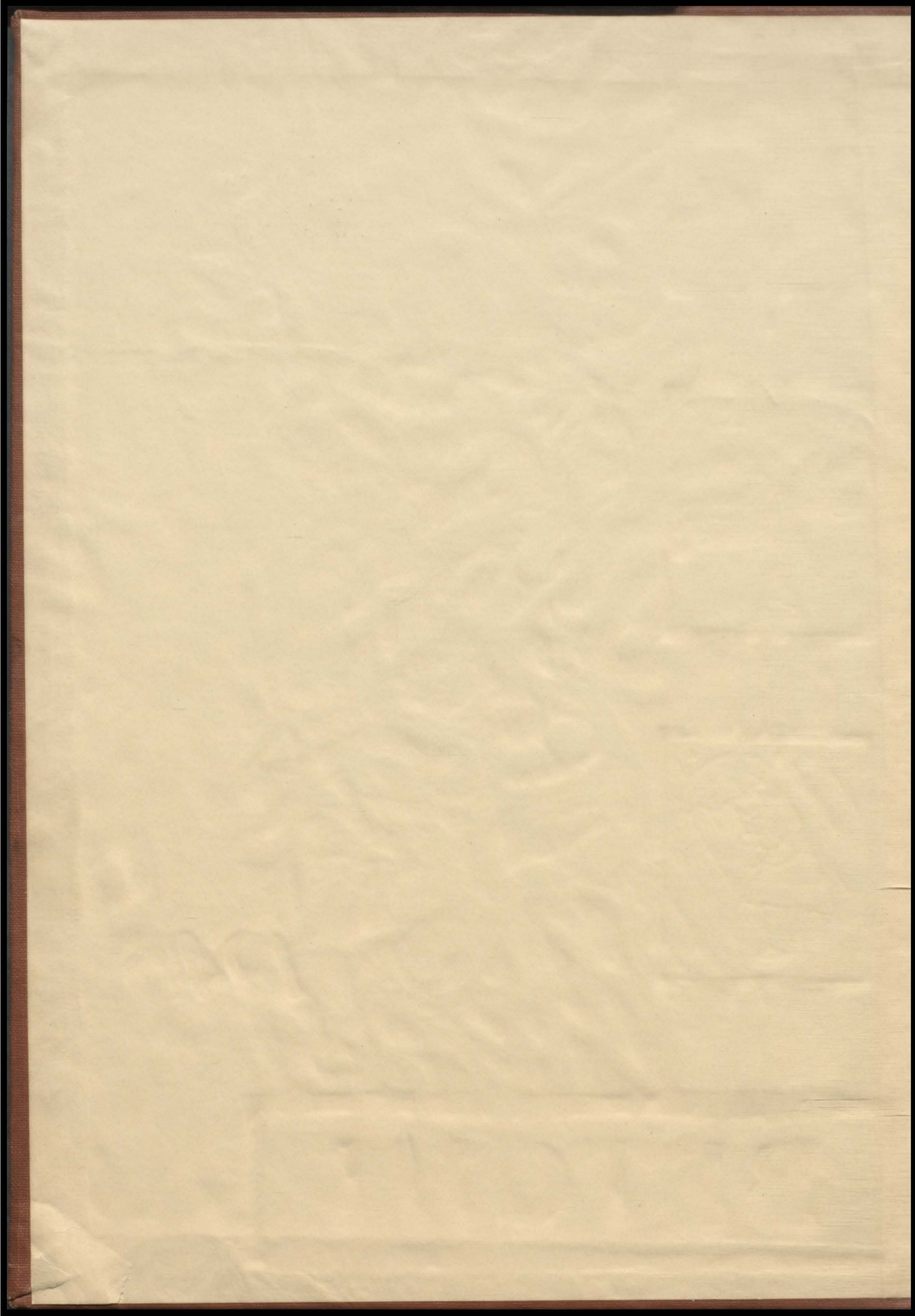
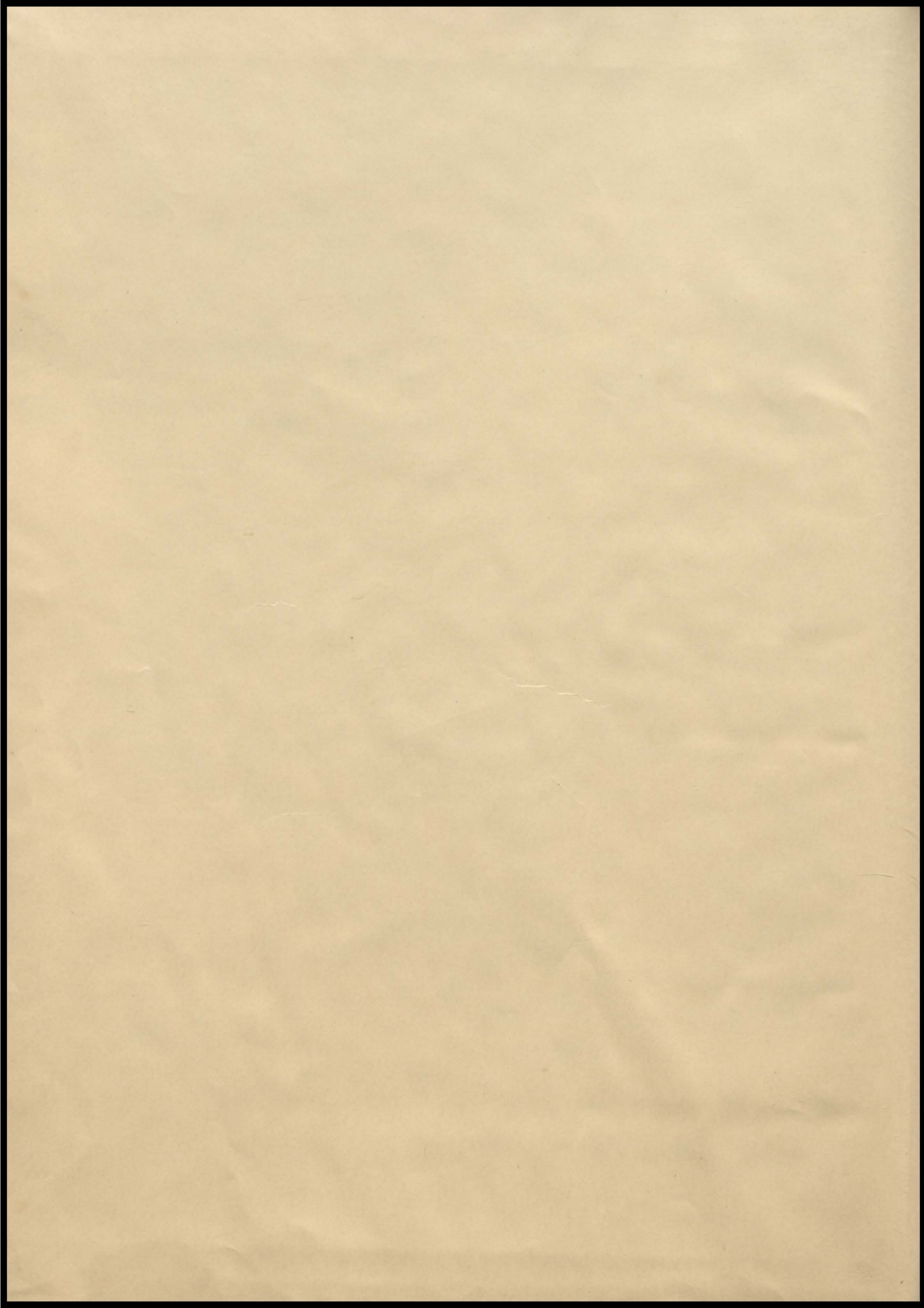


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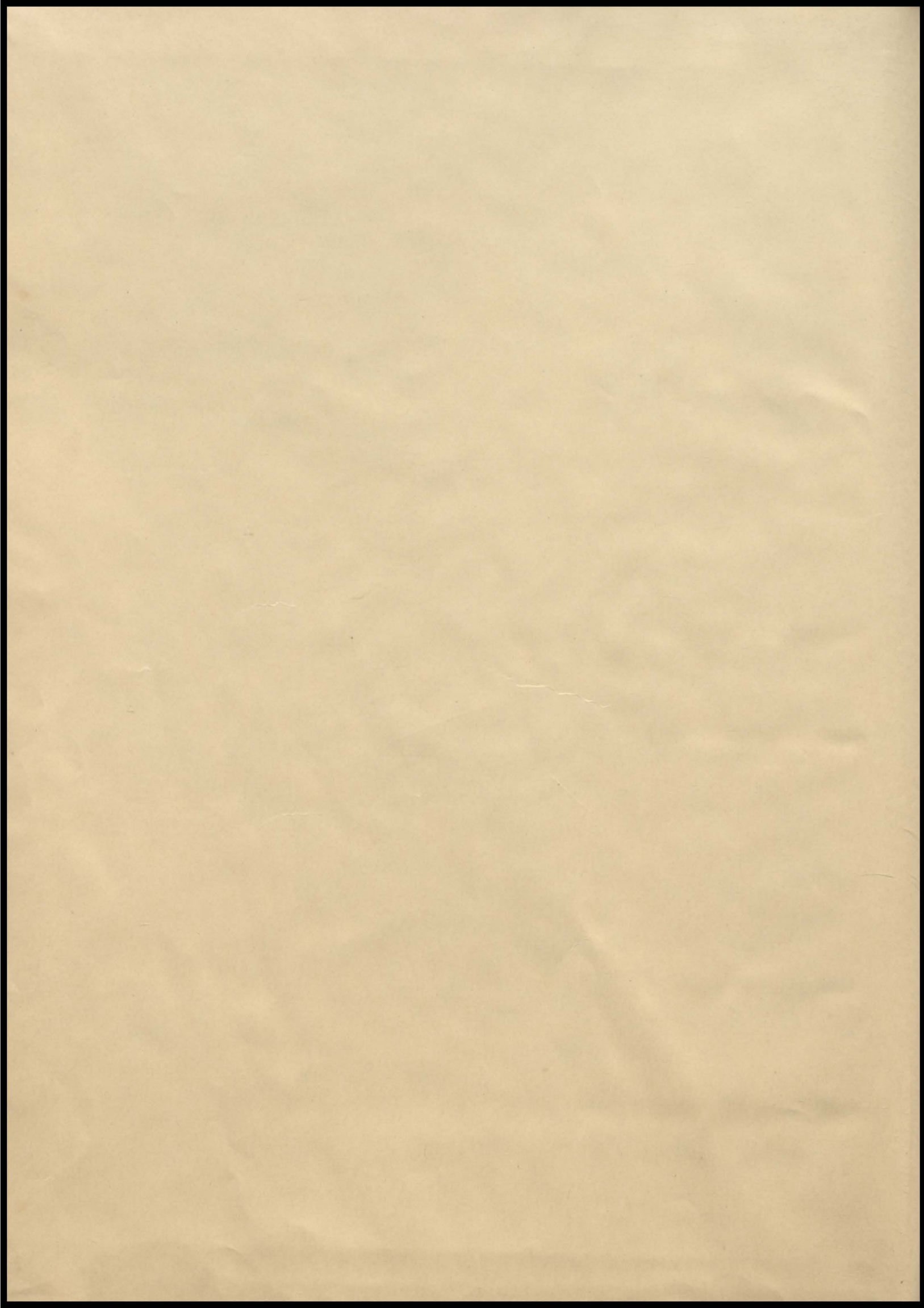
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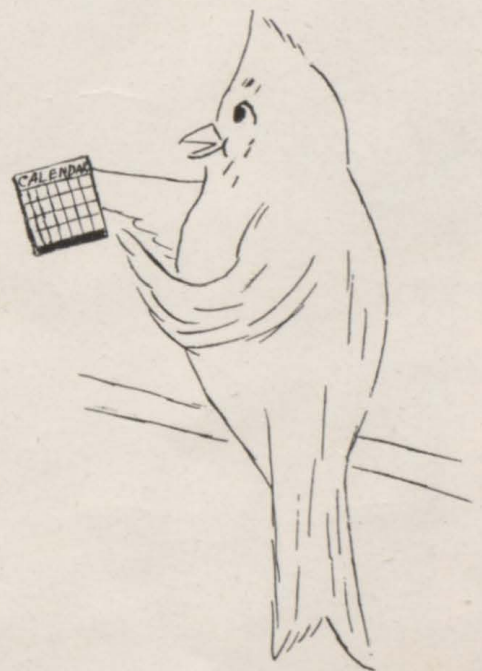






