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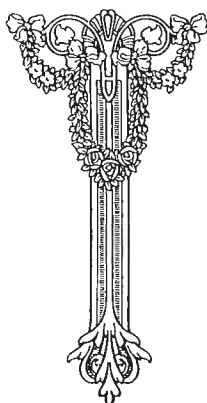




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SALEM, VIRGINIA



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Mr. L. C. Warner
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rendered the students of
Salem High School

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Foreword



HERE is a maker of everything made. Life is a splendid, beautiful game, if we play fair; but if we balk, buck, kick, growl, nag, gouge, sneak, lie, swindle, and cheat, all these dishonest traits come back in due time with compound interest on the investment, and all the best of the game of life is lost forever.

Gentleness, sympathy, and kindness will help us over many a hard place and help the other fellow, too.

We are living to-day in a period of unceasing individual thought and activity.

Never before were men so engrossed with the duties and responsibilities of life.

It is a condition of seeming unrest, incident to the striving for the expression of higher ideals, more exalted thought, greater achievements, and out of it must come a higher standard of life, a higher civilization. This, then, is a period of transition—old conditions are passing away and we are entering upon a new era of the world's history. And what, may it be asked, is our individual conception of life? Are we living in the past, or in the present? Have we a right ideal, or are we struggling and wrangling with our fellow men over things of the world?

Are we striving continuously for the things that we have not, and turning our backs upon the things that we have? If so, we will at some time, in some way, find that we have had a wrong concept of life, that we have maintained a false ideal. When the days of the past are many and the days of the future seem few, when the shadows of evening are lengthening and seem to fall around us, then we will realize that those things which had seemed to be the prizes of life were but shadowy phantoms and glittering illusions. Then it will be seen that we should have sought, not wealth, nor rank, nor power, but to serve our fellow man.

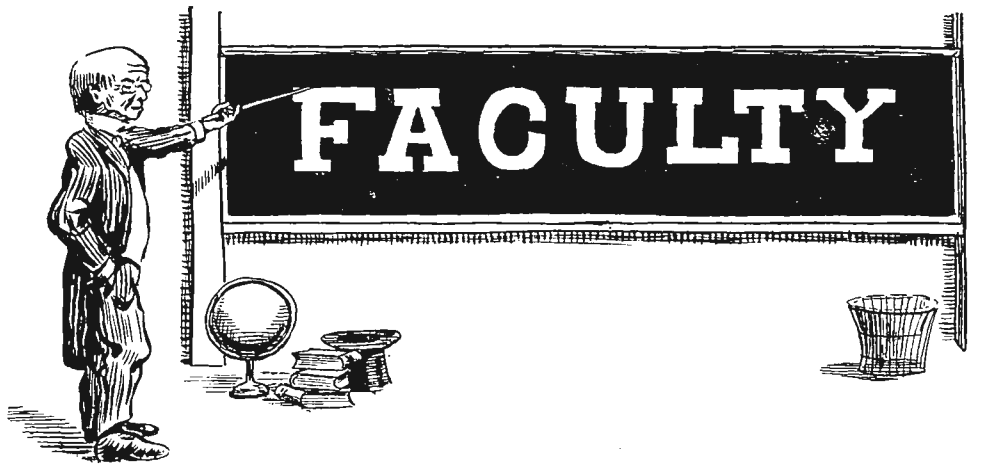
Let this now, and ever, be the motto of the Class of 1922.

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Senior Class

COLORS: Green and Gold

FLOWER: Goldenrod

MOTTO: "Not on the heights, but climbing"

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ALFRED D. HURT
SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"Not too sober, not too gay,
But a real good fellow in every way."*

"Hunk" is the idol of the Senior Class, loved and honored by all. Excellent judgment was shown when we selected him as our President, which has been manifested by his good judgment in all school activities. Pages could not hold the praise due him. He is one of the best high school football players in the State. The college that gets "Hunk" next year is indeed lucky. Basket-ball is also a favorite of Hunk's. When it comes to a baseball catcher he is hard to beat. "Hunk," we wish you the greatest prosperity and success in the future.

"S" Baseball, '19-20-21-22: Captain, '20; "S" Football, '19-20-21-22; Manager Baseball, '22; "S" Basket-Ball, '21-22; Students' Council, '22; Glee Club, '21-22; Historian, '20; Dramatic Club, '21-22; Vice-President Lyceum, '20; Class President, '22; Athletic Committee, '22.

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DOROTHY CANTER

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"A voice so thrilling ne'er was heard
In springtime from the cuckoo bird."*

"Dot" has only been a member of the S. H. S. for one year, but during this time she has won the love and admiration of all her classmates. "Dot" always knows what and when to do a thing. Her mind changes from R. C. and S. H. S. and oftentimes wanders to V. M. I. We often wonder what her future holds for her, but we know she will be loved wherever she strays. "Dot" has a very magnetic power about her which has drawn many lads to her. Her talent as an actress has been shown in many ways.

Glee Club, '22.

SIDNEY L. KELLY

SALEM, VIRGINIA

"True to his word, and his work, and his friends."

This little quotation gives a slight glimpse of Sidney's good qualities. He is always willing to lend a helping hand to his friends. THE ORACLE is very fortunate in having Sidney as a Business Manager. He is also an excellent talker. He has a way of keeping the interest of his audience from start to finish. Sidney is also a good Basket-Ball Manager. We wish Sidney the greatest success.

Vice-President Lyceum, '19; Class Poet, '20; Class Artist, '20; Assistant Editor ORACLE, '21; "S" Basket-Ball, '22; Business Manager ORACLE, '22.

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MARIETTA SPIGGLE

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"None see her but to love her,
None name her but to praise."*

She is one of those sure 'nough nice girls, who is always ready for either business or fun. Mary adds grace and charm to our class with her stately ways and is always willing to lend a helping hand to her less studious classmates. These many virtues insure her popularity in school and out. We have noticed that, as our capable Assistant Editor, she co-operates extraordinarily well with the Editor-in-Chief—much better, in fact, than any other member of the class could, for her heart is in the work.

Class Treasurer, '21; Glee Club, '20-21-22; Joke Editor, '22; Assistant Editor-in-Chief of ORACLE, '22.

SUMMERFIELD ANDREWS

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

*"One who never turned his back but
marched straight forward."*

"Summy" claims Fairview as the place of his nativity and seems to be proud of it. Turning his varied talents in all directions, he has made us see his business ability, and his ability to accomplish things with but little effort. He has held many honors while with us. Something seems to weigh heavily upon his mind and we think he is debating whether he has fallen to the charms of one of the fairer sex. Summerfield is versed in Parliamentary Law, and when it comes to plain common sense, he has more than his share. He deserves success, and we know it is coming to him. Here's luck to you, Summerfield!

"S" Football, '19; Glee Club, '19-20-21; President Lyceum, '21; Students' Council, '22; Dramatic Club, '22; Editor-in-Chief of ORACLE, '22.



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ELLEN BLAIR WILEY

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"Happy, idle, wild, and young;
I laughed and danced and talked and sung."*

How well this expresses "Teeta," the brown-eyed, bobbed-haired "Pet" of the Senior Class. It has been said of her that she is the most popular and attractive girl in the town, and there are few of us so fortunate as to be thus highly spoken of. We are all aware of her charms, however, and sure of her popularity, particularly with one special young gentleman. One of "Teeta's" many good traits is her willingness to help, always. She is a born leader, to say nothing of a chorus girl. In fact, it's a great question as to which will win out, "Jew" or the call of the stage. It isn't necessary to say that she is a member of the "Big Four," for that is an established fact, but in spite of this, she is everybody's friend.

Glee Club, '20-21-22; Treasurer, '19; Vice-President, '21.

J. HARRY CHAPMAN

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

"Behold the paralyzer of female hearts."

"Beck" is always in every activity. He always has "pep" and spirit. He has been with our class two years and we do not see how we did without him the other two years. His powers of gaining an argument are wonderful. He usually floats in late with the story of a fair maiden he has just vamped on the street car. We see for J. Harry every success in life. He has the honor of being the handsomest man in our class.

Class President, '19-20-21; President Lyceum, '21; Manager Football, '21; "S" Football, '19-20-21; "S" Baseball, '21-22; Student Council, '22; Dramatic Club, '19-20; Glee Club, '19-20-21.

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THELMA ELIZABETH SMILEY
SALEM, VIRGINIA

"But were it to my fancy given to rate her charms, I'd call them heaven."

Behold! it is Thelma. When we hear her name it inspires us. She is full of school spirit and a lovely, all-round girl. She possesses charms which are rarely combined in one person. Thelma has a lovable disposition and is unswervingly loyal to her scores of friends of both sexes. She is just as popular in social life as in school life. Her many good qualities are virtues which we might all strive to acquire. When Thelma leaves S. H. S. we are sure she will keep up the record she has made in her four years of High School.

Glee Club, '19-20-21-22; Class Historian, '20-21; Secretary of Athletic Association, '21-22; Girls' Club, '21-22; Poet, '20.

RUDOLPH N. PRICE
SALEM, VIRGINIA

"Take life too seriously, and what is it worth?"

"Rudy" was originally from Roanoke and in the S. H. S. graduating class of '21, but we think we are fortunate in having him with us this year. "Rudy" is a splendid all-round chap. Though small in stature, he is well set up, and equipped with rare good qualities of mind and will power. Athletics appeal to him most—especially football, in which sport he has made for himself a good record. As far as possible "Rudy" has acquired such a knowledge of Math that squaring the circle would be possible for him. Fair and honest in all things, a friend indeed, we can only see success in his future.

"S" Football, '19-20-21; Captain Football, '21; "S" Basket-Ball, '21-22; Vice-President Students' Council, '21; Dramatic Club, '21-22; Glee Club, '19-20-21.



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MARETA ROWAN TUCKER

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

"How can I study with love affairs on my brain?"

"Kriket" is a very active illustration of the length of time a person can live without a heart, since hers has been in the possession of a certain young man for some time. Besides having inborn genius for heart-smashing, especially those of unsuspecting underclassmen, "Kriket" is our star elocutionist. She is a wonderful dancer, and is seen at all the dances surrounded by her many admirers. Mareta has made a brilliant record at Salem High, but we don't see how she did it for she has a "date" every night. She intends to enter the business world, but her classmates predict greater laurels in another sphere!!

Cheer Leader, '22; Prophetess, '22; Secretary Student Council, '20; Secretary Lyceum, '20; Assistant Editor ORACLE, '20; Class Secretary, '20; Glee Club, '20-21-22.

CHARLES RAYMOND COTTONN

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"He dares do all that may become a man,
Who dares do more is none."*

Meet Mr. Cottonn. "Cotton" is one of the most popular members of our class. He owes his popularity to his pleasing personality and good disposition connected with his ability. His industrious habits place him at the head of his class, and if he is on a committee that committee will function properly. Raymond plays an excellent game of basket-ball and is also one of the fastest track men turned out at Salem High in recent years. There is another side to Raymond's life not yet touched upon, this will be explained to his classmates by the following—"and a little Violet shall lead him." The best wishes and expectant eyes of his classmates follow him as he steps from among us.

Class Secretary, '19; Class Poet, '20-21-22; President of Athletic Association, '22; Track, '21; Manager of Track, '22; President of Student Council, '21-22.

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MATTIE BUCKLEY

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"Her modest looks the cottage might adorn,
Sweet as the primrose peeps beneath the
thorn."*

Like the primrose, our Mattie has ever been an example of modesty, kindness, and gentleness to her more boisterous classmates. She sheds sunshine on the rainiest days and brightens up that old Senior classroom with one of her bewitching smiles. But her heart is not always here, 'tis just around the corner on Main Street.

Glee Club, '20; Vice-President Class, '20;
Treasurer Class, '22; Girls' Club, '22.

EMILY LUCILLE BARNETT

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"Deep brown eyes, from whose alluring
depths gleam love, friendliness, and good
will."*

Lucille is an indispensable member of our class. She enters into every activity with the spirit of "do or die." She is gentle and shy, but is always ready to appreciate the most of fun in life. A score or more of the opposite sex have fallen captive to the charms of her beautiful eyes and sweet ways. Considering these things and numerous others, we do not wonder at her popularity.

Glee Club, '20-21-22.



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MABELLE ELIZABETH DURHAM

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"Heart on her lips, and soul within her eyes,
Soft as the clime, and sunny as the skies."*

No wonder that all who see Mabelle bow before her shrine. Those beautiful curls and charming eyes would kindle fire in a heart of stone, and "Mab's" classmates are by no means stone, so this little maiden has played havoc with our hearts. She has been with us four years, and the more you see her, the more you love her. Her combination of hair and eyes that she possesses is very charming and has proven very attractive to a certain masculine member of R. C.

Vice-President of Class, '22; Pianist Glee Club, '20-21-22; President Glee Club, '22; Girls' Club, '22; Orchestra, '22.

JAMES E. TRUE

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"I like the man who faces what he must,
With step triumphant and a heart of cheer."*

"Jimmie" is one of those fellows you like the first time you meet them. His classical features and witty remarks attract the ladies and his personality wins him friends by the score. He has plenty of brains, and his opinion is never heard until he has digested both sides of the question thoroughly. "Jimmie" never troubles trouble until it troubles him, and by this mode of life he wends his way through S. H. S. Being a steady participant in athletics, he is admired by all, and has the best wishes of his schoolmates for a successful career.

"S" Football, '19-20-21; "S" Basket-Ball, '20-22; "S" Track, '21; Glee Club, '20.

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LOUISE FITZGERALD

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"She is pretty to walk with,
And witty to talk with,
And pleasant, too, to think of."*

Where would we be if it wasn't for Louise? Probably back combating with Caesar. The way she translates sometimes makes the teacher wonder, and we can always depend upon her for Latin Composition. She is "little but she's loud," for you usually hear her and then you see her. We often wonder who the lucky man will be, for she gets a new one about once a week. But nevertheless, we are proud of the fact that she has always been in our class. We wish her a bright and happy future.

