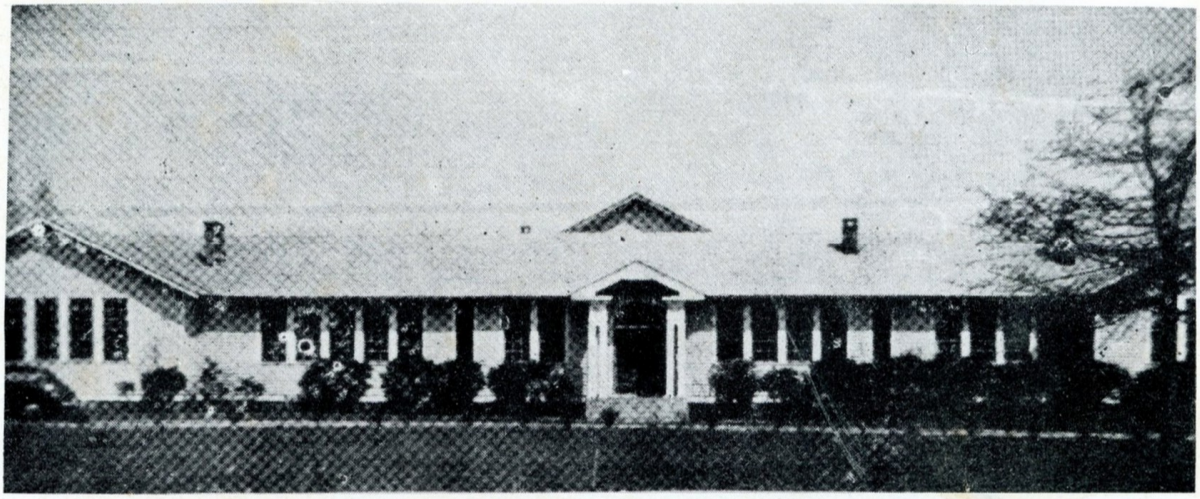
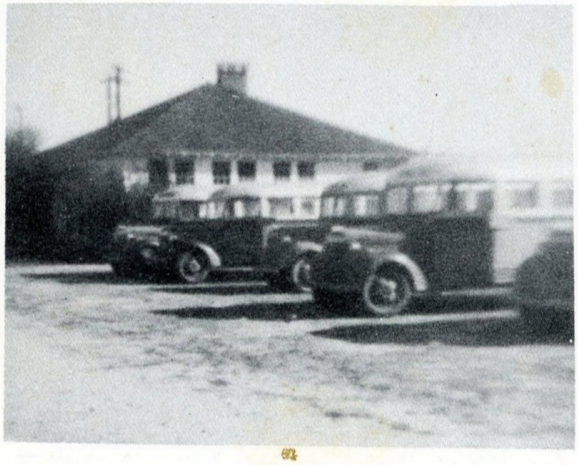


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The VISTA

Maplesville School





1946

Maplesville, Alabama

F O R E W O R D

In this, the fourth issue of The Vista, we take a forward step. For the first time our yearbook is being published by a company which specializes in school publications, The Paragon Press of Montgomery.

The first Vista was the brain child of the senior English class of 1942. This first issue was really only an amateurish booklet but it seemed to fill a need in the life of our school.

Each year, thereafter, we have made some progress and while we have had to overcome many obstacles to get our copy into the hands of the publisher before the dead line, we feel that in this number we will join the ranks of finished high school publications.

We owe a debt of gratitude to our many supporters and take this opportunity to thank them.

Miss Maude Johnson has served chaperon and adviser to our advertisement committee and to her we are most grateful.

Mrs. S. B. Rogers has been an efficient and patient typist and much of the success of this book is the result of her efforts.

It is our desire to always keep The Vista just what her title indicates - an overview of a typical rural school at work and at play.

Long live The Vista!

THE STAFF



Editor-in-chief	-	Hilda Ruth Carter
Business Manager	-	Eddie Ruddick
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Jokes	-	Edna Ousley, Thomas Greene
Advertising	-	Johnnie Davis, Mattie D. Dennis Kenneth McGee, Jack Deason

DEDICATION



To our Senior lll sponsor, Mrs. Billingsley, we dedicate The Vista of 1946. This dedication is in appreciation of her kindness, and cooperation given us throughout our high school years.

To you, Mrs. Billingsley, we extend our heartfelt gratitude and appreciation.

THE FACULTY

J. E. Daniel
Principal



Georgia M. Billingsley
English



Bea Cobern
Mathematics - Science



Louise Foshee
Home Economics
Social Science



Theresa Gay
Junior 1



Ruth J. Henry
Junior 11



Louise Chambers
First Grade

Maude Johnson
Second Grade

Jane Shanks
Third Grade

Annie H. Owen
Fourth Grade

Virgil Nell Smith
Fifth Grade

Daisy Littlejohn
Sixth Grade



Senior Section



"Tonight we Launch:
Where Shall we Anchor?"

Evelyn Barnett

"If you're quiet, patient and kind, the rainbow's end you'll find."

Lucille Bearden

"Leave silence to the saints I'm but human."

Marilyn Bearden

"It's nice to be natural when one is naturally nice.

Marjorie Burnett

"Desirable and dapper, somewhat a flapper,
Some day one man will catch her."

Hilda Ruth Carter

"To strive sincerely is not a means to an end but an end in itself."

Frances Chambers

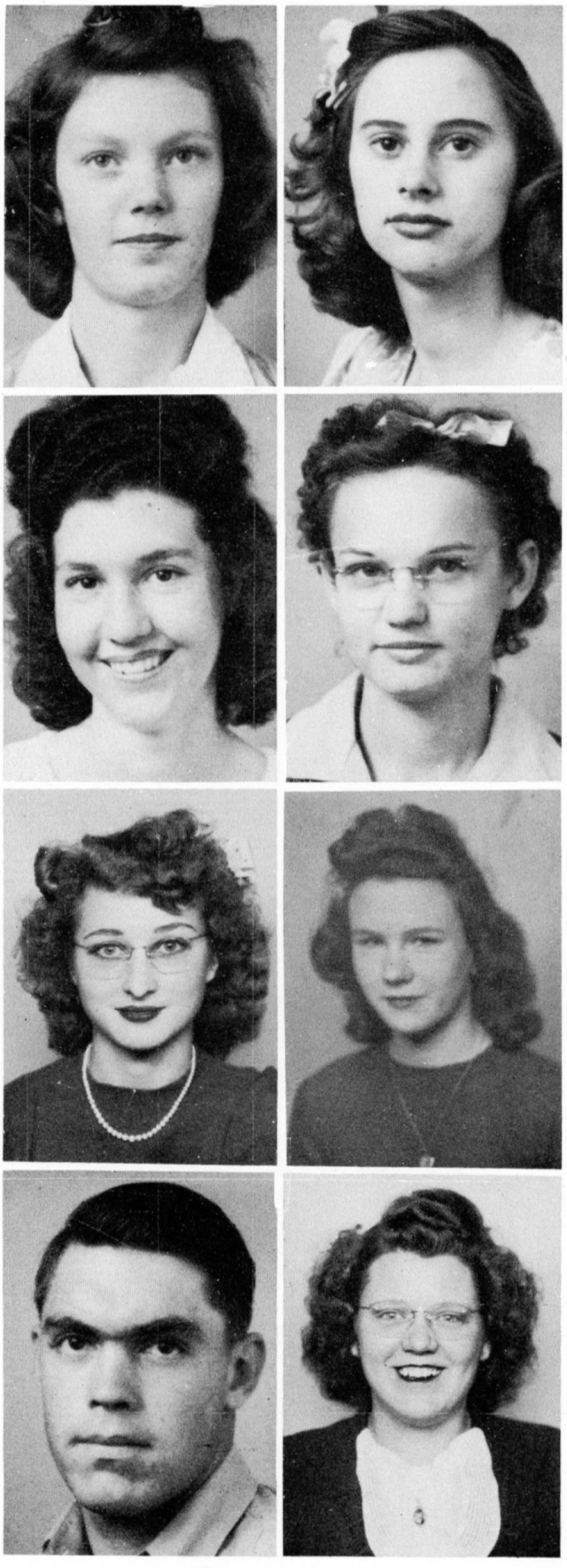
"A smile for all, a greeting glad, a lovable, jolly way she had."

