler; The Esmond, owned by P. Guzzardo; The Beaucaire, owned by P. Schwalje and C. Seggel; The Cresto, owned by R. Walton and T. Moss; and La Maison, owned by H. Rublewsky.

Mayor O'Brien has sent out other squads also to route out other clubs of this type. Three of the squads are under the leadership of J. Ribinsky, L. Graside, and J. Roy.

### ADVERTISEMENT

A young girl, good looking, has a good education but without funds, wishes to inherit some money. Please write to

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104 May Street,  
Ashville, Illinois.



# Lower Classes

*“—The record, though unpretending has been substantial and honorable, with names and history unmarred by any blot or blur inimical to fairness and respectability of fame; the present is with us to plan and enjoy, the future is before us to execute and unfold—”*









# M O R E S

The sophomore year began with considerably less gusto, although the candy selling continued. As the funds of the class were rather low, no social functions were given. The officers of the year were Ronald Osborne, again elected President; Betty Brockert, Vice-President; Elizabeth Jessen, Secretary; and Howard Eldridge, Treasurer.

One of the greatest surprises of the year was to find that a great deal of the basketball talent was coming from the Sophomore class. The Seniors were a close second in the intramural games with the Sophomores, to the chagrin of the Seniors and the delight of the Sophomores.

Toward the end of the year, another cake sale was held which helped the financial conditions of the class considerably.

Altogether, the Freshman and Sophomore years might be called both successful and profitable.

## BOYS

Abry, P.  
Balch, K.  
Benson, W.  
Bisogne, B.  
Bolton, R.  
Brems, A.  
Brunstetter, P.  
Brice, R.  
Cheche, S.  
Cobbs, C.  
Coche, James  
Coche, John  
Cordes, J.  
Disario, N.  
Drake, A.  
Eldridge, H.  
Gargano, G.  
Giger, G.  
Gordon, H.  
Gray, E.  
Hartman, J.  
Hersey, E.  
Hunter, J.  
Johnson, J.  
Leff, T.  
Lund, E.  
McKain, W.  
Messeroll, H.  
Miller, C.  
Mozgai, J.  
Murphy, J.  
O'Brien, K.  
O'Connell, J.  
Osborne, R.  
Ostergaard, W.  
Parfinuk, A.  
Peake, T.  
Peters, C.  
Ribinsky, T.  
Ronnan, W.  
Rossi, P.  
Rule, D.  
Schyrba, W.  
Siegler, H.  
Sterling, G.  
Tuffaro, J.  
Veghte, J.  
Vincent, J.  
Voohees, H.  
Waldron, W.  
Wuest, W.  
Yelensciac, J.





## GIRLS

Arronet, E.	Lippai, O.
Behr, M.	Lund, A.
Bohl, E.	McKain, P.
Breen, B.	Meyers, D.
Clausen, V.	Mook, R.
Corderey, O.	Mueller, L.
Daniels, M.	Nevad, L.
Deri, J.	Patrick, C.
De Roziere, C.	Peterscak, E.
Deters, B.	Peterscak, M.
Dusesoi, A.	Pipik, J.
Ellis, F.	Prayne, H.
Ellsworth, V.	Radakovits, A.
Esso, C.	Reynolds, M.
Estoppey, D.	Rose, M.
Gehrums, D.	Sale, M.
Gorbe, H.	Sanderson, E.
Gunderson, D.	Schultz, A.
Hanson, P.	Scruggs, V.
Hoffman, E.	Smith, G.
Jacobs, A.	Smith, V.
Jaros, E.	Stateman, L.
Johanson, E.	Stilo, L.
Kistrup, M.	Timper, A.
Kuehner, M.	Tompkins, F.
Kuhne, G.	Tufaro, K.
Kuncewiz, J.	Tutt, L.
Labanco, C.	Vrablic, E.
Lange, L.	Wagner, D.
Lazar, R.	Weinberger, D.
Leiss, M.	White, V.
Light, L.	Zimmerman, D.

# F R E S

Room 21 *President* ..... George Johnson  
*Vice-President* ..... William Sorg  
*Secretary-Treasurer* ..... Claire de Rosieres  
*Council Representative* ..... George Johnson

Room 19 *President* ..... Gunther Heyse  
*Secretary* ..... Joseph Phillips  
*Treasurer* ..... Dwight Waite  
*Council Representative* ..... Gunther Heyse

Bkg. *President* ..... Ella Kistrup  
*Vice-President* ..... Mildred Leis  
*Secretary* ..... Doris Bohl  
*Sergeant at Arms* ..... Dorothy Johansen  
*Council Representative* ..... Frances Radakovits

Room 23 *Presidents* ..... George Ruddy  
*during* ..... Frank Egbert  
*the* ..... Anthony Accardi  
*year.* ..... Velma Clausen  
*Term* ..... Ruth Mook  
*of* ..... Donald Snyder  
*office* ..... Omer Grazide  
*one month* ..... Doris Estoppey

### Faculty Advisers

Mr. Blisard, Mrs. Tresch, Miss Kuntz.





# H M E N

Home-room activities of the Freshman class have far surpassed the doings of the class as a whole because of the large number of students comprising it. Each home-room group elected officers to take over the business of the class.

Mr. Blisard's group had elections at the beginning of the year. These officers held their positions until the end of the term when they were reelected. However, Mrs. Tresch and Mr. Richards planned monthly elections for the home-room officers. Home-room periods were set aside for class meetings. Trials and debates, surveys, study plans, and vocational studies helped many students. On certain days individual talks with the pupils took place, this giving the teachers an opportunity to gain intimate knowledge of the students and giving the students chances to plan hobbies and to take better advantage of the opportunities offered by the school.

## BOYS

Accardi, A.	Meadows, W.
Barber, E.	Mahring, H.
Batkin, S.	Molosky, A.
Bensen, W.	Neilson, A.
Brann, T.	Owsik, C.
Butler, M.	Padula, W.
Buzak, J.	Pennington, J.
Campbell, W.	Perrine, F.
Cordrey, I.	Phillips, J.
Dennis, G.	Ponticell, B.
Disario, A.	Powers, H.
Dudas, N.	Pray, E.
Egbert, F.	Recktenwald, G.
Egolf, J.	Richard, C.
Ellsworth, H.	Riddle, L.
Farrington, R.	Rohland, L.
Fauquier, T.	Rouw, L.
Gahan, N.	Ross, J.
Gray, J.	Ruddy, G.
Gray, John	Ryan, C.
Gray, S.	Schlesinger, S.
Grazide, O.	Schuh, H.
Grieb, P.	Smith, K.
Grossbeck, J.	Smith, R.
Hammill, W.	Snyder, D.
Hancock, E.	Sorg, W.
Hendel, E.	Shteir, E.
Herrick, M.	Tatten, R.
Heyse, G.	Vincent, W.
Hochfelder, S.	Vogel, M.
Hunter, W.	Voorhees, H.
Irwin, R.	Wagle, S.
Jackson, J.	Wagner, C.
Javornicky, W.	Waite, D.
Jensen, R.	Walker, J.
Johnson, G.	Wathan, J.
June, W.	Watson, T.
Koenig, R.	Whelan, J.
Lockhart, G.	Williams, H.
Macak, W.	Wright, F.
Magliene, G.	Wright, J.





#### GIRLS

Afflerbach, V.  
 Applegate, L.  
 Batyi, R.  
 Berrein, K.  
 Blackburn, E.  
 Butler, T.  
 Cramer, A.  
 Connoly, M.  
 Dalsgard, N.  
 Deck, A.  
 Deitz, M.  
 Dimler, T.  
 Drake, J.  
 Egolf, E.  
 Ellingwood, B.  
 Friedman, P.  
 Giger, M.  
 Halpin, A.  
 Hansen, A.  
 Hunter, H.  
 Johnson, D.  
 Laing, W.  
 Lee, R.  
 Marko, M.  
 Miller, B.  
 Morgan, V.  
 Mundy, F.  
 Ognowsky, C.  
 Owsik, J.  
 Pascall, A.  
 Phillips, B.  
 Pruefer, R.  
 Reh fuss, I.  
 Samolis, A.  
 Starr, E.  
 Stillick, F.  
 Weber, M.  
 White, M.  
 Wright, A.

## E I G H T H

Room 15 *President* ..... Walter Baumgartner  
*Vice-President* ..... John Radakovits  
*Secretary* ..... Arthur Orpin  
*Sergeant at Arms* ..... Louis Treneseny  
*Council Representative* ..... Percy Milligan

Room 16 *President* ..... Iona Reh fuss  
*Council Representative* ..... Leonore Applegate

Room 14 *President* ..... Joanne Drake  
*Vice-President* ..... John Gramer  
*Secretary* ..... John Cobbs  
*Sergeant at Arms* ..... Charles Lazar  
*President* ..... Eric Gunst  
*Vice-President* ..... Charles Rectenwald  
*Secretary* ..... John Cobbs  
*Sergeant at Arms* ..... Robert La Rowe  
*Council Representative* ..... Jim Crowell

#### *Faculty Advisers*

Mrs. Cooke, Miss Sparkes, and Mr. Tirrell.