Glee Club, '20-21-22; Girls' Club, '22.

EDWARD SWITZER BARNITZ

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"For he's a jolly good fellow, which nobody
can deny."*

"Ed" takes what comes and never worries about the future. His sunny disposition serves as a tonic for all about him. He is well saturated with school spirit and his efficiency as a cheer leader indicates for him a great showing in after life. His personality and general good qualities will always insure him true friends and success.

Glee Club, '20-21-22; Vice-President, '22;
Cheer Leader, '22.



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DORIS HANEY PERSINGER

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"Oh, then I saw her eye was bright,
A well of love, a spring of light."*

"Dot's" gentle manner and generous heart have held our love and friendship through these four long years. Nowhere could we find a more industrious pupil or one more devoted to school life. But this does not hurt "Dot," as she can always find time to enjoy the funny side of everything. She takes life in an easy manner and never lets anything disturb her mind.

Class President, '19; Class Secretary, '21;
Glee Club, '20-21; Secretary Lyceum, '22.

RALPH HOGUE LANTZ

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"Happy I am; from care I'm free;
Why aren't all contented like me?"*

During the four years which we have spent in the walls of old S. H. S. we have all learned to like Ralph. We have often wondered why Ralph was not a more faithful member of the "Calico Club," but we have found out that his heart is in Ohio. Ralph's greatest ambition is to be a farmer and we all hope that he will be very happy on his little farm out in Ohio. He intends to enter V. P. I. this fall and his classmates wish him even greater success there than he has achieved in High School.

"S" Basket-Ball, '21-22; "S" Baseball, '20-21.

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MARGARET LEWIS STEARNES

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"She's not a goddess, an angel, a lily, or a
pearl,
She's just that which is sweetest, completest,
and neatest,
A dear little, cute little, sweet little girl."*

Always smiling, and ever in a happy mood, has won for Margaret Lewis the esteem and friendship of the entire class. Very seldom has she "Gray Days," but meets you always with a smile, and no one would be counted a loser by the possession of her friendship. She is exceedingly attractive, and very popular in other places than school life. All these virtues do not detract from her studies, as her name appears on the Honor Roll almost every week. Knowing her, one cannot but count her as a friend and such a fact alone is the indication of the happiness which awaits her in the future.

Secretary Class, '20; Assistant Pianist of Glee Club, '20-21-22.

EDITH DUBALL RILEY

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

*"With voice so gentle, and eyes so bright,
She moves before us, a guiding light."*

Is she not more than painting can express, or youthful poets fancy when they love? Edith, one of the most loved of all our classmates, possesses a charming combination of light hair, fair complexion and bewitching blue eyes. Her disposition is just as lovable as Edith herself. Her charming personality has won for her many friends in and out of school. In addition to these numerous good qualities, one needs especially to mention her ability to make good grades. Keeping these in mind, we can see naught but happiness in Edith's future.

Glee Club, '20-21-22; Students' Council, '22; Secretary Class, '22; President Girls' Club, '22.



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LOUISE PERSINGER

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"Who broke no promises, served no private
end,*

Who gained no title, who lost no friend."

"In your eyes the light of love was softly beaming." This line from a recent musical hit is well adapted to Louise. Although she is an excellent scholar and has the qualities of a good school teacher, she will become in a few years the happy bride of some fortunate young man. Louise is one of the few in our class who can be contented with whatever the others want. We all admire Louise's sweet disposition and also her ability to read French.

Glee Club, '20-21-22.

JACK BURRILL THOMASON

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"With a jest on his tongue and a smile on his
lips,*

He's bubbling with fun to his finger tips."

Jack is just bubbling over with mischief. He is always saying something unexpected. He manages to get along in school without taking his books home or studying. We haven't the remotest idea what Jack will do in the future, for he may change his mind several times before he decides upon a career. He thinks he will sail the western seas before long. If he does, we will hear some fine lectures when he returns.

Glee Club, '19-20-21; Class Artist, '19.

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NAOMI ELIZABETH GREENWOOD
ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

*"An open-hearted maiden,
True and pure."*

Naomi is certainly the exception to the rule that beauty and brains do not exist together, for here we have these rare qualities in one of the most lovable girls in our class. She is steadfast, dependable, enthusiastic, and active in all branches of our school life, and in addition to these, she is unusually gifted in reading. Naomi's recitations are enjoyed and looked forward to by every one, and she will be remembered long by her happy way of entertaining us. We predict a happy future for Naomi, for we're sure she'll make some good man a mighty sweet wife.

Glee Club, '20-21-22; Class Historian, '22.

MATHIAS HALLAS MOORE
SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"Self-reverence, self-knowledge, self-control.
These three alone lead life to sovereign
power."*

In every walk of life, we find few who possess all of these qualities—manliness, politeness, and courtesy, but in our class we have "Thuselah," who has always tried to extend these to every one. No one could hope to be a better athlete. Being a good student, square, determined, and a true friend, we feel that nothing but success confronts him in any profession he chooses.

"S" Football, '19-20-21; "S" Baseball, '21-22.



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MARGUERITE PHELPS

SALEM, VIRGINIA

"Better be small, and shine, than large and cast a shadow."

We often wonder why one so small as Marguerite can be so wise. If there is anything we want to know, we always go to Marguerite for it, and we are never disappointed. We have never seen her the least bit cross or worried over anything. Why should she be? The teachers never ask anything she does not know. We do not know what Marguerite intends to do after leaving school, but whatever she undertakes will be a success.

MARY LILLIAN ARNOLD

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

"Those about her, from her shall read the perfect ways of honor."

Mary Lillian's fate is not so clear. Such a student as she ought surely to continue at some fine college and take her degree. What she will do with it still remains wrapped in obscurity, as all prophecies are. But we are sure that in whatever she undertakes she will succeed, as she has always succeeded in her attempts at S. H. S., even winning the Scholarship Medal in 1921.

Scholarship Medal, '21; Diarist of Class, '22.

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ESTELLE WHITLEY

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"To those who know thee not, no words can
paint,
And those who know thee, know all words
are faint."*

Estelle has been with us only three years, but it did not take that long for us to love her. There has never been, and there will never be another class with an Estelle like ours. For there simply isn't another like her anywhere. Estelle is very quiet and dignified and it was this quiet and dignity which first won our love. Estelle is always ready to laugh and have a good time, but never giggles foolishly. You may search the world over, but you will never find one who has all the lovable qualities Estelle has.

Treasurer, '20.

LOUISE CAPITOLA HENDERSON

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

"Curls, smiles, and dancing eyes."

Louise is the school's good-looking blond and has two enviable characteristics—her good disposition and her dancing blue eyes. She has such hands—they have the white wonder of dear Juliet. And more than this, how often she delights us at chapel with her musical program. When she studies we do not know, for she is always telling of her previous afternoon's outings. For her motto she has taken—"Smile, and the world smiles with you."



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AMY HELENE LEIGHTON

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"Amy, the sunbeam of our class,
A happy-go-lucky, bright-eyed lass."*

Amy is the sunbeam of our class, always jolly and looking on the bright side of life. We doubt if she has a serious thought. Her crowning beauty lies in her dark brown hair and bright eyes. She expects to be a teacher, and we wish her the greatest success. No doubt the children will have a good time, for Amy is so jolly and good-natured.

Glee Club, '20.

JESSE PRICE BUSSEY

SALEM, VIRGINIA

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

Jesse is very quiet and we never know that he is in the room unless he is called on to answer a question. Then he startles us by his remarkable answers, which are usually correct. "We were always surprised that one small head could hold all he knew."

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MARY RUTH BOWERS

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"Her presence lends its warmth and wealth
to all who come before it."*

Ruth is just the one to cheer us up. She always seems happy and does not trouble until trouble comes to her. We are proud to have had Ruth in our class for four years. She is ever ready to help us when we get into a tight place. In her happy mood she wends her way through S. H. S., and in her future she has every indication of happiness and success.

Glee Club, '19-20-21-22.



MARSHALL FRANTZ BRUMBAUGH

SALEM, VIRGINIA

*"Helping every feeble neighbor,
Seeking help from none."*

Allow us to present "Fatty Brumbaugh," one of the cheeriest fellows in the class, always smiling and with a joking word for every one. We, as friends, know him to be one of the best-natured and most generous men in school. Virginia Avenue seems to be very popular with him. We wonder who it is, but some of us have an idea. His reputation as a "ladies' man" is second only to that awful growl of his. Marshall, we wish you all the good wishes possible, and, as classmates, the success that you are bound to receive.

Glee Club, '20.



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EVA PINKARD

SINGER, VIRGINIA

*"Her modest answer and graceful air
Show her wise and good as she is fair."*

Eva is certainly wise, because she always knows her lessons, and good, because she is willing to help her classmates. What would some of us do without Eva to explain the Geometry? Croquet is a great sport for her, especially when she plays with a certain young man we might mention. She likes very much to talk, and she will probably be a great orator some day.

SIDNEY S. SHERRARD

SALEM, VIRGINIA

"As merry as the day is long."

Behold! whom have we here? A man small in stature, but in ability, in the opinion of his classmates, and in all-round manliness, anything but small. Sidney possesses a keen sense of humor, and no one could feel "blue" when he is around. He is very mischievous, and takes the greatest delight in scraping his pencil on the desk to make our flesh crawl. In future years, we shall be proud to call Sidney our friend and classmate.

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LIDA BREWSTER
GLENVAR, VIRGINIA

*"Happy all the live-long day,
In her sweet and childish way."*

If you want your jokes well digested and appreciated, tell them to Lida. Her sense of humor tides her over many difficult places, although we believe she was born to be a French teacher. She helps to roll the stumbling-block from many of the Senior girls' door when it comes to reading French. She is always in a mood ever ready to meet the needs of her friends. If she wasn't so good about helping us, we might be devoured with envy. She is especially fond of "Hershey's."

Glee Club, '19-20.

CARLOS ARBER LOOP
SALEM, VIRGINIA

"Speech is silver—silence is golden."

So Carlos seems to think. He is somewhat shy and doesn't talk very much, but he is able to hold his own with the best of them. Both as an artist and as a football player he excites our admiration. We expect him to be a celebrated artist or football player, at the very least. If perseverance will gain anything, he'll get it.

Class Artist, '20-21-22; "S" Football, '20-21.



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OPAL PETERS

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

"Her cheeks were like the dawn of day."

Opal has dreamy hazel eyes and a crowning glory of rich brown hair. Her sweet, mild disposition wins for her many true friends. One could not help but love her and be at ease in her company. She has always gotten along fine in school. Opal says that she expects to teach, and if she does we know she will be able to control even the most unruly pupil with one of her calm, persuasive smiles. But with all these good qualities we are afraid she won't have a chance to teach school.

ROY EVERETT MOTLEY

SALEM, VIRGINIA

"Men of few words are the best men."

Roy is one of those quiet, studious pupils who are seldom seen or heard, but are always ready for a good time. He spends his time attending to his own affairs and lets other people's alone, thereby giving himself the time to do his own thoroughly. We do not know just what his ambitions are, but we predict that his undoubted ability will carry him over all obstacles to his chosen goal.

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RUBY LEE GARST

SALEM, VIRGINIA

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

Ruby's good nature and sunny smile have won for her the admiration of her school-mates. She is always ready to help in every possible way, with the candy or fancy work sales, and if any of us want good advice along these lines we always go to Ruby. She has a tell-tale blush when a certain person at R. C. is mentioned, so after teaching a while, we expect she will have a man and a love nest of her own. It is certainly with sincere regret but many good wishes that S. H. S. bids Ruby good-bye.

Glee Club, '20-21-22; Girls' Club, '22.

LLOYD L. MURRAY

BOONES MILL, VIRGINIA

*"They are never alone that are accompanied
with noble thoughts."*

Lloyd came into our midst in September, '21, quite unexpectedly. Out of the strange unknown he drifted upon these shores, hence evermore to be a strange being in a strange land. He is a hard worker (?) and has his own opinions. What the future has in store for him is impossible to say, but as he is so good in Geometry, he is likely to become a great mathematician. We know that whatever he undertakes will be successful. Although "Mr. Marcus" has not been with us long, he has proved a worthy addition to our class.



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EULALIA VELMA GOODWIN

OLAF, VIRGINIA

*"What's the use of worrying?
It never was worth while."*

If worry causes wrinkles and gray hair, Velma will never grow old. She believes in having a good time and generally has it. When she finds the time to study, we don't know, for there are three other things that keep her very well occupied—music, correspondence, and ice-cream parlor. Her work—regardless of how pressing it is—can wait. One might call her steady, and she is always calm in the midst of excitement. We don't know what Velma will do, but we expect her to be in some institution teaching music.

Glee Club, '21-22.

PAUL HOMAN ZIRKLE

ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

"Of a good beginning cometh a good end."

As a member of the Class of '22, Homan has proved himself worthy of this honor. He spends half of his time attending his own business and the other half letting other people's alone. He was never seen to be in a hurry, but, like the tortoise, gets there just the same. Homan has a mind of his own and the courage to stand by his convictions. By continuing your straightforward ways, success will be yours, Homan; and with it the best wishes of your classmates.

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Class History



IN September, 1918, we first embarked on our high school journey. The boys decided they would go in a separate ship from the girls, but we all agreed to join after one year's travel and continue our voyage together.

First, we landed at Housneanville. There we met many strange people. We were first introduced to Mr. Algebra, who had a curious way of getting mixed up. Next, we met Mr. Science, who was very domestic, and then a very distinguished gentleman, Mr. Latin. We were very pleased to meet so many great men, and we liked them very much.

The boys landed at Shipman, and very strange to say, met almost the same people, with the exception of Mr. Science, who was very worldly.

