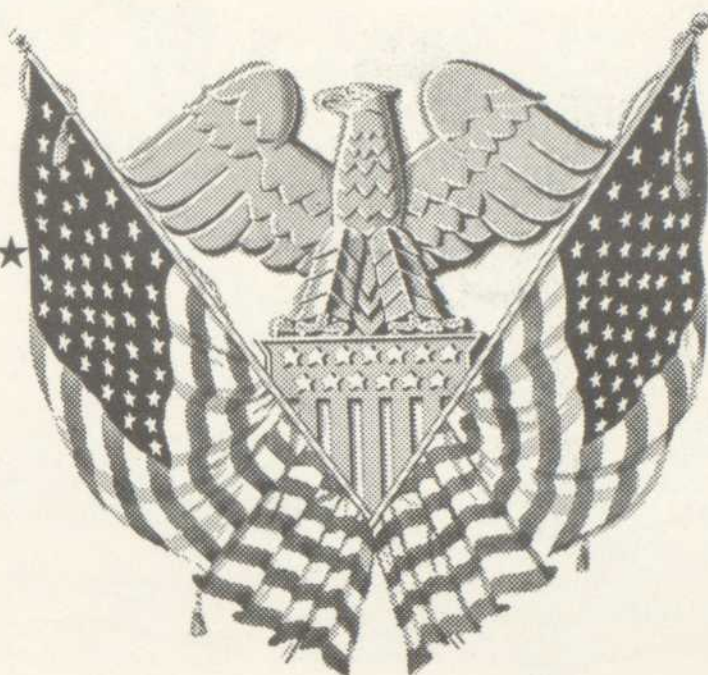




1943



WE DEDICATE the 1943 "J" to those of Jasper High School who are in the military forces of our country. Among them are James Kremp and Robert Schmidt, two members of the class of '43 who volunteered for military service in their Junior Year, and Mr. Nixon, a member of the faculty, who enlisted in the Navy in December of 1942. It is our fervent hope that this Annual will be worthy of the great sacrifices which those Alumni are making in behalf of freedom, justice and democracy throughout the world.

I'll Never Forget
the year 1943





at
Gasper High School

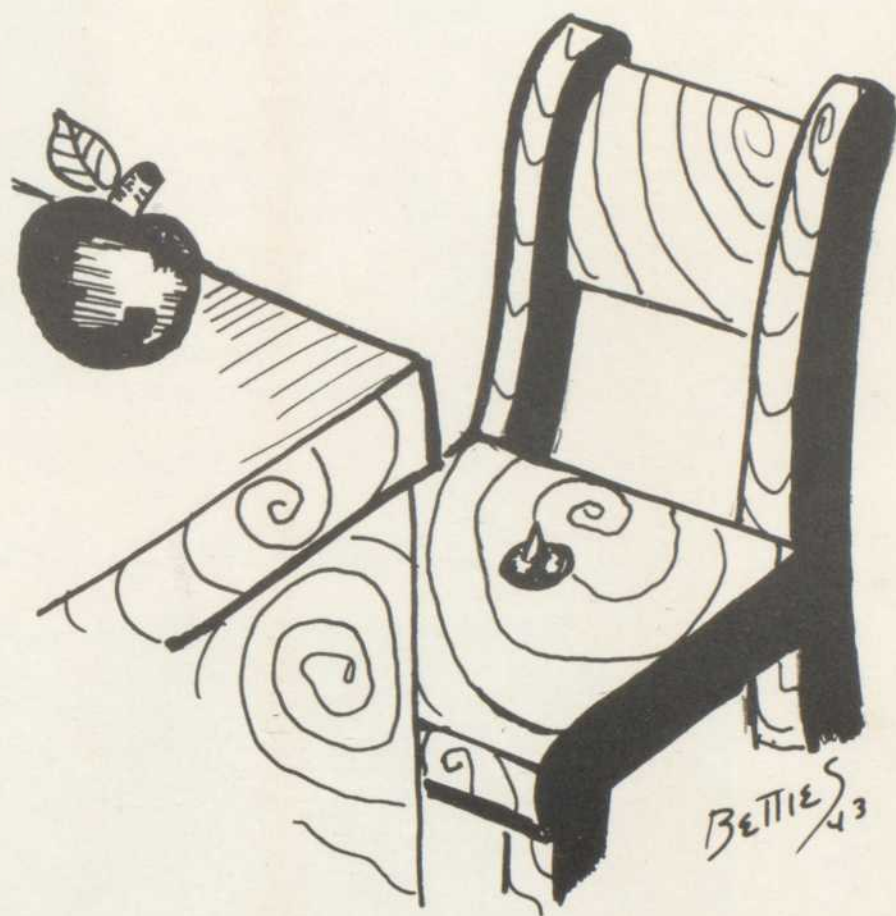
In Memoriam



THOMAS BORRELL

In loving memory of Thomas Borrell who died on January 3, 1943. Though quiet and unassuming he was loved and greatly missed by his classmates, the Freshmen.

I'll never forget



the teachers I knew

Our Faculty

We, the class of 1943, shall always remember the valuable services rendered to us by the faculty. While we were in school, during our "teen years" we did not express our appreciation of the patience, perseverance and general helpfulness of the faculty, but we know they understood. They realized that when we would reach our parting high school days, such thought would come and linger in our minds. We do appreciate their many sacrifices and heart-aches in our behalf and we shall strive in the future to make amends for our seeming lack of appreciation, by living up to the ideals which they strove so valiantly to establish in our minds.

E. H. Denning
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"... Johnny get your gun"

"and the band played on"

"... shovel all the coal in"



The "long" and "short"
of it



"Take a letter Bunny"

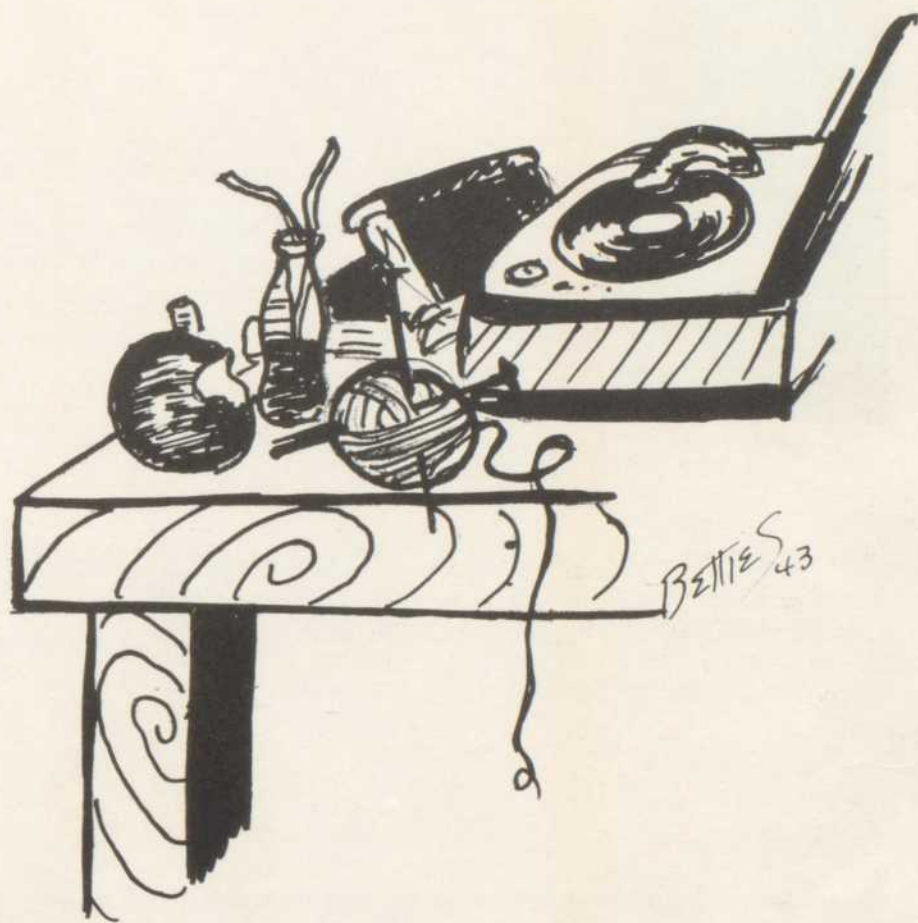


"... I pledge allegiance"

"He runs the joint"

"Now watch closely"

I'll never forget



the friends I made



Betty Berger—Betz quiet and unassuming, has performed all the tasks assigned her for four long years. Whenever it came time for a play or operetta the part of the mother or chaperon automatically went to her. Always friendly, always smiling—Betty.



Joseph Berger—Joe the "Human Dynamo." He's here, he's there. He's everywhere. He's a firm believer in the adage—"Best Things Come in Small Packages", and we're inclined to agree. Just remember a runt with a pugnacious look who is always in a state of excitement and you have Joe.



Rose Blessinger—Rose is what every class should have more of. She's pleasant, quiet, sedate. She can usually be depended upon for the answer no one else knows, but other than that she is willing to let others do the talking.

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Betty Boehm—Betty is the "good pal" type of girl—fun in a crowd. Wholehearted enthusiasm marks all her undertakings. She may have given the impression of practicing for track every morning for four years but it's only that she was probably 5 blocks from school with a minute to go. Hobby—collecting gas for the Plymouth.

Arnett Breidenbaugh—"Arnie" is a refugee from the class of '42. His dark hair and eyes are the envy of many a feminine heart. When all the Senior girls received letters from a girls' school in Tennessee, the mail man had a message for Miss Arnett B.—from the same school. P. S. He's considering its possibilities.

James Brown—James is another guy who just couldn't bear to leave J. H. S. after 4 years. He's somewhat of a pessimist at times. But occasionally he bursts forth with a remark so witty, you'd think you're hearing things. Incidentally, he weaves things—no kidding.



Frances Buckler—"Bucky" is a "brain". She has the answer before you quite get the question. Among other assets "Bucky" has a nose for news—one reason for the good COMET we had this year. The super-negative type, she has never worried in her life—not even at exam time.



Lois Buechler—Gay, vivacious, bubbling—these adjectives are synonymous to "Loly". She's pep itself and a good ad for any vitamin pills. Lois reads for pleasure sake, and she can really "travel" on the dance floor.



Mary Elise Dudine—"Dude" has that indefinable something we all want but few have. They've called it "IT", they've called it "OOMPH". Whatever it is "Lise" has it. She's worn the crown of Basketball Queen. She's won Good Citizenship laurels. She's the Editor of this "J". Her attractive smile and cultured charm win admirers wherever she goes.



Seniors



Francis Ebenkamp—"Ebbie" is the good-humor man of the class. The school's practical joker, he can usually be found heckling one of his classmates. He believes yell-leaders were born to YELL and demonstrates with gestures!



Augusta Eckerle—"Gussie", is endowed with a voice that perpetually threatens to develop into a giggle on the slightest provocation. She's the kind of a gal who doesn't have to find the sunny side of a thing—she's seen it all the time.



Charles Eckstein—"Charlie", with his nasal drawl and bright remarks offers humorous diversion for the long-suffering seniors. He drives the family puddle-jumper as though apprenticing for a racer. His flaming love affairs make good conversation. Charlie's nutty but nice.



Dallas Fuhrman—"Tex" thrives on keeping busy with odd jobs. He's definitely not the quiet type. He's one of those guys who's either in a dither of trouble or just getting out, but he doesn't seem to mind. We understand he's developing "wolf" instincts. (tsk, tsk).



Lila Lee Giesler—"Lila" exemplifies our idea of "what an ideal high school girl should be." She's cute, talented and charming. She can usually be depended upon to add a touch of humor to an otherwise dull class with some quite innocent remark that carries a different meaning to her classmates. Her democratic pleasantness will win her many friends wherever she goes.



Glenn Gramelspacher—"Glenn", the leader of our class, old Prexy himself, left for Purdue leaving us "Prexy-less". His amiability, diligence and citizenship are sadly missed. He has that collegiate air about him that makes him a necessary element at a class party, school dances, Wehrle's, or Purdue for that matter. Other offices he vacated are President of the Defense Council and Band President. Glenn is an apprentice seaman in the U. S. N. R.

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Anthony Habig—"Tony", the orator. His "Gift of gab" has gotten him in and out of a lot of "spots". Remember his "filibuster" in U. S. Government? Just mention "ads" to Tony and he's there with his most convincing sales talk. He's considering writing a book, "Art of Persuading Unpersuadables", (referring to ads, of course). Reader's Digest most faithful reader. P. S. He dances, too. Yes he does!

Robert Haller—Bob is one of those "strong, silent men". He looks harmless and innocent, but so does dynamite! His dry humor is made even more appreciable by its unexpectedness. Well-liked by teachers and students alike, (especially certain Jr. femmes) and that is something. One of the too-few (we hang our heads) Senior representatives on the Honor Roll.

Geraldine Haller—Gerry's wit and all-around ready sportsmanship make her a popular and entertaining character. Her nonchalance identifies her in a crowd. Her wavy black hair and twinkling eyes are nice assets to have around.



Louise Hauser—A slow easy drawl and pleasant, demure manner are synonymous with "Flozie". She is feminine to the "nth" degree. She is neatness personified. We wonder if she is still "all-out" for the Marine Corps.