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Renewed acquaintances--new friends--  
hot days--lessons to get--tests to  
pass--activities buzzing again--and the  
dynamic scene of the Purple and  
White clad Bement Bulldogs playing  
their heart out for their good old school  
remind us that the school year of  
1944-1945 is under way. Later comes  
the homecoming, which starts in a  
smashing victory for the home team  
and ends in a gay celebration in  
the evening, at which the Homecoming  
Queen is crowned. Yes--school is  
here and we are glad.





# FALL



HENRY JOHNSTON



# ★ ★ ★ FROLICS

August 28: One hundred and seventy-four students troop gaily into the halls of dear old BeToHi for the first day of school.

September 8: Now we will know what is happening. The BeToHi News Staff is organized.

September 11: The classes meet to choose their officers for the year.

September 15: The Bulldogs start growling and defeat St. Teresa.

September 26: The sophomores start the social whirl with a wiener roast.

September 29: The juniors, catching the spirit, have a wonderful party.

October 6: Confetti! Clowns! Fortune Telling! Freaks! Games! Refreshments! Dancing! add up to the annual G.A.A. carnival.

October 13: We rest while the teachers go to school.

October 14: The G.A.A. go to the Lovington Play Day and come home with top honors.

October 16: Buy an annual! The seniors start the sales campaign. "His Name Was Aunt Nellie"—Whose name? The Junior Play is chosen.

October 19: Tryouts for Junior Play start. Who will be Aunt Nellie?

October 20: Success! The seniors put the Annual campaign over.

October 23: "Hollywood, move over"! So say the juniors as the play cast is announced.

October 26: Plans for Homecoming get underway with the election of queen candidates.

October 30-31: State school inspectors visit us. Everyone is on the alert.

November 1: Pupils register for the Presidential election sponsored by the fourth hour American History class.





# OF FALL ★ ★ ★

November 2: Talent (spell it with a capital please!) is found. Those versatile Advanced Math students give a super-duper play. Pep abounds—a snake dance, a bonfire, and enthusiastic speeches accompanied by the band.

November 3: Homecoming, at last! A big day!

November 7: The Republicans carry the school with a 76-73 victory.

November 8: The juniors start their play ticket sale.

November 10: A rousing pep meeting — cheerleaders—people—band—yells— and then . . . . .

November 11: D E F E A T .

November 14: The football season ends with a hearty banquet.

November 15: Look pleasant, please! Annual pictures are taken today.

November 16: The grade school pupils view the first performance of "His Name Was Aunt Nellie."

November 17: The townspeople turn out in full force to see the Junior Play.

November 20: Enthusiasm abounds at the first basketball practice of the season.

November 22: More fun—except for those poor unfortunate F.F.A. initiates.

November 23: School adjourns for Thanksgiving Vacation.

November 29: The Girls' Volleyball Tournament starts with a big game between the freshmen and juniors. Incidentally, the freshmen won.

November 30: The first Annual Staff meeting is held. The football boys, their parents, the teachers, and cheerleaders get together for a potluck.





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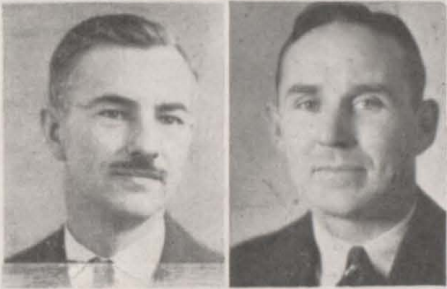
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**H. E. SLUSSER**  
Principal

To Mr. Slusser and the other members of the faculty we extend our appreciation for their friendship and guidance through our school years. Our teachers, reading from top to bottom and from left to right, were:

- MISS ISABELLE HOUSTON - - - English
- MRS. S. C. HAMMOND - - - - Commercial
- MISS CHERRYL McCOLLEY - - Social Studies
- MISS PEARL SWAIM - - - English, Latin
- MR. G. A. DAVIES - - - - - Science
- MISS MARGARET HABBEN - Home Economics
- MR. L. A. HODAM - - - - - Agriculture
- MR. L. P. BROWN - - - - - Music
- MR. O. T. HALL - - - - - Coach
- MRS. H. E. SLUSSER - - - - - Secretary
- MISS MARY LOUISE FISHER - Mathematics



# Freshmen ★ ★ ★

On the twenty-eighth day of August, 1944, forty-nine grade school "kids" from Bement and the surrounding community became freshmen. Our first difficulty was finding the right class rooms, but our upperclassmen gave us some help.

At our first class meeting, Robert Postlewait was elected president, Stanley Funk was elected vice-president, Audine Tompkins was elected secretary-treasurer, and John Ovid Moery was elected Member of Athletic Board of Control.

Our first social gathering was a wiener roast at the Forest Preserve Park. We played several games after eating. Later in the year a party was held at the school house. After refreshments had been served, we had a treasure hunt.

We wisely elected Audine Tompkins for the freshman candidate for queen. We were greatly disappointed when the senior candidate won, but Audine made a charming attendant to the queen.

Many freshmen participated in the athletic program. The girls were active in G. A.A. and the boys went out for football, basketball, baseball, and track. Howard "Red" Lawrence was our football star, while Bob Postlewait, Bruce Still, and John Ovid Moery shared the freshman basketball honors.

When we saw some of the boys "burdened" with neckties, we knew that they were taking part in the F.F.A. initiation. We knew that the girls of the Home Economics Club were being initiated when they wore sweaters backwards and makeshift curlers in their hair.

We are expecting our next three years to be full of fun and profit, and we will strive to be as kind to the "freshies" as our upperclassmen were to us.

First row: Markel, Pettyjohn, Lamkin, Collins, Still, Shepherd, Deering, Cotter, Hendrix.

Second row: Keeling, McConaha, Turney, Dukeman, Timme, Moery, Tompkins, Postlewait, Funk, Curfman, Grunewald, Hall, Johnson, Mintun, Larrimore.

Third row: Tynan, Propst, Brittenham, Kirkwood, Lefever, C. Heiple, R. Neal, Defore, Curry, Buckner, Wheeler, Born, Hill, Hampton, Camden, Reinhart, Carroll.

Fourth row: Comerford, Beals, Hardimon, Vance, Strater, Sebens, Lawrence, P. Neal, Foran, Romack, Lamb, Cantrell, J. Heiple.





## ★ ★ ★ News Staff

The Betohti News is published weekly in the Bement Register. Students volunteer to serve on the staff, and Miss Houston acts as adviser. Meetings are held at 8 o'clock on Tuesday mornings in the English room.

The Editors, Willa Mae Patterson and Bob Moery, write editorials on all phases of school, from what the students wear to what they do in the class rooms. Humor is presented in the paper by the features of Mary McPherson and Rose Glennon. News editors, Wilma Porter and Gayle Smith, see to it that the outside world knows about all the parties, meetings, and other happenings of the school. Football, basketball, noon athletic programs, and all other sports are covered by Ted Petersen and Earl Wright. Margaret Frye, Marilyn Auth, and Doris Shepherd report what the different departments are doing. What the students do in their leisure time is brought to light in the personal column edited by Ellen Abel, Roseann Ford, and Bob Neal. At every staff meeting we find Dorothy Hawver behind the typewriter. When she gets the copy typed, it is proof-read and delivered to the Register office by Bob Moery.

Sitting: Abel, McPherson, Hawver, Wright, Porter.  
Standing: Ford, Glennon, Moery, Patterson, Houston, Shepherd, Frye, Smith.





# Football ★ ★ ★

Forty-four boys reported to Orus "Ike" Hall for the first gridiron practice of the season. The four returning lettermen, all seniors, were Captain Bob Hill, fullback; Waldo Born, end; Harold Wallace, tackle; and Earl Wright, quarterback.

After three weeks of hard practice, the Bulldogs opened their season with St. Teresa on September 15. The Purple and White won 4, lost 4 and tied 1, giving them a .500 percentage for the season. In the Okaw Valley Conference, Bement won 3, lost 2, and tied 1.

The Bement Wildcats, a team made up of freshmen and sophomores, tied Monticello 6 to 6 and twice defeated Cerro Gordo. They won the first game by a 7 to 0 count and the second contest by a 6 to 0 score. These boys show promise for Betohi.

The annual Football Banquet was attended by a record crowd of over three hundred people. Mr. Slusser acted as toastmaster. The theme of the evening centered around the High School Sports Program. Miss Fisher explained the important part the sports program plays in the education of high school students. A talk on how the students react toward this program was given by Dorothy Hawver. Walter Ward presented the athlete's point of view. The community's viewpoint toward athletics was presented to us by Mr. A. E. Bodman.

Coach Hall presented letters to sixteen boys and two managers. The seniors were Captain Bob Hill, Earl Wright, Waldo Born, Bob Somers, Bob

Neal, Harold Wallace, Walter Ward, and George Halterman. The underclassmen receiving letters were Tom Murphy, Jim Rucker, Jim Porter, Jack Hooper, Dwight Yockey, Kenneth Christman, Jack Plummer, and Merrill "Jiggs" Strater. Bob Curry and Glenn Deering received managers' letters.

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SCORING			
Hill	-	-	48 points
Wright	-	-	18 points
Rucker	-	-	18 points
Strater	-	-	14 points
Hooper	-	-	6 points
Ward	-	-	5 points
Born	-	-	3 points
TOTAL			112 points

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FOOTBALL SCHEDULE			
		B.T.H.S.	Opp.
Sept. 15	—St. Teresa at Bement	- 30	6
Sept. 22	—Bement at Tuscola	- 0	32
Sept. 29	—Newman at Bement	- 19	6
Oct. 6	—Bement at Atwood	- 6	12
Oct. 13	—Bement at Sullivan	- 19	6
Oct. 21	—Bement at Oakland	- 6	6
Oct. 27	—Bement at Arcola	- 0	12
Nov. 3	—Cerro Gordo at Bement	- 25	0
Nov. 11	—Monticello at Bement	- 7	34
Totals		- 112	114

First row: Rucker, Eckstein, Lux, Porter, Wright, Born, Hooper, Strater.  
 Second row: Gallivan, Halterman, Murphy, Christman, Ward, Lamb, Neal, Yockey, Hill.  
 Third row: Somers, Brady, Honselman, Shonkwiler, Plummer, Lawrence.