# GRADE

Due to the large group this year, the eighth grade held its meetings and discussions in home room groups.

At the beginning of the year, the seventh and eighth grades got together to organize a student government. They elected Rose Batyi as president to have charge of all assembly programs.

Among the active organizations in which the students participated were the Jr. Dramatic Club, the Jr. Glee Club, the Jr. Hi-Y Club, Audobon Club, and others.

The main field of athletics in which they took part was the Jr. Intramural Basketball League. Room 14 won the championship.

## BOYS

Baumgartner, W.  
 Beardsley, R.  
 Crowell, J.  
 Cobbs, J.  
 Daly, W.  
 Dana, R.  
 Daniels, H.  
 Di Lorenzo, J.  
 Drysdale, G.  
 Gardner, E.  
 Gilis, J.  
 Glass, H.  
 Gramer, E.  
 Gramer, J.  
 Gunst, E.  
 Haley, K.  
 Holy, R.  
 Hummer, R.  
 Jackson, C.  
 Jackson, H.  
 Jensen, H.  
 Johnson, C.  
 Kearney, J.  
 Kolllein, T.  
 Kovach, S.  
 La Rowe, R.  
 Lawrence, D.  
 Lazar, C.  
 Lowman, P.  
 Lubkeman, C.  
 Milligan, P.  
 Muha, G.  
 Orpin, A.  
 Potter, A.  
 Praether, J.  
 Radakovits, J.  
 Reade, E.  
 Reick, W.  
 Recktenwald, C.  
 Robinson, G.  
 Rogers, H.  
 Rogers, J.  
 Scala, P.  
 Shieds, E.  
 Sinclair, A.  
 Stewart, W.  
 Torok, J.  
 Trencesey, L.  
 Uhrin, J.  
 Voorhees, N.  
 Wachter, C.  
 Wachter, E.  
 Washington, E.  
 Yachnous, F.



## GIRLS

Allsopp, M.  
 Bisogno, L.  
 Brennan, J.  
 Cannon, R.  
 Cordery, J.  
 Crowell, A.  
 Daniels, A.  
 Dietz, H.  
 Denecke, L.  
 Drake, B.  
 Fortner, N.  
 Geiger, E.  
 Grieb, L.  
 Hanson, H.  
 Hill, J.  
 Hokanson, A.  
 Hume, T.  
 Hutchinson, J.  
 James, M.  
 McMillan, J.  
 Lee, E.  
 Peters, R.  
 Petersen, V.  
 Prosser, D.  
 Read, D.  
 Scarpetti, M.  
 Schuh, E.  
 Schwalje, E.  
 Schwarz, S.  
 Sinclair, D.  
 Starr, K.  
 Taylor, A.  
 Taylor, P.  
 Thompson, D.  
 Tutt, E.  
 Vanderhoof, R.  
 Venett, I.  
 Zimmermann, B.

## BOYS

Bamman, E.  
 Barabates, T.  
 Brunstetter, D.  
 Carlsen, W.  
 Clausen, E.  
 Cordes, G.  
 Desmond, L.  
 Dickson, W.  
 Dietz, G.  
 Evans, J.  
 Farrington, R.  
 Hansen, H.  
 Hendel, H.

# S E V E N T H

Room 20 *President* ..... Ellsworth Rosenberg  
*Vice-President* ..... Lawrence Phelan  
*Treasurer* ..... Robert Ostergaard  
*Sergeant at Arms* ..... Robert Hume  
*Council Representative* ..... Arthur Lovelace

Room 13 *President* ..... Walter MacLachlan  
*Vice-President* ..... Vincent Wainwright  
*Council Representative* ..... Vincent Wainwright

Room 12 *President* ..... Ruth Peters  
*Vice-President* ..... Jacqueline McMillain  
*Secretary-Treasurer* ..... Thelma Hume  
*Council Representative* ..... Doris Sinclair

### *Faculty Advisers*

Miss Platt, Mr. Nielsen and Mr. Hart.





# GRADE

Miss Platt, Mr. Hart, and Mr. Nielson had charge of the seventh grade. Each room had its own class officers who ran the business of the class. The home-rooms were run as separate classes because the number was too great to call together for each meeting. The home-room periods were social periods in which banking was done, current events discussed, court trials and debates held, and laws for the home-room formulated. However, the seventh grade has kept together very well and next year it will become an even more important cog in the wheels of Metuchen High.

## BOYS

Herrick, J.  
 Homann, W.  
 Hume, R.  
 Hunter, E.  
 Ignechi, E.  
 Kamen, J.  
 Liddle, W.  
 Lindras, E.  
 Longabardo, M.  
 Lovelace, A.  
 Nevad, C.  
 Ostergaard, R.  
 Phelan, L.  
 Rosenburg, E.  
 Scruggs, W.  
 Sonn, H.  
 Stevens, H.  
 Tatton, D.  
 Tiirikain, W.  
 Wagner, F.  
 Whitman, E.  
 Johnson, K.  
 Webb, H.  
 Beardsley, E.  
 Crawford, N.  
 D'allessio, A.  
 Drake, C.  
 MacLachlan, W.  
 Poppolardo, J.  
 Rock, L.  
 Roy, A.  
 Scruggs, R.  
 Stanley, W.  
 Strapko, J.  
 Thompson, A.  
 Uhrin, G.  
 Wainwright, V.  
 Weirup, A.  
 Zsamba, J.  
 Gallagher, C.  
 Bauman, E.  
 Baylis, M.  
 Bisogna, A.  
 Grieves, C.  
 Halt, B.  
 Homann, H.  
 Kramarick, A.  
 Lazar, M.  
 Palmeri, R.  
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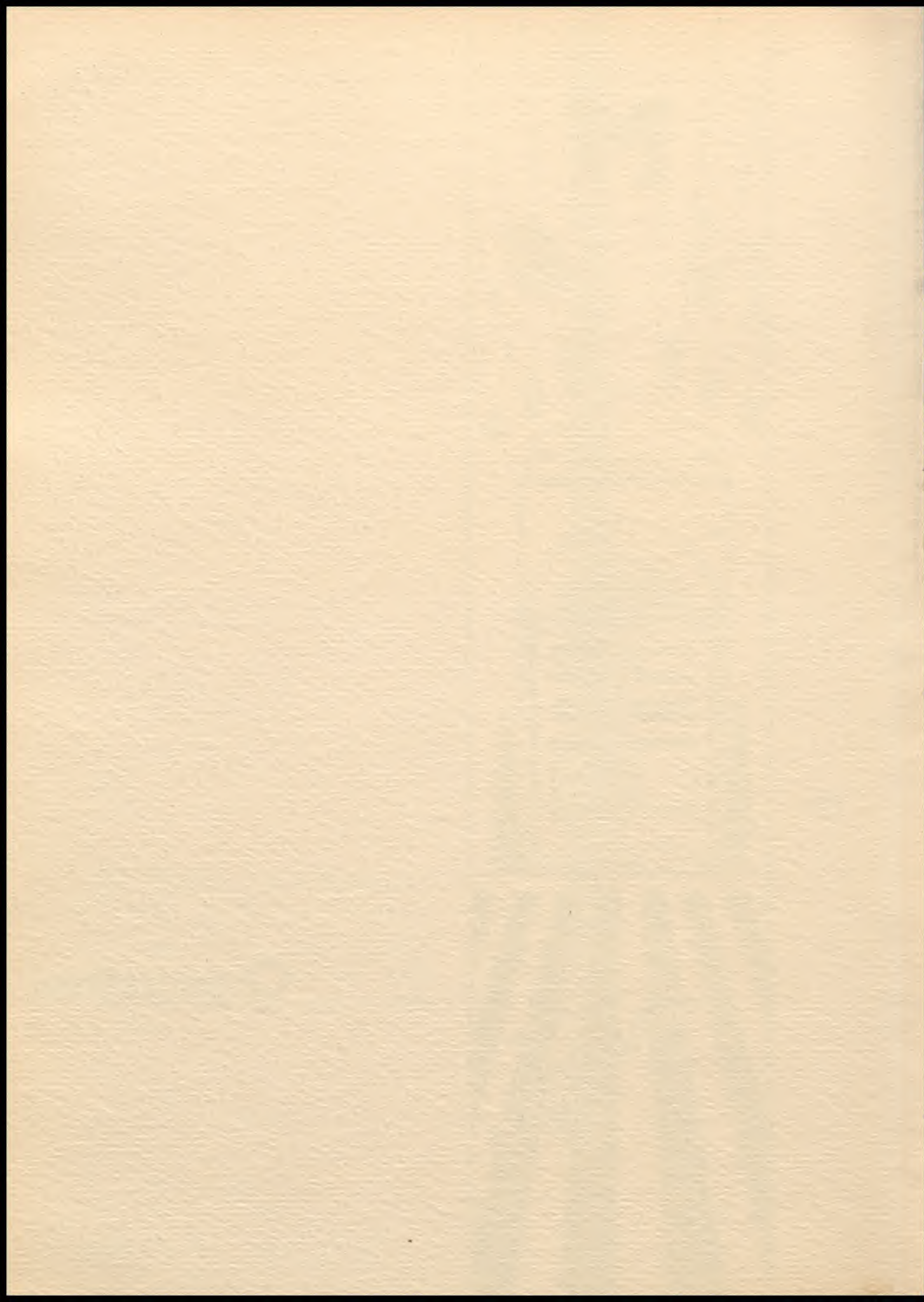
*“—The Debating Society flourished in the Franklin school-house; singing schools were popular; Horace Greeley discoursed on politics to an interested audience; and the “Wood Bee” or “Minister’s Frolic”, as it was then called, came off yearly in October.—”*