Johnnie Davis

"Work, study, love and the greatest of these is love."

Jack Deason

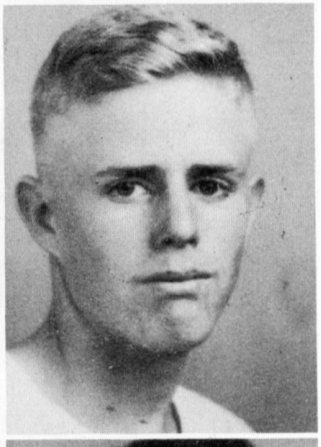
"Ready, willing and able."















Mattie Delene Dennis

"Ready to work, ready to play,
ready to help wherever she
may."

Grace Harris

"She's sweet and friendly to
all the world."

Allene McKinney

"Never lets herself be hurri-
ed, flurried or worried."

Fred Gandy

"Good sense and good humor
are herein combined."

Janie Ruth Lewis

"Athletic, friendly, generous
and kind,
Another like her you'll never
find."

Louise Walker

"Well timed silence has more
eloquence than speed."

SENIOR CLASS POEM

We breathe it through laughter or perhaps through tears,
The time is here that we've longed for so many, many years.
We are enfolded by our fond school memories,
As to us a tiny rose bud appears, with it's cluster of petals shining bright,
Even without protection it has nothing to fear.
As our new life begins, with our last, wonderful school year,
Our memories hold a place for our patient teachers so dear.
We can't express our thanks to them, for bearing with us our woes,
Because if there's someone we love it's a teacher who always knows.
As we saw new faces in our different school grades,
We felt that we would love them as memories of old friends fade.
Our future holds everything for those who are willing to try,
To grasp the knowledge we couldn't get and not let our text books just lie.
We are nearing our last school days as all graduates sometimes do.
We remember those hearts so gay, those friends so dear,
and wonder, will the world be that way too?
It's lots of fun to venture into a world where things spell s-w-e-l-l.
We feel you're wishing us much luck as we bid farewell.

Hilda R. Carter

WHO'S WHO

Prettiest Girl	-	Johnnie Davis
Handsomest Boy	-	Jack Deason
Most Athletic Girl	-	Marjorie Burnett
Most Dignified Senior	-	Hilda Ruth Carter
Most Friendly Senior	-	Mattie Delene Dennis
Best All Around Senior	-	Frances Chambers
Most Popular Senior	-	Allene McKinney
Biggest Flirt	-	Janie Ruth Lewis
Most Humorous Senior	-	Fred Gandy
Quietest Senior	-	Evelyn Barnett
First To Get Married	-	Marilyn Bearden
Most Likely To Succeed	-	Grace Harris
Best Sport	-	Lucille Bearden
Most Agreeable	-	Louise Walker

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

We, the Seniors of 1945-46, decided it would seem selfish to graduate from this school and not leave a will or Testament to the Seniors of 1946-47. We hope they will make the best of our wills for these things are what each of us are noted for. We do hereby will and bequeath the following:

I, Mattie Delene Dennis, will my charming personality to Hazel Houston.

I, Frances Chambers, bequeath my secret of getting all the men to Ruth Lenoir.

I, Grace Harris, will my curly locks to Kathleen Weaver.

I, Fred Gandy, this day, December 29, 1945, will my janitor job to Kenneth McGee, the Great.

I, Hilda Ruth Carter, bequeath my secret of keeping slim to Ramona Bolding.

I, Marilyn Bearden, will my undying laugh to Thomas Smith.

I, Janie Ruth Lewis, will my zeros' in General Science to Eddie Ruddick.

I, Johnnie Davis, will all the sailors except one to Helen Mitchell.

I, Allene McKinney, will "our" Ford to anyone who thinks they can get it.

I, Evelyn Barnett, bequeath my quietness to Edna Ousley.

I, Louise Walker, bequeath my loud mouth to Nellie Ruth Giles.

I, Lucille Bearden, will my flirty ways to A. W. Hayes.

I, Jack Deason, will my love letter reading to E.W. Walker.

I, Margie Burnette, bequeath my ability to dance to Alvin Cates.

Signed: Mattie Delene Dennis

Witnesses: Allene McKinney and
Jack Deason

"Childhood Days"













1 Frances Chambers
2 Grace Harris
3 Mallie Delene Dennis
4 Hilda Ruth Carter
5 Marilyn Bearden
6 Louise Walker
7 Lucille and Truett Bearden
8 Evelyn and Ethel Barnett





Senior II



Ethel Barnett
Ramona Bolding
Burton Carter

Alvin Cates
Lewis Frith
Nellie Ruth Giles

Nolvice Greene
A. W. Hayes
Hazel Houston

Ruth Lenoir
Doris Lovelady
Dorothy McGee

Kenneth McGee
Helen Mitchell
Evelyn Morgan

Edna Ousley
Eddie Ruddick
Annie Nell Smith

Thomas Smith
Marcelle Stough
Kathleen Weaver

Lena Dell Wallace
E. W. Walker

Not pictured:

Mary Ellen Bates
Elizabeth Rogers

Senior I.



Doris Abbott
Truett Bearden
Agnes Burnett

Virgil Chambers
Julius Davis
Paul Freeman

William Fuqua
Thomas Greene
Emmett Hayes

Louise Headley
James Jackson
Luevene Lawley

Mabeline Lawrence
Dorothy Lenoir
Ruth Lovelady

Virginia Merchant
Edna Mae Moore
Junior Middlebrooks

Ben Mitchell
Ola Mae Osborn
Robert Earl Patterson

Coleman Smith
Martha Alice Smith
William Traywick
Harold Walker

Bugs Bunny



Introduces

The Junior High and Elementary School

Junior III Class



C L A S S R O L L

Charles Lawley
Keith Latham
Henry Ousley, Jr.
Billy James Rogers
Charles Stough
Morris Taylor
Irene Atcheson
Bobby Dean Bailey
Dolly Jean Dennis
Johnnie Faye Green



Mary Elizabeth Haigler
Mirene Jackson
Vernell Lawrence
Mildred McGee
Inez Middlebrooks
Jessie Nell Seales
Betty Lou Williams
Estelle Willis
Jessie Dean Wallace
Vera Wilson