# ★ ★ ★ Football Lettermen

## BACKS

**CAPTAIN BOB HILL**—Senior—Although slowed up with a knee injury, he was Bement's leading scorer and ground gainer. He'll really be missed next year.

**JACK HOOPER** — Sophomore — Enjoyed the game. He was scrappy and a hard fellow to beat.

**MERRILL STRATER**—Sophomore—Run and run and run! If he ever makes up his mind and gets started, he's gone.

**JIM RUCKER**—Junior—A hard runner. He won't be here next year because he has enlisted in the Naval Reserve.

**EARL WRIGHT**—Senior—A hard-hitting quarterback who usually got his man.

## ENDS

**WALTER WARD**—Senior—Out for the first time and really made good. How he could snatch those passes!

**WALDO BORN**—Senior—He never let anybody get past him. He played a lot of ball for Bement.

## CENTER

**TOM MURPHY**—Junior—The iron man. He played every minute in every game.

## TACKLES

**BOB NEAL**—Senior—He was a good plugger and could dish it out.

**JAMES PORTER**—Junior—A big fellow who really made himself known, especially to the opponents.

**GEORGE HALTERMAN**—Senior—Out for the first time. He was a 200-pounder who proved capable of handling any job.

**HAROLD WALLACE**—Senior—He was a dependable performer any place in the line. He loves football, too.

## GUARDS

**JACK PLUMMER**—Sophomore—He's a little brute in the line. He has two more years. Watch for him.

**DWIGHT YOCKEY**—Sophomore—He wasn't so big but he was always ready for a good fight.

**KENNETH CHRISTMAN**—Sophomore—A big fellow who can play a whale of a good game if he wants to.

**BOB SOMERS**—Senior—His first year. He made a slow start but cashed in plenty by the end of the season.

## HOMECOMING

One of the highlights of the football season was the annual Homecoming Game. The Bulldogs, playing one of their best games of the season and thinking of the celebration that was to follow, beat Cerro Gordo by a 25-0 score. A potluck supper was served in the early part of the evening with the football team as guests. The supper was sponsored by the mothers of the football boys. Later Mary Rose McPherson, who was our Homecoming Queen, was crowned by Bob Hill. Her attendants were Audine Tompkins, Freshman; Louise Hodam, Sophomore; and Elizabeth Coffin, Junior. Their escorts were Howard Lawrence, Jack Hooper, and Jimmy Rucker, respectively. The rest of the evening was spent in dancing.

## PEP SECTION

Who is it that leads the cheers and keeps up the pep of the Bement fans at the football and basketball games? It is the Bement cheerleaders and the fine crowds that always attend the games. Rosemary Cotter, "Cy" Abel, and Shirley Clark, resplendent in their purple and white uniforms, did a wonderful job of keeping up the pep of the people on the sidelines whether the Bulldogs were winning or losing.

Yeh, Purple! Yeh, White!  
Yeh, Bement! Fight! Fight! Fight!





# Mixers and Rippers ★ ★ ★

"Our club must grow and glow and go,  
And we must help to make it so."

The Home Ec Club meetings were held the first Wednesday of each month at four o'clock. They consisted of business, discussion, Red Cross sewing, entertainment, and refreshments.

Any girl was eligible for membership if she had had one year of Home Economics or was then taking the course.

On October fourth, girls wearing print dresses and aprons wrong side out, their hair in pigtails with jar ring decorations, and makeup on only half the face, enjoyed eating their lunch between the library and Christian church. After a hearty chili supper, the girls were made full-fledged members and the initiation was over.

The Club made extra money by selling milk and orange juice at noon hours to the students. As a patriotic gesture, they sold war stamps on Friday. After the Bement-Monticello game February twenty-third, the Mixers and Rippers sponsored a victory dance and Monticello students were invited.

On May 2, the Home Economics Club invited all high school girls and their mothers to a Mother-Daughter Banquet in the gymnasium. The food was prepared by World War II Mothers and served by F.F.A. boys.

## OFFICERS

President - - - - - Margaret Frye  
 Secretary - - - - - Joyce Wildman  
 Vice-President - - - - - Beverly Dunn  
 Treasurer - - - - - Marilyn Auth

First row: Scott, Ridge, Lincicum, Tompkins, Wheeler, McConaha, Hinton, Fish, Redman, A. Sebens, Cantrell, Lefever, Turney.

Second row: Fair, Bogue, Hord, Camden, Wildman, Frye, Auth, Clark, Cotter, Abel, Jordan, Brittenham, Probus.

Third row: Habben, Hawver, Comerford, Hawkins, Wiggins, Kirwan, Foran, F. Sebens, Hampton, Patterson, Dunn, McPherson, Coffin, Malkus, Neal, Shirley, M. Reinhart.

Fourth row: Gulliford, Smith, Hodam, Fairbanks, Munson, Vance, Slusser, Hardimon, Lamb, Tynan, Curfman, B. Reinhart, Beals, Ray.





# ★ ★ ★ F. A. A.

“Learning to do,  
Doing to learn;  
Earning to live,  
Living to serve.”

The Bement chapter of the Future Farmers of America is a part of the State and National organization of the F.F.A. Its purposes are shown in its emblem. The owl symbolizes wisdom and knowledge of farming; the plow, the labor and tillage of the soil; the cross-section of an ear of corn, the national scope of the organization, as does the American Eagle; and the rising sun, the new era in agriculture.

The regular meetings were held the

third Wednesday of each month at 3:15 in the Ag. room.

On Wednesday, November 22, eighteen new members were taken into the chapter. The initiates wore suits and neckties to school that day. In the evening the official initiation ceremony was performed. After this, the Greenhands were given a rousing welcome into the organization by being put through the paddling machine.

### OFFICERS

President	- - - - -	Waldo Born
Secretary	- - - - -	Dwight Yockey
Vice-President	- - - - -	James Porter
Treasurer	- - - - -	Wayne Shonkwiler
Reporter	- - - - -	Earl Wright

First row: Murphy, Shumate, B. Hill, Halterman, Postlewait, Timme, Funk, Collins, Christman, Markel.  
Second row: Eckstein, Barnhart, G. Hill, Wright, Shonkwiler, Yockey, Porter, Born, Lux, Mitchell, Rucker, Comerford, Flenniken.  
Third row: M. Strater, W. Foran, Leib, Brady, Neal, Honselman, R. Strater, Heiple, Romack, McCullough, Lamb.  
Fourth row: Sebens, Warren, Frye, Defore, Pettyjohn, R. Foran, Cotter, Bruce, Morgan, Buckner, Camden.





And now comes winter which brings heavy coats--a corridor lined with overshoes--an echo of the basketball team practicing in the gym--noon time recreation of dancing, volley ball, and basketball. Later a gaily bedecked assembly and corridors remind us that Christmas is near. Finally comes Christmas vacation which seems to leave all refreshed. Then worried looks--reviewing--extra books carried home--point to the nearness of Semesters. The days are gradually getting longer--lighter coats appear. Winter is fading out.





# WINTER



MALMHOFF, ALBERT



# ★ ★ ★ WORRIES

December 4: We start the winter season right—a teachers' meeting gives us a holiday.

December 8: We lose our first basketball game to Villa Grove's Blue Devils.

December 12: Deck the halls!—and also the assembly. The Christmas Decoration Committee transforms the whole place into a thing of beauty.

December 13: The Senior girls win the Girls' Volleyball Tournament. New teams are formed for another tournament.

December 15: Work is started on the extension of the boys' dressing room.

December 18: "'Tis the 'week' before Christmas; and all through the school; not a pupil is learning—not even a fool." The Christmas surprises start.

December 22: For the last Christmas surprise, the faculty presents Mrs. Holloway, who talks to us on the subject "How Old Is Santa"? and reads "The Night Before Christmas." After the annual Christmas program, vacation starts.

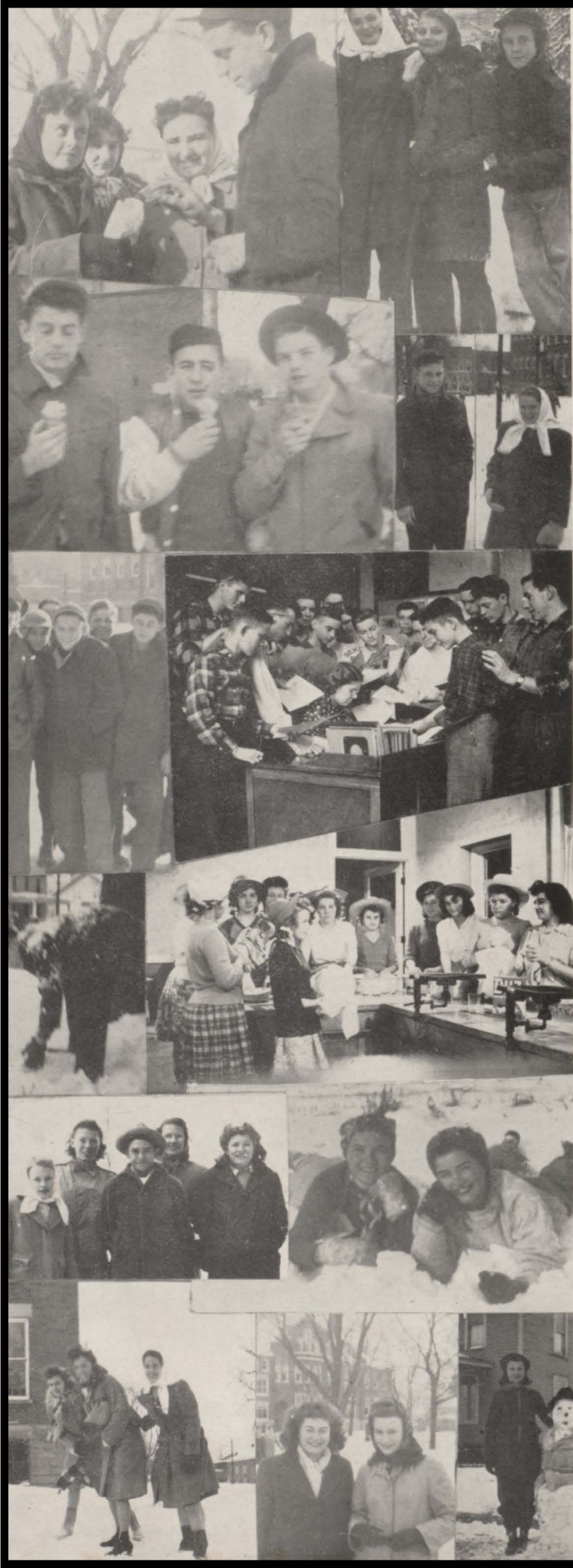
December 28-29: Thanks to our hard-working team, Bement wins third place in the Piatt County Tournament.

January 2: Brrr! With the weather at zero, we resume school.

January 3: The Senior girls keep their undefeated volleyball standing by beating the Freshman boys.

January 11-12: The day of reckoning is here! Semester exams are held!

January 16: Sergeant Kelly, of the State Police, talks to us about safety on the highway.





# of WINTER ★ ★ ★

January 19: The Senior class chooses Joanne Taylor for the D.A.R. award.