Organizations







# Audobon Club



# Senior Play Cast

## AUDOBON CLUB

President ..... Marie Dietz  
Vice President ..... Norma Dalsgard  
Secretary ..... Mildred White  
Treasurer ..... Robert Hume  
Faculty Adviser ..... Mrs. Cook

"To know the birds" is the primary purpose of the Bald Eagle Audobon Club. Meeting every Wednesday afternoon to discuss birds and study bird lore, the club has gained much information and pleasure from its two terms of activity.

By taking many hikes, the club came into direct contact with bird lore and took active participation in the development of The Edgar Park Bird Sanctuary.

The officers elected to hold positions from March to June were: Harry Glass, president; Norma Dalsgard, Vice president; Allen Potter, secretary; and Norma Deitz, treasurer. Pins and material were obtained at the beginning of the year at a very reasonable expense to the club.

## SENIOR PLAY CAST

Place ..... Van Kirk Auditorium  
Title ..... Icebound  
Date ..... December 8  
Director ..... Mr. Spoerl

Depicting quaint New England life, the play provided much work and enjoyment for the cast and those connected with its presentation. With Frieda Bamman and Hayden Boland in the role of the superb lovers and Max Denecke somewhat offsetting the plot with a touch of the humorous, the cast was well balanced with Caroline Healy and Florence Clare as the jealous sisters and Robert Walton as the overwrought husband. The ever present vamp was characterized by Audrey Brown while the Peticolas twins, Alfred and Larry, played the parts of Doctor and Judge respectively. Dorothy Breen was the scheming widow and mother of Max. Betty Mook portrayed well the part of devoted servant while the deputy sheriff was played by Walter Tucker.





### ORCHESTRA

Faculty Director ..... Mr. Galloway  
 Asst. Faculty Director ..... Mr. Senerchia  
 Student Director ..... S. O'Brien

Under Mr. Galloway's direction, the orchestra has done outstanding work this year. It has taken part in all school affairs and has played frequently at out-of-town entertainments.

Among the evening performances the orchestra has had part in were the Senior Play and the high school debate. Quite a large number of new members have been taken into the organization in the past year.

The student body as a whole has shown its appreciation of the orchestra's fine work in assemblies. The townspeople have also been very much pleased with its playing.

### HARMONICA CLUB

Faculty Adviser ..... Mr. Smith

If for no other reason than to supply amusement and music for themselves, a group of boys under Mr. Smith's direction organized a harmonica club.

Meetings took place in Mr. Smith's room at noon time on each Wednesday to practice songs and pieces for assembly programs. The boys developed in a short time into a well organized group of musicians. A presentation was scheduled for an assembly in May and outside arrangements are in order for other auditions. Aside from the loss of a few harmonicas for untimely practising in classes, the club suffered no serious financial setbacks.



# Glee —Club—



# Jr. Glee —Club—

## GLEE CLUB

Faculty Director ..... Mr. Fiorilla

Vocal talent in Metuchen High has its best showing in the Girls' Glee Club which has entertained at numerous functions.

Under the capable baton of Mr. Fiorilla the club has gradually developed into a smoothly operating choral group. Starting out with a membership of sixty-three, it gradually dwindled down to a permanent membership of about thirty-six.

The club entertained at a few assemblies and presented "Ciribiribin" and "Now the Day is Over" for the P. T. A. at its evening meeting and also sang for it at a few afternoon meetings.

## JUNIOR GLEE CLUB

Faculty Director ..... Mr. Galloway  
Asst. Faculty Director ..... Mr. Fiorilla

An opportunity to utilize vocal talent in the Junior High School was also taken advantage of by the Junior Glee Club under the direction of Mr. Galloway. Purely a girls' organization, the club met every Thursday to practice and learn songs.

The club supplied vocal entertainment at a few assemblies and often presented songs at P. T. A. meetings.

Much new talent has been discovered and an ambitious program for next year will give many students an opportunity to enjoy some pleasing programs.





### THE BLUE LETTER

Editor-in-Chief ..... W. Tucker  
 Business Manager ..... A. Billman  
 Associate Editor ..... F. Bamman  
 Sports ..... F. Schuler  
 Literary ..... F. Tucker  
 Art ..... E. McKee  
   F. Clare  
 Faculty Adviser ..... Mr. Blisard

The annual staff got busy this year under the direction of Mr. Blisard, its new faculty adviser. The business staff did well by securing good photographers, engravers, and printers at a very reasonable cost.

The body of the annual was divided into separate departments, each of which had one chairman at its head who was authorized to choose two assistants. These chairmen consisted of: F. Schuler, A. Spoerl, F. Bamman, C. Healy, B. Mook, F. Tucker, W. Rhoades, and J. Hanson.

The staff met every Tuesday night, and special meetings were called about once a week. The staff appreciates the cooperation of the typing students in its effort to publish this annual.

### BLUE LETTER NEWS

Editors ..... F. Bamman  
   F. Tucker  
 Subscription Manager ..... R. Mook  
 Faculty Adviser ..... Mr. Blisard

A few students of our school have striven hard to give us something never before tried in this school. They have done everything, from collecting subscriptions to printing the paper and have made a success of it.

The first copy printed was used about two weeks before Easter and was considered by the pupils to be a very encouraging start. The "dirt" column, "Chalk Dust" with "Oscar, the mascot", was one of the most successful sections. Many of the editorials contained food for thought and were above worth the price placed upon the entire newspaper.

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# Jr. Dramatic — Club —



# Dramatic — Club —

## JUNIOR DRAMATIC CLUB

President ..... P. Mulligan  
Vice President ..... D. Sinclair  
Secretary ..... B. Zimmerman  
Faculty Adviser ..... Mr. Hart

Another Dramatic group was started this year under Mr. Hart's direction in the form of a Junior Dramatic Club. Membership in the club was open to all students in the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades.

The club met every Wednesday afternoon in Mr. Hart's room. Many plays for assemblies were sponsored by this club under the expert coaching of Mr. Hart. A skit, "At the Movies", written and coached by their director, was presented at a joint assembly and was so well enjoyed that it was presented for the benefit of the P. T. A. at the evening meeting in April.

## DRAMATIC CLUB

President ..... Audrey Brown  
Faculty Adviser ..... Mr. Spoerl

After two years of inactivity, the Dramatic Club has been revived. The season was opened encouragingly with a tragedy by J. M. Barrie entitled "The Old Lady Shows Her Medals". The cast, although the principals were both newcomers, gave a satisfying production. Later, upon the suggestion of Mr. Spoerl, the faculty adviser, a series of plays was given to show the progress of the drama. First, a pantomime, then a tragedy followed by a serio-comedy, and lastly, a farce. The appreciation shown by the student body in assembly programs has greatly encouraged the club.

Besides the student entertainment, the productions consisted of a night performance that netted a good sum for the club and the repetition of one of the plays of the series for a Parent-Teachers night.

All in all, the year has been successful.





Jr. Hall  
— Patrol —



### JUNIOR HALL PATROL

Sergeant-at-Arms ..... W. Powers  
Faculty Adviser ..... Mr. Smith

Carrying out the objectives of the Senior Hall Patrol on a somewhat smaller scale, the Junior Hall Patrol was organized this year to teach the Junior high school the discipline and routine of its big brothers and sisters.

Though consisting of only five members the squad kept order in a manner to be envied by any senior group.

The arrangement was a fine opportunity for breaking in officers for the senior squad and also enabled the promotion of self government among the lower classes.

### HALL PATROL

Sergeant-at-Arms ..... W. Powers  
Faculty Adviser ..... Mr. Smith

Keeping order in the halls and between sessions is the primary objective of the hall patrol. The officers are picked by the sergeant at arms and passed upon by the council.