Junior II Class



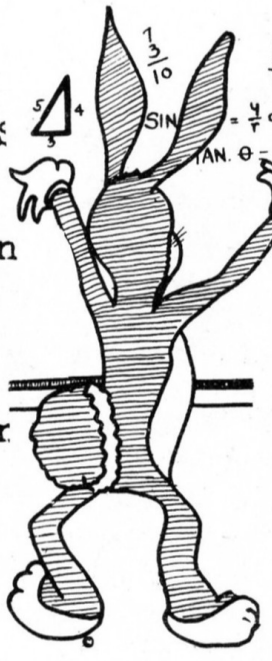
CLASS ROLL



Oscar D. Adams
Elizabeth Bearden
Charles Chapman
Horace Chapman
Helen Craig
Aaron Davenport
Betty Pearl Davis
Bonnie Sue Kincaid
Geneva Lawrence
Fred Martin
Billie Joe Moore
Patsy Morgan
Betty Jo McGee
Loyce Pate
Tommie Jo Perry
Louise Sims
George Smith
James Smith
Jessie Smith
Vernon Smith
Bammer Williams

Junior



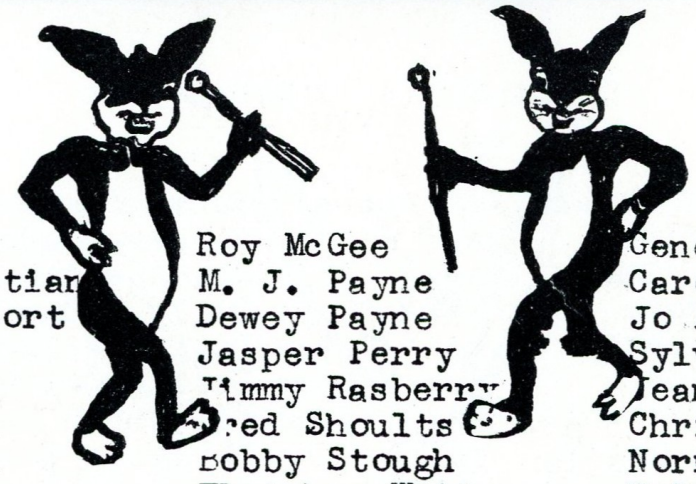


Marshall Atcheson
Earl Rogers
Doss Lovelady
Redge Bearden
Rudie V. Chapman
William Christian
Walter Headley
Dewey Headley
J. W. Latham
Willard Lawley
Charles McGee
Hillard Smith
Harvey Smith
Curtis Smith

Sam Smith
Moody Smith
Irby Sewell
Remus Waldrop
Opal Taylor
Eva Jo Walker
Mittie Jean Bailey
Willie Mae Bone
Barbara Culp
Doris Jean Davis
Dorothy Dennis
Doris Frith
Jackie Jones
Mary Ella Wallace

F I R S T G R A D E





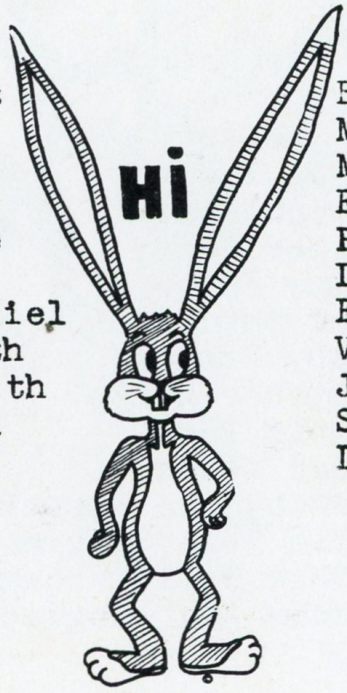
Perry Chapman
Hershel Christian
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Jimmy Johnson
Henry Latham
Hollis Latham
D. L. Lucas
Thomas Lawrence
James Ray Meherg
Kenneth Mitchell
Frankie Lee McCormick
Roy McGee
M. J. Payne
Dewey Payne
Jasper Perry
Jimmy Rasberry
Fred Shoults
Bobby Stough
Fletcher White
Arnold Pate
Issac Absher
Dorothy Ann Abbott
Ollis Jean Chapman
Robbie Nell Latham
Martha Ann Ferguson
Geneva Farley
Carolyn Hathcock
Jo Ann Lawley
Sylvia Moore
Jean Moore
Christine Oden
Norma Jean Smith
Helen Trott
Opal Smith
Geneva Moore
Izola Smith
Alice Faye McGee

SECOND GRADE



CLASS ROLL

Benjamin Abbott
Billy Green
Harold Jackson
Bill Lawrence
Leland Lawrence
Alton McAfee
Bobby Roy McDaniel
Harvey Joe Smith
Leslie Earl Smith
Billy Joe Smith
Freddie Thomas
A. W. Wright



Betty Barnes
Margaret Ann Henry
Maudine Maddox
Emily McCue
Peggy Seales
Lucile Smith
Elizabeth Wallace
Virginia Foshee
Joyce McAfee
Shelby Jean Sewell
Latha Mae Absher