January 26: The Senior class bids farewell to George Halterman, the first of our number to leave for the Armed Services.

January 29: Due to the advent of scarlet fever, nurses start checking the student body daily.

January 30 to February 3: After four fast games, Bement received fourth place in the Okaw Valley Tournament.

February 5: Noonday dancing starts.

February 12: Graduation seems very near—the Seniors are measured for caps and gowns.

February 13: Wally Ward, another of our number, received his country's call to the Navy.

February 14: The basketball boys elect Wally Ward honorary captain and he is presented his letter.

February 15: The student body sings "Happy Birthday" to Mr. Slusser.

February 19: Another noon basketball tournament starts. This time with cheerleaders.

February 22: Mmm! Waffles and sausage! Those teachers have another party.

February 23: Monticello is asked to stay for a Victory Dance (and we do mean Victory!) after our very successful game with them.

February 27: Although defeated, the Bulldogs make a good showing against the Decatur Reds.

February 28: Last day of February—grade cards go out.





# L. O. V. Club ★ ★ ★

The L.O.V. Club was reorganized the first semester of this school year after one inactive year. The fourteen members met the first Thursday of every month at 8:15 in Miss Swaim's room and discussed all phases of Roman life.

Members were pupils who were then enrolled in Latin or had already completed two years of this language.

Mixing learning with play in their regular meetings, these students obtained more information on the subject by participating in the Roman discussions and games.

As a finale to a year of interesting activity, the members held a potluck supper at Bob Moery's home on May fourth, the last meeting date. After a hearty meal, everyone enjoyed the entertainment, consisting mostly of Latin games.

## OFFICERS

President	- - -	Roseann Ford
Secretary	- - - - -	Ted Petersen
Vice-President	- - -	Wilma Porter
Treasurer	- - - - -	Bob Moery
Program Chairman	- -	Betty Dukeman

First row: Propst, Moery, Ford, Petersen, Porter, Grunewald, Romack, Hall.  
 Second row: Dukeman, Born, Glennon, Shepherd, Swaim, Foran, Brown, Keeling.





## ★ ★ ★ Sophomores

In the fall of '43 when we entered as freshmen we learned that we were a unique class, being the first in sixteen years to arrive at Miss Swaim's English class on time with everyone present. We selected as our class officers the following: Jack Hooper, president; Dwight Yockey, vice-president; Edna Probus, secretary-treasurer; and Jack Plummer, member of Athletic Board of Control. As freshmen our parties consisted of a treasure hunt, a wiener roast, and two indoor parties.

On entering our sophomore year we soon discovered that we would get our fill of cheery pie alamode, as Mr. Davies, one of our class advisers, always suggested it for our parties. We had several successful parties including a wiener roast at the Forest Preserve Park. Everyone enjoyed himself although two of the boys suffered cut lips and bruises as a result of the games that were played. The class officers were as follows: Mary Lou Redman, pres-

ident; Jack Plummer, vice-president; Ted Petersen, secretary-treasurer; and Jack Hooper, member of Athletic Board of Control. Each year our class was well represented on both the major and minor honor rolls with Louise Hodam holding school honors part of the time. Edna Probus, as Princess Titania, displayed her talent as did the rest of the members of our class in the operetta, "The Forest Prince."

Our class was well represented in sports. Merrill Strater distinguished himself in football with his ability to carry the ball down the field for touchdowns. Other boys of our class to receive letters for football were Dwight Yockey, Jack Plummer, Jack Hooper, and Kenneth Christman. Bill Shumate was renowned for his many baskets and "personals" in basketball. Jack Hooper, a letterman, represented our class in every basketball game. Many of the girls in our class were members of the Home Ec Club and G.A.A., and the boys were members of the "B" Club and F.F.A.

First row: Comerford, Foran, Defore, Strater, Sebans.

Second row: Ridge, Gulliford, Fair, High, Petersen, Redman, Hooper, Plummer, Munson, Van Fleet, Hodam.

Third row: Lincicum, Warren, Brown, Ford, Eckstein, Probus, Ray, Reinhart, Christman, Slagle, Dodd, Bennett, Yockey, Poundstone, Fairbanks.

Fourth row: Kirwan, Leib, Scott, Shirley, Slusser, Shumate, Forcum, Hinton, Fish, Hord.





# Juniors ★ ★ ★

It was September, 1942, when we entered B.T.H.S. as freshmen. We had soon swung into the new routine and selected Pat Brady, Bill McManus, and Doris Shepherd for our class officers. Doris was also our candidate for Homecoming Queen, but unfortunately she was defeated.

A year later we came back as sophomores. We got to the point quickly and elected Rosy Glennon, Raymond Brittenham, and Rosann Ford for our officers. This year we hit it. Marilyn Auth, our queen candidate, was elected by the student body.

Here we are in 1944-45 as "Jolly Juniors." (That was said before Civic-Economics was a required subject.) Our election this year made Tom Murphy, Pat Brady, and Elizabeth Coffin our officers. Elizabeth was our queen candidate. Our campaign failed and we lost to the senior class.

We got off to an early start with a party on September twenty-ninth. Mr.

Slusser was sick all next week, but we didn't have anything to do with it, Honest!

On November seventeenth, we presented a play, "His Name Was Aunt Nellie."

Our class braved the elements and war shortages to sell refreshments at the stand at the athletic field.

Through the past three years, we have had representatives in just about any school activity you could name. Members of our class have been on the News and Annual Staffs, in Band and Chorus, G.A.A., F.F.A., and out for every sport offered.

A large number of us reported for baseball and track as well as for the old standbys, football and basketball.

Some people say, "Save the best till last." On March ninth, the seniors entertained us with a party, and on April twenty-sixth, we returned the favor with the seniors as our guests at the annual Junior-Senior Reception.

First row: Grennon, Markel, Lawson, Camden, Brady, Coffin, Murphy, Gallivan, Johnson, H. Frye, Warren, Shepherd.  
 Second row: Imel, Koebel, Smith, Lamb, Moery, Ford, Glennon, Pruitt, Pierce, Auth, M. Frye, McCullough, Jordan, Lugar, Coe, Rucker.  
 Third row: Foran, Brown, Romack, Clark, Halterman, Dunn, Honselman, Morgan, Bruce, Porter, Sebens.





## ★ ★ ★ Junior Play

On November seventeenth, the Junior class presented "His Name Was Aunt Nellie," a three-act play by A. Jameson.

Archie Baldwin is a prosperous small town banker with a pleasant family, Bertha, his wife, Sheila nineteen, Fred seventeen, and Joyce fifteen.

Archie and Ed Saunders, the next door neighbors, invent fake relatives whom they visit as an excuse to slip away to the race track. Ed has a "cousin" from Paris, "Felix," and Archie has an "Aunt Nellie," a former burlesque queen.

Sheila is forbidden to marry Jerry Parkham, a young actor. Just before her father slips away to Saratoga, Jerry overhears the story of the fake relatives and plays "Aunt Nellie" who comes for a visit while Archie is away. "She" tells a story of Archie's father as an embezzler. Money is missing from the bank. Archie and Ed come back, having lost heavily, with a story about giving their relatives money.

However, everything is straightened out, Sheila and Jerry are happy, and Bertha persuades Archie to swear off gambling.

### "HER NAME WAS AUNT NELLIE"

#### CAST

Archie Baldwin	- - - Wilbur Honselman	Cleo, their colored maid	- - - Norma Lamb
a prosperous small town banker		Ed Saunders, a neighbor	- - - Eugene Pruitt
Bertha Baldwin, his wife	- - - Gayle Smith	Mabel, his wife	- - - Frances Sebens
Sheila, his daughter, aged 19	- - - Roseann Ford	Jerry Parkham, a young actor	- - - Bob Moery
Fred, his son, aged 17	- - - Harold Frye	Mr. Van Dilling	- - - Peter G. Brown
Joyce, another daughter, aged 15	- - - Doris Shepherd	president of the bank	

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## Junior-Senior Reception

On April twenty-sixth we entertained the senior class at the annual Junior-Senior Reception.

From 8 o'clock to 9 o'clock we were entertained by talent from our class. A girls' trio, Elizabeth Coffin, Margaret Frye, and Elfrie Coe, sang, and Mary Alice Born did a solo number.

Further entertainment was provided by a one-act play, "Between Dances." To wind up this part of the evening, we had a May Pole exercise with ten girls wrapping the pole.

The center of attraction was a large May Pole hung with colored streamers in the middle of the floor.

Further decoration consisted of smaller May Poles in each corner, a picket fence around the wall, and individual tables with a little May Pole in the center of each table.

Mendel Riley and his band played for three hours of dancing. In keeping with the government curfew the musicians stopped at eleven-forty-five and we broke up at twelve o'clock.

We had our choice of a ten-piece orchestra for one hundred dollars or a six-piece orchestra for sixty dollars. After several class meetings, we decided to contract the smaller organization and use the forty dollars saved as a donation to the Mothers of World War II who send the Bement Register to the fellows in the service.

It was a small sacrifice, but it gives us the satisfaction of knowing that we are doing something worth-while.



# Basketball ★ ★ ★

On November 20, thirty-four boys reported for basketball practice. Walter Ward, Bob Hill, and Waldo Born were the only returning lettermen, all of whom were seniors. The season began with a 38-30 loss to Villa Grove. After a slow start Bement finally triumphed over Arcola. The Purple and White won only two conference games and lost ten. The Bull Dogs finished the season with a .166 average in the Okaw Valley Conference.

Seven boys received basketball letters. The seniors were Walter Ward, Bob Hill, and Waldo Born. Pat Brady, Bill McManus, Jack Hooper, and Bill Shumate were the underclassmen. Two other seniors, Walter Lamb and Wayne Shonkwiler, were awarded letters for their participation in football and basketball although they did not earn a letter in just one sport. Walter Ward was elected honorary captain just before he left for the Navy.

SCORING RECORD	
McManus - - -	43 pts.
Ward - - - - -	250 pts.
Brady - - - - -	119 pts.
Born - - - - -	89 pts.
Shumate - - -	83 pts.
Hill - - - - -	72 pts.
Hooper - - - -	23 pts.
Christman - - -	2 pts.
Lamb - - - - -	1 pt.
Moery - - - - -	1 pt.
Total - - -	683 pts.

## BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Games at Home		B	Opp.
December 8—Villa Grove	- - -	30	38
*January 5—Atwood	- - -	22	34
*January 19—Sullivan	- - -	35	41
January 23—Hammond	- - -	62	38
*February 9—Arthur	- - -	45	60
*February 16—Cerro Gordo	- - -	22	30
*February 23—Monticello	- - -	27	16

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Games Away		B	Opp.
*December 19—Tuscola	- - -	20	34
*January 3—Villa Grove	- - -	27	53
*January 12—Cerro Gordo	- - -	24	25
*January 16—Arcola	- - -	44	17
*January 26—Monticello	- - -	28	31
*February 6—Atwood	- - -	24	36
*February 13—Sullivan	- - -	31	50
Total	- - -	441	503

\*Conference games

First row: Hill, Brady, Born, Ward, McManus, Hooper, Shumate.  
 Second row: Still, Plummer, Wright, Shonkwiler, Christman, Lamb, Curry, Moery, Postlewait.





## ★ ★ ★ **Betohi's Varsity Basketball Squad**

**WALTER WARD, Senior**—Bement's leading scorer. He had a lot of drive and an accurate shooting eye. He was called to the Navy before the season was over.