Winona Hedinger—"Hedy's" lustrous black hair is truly a crowning glory. Add to this a calm, quiet, unruffled personality and you have a charming, petite person—Winona.



Anna Mae Hoffman—"Annie" has a giggle that doesn't quite compare with any we've ever heard before. It is contagious and can always be depended upon to break the deepest gloom. She speaks volumes with her eyes—soft dark and lovely with lashes to match. She led the J. H. S. Dianas through an athletic year.



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Mary Ann Hoffman—Take "Merz", add her skates, place both at Calumet Roller Rink, and you have her conception of a terrestrial paradise. Always cheerful, always friendly, she is an asset to any class.



Paul Hoffman—"Hoffy" otherwise known as "Pulverizing Paul" is our claim to fame. We are incapable of discussing his athletic ability (See Sport Section) but as a personality, his shock of unruly hair and wide grin, his congeniality, his lack of conceit, his downright wholesomeness, has endeared him to classmates and teachers. He's taken a "fatherly" interest in the little "Sophs."



Richard Huther—"Rich", another one of the group going to school on the five-year plan. A comedian, he and Jackson can produce a minor riot with the least provocation. Hobby—collecting tickets to the "jug".



Eugene Jackson—Gene's wavy black hair and attractive grin should set him in the line for a movie contract or maybe as a model for a hair tonic ad. He looks quiet and innocent but—don't let that fool you. Favorite recreation spot—Business English.



Frances Jean Jasper—Everybody's friend—that's "Jazzie"—Humorous, efficient, fun-loving—she's the "life-of-the-party". Talented and versatile, she can soothe you with dreamy strains on the violin or blast out on the alto-clarinete. She plays piano by ear and is a budding Shakespeare, no less. Her satirical verses are "amoosin'" and sometimes "confoosin'".



Mary Jane Jerger—Giggling and mischief-making are well known to Janie. Kind, considerate, she can often be seen advising fellow-seniors on the solution of their problems, amorous or otherwise. What would Miss Ross do without Janie to help run the Home Ec Class? She fulfills her duties as Home Ec Club Prexy well.

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Mary Jochim—Gentle-mannered Mary . . . Talks softly, works energetically and never worries. Naturally quiet and unassuming but gifted with an abundance of good will is Mary who is never in a hurry or flurry.

Dennis Keller—Denny is the Senior lad who peddles candy and chewing gum (?). He's the dashing errand boy and assistant clerk, too, at Dougherty's Drugs. Some day when the lights go on again he hopes to become manager-in-chief of the store. Sometimes he's serious, other times gay—always amiable.

Anthony Kempf—Arriving at the eleventh hour, Anthony took on the duties of a Senior as easily as if he had been with us all four years. He's one of those big bashful boys who is quite willing to play the part of spectator, but if called on, he responds. His quiet smile speaks for him.



Frieda Kleeman—Gay, friendly, fun loving "Fritz" is one of our class midgets. Her piping little voice can be heard in the midst of any crowd of laughing CHILLUN. Her favorite song, "Jim"; favorite topic of conversation—The Navy.



Eleanor Kreilein—What would "Ellie" do without "Sally", her cuz and bosom pal? Studious, conscientious in the performance of assignments, Eleanor is a model student. Everything about anything seems to amuse her. She thinks soldiers are the NICEST people.



Marcella Kreilein—Thank goodness (for Sallie) that ink, stationary and stamps aren't rationed! Regardless of heavy assignments, Sally always found time to write a line to her "slew" of service boy friends. To be a beautician is her fondest ambition—Oh! When she rolls "them" eyes!



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Mildred Kreilein—Millie's energy and ability made her one of those "do or die" sort of people. Witty by nature, she encounters great difficulty in restraining her talent throughout an entire class session. She's the athletic type, and her suppressed desire is to be an aerial acrobat.



Donald Kunkel—Donnie, alias Konnie Dunkel, always reminds us of the immortal "Puck". His wisecracks and sling-dings, especially in Gov't., are the delight of the class and dismay of the teachers. Lord Byron's letters have a close rival in Donnie's masterpieces to Glory. Some femme had better grab him, as he'd probably make a good "Manager". (OUCH!)



Richard Kunkel—"Red" is the mastermind and brain trust of the class. His four years of "gabbing" with the debate club (incidentally, he was the 1942-43 club president) was terminated by the receiving of a 4 year gold debating pin. He left the senior class without formal announcement to become an apprentice chemist. He left the chair of vice-pres. empty.



Nestor Kuper—Dark and handsome, Nestor is one-third of the JHS Three Musketeers (broken by Norb's departure for Notre Dame). Also, he is one-third owner of the car (?) belonging to aforesaid trio. Takes life as it comes, but has never been known to shirk responsibility.



Patricia Lampert—Tish is tall, slender and graceful. Tact and reserved in appearance, loquacious, friendly and talkative in reality, she seems to possess a dual personality which can be conveniently employed upon demand.



Ruth Lannon—Irish and proud of it! Ruth is intelligent and clever. One of the fastest talkers in the Senior class. Her crown of gold tresses is envied by many a more unfortunate female. Ruth's unique steps have helped her dance her way through high school.

Seniors

Walter Linne—The chief-assistant cleaner-upper is the title which explains Lefty's after-school tasks within the school building. During his spare time he could be seen joy riding in a Model A Ford, that is, until gasoline rationing curtailed his gas supply, Huh Lefty?



Cletus Mehringer—Although J. H. S. has Alma Matered him for a year more than it has us, we still feel "Skip" is our little brother. His mop of curls does even more to create this illusion. Skip is a serious little lad but can see "silver linings", too. We're glad he's one of us.



Joan Parker—Singing is Joan's specialty! With her mellow voice she manages to capture the hearts of everyone. "Sweet" is the word for Joan. Kind considerate, obliging, sedate—these things add up to Joan's winning personality. She was the ideal selection for President of the Orchestra.



Jack Patton—Also a headline-getter in basketball and other sports, "Oyster" is always cool, calm and unconcerned, a decided exception to the rule that Irishmen are fiery and temperamental (Who? Oys?) Don't disillusion him, but he thinks study halls were made for 60 min. rest periods. "Oys" is quiet, pleasant and amusing and awfully wise to have around.



Richard Pfau—His favorite haunt . . . the library. If "Porkie" isn't studying chemistry, reading Shakespeare or the Congressional Record, practicing his class play lines, or preparing an eloquent speech, then we'll bet a shiny copper that he's in the library searching for his next victim, the latest novel. He wrote those book reviews for the Comet, did you know?



Dorothy Potts—"Dot's" takes school seriously. She is a Student, with capital letters, and the kind of a gal you like to sit close to when exams come around. Any grade below "A" doesn't satisfy Dots and she's seldom disappointed.



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Martin Rohleder—"Marty", the life of a party, is everybody's friend. He kept us guessing about what he would do next. He was a flash on the Kitten team but gave up his probable sports career for membership in the cheering squad. Marty had what it takes when it came to "pepping up" the cheering section. That strut! Those loud clothes! That voice! That grin!—That's "Marty".



Joseph Salb—Joe is pleasantly content to listen and has no yearning in the oratorical field. When he hears a car horn he still has to think twice or he'll start running (Y-Curb Service). Residence—Dubois County Jail. (His pappy's the sheriff aroun' these here parts—ping!)



Norbert Schaaf—Another third of the J. H. S. trio, Norb has left the other two-thirds to get a taste of college life at Notre Dame. He and his paintbrush are inseparable companions. Brown eyes and blond wavy hair, a perfect combination for inducing feminine heart palpitations. Which are you Norb? Jekyll or Hyde? Quiet and innocent in appearance, witty and sagacious in personality, he's not to be judged by first impressions.



Henry Schmitt—Henry is a "Whiz Kid on the Keys." Whenever anyone needs some typing done—but quick—they page Henry. News reporter for the Comet, he's the guy that knows all, tells all. He's noted for his coined phrase, "Are you kiddin'?"



Marjorie Schnarr—"Marge" was the envy of all athletic-minded girls because of her marvelous ability in the sports field. She surprised everybody by appearing one fine day with a sparkling ring on her third finger left hand from one of Uncle Sammy's soldier boys. Congrats, Marge! Men are scarce!



Jerome Schneider—"Jomy", the third of our star Wildcats, is the answer to any maiden's prayer. Tall, handsome with blond curls, he is quiet-mannered and reserved; but has Casanova qualities, too. Another of the Senior "brains" you'll find his name on the Honor Roll. An Eagle Scout, he is one of the honored few to receive the Eddie Rottet Award. Off the record, it took the teachers four years to discover he isn't quite the angel he appears to be.

Seniors

Esther Schwinghamer—With a twinkle in her eye, a smile on her lips, and joy in her heart, Esther is the "Pollyanna" of the senior class. Her favorite pastimes are tickling the ivories and studying for six-weeks exams. (For further information, see the Honor Roll).



Esther Seger—Another Esther! This gal hails from Dubois and is proud of it. She believes in the old saying "Silence is Golden". Serious and reserved, but full of good will and hospitality, she has won many friends during her two years at J. H. S.



Linus Seger—"Linnie" to all appearances is a reformed character since the second semester—at least in Business English. He has a pleasant personality, though a little shey. He should hang on to that maidenish blush. Blushes, these days, are SO rare.



Robert Seng—"Buzz" is an "all around guy". He is a firm believer in the fact that "There should be no end to good times." He considers assignments an unnecessary evil and treats them as such.



Gloria Sermersheim—Take "Sermy" add her sparkling personality, mix well with her capacity for fun and you have the recipe for perpetual youth. She has a statuesque figure which is her eternal woe and every other girl's envy. Famous for her collegiate hair-do's and manner of walking, she has ability to choose and wear chic clothes. Her frankness inspires confidences.



Dorothy Stallman—"Stally" is femininity personified. She is the unique possessor of a vivacious smile which radiates friendliness. She's a neat little package of "sugar and spice and everything nice."



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Dorothy Stenftenagel—A winning smile and captivating dark eyes put "snap" into her appearance. Anxiety and fear are emotions foreign to "Dots", for her placidity and complacent "come-what-may" attitude identifies her.



Robert Striegel—"Little Bobby" our class problem child. He manages to snatch a nap in every class. His shyness, slow manner of speaking, and bashful smile might make you grin, but at the same time you set aside a place in your heart for "Bobby".



Bettie Summers—"Bets" is the snappy little number with brown curls, green eyes and winning smile, who was responsible for the success of many of our endeavors. Her Grade-A personality won her friends of all kinds. Original to a degree almost radical, she is responsible for a number of our Annual features. Her "Confidentially Yours" added spice to the Comet. A very versatile little lady, she writes, paints, acts (remember Gale Joy?) and adds snappy ideas to programs, proms, etc., and still finds time for romantic "escapades".





Mildred Tempel—"Temp", a pleasant, quiet, demure young lady is a decided exception to the rule that redheads are temperamental characters. Any place that she is, is brighter by her sunny disposition and golden mop of curls. Her extremely straight posture is enviable. She likes baseball stars.



Arthur Wagner—Art is the go-getter of the class. Besides editing the super-duper '43 Comet, he shouldered the office of President of the Student Council. He has the kind of quiet, agreeable, soft-spoken personality that inspires, rather than commands, co-operation. He's the "flashy type" (flash bulbs) and his camera is his constant companion. He is the chief photographer for the Annual, vice-president of the Camera Club this year, and a Quill and Scroll member.



Karl Wallace—"Karlie" is a somewhat cynical, world-weary individual, or pretends to be. Hard boiled and practical, he is definitely the "executive" type. Without him, we sometimes wonder if we wouldn't be without an Annual. ("Come on now, let's get to work on this thing"). Didn't he make a perfect Jack Haggerty in the Class Play? Despite the hard front he puts on, we find him a likable, amusing, and wholly "adequate" character.

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Evelyn Wilz—An asset to our volleyball game, Evelyn regards as a major calamity the abolition of intra-mural competition among the G. A. A. girls. She's the first in fun, first in laughter, and first in the hearts of her friends.



Mary Catherine Witcher—Dependable, consistent, friendly, helpful, the perfect model of what an ideal senior girl should be. Mary's slow, easy drawl and casual manner are illustrative of that singular optimism so characteristic of her every action. Her greatest ambition is to be a "woman in white".



Calvin Zehr—Last but not least—the remaining third of our J. H. S. trio. "Cal" is a tall, blond, lanky blue-eyed guy who takes things as they come. Friendly, pleasant, with a slow smile that is worth waiting for. He rounds out our class—but definitely.



Ralph Bauer—"Curly" with his blond curls and dimples, his perpetual grin is everybody's pal. (No picture).

Class Prophecy



Father Time had rolled and tossed all night. Unable to sleep, he drew himself from his bed and crept into his Library of Time. He sat down by the fireplace and was lazily smoking his old pipe when his mind drifted back to the year 1943. That was the year when everyone was in the midst of World War II, when all the young people were graduating into a world of hatred and fighting. As he sat there his eyes chanced upon the 1943 "J". The Jasper High School Seniors of '43 were voted the class most likely to succeed. He wondered. To find the answer he called upon his enchanted crystal ball.