This year a girl hall patrol was organized to alternate with the boys each week. It was the duty of the patrol to see that order was kept in the hall at all times. If any student made an infraction of the rules he was given a summons by an officer and was tried and given punishment. The squad kept the halls clear of all stragglers in the lunch hour and eliminated unruly groups forming in the courts and lower halls. It also took charge of the seating arrangement at assemblies.



# Student —Council—



# Debating —Team—

## STUDENT COUNCIL

President ..... H. Boland  
 Vice President ..... R. Twitchell  
 Secretary ..... J. Cordes  
 Sergeant-at-Arms ..... W. Powers  
 Faculty Adviser ..... Mr. Smith

Traffic-offenders can well testify to the activity of the Student Council during the past year. Discipline cases can also put in a word on that score, for two of the most outstanding doings of the Council have been to introduce a more efficient system of hall patrol and a Student Court for disciplinary cases. They have separately organized a Junior Traffic Squad for Junior Assemblies, and many friends were parted when the new seating plan for Senior Assembly came into effect.

## DEBATING TEAM

President ..... J. Wilson  
 Treasurer ..... B. Letson  
 Corresponding Secretary ..... A. Brown  
 Faculty Adviser ..... Mr. Hart

During the middle of the year four or five earnest students got together and organized a debating club. After a few preliminary meetings contact was made with the Perth Amboy High School Debating Club. A debate was arranged on the question: "Resolved that the United States should adopt the essentials of the British Broadcasting System." Both the practice debate in assembly and the real debate on March 20 were won by the Metuchen team.





### JUNIOR HI-Y

President ..... G. Johnson  
 Vice President ..... J. Wathen  
 Secretary ..... G. Lockhart  
 Treasurer ..... G. Ruddy  
 Chaplain ..... D. Snyder  
 Faculty Adviser ..... Mr. Herb

An active group of boys under the direction of Mr. Herb got together this year to organize a Junior Hi-Y Club. The purpose of the club was closely assimilated with that of the Senior Hi-Y. The club was a continuance of the Gra-Y Club organized the year before.

Meetings were held at the Y. M. C. A. every other Wednesday, alternating with those of the Hi-Y. Joint meetings were held with their big brothers on two or three occasions. Terms expired at the end of the year, and new officers were elected to hold positions until June. The officers whose terms expired in December were: President, F. Wright; Vice President, George Lockhart.

### THE HI-Y

President ..... W. Tucker  
 Vice President ..... R. Wright  
 Secretary ..... B. Letson  
 Treasurer ..... D. Ross  
 Chaplain ..... H. Boland  
 Faculty Adviser ..... Mr. Hart

Continuing to hold its high place in popular favor, the Hi-Y has been even more active this year than in the past.

The big social event of the season was a dance, which was rated as one of the finest ever given in the school. Since then, the club has entertained the faculty, given dinners every two months, and sponsored a moving picture at the Forum Theatre.

Membership to the District Council Number six has been granted to the local Hi-Y and delegates were sent to the State Conference. The quota of the organization is six members from each of the three upper classes in the High School.



# Jr. Sr. Prom Committee—



# Varsity Club—

## JR. SR. PROM COMMITTEE

Chairman ..... R. Wright  
Faculty Adviser ..... Mrs. Russell

Due to the excellent cooperation of the committee, a very successful dance was presented to the Seniors on June 1.

The dance began at 8:30 and broke up at twelve, much to the regret of all present. As usual, only Seniors and Juniors and their guests were admitted.

By decorating the auditorium with an elaborate garden effect, a fine setting was procured which added greatly to the enjoyment obtained from the melodious strains of Jack Janderup's orchestra. Appetizing refreshments added to the gaiety of the evening.

## VARSITY CLUB

Head of Dance Committee ..... P. Schwalje  
Faculty Director ..... Mr. Seitzer

In its third year the Varsity Club has become a very popular organization. It has the potential qualities of a very powerful club, and we hope it will develop them in future years.

The objectives of the group are:

1. Promotion of high ideals of sportsmanship among members of teams and the student body.
2. Acquisition and maintenance of a higher appreciation of the Varsity insignia.
3. Attainment of a higher educational standard among the Varsity men.
4. Improvement of the morale of M. H. S. generally.

## Spirit of Metuchen

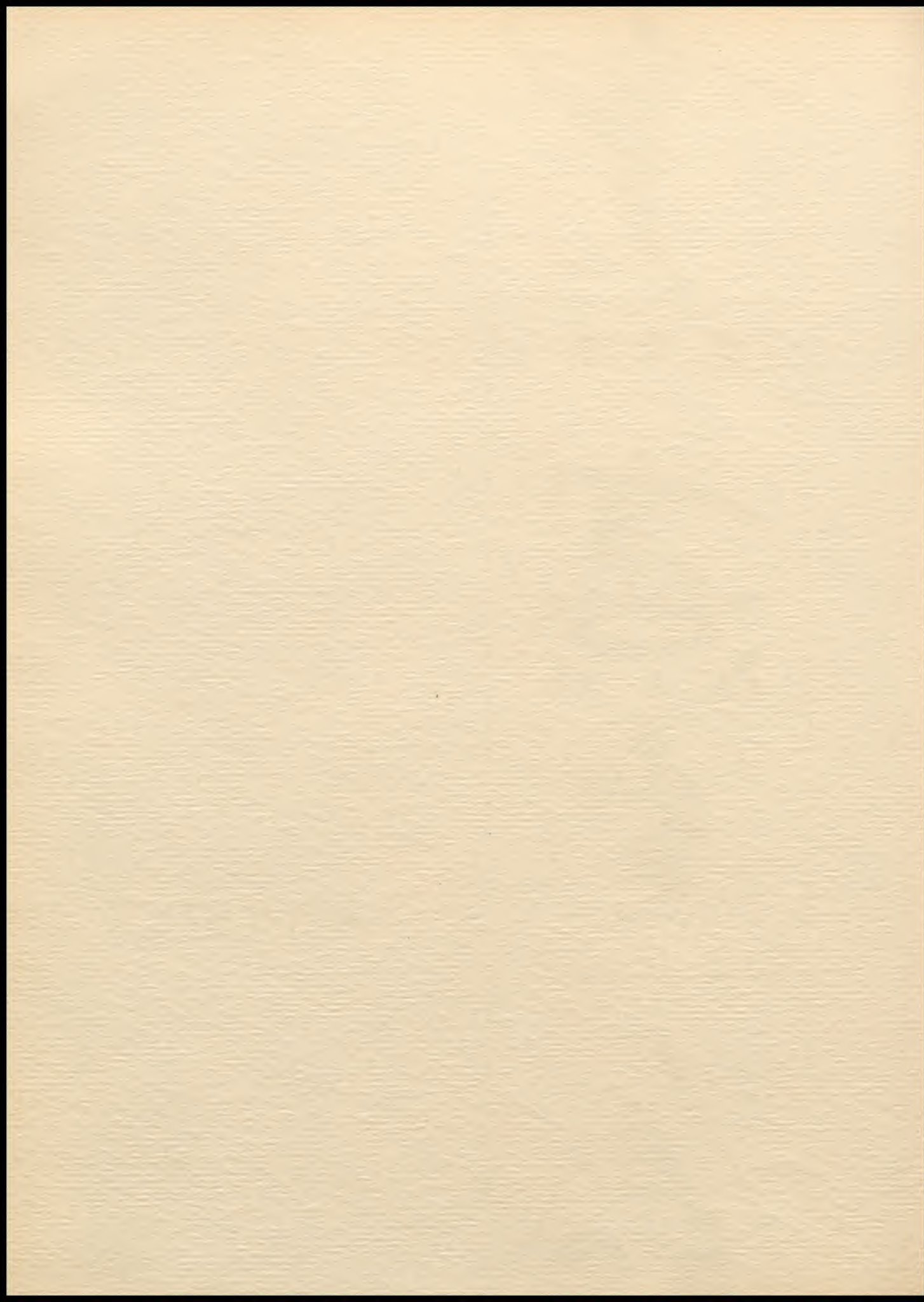
*"We can't all play a winning game,  
Some one is sure to lose.  
Yet we can play, so that our name  
No one may dare accuse.  
That when the Master Referee  
Scores against our name,—  
It won't be whether we've won or lost  
But how we've played the game."*





ATHLETICS







## 1931 SPORTS RESUME 1934

Since the coming of Mr. Seitzer in 1931, Metuchen High School athletic teams have carried the school banner to higher and higher standards of achievement.

Because of the introduction of inter-class football and basketball, the season of 1931-32 was outstanding. The interscholastic sports were moderately favorable and basketball was decidedly better than in the past. Baseball and football as in previous years could not boast of a successful season.

One of the most outstanding years in the sports history of Metuchen High School was the year 1932-33. The football team did exceptionally well by winning three, losing two, and tying one. Although we lost to a heavier Somerville team, this game was outstanding because of the hard team play. The basketball team of '33 was the best in a decade. The players had the honor of being the first basketball team to ever represent Metuchen in the state tournament.