Next year, we started out together and landed at Duncan, a very nice place, indeed. We fell in love with the place and the people the first day. During our stay we were introduced to Mr. Cæsar, a great general in the Roman War, a charming gentleman and much loved by every one; also another Mr. Science, who was not at all like the others, being a very scientific gentleman.

Our next stop was at McConkeyville, a delightful port and full of delightful people. While here we met Mr. Geometry, a very funny man who could do any number of stunts, such as making a triangle, an angle, a square, a parallelogram, a circle, and many other things out of himself. We also met Mr. French, and made a tour of France in company with his two sons, Andrew and Julian.

Our last stop was Webbsan, a place full of sunshine and happiness. We would like to have stayed here a long, long time, for such lovely people we had never met anywhere, but duties at home were calling us and we had to say farewell.

We now bid farewell to all the delightful people we have met and thank them for the useful and lovely things they have taught us.

HISTORIAN.

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Will of the Class of 1922

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that we, the Senior Class of 1922, of Salem High School, Salem, Virginia, on this, the 20th day of January, desiring to make disposition of the innumerable privileges and pleasures enjoyed by us as members of this institution, do make, ordain, and declare this our last Will and Testament.

ITEM I. To Mr. Webb: First, the ability of being in two places at once so that he may attend the Junior Assemblies and at the same time supervise the Senior class meetings. Second, an "eternally everlasting" notebook for his numerous notes and announcements.

ITEM II. To Miss McConkey: First, an instrument for penetrating the skulls of her pupils in order that they may more readily absorb the Geometry which she so eloquently explains to them. Second, our deepest appreciation for her assistance in our "bake sale" and bazaar, and hope that her health has not been seriously impaired thereby. Third, that she may find in the future classes some boys who will prove as faithful as "Hunk" and "Beck" throughout their course.

ITEM III. To Miss Duncan: First, the honor of having upperclassmen in her "home-room" next year so that she may attend the assemblies—a privilege denied her this year. Second, our hopes that she may regain her faculties for teaching which she thinks she has lost while teaching us. Third, her much coveted trip to Rome.

ITEM IV. To Mrs. Newman: First, a new classroom so situated that the light will not hurt her eyes nor prevent the pupils from seeing the board. Second, a class which will enjoy writing themes more than the present one, at least.

ITEM V. To Miss Butler: First, another French class as brilliant as the present Senior Class. Second, the faculty for keeping as many men "on the string" in the future as she has managed to keep this year. Third, our heartiest thanks for her excellent supervision of the Assembly programs.

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ITEM VI. To Mr. Moore: A pair of bi-focal spectacles so that he may see all "ponies" and such without having to slide them up and down on the bridge of his nose. Second, a phonograph with records entitled, "There's some misunderstanding, somewhere," "You'll get a demerit for that," "Review that privately," and "Come to order, come to order." Third, our sincerest wishes for a more dignified and orderly class next year.

ITEM VII. To Mr. Warner: First, thanks for his hearty coöperation and assistance to the ORACLE Staff. Second, our hopes that the "shop" may soon be completed so that his noisy machine may be removed from the building.

ITEM VIII. To Mr. Lewark: First, appreciation for his efforts in training the caste for "Savageland," and second, our thanks for his work as head of Athletic Committee.

ITEM IX. To the Seniors of next year: First, the dignity of the Class of '22 and all the privileges (?) enjoyed by it. Second, the elegant mirror in our spacious cloakroom, and the hope that they will keep the desks as neat and unscarred as we have. Third, the right to organize and maintain the Senior Parliamentary English Society.

ITEM X. To the Juniors of next year: First, the hope that they will realize that they're at last grown up and take a more serious attitude toward life. Second, the great privilege of helping the Seniors "put over" everything they undertake for the good of the school.

ITEM XI. To the Sophomores of next year: The privilege of participating in the Senior assemblies and Lyceum.

ITEM XII. To the Glee Club: Best wishes for the coming year and hopes that they will discover prima donnas to replace those leaving now.

ITEM XIII. To the Athletic Association: First, better "luck" in drawing up and adopting a Constitution. Second, the hope that the teams may be better financed than this year. Third, all surplus money from the Annual and the athletic paraphernalia.

ITEM XIV. To the Lyceum: The dignity the presiding officers have shown this year and the wish that they will find as excellent talent from which to draw material for programs.

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ITEM XV. To the "Girls' Club": More publicity than they've had this year and all sorts of success for the future.

ITEM XVI. To the Student Council: Our heartiest appreciation for the splendid work they have done this year in handling the "Rats," etc., and best wishes for the coming year.

ITEM XVII. To "Snakes" Moyer: In lieu of the fact that "Crickett" will be gone and Raymond not here to interfere, the right to furnish "Vi" Clement with candy every day at recess.

ITEM XVIII. To the future Virgil Class: All "ponies" and "horses" now stabled in the desks of room No. 2.

ITEM XIX. To Joe Kinzie: Mr. Andrews' "Roberts' Rules of Order" with the sincere wish that he will not be as much given to "argufying" as the original owner.

ITEM XX. To Harmon Sites: All the chewing gum "parked" in or around the Senior room by Miss Stearnes and Mr. True.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We, the Class of 1922, testators, have to this, our last Will and Testament, set our hand and seal, this, the 20th day of January, A. D. 1922.

(SEAL)

CLASS OF 1922.

Witnessed in the presence of testators and of each other.

"BECK" CHAPMAN.

"RED" VEST.

"SNITZIE" BARNITZ.

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Senior Class Poem

"Not on the heights, but climbing!"

All at this time must pass,
From our life at Salem High School,
Nevermore to be in our Class.

Through four long years of High School,
The Class of Green and Gold has fought,
Holding ever our motto in memory,
For the things which cannot be bought.

The things for which we have striven,
Honor and knowledge and fame,
And have won here in our High School,
Again we'll meet in life's game.

For we must go our separate way,
And fight our battles, till in time
We reach the goal of our desire,
The very top, for which we climb.

"Not on the heights, but climbing,"
Climbing, the way rough and steep,
To the place where life's great problems
We find we can easily meet.

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Class Prophecy



HAD just stepped off the train and was rushing up the street when I was halted with a "Hey, what are you doing here and what's the rush?"

"Why, if it isn't my old school pal, Edward Barnitz! I'm awfully glad to see you."

"But you haven't answered my question. Jump in and I'll take you where you were going."

"Oh, I was just going to get a bite to eat before time for my next train. I am just passing through here on my way to Montgomery."

"But, surely you are going to stay over for to-morrow's game? You used to be so fond of football."

"I hardly see how I can."

"Well, what in the world are you doing here, Mareta?"

Upon turning around I beheld another old schoolmate. This time Mabelle Durham.

"She says she isn't going to stay over for the game," informed Edward.

"Indeed she is, if I have to tie her to hold her here," boasted Mabelle.

"But, really——"

"That's enough for you. Ed, drive us around to the station to get her baggage, will you?"

"You bet."

Thus, I was persuaded to stay over for the game.

"Oh, Mabelle, isn't this the most beautiful car? What make is it, Ed?"

"Do you like it? It is our latest model."

"Our?"

"Sure," came from Mabelle. "He and Jack Thomason are making cars now. They are Henry Ford's successors."

"Thomason? Do I know him?" I questioned.

"Well, I hope so. He was in our class at Salem High."

"Why, of course I know him. How I should like to see him."

"I'll bring him around," offered Edward.

By this time we were at the station so Ed ran in and got my baggage and away we went home.

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"I'll declare, Ed, I certainly do like this little car. Are they selling well?" I inquired.

"Yes, indeed, and we have one of the dandiest salesmen you ever saw. That fellow Brumbaugh."

"Who, Marshall?"

"Yea, that's his name."

We pulled up before Mabelle's home and Ed let us out and drove on. We had lunch and then Mabelle got out her car and she and I drove around to the post office. On the way home the car stopped dead. Now there was a garage just around the corner, so I stayed in the car while Mabelle went after help. She was gone quite a while, so in order to make the time pass more quickly I began looking over the paper. The first thing that I noticed was "Through Pleadings of Lawyers, Motley and Bussy, Prisoner is Set Free." At this instant Mabelle reappeared with a machinist.

"Why, hello, Mareta, how are you?" I looked around and there stood Sidney Sherrard.

"Well, Sidney, I didn't know you were an auto repair man."

"The best ever," declared Mabelle.

"By the way, have you heard about Summy Andrews?" asked Sidney.

"Why, no," answered Mabelle and I together.

"Well, the news just came that he is now Judge of the Supreme Court."

"And to think he is one of our classmates!" I exclaimed proudly.

In a jiffy Sidney had us all ready to go and on the way home I inquired of Mabelle what she was doing now.

"Oh, I'm president of the Glenvale Music School. Why, there's Estelle Whitley!"

We pulled up to the curb and talked over old times. Estelle was teaching History in the Hudson High School and liked it fine. While talking I inquired as to Lawyers Motley and Bussy and found them to be our old pals, Roy and Jessie.

When we arrived home Mabelle found one of her letters to be from Mary Lillian Arnold. It told us that she was Principal of the Gladstar Grammar School and also that Naomi Greenwood, Velma Goodwin, and Lida Brewster were teaching in the same school.

Another of the letters was from Louise Henderson. This informed us that she was teaching music and that the night before, her class had given a very successful recital.

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"Oh, look at this envelope! Where in the world do you suppose it is from?" exclaimed Mabelle.

"Please open it quick and let's see."

"Oh, it is from Marguerite Phelps."

"Marguerite Phelps?" I asked amazed. "My, where is she?"

"Why, she says she is in China as a missionary and is enjoying her work there."

"Oh, I'm so glad."

"There's the telephone. Please excuse me just a second."

"It was Teeta. Her husband just came home from overseas and she is giving a reception at Hotel Swindell to-night, and she wants us to come. Shall we?"

"I'd love to go."

"At last we are here at the hotel, and pray, who is that man?" I asked.

"Oh, he," answered Mabelle, "is Proprietor Lantz, of this hotel."

"Lantz? What is his first name?"

"Why, Ralph; I am sure you must remember him."

At this moment Teeta met us. "Oh, you all are late," she said to us, "but I'm so glad to see you both. Come, you must meet some of my guests."

"The room is so beautifully decorated!" exclaimed Mabelle.

"Yes, it is attractive," replied Teeta. "I'm sure you both have heard what a success Louise Fitzgerald and Louisa Persinger have made as interior decorators. Well, they did this."

"It certainly is clever," I said. "But who is that singing? Hasn't she a wonderful voice?"

"That is the great prima donna, Ruth Bowers," explained Teeta. "And do you see those women over there? Well, they are three leading Congresswomen; I'm sure you must remember them. The brunette on the right is Opal Peters, and the one beside her is Amy Leighton. The one to the left is Eva Pinkard." At this Mabelle and I were so amazed that we stood speechless.

"And who is the person over in the corner?" I asked.

"Oh, that is Edith Riley, or rather Lady Berkshire, of Berkshire Manor, now. And over here is Doris Persinger. She is the star reporter for Sidney Kelly's paper, the *Morning Sun*."

"Well, who are those men sitting just beyond the fern?" Mabelle inquired.

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"The one with his back turned this way is Raymond Cottonn, the great sensational poet. And the other is Carlos Loop, the wonderful artist. Both are just back from abroad."

At this moment the soft, entrancing strains of a late waltz came floating to our ears. "Oh, that wonderful orchestra!" I exclaimed. "Pray, who is the leader?"

"No other than James True," answered Teeta. "We are so glad to have him here to-night. Please excuse me while I see what this lady wishes."

"Oh, Mabelle, who is that lady dressed so stylishly? Isn't she beautiful? She reminds me so of Thelma Smiley."

"Well, that is who she is," answered Mabelle, "or rather used to be. She is now the widow of Jack Temple, the great multi-millionaire."

The next day we went out to the stadium to witness the annual Yale vs. Harvard game. The crowd was gathering fast as we made our way with difficulty to our section.

"Oh, Mabelle, isn't that Mary Spiggle?"

"No, my dear; she used to be Mary Spiggle, but she is married now. I saw in yesterday's paper that she was just back from Hawaii, where she went on her honeymoon."

"Who would have thought it?" I asked.

At this moment the boys came trotting out on the field and a few minutes later the game was called.

"Who is the umpire, Mabelle?" I inquired.

"I don't know," answered Mabelle.

"I beg your pardon," interrupted a man beside me, "but the umpire is Mathias Moore."

"Why, Rudy Price!" I fairly yelled.

"Well, if it isn't Mareta Tucker, and Mabelle Durham, too. I certainly didn't dream of seeing any of my old schoolmates here. I'm so glad to see you both."

At this moment our attention was drawn back to the game. The ending of the first quarter left the score 7—0 in Yale's favor.

"By the way, who is Yale's coach?" I asked.

"Why, haven't you heard? Just as dumb as ever," laughed Rudy.

"Well, I think as much," said Mabelle. "It is Alfred Hurt. As much as he is talked of and then you do not know."

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"My land, news to me," I answered. "What are you doing now, Rudy?"

"Oh, I'm a detective in Washington. But, look— isn't that Dorothy Canter?"

"It certainly is," declared Mabelle, "and have you heard that she is considered one of Baltimore's most famous nurses?"

"Well, that reminds me of news. I read in a medical magazine last week that Ruby Garst was a very highly appraised nerve specialist now."

All of this was news, but again the game was on its way.

At the end of the first half the score remained the same.

"Mabelle, who is that woman? It seems as though I have seen her before," I said.

"I suppose you and Rudy both have. Do you remember Mattie Buckley? Well, that used to be her name, and that is her husband sitting beside her. But who are those two men who keep looking back here?"

"Oh, they," explained Rudy, "are Lloyd Murray and Homan Zirkle; they are now wealthy retired farmers."