The first scene took him to New York. There on the Marquee of the Palace in lights two feet high blazed the name of BOB STRIEGEL and "His 500 Beautiful Blondes". Robert is quite the man of the world; he had been married eight times and was waiting for the ninth. All Blondes!! The Scene

changed and he saw the inside of the theater. There stood LINUS SEGER putting a bevy of chorus girls through their paces. Star of the act was RUTH LANNON, very stunning and blond, still one of the best "hoofers" of the year. Down in the orchestra pit, giving out with a bit of solid jive, was GLENN GRAMELSPACHER and his "Down Beat Petes."

The scene faded and for a moment the crystal was clear. Then slowly another scene materialized into a beautiful little street and centered on a charming white house with green shutters and picket fence. Standing on the front porch was MILDRED NAHLOR, nee, KREILEIN. She had been voted "Mrs. Housewife of '53". Her husband and five children were quite proud. The meeting of "Hear All—Know All—Tell Everything Club" had just ended and Mrs. PAT (LAMPERT) FRICK was one of the last to leave. She had a few things to ask the great speaker, MISS MARCELLA KREILEIN, about her "Advice to the Lovelorn" column. Miss ELEANOR KREILEIN, her assistant was unable to come as she was out rounding up a victim on which Marcella could practice her preaching. (Nice work if you can get it).

The crystal darkens, when all of a sudden, a flash! and color! More dancing and noise than Father Time had ever imagined. A cow moos; a horse neighs. It's "Hedy's Ole Barn Dance Opr'y." Right in the center of the stage stands WINONA HEDINGER, Mistress of Ceremonies. She is introducing "The Three Milk Maids," MARY JOCHIM, AUGUSTA ECKERLE, and EVELYN WILZ, who are tuning up their vocal cords. Over at the side of the stage is a large sign—"Special Guest—The World's Sleepiest Man," RALPH BAUER, who, by the way, hadn't shown up because he had fallen asleep while putting on his shoes that morning.

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The scene faded and then cleared, and he saw a large operating room. Bending over the victim was the famous surgeon, Dr. NESTOR KUPER. Beside him, rubbing his hands and smacking his lips stood his friend and shadow CALVIN ZEHR—Undertaker. **Business is Where You Find It**, was his motto. Chief Assistant to Dr. Kuper was MARY C. WITCHER, efficient and cool. ESTHER SCHWINGHAMMER, her life ambition fulfilled, was chief nurse of the Baby Ward.

Next, Father Time saw a dark, eerie, gloomy graveyard. JAMES BROWN, head grave-digger, was putting the finishing touches to a newly dug grave. James was well-known for the oddly-shaped graves he dug. This time, instead of putting a body in, they were taking one out. CHARLES ECKSTEIN, the hobo, had fallen in and had passed out from fright.

The dark scene grew darker until the crystal was black; then he saw a new scene—this time at San Quentin (where all the quail come from), and here he found as guest of honor—BETTIE SUMMERS. She was harmonizing with a group of Irish cops. The reason for this sojourn in the "cooler" was a libel suit charged by Secretary of the Navy, ROBERT SENG. The charges were that in her syndicated column **Confidentially Yours**, she had charged that the sailors in his navy have neglected the military situation and are concentrating on the female situation. MILLIE TEMPLE, Bettie's private secretary, came rushing in with a valise containing a blazing red, strapless gown to wear to the trial—not that she would try to influence the jury. In the next cell, taking it all in, was JERRY HALLER, the everlasting drunk. In 1943 her one wish was to get drunk; since then she has never been sober. Upon her had just been bestowed the title "Miss Disorderly Conduct of 1953."

Again the scene becomes jumbled and reassembles itself into bright lights, sparkling champagne and soft music—It's Martin's, THE New York nite club. MARTY ROHLEDER, the proprietor, who had developed quite a bay window in his former profession of brewery manager, is chasing around the place welcoming old and new friends. His charming wife, DOROTHY (STALLMAN) ROHLEDER, is acting as hostess and making everyone feel at home. He sees a flash of light and bulbs pop, and he casts his eyes on a glamorous creature in saffron; it is MARY ELISE DUDINE, toast of Hollywood, squirmed by her fiancée, ANTHONY HABIG, Secretary of State. The hand behind the camera is ART WAGNER, Life photo-



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grapher. Accompanying Mary Elise and "Tony" is a taxi-driver with blazing red hair—RED KUNKEL, who had driven the couple to the club, and Mary Elise insisted on his company for old times sake. Leading them to their table is a dress-suited waiter, with a French accent—they look under the accent and mustach, and find WALTER LINNE, who makes a profitable income picking pockets.

At another table he sees JACK PATTON (Oyster tycoon), and his party consisting of ARNIE BREIDENBAUGH, Merchant Marine Hero of World War II; GLO SERMERSHEIM, Power's Model; DONNIE KUNKEL, her husband and manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers; JOAN PARKER, holder of the title of leading U. S. aviatrix; and JEROME SCHNEIDER, president of the Petersburg Sucker Company. The party is congratulating the cook, FRANCES BUCKLER, on her delicious cooking; standing in the sideline is JOE SALB, garbage collector, screaming something incoherent about his collection being gone every time he turns his back when "Bucky" is around.

Again the crystal clouds and clears again to show a scene at Washington, D. C. The place is the main dining hall at the White House. An extravagant banquet is being given by newly-elected President "BINDY" BERGER, who succeeded—President Franklin Roosevelt. Some of the guests present are Mrs. John Meadors (formerly LOIS BUECHLER) who has just returned from a lecture tour. She has been touring ever since she gained worldwide fame and glory for killing Hitler, the paper hanger. Accompanying her is ANTHONY KEMPF, who had flown the plane from which she shot Hitler. Another honored guest is RICHARD PFAU, extremely talented Shakesperean actor, currently portraying "Macbeth". LOUISE HAUSER, concert violinist, is seated beside DALLAS FUHRMAN, International Heavyweight Champion. On the other side of Dallas is "JAZZIE" JASPER, poet laureate of America, whose beautiful verses are household conversation. PAUL HOFFMAN, Guest of Honor, is beaming with pride as members of his class congratulate him for taking his Jasper Wildcats of '53 to the State. Pulverizing Paul has made good! Rushing about, taking care of a million little things is the President's private secretary, BETTY BERGER. While everyone else takes time out for conversation and reminiscing, one of the guests continues loading herself with food and asking for more. It is FRIEDA KLEEMAN, world champion eater! Seated next to her is Secretary of Agriculture, ROSE BLESSINGER. DOROTHY POTTS, president of the Western and Southern Life Insurance Company, is there with ROBERT HALLER. "Bob" has just returned from the North Pole after an extended visit where he designed and made sport suits for the penguins.



Class Prophecy

DENNIS KELLER, Prof. of English at Yale is on hand and is neglecting his food to gaze soulfully at his fiancée, the president's secretary.

The scene darkens and then brightens again. This time Father Time finds himself in the Dubois County State Bank and he finds the bank in a dither. Hammering and the smell of paint strikes each person who accidentally stumbles inside. On the top of the scaffold is NORBERT SCHAAF. "Norbie", interior decorator, has been given the contract to redecorate the Dubois State Bank. No one can understand **where** he gets all the old one dollar bills that he has been throwing around lately. ESTHER SEGER and DORETHA STENFTENAGEL, who are home for winter vacation from the Ringling Bros. circus, where they are the star trapeze acts, are looking over the work of the decorator. It seems to be quite the '43 class gathering. Also on hand is LILA LEE GIESLER, who is a world famous tight rope walker. HENRY SCHMITT, Sing Sing Prison Warden, is guard on the project—not that they would suspect Norb's integrity. CLETUS MEHRINGER, jockey who has ridden many a horse to victory, comes in to say "hello" to his old friends. MARGIE SCHNARR, surrounded by greyhounds on leashes and smothered in sable, is depositing a suitcase full of "green stuff." She remarks, "My deah, I'm simply fil-thy with it—heah today, gone tomorrow—taxes you know". Margie is referred to by some people as "the Merry Widow", by others as "that woman", and by others as "Typhoid Margie". Also in the bank is FRANCIS EBENKAMP, National Bowling Champ, who is monopolizing the scene with his "funny-man-tactics", as usual.

GENE JACKSON, Superintendent of Jasper Schools, is there depositing some money and, of course, has to nose about to get the "latest" on the class of '43. Miss MARY JANE JERGER, Home Ec teacher at old JHS, is still having quite a time deciding which it shall be: RICHARD HUTHER, Postmaster, or KARL WALLACE, Wall Street stock broker. As he glances out the window he sees two more familiar faces, the two cousins, ANNA MAE and MARY ANN HOFFMAN, looking very prim and prissy, walking by—entrained by about 20 well-behaved young ladies. These enterprising classmates are now superintendent and principal of the Hollyhock School for Young Ladies.

The crystal fades, and now all the students are accounted for, sixty-six in all. But wait; Father Time remembers there were sixty-seven!!! Ah yes—the crystal ball again comes to life and a scene slowly appears. It's BETTY BOEHM, as usual, dashing past so fast the crystal can hardly focus her. We learned that she has an appointment with her publishers and is an hour late. The book she has just finished is "Watch that Watch," or "You'd Better Be on Time" or "You'll Have Time on Your Hands."

The vision faded and Father Time banked the fire. The clock was just striking 2 A. M., and before the last echo died Father Time was nodding over his pipe. We detected a little smile on his face as though the class had lived up to his expectation, and so—

Goodbye—

Juniors



What's a junior anyway? Consulting WEBSTER we find the appropriate answer. As an adjective it means "younger," of lower standing." As a noun it means the "younger of two"—so there we have it—a junior IS younger than a senior and of a lower standing.

When school resumed last fall there were a number of refugees from the sophomore class wandering around showing their stuff as "upper" classmen now. They proved capable of holding their own and soon began to show it. At election time they selected "Archie" Schwinghammer to lead the class through the coming year. Barbara Scherle, Doris Breidenbaugh and Edward Kunkler made up the rest of the governing body.

They followed through by ordering class sweaters, following the example of the class of '43. The brown and gold garments added to the scenery of JHS, but definitely.

As the clubs began to show life, Dennis Pfister was chosen to lead the Drama Club. Rosemary Lampert was elected Secretary of the Home Ec Club, and Charles "Bottles" Bohnert, treasurer of the Arts and Crafts Club. The Juniors seemed to take over the Debate Club, with "Archie" Schwinghammer as Vice-President, Melba Miller, as Secretary, and Dennis Pfister as Treasurer. Jimmy Hoffman became president of the Camera Club with Bobby Klueh as Secretary.

For the third year now, Sarah Lukemeyer has been "high-stepping" for the band.

The class showed a touch of royalty when it was represented at the Crowning of the Queen. Among the Queen's ladies were Sarah Lukemeyer and Betty "Choc" Fritch.

Junie Beiter, Jack Newton and Ivo Pfeffer, stalwart members of Cabby's Clan, carried the ball in '43 and will be members of our team next year.

On the whole, we consider the class of '44 the best class in JHS—after the class of '43. If their past attainments are a good basis for judging the future, we Seniors are glad to have such a class to step into our shoes. That's a compliment. SHOES ARE VALUABLE.

Juniors



Jerome Alles
 Donald Bartley
 Claude Beiter
 Thomas Berger
 Mary Helen Beyke



Charles Bohnert
 Doris Breidenbaugh
 Clarissa Deinderfer
 Doris Dudine
 Frances Fleck



Betty Fritch
 Bernadette Fritch
 Earl Fritch
 Dorothy Gutsell
 Lois Haller



Mary Jean Hasenour
 James Hoffman
 Thomas Holder
 Evelyn Hudson
 Sylvester Hurst



Wava Huls
 Robert Klueh
 Catherine Kluesner
 Bonnie Jean Kress
 Eugene Kunkel



Gemma Kunkel
 Edward Kunkler
 Betty Zehr

Juniors

Frances Kunkler
Kenneth Kuper
Rosemary Lampert
Patricia Luegers
Sarah Lukemeyer



Ruth Matthews
Edwin Mehne
Cozette Meyer
Melba Miller
Jack Newton



Mildred Nicholson
Betty Pfau
Ivo Pfeffer
Dennis Pfister
Jim Phegley



Robert Reckelhoff
Mary Jane Salb
Edna Schaaf
Maxine Schaus
Barbara Scherle

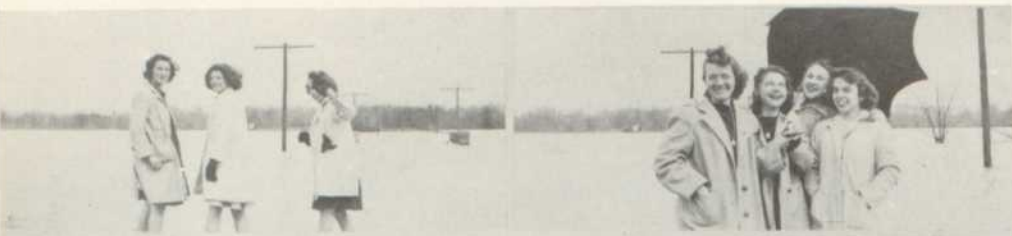


James Schutz
Archie Schwinghamer
Mary Florence Seng
Dennis Sermersheim
Arnold Steffe



Dorothy Steffen
James Striegel
Robert Tucker
Emil Urich
Anna Rose Wendling





Itty Pitty Poo
Waiting for Noah's Ark



"...and no more stamps!"
These trouserless cuffs!!
Oh, look at the purty
dresses!