It was in this year that minor sports golf, tennis, and track were introduced in Metuchen High School. Intramural sports in the year 1932-33 increased tremendously in popularity. Soccer and baseball were added to football and basketball.

Because the loss by graduation was slight, Metuchen High School had an outstanding football team in the year 1933-34. The team lost the first two games to hard-fighting opponents. The jinxes came in the form of North Plainfield and Freehold. After this the team got rolling and mowed down their four remaining opponents. The Scotch Plains team, our strongest opponent, fell under the Blue and White onslaught in a thrilling 14-6 victory for M.H.S.

Basketball in '34, while not as successful as the year previous, had a good season by winning eight and losing seven hard fought games.

Intra-mural sports increased to such an extent this year that over one hundred and fifty boys participated in the different games.

The intra-mural homeroom basketball league was started in '34; it proved to be the most successful activity of its kind ever started in M. H. S.

An inter-homeroom baseball league was inaugurated in the spring; which created much interest and activity among the students.

Metuchen High School teams have been doing their part in upholding high standards of stamina and good sportsmanship.





## 1933 FOOTBALL 1934

MUCH to the surprise of everyone but the players and coaches, Metuchen High School had an exceptionally fine football season. The team play was characterized by a fighting spirit and good sportsmanship.

Although the team was tripped up in the first two games, a quick recovery won four straight. The fighting spirit shown in the North Plainfield game was one of credit to both teams. However, it was not until the Scotch Plains game, the last of the season, that the real worth of the team came out on top. By defeating a favored opponent to the tune of 14-6, the '34 squad proved to everyone that Metuchen High School had a real football team.

At the annual football banquet Clarence Bacha was elected honorary captain of the past season. The managers were Messerole, Denecke, and Swalje.

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## SCHEDULE

1934

	Opp.	M.H.S.
North Plainfield	6	2
Freehold	14	6
Point Pleasant	0	7
Alex. Hamilton	0	14
Rockaway	0	32
Scotch Plains	6	14
	—	—
	26	75
Won 4	Lost 2	% .666

Football squad: L.E.'s., R. Grazine, J. Roy, J. Hogstrom; L. T.'s, J. Tilp, J. Cordes, W. Hansen; L.G.'s, J. Wargo, H. Boland, E. Lund; C.'s, W. Bromfield, J. Patrick, E. Pray; R.G.'s, F. Patrick, S. O'Brien, P. Brunstetter, J. Johnson; R.T.'s, F. Schuler, C. Seel, W. Tucker, H. Voorhees; R.E.'s, C. Bacha, Cap't, P. Schwalje, G. Heyse; Q.B.'s, A. Maclachlan, B. Bisogne, A. Peticolas; L.H.B.'s, C. Glanfield, L. Peticolas, W. Ostergaard; R.H. B.'s, F. J. Patrick, W. Powers, C. Miller; F.B.'s, W. Rhoades, C. Wagner.

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Top Row

Mr. Seitzer, Coach  
Walter Benson  
William Rhoades  
John Tilp, Mgr.  
Charles Owsik,  
Ass't Mgr.

Bottom Row

Howard Messerole  
William Bromfield  
Charles Seel  
Philip Schwalje  
F. J. Patrick

# 1933 BASKETBALL 1934

**M**ETUCHEN High School courtsters opened their 1934 basketball with a series of victories over their opponents. This winning was due to the fine spirit shown by both the team and the student body, but this spirit was not sufficient to keep the team victorious over their stronger opponents in the latter part of the season.

South River and New Brunswick Vocational proved to be the strongest of our foes. Both of the home games were close, our opponents barely eeking out their victories. These games were responsible for the large turnout at the remaining home games.

The following team members will be lost by graduation: Forwards, W. Rhoades, J. Roy; Center, C. Seel; Guards, P. Schwalje, W. Bromfield. Graduation will leave H. Messerole, F. Patrick, and W. Benson as the sole survivors of the varsity squad, which, however, will be greatly strengthened by the much improved members of the Jay Vee squad.



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1934

**Top Row**

Mr. Junda, Coach  
Ernest Hancock,  
Ass't Mgr.  
John Buzak  
Joseph Roy  
Charles Wagner  
Richard Smith  
Philip Brunstetter,  
Ass't Mgr.

**Bottom Row**

Ben Letson  
Ralph Wright  
Howard Eldridge  
Gunther Heyse  
William Powers  
Raymond Ely



1933

**SCHEDULE**

1934

**VARSITY**

**JAY VEE**

M.H.S. Opp.

Jan. 9	Metuchen 28—*Dunellen	25	14	13
12	Metuchen 28— Jamesburg	6	19	9
16	Metuchen 47—*Hamilton	9	35	15
19	Metuchen 29—*Matawan	28	29	10
23	Metuchen 17—*N.B.V.S.	21	24	12
26	Metuchen 14— S. River	33	13	11
30	Metuchen 16— N. Plainfield	23	12	16
Feb. 2	Metuchen 19—*N. Plainfield	23	19	16
6	Metuchen 19— Matawan	14	27	23
9	Metuchen 29—*Jamesburg	22	30	14
13	Metuchen 13— N.B.V.S.	23	19	33
16	Metuchen 28— Dunellen	29	14	24
20	Metuchen 22—*S. River	31	19	21
23	Metuchen 16— Scotch Plains	25	16	9
27	Metuchen 40— Pt. Pleasant	19	21	9
365		331	311	235
Won 7	Lost 8	Won 11	Lost 4	

\* Home

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## Top Row

Contardi, Mgr.  
James Flynt, Mgr.

## Second Row

Mr. Seitzer, Coach  
John Karabinchak  
Howard Messerole  
Robert Rohland  
Ronald Osborne  
George Halpin

## Bottom Row

Poe Patrick  
William Powers  
Jack Madison  
William Rhoades  
Charles Glanfield  
John Tilp  
F. J. Patrick  
Walter Benson

## 1933 The Baseball Season 1933

BASEBALL last year was anything but favorable, the team losing thirteen of the sixteen games played. Although the score board presents lopsided scores for our opponents, the team displayed a fine fighting spirit. Matawan and Jamesburg are generally considered our biggest rivals.

The squad consisted of the following: C. Glanfield, Capt., 1b.; G. Halpin, c.f.; J. Karabinchak, 2b.; R. Osborne, r.f.; W. Powers, s.s.; F. J. Patrick, 3b.; W. Campbell, c.f.; Walter Campbell, 2b.; Walter Benson, r.f.; J. Madison, p.; A. Walsh, c.; J. Tilp, p.; R. Rohland, l.f.; J. Patrick, c.; C. St. Cecilia, r.f.; H. Messeroll, p.; Manager, W. Contardi; Ass't. Mgr., A. Fisher.

	HOME		AWAY	
	Opp.	M.H.S.	Opp.	M.H.S.
Jamesburg	4	2	3	4
Matawan	4	2	5	1
Woodbridge	8	7	9	1
N. B. V. S.	6	5	10	2
Carteret	8	3	8	3
Dunellen	3	14	5	15
Tottenville	12	5		
South Amboy	3	2	6	4
Point Pleasant	8	2		
TOTAL:— Opponents		102	M. H. S.	72



Sixty-eight

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**Top Row**

William Bromfield  
Peter Guzzardo  
David Ross  
Clifford Stead  
Henry Rublewsky  
Larry Peticolas  
Orville Thornall, Mgr.

**Second Row**

Mr. Seitzer, Coach  
John Ernst  
William Hansen  
Hugh Gordon  
James Johnson  
Steve Lazar  
Pierre Abry

**Bottom Row**

Angus Maclachlan  
Charles Seel  
Robert Rohland  
William Rhoades  
Stephen O'Brien  
William Miller



## 1933 The Track Season 1933

INCREASING tremendously the participation of the students in the field of athletics, the track team was inaugurated into M. H. S. last year to promote sportsmanship and to give the boys an incentive to develop physical ability.

Entering six inter-scholastic meets with but a few weeks' practice, the team made a fine showing and gained excellent experience to better fit themselves for this year's team.

Ten points were required to receive a letter and the following boys each obtained one: Captain Robert Rohland, 33 points; Gus MacLaughlin, 24 points; Bill Rhoades, 19 points; Charles Seel, 18 points; and Tommy O'Neill, 10 points.

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Raymond Ely  
Ben Letson  
Philip Schwalje  
Charles Seel  
Mr. Hart, Coach

## 1933 The Tennis Season 1934

METUCHEN High School's athletes found a new field of endeavor in tennis which was started last year. The sport was under the direction of Mr. Hart. Although the season, from the standpoint of matches, was not a great success, credit should be given the team and Mr. Hart for being the pioneers of the sport.

Of the matches played, Bound Brook was the big match of the season — the match with Pingry Prep being considered out of the boys' class.