"Wonders will never cease!" I exclaimed. "But here goes the game."

The third quarter left the game 7—7. Again I looked over the crowd, and this time it was a distinguished-looking man that called for my attention. Upon inquiring about him, I found him to be J. Harry Chapman, President of the First National Bank.

The next one at whom I glanced, Rudy informed me, was our Margaret Lewis, but not Stearnes now, she having married a very wealthy banker. At this moment some one called for a doctor, as one of the boys was sick.

"Well, if that isn't my old friend, Doc," exclaimed Rudy. "He is the most widely known doctor in New York."

The woman accompanying him proved to be his wife, formerly Lucille Barnett.

The game ended a tie and I just had time to catch my train. I bade my friends farewell, set out to continue my journey, and to give more thought to old Salem High and my classmates of '22.

PROPHETESS.

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Class Song

TO TUNE OF

"Believe Me, if All Those Endearing Young Charms"

We— the Class of Nineteen and Twenty-two—
 Bid our school and friends farewell;
We shall never forget—but shall always be true
 To the school that we all love so well.
Each shall go his own way, perhaps never to meet
 With the friends whom he parts from to-day.
We shall always remember the bright times we've spent,
 Tho' to you, "dear friends, farewell," we say.

To those who are taking our place when we leave,
 We wish you all joy and success,
May you prosper—as we have—and ever take lead
 In all that is good and best.
So farewell to our school, and farewell to our friends,
 May we meet in the "after a while."
Tho' we're parting to-day and may go far away,
 We'll remember these days with a smile.

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THE ORACLE STAFF and the Class of '22 take this opportunity to express their gratitude to all who have aided in making this edition a success. They would also express their appreciation of the advice and actual work given the Staff by Mr. Warner. We feel that his invaluable services will be greatly missed by the Senior Classes of the future.

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The Hall of Fame



EVER in the history of Salem High School has such great interest been aroused as in the election of the Hall of Fame of the Class of 1922.

When Mr. Hurt announced that the nominations were open for the most popular, great excitement was created. Every one was happy, though, when Miss Mareta Tucker and Mr. Summerfield Andrews were elected.

Of course, every member of the class is good looking, so it was a very close election, but Miss Doris Persinger was finally announced as the prettiest Senior girl, and Mr. J. Harry "Beck" Chapman the best-looking Senior boy.

Mr. Alfred Hurt was unanimously elected the best all-round athlete.

We find it our painful duty to publish the fact that Mr. Jack Thomason was elected to the position of "Laziest."

We were advised to elect some one really witty, and not serious, so the class almost unanimously elected Jimmy True the wittiest.

Miss Mabelle Durham easily won the honor of being the most musical.

As usual, every one desired to be elected the most serious, but the class, after much meditation, decided on Miss Estelle Whitley.

There is no doubt that every single (?) Senior is very smart, but this distinction finally went to Miss Marguerite Phelps.

The next election required no thought at all, for every one knew that Teeta Wiley was the biggest bluffer in S. H. S.

Miss Louisa Persinger has the honor of being the best-natured little girl in the Senior Class.

The election of the Senior Chatterbox was a very hot one, but Miss Louise Fitzgerald won by a small majority. She also won the distinction of being the cutest Senior.

The Class of '22 has always had the reputation of having loads and loads of school spirit, but Mr. Raymond Cottonn was selected as having the most school spirit. Ed Barnitz was elected the peppiast.

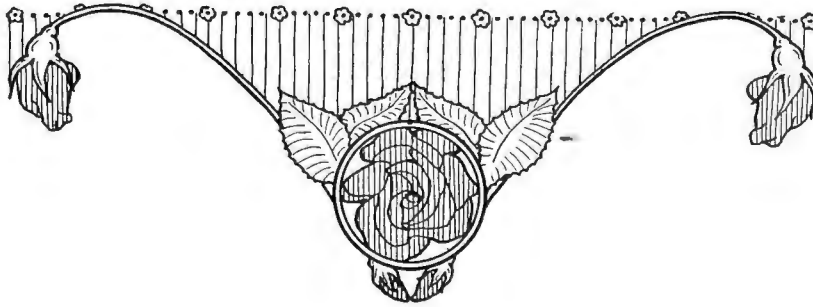
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Another honor much coveted by every girl was the best "all-round girl." Miss Mattie Buckley won this honor.

When nominations were opened for the most bashful, all eyes were turned toward Mr. Roy Motley. The votes were quickly counted and he was announced the "Most Bashful."

Miss Mary Spiggle and Mr. Raymond Cottonn were chosen as the typical Seniors. Miss Spiggle also is our most attractive girl.

The last members of the Hall of Fame to be elected were "The Vamp" and "The Flirt." Miss Margaret Lewis Stearnes was chosen "The Vamp," and Miss Smiley "The Flirt."



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School Calendar

SEPTEMBER

- 12—S. H. S. opens to-day. The Class of '22 is overjoyed! Mr. Webb presented us with a delightful schedule!
- 13—Every one is mixed up. They are wondering where they will be next period. Mr. Webb is ruffling his hair a great deal.
- 14—Mr. Chapman was seen to smile. Will wonders ever cease?
- 15—The Senior Class is organized with Mr. Hurt as President.
- 16—It was moved and seconded that Thelma Smiley be made a standing nominee for all the class offices. Ellen Wiley requested that she be elected Valedictorian of her class.
- 19—Mr. Lewark gave an interesting talk on athletics. The season tickets will be sold soon.
- 20—Mr. Webb gave the school a half holiday for the Roanoke Fair. Every one is in raptures.
- 21—The "Big Four's" star is growing dimmer! A man appears and offers us various rings. After about a three hours' discussion, one was decided on. The invitations were very easily decided on, as every one liked the same one.
- 22—The girls of the Senior Class are invited to a reception at Elizabeth College.
- 23—The Lyceum was held this afternoon at 2:15. We had a nice program although a little short. The Seniors and Juniors are 100% for the Athletic Association.
- 26—Mr. Lewark's department brought back twenty-one prizes from the Roanoke Fair! Hurrah for Salem High!
- 27—The Seniors are going to take charge of the assemblies for Miss Butler.
- 28—Mr. Faulkner gave a very interesting talk on the life of Abraham this morning.
- 29—Nothing doing.
- 30—Pep meeting this afternoon at 2:15. Our boys play R.-M. A. at Bedford Saturday.

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OCTOBER

- 3—The Salem boys did their duty. They were defeated 13 to 7, but they fought hard.
- 4—The French Class had a delightful test!
- 5—Mr. Gresham gave a talk on the life of Jacob to-day, which we all enjoyed. Mr. J. H. Chapman and Mr. S. Andrews made a perfect see-saw in English class to-day. They were up on Parliamentary law. Holiday until Monday. A teachers' meeting. Bless 'em!
- 10—15 rahs for the Salem Team! Score with Blacksburg High 7 to 7!
- 11—The suggestion is brought forth for the Seniors to wear caps and gowns at Commencement exercises.
- 12—The Senior English class finally chose a name for their society.
- 13—The Geometry class enjoyed a monthly test to-day. A delightful program was rendered.
- 14—"The Game" is heard on all sides. A "pep" meeting was held this morning from 8:25 to 8:45. Mr. Edward Barnitz and Miss Mareta Tucker were elected as cheer leaders. School dismisses early for the game with Lynchburg.
- 17—Hurrah! We won! The score was 14 to 6 in favor of our team. Edward Barnitz called for fifteen rahs for the team and we gave it, you bet!
- 18—The History class was greeted with a most wonderful test.
- 19—Dr. Gresham gave us an interesting talk on Samson in assembly this morning.
- 20—At the class meeting to-day, a minstrel and a bazaar were talked of. They decided to put it off until after Christmas.
- 21—We had an interesting assembly this morning.
- 24—Our boys were defeated 9 to 0 by Lynchburg, but next Saturday is coming and we will have a chance with Roanoke.
- 25—Nix.
- 26—Rev. Eller gave the school a talk on Joseph this morning.
- 27—Miss Bain gave the girls a heart-to-heart talk on "Social Hygiene." The members of the Senior Class are going to have their pictures taken for the Annual next week.
- 28—We had a fine "pep" meeting in assembly this morning.
- 31—"Rain, rain everywhere, nor any drop to drink."

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NOVEMBER

- 1—Beginning of a new month. More rain.
- 2—At last a clear day!
- 3—We received our report cards to-day. Many persons are surprised both ways. "Tank" Denit said, "Star Spangled Banana" when reading an article on the "Star Spangled Banner" to-day.
- 4—We had a spicy spelling match in English class to-day.
- 7—Another week begins.
- 8—Miss Duncan was sent as a delegate from the Civics class to hear the lecture on Wm. Jennings Bryan. The pupils are hoping that she will give a forty-minute report on the lecture.
- 9—Rain!! Pop test in History. Armistice Day to-morrow and we will have almost a complete holiday.
- 11—Dr. Brown and Dr. Eller gave us interesting talks, their subject being "Armistice Day."
- 14—We had a fine Lyceum program to-day.
- 15—Pop test in History!
- 16—N. D.
- 17—The pictures have come! "Let me see your picture" is the Senior yell.
- 18—Pupil in study hall: "May I speak?" Miss Taylor: "I think you had better rest a while now."
Football with Christiansburg this afternoon.
- 21—N. D.
- 22—A strong class meeting this morning.
- 23—French test this morning!
- 28—Here we are back again from the Thanksgiving holidays! Work again.
- 29—Nothing doing.
- 30—Nothing doing.

DECEMBER

- 1—We had a fine Lyceum program this afternoon. We had two new promising persons on the program—Miss Mary Lewis Johnson and Lloyd Murray.
- 2—The rings have come! Hurrah!

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- 5—Where is the Honor Roll?
- 6—Lost—hope! Finder will please return to the Senior Class. The report cards have been given out!
- 7—Mr. Webb announced that we will have Christmas holidays from the 21st to the 3d of January. We all love Mr. Webb!
- 8—Mrs. Newman is good to us. She isn't going to require book reports until after Christmas!
- 9—Was Hamlet mad or feigning to be mad? "To be or not to be, that is the question."
- 12—Where are those bright pupils that used to get on the Honor Roll? Are they dead? Or is the Honor Roll buried in the deep blue sea?
- 13—Miss Duncan: "Did Wm. Lloyd Garrison believe in the Union?" Harman Sites: "Yes." Miss Duncan: "Harman, did Wm. Lloyd Garrison believe in the Union?" Harman: "No." Miss D.: "Your opinion changes when you rise."
- 14—What must we give Mr. Webb for Christmas?
- 15—Examination on Munford!
- 16—Summerfield Andrews put his parliamentary knowledge into practice in the athletic meeting this morning.
- 19—Hail to the Honor Roll!
- 20—Only one more day until we dismiss for Christmas holidays.
- 21—Last day of school! Christmas is in the air!

JANUARY

- 3—Jimmie True wished us all a "Mary Pickford" and a "Happy Hooligan."
- 4—Next week is parent week. Mr. Webb said that the class that got the most parents to visit the school would have a half holiday on Friday. Seniors, get to work!
- 5—Ferd visited us to the greatest delight of every one. On careful observation one will see that a beautiful wrist watch decorated his arm.
- 6—N. D.
- 9—Every one is getting ready for company. All the boards are being washed!

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- 10—The Roanoke College has come to board at Salem High! We don't blame them!
- 11—Visitors! Visitors! Visitors! Welcome to you all!
- 12—French test! No "F's." We expect the sky to fall.
- 13—The candy for the athletic sale has come. Come! Buy!
- 16—Review on all subjects!
- 17—We are finding out how little we know!
- 18—N. D.
- 19—Exams approach!
- 20—We had a fine program in Lyceum this afternoon. Mr. Whitescarver taught us a great deal about ducks this afternoon.
- 23—E! play
- 24—X! the
- 25—A! game
- 26—M! straight
- 27—S! ! !
- 30—"Please read our grades!" is the cry heard on all sides. We are sorry we know them now.
- 31—The Seniors are invited to a seance party given by the Sophs!

FEBRUARY

- 1—We are all very much excited! All our thoughts are centered on the good time to come.
- 3—We had the best time last night!
- 6—Miss Duncan seems disappointed that in all last term, she has only had to take about ten pupils off the Honor Roll! (Side word): This happened because the roll goes to the other teachers first. Shall we send it to her first or study less?
- 7—We are going to have a bake sale Saturday.
- 8—N. D.
- 9—No Senior uses a pony (Latin one), judging by the number of hands raised in answer to the teacher's question.
- 10—N. D.

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- 13—THE ORACLE goes to press!
- 14—Mr. J. H. Chapman and Miss Mareta Tucker are elected as our representatives in the coming reading contests from the Senior Class.
- 15—Nothing doing.
- 16— “
- 17—A game with Danville. A pep meeting to-day.
- 20—We won! We fight Chatham and Roanoke this week!
- 21—Buy a ticket to the game! We want to win.
- 22—Mr. Webb tells us we have got to get to work! (Never use “got” unless you’ve got to!)
- 23—Miss D.: “Margaret Lewis, what are the qualifications for voting in Virginia?” Margaret Lewis: “He must——” Miss D.: “Don’t say ‘he,’ women can vote now.” Margaret Lewis: “The voter must be twenty-one years old; ‘it’——” Miss D.: “Oh! Well, go on and say ‘he.’” M. L.: “They say that mankind embraces womankind, anyhow.” Raymond C.: “That’s right, Miss Duncan!”
- 24—“Rah!” We beat Chatham 35 to 18.