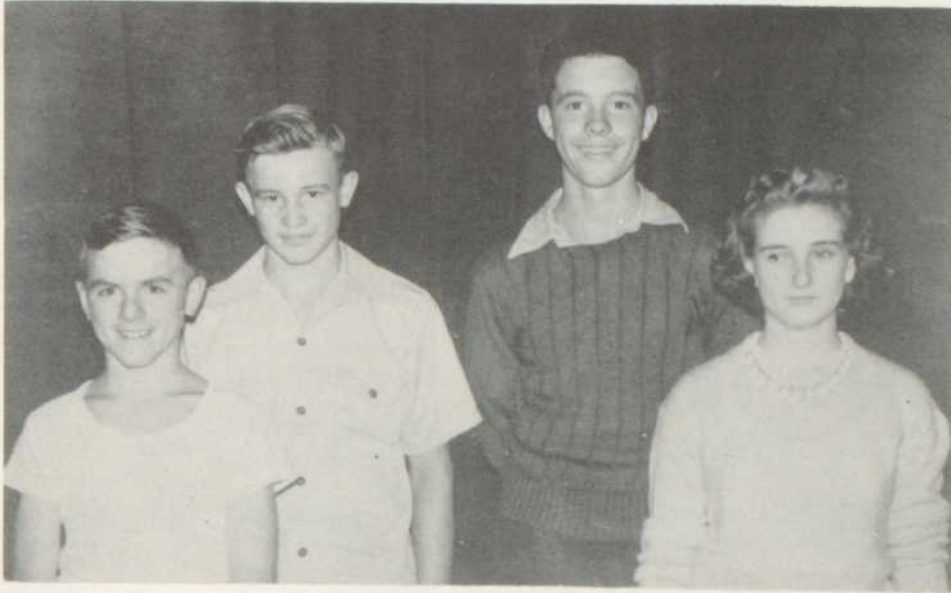


"The Vigil"
Recognize him?
Solitude



Cause and
Effect
Come and get it!!

Sophomores



When registration was over and things began to settle down and everyone else was beginning to find their places in the school, a group of students still continued to wander around. No, they weren't Freshmen, because they knew where they were going, and they were far from being upper-classmen because they weren't polished. But who were they? Ah yes!! Sophomores.

They took time out for greeting old friends, welcoming their little "brothers and sisters", the Frosh, and making themselves at home in their new-found position. They decided it would be nice to have a few officers in case they needed them sometime, so the following accepted the honor: Carl Stuehrk, President; James R. Renneisen, Vice-President; Bob Siebert, Secretary, and Mary Jane Gosman, Treasurer.

They had representation in almost every activity. There was "Wee Willie" Wuchner on the first five, with Jim Berger, Thomas Hoffman and Bobby Siebert showing signs of being future basketball stars. Two-thirds of our yell leaders were Sophs—Mary Jane Gosman and "Peg" Fierst, who gave out—loud and lusty. Remember? "Come on now! Yell! Let's have a big 'J'." When operetta time rolled around the Sophomores were right there showing up their "elders". Audrey Fisher had the lead, but Flora Eversman, Gloria Beckman, Eldon Colton, Jim Berger and Bob Weigel assisted with vocal power and stage decoration—you know—hoop skirts and high hats.

They had representatives in almost everything: Queen's court—Virginia Lukemeyer, Peg Fierst, Defense Council—Earl Buechler—"Sis" Rumbach. The Student Council couldn't have been complete without two Sophomores, Bob Siebert and James R. Renneisen.

These very successful Sophomores are looking forward to their Junior year with much anticipation, and they have served their apprenticeship well!



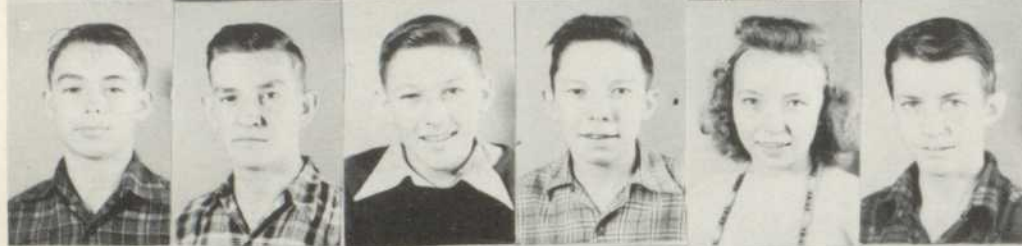
Othmar Bauer
Raymond Beck
Dorothy Beckman
Gloria Beckman
Sylvester Gutsell
James Berger



Marjorie Berger
Phil Buecher
Earl Buechler
Raymond Birk
Helen Bockelman
Erwin Boehm



Thomas Bohnert
Mary Booth
Eddie Borho
Lavada Brown
Dolores Campton
Eldon Colton



Urban Dischinger
Earl Eckert
Richard Eckstein
William Eckstein
Jackie Egloff
Alva Elliot



Flora Eversman
Margaret Fierst
Audrey Fisher
Mary Jane Gosman
John Gramelspacher
Robert Gutsell



Charles Haller
Norma Hassfurder
Carl Hemmerlein
Edwin Hoffman
Thomas Hoffman
Larry Huls



Carl Jahn
Lelia Jerger
Jesse Johnson
Norbert Jones
Billy Kiefer
Robert Kluemper



Wilfred Kreilein
Stanley Krempp
Jerry Kunkel
Doris Lampert
George Loepker
Benny Loveall

Mary Virginia Lukemeyer
James Matthers
Natalie McCullough
Betty Mehne
Dennis Mehringer
Dorothy Mehringer



Dorothy Mercker
Joseph Merkel
James Merkle
Bernard Moeller
Kenneth Neukam
Lenny Newman



Joseph Norris
Bill Patton
Betty Peak
Mary Helen Rees
James Renneisen
Leroy Reker



James Roelle
Agnes Rohlman
Blanche Royer
Thomas Rudolph
Margaret Rumbach
Robert Sakel



Patricia Schaaf
Ruby Schaus
Elaine Schlatter
Dorothy Schnarr
James Schneider
Charles Schuch



Daniel Schuetter
Imelda Schuetter
Robert Siebert
Helen Rose Seifert
Thomas Sermersheim
Victor Spillmeier



Betty Stenftenagel
James Stenftenagel
Mary Stratman
Karl Stuehrk
Eugene Traylor
Mary Rita Vonderschmidt



Dorothy Weber
Robert Weigel
Kathleen Welp
Loretta Wigger
Vera Wuchner





Find the jackass!



Oh, this is so sudden!!
Cousins
The sky, the wind and
Melba
Campus Clutter

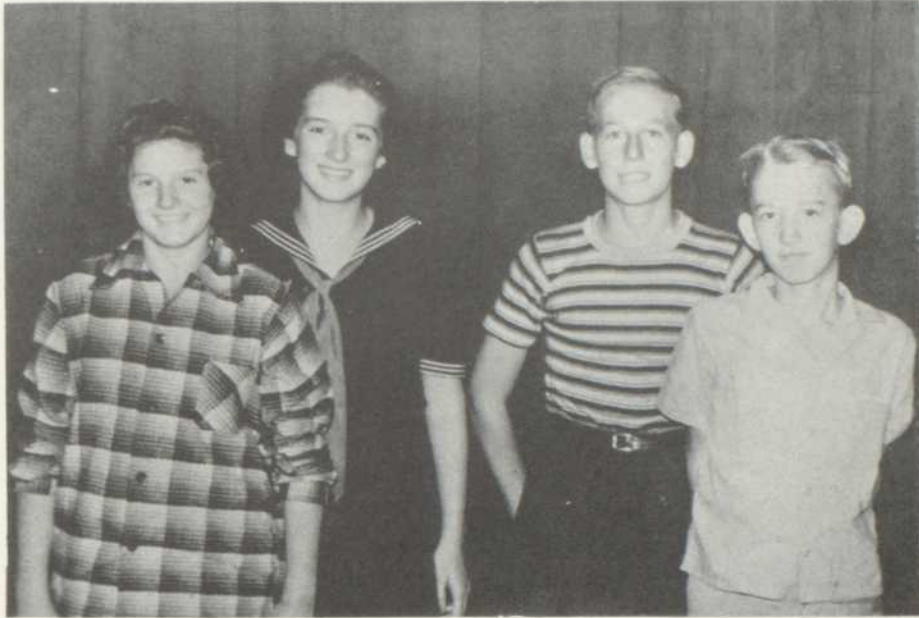


Just Loafin'
"Confidentially yours"



Music meant for dancing

Freshmen



This year, as in the preceding years, on the first day of school, there were many wide-eyed, timid and embarrassed students with mouths agape wondering if they'll be able to make it through the day. They wandered about, opening wrong doors and going to wrong classes. Assigned lockers, they find the things just won't open and then are late for class. Yes, they were freshmen—but definitely!!!

They quickly adjusted themselves to the new surroundings and on September 24 they took on that businesslike air and held elections for class officers. The job of presidency was given to J. P. Salb; Pat Sturm, vice-president; Rose Marie Gramelspacher, secretary; and Jackie Dittmer, treasurer.

The freshman class played an active part in contributing to the social functions of the school. Anne Kuebler was elected president and Laverne Sermersheim, treasurer of the Home Ec Club. Agnes Dudine and Robert Steffen were the two members of the class chosen to represent them in the Student Council. Anne Kuebler and Tommie Vollmer were two active members of the Defense Council.

The freshman class had much to do with that "certain touch" added to the band as Doris Bohnert, Betty Dosch, Pat Hochgesang, Elaine Barth, Phyllis Huls, and Ruth Byrd did a fancy job of high-stepping and baton twirling in front of the "Marching 48."

Members of the class overcame their timidity and backwardness as was clearly shown when they took part in the magazine sale to get uniforms for the band.

We seniors feel confident that the class of '46 will carry on the good spirit of JHS that we are leaving behind.



Edward Alles
Rita Bachman
Billy Barnhart
Elaine Barth
Doris Bohnert
Clarence Bredholt
Richard Breidenbaugh



Ralph Brosmer
Mary Catherine Brosmer
Mary Jane Buechler
Jane Buehler
Betty Jane Buehier
Bernard Burger
Dennie Beyke



Max Burke
Ruth Byrd
Delbertine Campbell
Jack Dittmer
Betty Dosch
Agnes Dudine
Laverne Durcholz



Jerry Durlauf
Richard Eckerle
John Fehribach
John Fierst
Anna Fleck
James Fritz
La Verne Fuhrman



Viola Giesler
Bernadine Gramelspacher
Carmelita Gramelspacher
Connie Gramelspacher
Kenneth Gramelspacher
Rose Marie Gramelspacher
Ruth Berg



Thomas Habig
Elfrieda Hasenour
Eugene Haase
Dorothy Hedinger
Mae Hedinger
Melvin Hedinger
Louise Heichelbech



Agnes Heldman
Betty Hobbs
Patricia Hochgesang
Dorothy Hoffman
Mary Lou Hoffman
Maurice Hoffman
Jacqueline Holder



Catherine Hudson
Phyllis Huls
Mary Ann Hurst
Ralph Jacob
Marcelene Jahn
Thomas Jochim
Charles Kieffner



Virginia Kempf
Delbert Kieffner
Ida Kraft
Robert Knabel
Betty Kreilein
Ruth Kreilein
Edna Kress

Louis Korff
William Krodel
Anne Kuebler
Joan Kuebler
Gerry Kunkel
Gloria Kunkel
Joan Kunkel

Dennie Kunkler
Paul Lampert
Martha Lannan
Wilma Matthews
Jacqueline McCraney
Jacqueline McGregor
Charles Menner

Charlene Merder
Joan Merkley
Harold Meyer
Wanda Meyer
Rita Moeller
Mary Mundy
Barbara Mustin

William Nalin
Albert Obermeier
Marcella Obermeier
Arnold Otto
Harold Pfau
Leon Pfister
Inez Reising

Hilbert Ruckreigel
Mary Ann Rudolph
John Salb
Mary Catherine Scherle
Elmer Shipp
Elaine Schlachter
Charles Schmidt

Charles Lee Schmidt
Ambrose Schmidt
Robert Schmidt
Eugene Schneider
Roman Schroeder
Joseph Schuble
Betty Schuble

Daniel Schuetter
Edna Schuetter
Rose Marie Schwenk
Robert Schwinghamer
Bernard Schulte
Betty Spillmeier
Rosa Lee Steffe

Robert Steffen
F. X. Sturm
Pat Sturm
Jimmy Toole
Thomas Vollmer
Martina Wahl
Kenneth Vonderheide

Imelda Vonderschmidt
Dorothy Voegerl
Leon Wigand
Cyrilla Witcher
Frances Vogel
Harmon Woolsey
Kenneth Yaggi



Verne Sermersheim, Theresa
Sermersheim, Mary Schenetzke
(sent when pictures were
taken).



Shovel—Guzzle—Shovel
—Guzzle

Leaning on the old top rail
Another eagle scout
Ain't we the ones!