THIRD GRADE



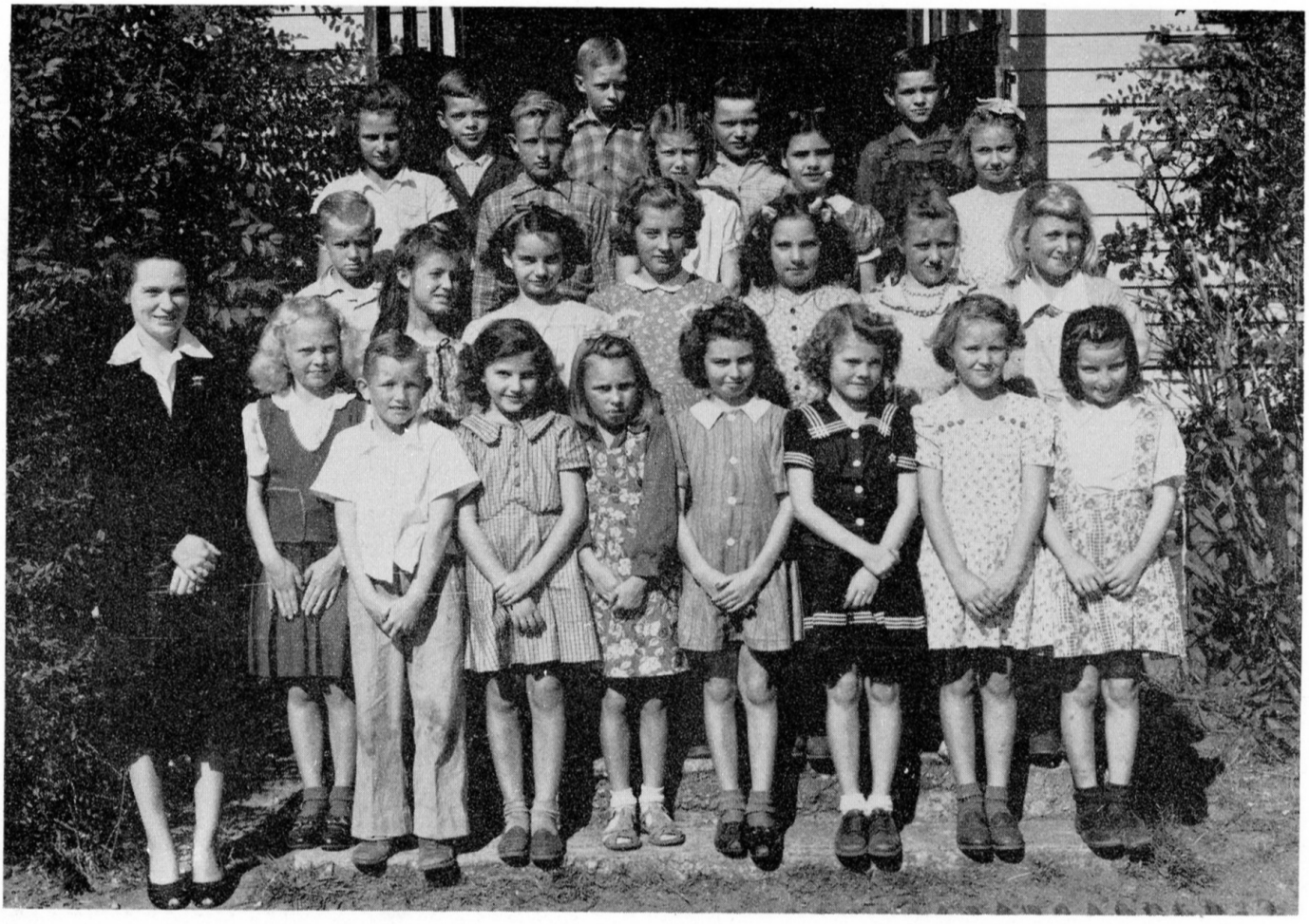
CLASS ROLL

Annie Laurie Chambers
Martha Ellen Chambers
Estelle Chapman
Wilma Jean Clark
Frances Edwards
Ethel Lee McCormick
Patty Perry
Peggy Perry
Opal Mitchell
Frances Smith
Rachel Waldrop
Dixie Ann Williams
Virginia Bush
Hollis Christian
Leighton Gandy
Bobby Garner
Bryant Green
Shirles Green
Huey Headley
Alton Lawrence
Donold Lawrence
Dan Lucas
Ellis Kimbrough
Billy McDaniel
Jimmie Middlebrooks
Wayne Mitchell
Leon Mitchell
Bobby Moore
John Motley
Fred Allen Oden
Johnnie Seales
Curtis Smith
Odis Smith





FOURTH GRADE



CLASS ROLL

Leroy Boatfield
Thomas Jackson
Miller Ford
Harrison Frith
Edward Headley
Thomas Chatman
Van Maddox
Billy Morgan
James Bush
Billy Stough

Joe Stough
Willie Dell Abbott
Lois Boatfield
Elizabeth Dennis
Genette Green
Artie Hathcock
Maurine Lawley
Helen Maddox
Glorie Ann McQue
Ode Mae Mitchell

Bobbie Nell Patterson
Mabeline Sealey
Barbara Ann Sewell
Suzie Mae Smitherma
Orvel Smith
Lois Taylor
Bronzell Williams
Magoline Chatman
Vivian Pitts
Marjorie McAfee



F I F T H G R A D E



C L A S S R O L L

Ernest Fuqua
Roscoe McCary
Bobby Middlebrooks
Billie Perry
Eugene Smitherman
Brown Bolding
Charlie Farley
Billy Greene
Frank Hall
E. J. Headley
Charles Lawrence

Johnny Moore
Johnson Ratcliff
James Sealey
Curtis Sims
Leevaugh Smith
Neal Stough
Frank Bush
Paul Atcheson
Barbara Ham
Arthell Johnson
Bonnie McGee

Jerry Ray
Mary Farley
Audrey Frith
Mabeline Gentry
Wilma Lucas
Eloise Meherg
Violet Smith
Betty Payne
Lilly B. Wright



S I X T H G R A D E



C L A S S R O L L



Marjorie Davis
Augusta Lawrence
Betty Lovelady
Mickey Ray
Una Fay Abrams
Violet Barnhill
Jeanette Dennis
Alvis Lawrence
Louise Lawrence
Barbara Morgan
Betty Ann Moore
Betty Payne
Mary Jane Waldrop

Frances Wilson
Vestelle Wright
Evelyn Jackson
Juanita McAfee
Darlton Davis
Lloyd Fuqua
Carlos Shoults
Calvin Seales
Walter Taylor
Johnnie Davenport
J. W. Bone
Hamric Hathcock
Francis Johnson

James Maddox
Hugh Morgan
Argle Mayfield
Denny Moore
Frank Perry
Lindsey Stone
Lavenus Waldrop
Jesse Williams
Lavette Payne
William Ratcliff
J. C. Absher



FOOTBALL

F O O T B A L L

Our football practice began September 14th, with Thomas Smith as our captain for the third consective year. We elected him because we knew we could depend on him for our leader. For our co-captain we elected a nice, quiet fellow and a good football player, Coleman Smith.

Our first game was with Bibb County High at Centerville. We were defeated 40 to 0.

Our next game was on September 28 with Perry County High. Again we were defeated 34-0. After this we began clicking and defeated Hicks Memorial 14 to 6. Kenneth McGee starred in this game by piling up twelve points on touchdown passes.

We played Verbena next. We galloped over them 47-0.

October 19 we played Chilton County High at Clanton. We were defeated 36 to 0.

Our next game was following Friday with the Isabella Mustangs. We rolled over them to the score of 21-0.

On November 2nd we played Verbena for the second meeting of the two teams. We were victorious again. The score was 19 to 0.

November 9th we played West Blockton at West Blockton. The game was "nip and tuck", but they defeated us 7 to 0. They did very good playing, regardless.