JUNIORS



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Junior Class

COLORS: Black and Gold

FLOWER: Black-eyed Susan

MOTTO: "Through difficulties to the stars"

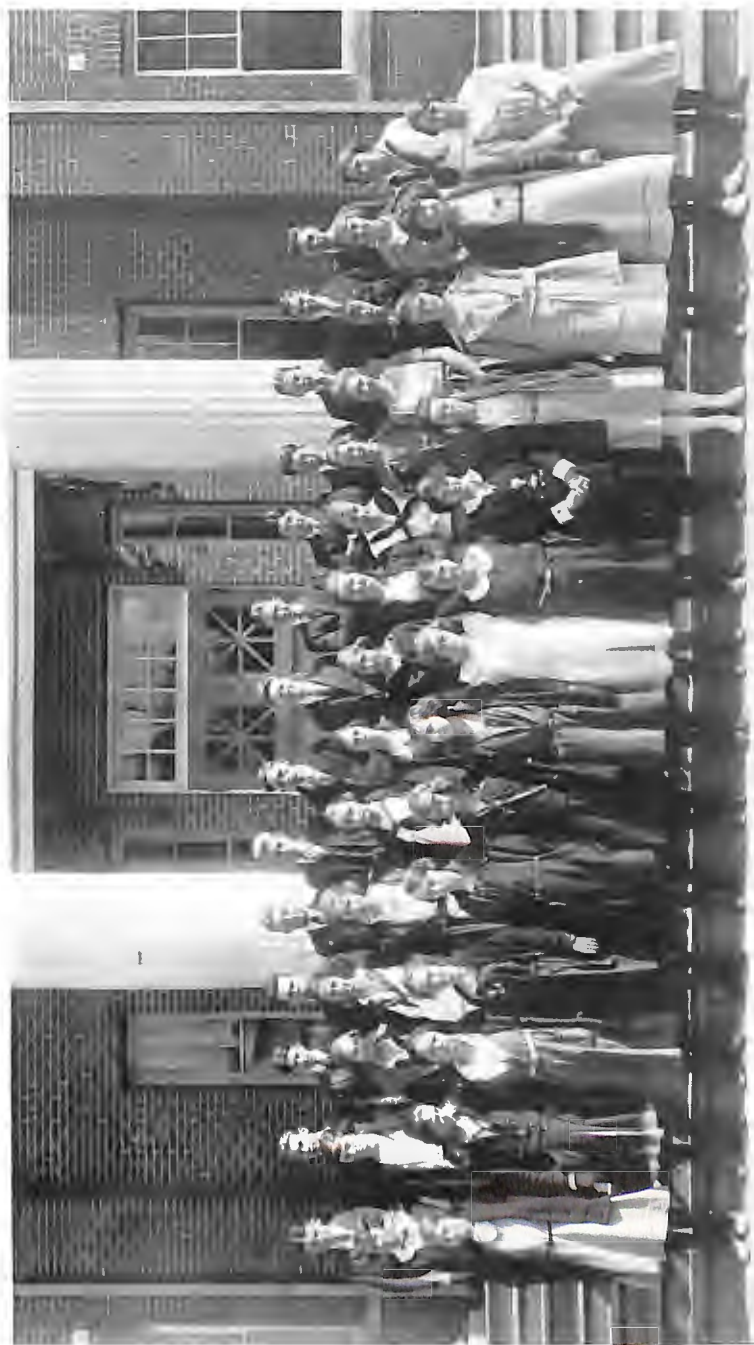
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SEABROOK HARVEYCUTTER	<i>President</i>
CHANDLER MARTIN	<i>Vice-President</i>
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ANNE OAKEY	<i>Historian</i>
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JANE HARVEYCUTTER	<i>Artist</i>

Class Roll

MABEL BOLEY	ANNE OAKEY
IRENE BOWMAN	ELIZABETH PORTER
IVA CARTER	SADIE PHELPS
GLADYS COFFMAN	MARY ROCKE
WILMA CROSS	BEULAH SESSLER
DOROTHY DENSMORE	MARIE TYLER
VESTA DEATON	IRETE TAYLOR
THELMA DOSS	EMMA WEBBER
HILDA DEYERLE	STRATTON BOARD
FRANCIS FERGUSON	EUGENE CHELF
EVELYN GIVENS	FRANCIS GRESHAM
ESTELLE GOODWIN	RUFFNER GUNN
SARAH GOODWIN	SEABROOK HARVEYCUTTER
JANE HARVEYCUTTER	LETCHER HALL
MARY LEWIS JOHNSTON	CARY HANSEL
SARAH LANTZ	JOE KINZIE
CHARLOTTE LOGAN	CLAUDE LINKOUS
EDITH MAXEY	IRVIN MAYER
IDA MARTIN	CHANDLER MARTIN
ANNIE MOORE	ADAIR PRINCE
ANNIE NIENTKE	EUGENE SNELLINGS
WILLIAM SELLERS	HARMON SITES

FRANK VEST



THE JUNIOR CLASS

The Oracle

Junior Class Poem

I

When the year has just begun,
Then the Juniors, every one,
Come for work and come for fun
 In the fall;
For it is the Juniors' way
To succeed in work and play,
 One and all.

II

When the days are short and bright,
And the nights are cold and white,
Every Junior works with might
 Till all is done;
For a busy one is he,
Ever filled with energy
 From sun to sun.

III

When the spring with balmy air
Calls from woods and fields so fair,
Every Junior will be there
 For happy play;
For they never idle 'round,
So can go where fun is found
 Every day.

IV

Oh, who would be gay with me,
Busy, happy, blithe, and free?
Then a Junior let him be,
 With work all done;
For 'tis ever the Junior's way
To be ready every day
 For joy and fun.

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Junior Class History



QUIET, steady progress, rather than convulsive efforts, marks our gradual approach from Freshmen to Sophomores—from Sophomores to Juniors, and we hope from Juniors to Seniors in 1923.

We claim for our class not only unusual intellectual ability, but many other things; namely, general merit, good common sense, industry, and last but not least, a high sense of honor in everyday occurrences.

In athletics our class has had representatives who have been a credit to their respective teams. In Glee Club, too, we have taken an active part. Also in Literary Society, Athletic Association, the Dramatic Club, and every other organization of our school which calls for a liberal share of school spirit.

As is always the case, some leave school before graduating, but we are glad to note that most of us have realized the wisdom of these words, "Let him who has set his hand to the plow not turn backward." Those who have stayed with us have done so with the full realization of the fact that now or never must they lay the foundation of that fort upon whose impregnability they must depend for their victories in the great battle of life.

Only a little while is left of our Junior year at Salem High School. For three years we have labored over our studies—now we can see the dawn of '23 and shall claim success as the just deserts of honest work and perseverance.

ANNE OAKLEY, *Historian*.

The Oracle

Sophomore Class

COLORS: Black and White

FLOWER: White Rose

MOTTO: "Vivimus ut servimus"

Officers

ETTA BONDURANTPresident
BEN CHAPMANVice-President
BROWNIE BROWNSecretary
HORTENSE HUNTONTreasurer
WAYNE YARBROUGHArtist
WILLIAM GOODWINPoet
FRANK COOKHistorian

Class Roll

EARL AUSTIN	RAYMOND HAISLIP	CARRIE LEE LEWIS	VERNON REYNOLDS
GEORGE ALLEN	ALBERT HAWLEY	ELOISE LITRELL	BERKELEY ROCKE
OSCAR ANDREWS	BRANDON HERSHBERGER	HOUSTAN MILLER	CLAUDE ROBERTSON
ROSA ALL	BASIL HERSHBERGER	WAYNE MILLER	CHARLES SHERERTZ
LUCY ALLEN	HORTENSE HUNTON	CHESTER MCCLURE	ALDERSON SHUFFLEBARGER
HORACE BARNETT	ELLA HURT	DEWEY MOORE	ROBERT SOWDER
FRED BOWERS	LOUIS JETER	NEWELL MCBRYDE	FRANK SPIGGLE
CLIFFORD BOWMAN	HARRIET JOHNSON	IDA MAY	FANNIE ROBERTSON
HOWARD BUTT	GLADYS DANNER	NIELSINE MADSEN	PAULINE ROGERS
JUANITA BALDWIN	ANNIE MAE EAKIN	ALBERTA MARTIN	ELSIE SEARS
ESTELLE BAYES	WITCHEE FERGUSON	CONSTANCE MORGAN	NELLIE SEARS
KENNETH BARNET	HAROLD FISHER	BEATRICE MORRIS	CARLIE SHUFFLEBARGER
ETTA BONDURANT	SUSAN FRENCH	BEULAH NALLS	MARTHA SIEG
EULA BOONE	HARRY GALLION	RUBY NIENKE	ESTHER SKEEN
LENA BOWERS	ROY GARST	CLARK OVERSTREET	MAY STOUTAMIRE
BROWNIE BROWN	WILLIAM GOODWIN	FRANK OLD	RUTH TENNEFAUS
BEN CHAPMAN	LENA GOODWIN	RANGELY OVERSTREET	CHARLOTTE TEMPLE
EDWARD CHAPMAN	JOHN GREY	LITHA OTEY	ELLA TREY
JACK CHELF	HELEN GREYSON	RAY PARROT	JOHN VANLEW
BURNLEY CONNOR	WILLIAM KESLER	AGNES PETERS	THOMAS WELLS
FRANK COOK	WILLIAM KINZIE	JOSEPHINE PETERS	WILLIE WADDELL
PAUL COPENHAVER	MARY KELLY	LOIS PRICE	DONALD WRAY
LILLIAN CAMPBELL	DEWEY LANTZ	VERNIE PETERS	THELMA WEST
MATTIE CARTER	TEDDY LEMON	ANNIE PIKE	MAY WHITLEY
HILDRED CLOYD	JOE LYONS	BLANCHE PENLEY	ODELL WRIGHT
SAMUEL DEBUSK	MARY LEAVELL	NITA PUCKETT	WAYNE YARBROUGH
EVERETT DENIT			HARRIET ZIMMERMAN



THE SOPHOMORE CLASS

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The Class of '24

Old Salem High School's classes have each been "hard to beat,"
No common weeds and grasses have grown beneath their feet,
And noble lads and lasses came here in days of yore,
Yet not a group surpasses the Class of Twenty-four.

In games and sports athletic we never lag behind;
We're a class most energetic and despite the daily grind
Of progressions arithmetic and nuisances galore,
We can't be called pathetic—we're the Class of Twenty-four.

With Freshmen we are gentle (?), from meekness less they swerve,
With strap and rod parental, "we live that we may serve."
No class in matters mental excel the Sophomore,
Nor is it incidental—we're the Class of Twenty-four.

In future years the gleaming shall not fade from the star
That now is brightly beaming, our fame to spread afar.
When memories are streaming amidst our treasured lore,
May we find joy in dreaming of the Class of Twenty-four.

POET.

The Oracle

Sophomore Class History



CONFUSED and meek were the one hundred and fourteen Freshmen who entered Salem High School last year. Because we were given the rooms on the second floor, and the division of Lyceum, our confusion and meekness gradually wore off. Now in nineteen hundred and twenty-two you see the full-fledged Sophomore Class.

When school opened September 12th, the Sophomore Class numbered one hundred and six, only eight less than came here last year under the banner of the Freshman Class.

The Sophomore boys at once started looking for "Rats," but to our surprise we found that there were no so-called "Rats." The Freshman Class was the Senior Class of the Junior High School. But Sophomores are inclined to snowball the Seniors of the Junior High a little more than other members of the High School.

In athletics the Sophomore Class had five boys on the football squad. In all sports, Raymond Haislip is the shining light of our class. Charles Shertz, Horace Barnett, Paul Copenhaver, and Roy Parrott also play excellent football. In basket-ball, Raymond Haislip and Roy Parrott made the team. We hope to be as well represented in baseball.

In a class meeting we elected Miss Butler as our Faculty Adviser. We appreciate her ever-readiness to help us in all of our undertakings.

Wayne Yarbrough is our very talented artist and we see a brilliant career for him in the future.

May the classes of on-coming Sophomores surpass in numbers and brilliancy the Class of '24.

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Industrial Department



THE object of the Industrial Department is to train boys for the building trades, and was organized last year under Mr. L. E. Warner, who has had charge since that time. It is purely a vocational course and is open to any boy who has passed the Seventh Grade and is fourteen years old.

The course is two years in length and includes shop work in cabinet-making and carpentry, plumbing, painting, electric wiring, and concrete work, besides the related subjects: Mechanical Drafting and Shop Mathematics. Credit is given towards graduation from High School, and is also accepted at any of the State schools, as V. P. I., William and Mary, and the University of Virginia.

Eight of last year's class of eleven, besides ten beginners this year, are now taking the work.

Roll

ADVANCED

EARL AUSTIN
WILLIAM KESLER
CHESTER McCLEUR
FRANK OLD
VERNON REYNOLDS
CLAUDE ROBERTSON
JOHN VANLEW
WILLIAM WADDELL

BEGINNERS

CLARENCE CLAYTER
ROBERT CONNER
OSCAR FILSON
WALTER GARST
SIDNEY KELLY
FRANK KESLER
EUGENE SEARS
IRVIN SPANGLER
CLINTON WILLIAMS



INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT



THE SHOP



DOMESTIC SCIENCE

The Oracle

Vocational Agriculture

Established 1920

A. T. LEWARK, *Instructor*

Four years are devoted to the study of this subject:

FIRST YEAR—Plant Production.

SECOND YEAR—Animal Husbandry.

THIRD YEAR—Horticulture.

FOURTH YEAR—Farm Management,
Farm Machines,
Agricultural Engineering.

These courses are planned with the idea of producing better farmers, improving rural conditions, and, for those who have higher ambitions, of starting them on the way to expert knowledge along some line in the field of Agriculture.