You tell 'em "Stoggie"!!
"Miss You"

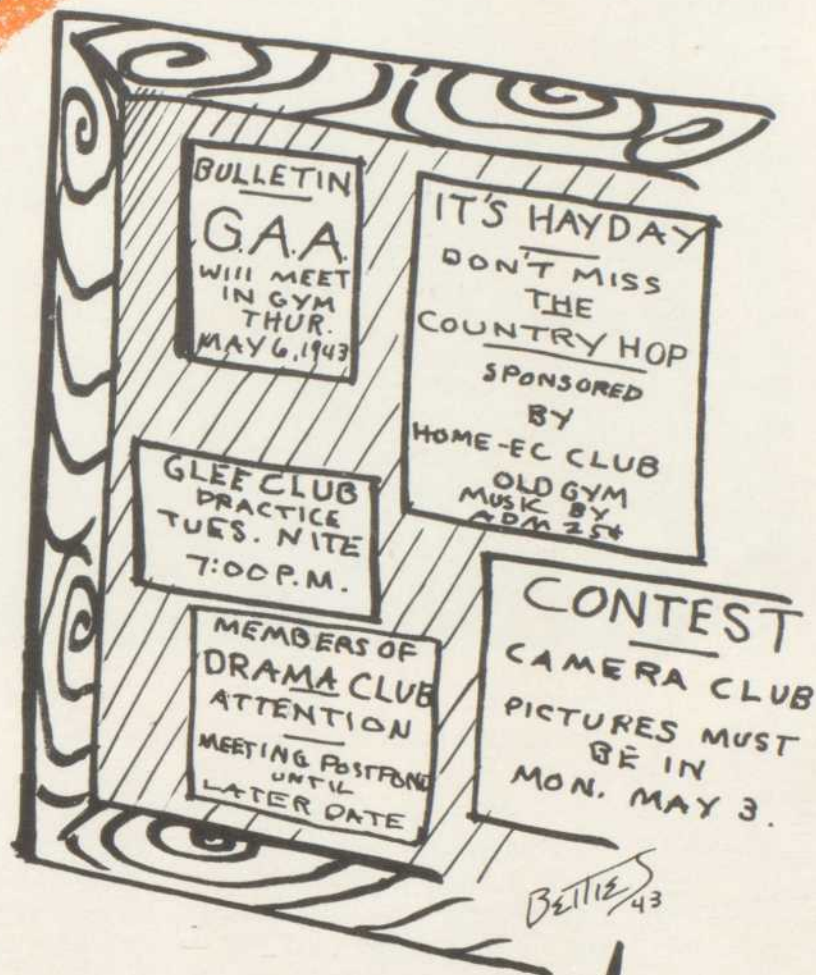


More fun—in February,
too!
"Monk" and his red
convertible
Riding in style



"Gies" and "Dude"
"Tex"

I'll never forget



the things I did

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"I'll never forget" . . . the meetings held nightly at the home of the editor, the writing of this and that, the drawing of sketches and division pages, the securing of financial backing, the taking and mounting of pictures, the typing and other stenographic work, and last but NOT least, the selling of the finished product. These miscellaneous duties sum up the fun and work contributed by each staff member to the making of this yearbook. In behalf of the 1943 Senior Class, the staff takes this opportunity to thank everyone who helped in any way whatsoever toward the success of our annual. To the patrons, advertisers, Sprauer's Studio, the Jasper Herald Printers, Students' Photo Service and our sponsor, Mr. Leas, we say, "Thanks for the Memories" which were collected into book form through your sincere cooperation.

Student Council



PRESIDENT	- - - - -	ARTHUR WAGNER
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The Student Council, better known as the Student "Victory" Council, was the result of a demand for student representation. This organization sponsored convocation programs, aided in war work such as salvaging scrap, offered emergency service, and supplied aid in registration for rationing. In addition, the council conducted the election of cheer leaders. The council selected three peppy cheerleaders from the seven candidates. In cooperation with the Comet, they sponsored the annual election of the basketball queen and attendants and provided for the Defense Council. On Monday, April 12, the group attended the Southern Indiana Student Representative Body Convention at Bedford. The guest speaker at this convention was Mr. Clarence Dammon of Purdue University, who talked on the Student Councils' activities and duties during a time of war. In addition, a member of each council represented gave a three to five minute talk on the activities and accomplishments of his organization during the year; and an hour period was devoted to discussion groups, discussing such questions as how much power a student council should have. The delegation gave the representatives new ideas for improving upon their councils in the future.

The student body selected the council by electing two members from each class for a total of eight representatives. At least a "B" average in both citizenship and regular subjects was required for nomination into the organization. The following students were elected: Seniors, Arthur Wagner and Robert Haller; Juniors, James Hoffman and Betty Bockelman; Sophomores, Robert Siebert and James Renneisen; and Freshmen, Agnes Dudine and Robert Steffen.



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JASPER HIGH SCHOOL

MILDCATS CLAW WAY TO REGIONAL

America Contest Open Until April 1st Jasper Is Host

Entrants To Follow Selection Council Of

Each poster must be submitted to the Selection Council of the United States Flag, which will hold the contest. The posters shall be chipped, matboard, pastboard or card-board. Drawing paper not accepted. The posters shall measure wide by 30" high. The United States Flag shall appear in any form on poppy era. Judging posters shall in all cases use this scale:

- (1) Appeal (force with which)

ARTHUR WAGNER, Editor-in-Chief

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MISS LOUISE SONDERMAN
Journalism Advisor

Richard Kunkel, left for Louisville, Ky., to work in a defense plant there. He journeyed from Jasper Sunday morning, February 28. He will begin his work at Reliance Paint and Varnish Company, established by Joseph B. Glenn.

Richard Kunkel
To Work In

BUY A BOMBER DRIVE NETS

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ard Class, students in 10th, 11th and 12th grades inclusive. As Bucknell wishes to see the sketches of the posters within next two weeks.

Camera Club To Hold Annual Photo Contest



MISS DOROTHY HEINE, Business Advisor

Mildred Stratman enlisted in the W. A. C. on February 16, 1943. She is the only graduate of Jasper High School in the Women's Army.

The play, the first production of the Dramatic Club and as its setting a fraternity house at the University of Wisconsin. The plot concerned the publication of a "yellow" sheet which brought about the introduction of Journalism into the university.

Film On BakeLite Shown Chemistry Classes

A film on BakeLite, a new plastic substance, was shown by Eugene Draught to the two Chemistry classes.

The purpose of having students ration was to permit school to continue, rather than close so as to this work. Students rationed in the previous

test was based mainly on the spirit of a negative and the ing of a picture; and contained three questions. Anyone not giving the necessary quota of correct answers in the test was considered as eliminated from the club. Membership of the organization numbers eighteen, in contrast to its twenty-five members before the examination.

CONCERT TO BE GIVEN IN KUNKEL HALL

Miss Matthews and Mr. Schnabel, directors of the chorus and orchestra respectively, have announced a joint concert, which is to be given on March 11, at 8:00 P. M. at Kunkel Auditorium. The admission is free.



GENERAL STAFF
Robert Steffen, Mildred Nicholson, Margaret Mary Rumbach, Charles Haller, Richard Pfau,

Defense Council



PRESIDENT - - - - - GLENN GRAMELSPACHER
VICE-PRESIDENT - - - - - CALVIN ZEHR
SECRETARY-TREASURER - - - - - EARL BUECHLER

The chief issue of the Defense Council was to assist in the local "Buy A Bomber" campaign. This campaign was brought about to boost the War Bonds and Stamps Sales of Jasper to a higher standard. Within four months the drive exceeded its goal of \$75,000 by a wide margin.

Every week the members canvassed each homeroom with a patriotic pep and sales talk in hopes of selling many "shares in America." The students cooperated by buying amounts ranging from the smallest priced stamp up to thousand dollar bonds at a time.

Each homeroom was trying to take the lead in the narrow-margined contest. Throughout the school term, Freshman Homeroom No. 16 headed the list of competitors, having sold almost one-half of the high school quota. However, the fact that this is the largest homeroom in the school should be taken into consideration. Homeroom No. 18, which consists wholly of sophomores, presented their rendition of that "old fighting spirit" by coming in a close second with a high total of sales. Homerooms Nos. 6, 5, 13, 19, 7, 17, and 3 also played important roles in the homeroom contest by contributing their amount of sales in that respective order.

The council, in cooperation with their fellow students, may feel as if they have appropriated their part to the drive. The probable award for the citizens of Jasper will be a pursuit ship for our military forces with the inscription "JASPER" on it.

The members of the council received their respective positions in the council by special appointment of the Victory Council. The Seniors,, Juniors, and Sophomores were re-appointments by the council while the Freshmen were newly appointed. Its composition of members was as follows: Seniors, Glenn Gramelspacher, Calvin Zehr and Joseph Berger; Juniors, Dennis Pfister and James Hoffman; Sophomores, Margaret Rumbach and Earl Buechler; and Freshmen, Thomas Vollmer, Leon Pfister and Anne Kuebler.

Band



PRESIDENT - - - - - GLENN GRAMELSPACHER
VICE-PRESIDENT - - - - - ARCHIE SCHWINGHAMER
SECRETARY-TREASURER - - - - - LILA LEE GIESLER

Make way , , , clear the street! Here comes "The Marching Forty-Eight of J. H. S."! That was the cry of Jasper citizens when the band, headed by a high stepping drum major (Sarah Lukemeyer) and seven pretty twirlers under the direction of Mr. Schnable, would come marching up the street.

The band's schedule (including the concert and marching bands) of performances was filled with a large number of presentations. Their outstanding performance was the "Victory Concert" which netted a huge sum of War Bond and Stamp sales. They appeared at dedications, rallies, the Evansville St. Nicholas Parade, pep-sessions, concerts, and maneuvered at basketball games.

On May 1, the band was host to the Band and Orchestra Festival Competition. Bands and orchestras from all over Southern Indiana took part in the Contest which was held under the auspices of the Central Southern Indiana Band and Orchestra Association. The bands and orchestras, all of them of Class B, BB, A. C. or CC, were required to play several particular contest numbers. The usual awards consisting of trophies, plaques and medals were received by the various winners. Several music experts extended their opinions and helpful advise to the visiting and local organizations. A parade for the marching bands was an optional novelty on the festival program.

The seniors who indulged in band activities were: Lila Lee Giesler, Glenn Gramelspacher, Tony Habig, Paul Hoffman, Karl Wallace and Frances Jean Jasper (two-year members).

Orchestra



PRESIDENT - - - - - JOAN PARKER
 VICE-PRESIDENT - - - - - PEGGY FIERST
 SECRETARY-TREASURER - - - - - FLORA EVERSMAN

The orchestra played a very successful part in helping to make 1943 a "musical year." While the band supplied snappy marches, the orchestra played their version of graceful waltzes to please music lovers of more sedate rhythms.

Throughout the school term, the orchestra made several public appearances. They performed at convocation programs furnished music for the operetta and appeared at two concerts. They were co-hosts with the band for the Band and Orchestra Festival Competition held here at Jasper on May 1. Their final appearance will be at the Commencement Exercises.

Three classical numbers were rendered by the orchestra in the Band and Orchestra Festival competition. The usual string ensembles were formed during the year and some of them partook for comment in the festival.

The seniors were well represented by having a group of their members in the orchestra. Frances Jean Jasper, who became an accomplished violinist during her four years in high school, fulfilled the difficult duties of a "concert mistress". The organization was headed by Joan Parker, a senior, for the entire year. Other seniors, who were members for one, two, three or four years, were the following: Dallas Fuhrman, Louise Hauser, Mary Jane Jerger, and James Brown.

Chorus



Following the announcement of chorus rehearsals, the altos, sopranos, tenors, and basses, flocked to the music room, ready to exercise their vocal chords.

Miss Matthews introduced the singing of popular songs as well as the usual classical selections, which tended to vary the regular schedule.

The chorus (consisting of the boys' and girls' glee club) made public appearances at the Kiwanis and the Mothers' Club. During the year, a joint concert was presented in cooperation with the orchestra. Their annual Christmas program was again presented to the student body at a Convocation period.

Operetta

"An Old Kentucky Garden" was the title of the operetta, presented by the Jasper High School Chorus on Thursday night, November 5, in the auditorium. The production, which contained a cast of 66 boys and girls, was directed by Miss Matthews. The music was furnished by the orchestra under the direction of Mr. Schnabel, and Mr. Leas and Miss Sonderman were in charge of the "make-up".

The melodies, based upon Stephen Foster's music, furnished the perfect southern setting for the musical.

In addition to the principal roles, the production included a group of Southern ladies and gentlemen, colored plantation singers and several dancing groups. The story concerned the obstacles that a Colonel (Glenn Gramelspacher) threw into his granddaughter's (Audrey Fisher) romance with a Yankee (Claude Belter). Stephen Foster (Gene Traylor) visited the Southern plantation and the lover finally became united.

Debate Club



PRESIDENT	- - - - -	RICHARD KUNKEL
VICE-PRESIDENT	- - - - -	ARCHIE SCHWINGHAMER
SECRETARY	- - - - -	MELBA MILLER
TREASURER	- - - - -	DENNIS PFISTER
SPONSOR	- - - - -	MISS HEINE

Even though rationing curtailed the usual practice of district debating contests, the Quiz Kids of J. H. S. achieved forensic eloquence by their intra-club debates. The club's \$64 question of the year was "Resolved that a federal world government should be established".