Because of but slight loss in graduation, Mr. Hart expects an outstanding team. All home matches were played on the Y.M.C.A. courts.

The following are last year's members; (No. 1) Irwin Kuntz, (No. 2) Raymond Ely, (No. 3) Benjamin Letson, (No. 4) Philip Schwalje, (No. 5) Charles Seel.



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Top Row

Walter Tucker  
Ralph Wright, Capt.  
Mr. Richards, Coach  
Joseph Ribinsky  
Julius Owsik

Bottom Row

Edward Modecki, Mgr.  
Frank Owsik



## 1933 The Golf Season 1934

GOLF'S initial year as an M. H. S. sport proved to be very successful under the direction of Mr. Richards' the team coach and adviser.

Ralph Wright was elected Captain for the season, while Edward Modecki served as playing manager.

The team placed 7th in the state tournament at Hopewell, in which 25 schools contested.

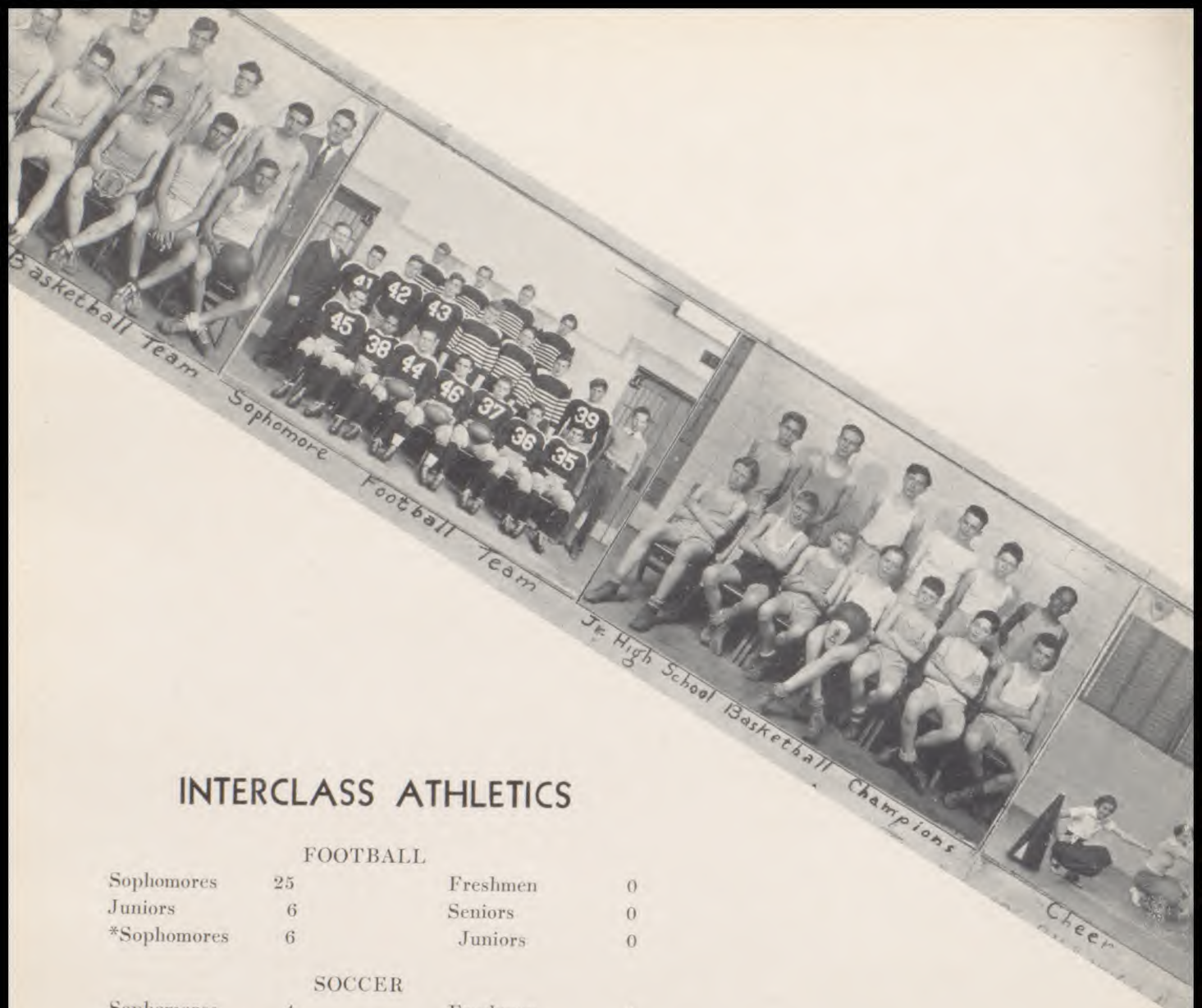
The players are: No. 1, Captain, Ralph Wright, No. 2, Julius Owsik, No. 3, Manager, Edward Modecki, No. 4, Walter George Tucker, No. 5, Joe Ribinsky, No. 6, Frank Owsik, Substitute, Hayden Boland.

OPPONENTS	GOLF SCHEDULE		HOME	
	AWAY			
	Opp.	M.H.S.	Opp.	M.H.S.
Westfield	2½	15½	5½	12½
St. Benedicts Prep.			7½	10½
Asbury Park	15½	2½	5½	12½
Linden	4	8	4½	13½
Thomas Jefferson, Elizabeth	5½	6½	6	6
Rahway	8	10	5	13
Rutgers Prep			3	15
Woodbridge	4½	13½	0	18
North Plainfield	12	6		
TOTAL:— Opponents	89		M. H. S.	163

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Seventy-one



## INTERCLASS ATHLETICS

### FOOTBALL

Sophomores	25	Freshmen	0
Juniors	6	Seniors	0
*Sophomores	6	Juniors	0

### SOCCER

Sophomores	4	Freshmen	1
Seniors	6	Juniors	3
*Seniors	3	Sophomores	2

### BASKETBALL

Sophomores	12	Freshmen	7
Seniors	14	Juniors	6
*Sophomores	23	Seniors	14

\*Champions for the season.

All games were under the supervision of Mr. Seitzer and the direction of Mr. Junda.

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## INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

Room	No.	Won	Lost
*Mr. Herb . . . . .	27	9	0
Mr. Smith . . . . .	9	7	2
Mrs. Russell . . . . .	24	7	2
Mrs. Jones . . . . .	26	6	3
Mr. Junda . . . . .	18	5	4
Mr. Fiorilla . . . . .	10	4	5
Mr. Senerchia . . . . .	22	3	6
Mr. Richards . . . . .	19	2	7
Mr. Blisard . . . . .	21	1	8
Mrs. Tresch . . . . .	23	0	9
*Mrs. Sparkes . . . . .	14	4	1