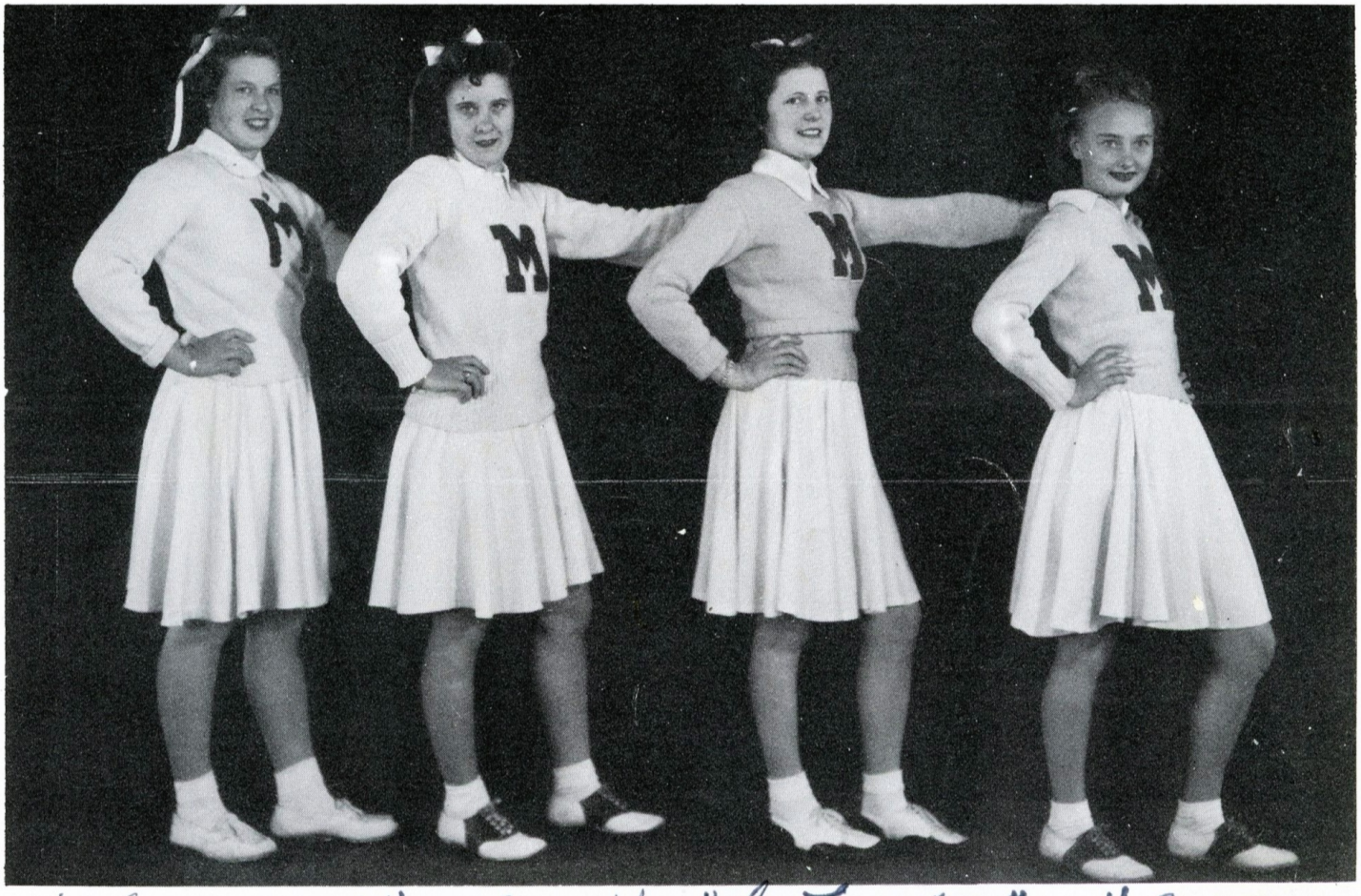
We played our last and best game of the season on November 21st. Isabella was our opponent.

During the year there was some outstanding playing by certain players. The points made by each player are as follows: Smith 43; Walker 41; McGee 21; Martin 1; Ruddick 1.

This was a good season. We won five out of nine games. We Devils deeply appreciate our coach, Mr. Daniels, who has been patient and understanding with us. We give to him all the credit for our success.

The back positions of the first team were held by Thomas Smith, Coleman Smith, Burton Carter, Eddie Ruddick, and Walter Martin. The end positions were held by Kenneth McGee and Harold Walker. Tackles were Truett Bearden and Morris Taylor. Guards were Junior Ousley and Charles Lawley. Center, William Fuqua. Substitutes were Billy James Rogers, Junior Middlebrooks, Ben Mitchell, Billy Moore, Fred Martin, George Smith, Marshall Atcheson, Vernon Smith, James Jackson, Thomas Greene, Clarence Stone, Julius Davis, Paul Freeman, Earl Rogers, A. W. Hayes, Robert Earl Patterson, Milford Harrison, Jessie Smith, and William Earl Traywick.

Cheer Leaders



"Edna Moore" "Roberta Klein" "I Love Ya" "Edna Moore"
Elizabeth Rogers
(Peg the!)

4-H  Club

Maplesville school has a large and active 4 H group under the leadership of Miss Mattie Jo Barber and Mr. R. H. Kirkpatrick.

In the girls' club the officers are as follows:

Helen Mitchell - President
Edna Ousley - Vice President
Frances Chambers- Secretary and Treasurer
Ruth Lenoir - Song Leader

The following boys held office in their group:

Harold Walker - President
Thomas Smith - Vice President
Eddie Ruddick - Secretary and Treasurer
Kenneth McGee - Song Leader

One of the most interesting projects is the feeder beef calf plan. Last year Dorothy Lenoir won second and third prizes, Ben Mitchell took third and eleventh premiums and Helen Mitchell won third and tenth places.

The boys and girls of Maplesville Club will give some close competitions to the rest of the county this year. The following people own fine calves and are looking forward to the Fat Stock Show which will be held in the spring: Virgil Chambers, Kenneth McGee, Ben Mitchell, Patsy Morgan, Frances Chambers, Helen Mitchell, Nancy and Frankie Daniel.



Girl's Group



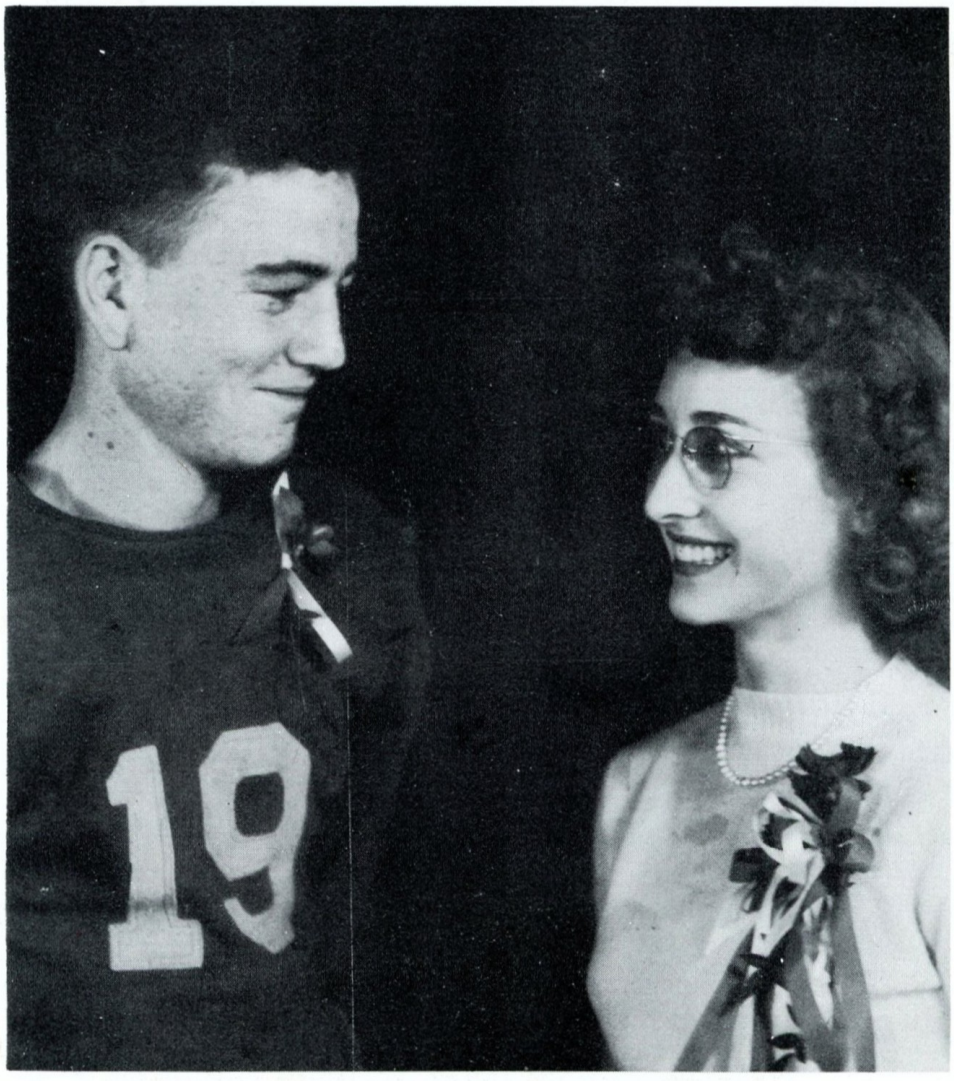
Boy's Group



Calf Club


FEATURES

Mr. and Miss M.H.S.