The club did not let the fact that it is the smallest in the school hinder its accomplishments whatsoever. At each of their bi-weekly meetings, the organization searched in vain for suitable material, and soon public debating was their specialty. The debaters were rewarded with various pins indicating their number of years with the club.

At a convocation program, the negative and affirmative teams engaged in an interesting discussion. The teams did repeat performances for the Kiwanis Club and the K. of C's.

In February the club decided to climb to the social ladder by sponsoring a school dance using "Nite Life" as the theme. Balloons, colored lights, snappy music, and crepe paper streamers appropriately carried out their motif.

Miss Heine, who made her initial debut as the coach, steered the debaters' ship to a successful landing.

Camera Club



PRESIDENT	- - - - -	JAMES HOFFMAN
VICE-PRESIDENT	- - - - -	ARTHUR WAGNER
SECRETARY	- - - - -	CALVIN ZEHR
TREASURER	- - - - -	NORBERT SCHAAF
SPONSOR	- - - - -	MR. JOHN IRONS

If he constantly prays for sunshine instead of rain, if he carries a small clicking contraption with him and if he sneaks around the school halls and grounds watching for suitable victims—he is bound to be no one else but a J. H. S. Camera Club member!

The membership of the club was divided into several groups, with student instructors acting as group leaders. Each member received excellent information and experience in the taking and developing of pictures in the dark room.

In the month of March, the annual photo contest was held. Everyone was given an equal chance in the contest because it was separated into a Senior and Junior Division. The beauty of the winning snaps on the next page proves the expert talent which the camera fans acquired from the club's course.

The dark room received additional equipment supplied by the funds obtained from popcorn sales at basketball games. Alternating as popcorn vendors, each member contributed his share of responsibility.

1943 CAMERA CLUB SALON



JIM HOFFMAN
(First Place Senior Division.)
ART WAGNER
(Second Place Senior Division.)
BOB WEIGEL
(Second Place Junior Division.)

PAUL LAMPERT
(First Place Junior Division.)
CONNIE GRAMELSPACHER
(Third Place Junior Division.)
STAN KREMPP
(Third Place Senior Division.)

Home Ec Club



	(Group No. 1)	(Group No. 2)
PRESIDENT - - - -	MARY JANE JERGER	—ANNE KUEBLER
VICE-PRESIDENT - -	FRANCES BUCKLER	—VERA WUCHNER
TREASURER -	ROSEMARY LAMPERT	—LAVERN SERMERSHEIM
SPONSOR - - - - -	- - - - -	MISS MECIE ROSS

"The most progressive club in '43" is the title which can easily be bestowed upon the Home Economics Club under the capable guidance of Miss Ross. The enormous membership was separated into two sections. Janie Jerger led the Juniors and Seniors while Anne Kuebler was the leader of the Freshmen and Sophomores.



G. A. A.



PRESIDENT	- - - - -	MARY CATHERINE WITCHER
VICE-PRESIDENT	- - - - -	DORETHA STENFTENAGEL
SECRETARY	- - - - -	MARY RITA VONDERSCHMIDT
TREASURER	- - - - -	ANNA ROSE WENDLING
SPONSOR	- - - - -	MISS WILHELMUS

The Girls' Athletic Association, under the supervision of Miss Wilhelmus, made a big hit with all the athletic-minded girls during its third year of existence in J. H. S. The two sections met bi-weekly with President Mary Witcher and the Junior group leader, Mary Louise Stratman, alternating at the gavel.



Craft Club



PRESIDENT - - - - - BETTIE SUMMERS
TREASURER - - - - - PAUL HOFFMAN
SPONSOR - - - - - MISS BICKNELL

Everyone knows that even though Rome fell it was soon rebuilt and transformed into a magnificent and progressive city. That probably explains why the Craft Club became so popular and worthwhile after their reorganization meeting at mid-term.

The members were permitted to choose several projects from a wide selection in the field of art and handicraft such as interior decorating, clothes designing, stage settings, murals, lettering and the making of many novelties. Following their individual selections, they immediately began to work on their chosen projects in order that they may obtain the required number of points for the club's course.

The energetic club erected a booth in the school hall a few days before the fourteenth of February. The construction of this stand, the designing and completion of original valentines tended to add gaiety and variety to the club schedule for that month. And, of course, the buyers of the valentines were surprised but pleased with the results that they received from their purchases. Weren't you, students?

The seniors not only wanted but needed appropriate stage scenery in order to give their class play the necessary surroundings. They made a proposition with the Craft Club and so they received the properly sketched and painted scenery for the stage.

Miss Bicknell, the founder of the club, and her members were always willing to offer their artistic talent to anyone who wished them to do so. They often added a talented and decorative touch to motifs and themes of school parties, proms, and dances.

Dramatics Club



PRESIDENT - - - - - DENNIS PFISTER
SPONSOR - - - - - MR. LEAS

Lights! Comera! Action! Yes, that was the very appropriate slogan for the first Dramatic Club in the history of Jasper High School. The club got off to a good start with a total of 30 members under the able direction of Cecil De-Mille's shadow, Mr. Jack Leas.

The one-act play, "YELLOW SHEET", was chosen to be the first dramatic undertaking of the organization. It was presented for the monthly meeting of the Mothers' Club on Monday night, February 22, in the high school auditorium.

Immediately after the completion of the successful play, the club members began to work on several other short one-act plays for presentation to the student body as convocation programs.

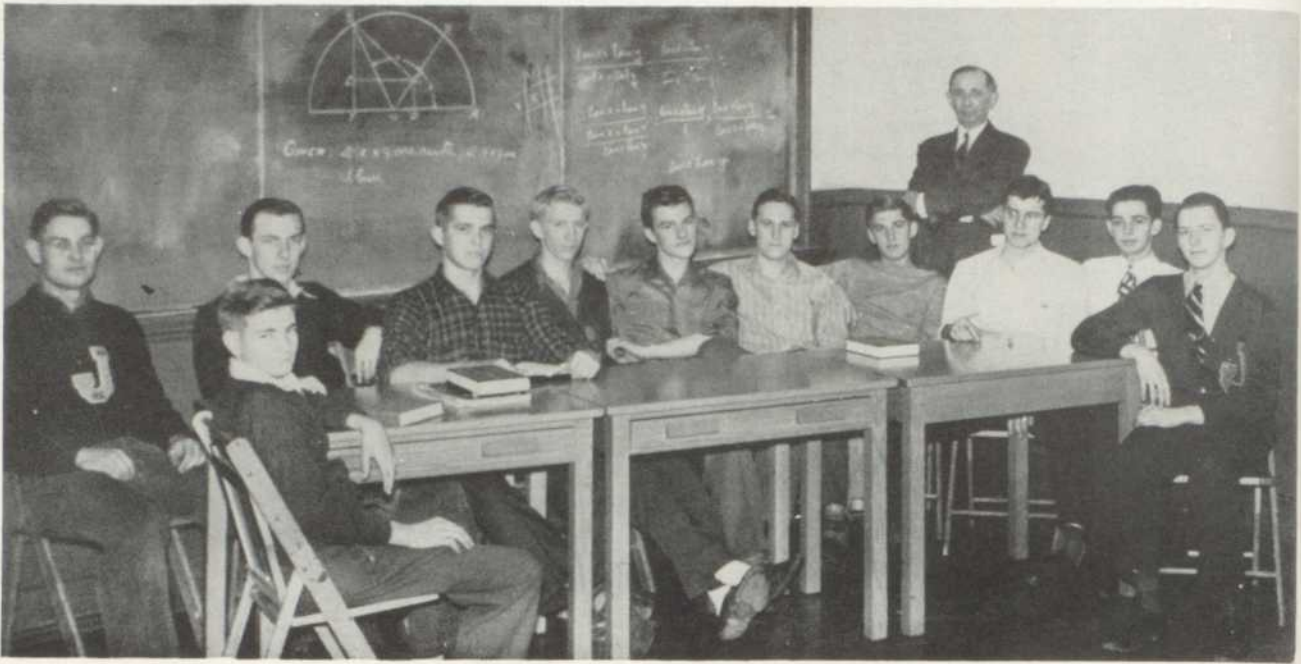
Junior Red Cross

PRESIDENT - - - - - MARY ELISE DUDINE
VICE-PRESIDENT- - - - - SARAH LUKEMEYER
SECRETARY-TREASURER - - - - - PAUL HOFFMAN
SPONSORS - - - - - THE FACULTY

The majority of J. H. S. students decided to do their part toward the war effort by joining the newly-formed Junior Red Cross. These students abided by the membership requirements by paying a small fee upon enrollment in order to pay for national membership as well as to provide for a local reserve fund. Following the Red Cross Service pledge, they were ready to choose an activity in one of the branches of Red Cross Service.

Each member was given the opportunity to select a unit from four different fields of work in which he desired to engage his time. These four fields of work were, namely, First Aid Division, Poster Service, Home Economics, and Industrial Arts. The group also collected books for service men, clothing for the poor and sent cookies to canteens.

Math Club



SPONSOR - - - - - MR. CATHCART
(No Officers)

The "masterminds" of Jasper High School voluntarily answered the call for members in September. You can believe it or not, but every one of them belongs to the masculine sex! And, incidentally, all but two of those boys are members of the senior class (also off the record). The boys have added the second successful year to the Math Club's calendar of existence.

Mr. Cathcart, who is noted for his overflowing knowledge of advanced mathematics, led the members into detailed figuring, thought, and discussion throughout the meeting periods.

They believed in equal rights and therefore had no election of officers. Their purpose, which was justly accomplished, was to extend a wider knowledge of trigonometry among the members. The group was conducted in a "study-club" manner with a heavy accent on "study".

In accordance with the custom of the past year, the club disregarded dues and other forms of receiving financial backing because they had no equipment needs or other expenses.

The opportunity offered in this mathematical course will be profitable in high technical fields of the Army, Navy, Marines or any branch of service into which young boys will probably be inducted following their graduation in May. (Left to right in photo) Ivo Pfeffer, Robert Streigel, Kenneth Kuper, Nestor Kuper, Calvin Zehr, Norbert Schaaf, Robert Haller, Anthony Habig, (Mr. Cathcart, sponsor), Jerome Schneider, Glenn Gramelpacher, and Art Wagner are the boys who took advantage of this splendid club program for the year.

Science Club



PRESIDENT - - - - - RICHARD PFAU
VICE-PRESIDENT - - - - - VIRGINIA LUKEMEYER
SECRETARY-TREASURER - - - - - MARGARET RUMBACH
SPONSOR - - - - - MR. JOHN IRONS

Bo-o-omm!!! What was that? An airplane crash?!?. No, it was just a scientific experiment by the J. H. S. Science Club.

The interesting experiments acted as a magnet which drew a large number of members to the club in its infancy this year. Their goal was to stimulate an interest in scientific studies among the students. This aim was carried out by the twenty-five members and their sponsor.

At each meeting, two members would present a carefully planned program consisting of brief reports, mechanical demonstrations and scientific experiments. The boys and girls willingly alternated at experimenting so that everyone would be able to give the required amount of demonstrations.

During the year, the club's banking account began to swell from the monthly dues income. The organization decided to make use of their wealth by purchasing several items needed for the various experiments and other expenses.

The chemistry room was the setting for all the scientific scenes put forth by the group. The club met bi-weekly and sometimes aroused such astonishing interest among the club that some club members remained after school hours to complete the interrupted experiments.

As the "J" goes to press, the club is planning to step into the society limelight by sponsoring a party for its members and the faculty. These club members will make a success of their party, you can bet on that!

Mr. Irons, who took the reigns that were left vacant by Mr. Nixon, was largely responsible for the increased interest and popularity of this new club.



Ain't rationing awful?
Man's best friend



More junk!
Camera shy
Back to Nature



Inseparable
Hey Mart!



This should rate an "A"
They Satisfy



Senior Class History

September 4, 1939, was a date long to be remembered, for on that day 90 green freshmen began their career as students of Jasper High School. You say that happens every year? Yes, but these 90 were different; they were WE, the Seniors of 1943.

Of the 90 that began school with us, 22 have dropped off along the way; 8 of these 22 are now serving our country in the Armed Forces. The other 14 have various reasons for not finishing their high school career. All of these we still consider a part of our class, although many of them will not receive a diploma.

Two of the members of our class have chosen to further their education on a faster schedule than usual in order to be of more assistance in the war effort. To these two we wish the best of luck.

During the time we spent here in school many things happened to transform a green, noisy bunch of freshmen into a group of dignified Seniors. One of the most important of these is that we became 4 years older; another is that teachers have been pleading and pounding knowledge into our heads in about 3,500 classes. (Go ahead, figure it out.) But taking all these into consideration, it still was the little things that really counted, like the first time the combination of our lockers worked, the first time we took physical training in the brand new gymnasium, the first time we received our report cards, or the first time we chose the subjects we wanted to take instead of being told. These are the little things that will be remembered long after everything else is forgotten. Yes, we think we can truly say we had a great class, even if it doesn't stand out in the minds of anyone else. We will always have a soft spot in our heart for the class of '43.