**PAT BRADY, Junior**—He was a consistent scorer and was second highest on the squad. A good ball handler and dribbler. He was "hot" on long set shots.

**BILL McMANUS—Junior**—When one of the first five needed rest, you could always depend on Bill to play a good floor game.

**BILL SHUMATE, Junior**—An excellent dribbler. He didn't come out till the second semester but he got off with a "bang." He could play any position when called upon to do so.

**WALDO BORN, Senior**—"Wal" was a cool player and when he got "hot" he was hard to guard. Because of his height he was an excellent rebounder.

**BOB HILL, Senior**—"Man Mountain" always got his man—and how. His game was slowed up by a knee injury.

**JACK HOOPER, Sophomore**—Jack was a steady player and a good rebounder. Although not a high scorer, he was always doing his bit on defense.

**WALTER LAMB, Senior**—He wasn't a regular but was an excellent shot. Because he was tall he was a good rebounder.

**WAYNE SHONKWILER, Senior**—Although he wasn't a regular, his height gave him an advantage in securing a place on the squad.

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### TOURNAMENT PLAY

In three tournaments our basketball team won four and lost four for a .500 average in tournament play.

Bement opened the Piatt County Tournament with a 42-27 win over our natural rival, Monticello. Atwood dropped the Bull Dogs from any chance at the first place trophy when the Rajahs won 37-24 in the semi-final game. In the consolation game Bement triumphed over Mansfield 33-16 for third place.

In the Okaw Valley Tournament the Bulldogs edged out Cerro Gordo 31-29 in a thrilling game. The Purple and White triumphed in their second game over Oakland by a score of 34-29. In the semi-final game Arthur dropped Bement 47-30. In the consolation game Sullivan dampened any hopes the Purple cagers had for third place by a 47-25 win.

Bement drew Decatur in the opening game of the Regional tournament. Decatur, ranked as the number two team in the state, swamped the Purple and White 84-23. The Bulldogs didn't know it at the time, but Decatur was destined to become the State Champions.

A post-season Invitational Tournament was held at Cerro Gordo on March 12. Four schools—Bement, Cerro Gordo, Lovington, and Monticello—sent teams composed of freshmen and sophomores to the tournament. In the opening game of the tournament Bement lost to Cerro Gordo 35-27. In the consolation game the Bulldogs were victorious over Lovington by a score of 24-20. Monticello edged out Cerro Gordo in an overtime to win first place.

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### SPRING SPORTS

As soon as weather permitted, baseball and track practice began. An enthusiastic group reported—38 boys for track and 20 boys for baseball. None of these boys had had much previous experience.

Track meets were scheduled with Monticello, there; Monticello, open; Atwood, here; and Arcola, here. The track team also competed in the Mattoon Relays, Urbana Relays, and the District and Okaw Valley Meets.

Baseball games were scheduled with Cerro Gordo, Monticello, and Lovington. The Bull Dogs played games with each opponent at home and away. The results of these schedules could not be recorded because of the early printing date of the Betohi.



# G. A. A. ★ ★ ★

Good sportsmanship, good health, and good fun are bywords of the girls who are members of the Girls' Athletic Association.

The regular meeting is held the first Monday in every month when the girls discuss hobbies, personality, and other topics of interest. Tuesday and Friday evenings, after school, the girls meet in the gymnasium or out of doors and participate in a variety of sports such as basketball, volleyball, archery, and baseball.

October fourteen, fifteen G.A.A. members motored to Lovington to take part in the activities of their Play Day. Bement was proud to accept the prize for the best stunt performance.

On Monday, February fifth, twelve new G.A.A. members, attired in grotesque garb, experienced a grueling day under the amused stares of the student body.

After a lively game of volleyball, supper was served in the Home Economics room. Following the formal candlelight initiation, the members danced in the upper corridor.

The social highlights of the year were the Carnival and the Barn Dance. The Carnival was held October sixth, and caused a great sensation with such attractions as seven wonders of the world, a freak show, and a short farce. The all-school Barn Dance, held on April sixth, was attended by boys and girls in overalls and print dresses. Station G.A.A. provided entertainment and music for round and square dancing.

## OFFICERS

President - - - - - Joanne Taylor  
 Secretary and Treasurer - Louise Hodam  
 Vice-President - - - - - Beverly Dunn  
 Point Secretary - - - - - Inez Forcum  
 Asst. Point Secretary - Dorothy Hawver

First row: Auth, Malkus, Patterson, Camden, Hodam, Clark, Cotter, Coffin, McPherson, Hawkins.  
 Second row: Defore, Hawver, Neal, Brittenham, Wiggins, Hardimon, Fairbanks, Slagle, Bogue, Dunn, Romack.  
 Third row: Lincicum, McConaha, Turney, Lefever, Curfman, Hampton, Lamb, Wildman, Forcum.





## CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The nearness of Christmas was brought to the students' attention when on Tuesday morning, December 12, we came to school and found the building gaily decorated. The assembly displayed a new ceiling of green streamers extending from the center of the room to the molding of the walls. On the platform, in place of the teacher's desk, stood a beautifully trimmed Christmas tree. Windows in the building boasted painted designs which illustrated the Christmas spirit.

During the week preceding Christmas vacation, surprise stunts, prepared by the faculty and by each class, were given before the assembly.

On the afternoon of December 22, the students reported to the assembly for a brief program of fun. Among other amusing stunts, Carolyn Ford gave her version of perfect atmosphere for a proposal and Bob Somers demonstrated what he would do if frightened by a mouse.

At 2:30 in the auditorium was presented the annual Christmas program which consisted of musical selections by the chorus and the Bible story from Luke II and Matthew II read by Joyce Wildman.



## NOON ACTIVITIES

During the fall and spring the students entertained themselves out of doors at noon, but during the winter, special noon-

hour activities for both boys and girls were sponsored by Miss Fisher and Mr. Hall.

## VOLLEYBALL

Round Robin Volleyball Tournaments started the season. A net that stretches lengthwise of the gymnasium was procured. Games were played on half the floor, the boys using one end and the girls

the other. The girls had five teams in their first tournament and six in their second, while the boys had six in both of theirs. Between tournaments the girls of each class played against the boys of their class.

## BASKETBALL

Intramural basketball for the boys followed volleyball. All boys with the exception of the "regulars" were eligible to play. In the first tournament the six teams were under playing managers. In the second, seven teams competed, one under

each member of the varsity and one from the grade school coached by Mr. Hall. Each team consisted of about seven members. The games were played under actual conditions as far as it was possible. The main exceptions were only five minute quarters and no time outs.

## DANCING

A dance program, planned by a student committee, came with the second semester. Dancing was held every day in the gymnasium from twelve-thirty to one o'clock. The original schedule called for round dancing on Monday, square dancing on

Wednesday, and both round and square dancing on Friday. Tuesday and Thursday were set aside for beginning classes. Later the program was changed to only three days a week with mixed dancing on Monday and Friday and round dancing on Wednesday.



Spring approaches--greener grass--  
longer days--track and baseball--  
lighter hearts -- more tests -- Spring  
Fever--faraway looks--the Junior-Senior  
reception, with festive formals and  
gay music--Senior play practice--Annual  
arouses a stir -- all of this before  
Semesters approach once again and the  
year ends in a whirl of Commence-  
ment activities.





# SPRING





# ★ ★ ★ SPICE OF

March 5: Practice in earnest begins for the operetta with the first night rehearsal.

March 6: Mr. Slusser can cook! The teachers verify this statement after a chili supper.

March 9: The Juniors are guests of the Seniors at a very successful St. Patrick's party.

March 13: Patty Bogue presents an interesting talk on "Why Buy War Stamps and Bonds"!

March 15: Rotten Eggs! Chemistry students plus H<sub>2</sub>S succeed in filling the whole school building with a horrible odor.

March 16: 'Tis the day before St. Patrick's Day! All the Irish—and some of the rest—show their color.

March 19: The Senior Play committee start reading plays!

March 20: Three days before the Matinee, one of the operetta's stars, Bob Postlewait, almost bites his tongue off in noon basketball!

March 21: The operetta cast suffers another casualty—Willa Mae Patterson underwent an appendectomy. Plenty has been said about buying war stamps—but nothing yelled, so the cheerleaders lead the student body in some patriotic yells.

March 23: After many weeks of work, the B.T.H.S. choruses present "The Forest Prince."

March 26: The senior play committee chooses the three-act comedy "Tish" for their class play. Work! yes, work! Five staff members were busy until eleven tonight getting the dummy of the Betohi ready for the printer.

April 4-5: Talent is displayed at Senior Play tryouts.





# SPRING ★ ★ ★

April 6: Senior play cast is announced. Everyone has a rip roarin' good time at the Barn Dance sponsored by the G.A.A.

April 9: The beginning of a new "six weeks"—the last lap of the school year. Senior play cast meets tonight for the first time.

April 10: Ouch! But it is all in a good cause. Tuberculosis tests are given.

April 12: Our boys make a good showing at a track meet between Bement, Cerro Gordo, and Atwood.

April 13: Those Freshmen aren't superstitious for they give a party tonight.

April 20: The Home Ec and Ag party, held in the Music room, is a delightful evening of fun.

April 22: The A Cappella chorus presents its last performance of the year at the Spring Concert.

April 26: Glamour is the prevailing theme at the Junior-Senior Reception.

May 2: The Home Ec Club girls sponsor a Mother-Daughter Banquet served by the F.F.A.

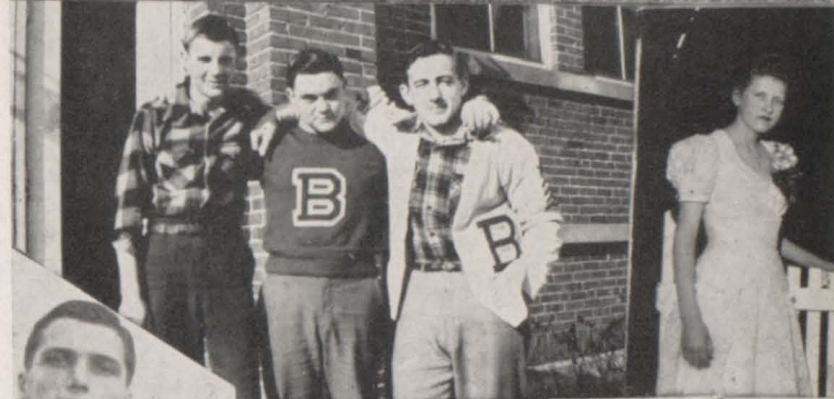
May 9: Senior week begins—the long-looked for days.

May 11: Semester exams start. The Seniors present their hilarious comedy, "Tish."

May 13: An impressive Baccalaureate service is held for the Seniors. The message was delivered by Rev. Wright of the Christian Church.

May 14: Hurrah! The annuals are distributed to an eager student body.

May 15: School comes to its formal end with the Graduation of thirty seniors. Mr. A. H. Lauckner of Urbana was the Commencement speaker.





# Band ★ ★ ★

March! March! March! The Band was the main attraction at the "half" of the Homecoming and Armistice Day games. When the purple clad members formed a B and a U.S.A. on the field, they made a striking appearance. In the fall, the Band practiced marching every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday during the eighth period—their regular practice period.