Each year the student body of this school takes this method of honoring an outstanding boy and girl.

In order to be eligible for the title of the best representatives - Mr. M.H.S and Miss M.H.S - a student must hold at least a B average, must take part in all school activities, and must be generally liked by the student body. No person can be elected for two successive years.

Hilda Ruth is a member of Senior lll class. She is editor in chief of the yearbook, and a group leader in our recreation program. She has an A average, and never fails to bear her share of responsibility in the schools' activities.

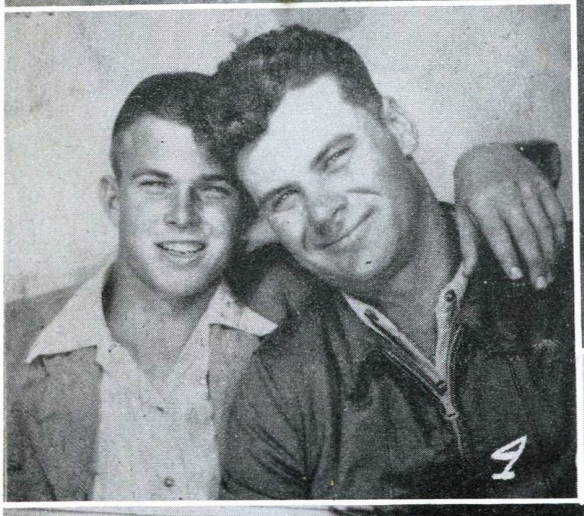
Harold entered Maplesville School in the first grade. His fair mindedness and engaging grin have made him popular with both students and faculty. Harold is a member of Senior l class and holds a B plus average. He plays end on the football team, and is also a star basket ball man.

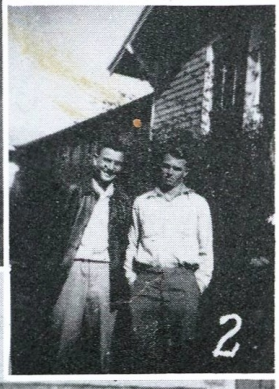


















1. All Seniors love each other.
2. They're honey but the bees don't know it.
3. Boys, you're out numbered.
4. Love Birds
5. Hold that line!
6. What happens when a camera approaches
7. Is that being dignified?
8. The future Seniors
9. Posing for their picture

CREATIVE WRITING

In order to encourage creative writing The Vista each year prints some of the best stories written by the students. This year the honors go to Mary Ellen Bates, Evelyn Morgan and Eddie Ruddick.

DID YOU EVER SEE SANTA CLAUS?

Did you ever see Santa Claus?, a little boy on Christmas asked.

His dad thought silently for a moment, "Why, sure, in times past I've met the jolly old chum day in, day out. In fact, every deed I've ever done was only his way out
Of woods of binding to plains of freedom.

Each thought he gave to me, each urge planting in my soul a longing to make greater gains for you. He made my spirit quiver with delight each time you smiled, for I knew that your destiny and his and mine are one."

Eddie Ruddick

HALLOWE'EN SURPRISE

Hallowe'en in Summerville was a great day for Barbara, a little girl, nine years old. Her school was giving a Halloween Party. Barbara was in a hurry tonight to get in her costume and get to the party. While her mother was trying to help her put on her costume, she was twisting so her mother could hardly get it on her. Her head kept turning and looking at the clock, making her long blond curls fly this way and that. Finally, she had her costume on and by that time her little girl friends were waiting anxiously for her to go with them. Barbara was wishing her daddy, who was in the Army, could be here to take her to the party. She had already given up hope for that.

When Barbara arrived at the party, looking very cute in her black and orange costume, there was a big crowd of people present. Many had on costumes and false faces, so Barbara couldn't tell who everyone was.

During the party, Barbara noticed that there was a man there who kept watching her, and stayed close to her. Several times he brought her something to eat. He had on a false face but he seemed familiar to Barbara somehow.

When the prizes were given for the best costumes, to Barbara's surprise, she and the man won the prize. Then Barbara looked at the man after they had unmasked, and suddenly gave a big yell and jumped into his outstretched arms.

The "man" was Barbara's daddy! How happy Barbara was! She was so happy she even forgot about her prize. Her daddy told her he had already seen her mother and that he would be home for thirty days. Immediately, plans were racing through her mind for every day of those thirty days.

Evelyn Morgan

JUST AN ACCIDENT

It was December 24th and a light snow was falling on the streets of Philadelphia. The tall building rose above the city as a becan of the busy people that moved here and there. Everyone seemed happy, especially the children who were overflowing with expectancy of the coming night.

In a few seconds a loud scream was heard and on the pavement was the body of a man. The people crowded around and it seemed as if there were a million. The traffic cops were having to stop all the cars. A policeman made the people return to their shopping and stand back, as he shouted, "People it's only an accident!" He began to examine the young man's body, while a doctor was called. He was dead, that he was sure! The policeman took out the young man's wallet and saw his identification, Stanley Marks, 108 North Street Baltimore, Maryland. He stood up, shaking from head to toe staring at the young, lean body crumbled on the cold pavement. The head was smashed and he couldn't see his face.

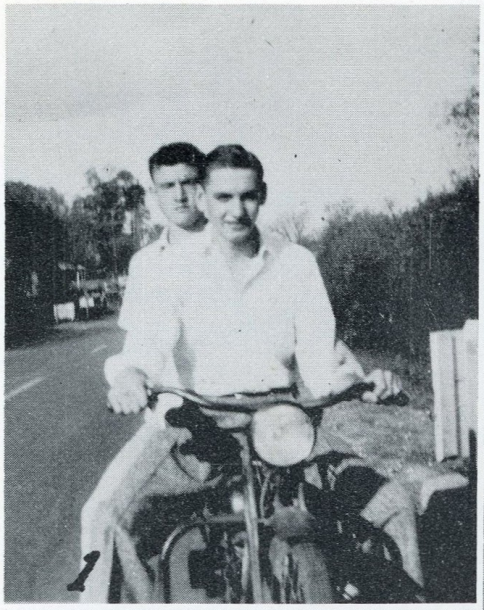
Finally the policeman stepped back as the doctor came up to where the body lay. The policeman still looked as if something had struck him and was as pale as could be.

The doctor got up and replied, "I'm afraid he's dead, call an ambulance, Frank."