Roll

SECOND YEAR

HARRY GALLION
ROY GARST
ARTHUR GORDON
ALBERT HAWLEY
BASIL HERSHBERGER
JOE LYONS
ALFRED PIKE
DONAL WRAY

FIRST YEAR

HERSEY CARPER
FRED GARST
RALPH MAIHL
EDWARD McNEIL
CARL MORGAN
HAROLD SHOWALTER



AGRICULTURAL CLASS

The Oracle

The Junior High School



THE JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL, consisting of the Sixth A, Seventh, and Eighth Grades, was organized at the beginning of this session. This school has been made for several reasons. First, it will make the transition from the grammar school to the High School less abrupt, because the work has been so organized that the pupils will have the same teachers throughout the same grades. Also, the methods of discipline and control are such as will accustom the Junior pupils to the greater freedom that is ordinarily accorded the High School pupils. Second, the organization permits the upper grammar grade pupils to use the better facilities and equipment provided for the High School pupils. The pupils of the Junior High School may participate in the High School athletics, and have their assemblies and Lyceum fashioned after the same organizations in the Senior High School. Third, the pupils of the upper grammar grades will be enabled to choose more wisely from the various electives offered in High School because of their contact with the High School pupils, and they will have definite guidance in this matter of selection. Fourth, it makes possible promotion by subject in the upper grammar grades. As this department grows older, it is expected to result in a better adaptation of the program of studies to the varied interests and abilities of the pupils.

At present, the enrollment of the Junior High School is about two hundred, and eight teachers have work in this department.



EIGHTH GRADE

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Freshman Class

COLORS: Green and White

FLOWER: White Rose

MOTTO: "Seek the Golden Means"

Officers

KATHERINE HARVEYCUTTER	<i>President</i>
LOUISE DARDEN	<i>Vice-President</i>
ELVIRA RUDASILL	<i>Secretary</i>
BERNARD GOODE	<i>Treasurer</i>
LELIA OLD	<i>Historian</i>
BROOKE YOUNGER	<i>Poet</i>

Class Roll

JUNE AKERS
ELIZABETH ANDREWS
JULIETT ARNOLD
MARTHA ATWELL
JULIA ATWELL
VADNA BAILEY
RICHARD BARNETT
ELIZABETH BENNETT
MINNIE BLACKARD
PAUL BLANKENSHIP
HAZEL BOWEN
CLIFFORD BOWERS
FRANCES BUCKLEY
VIOLET CLEMENT
CHRISTINE CLEMENT
RALPH COLDICOTT
JOSEPHINE CORBITT
HASKILL COUNTS
OMAR CRONK
CATHERINE COX
LOUISE DARDEN
NELLIE DEBUSK
NANCY DENIT
JOE DENIT

HELEN DEYERLE
LOURA DIXON
MAYNARD DOOLEY
MILDRED DUKE
VERA DYER
VALREY EARLY
CARLTON FORSYTHE
GLADYS FRENCH
ALMA GARRETT
HELEN GARRETT
VIRGINIA GARST
FRED GARST
WELLINGTON GIBSON
JULIA GILBERT
MARY GOLDSMITH
KATHLEEN GOODE
BERNARD GOODE
ARTHUR GORDON
WILLIE GORDON
THOMAS GUY
WOODSON HANSBROUGH
MABEL M. HARRIS
MABEL R. HARRIS
GLEN A. HARTMAN

KATHERINE HARVEYCUTTER
VIRGINIA HENRY
WILMA HILL
ELIZABETH HITE
KATHERINE HORNE
CLAUDE HUFF
ROZELLE ISDELL
ELMIRA JOHNSTON
HAZEL JONES
JESSIE JONES
RALPH KELLY
MATTIE LEWIS
LELIA LITTLE
HAZEL LINKENS
FRANK LITTLE
LAWRENCE LITTRELL
MARGARET LOVING
MANDOLA LUCAS
RALPH MAIHL
ROSE MARSICO
GLADYS MAY
HAZEL MEADOWS
THELMA MCBRYDE
NELLIE MCCLURE

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MACHA MCGHEE
FRANK MCGUIRE
EDWARD MCNEIL
GRACE MCKENDRICK
MARY MILLER
LOUISE MOESHLER
RUSSIE MONGER
VINCENT MOORE
CARL MORGAN
GEORGE MURRAY
MINA OAKLEY
LELIA OLD
CLAUDE PERROW
ALVA PETERS

MARVIN PETERS
ALFRED PIKE
KATHERINE PRICE
MARY POAGUE
ANNIE REESE
RUDOLPH REYNOLDS
VIVIAN RICHARDSON
JOHN RODEFFER
ELVIRA RUDASILL
SADIE ROBERTSON
ENFIELD SESLER
LAURA SMILEY
FLORENCE SMITH
BOYCE SMITH

MARVIN SMITH
HAROLD SHOWALTER
CHARLES STRICKLER
CRETE THRILLKILL
BESSIE TRAIL
LOUISE VAN LEW
HAROLD VEST
ROY WARD
DOROTHY WELLS
ESTELLE WILLIAMS
LEWIS WHITESCARVER
CLARENCE WILSON
THOMAS WOLFENDEN
BROOKE YOUNGER

Class Poem

We will stand up to our colors, Green and White,
We will stand against the Sophomores' might.
Although we are called "Rats,"
We positively are not door mats.

A hard time the "Rats" have of it,
But we can stand against the Sophomores' grit.
The rose so white is our flower so bright.
We must and will have all our rights.

POET.

The Oracle

Freshman Class History



ALEM HIGH SCHOOL, at its opening on the twelfth of September, 1921, received into its doors a Freshman Class of one hundred thirty husky young people. These boys and girls came from the fine districts of Roanoke County, among whom were a fat girl, a skinny boy, who were matches for the fat girl and fat boy of the past year.

During the first months there were a few more who came in, and at this time there are one hundred thirty-seven in the class, some of whom, it seems, are destined to become great (in the eyes of the "Rats.")

Some few have shown a liking for Latin and Algebra, especially Latin, while others have not expressed a liking for either.

We, like our predecessors, are having our ups and downs, mostly downs, but, after all, we expect to come out victorious in the end.

HISTORIAN.

STUDENT
ACTIVITIES



The Oracle

Savageland

PRESENTED BY

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Jake Heinze, the fifty-ninth variety.....	FRANK VEST
Sherlocko Combs, a defective detective.....	RUDOLPH PRICE
Buckskin Buddy, from Savageland	SUMMERFIELD ANDREWS
Gilroy Clay, in love	SEABROOK HARVEYCUTTER
Big Chief Heap Much Scalper	ALFRED HURT
Marigold Lee, the Quaker maid	THELMA SMILEY
Miss Daffodil Dotty, poetess of Passion.....	WILMA CROSS
Birdie Magoogan, the Irish Cinderilla.....	MARETA TUCKER
Ysobel, in Vaudeville	ANNE THOMASON OAKLEY
Wee-Nah, the marble lady	MARY SPIGGLE

CHORINES

BEULAH NALLS
THELMA WEST
ESTER SKEEN
ANNIE MAY EAKIN
MARTHA SEIG
LENA BOWERS
EMMA WEBBER
VESTA DEATON
BROOKE YOUNGER
SARA LANTZ
RUTH BOWERS

CHORUS MEN

SIDNEY KELLY
JAMES TRUE
EDWARD BARNITZ
RAYMOND HAISLIP
WALLACE DEYERLE
RALPH LANTZ
RAY PARROTT
RAYMOND COTTONN

DIRECTORS

MR. A. T. LEWARK
MISS LUCY RICE

PIANIST

MABELLE DURHAM

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Student Council

FALL TERM

RAYMOND COTTONN	<i>President</i>
RUDOLPH PRICE	<i>Vice-President</i>
WILMA CROSS	<i>Secretary</i>

SPRING TERM

RAYMOND COTTONN	<i>President</i>
J. HARRY CHAPMAN	<i>Vice-President</i>
CHARLOTTE LOGAN	<i>Secretary</i>

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Student Council

The Student Council of Salem High School was organized October 11, 1921. This Council is composed of the officers of all school organizations and meets every Tuesday morning at nine o'clock.

The object of the Student Council is to investigate and better all matters pertaining to the students. The Student Council has been doing excellent work this year, each member having taken an active part, and much has been accomplished.

Roll

ALFRED HURT
RUDOLPH PRICE
SIDNEY KELLY
J. HARRY CHAPMAN
RALPH LANTZ
RAYMOND COTTON
SEABROOK HARVEYCUTTER
SUMMERFIELD ANDREWS
CHARLIE SHERERTZ
PAUL COPENHAVER
RAYMOND HAISLIP
WILMA CROSS
DORIS PERSINGER
EDITH RILEY
CHARLOTTE LOGAN
ETTA BONDURANT
BROWNIE BROWN

The Oracle

The Lyceum

FALL TERM

SUMMERFIELD ANDREWS*President*
CHARLES SHERERTZ*Vice-President*
WILMA CROSS*Secretary*

SPRING TERM

SEABROOK HARVEYCUTTER*President*
RAYMOND HAISLIP*Vice-President*
DORIS PERSINGER*Secretary*

Salem High School Lyceum was organized September, 1896.

Every member of the Senior High School is present at the semi-monthly meetings, which are held on Friday afternoons.

This year, especially, the society has been active and beneficial. The programs have been varied with classical, humorous, and patriotic selections. We have had some good debates on questions which perhaps did not sound so interesting at first, but as they were developed and delivered with spirit, our interest grew.

The lower classmen hold separate meetings, as the Society Hall is not large enough to hold both Lyceums at one time. This gives the lower classmen a chance to get over their shyness before they reach the higher Lyceum.

Salem High has always had a "rep" for school spirit and this year it has greatly exceeded that of the past years. This spirit is brought out in Lyceum and other school activities.



LYCEUM GROUP

The Oracle

Glee Club

MR. ELEY	<i>Director</i>
MABELLE DURHAM	<i>President</i>
EDWARD BARNITZ	<i>Vice-President</i>
ANNE OAKEY	<i>Secretary</i>
JOSEPHINE PETERS	<i>Treasurer</i>
MABELLE DURHAM	<i>Pianist</i>
MARGARET LEWIS STEARNES	<i>Assistant Pianist</i>

The Glee Club is doing splendid and creditable work this year. There is quite much unusual vocal talent displayed to the best advantage among the members, at rehearsals. The notes and tunes become difficult for us at times, but we struggle over them to become famous in the musical world. The Club is exceedingly fortunate in securing Mr. Ely as director. We know he becomes disgusted at times with our vain attempts to be musical, and we appreciate his untiring efforts to help us achieve that which we seek—success and fame.



GLEE CLUB

The Oracle

The Girls' Club

The Girls' Club was organized in the fall of 1921, and since that time has done excellent work. Its object is to create friendliness throughout the school and to render some service to the school and community. The organization is under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A. The G. C. does not neglect the social end of life, for teas, suppers, and banquets are held quite often. May its members uphold its standards, and may the future hold in store great achievements.

Officers

EDITH RILEY	<i>President</i>
MARY LEWIS JOHNSTON	<i>Vice-President</i>
DOROTHY DENSMORE	<i>Secretary</i>
ETTA BONDURANT	<i>Treasurer</i>
MISS MARY B. BUTLER	<i>Club Adviser</i>

Members

BROWNIE BROWN	MARY LEWIS JOHNSTON
ETTA BONDURANT	MARY KELLY
MATTIE BUCKLEY	SARAH LANTZ
RUTH BOWERS	CHARLOTTE LOGAN
WILMA CROSS	BEULAH NALLS
DOROTHY DENSMORE	ANNE THOMPSON OAKLEY
MABELLE DURHAM	OPAL PETERS
LOUISE FITZGERALD	ANNIE PIKE
RUBY GARST	EDITH RILEY
SARAH GOODWIN	THELMA SMILEY
VESTA DEATON	EMMA WEBBER
JANE HARVEYCUTTER	HILDA DEYERLE

The Oracle

Boquets

"Tho' modest on his unembarrassed brow
Nature hath written—Gentleman."

RUDOLPH PRICE.

"I think I should have no other wants
If I could always have plenty of music."

LOUISE HENDERSON.

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

LIDA BREWSTER.

"She opens her mouth with wisdom;
And in her tongue is the law of Kindness."

AMY LEIGHTON.

"Neither too careless, nor too sad,
Nor too studious, nor too glad."

NAOMI GREENWOOD.

"A mother's pride, a father's joy."

DOROTHY CANTER.

"Has sighed to many but loved but one."

SIDNEY KELLY.

"Silence is golden."

JESSE BUSSY.

"Just at the age 'twixt boy and youth,
When thought is speech, and speech is truth."

SIDNEY SHERROD.

"Hail! the conquering hero comes."

ALFRED HURT.

"Study and be quiet."

MARY LILLIAN ARNOLD.

The Oracle

Knocks

"Beware! When she meditates,
Mischief is brewing."

ELLEN WILEY.

"He has a head, so has a pin."

JACK THOMASON.

"She talks and talks, then talks some more."

LOUISE FITZGERALD.

"Now, by the two-headed Janus, Nature has
formed a strange fellow in her time."

HOMAN ZIRKLE.

"A lion among ladies is a most dreadful thing."

LOYD MURRAY.

"Let the world slide."

LUCILLE BARNETT.

"He's short and stout and rather fat,
But a man's a man for a' that."

MARSHALL BRUMBAUGH.

"Never do to-day what can be done to-morrow."

RALPH LANTZ.

"There is no love between us."

"RATS" AND "SOPHS."

"Art thou some goddess, some angel, or
some devil?"

MARETA TUCKER.

"That all-softening, overpowering knell."

RECESS BELL.