Every pep meeting was enlivened by the appearance of the Band. Betohi Loyalty and many other rousing marches added to the already overflowing enthusiasm. At the pep meetings preceding the Cerro Gordo and Monticello gridiron battles the crowds of cheerers were led from the school house to the business section of town by the Band. When the football season was concluded, a Concert Band, boasting fifty-seven members, was organized. New members who had participated in football now joined the ranks. Every practice period was used in earnest rehearsal for the spring concert, held April 22.

## OFFICERS

President - - - - -	Walter Ward	Reporter - - - - -	Walter Lamb
Secretary and Treasurer -	Doris Shepherd	Librarians - - - - -	Betty Warren
Vice-President - - - - -	Joanne Taylor		Mary Alice Born

## BAND INSTRUMENTATION

B flat clarinets: Mary McPherson, Paul Brown, Jim Brown, Doris Shepherd, Bruce Still, Bob Collins, Phyllis Murphy, Mary Alice Born, Nancy Postlewait, Norma Van Vleet, Mary Foran, Martha Boyd. Flutes: Marjorie Brown, Bob Hodam, Dick Neal. Oboe: Daraleen Still. Bassoon: Louise Hodam. Alto clarinet: Donna Jean Crook. Bass clarinet: Patsy Neal. Soprano sax: Carolee Patterson. Alto sax: Lee Barnhart, Eileen Hardimon. Tenor sax: Betty Warren. E flat clarinet: Eileen Christman. Cornets and trumpets: Walter Ward, Inez Forcum, Bob Postlewait, Mary Lincicum, Joanne Taylor, Lamar Grunewald, Doris Brittenham, Edgar Smith, Dean Stout, J. D. Carroll, Joe Tipton. French horns: Shirley Lamb, Florence Scott, David Dobson, Jim Day. Trombones: Harold Wallace, Bob Neal, Bob Clark, Don Deering. Baritones: Bill Neal, Cecil Luger, Ronald Moreland. Basses: John Moery, John Born, Edward Phipps. Drums: Walter Lamb, Bill McManus, Pat Brady, Bob Curry. Tympani: Willa Mae Patterson. Marimba: Arlen and Arlene Rittenhouse.





## ★ ★ ★ Chorus

One of the most active organizations this year was the A Capella Choir. The members enjoyed their practices during the eighth period of the school day each Tuesday and Thursday, at which time they prepared the music for their public appearances.

Their first appearance came on December eighth, when they sang a few selections from the musical program held by the Bement and Monticello Woman's Clubs in the Bement Presbyterian Church.

The chorus furnished a number of beautiful carols for the Christmas program in the auditorium December twenty-second.

Members of the choir voted to sponsor Professor H. C. Hess of Millikin University in a violin concert. On the evening of

February twelfth, an appreciative audience gathered to enjoy his music.

The A Capella choir and the Freshman Chorus presented an operetta "The Forest Prince" on the evening of March twenty-third. Edna Probus and Robert Neal were the leading characters in the lively Russian story.

Aside from a clarinet quartet, all Bement entries in the district contest were vocal. Two ensembles and six soloists appeared in Springfield, April second, and made a performance of which we were all proud.

### OFFICERS

President	-	-	-	Mary McPherson
Secretary	-	-	-	Beverly Dunn
Vice-President	-	-	-	Wally Lamb
Librarian	-	-	-	Elizabeth Coffin

First row: Abel, Clark, R. Cotter, Lamb, Lugar, Ford, Crim, Halterman, Reinhart, Foran, Patterson, Dunn.  
 Second row: Hodam, Scott, Smith, Koebel, Camden, G. Cotter, Postlewait, Grunewald, Auth, Coe.  
 Third row: Lincicum, Coffin, Slusser, McPherson, Petersen, B. Neal, R. Neal, Still, Frye, Probus, Bogue, Hawver, Mr. Brown.  
 Fourth row: Hill, Wallace, Hooper, Rucker, Brown, Ward, Shumate, Murphy, Lamb.





# Annual Staff ★ ★ ★

Co-Editors - - - - - Dorothy Hawver, John Flenniken  
 Sports Editors - - - - - Waldo Born, Wayne Shonkwiler  
 Club Editors - - - Joanne Taylor, Joyce Wildman, Earl Wright  
 Feature Editors - - - - - Ellen Abel, Wilma Porter  
 Class Editors—  
     Willa Mae Patterson, Mary McPherson - - - - - Senior  
     Bill McManus - - - - - Junior  
     Barbara Fair - - - - - Sophomore  
     Lamar Grunewald - - - - - Freshman  
 Business Managers - - - - - Walter Ward, Walter Lamb  
 Typist - - - - - Rosemary Cotter  
 Adviser - - - - - Isabelle Houston





# They were Beautiful Babies...

Let us have a guessing game  
To learn each staff member's  
name.

Reading down:

First column:

She's pretty yet  
And just as sweet;  
A finer girl  
You'll never meet.

Pat her on the back;  
She's won a farmer's son.

He's been with us just one year,  
But he's started right to make  
a career.

In the spring, his name is seen,  
Always frolicing on the green.

Still a good scout,  
He's a drummer  
Without a doubt.

A jolly nature and big brown  
eyes  
Mark this carefree lad.

Second column:

What? Without M. L.?  
And not sad?

A pal—no gal.  
Ain't it a shame!  
(For the gals.)

Then she held a dolly;  
Now she holds a sailor.

Even then she looked like a  
winner.

Then he was his mother's joy;  
Now he's grown—and some boy.

Third column:

Then: Short, blonde, cute.  
Now: Tall, blonde, handsome.

This is a fair subject.

Merry as the day is long.

Pretty face, framed with bangs—  
Gone the bangs, but not the  
pretty face.

The Marines have the situation  
well in hand.

The little girl who isn't here??  
Can you recognize these babies?  
If not, look on page 44.





## Backward Glance ★ ★ ★

In the fall of 1941 Betohi was blessed with fifty-three innocent little freshmen. When accustomed to the surroundings of this new life, we organized into a class under the guidance of Rosemary Cotter, president; Joyce Wildman, vice-president; Dorothy Hawver, secretary and treasurer; and Bob Hill, Athletic Board of Control member. We witnessed our first Homecoming with Rosemary Cotter as a queen attendant. In the field of sports, Bob Hill's ability was shown on the gridiron. The upperclassmen formally accepted us into their ranks after various initiations were bestowed upon us.

After a year's experience we could scoff at the new freshmen. We proceeded under the direction of Raymond Brittenham, president; Wally Lamb, vice-president; Walter Ward, secretary and treasurer; and James Lieb, Athletic Board of Control member. Bob Hill continued to represent us on the football field. Joanne Taylor carried our hopes for Homecoming Queen. In Betohi's own dance band we were represented by Mary McPherson, Harold Wallace, Walter Ward, and Lee Barnhart. On the basketball court Walter Ward and Waldo Born were familiar figures and Manager Wayne Shonkwiler saw that they were well cared for.

The half-way mark of our career found us with Suzanne Brady, president; Bob Hill, vice-president; Joanne Taylor, secretary and treasurer; and Wayne Shonkwiler, Athletic Board of Control member. Our dramatic ability was displayed in the smashing hit, "Here Comes Hattie." Willa Mae Patterson was our queen attendant at Homecoming. To our football lettermen we

added Harold Wallace, Waldo Born, and Earl Wright, and in basketball we added Bob Hill. We were entertained by the seniors at a hilarious April Fool's party.

On April 29 we repaid the seniors by being their hosts at the Junior-Senior reception. Red roses gracefully entwined through white lattice work and surrounded by a high stone wall transformed the B.T.H.S. gymnasium into a picturesque garden. The evening was spent in dancing to the music of Ben Bradley and his orchestra.

In August, 1944, thirty-two seniors entered the halls of B.T.H.S. to be led by President Bob Hill through the whirlwind of activities which the year presented. Mary McPherson was chosen queen of the Homecoming and crowned with a wreath of red roses by football Captain Bob Hill. Carrying the pigskin and added to our list of "B" receivers were Bob Neal, George Halterman, Walter Ward, and Bob Somers. Ellen Abel and Rosemary Cotter brought forth the cheers from the crowds backing our teams. In basketball we added no new lettermen.

On March ninth, begorra, we were hosts to the junior class at a peppy St. Patrick's Day party. In return they entertained us on April twenty-sixth with a beautiful May Day reception.

On May eleventh we presented our senior play, "Tish."

Senior week fulfilled our long-awaited hopes and after Baccalaureate, on May thirteenth and Commencement Day fifteenth, we left the familiar hall of B.T.H.S. to enter into a less familiar world.



**Robert Hill . . . . . July 13, 1927**

And then he smiles . . . Star Athlete  
Unhurried, unruffled . . . A walk  
to remember.

**George Halterman . . June 25, 1926**

A man's best friend is his pig . . .  
A seemingly unconcerned manner  
about most things.

**Earl Wright . . . August 14, 1927**

A spendthrift with his tongue . . .  
Persistent dues collector . . . Sin-  
cere, friendly, and loyal.

**Walter Ward . . . . . March 7, 1927**

Salty Sea Scout . . . . . A man of  
inches and every inch a man . . .  
"Stinky" . . . Vivacious and versa-  
tile.

**Suzanne Hawkins . August 24, 1927**

Our artistic Ivesdalian . . . Her dry  
humor bursts forth unexpectedly.  
"Sue" . . . Bronze hair but no tem-  
per.

**Mary McPherson . January 1, 1928**

"Mert" . . . . . A capable leader with  
a friendly spirit.  
Unlimited energy and resourceful-  
ness . . . . . Queen of Homecoming.

**Robert Somers . . . August 25, 1927**

One semester typing whiz . . . Give  
him a job and he'll do it well.  
To know him is to like him.

**Vivian Waller . September 11, 1926**

What would Walgreen's do without  
her?  
Believe it or not, I'm stalling for  
time.

**Joanne Taylor . December 25, 1927**

Quiet, but noticed . . . She cut her  
teeth on a ball bat.  
One of the best ever.

**Joyce Wildman . . . . . May 1, 1927**

"Pug" . . . Sports and pep go step  
in step.  
An authority on "this year's crop."







Ellen Abel . . . . . July 22, 1927

She's witty, she's wise, and quite small of size.  
"Cy" . . . "In the face" . . . Chatter, Chatter.

Wilma Porter . . . August 21, 1927

Third finger left hand . . . She thinks what she thinks.  
A good word for everyone . . . Friends galore.



Walter Lamb . . . February 28, 1927

A wolf disguised in Lamb's clothing. If friends were dollars, he'd be a millionaire . . . The right boy in the right place.

Dorothy Hawver . February 3, 1928

When the out of doors calls, I must answer.  
Milmine's Master-Mind . . . Serious and Sensible . . . "Dot."



Virginia Crim . September 24, 1927

Love makes me see "Red" . . quiet manner and a winning smile.  
Honest-to-goodness curly hair.

John Flenniken . . . June 30, 1927

His temper is controlled only by a power beyond himself.—M.L.R.  
Frank and earnest, but he's called "Hub."



Waldo Born . . . December 20, 1927

Three in one . . . ambitious . . . athletic . . . admirable . . . "Baldo."  
Studios ways . . . "Shv" . . . Easy going, yet accomplishing much.

Patricia Bogue . . . March 12, 1927

When Irish eyes are smiling . . . but when they're not, look out!  
She's a peck of fun.