Can't you see us now, in 1970, sitting there with a grandchild on our knee, swelling our chest with pride and saying, "Yes sir, son, those were the good days back there when I was going to high school. Why the building that we went to only had 30 or so rooms in it, mighty small for a high school. But we did all right for ourselves, though; yep—we sure did. We went to the semi-finals in the state basketball tourney that year. Son, we really played basketball back there; we had a player—Hoffman was his name. 'Pulverizin' Paul', we called him; he was so good that many of the sports writers said he was the best player in the whole state of Indiana. Why son, they said that if our class hadn't graduated when it did, the war would have lasted at least two years longer. We REALLY had a class!"

1941-'42 Junior-Senior Prom



The date, May 12, 1942, was a red letter day for every member of the '43 graduating class because that was the night when we made our debut as upperclassmen at our initial prom. We, the juniors, were the hosts of the affair to our guests of honor, the 1942 Senior Class.

The hosts and guests began to arrive at the Country Club at eight bells. A patriotic atmosphere, with a big Statue of Liberty as the center of attraction, gave the reception a decorative appearance. The ice was broken when the patriotic Memory Books started circulation for autographs. The beat of drums and the tooting of instruments by Honey Tom and his Orchestra was the signal for dancing to begin. Diversion was offered by the following program:

Welcome.....Junior President, Arthur Wagner
Response.....Senior President, Bob Gramelspacher
Class Will and Prophecy.....Ardella Birkle
Chorus Selections.....Glee Club, Miss Matthews, Director
Coronation of King and Queen.....Betty Krempp and Ed Rumbach

A silhouetted lawn and porch and a silvery moon provided a heavenly setting for the staging of the buffet supper. Dancing was resumed until the theme song of the orchestra drew the curtain and brought the evening to a close. Laughter, the slamming of car doors, the humming of automobile motors announced that the leaving students would soon regard the 1941-42 Junior-Senior Prom as "Memories".

Bettie Summers, Arnett Breidenbaugh, Joe Berger, Mary Catherine Witcher, Betty Boehm and Mildred Kreilein were the Juniors who offered their services as committee members. Norbert Schaaf, general chairman, Mrs. Worland and Mr. Wuchner, (Class Sponsors) did splendid work which added to the success of the prom.

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SEPTEMBER . . .

Dear Diary,

"Why hi there, honey! Oh hello, Johnny! How'd the vacation go? Golly, haven't seen you since—" which means SCHOOL HAS STARTED! Vacation past—Books—future(?)

Welcome back to dear old alma-mater, dear teachers—(You too, little freshies, are invited to our clan.)

"Mr. President, I nominate"—yep, you guessed it—Class Elections.

The motion picture sponsored by JHS is very successful.

Seniors lose no time in ordering ring samples.

OCTOBER . . .

Dear Diary,

Eeny-meeny-miny-mo—I do want to join at least one club, but which???—Math? (Brains? not me!) Home Ec? (Me bake!) GAA? (Say, I do look cute in gym shorts) Debate? (you kidding?) Dramatics? (I was prompter once!) Crafts? (I love clay!) Science? (What a cute snake!) Camera (Do get the head in.) Oh me! You be the doc—

"Tra-la-la-la-la"—wasn't that a swell party the band gave the orchestra? Mr. Schnabel thought so too.

New Office Boy! The Superintendent announces the arrival of his assistant. Michael Joseph Denning.

"Big Rich" got many laughs out of the student body with his puns, and impersonations.

What's this?—sly peeks into something during classes—you're right—The COMET has come out.

Vacation—Oh glory—Teachers' Institute, dear diary.

Cabby's Wildcats begin training.

JHS has again seen the revival of a student Victory Council.

NOVEMBER . . .

Greetings, Diary,

Fight, Team, Fight—Wildcats—First game of the season . . . WILDCATS VS. HUNTERS. Wasn't the pep rally simply wonderful?

My, but didn't we give the Bedford Stonecutters an eyeful. I mean the Queen and her court and their escorts! But definitely!

Hey Daddy! Did you know the Kittens have adopted a mascot? Yes, Nip's son, Edward Joseph Wuchner.

Three cheers to the Band for the Victory Concert which netted \$6,088.80.

"Shine on, shine on, harvest moon"—The first "Harvest Hop" sponsored by The Comet, was held in JHS and imagine—we had a "real band." (Monk's band).

My, but aren't we musical this month! The Glee Club presented the Operetta, "An Old Kentucky Garden."—Very good.

Good old speech class. Each member gave a pep talk on "Enrollment For Service," the theme of the JHS Junior Red Cross.

Calendar

DECEMBER . . .

Hi-Yah, Diary,

Santa Claus is coming to town—and did he come—Third finger—right hand—Yes, the Senior Class Rings. What's this!—Juniors sporting those beautiful, new brown and gold class sweaters (without any coats over them.) What we won't do to let others see them! Here come the Sophies—My, but aren't they proud of those gorgeous class pins, but that isn't all. Did you see those gold and black "jeep hats" they're a-wearin'? Some class.

Well, well, we now have a teacher in the Navy—Mr. Nixon, our biology and chemistry teacher; good luck, dear teacher. Mr. Irons is taking Mr. Nixon's place.

Left, right, left—right dress—Attention! You guessed it, Physical Fitness Program has begun.

Hey mom, don't wake me so early tomorrow (Dec. 1) Jasper High School is now beginning three quarters of an hour later.

JHS's Marching 48 is honored to play in the Evansville St. Nicholas Parade.
Merry Xmas—Happy Vacation.

JANUARY . . .

Happy New Year, Diary,

Gee, it's swell to be back in good old JHS after vacation. But is it? I just heard that the first semester ends Jan. 20th, which means only one thing—TESTS. (Gloom!) Oh, I didn't mean that. I forgot my new year's resolution Please forgive me, diary.

Keep it up, Wildcats! Eleven successive victories since losing to the Hunters in the beginning. But we fixed that now. Yea man, we beat the Hunters!

FEBRUARY . . .

Dear Diary,

Cupid's month. Am I happy! Little Danny really had a work out this month. Just think! Two school dances in one month. The Comet "Rumpus" was just packed full of surprises; we even had court, didn't we, Mr. Leas?

The Home Ec Club threw a "Country Frolic"—Girls in their little pinafores and hair in pigtails—Boys in jeans, straw hats and plaid shirts—Can you blame us for having a jolly time?

Two most prominent JHS Senior boys left for college. Glenn Gramel-spacher, Senior Class President, and Norb Schaaf—Good luck Boys. GAA had their first social party this month.

"Hold that pose—look at the birdie"—Yep, pictures of JHS students and teachers were taken. Now we'll have fun exchanging them again.

JHS Band held another musical "Family Night" Concert.

Atta way Wildcats! Congratulations on winning the Sectional. On to Regionall

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MARCH - - -

Howdy, Diary,

Blow, winds, blow!

Wildcats clawed their way to the regional and Orchids to the team—they did it again—I mean WON REGIONAL—On to Semi-Finals.

Isn't that a beautiful service flag we have in JHS? We now have one star representing each high school graduate.

Another Senior, "Red" Kunkel, vice-president, has left high school to work. At least we have a secretary and treasurer left.

Debate Club sponsored School Dance, "JHS Night Life." Music by Monk's Band.

Camera Club held their annual photography contests.

A Marine, Cpl. Roger Gutgsell, presented the JHS students with a thrilling speech at Convo.

Surprise, and thanks to our faculty. Wildcats lost the Semi-Finals, but we got a half-day vacation anyway! Hurrah!

Cabby's Crew had all the attention at Convo after Semi-Finals.

Seniors with ties and suits, Senioritas with best dresses and sweaters, which means Senior Pictures are to be taken.

"BEST FOOT FORWARD," Senior Class Play is getting under way.

APRIL - - -

Welcome, Diary,

"Spring has come". When spring arrives they say young people's fancies turn toward love but there was one day, April 2nd to be exact, in which all that the Senior boys could concentrate on was nothing more than the "Army and Navy Tests". On the following Wednesday these young chaps, above 18, received their blood tests.

It is a common sight these days to see Mr. Schnabel, his marching 48, and his concert band and orchestra practicing for hours and hours at a time (ask me for I do mean hours) for the May contest.

"Best Foot Forward" is by this time getting a good start toward stardom.

MAY - - -

Dearest Diary,

I can't believe that we seniors have only one more month in JHS. This month is just packed full of socials that will be remembered for many future years, so come along and enjoy yourselves.

On May 1st the Jasper High School Band and Orchestra were hosts for the annual spring "Contest".

After many, long weeks of pleasant practice the Seniors are proud to present their class play, "Best Foot Forward" under the direction of Mr. Jack Leas.

One night which all seniors will remember through their entire lives happened to fall on Tuesday, June 1, this year. This night when all Seniors, arrayed in their caps and gowns, received their diplomas which signify four memorable years in J.H.S. This one and only night—"COMMENCEMENT".

Can you find the fish?
Ze Ceesco Keed



Just "Jazzie"
Twerps at the Twack
waiting for the twain



Dale Bound
"Jam Session"
Miss Breidenbaugh



"through these portals . . ."
The Rains Came



Best Foot Forward

By JOHN CECIL HOLM



The boys of Winsocki High are making frenzied preparations to receive the girls who are coming up for the big dance. In spite of the excitement and joy around him, Bud Hooper is pretty gloomy. His roommates finally find the trouble. A month ago when they went to see a movie starring Gale Joy—the Wham Girl—the trouble started. Bud got carried away and he wrote the movie star asking her to come to the prom. And she accepts! (They don't know she needs a publicity break!) Bud has hastily written his regular date, Helen, that he has had an attack of the grippe, and he expects to have it until after the dance. But, so the faculty won't get angry, Bud tries to take the publicity-needing Gale Joy to the dance as his girl, Helen—and then Helen arrives! Bud has a hard time explaining to her the situation he is in. However, after a fiery argument Helen and Bud make up. He then tells her he is taking Gale Joy to the dance. For Helen's sake the other girls decide to get a souvenir from the actress by tearing her dress and grabbing chunks of hair. There is a great uproar at the dance and Dr. Rebber, the hard-boiled principal, expels Bud for disorderly conduct. Gale and Chester, small town photo-



grapher, prevent Reeber from expelling him by a neat little bit of blackmail. Gale has Chester snap a picture of her with her arms around Reeber's neck attempting to kiss him. The story of the movie star coming to Winsocki high, located in a one-horse town, reaches the New York papers. Thus Gale gets her publicity break and Winsocki gets its very much-needed build-up for a good football team. The latter pleases the old grad, since he has been trying to get Doc Reeber to do something about the football situation which is in critical shape, the team having lost four straight. All ends well when Gale tells the kids goodbye.

The Cast



Following the regular routine of try-out for the Senior class play, the senior-ites selected were:

Dutch Miller.....Don Kunkel
 Hunk Hoyt.....Tony Habig
 Bud Hooper.....Jerome Schneider
 Satchel Moyer.....Martin Rohleder
 Chuck Green.....Francis Ebenkamp
 Dr. Reeber.....Richard Pfau
 Old Grad.....Arthur Wagner
 Minerva.....Lila Lee Giesler
 Miss Delaware Water Gap.....Frieda Kleeman

The Blind Date.....Betty Boehm
 Professor Lloyd.....Denny Keller
 Gale Joy.....Bettie Summers
 Ethel.....Gloria Sermersheim
 Jack Haggerty.....Karl Wallace
 Chester Billings.....Gene Jackson
 Helen Schlessinger..Mary Elise Dudine
 Miss Smith.....Betty Berger

Play Director, Mr. Leas





Strutters
Three Good Scouts



Orchestra Officers
Worm's Eye View
Tom



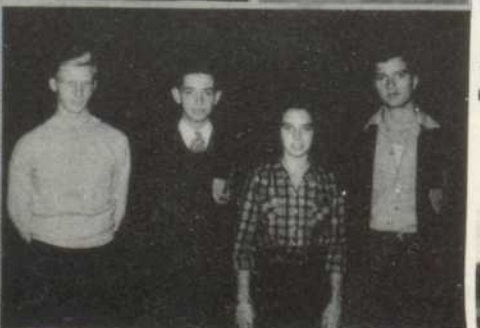
In the Service
Ain't you comin out?
Wonder if he got a whistle
with that outfit?



Band Officers
"Yellow Sheet"



Fanfare
"Colonel Stranton"
"Jeanne with the light
brown hair"
"Richard"
Phil



Heck, what are they
worried about!
Senior Leaders
Kuper and his sax

I'll never forget



the games I saw

"Pulverizing" Paul



PAUL HOFFMAN

On September 1, 1939, a big rugged-looking freshman signed his name to a registration card, thereby enrolling him in Jasper High School. Four years later this same lad graduates with the highest honors ever received by a JHS athlete.

"Hoffie" ranked high in track and was an excellent baseballer, but his basketballing days will long be remembered by everyone. Paul started on the trail to become JHS's first twelve-letter man when he was a frosh. "Cabby" inserted him in a tied-up Vincennes-Jasper game and Paul came through with a fielder in less than a minute to play to spark the Wildcats to a thrilling win. "Hoff" got 12 points that year.

As a Sophomore he clinched a starting berth and proved his capability in handling it by leading the team in scoring with 196 points. Although not the leading scorer in his junior year, he scored 217 tallies.