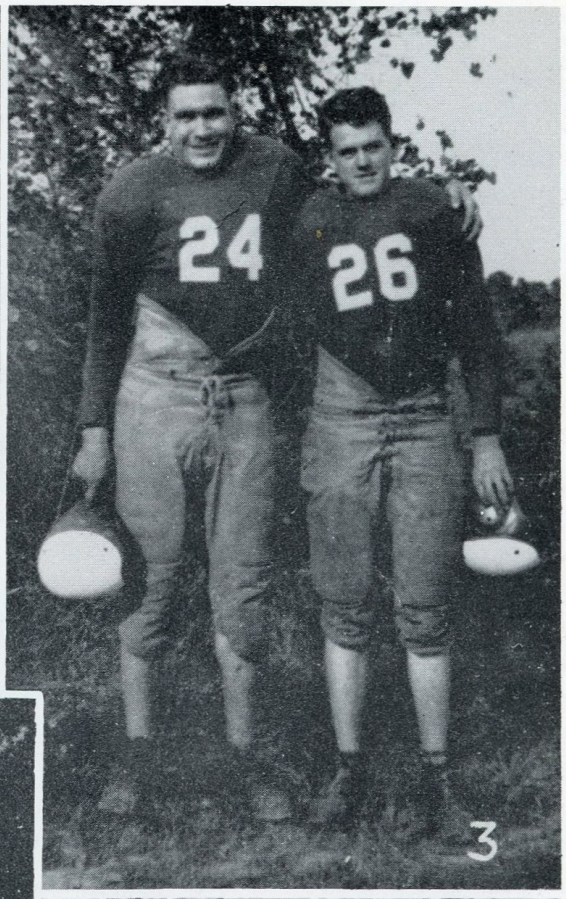
"You're sure of that, I suppose, aren't you, Doc?" asked the policeman. "I sure am, Marks, Do you know him?" "It sure is a shame. I wonder how it happened?"

"No, Doctor, nothing except that's my boy, Stanley Marks, Jr.. I believe I'll go home now and see my wife. It's going to be hard on Sarah."

Mary Ellen Bates

















1. Future patrolmen
2. A former football star
3. Captain and co-captain
4. A nice little get-together
5. Life on a furlough
6. Three Little Sisters
7. Three Sophmores have taken over.
8. What's on your mind girls?

J O K E S



One morning Ruth Lenoir came to school singing, "There's a Gold Mine in the Sky." The next day several boys from school tried to join the air force.

Walter's uncle came to stay a few days with him. Before he left he gave Walter a large sum of money and said, "Now, Walter, be careful with the money and remember the old proverb, a fool and his money are soon parted." Walter answered rather shyly, "Yes, Uncle, but I do thank you for parting with it just the same."

Miss Foshee - "What are you doing in my kitchen?"
Hobo - "I came in through the screen."
Miss Foshee - "Did you "strain" yourself?"

Lucille B. - "Mrs. Henry, don't you like my voice?"
Mrs. Henry - "Lucille, I have played on the white keys, I have played on the black keys but you sing in the cracks."

Edna Mae - "But you said before you left that I was all the world to you."
Returned Soldier- "I know, but I've learned some geography since then."

Harold - "Mr. Daniel, do you know that woman across the street?"
Mr. Daniel - "Well, now, let me see, That's my wife's new dress, my daughter's new hat and my mother-in-law's new umbrella. Why, I should know her, that's my new cook."

Miss Foshee - "How old would a person be who was born in 1904?"
Marcelle - "Man or woman?"

Mrs. Billingsley- "Kenneth, correct this statement. Girls is naturally better looking than boys."

Kenneth - "Girls is artifically better looking than boys."

