

HISTORY.

IN THE YEAR 1934 A. D. WE, THE SENIOR CLASS OF '39, ENTERED HIGH SCHOOL ONE BRIGHT, EARLY, SEPTEMBER MORNING. WE WERE A PROUD AND HAPPY GROUP LOOKING FORWARD TO A GREAT FUTURE, BUT HIGH SCHOOL LIFE WAS NOT THE BED OF ROSES THAT WE HAD PICTURED IT TO BE. BUT IN SPITE OF THE TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS, WE HAVE FINALLY COME TO THE END OF THE JOURNEY AND OUR GOAL HAS BEEN REACHED, WE ARE PROUD POSSESSORS OF A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA—AND ALONG WITH THE DAYS OF TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS WERE MINGLED DAYS OF HAPPINESS BEYOND MEASURE.

IN THE EIGHTH GRADE WE BEGAN OUR HIGH SCHOOL LIFE AND ALTHOUGH RATHER GREEN, WE WERE EAGER TO LEARN. THIS GRADE WAS MADE UP OF: ALSTON ACKERMAN, ARCHIE ACKERMAN, HILLIE ACKERMAN, JOE BEN ACKERMAN, MIRIAM ACKERMAN, PERRY ACKERMAN, REMSON ACKERMAN, RUBY ACKERMAN, JAMES ADAMS, MAGGIE ADAMS, RUTH ADDISON, GLADYS BRIDGE, WILBURN BRIDGE, LOUISE DANDRIDGE, NORMAN DAVIS, BEULAH LEE FERGUSON, ARTHUR HACKER, WILLIAM HIERS, ALLEN HILL, FAIRY HILL, HERBERT HILL, THOMAS HOFF, JIMMIE RHODE, JESSIE SPELL, LEE WESTBROOK, AND PARKER YOUMANS.

OUR NEW SUPERINTENDENT, MR. I. Y. CAUGHMAN, A VERY EFFICIENT MAN, PROVED TO BE AN EXCELLENT SUPERINTENDENT. PROBABLY THE MOST OUTSTANDING EVENT THAT OCCURRED WHILE WE WERE IN THIS GRADE WAS THAT ALL THE SCHOOLS IN COLLETON COUNTY, HAD THE OPPORTUNITY OF SEEING PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT IN CHARLESTON. OF COURSE THIS INCLUDED US AND WE ALL HAD THE HONOR OF SEEING THE PRESIDENT. TIME PASSED ON AND WE COULD HARDLY REALIZE THAT ONE YEAR OF OUR HIGH SCHOOL LIFE HAD ELAPSED, HOWEVER, WE FELT THAT WE HAD ACCOMPLISHED MUCH.

WE ENTERED THE NINTH GRADE WITH OUR NUMBER SLIGHTLY DECREASED MUCH TO OUR REGRET. WE WERE FORTUNATE TO HAVE AGAIN FOR OUR SUPERINTENDENT, MR. CAUGHMAN. WE WERE GRADUALLY BECOMING ACCUSTOMED TO HIGH SCHOOL LIFE THROUGH THE HARD SCHOOL OF EXPERIENCE. WHEN WE WERE IN THE NINTH GRADE, WE WON THE LOVING CUP AT THE COUNTY FIELD DAY. WE WERE OVERJOYED AND CONSIDERED THIS QUITE AN HONOR. AS THE SECOND YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL LIFE CAME TO A CLOSE, WE COULD SCARCELY BELIEVE IT.

IN THE FALL OF 1937, WE ENTERED SCHOOL, THIS TIME AS JUNIORS. YOU CAN BE ASSURED THAT WE FELT OUR IMPORTANCE BECAUSE OF THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES THAT RESTED UPON OUR SHOULDERS. WHEN WE CAME BACK, WE FOUND THAT WE