\*Champions

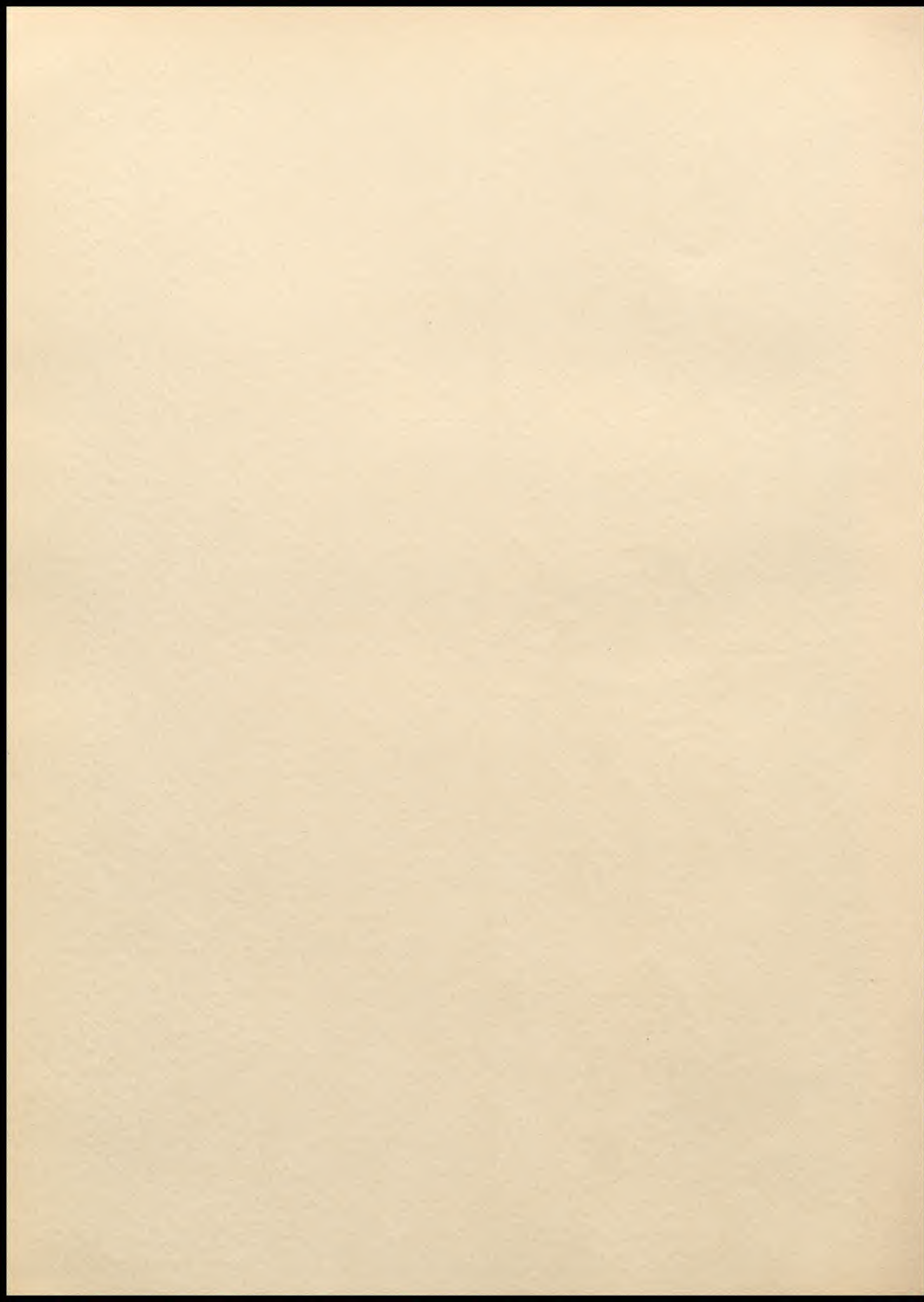


*".....Before our village shall have arrived at dimensions which would complicate the work of tracing its history, and ere the statements and traditions of those in whose memories many of the reminiscences of the past are treasured have been forgotten, it seems proper that what is authentic, interesting, and valuable should be gathered in such form as to be available to those who come after us and serve to gratify that laudable inclination which most individuals and communities have to recall and perpetuate the historic associations of the vicinity in which their lot is cast....."*





Blue Letter Bits







## Mystery of Metuchen

Long years ago, when Metuchen was yet young, there lived a man betrothed to a girl. However this romance was not to have the usual fairy-tale ending.

The marriage day was but a month off when the lover left his beloved's house one evening and was never seen again. A deep forest stretched between her home and his. What happened within its depths that night will forever remain the unsolved mystery of the early days of this Borough.

Days passed and young Mr. Randolph did not open his little store. Someone remembered having heard a rifle shot on the night of the disappearance and feared foul play. Alarmed friends and relatives started a search which revealed, at first, nothing but his bloody saddle. The search widened as interest grew. Soon everyone in the little community was searching. His wallet was found but the two thousand dollars which he was known to have had was gone. In its place was a peculiar note directing the search to Mine Gully. At Mine Gully there was another note directing the search still further away. There all clues stopped.

So, for the last hundred years, whenever the name Randolph is mentioned, people have expressed diverse opinions as to his fate. Some are convinced that he ran away for reasons of his own; others blame a jealous suitor; many point accusing fingers at the bereaved sweetheart; while the majority are equally certain that he was waylaid by robbers.



## Calendar of Metuchen

- 1665 Lord Carteret arrives with 30 settlers.
- 1670 Titles awarded for lands in Raritan Valley.
- 1731 Death of John Campbell — oldest resident.
- 1760 Plague of small pox.
- 1765 Covered Jersey wagons inaugurated.
- 1765 Presbyterian Church built.
- 1777 Skirmishing takes place in Oak Tree.
- 1780 General Green attacks near Metuchen.
- 1781 Dr. Manning begins practice.
- 1794 Reverend Cook, pastor of Presbyterian Church, introduced.
- 1818 Roads much improved.
- 1819 Bethune Duncan commenced leading school.
- 1828 Reverend Halloway St. Hunt, second pastor.
- 1832 Mr. Randolph murdered.
- 1832 First Post Office established; Lewis Thomas — post master.
- 1835 New Presbyterian Church built.
- 1836 First railway through Jersey City and New Brunswick.
- 1837 Viaduct opened to New Brunswick.
- 1839 Mr. A. W. Kellogg — school superintendent.
- 1841 R. R. Freeman made postmaster; post office changed to upper Metuchen.
- 1841 New railroad station built.
- 1842 New school house built.
- 1850 Academy for boys.
- 1852 Girls private school.
- 1855 Singing school led by Mr. Freeman Edgar.
- 1870 Library organized.



## 1934 Calendar of M. H. S.

- Sept. 6— The grind begins... Wheee!
- Sept. 7— The Annual Staff meets its "fate".
- Sept. 13— Mr. Herb—"It would take a mighty big mantelpiece to hold all the ornaments in this class!!! (What? Already?)
- Oct. 12— Columbus Day! At least one day we're glad America was discovered.
- Oct. 19— Annual Staff Meeting — (so far, far into the year. We'll be calling them nightly meetings, soon...
- Oct. 31— Wheee! Spooks! And did the graveyards do a thriving business???
- Nov. 10— Senior Dance.
- Nov. 26— Shouts of Thanksgiving float o'er the balmy air.
- Nov. 29— Oh, me! What has Thanksgiving done? Our ranks are sadly depleted.
- Dec. 8— "Icebound" The Senior Play Cast gets cold feet.
- Dec. 16— More fun!! The Hi-Y Dance.
- Dec. 21— Football Banquet! Hail, the Conquering Heroes — (take the cake!)
- Dec. 21— Jan. 3—
- Jan. 4— Happy New Year, even though it's four days late!
- Feb. 12— Birthday season is drawing nigh! President Lincoln, thanks!
- Feb. 22— Just because of Washington there's two holidays. Guess he wins. Lincoln only gave us one!!
- Mar. 16— Congratulations, Juniors! Your dance was the best yet, and the cabaret effect was very smart!
- Mar. 23— We're all going to the Phalanx dance tomorrow. We hope you all support them!
- Mar. 29— Easter vacation at last! May the bunny be good to you.
- Apr. 4— We see that Mr. Smith's Ford came thru' again and brought him back safely!
- Apr. 5— We guess some of the high school haven't heard that vacation is over yet by the length of the absentee slips.
- Apr. 12— Interclass baseball has started. We'll expect to see all of you at the games.
- Apr. 19— R. Johnson was chewing gum in History class, when Mr. Herb said, "Johnson, you ought to know better than to chew gum, you've been here long enough."
- Apr. 21— The Dancing Class gives long promised dance. Floor show, prizes.
- Apr. 27— Varsity Club also gives dance. These must be gettin' into the blood, or is it to raise money for the cut in the Annual?
- May 8— Our Tennis team starts off against the State Champs, Pingry, to-day. Good luck, boys!
- May 9— The baseball season starts to-day too.
- May 15— Politics! Election! No school!
- May 18— Mr. Smith—"Anne, you and Frances are too sophisticated to study."
- May 30— Another holiday. Memorial Day.
- June 1— The Seniors are treated to their Prom by the Juniors.
- June 4— Oh, me! Exams! Just for the Seniors!
- June 8— Last of them for the Seniors. Sorta relief, but now comes the suspense. Now comes your turn, lower classmen!
- June 12— Miss McCabe, entering the room and finding it (?) bubbling over with laughter and mirth — "What's all the noise in here?"  
Bromfield — "I'm telling them the story of my life."  
Miss McCabe — "Don't be silly, they'd be laughing harder than that."
- June 15— The Seniors make a very dignified appearance at graduation in caps and gowns.
- June 19— Some excitement! Our labors are over for another year. The school will never be the same again. Such quietness! Farewell until our first reunion."



## PRISONERS

*There's a tramp of feet — of marching,  
And a beat of endless drums;  
There are waves that tearing, now seem baring,  
And faces searing, faces leering  
Tortures of the Soul  
Forward, God knows, what goal?*

*That beats and pounds on doors.  
Doors that are rock, that close one in,  
Doors not to be conquered, that nothing can open,  
That are ugly and mighty, and tower o'er all,  
That close one in and suffocate  
And crush closer, inch by inch.  
There's something imprisoned that screams to be freed.*

*The fires that burn, and the waves that beat,  
And the endless tramp of marching feet,  
And the time of the drums, and the leering of ghouls,  
All are the doors of the imprisoned souls.*

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## The Advantages and Disadvantages of Chewing Gum

Now, there are many advantages to chewing gum. But when one goes to the opera and finds, after having heavily seated oneself, that the chair had already been occupied by a recently discarded wad of Wrigley's Juicy Fruit, one is inclined to doubt the above statement. Such unprintable things one is forced to utter on such occasion!