Robert Neal . . . . . March 15, 1927

Burr-head . . . He goes through life with a swagger and "Cy."  
"Dobell" . . . "Does that make me a senator"?

Wayne Shonkwiler October 22, 1927

"Shonkie" . . . "Now maybe I don't wanna . . . Guess again . . . Guess I do."  
Glamour girl eyes.



Frank Lux . . . . . July 30, 1927

He has a way with him . . . Distinctly individual . . . What the well dressed man will wear.

Willa Mae Patterson Feb. 10, 1927

"Willie" . . . Effervescent as ginger ale . . . A worthwhile friend in every way . . . Another one of those already spoken for.

Betty Wiggins . . January 29, 1927

"I don't take nothin' from nobody."  
"Wig" . . . You should see her voluminous notes . . . Small and peppy.

Clifford Behnke . . . May 12, 1927

Great town, Ivesdale . . . The world wasn't made for worry . . . neither was I . . . Mischievous mind.

Harold Wallace . . March 10, 1927

Her mother is a good cook. A good steady guy . . . "steady" any way you look at it . . . "Red."

Therese Malkus . December 28, 1927

Always on the go . . . vim, vigor, and vitality . . . Never a serious thought . . . "Men are such charming creatures."

Rosemary Cotter September 6, 1927

Dark eyes that laugh the whole day through . . . Got to watch my diet . . . "Rosy."

Lewis Mitchell . September 6, 1927

"Barney" . . . . If study makes a man, bring back my cradle days" . . . A good sport . . . an equable disposition.

Lee Barnhart . . . . . July 2, 1927

Big giggle in a little man . . . Easy going and good natured.

Hanna Rita O'Connor April 8, 1927

"I'm Irish and proud of it" . . . . "Know any new dance Steps"? . . . Sunnyside up.





# Senior Activities ★ ★ ★

**ELLEN ABEL**—Chorus 2,3,4; Home Ec Club 1,2,3,4; Junior Play; Cheerleader 4; Operetta 4; Annual Staff 4; News Staff 4.

**LEE BARNHART**—F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Football Manager 3; Dance Band 2.

**CLIFFORD BEHNKE**—F.F.A. 2,3,4; Basketball 3; Football 3; Football Manager 2.

**PATTY BOGUE**—G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Home Ec Club 1,2,4; Chorus 2,3,4; Operetta 4; Ensemble 4.

**WALDO BORN**—Football 1,2,3,4; Varsity 3,4; Basketball 2,3,4; Varsity 3,4; Track 1; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; President 4; B Club 4; Annual Staff 4.

**ROSEMARY COTTER**—Chorus 2,3,4; L.O.V. Club 2; G.A.A. 4; Queen Attendant 1; Class President 1; Junior Play; Cheerleader 4; Operetta 4; Home Ec Club 2,3,4; Annual Staff 4; Ensemble 4.

**VIRGINIA CRIM**—Home Ec Club 1,2,3; Chorus 2,3,4.

**JOHN FLENNIKEN**—F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Reporter 2; Basketball 2,3; Annual Staff 4.

**GEORGE HALTERMAN**—F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Class Vice-President 4; Football 3,4; Varsity 4.

**SUZANNE HAWKINS**—Home Ec Club 2,3,4; G.A.A. 2,3,4; Chorus 2.

**DOROTHY HAWVER**—Class Secretary and Treasurer 1; G.A.A. 2,3,4; Assistant Point Secretary 4; Home Ec Club 2,4; L.O.V. Club 2; Chorus 2,3,4; Annual Staff 2,4; News Staff 4; Librarian 4; Junior Play; Reader Christmas Program 3; Operetta 4.

**BOB HILL**—Football Varsity 1,2,3,4; Captain 4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Varsity 3,4; Chorus 2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Athletic Board of Control Member 1; Class Vice-President 3; Class President 4; Cheerleader 2; Queen Escort 4; Queen Attendant's Escort 1,3; Operetta 4.

**WALTER LAMB**—Band 1,2,3,4; Vice-President 2; Reporter 3; Chorus 2,3,4; Vice-President 4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Basketball 3,4; Football 4; Annual Staff 4; Class Vice-President 2; Junior Play.

**FRANK LUX**—F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Junior Play; Football 4.

**MARY McPHERSON**—G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Vice-President 2; Assistant Point Secretary 3; Christmas Pageant 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Dance Band 2; Music Festival 2; Chorus 2,3,4; President 4; L.O.V. Club 2; Vice-President 2; Home Ec Club 2,4; News Staff 2,3,4; Junior Play; Annual Staff 4; Homecoming Queen 4; Operetta 4.

**THERESE MALKUS**—G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Home Ec Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2; Band 1,2; Twirler 1,2,3,4; Music Festival 2.

**LEWIS MITCHELL**—F.F.A. 2,3,4.

**BOB NEAL**—Football 4; Varsity 4; B Club 4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2,3,4; Band 2,3,4; News Staff 4; Operetta 4; Male Quartet 3.

**HANNAH RITA O'CONNOR**—Home Ec Club 1,2,3; Chorus 2,3.

**WILLA MAE PATTERSON**—G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; President 3; Point Secretary 2; Home Ec Club 2,4; Band 1,2,3,4; L.O.V. Club 2; Chorus 2,3,4; Queen Attendant 3; News Staff 2,3,4; Annual Staff 1,4; Junior Play; Operetta 4; Ensemble 4; Cheerleader 3; Drum Majorette 3,4; Christmas Pageant 1; Music Festival 2; Band Librarian 1.

**WILMA PORTER**—Chorus 2; News Staff 3,4; Annual Staff 4; Home Ec Club 2,3; L.O.V. Club 2,4; Vice-President 4; G.A.A. 1.

**WAYNE SHONKWILER**—Football Manager 2,3; Basketball Manager 2,3; Football 4; Basketball 4; Track 1; F.F.A. 2,3,4; Treasurer 4; B Club 4; Annual Staff 4; Athletic Board of Control Member 3.

**BOB SOMERS**—Ivesdale 1,2; Football Varsity 4.

**JOANNE TAYLOR**—G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Secretary 3; President 4; Home Ec Club 1,2,3,4; Secretary 3; Band 1,2,3,4; Librarian 3; Vice-President 4; Annual Staff 4; Chorus 2,3,4; Queen Attendant 2; Class Secretary 3; Ensemble 4.

**HAROLD WALLACE**—Chorus 3,4; L.O.V. Club 2; Football 1,2,3,4; Varsity 3,4; F.F.A. 3; Band 1,2,3,4; Operetta 4; B Club 4; Dance Band 2.

**VIVIAN WALLER**—Home Ec Club 1,2,3,4; Atwood 2.

**WALTER WARD**—Henry 1; Band 2,3,4; President 3,4; Chorus 2,3,4; L.O.V. Club 2; Basketball 2,3,4; Varsity 3,4; Football Varsity 4; Male Quartet 3; State Vocal Contest 3; News Staff 3; Annual Staff 4; Junior Play; Athletic Board of Control Member 4; Class Secretary and Treasurer 2.

**JOYCE WILDMAN**—G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Home Ec Club 1,2,3,4; Secretary 4; Chorus 2,3; Junior Play; Annual Staff 4.

**BETTY WIGGINS**—G.A.A. 1,2,3; Home Ec Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 2.

**EARL WRIGHT**—Football 1,2,3,4; Varsity 3,4; Basketball 3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Reporter 4; Class Secretary and Treasurer 4; News Staff 4; Annual Staff 4; B Club 4.



# ★ ★ ★ Senior Who's Who

Dorothy Hawver	<b>Most Scholarly</b> Mary McPherson	Waldo Born
Mary McPherson	<b>Most Musical</b>	Walter Ward
Joyce Wildman	<b>Most Athletic</b>	Bob Hill
Mary McPherson	<b>Most All-Around</b>	Walter Ward
Rosemary Cotter	<b>Best Looking</b>	Walter Ward
Therese Malkus	<b>Biggest Cut-up</b>	Earl Wright
Virginia Crim	<b>Most Bashful</b>	Harold Wallace
Mary McPherson	<b>Most Likely To Succeed</b>	Walter Ward

The D.A.R. award of the year went to Joanne Taylor.



## BIG TEN

(Scholastically)

1. Dorothy Hawver, Mary McPherson.
2. Waldo Born.
3. Earl Wright.
4. Willa Mae Patterson.
5. John Flenniken.
6. Joanne Taylor.
7. Joyce Wildman.
8. Wilma Porter.
9. Rosemary Cotter.
10. Walter Lamb.



## Senior Play ★ ★ ★

On May 11, the seniors presented the scream-lined play, TISH. Tish, a middle-aged spinster, drags her two boon companions, Lizzie and Aggie, on a jaunt to get closer to nature. Her ancient car fails her, compelling her to stop at The Eagle Hotel which becomes the scene for her escapades. Driving through a store window, flying, losing control of a plane, catching a robber, straightening out romances, and going horseback riding compile only a few of the jams that Tish gets herself and everyone else into.

Letitia Carberry, Tish.....	Rosemary Cotter
Lizzie { Tish's close companions .....	Joyce Wildman
Aggie { .....	Mary McPherson
Ellen Leighton, who runs "The Eagle Hotel".....	Dorothy Hawver
Charita, her Mexican maid-servant.....	Patty Bogue
Luther Hopkins, hard-hearted business man.....	Waldo Born
Callie Hopkins, his daughter.....	Ellen Abel
Charlie Sands, Tish's charming young nephew.....	Frank Lux
Bettina Trent, a most unhappy young lady.....	Joanne Taylor
Sheriff Lem Pike, who has romantic tendencies.....	Earl Wright
Wesley Andrews, a most engaging young man.....	Walter Lamb
Denby Grimes, moving picture director.....	Wayne Shonkwiler
Dorice Gaylord, a movie actress.....	Therese Malkus

## Prophecy ★ ★ ★

Many years have passed away—  
 More than we would like to say.  
 We've reached what we consider fame,  
 Or something just about the same.

"Cy" Abel sings with a No. 1 band  
 And all who hear her think she's grand.

Lee Barnhart, a bachelor-fat and fifty,  
 Drives a Cadillac and thinks he's nifty.

Patty Bogue now cares for the dead  
 Which keeps her lean husband quite  
 well fed.

Through research and study, Waldo  
 Born  
 Invented an ear of musical corn.

Clifford Behnke on Wall street does  
 reside  
 And all the bankers in him confide.

Thrilling millions on the screen,  
 Rosemary Cotter is often seen.

A farmer's wife is Virginia Crim;  
 She goes at it with all her vim.

Teaching riding at the Flenniken stable,  
 John claims his best pupil was Betty  
 Grable.



## ★ ★ ★ Prophecy

Flinging along down the street  
Comes George Halterman walking his  
beat.

Sue Hawkins' latest dress designs  
Have thrilled the nation with unique  
lines.

Dorothy Hawver, smart as the dickens,  
Lives in Anartica and raises chickens.

Bob Hill's life just whirls and whirls;  
He's coaching a team made up of girls.

Wally Lamb conducts tours of Holly-  
wood homes;  
This is a good way to collect numbers  
of phones.

Mayor Frank Lux from the soap box  
does rave;  
He says, "To do this, you gotta be  
brave."

Mary McPherson, Queen of Cannibal  
Isle,  
Wears a sarong Hollywood style.