ATHLETICS



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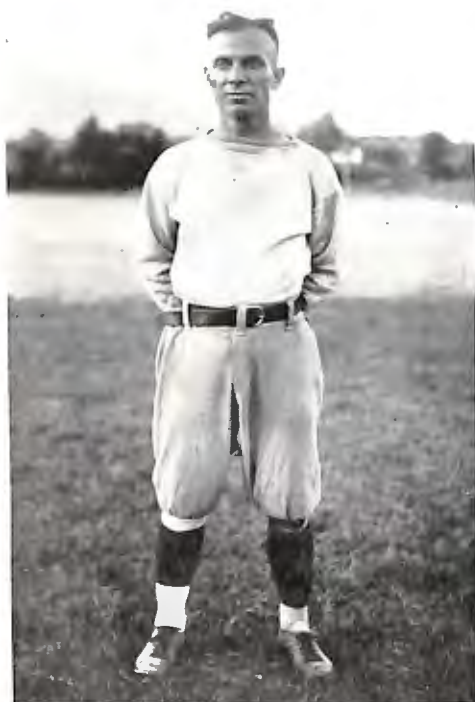
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STRATTON BOARD	<i>Vice-President</i>
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MISS ANNIE McCONKEY	<i>Treasurer</i>

The Athletic Association was started in Salem High in 1915. It was reorganized September, 1921, under a new group of officers. The purpose of the organization is to coöperate with and support all forms of athletics in the school. The Association has done some good work, but the whole school did not support it this year with as much spirit as should have been manifested. We hope that next year the Association will continue its good record, with much better support from the student body.

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COACH SPRUHAN

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Football

G. H. SPRUHAN *Coach*
 RUDOLPH PRICE *Captain*
 J. HARRY CHAPMAN *Manager*

COPENHAVER *Left End*
 MOORE *Left Tackle*
 BARNETT *Left Guard*
 VEST *Center*
 SHERERTZ *Right Guard*
 PARROTT *Right Tackle*
 TRUE *Right End*
 HURT *Quarter-back*
 PRICE *Left Half-back*
 HAISLIP *Right Half-back*
 CHAPMAN *Full-back*

Subs—BOARD, LOOP, DENIT

	OPP.	S. H. S.	PLAYED AT
Randolph-Macon Academy	13	7	Bedford
Blacksburg High	7	7	Blacksburg
Danville High	6	14	Danville
Lynchburg High	9	0	Lynchburg
Roanoke High	20	0	Roanoke
Christiansburg High	0	41	Salem
Chatham Training School	19	7	Chatham

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Football



FOOTBALL at Salem High during 1921 was a great success, not in the number of games won but by the fighting spirit shown by the team. Against the best teams in this section of the State we played one of the hardest schedules ever attempted by Salem High in the past several years. The fighting spirit of the team is shown by our being able to score on every team but two, and only an error kept us from scoring in those two games.

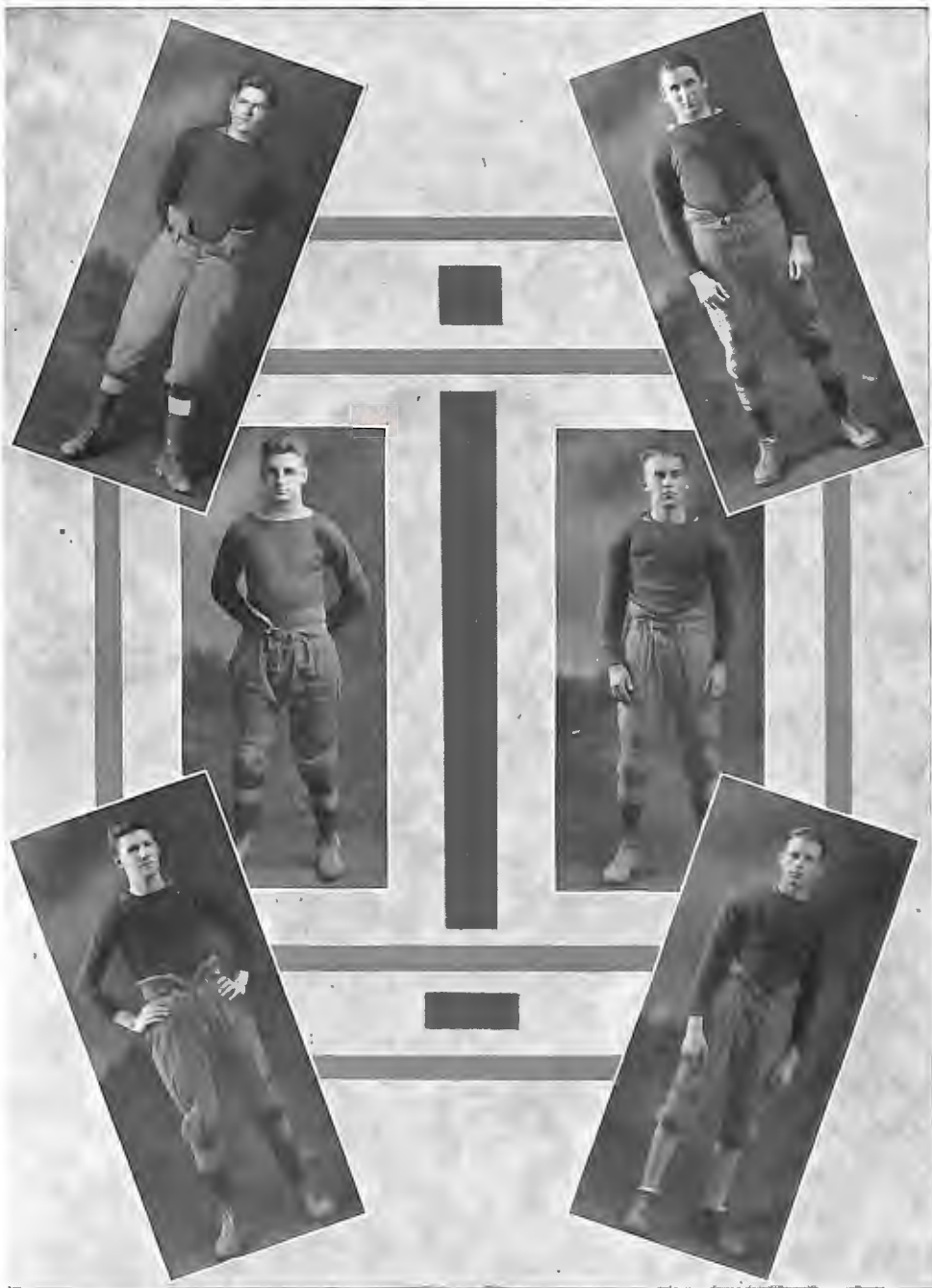
Under the guidance of Coach Spruhan, the team improved steadily during the season. The climax of the season came when, in the last two minutes of play, we scored on the heavy Chatham team. No high school team scored more than two touchdowns against us. Two games won, one tied, and four lost is our record.

Several of the line will be back again next fall, and a great team is to be expected. The men lost by graduation should make a name for themselves in college football.

Here's to the spirit of Salem High's 1921 Football Team and to the success of the Team of '22.

RUDOLPH N. PRICE, Captain '21.





FOOTBALL



FOOTBALL

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Basket-Ball

PINKY SPRUHANCoach
 LANTZRight Forward
 HAISLIP OR KELLYLeft Forward
 DEYERLECenter
 HURTRight Guard
 PRICELeft Guard

Sub—TRUE

OPP.	OPP. SCORE	S. H. S. SCORE	PLAYED AT
M. H. S.	21	15	Martinsville
R.-M. A.	25	15	Bedford
C. T. S.	27	14	Chatham
D. H. S.	32	20	Danville
V. P. I. J. V.	35	19	Salem
R.-M. A.	39	36	Salem
V. P. I. J. V.	35	27	Blacksburg
R. H. S.	27	23	Roanoke
D. H. S.	29	31	Salem
C. T. S.	18	34	Salem
R. H. S.	48	28	Salem

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Basket-Ball



THE Salem High Basket-Ball Team for 1922 was made, with one exception, of new material, but it did credit to the school by playing clean, vigorous games and winning as many as could be expected in comparison with the experienced teams it played against. Under these circumstances we lost several games at first. Then the team hit their stride, winning over Danville High School with the close score of 31 to 29. We lost to Roanoke High School, our old rivals, both games, the first score being 27 to 23, the second 48 to 28. We won over Chatham Training School by the score of 34 to 18. This was the biggest score we made against any of our opponents, as their teams were not only experienced but heavier than ours.

With Deyerle as center, Lantz and Haislip as forwards, and Hurt and Price as guards, Salem High's team was made up of good men and Mr. Guy H. Spruhan, the Coach, gave them excellent training. With more time they would make a team that could win often and easily. We hope to have as many of them as possible continue in the basket-ball squad another year and wish them the good luck we feel sure they will have.



RALPH LANTZ

Height 5 ft. 10 in. Weight 135 lbs.

Forward

Captain Lantz is a man on whom you can always depend. He is an exceptionally good shot and plays a most consistent game. Lost by graduation.

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WALLACE DEYERLE

Height 6 ft. 2 in. Weight 163 lbs.

Deyerle is a good shot and handles the ball with perfect ease. Next year's prospect.

RAYMOND HAISLIP

Height 5 ft. 9 in. Weight 135 lbs.

"Ramie" plays the floor like a veteran and fights like a tiger. Next year's prospect.

SIDNEY KELLY

Height 6 ft. Weight 154 lbs.

Kelly's work at forward was excellent throughout the whole season. We realize what it is to lose such a valuable player.



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RUDOLPH PRICE

Height 5 ft. 6 in. Weight 138 lbs.

"Rudy" is small but the opposing realize that size is not all that counts. Lost by graduation.

JAMES TRUE

Height 5 ft. 9½ in. Weight 135 lbs.

Jimmy is a good man to pass to. He plays a consistent game. Lost by graduation.

ALFRED HURT

Height 5 ft. 8 in. Weight 165 lbs.

"Hunk" plays a fine guarding game. He is a match for them all. Lost by graduation.

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Baseball

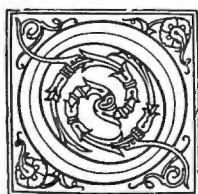
HERBERT N. WHITE	Coach
CAROL CHAPMAN	Captain
MARVIN HUNDLEY	Manager
BURCH	Pitcher
HURT	Catcher
HAISLIP	First Base
HUNTLEY	Second Base
WOODS	Third Base
C. CHAPMAN	Shortstop
MOORE	Center Field
McCLUNG	Right Field
J. HARRY CHAPMAN	Left Field

Subs—STEVENS, F. CHAPMAN, LANTZ

	OPP.	S. H. S.	PLAYED AT
Salem All Stars	4	8	Salem
Randolph-Macon Academy	6	5	Bedford
Lynchburg High	2	3	Lynchburg
Martinsville High	4	11	Salem
Charlottesville High	0	9	Forfeit
Roanoke High	2	4	Roanoke
Danville High	0	1	Salem
Maury High	14	3	Norfolk

The Oracle

Baseball



OUR baseball season is not one of which to be ashamed, and we are not. We had possibly the best team in our history, and we beat the best high school teams in this section of the State. Before the championship game only one contest had been lost, and that by a one-run margin to the fast Randolph-Macon Academy team, but this had no bearing on the championship. We met and defeated Danville High in Salem for the District Championship. Danville came here with a well-trained team, and it was only by putting all we had into the game that we came through with a 1-to-0 victory.

About three weeks later we journeyed to Norfolk to play Maury High School, Eastern Champions, for the State Championship. We went there full of confidence, but were defeated by a little luck, but mostly fast playing on the part of Maury.

We lose most of our men this year, but around the few remaining we believe that Coach Spruhan can develop a team which will equal, if not surpass, this year's record.

The Oracle

S. H. S.

TUNE—"America, the Beautiful"

Old S. H. S.! We dearly love
Thy colors, White and Blue,
The starry flag that waves above
Thy standards high and true.
Dear Salem High, Old S. H. S.!
May praises ring for thee—
Thy honor's might, thy virtue's right—
On land and sky and sea.

Old S. H. S.! Ambition's tread
Is heard within thy halls,
Thy patrons cheer, thy rivals dread
The band within thy walls.
Dear Salem High, Old S. H. S.!
May victory be thine.
In every race, in every place,
On floor, on base, on line.

Old S. H. S.! Thy classes all
Unite in lauding thee,
From Freshman small to Senior tall
May cheers forever be
For Salem High, Old S. H. S.!
Sing merrily her praise!
May she win fame in life's grim game,
In these as other days.

The Oracle

School Bells

Salem team is high-minded,
B'lieve to my soul they're double jointed,
They play ball and don't mind it
All day long! Wow!

Tutti frutti, Punch and Judy,
The Salem boys will do their duty,
Don't you worry, don't you fret,
The Blue and White will get them yet.

You can't beat Salem High,
You can't beat Salem High,
You can use your team to get up steam,
But you can't beat Salem High.

Eat 'em up alive, boys;
Eat 'em up alive, boys;
Eat 'em up alive, boys;
B-r-r-r—Wow!

Ray, Ray, Ray, rah, rah,
Team, Salem Team!

Rough, tough,
Hard to bluff;
Salem's playing
Is pretty good stuff.
Whee!

Chicalacka, Chicalaka,
Chow, Chow, Chow;
Boomalacka, Boomalacka,
Bow, Wow, Wow;
Chickalacka, Boomalacka,
Sis Boom Bah,
Salem, Salem,
Rah, rah, rah.

Ray, ray, ray, Team, Salem Team.

Rah, rah, roo,
White and Blue;
Salem High School puts you thru,
Razzle, frazzle, zip, zip, zoo.