Would you call it an advantage to find a generous portion well trodden into your oriental rug? With what forlorn hopes has the house wife applied lard, and blotting paper and the hot iron! Some have even been known to apply a lighted match in their desperation.

At this point I am reminded of the boy who went to English class without first carefully and inconspicuously parking his gum. You see he didn't have time to put it in the waste basket because he had been so busy collecting and accounting for money and subscriptions to the annual year book (100% school spirit.) However, to go on with the story, he was seen while making an effort to put it into a cavity. We all know what happened to him.

But there ARE some advantages to chewing gum.



## 'Tis Sad!

A long and joyful vacation is climaxed — a long and mournful school term commences. Hark! The tread of sorrowing feet is heard scuffling along the hall — St. Elmo, The Omnipotent Conquerer approaches and eulogizes the forthcoming semester.

Sling shots, twenty twos, tennis racquets, bathing suits, and baseballs are heaped upon the mound of the late "Carefree Youth". Finally the last straw is decorating the grave of our merry pal. Slowly the procession winds its way to home rooms, amid a wailing undertone.

A six-week period has passed — a requiem is recieved in the form of report cards. Next morning another wailing undertone is heard throughout the premises.

Just think! Here "Carefree Youth" has slept for six whole months — my, how drawn out they seem! Long ago we were playing tennis — golf — swimming with our late friend. Now — now it is different. We have no pleasure — no time for human indulgences; only the shushing voices of teachers, and books.

"All the graves shall bring forth their hostages at the first note of Gabriel's horn." Take hope, dear friends — it is now spring and the ground is softening. We wonder how our pal is now. Perhaps his pulse is beating rapidly as he is waiting to arise. One thing we know — HE has been warm all winter.

June is here. We grow restless as even he must be — we are getting ready to greet him once more in his annual ascension to Earth. What's that? We pass? School is out? Blow — Gabriel — Blow. .

## New Year's Resolution

My last and greatest New Year's resolution! Yes, in glaring black and white, it stared at me. (Not very glaring, at that — the pen was almost dry when I wrote it.) But there it was, — nevertheless — "I hereby and forthwith resolve to do all my homework."

Well, here it was, the day after, and my home work nonchalantly sprawled all over the dining room table. As I stared at it, I am positive I saw a most malevolent expression on the faces of the papers lying there. In the midst of my shocked surprise the telephone rang. It turned out to be my pal and confidante (female) who, it seemed, had just bought a new dress. Of course, I had to hear about it, and of course, she did NOT skimp in detail. Half an hour later I hung up the receiver. 'Nuff said!

It is likely that in the course of human events, there have been people who always have a pencil on hand when they need it. I am not one of those people. Not even in its favorite hiding place, which is the farthestmost corner under the pipes of the kitchen drain, could one be found.

Well, then, I would have to study without a pencil. "The essentials of punctuation are found. . . ."

The doorbell! Regardless of disheveled hair and grimy face (Who said, "When isn't it?"), I answered it.

It was the neighbor's little girl returning my dear (?) little kitten. After patiently listening to her gabbling account of the finding of the kitten, I returned to my homework. About this time the kitten developed a passion for sharpening her claw on my legs. Such an amusing, playful, little pastime. My patience is something I pride myself on, but there is a limit to everything. The kitten was dumped down into the cellar. Again I returned to my studies. "The essentials of punctuation are found. . . ."

It was half past ten when my mother awakened me. To tell the truth, I had fallen asleep over the "essentials of punctuation." At a quarter of eleven I tumbled into bed. Well, perhaps the homework could be done in the homeroom period tomorrow morning— perhaps— perhaps. . .





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## The 1934 Blue Letter



# Class Poem

*It seems the Blue Letter requires a poem  
That every Senior can take to his home,  
And show to his parents, his name in print.  
If you find within a gentle (?) hint,  
Remember 'twas given in jest alone.  
No harm was intended, let it be known.  
O. K. Can you take it? What? Yes or no?  
Righto. Let's begin. Are you set? Let's go.  
First, Seel and Rhoades, each an athletic star,  
"Modesty, their virtue", (Sarcastic? We are).  
Then Muriel Drake and Flossie Clare,  
Where could you find a more versatile pair?  
Competeing with them is Halvorsen and Mook,  
One's buried in silence, the other in a book.  
Then there's Roy and Bromfield, two wise, young lights,  
"They know all the answers", "they've seen all the sights".  
Now take Seggel and Peake, another great pair,  
Wherever they are, Phil and Klein will be there.  
Boland and Tucker, two famous, so-called "pals",  
Though "big-shots" to the rest, They're putty to the gals.  
Rein and Rapp, two sarcastic young misses,  
Their words may be bitter, but carry best wishes.  
Billman and Bamman, forever in a rush,  
One says very little, the other can't hush.  
Peterson and Rohland, just follow with the rest,  
Like Kelly and Labanco, all doing their best.  
Turner, Galambos and Koncur together,  
Travel to school in the worst kinds of weather.  
Wagner and Jackson are never seen apart,  
Modest, their friendship does good to one's heart.  
Breen and Burgess, smart in studies and things,  
Know, "Ignorance makes slaves, Knowledge makes kings."  
Orr and Wilson, both small and quite petite,  
Tramp in the parade of Seniors' marching feet.*

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*Then Ribinsky and Owsik, seen around the school,  
With Lazar and Cheche, under master's rule.*

*Next Procyk and Rublesky, deemed each a difficult name,  
'Fore Montalbane, Mankowitz and Karabinschak came.*

*Schlesinger and Short pal 'round the "High"  
With Lowman; all in school are slightly shy.*

*Larry and Al of the Peticolas clan,  
Each has the makings of an intelligent (?) man.*

*Dalsgard and Rehfuß, two sisters of the scouts,  
They look unworried but have ins and outs.*

*Gahan and Strapko, also walking through these halls,  
Have to do official work and answer teachers' calls.*

*Audrey Brown, another very quaint wit,  
Vics with Denecke — 'tween the two, we quit.*

*Olsen and Larsen, friends to the end,  
Office work is their natural trend.*

*Zeigler and Seigelhoffer run errands all day,  
To get out of classes 'tis a very good way.*

*Ted Moss and O'Brien, each a sturdy young Senior,  
One's modest and shy, the other's bold in demeanor.*

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*Bacha and Schuler, football players of note,  
One's talk isn't bad, 'tother's we can't quote.*

*Balkin and Gatewood, in the role of Senior men,  
Are waked in the morning to the tune of Big Ben.*

*A new-comer, Mae Becker, is a blues-singer, we find;  
C. Allsopp's a good student, not many of her kind.*

*Tilp and Schnieder are both lanky and lean,  
They toss off the wist-cracks that leave us quite green.*

*Now Ross and Walton, each a bashful young blade,  
Will do till bigger and better men are made.*

*Grazide and Guzzardo, one's tall and one's short,  
One's always laughing; Pete's music's his forte.*

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Sr. —  $H_2O$  froze!

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I am raining, you are raining, etc.

Mr. Hart — What is an inhabitant of Spain?

Voice from rear — A spaniel!

Heard in English class —

"What is the plural of appendix?"

"Appendicitis"

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Schwalje — Thinking of me, dearest?

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Local barber — Haven't I shaved you before, sir?

Mr. Roos — No, I got that scar in France!

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Al Peticolas — Yes, I was the approaching footsteps.

Miss McCabe — How do you expect me to talk over 4 people?

Jack Murphy — (sotto voice) Get a platform!

Mr. Senerchia — Four methods of gaining education are schools, the church, and the home.

Ada — What's the fourth?

Mr. S. — Your boy friend!

Miss Farrell — What is the objective of "he"?

Bill Rhoades — That's easy! It's she!

Tucker — "Where's the dummy?"

B. Mook — "Right here, of course."

Mrs. Russell — What happens when there's an eclipse of the sun?

Star pupil — A great many people come out to look at it.

Miss Crowell got this suggestion from Jean — "To be healthy, don't eat any kind of food." (Maybe we're wrong!)

Mr. Senerchia — "Translate 'Arma virumque cano'"

Louise — I cry for arms and a man! (We hope you get him!)

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High school principal — J. Rublewsky  
Office force — Johnson  
School doctor — Seel  
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Principal's sec. — Strapko  
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Mr. Senerchia — What's the translation of "cave Camen"?  
Voice from rear — "Beware? I may sing."

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*“—And now let blessings be called upon the spot which the Grand Sachem of the Raritans called Metuchen, or the Rolling Land, and where Metuchen, chief of the rolling lands, had his hunting grounds and smoked, amid his Indian group, the pipe of peace; upon the people who now inhabit the district where Puritan and Covenanter afterward made common cause for Christianity and liberty, and upon all hereafter casting in their lot with us, who are ready to help us maintain the honor of the past, and to aid by sympathy and cooperative zeal in whatever contributes to material, social and moral advancement—”*



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