This year, climaxing his great career, Hoffman captained his team to the final game of the semi-finals after completing a brilliant season's record.

"Hoff" easily made All-Sectional, Regional and Semi-Final teams, but the greatest honor bestowed upon him was being named on the first five of the All-State team, selected by Indiana sports writers from Indiana's 775 basketball teams.

His 6' 2", 190 pound frame, fitted with an invincible fighting spirit, spurred him on to set new scoring records via his 358 point total this year and a four year total of 783 points in 85 games. He will long be remembered as Jasper's most colorful player.

"Oyster" and "Funnel"



JACK PATTON

Claimed to be the greatest one-handed shot artist seen in these parts for many a year, Jack Patton was second only to Hoffman in carrying the scoring burden of this year's Wildcats. "Oyster", the poker-faced forward, scored 294 points this year to become, with Hoffman, the only two players ever to score over 200 points in a season, tournament play excluded.

After his late season performances last year, a lot was expected of Jack this year, and he certainly lived up to expectations. He garnered 121 points last year to bring his high school total to 415.

Patton, a stocky six-footer, put on a brilliant scoring exhibition in the last scheduled game with Petersburg when he netted 21 markers, six more than he needed to crack 200 and that scoring record. "Oyster" wasn't content with 200 points, however, as he "turned it on" in tournament play, which netted him All-Sectional, Regional and Semi-Final berth, to up his total to 294.



JEROME SCHNEIDER

Because he devoted most of his playing time to defensive work, "Funnel" didn't break any scoring records. Every time the opposing team had an offensive threat of the "Red" Smith or Nahlor type, Jomie was assigned to hold him down.

As a junior, this lanky six-footer saw little varsity action and scored only fifteen points. His lack of experience accounted for the fact that he was a little jittery most of the season. However when his "galloping jitters" wore off he was good enough for an All-Sectional berth. Jerome had scored but 50 points in the 18 scheduled games. But in late season play he got the necessary confidence and drive and plunked in 40 points in eight tough tournament games.

"Funnel" led the team in one department, though; he committed more personals than any player on the squad. His 51 personals were not bad tho, when you consider the caliber of the opposition he guarded.

Basketball



"Give 'em three and take four" seemed to be the motto of this year's "fire engine" Wildcats. Seldom showing a great defensive team, this big and rugged fast-breaking crew was always a great offensive threat. The 'Cats maintained a 40.5 point per game average while holding their opponents to a 30.5 point average in taking 22 of their 26 games.

After losing their opener, the 'Cats rang up twelve consecutive victories before being set back by Bosse. They split even with New Albany and Central in a mid-season slump, but came back strong to rack up a new string of wins, including seven tournament victories and two scheduled games. But all good things must come to an end, as did the Wildcats' string of wins, when a big and experienced Bedford team knocked the 'Cats out of a trip to the state in the final game of the semi-final tourney.

"Cabby"

LEO C. O'NEILL, Coach



There were little regrets in the '43 season, however, as the 'Cats were successful in defending the "Little Brown Jug" and, by comparison, completing the most successful and toughest season in the school's history.

Utilizing "Willie" Wuchner's height, Junie Beiter's speed, "Funnel" Schneider's defensive work, "Oyster" Patton's offensive play, Captain Paul Hoffman's fight and leadership, to say nothing of his scoring power, and Coach "Cabby's" masterful work, they advanced farther in the Great Elimination than any other team, save Jasper's immortal 1934 aggregation.

Yes, Jasper High School and the fans of Jasper are proud of the Wildcats of '43.

"Donny"

DONALD KUNKEL, Student Manager





THE JASPER WILDCATS 1943-1944



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Schedule and Statistics of '43 Team

WE		THEY
27	Huntingburg	28
29	Bedford	24
40	Mitchell	22
44	Washington	28
38	Jeffersonville	29
44	Reitz	29
45	Vincennes	30
49	Winslow	26
40	Vincennes	33
33	Washington	32
35	Princeton	30
40	Huntingburg	38
52	Bloomington	32
24	Bosse	26
54	New Albany	37
28	Central	37
56	Sullivan	22
52	Petersburg	35
Sectional		
70	Ireland	21
43	Holland	33
46	Huntingburg	35
32	Winslow	28
Regional		
33	Decker	26
33	Washington	31
Semi-Final		
37	Martinsville	35
29	Bedford	46



*WILDCAT FIGURES

Name	POS.	F.G.	F.T.	P.F.	T.P.	Games
P. Hoffman	f	144	70	47	358	26
J. Patton	f	126	42	47	294	26
W. Wuchner	c	50	17	47	117	26
J. Schneider	g	36	18	51	90	26
C. Beiter	g	28	28	51	78	26
J. Newton	g	18	18	25	54	24
T. Hoffman	f	12	2	10	26	18
I. Pfeffer	c	8	3	11	19	16
R. Siebert	g	4	1	1	9	11
J. Berger	g	3	2	2	8	4
Totals		429	195	272	1053	26
Opponents		318	157	301	793	26

*Includes season and tournament play—26 games.

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Basketball Queen and Court



Left to right—Lila Lee Giesler, Virginia Lukemeyer, Dorothy Stallman, Mary Elise Dudine (queen), Peggy Fierst, Sarah Lukemeyer and Betty Fritch.

Baseball



Eighteen baseball candidates, both veterans and newcomers, reported to Coach "Cabby" O'Neill late in March, as the JHS spring sports programs got under way.

Because of lack of transportation and equipment, and loss of other facilities due to the war, the schedule was cut to nine games. However, there is still ample competition to offer the "hickory swingers" and they'll see plenty of action.

"Cabby" works his team around four-letter man Paul Hoffman. "Hoffie" is capable of holding down practically any position on the field, and will take the position that can't be filled by any of the vets or newcomers.

Hoffman, Eugene "Monk" Kunkel, and "Barney" Moeller will be slated for the receiving end of the battery, while main-stay Bob Tucker, and assistants Tom Berger and Jim Menner will do the twirling.

Candidates for the infield berths are Junie Beiter, Rich Huther, "Chick" Alles, Eugene Jackson, Tom Habig, and Paul Hoffman.

"Oyster" Patton, a regular last year, will again patrol the outfield with Bob Siebert, Bob Sakel, Eldon Colton, "Bump" Hoffman, Moeller, and Haase.

The 'Cats greatest rival will probably be Huntingburg. Because of transportation difficulties, four games are scheduled with the Hunters, and each team will be out to win the series.

The schedule for the 1943 season is as follows:

April 8	St. Simon (Washington)	Here
April 16	Holland	Here
April 23	St. Simon (Washington)	There
May 4	Cannelton	Here
May 7	Huntingburg	There
May 11	Cannelton	There
May 14	Huntingburg	Here
May 21	Huntingburg	There

Track



The track season is still a big question to Coach "Nip" Wuchner and his tracksters. This year the prospects of having a fine team were high but war-time transportation difficulties cut the schedule to the minimum—no schedule at all.

It's not as bad as all that, however, and "Nip" and his thinlies will probably attend the annual Invitational Sectional and Petersburg Relay Meets, besides dual meets with Huntingburg and a quadrangular affair at Petersburg. But because of the uncertainty of the season, no official schedule has been made.

The loss of only four thinlies by graduation left the team with talent and experience galore. Ivo Pfeffer, who did exceedingly well as a dash-man last year, is back again for the shorter ones, and assisted by Kenny Neukam, Eldon Colton and Sylvester Hurst.

Charley Haller, Junie Beiter, "Piggy" Seger, Carl Stuehrk, Jim Merkley, Alva Elliott, Jim Berger and Jim Stenitenagel are scheduled to toe the line for the half and mile runs.

Paul Hoffman will do better than "OK" on the shot-putting this year, as he ranked high in last year's competition. Willie Wuchner, Bob Kluemper and Ivo Pfeffer are the other field eventers.

The roster also includes several frosh, J. P. Salb, Tommie Jochim, Max Burke, Ed Alles, Bill Krodel and Bob Knabel.

Bowling



The final standings of the Bowling League:

Team	Won	Lost
Juniors	34	14
Seniors	28	20
Sophomores	22	26
Freshmen	12	36



BIG TEN

Name	Class	Ave.
F. Ebenkamp	Sr.	156
R. Tucker	Jr.	155
D. Bartley	Jr.	150
B. Keifer	So.	147
P. Buecher	So.	145
J. Striegel	Jr.	140
W. Eckstein	So	137
V. Spillmeier	So.	134
E. Jackson	Sr.	133
T. Vollmer	Fr.	132

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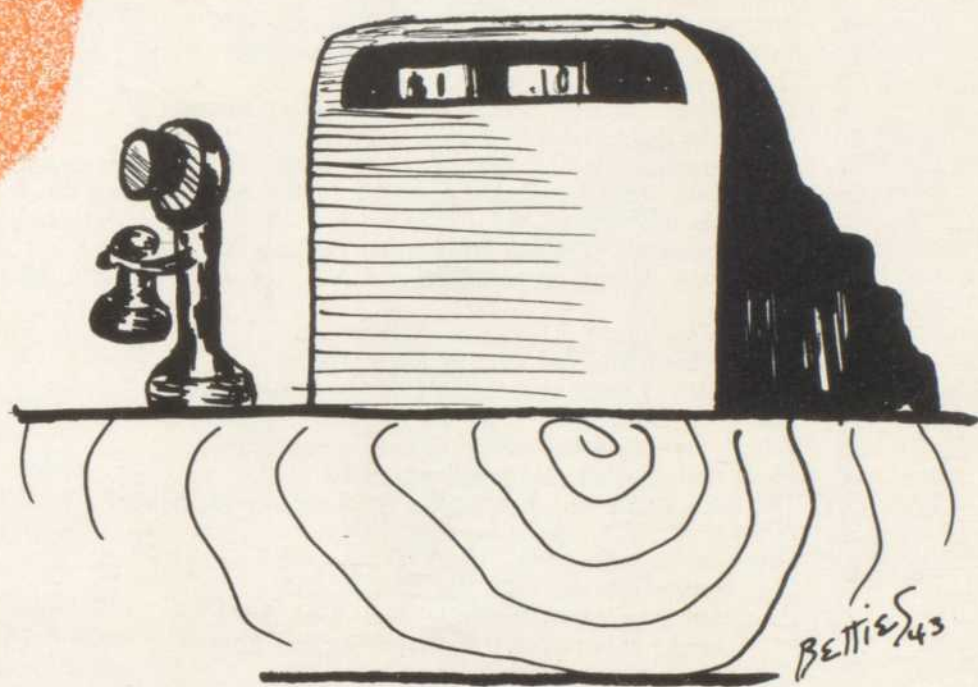


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1. What do we want you to do?
2. What do the Seniors say to J. H. S.?
3. How much does Miss Sonderman weigh?
4. What girl in J. H. S. writes the most letters?
5. Where would Sarah Lukemeyer like to be?
6. What Senior couple has been 'that way' about each other since their Freshmen year?
7. Who is the "Power Girl" of the Sophomore Class?
8. "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling" is the theme song of what Freshman lassie because of Jack Patton?
9. Who gives lessons on "How to spend a furlough"?
10. What is Mr. Leas's favorite expression?
11. Who is the most ambitious boy in the Senior Class?
12. What three members of the faculty work the hardest?
13. What teacher has a full schedule but still finds time to tell jokes?
14. Who is the handsomest Freshman boy?
15. Who does Paul Hoffman really like?
16. Who were Jeanne and Richard in the operetta?
17. 'Little but mighty' describes what Senior girl?
18. The cutest couple in the Junior class?
19. What drummer and Sophie should call it a twosome?
20. What did Santa give Margie Schnarr?
21. That handsome sailor that once adorned J. H. S.'s halls is who?
22. What two Freshies appeared to be in the hand-holding stage at Xmas, but have now advanced a long way?
23. The nicknames of those three fame making Seniors?
24. What new Junior acquired a fine mess of measles right after entering school?
25. "She Wears A Pair Of Silver Wings"?
26. The teacher with the ever-ready smile?
27. Petersburg is very interesting to what three people?
28. The note passing of what two Seniors is super?
29. Who's the "blond bomber" of the Junior Class?
30. Those two English-minded Soph girls?
31. The Senior girl that spends the most money for cokes?
32. What is Mr. Schnabel's favorite song?
33. Those three "jivin jerks" of Monk's band?
34. That limber teacher with the blond hair?
35. How many members in the Defense Council?
36. What was the score of the Jasper-Bedford game?
37. Gerry Haller idealizes whose time?
38. The one and only Sophomore boy on the Honor Roll.
39. The favorite song of many Junior Girls?
40. A threesome that has been kept quiet?
41. "She got a rep for being hep"?
42. "Dearly Beloved" is sung by whom to whom?
43. A swell teacher with loads of patience?
44. What blue-eyed Junior occupies most of Dennis Pfister's spare time?
45. "He's My Guy"?
46. What street takes up most of Art Wagner's time?
47. Who has Charlie Eckstein going in circles?
48. "You must have been a beautiful baby"?
49. What teacher should learn to drive?
50. To all from the Senior class who are in the service what do we say?
51. Who did a swell job of writing "Confidentially Yours" in the Comet?
52. What was the most exciting basketball game of the season?

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