To the Mitchell Circus everyone goes  
To see Lewis the Great walk on his nose.

Bob Neal is a salesman, and really quite  
grand;  
He sells snowshoes on the desert sand.

All the people really rave  
When Hannah O'Connor gives a per-  
manent wave.

Willa Mae Patterson with a string of  
brats,  
Throws out the milk and starves the  
cats.

Filibustering on the Senate floor,  
Wilma Porter can really roar.

Wayne Shonkwiler with specs and a  
shiny bald head,  
Pleads cases in court for his daily bread.

Bob Somers, our high school dandy,  
Wears a suit like Mahatma Gandhi.

Joanne Taylor—now isn't she wise?  
Gave up a career to sing lullabies.

Chef Harold Wallace of the cafe Fun  
Huns,  
Serves as a specialty peaches and  
onions.

Remember Vivian Waller? She really  
rates;  
She's teaching the Pygmies to use roller  
skates.

Wally Ward, a business man, smokes  
big cigars,  
Goes to the races and bets on cars.

Our friend, Betty, both gray and old,  
Is head of the Wiggin's Baby Fold.

Joyce Wildman, as an athlete has  
reached fame;  
She won first prize in the Olympic  
game.

What's this we see coming into sight?  
It's Earl Wright sweeping the streets  
by night.

That sweet cheery voice on the party  
line,  
Is just Therese Malkus airing her mind.



# Senior Class Will ★ ★ ★

- I, Ellen Abel, will my low, dreamy voice to Elizabeth Imel.
- I, Lee Barnhart, will my milkman muscles to Mary Pierce and Norma Lamb.
- I, Clifford Behnke, will my autographed cast to Ralph Morgan.
- I, Patty Bogue, will my turquoise jewels to Beverly Dunn (she needs a little).
- I, Waldo Born, will my serious manner to Bob Moery.
- I, Rosemary Cotter, will my yen for dark haired men to Shirlee Jordan, Elizabeth Coffin and Margie Frye.
- I, Virginia Crim, don't will anything. I'm keeping him all for myself.
- I, John Flenniken, will my secret hangout in the corridor to Doris Shepherd and Tom Murphy.
- I, George Halterman, will my love for any and all food to Josephine Grennon and Bill Gallivan.
- We, Harold Wallace and Sue Hawkins, will our "carrot tops" to Gayle Smith and Francis Sebens.
- I, Dorothy Hawver, will my desire for a "flying future" to Jim Rucker, Shirley Clark and Roseann Ford.
- I, Bob Hill, will my accumulation of varsity letters to Jim Porter and Pat Brady.
- I, Walter Lamb, will my love for Studebakers to Eugene Pruitt.
- I, Frank Lux, will my place at the ice cream freezer to George Romack.
- I, Mary McPherson, will my traps for capturing underclassmen to Marilyn Auth.
- I, Therese Malkus, will my twirling technique to Harold Frye.
- I, Lewis Mitchell, will my happy-go-lucky ways to Mary Foran.
- I, Bob Neal, will my ingenious remarks to Rosy Glennon and Pete Brown (they will make good use of them).
- I, Hannah Rita O'Connor, will my luck at bingo to Betty Warren.
- I, Willa Mae Patterson, will my pert little nose to Bill Bruce.
- I, Wilma Porter, will my peach bloom complexion to Bill McManus.
- I, Wayne Shonkwiler, will my "Atlas Build" to Charles McCullough.
- I, Bob Somers, will my knowledge of world affairs to Peggy Koebel and Elfrie Coe.
- I, Joanne Taylor, will my love for sports to Mary Alice Born.
- I, Vivian Waller, will my eyebrow raising to Shirley Johnson.
- I, Walter Ward, will my musical ability to Wilbur Honselman.
- I, Betty Wiggins, will my soda jerking to Lois Lawson.
- I, Joyce Wildman, will my non-machine-made curls to Edith Camden.
- I, Earl Wright, will my mathematical ability to Bessie Halterman.
- We, the class of '45, will the happy days we have spent in Betohi to the underclassmen.



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# The "Corn" Grows High at Betohi ★ ★ ★

Bob Somers (at a class meeting): "Can't everyone bring his own 'civil'ware?" (Is that this Civil Service we are always hearing about?)

—o—

Mrs. Hammond: "This is the worst recitation I have ever heard. I have done most of it myself."

—o—

Discussing the Bement-Decatur game at Hill's one evening—

Willie Patterson (to Waldo Born): "Did you notice the cheerleaders?"

Waldo: "No, I didn't pay any attention to them." (After a moment's careful thought): "One of them could sure turn flip-flops; couldn't she?"

—o—

For Boys Only—

(Read backwards): Didn't you if girl a be wouldn't you; this read would you knew we.

—o—

Miss McColley (reading to the American History class): "Well, I guess I'll stop now. You all look sufficiently bored."

—o—

Wilma Porter (reading a discussion of nodules in chemistry): "The 'noodles' give nitrogen to the soil." (New use for noodles!)

On the way to the Okaw Valley Tournament—  
John Moery: "Look at all those snowbanks."  
Bob Curry: "Suppose we had better get out and rob them"?

—o—

Virginia Crim wrote on an English theme, "She died a happy life."

—o—

Miss Swaim: "Have you read 'To a Field Mouse'?"

Barbara Hampton: "How do you get them to listen"?

—o—

Kemistry—as a Freshman sees it—

Copper—a policeman.

Sulphur—what you do when you're in jail.

Niteride—what Paul Revere made.

Iron—used to press clothes.

Bromide—you take it after a hangover.

Logwood—Blondie's husband.

—o—

Love is like a chocolate sundae—first it's the nuts, then it gets a little gooey, and finally it leaves you cold.

—o—

Pat Neal: "Did you have your hair cut"?

John Born: "No, I washed it and it shrank."

## DO YOU REMEMBER—

The day Dorothy Hawver took a "bath" in two bottles of chocolate milk?

Bob Hill reciting "Hickory, Dickory, Dock" in Miss Swaim's gym suit?

Carolyn Ford's demonstration on "How To Propose"?

The day Wally Ward received his basketball letter?

Bob Moery as Aunt Nellie?

Mr. Slusser's face as we sang "Happy Birthday"?

Bev Dunn's Essex?

Miss Fisher's habit of saying "Incidentally" and "I'll draw an imaginary line"?

George Cotter's laugh?

The drinking fountain that didn't work?

The cat in Tom Murphy's desk?

Miss Houston's Christmas present of good literature (a comic book)?

The day Lee Barnhart took a tumble while square dancing?

John Moery and Stanley Funk as "The Jester" in the operetta?

Our locker romances?

The way Jack Hooper wrinkles his nose when he grins?

Mrs. Hammond sitting on Jim Porter's knee?

The day the operetta Matinee was supposed to be held?

The expressions on Teddy Petersen's face?

J. D. Carroll's and Doris Wheeler's red hair?

## THIS REVEALS THE BABIES

### First Column

Dorothy Hawver  
Willa Mae Patterson  
La Mar Grunewald  
Walter Lamb  
Bill McManus  
Wayne Shonkwiler

### Second Column

John Flenniken  
Walter Ward  
Ellen Abel  
Joanne Taylor  
Earl Wright

### Third Column

Waldo Born  
Barbara Fair  
Mary Rose McPherson  
Rosemary Cotter  
Wilma Porter  
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Miss Habben—Pch uwlaex chf Hkpxhf plsx ylfsia Ecfspxdkp nkekxswi.  
Mrs. Hammond—Chf plu-ewipeswlp dsiy jwfqp chf ysooseltx vfwuthdp.  
Mr. Davies—Csp Owfy sp xch **witb** ekf.  
Ellen Abel—Pch ktjkbp ckp ewty ohhx (tsxxhfkttb).  
Lee Barnhart—Xwci'p koohexswikxh vkxp kfh ihnhf ohtx?????  
Clifford Behnke—Ch ckp xch kustsxb xw vseq xch "awwy twwqhfp."  
Waldo Born—Ch'p wlf vfsrh seh efhky "ofhhrhf."  
Patty Bogue—Pch'y tsqh xw qiwj cwj xw yfsnh xch "Hpphg."  
Rosemary Cotter—"Kp Xsdh Awhp Ub"—pch psiap sx.  
Virginia Crim—Pch thkfihy cwj xw vseq bhhtwj ewfi jsxc "Fhy."  
John Flenniken—Ch xcfsnhp wi dwwitsacx cwfphukeq fsyhp.  
George Halterman—Ch'tt xkqh k eekieh wi kibxcsia, awwy wf uky.  
Suzanne Hawkins—Jchi pch utlpchp, chf okeh ahxp kp fhy kp chf eksf.  
Dorothy Hawver—Pch tsqhp xw aw uwjtsia.  
Robert Hill—Ch twwqhy fhkt elxh kp "Ukub Ufwxchf."  
Walter Lamb—Ch pxwwy lv csp osfpx chknb ykxh.  
Frank Lux—Csp ecstycwwy okieb jkp Nsfasisk Efsd.  
Mary McPherson—Pch pkbp xw uh **ktwih** jsxc k uwb kibdwfh sp jwiyhfolt.  
Therese Malkus—Pch tsqhp xw fsyh lvxwji wi fhy xfkexwfp.  
Lewis Mitchell—Ch wieh xwwq k pcwjhf jsxc csp etwxchp wi.  
Robert Neal—Ch sp "Kuht" xw xkqh usebeth fsyhp si xch ewlixfb.  
Hanna Rita O'Connor—Jwltyi'x bwl tsqh xw qiwj!  
Willa Mae Patterson—Pch tsqhp xw fsyh owlf si k pdktt flduth phkx.?.  
Wilma Porter—Xch uwbp pch lphy xw aw jsxc, chtvhy chf jsxc Tkxsi.  
Wayne Shonkwiler—Ch awx eklacx hkxsia ekffwpx si afkyh pecwwt.  
Robert Somers—Ch lphy xw ulfb ekxp ktsnh.  
Joanne Taylor—Pch tsqhp dlpe—xchfh S'nh pksy sx kqksi.  
Harold Wallace—Csp afkyh pecwwt kdusxswi jkp xw uh k 200 vwliy owwxuktt vtkbhf.  
Vivian Waller—Pch owliy wlx xcsp jsixhf jckx k pkfwia sp.  
Walter Ward—Ch kydsfhp asftp xww, ulx kx k yspkxieh.  
Betty Wiggins—Pch dhx chf uwbofshiy wi k xfksi.  
Joyce Wildman—Sx'p xch Iknb owf chf.  
Earl Wright—Ch ahxp pseq jchi ch fsyhp wi ohffsp jchhtp.



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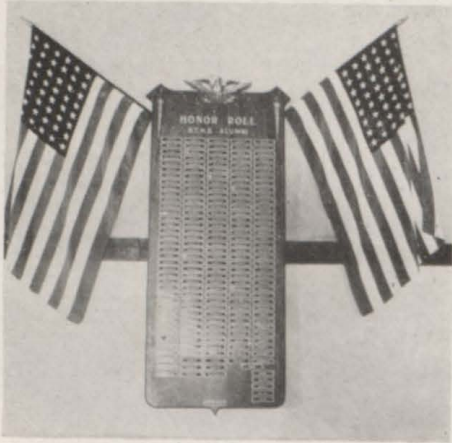
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