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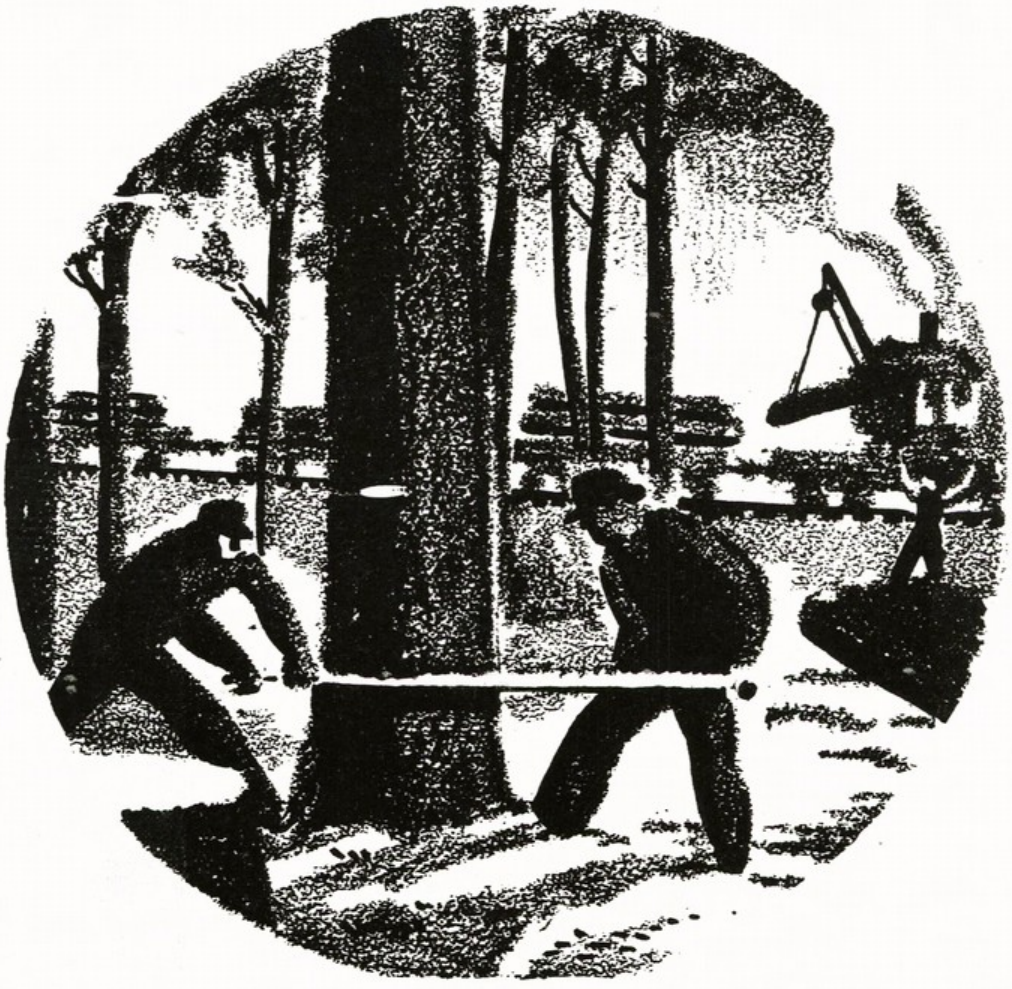
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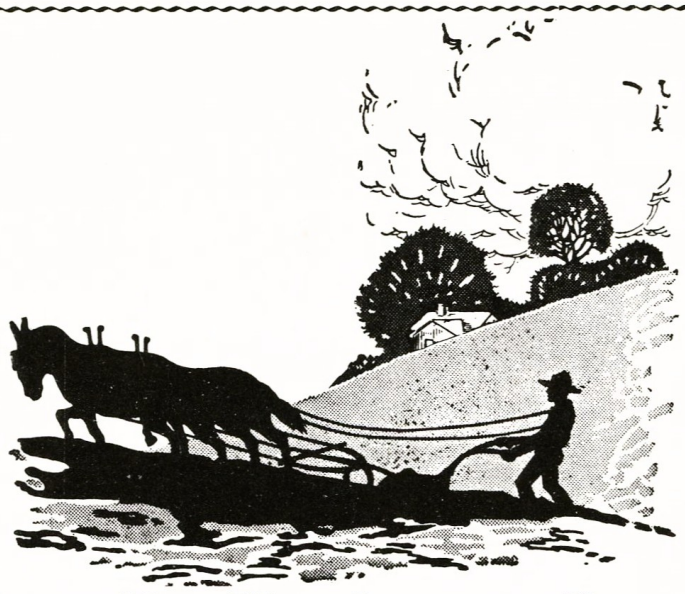
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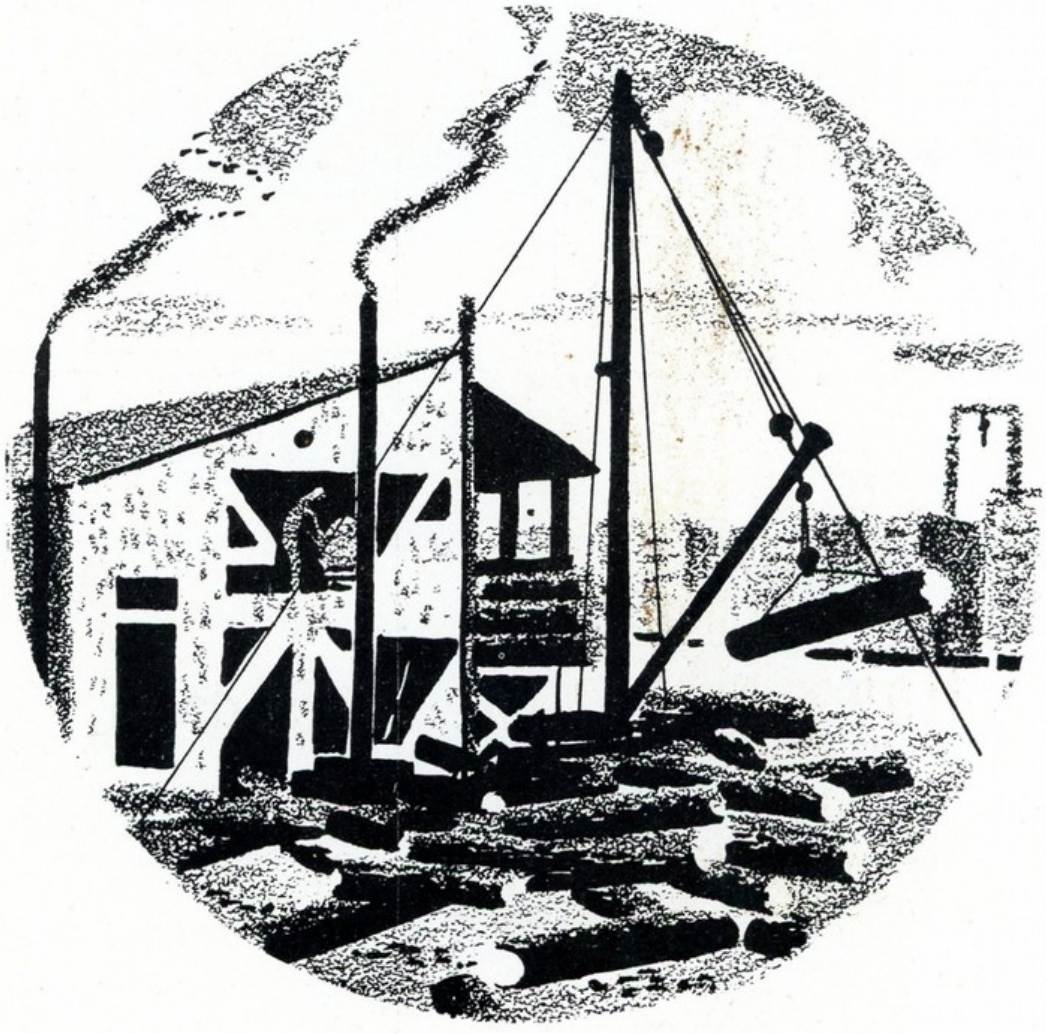
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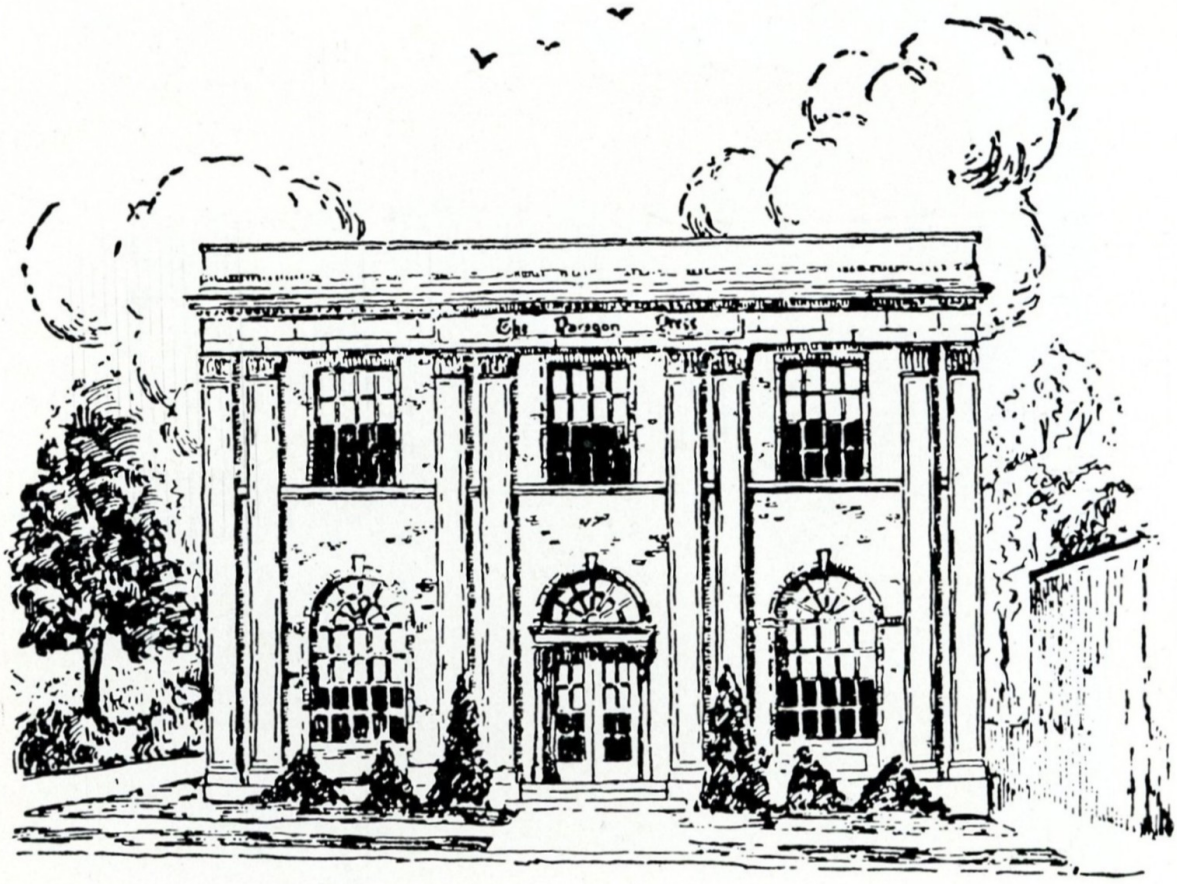
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