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The Confederacy Forever



IS awfully easy for foreigners to get in trouble in Nicamala, and I was no exception to the rule. Ever since the day on which I won the disfavor of the President I had to be extremely cautious in order to save my neck. 'Twas only a minor affair which brought matters to a climax; merely a street brawl in which I was mixed and in which a weasel-eyed soldier got his pass to the "great unknown." As I say, it was a minor affair, but the matter seemed serious enough to deserve a death penalty, so the President thought. For several days I took it all as a joke, but upon learning that the United States Minister refused to take a hand in the matter, as I was accused of "revolution and plotting against the imperial empire of Nicamala," I began to wonder if they really intended to carry out the sentence. On the fourth day of my imprisonment, Dr. Skinner, a little dried-up old man, came into my cell. Dr. Skinner was a "Red-hot rebel, from Alabama," and was forever discussing the Civil War. On one occasion, I asked him, "Oh, Doc, why don't you shut up for a while? The thing's all over and the United Confederacy has been dissolved." He therefore began upon his entrance: "So the Confederacy has been dissolved, eh? Ha! Ha! Ha! I'll bet you the Confederacy can get you out er here and the United States Government can't. If you'll swear allegiance to the Confederacy forever and'll kiss her good old flag, I'll get you out er here."

"The devil take you, Doc. You know good and well that I'm a good old New Yorker and this Confederacy stuff is all bunko."

"Very well," said Doc some minutes later, as he got up to go out, "but I'll give you until Thursday to change your mind."

It was now Tuesday, and I was to be shot nine days from to-day. By the time Thursday rolled around I'd had time to consider my condition of affairs and had decided to take a chance on Doc's "Kill-or-cure."

On Thursday afternoon the ceremony was performed. I swore allegiance to the Confederate States, kissed the battle flag, and swore to a lot of stuff Doc had written out on paper. It was now up to Doc to get me out.

I did not see Doc again until a week before the day set for my execution. "Well, how soon are you going to get me out of here?" I asked.

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Doc merely grinned, showing his tobacco-stained teeth, and made no reply.

To make a long story short, the day finally arrived. I was now thoroughly afraid, as my only hope lay in Doc's "Confederacy" and he refused to talk of how he was progressing.

A few hours before the time set for the execution a hand reached in my top window and dropped a note upon the floor. I picked it up and read:

"As you are being marched through the village to the outskirts you will be given an opportunity to escape. I have bribed the whole government with \$3,000,000. Meet me at six at the old well. Fifteen rals for the Confederacy!—Doc."

I gasped as I saw the \$3,000,000. The guard soon arrived and I was marched out into the courtyard and then into the street. It was not long until the time arrived. I easily made my escape in the crowded square and at six o'clock I was waiting for Doc.

I grasped Doc's hand. "Doc, you're a wonder. How did you do it? How will I ever be able to repay the \$3,000,000? I'll never open my mouth against the Confederacy again and I'll kill the first man I hear that does it. But how will I ever be able to pay back the \$3,000,000?"

Doc grinned and answered, "That's all right. We'll talk about that later. But let's hurry up and get out of here before those fools find out that those three barrels full of greenbacks were Confederate currency that I had sent down here."

The Oracle

Jokes

Mrs. Newman (telling a story): "She just barely got on the train—jumped up on the steps and her father threw up her suit cases."

PATRIOTISM

Each flea firmly believes that he lives on the most wonderful dog in the world—that's patriotism.

Miss Annie: "Edward Barnitz, I think I told you and Ralph never to sit together again in my Geometry class."

Edward Barnitz: "No'm, you told Marshall and me."

Miss Annie: "Well, that combination is just as bad."

Miss Butler (in French class): "We say in America, we take the street car to Roanoke, while the French say it differently."

Homan Zirkle: "Huh! I alluz thought the street car took me."

Mr. Moore: "I did not call on Thelma yesterday in Latin."

Thelma: "I know, Mr. Moore, but Mr. Webb had me."

Mr. True presiding over English class made a spectacular spectacle.

Mrs. Newman: "Can any one tell me why I am likely to get the "Vision of Sir Launfal" and "Ancient Mariner" confused?"

Fatty Brumbaugh: "Absent-mindedness, I guess."

Ed Barnitz (in class meeting): "What are we going to do about decorations for Commencement? I mean, what are the girls going to decide to wear?"

Teacher: "What letter comes after H?"

Pupil: "Dunno, ma'm."

Teacher: "Yes you do; what have I on both sides of my nose?"

Pupil: "Freckles, ma'm."

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Mrs. Newman: "Margaret Lewis, sit in front of Homan."

Margaret Lewis: "On front of what?"

He: "What did your father say when you told him my love was a mad, gushing river?"

She: "Papa said, 'Dammit.' "

Minister: "Would you like to join us in the new Missionary movement?"

Miss 1922: "I'm crazy to try it. Is it anything like toddling?"

A SHORT STORY

As Mrs. Henna Henpeck opened the door of the office she came full upon her husband holding his stenographer on his lap and caressing her. But she did not cause a scene.

"How do you like working for daddy?" she asked her daughter.

Mrs. Newman: "What kind of a queen do you think Queen Elizabeth was?"

Margaret Lewis: "She was nutty 'cause she didn't get married."

She (anxiously): "I don't know how many minutes I haven't been waiting for that mother of mine."

Summy Andrews (disgustedly): "Hours, I should say."

She: "Ours—oh, Summy, this is so sudden!"

Young lady (at football game, to professor): "I hear you all have a special coach for this game."

Professor: "Yes, eight coaches, and a Pullman."

Mary S.: "Just look what's coming down the steps, out there."

Rudy P.: "For the love of Mike, what?"

Mary S.: "The banisters."

Mr. Webb, with a box of chalk in his hand, after looking around the blackboard for a piece of chalk, exclaims: "That's funny, there isn't a bit of chalk in this room."

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Raymond C.: "Who was that singing in the Junior Lyceum?"

Violet C.: "Joe Denit and three other girls."

Ruth Bowers, in History class, said: "The Alien Law was, that the President could expel from this country any foreigner who was not a native born American."

Miss Duncan: "I remember when my father and mother were bride and groom going through the cotton belt, and were not allowed to get off the train on account of the 'yellow fever.'"

Jimmie True (reading French): "*Où si souvent il avait dit la messe.* It was here he had often served the mess."

Hunk H.: "I went to bed at eight o'clock last night."

Mabelle D.: "You must go to bed with the chickens."

Hunk: "No, I sleep by myself."

Mr. Webb: "Joe, what is a glacier?"

Joe Lyons: "Snow melted into ice."

First: "I saw something last night I never will get over."

Second (excited): "What?"

First (dryly): "The moon."

Mother: "What did you learn this morning, Johnny?"

Johnny (returning from Sunday School): "Nothing, except that teacher never takes a bath."

Mother: "How did you learn that?"

Johnny: "She said she wouldn't do anything in private she wouldn't do in public."

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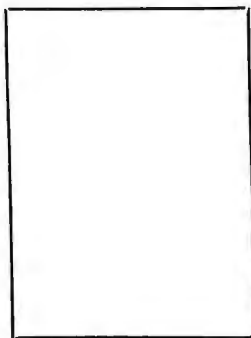
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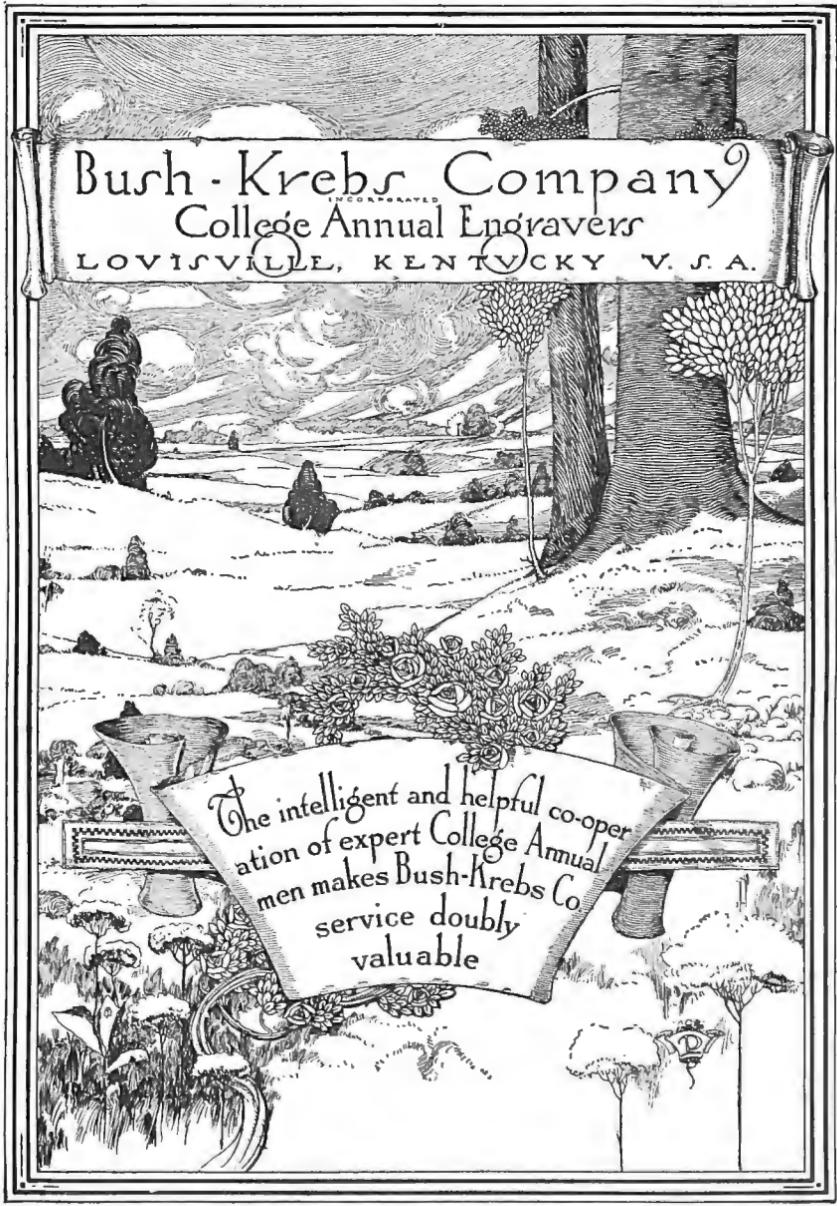
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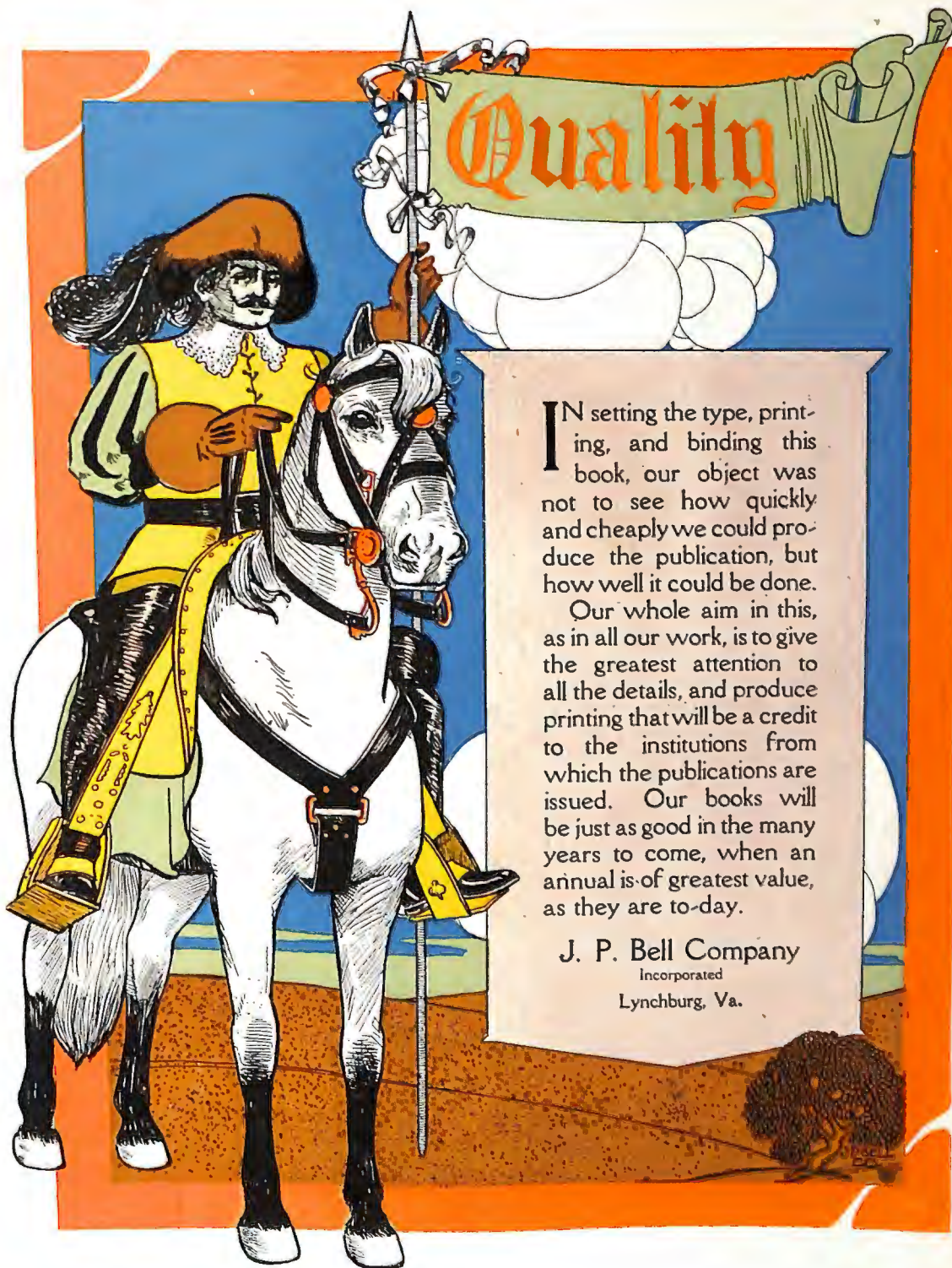
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