

# Class History

Twelve years ago, September, 1942, eighteen boys and girls entered Cottageville School, to begin a long career. Mrs. Ethel Willis, our first grade teacher saw us in many moods as this was a new and different world for us. Our anticipation was alert for our new adventure. Under our teachers' guidance we soon became adjusted and found happiness and fun in learning the new and different things in our first year at school.

As our grammar school days passed slowly, our minds became more developed and we began to realize the seriousness of school and what it would someday mean to us. During this time, we all had one high ideal centered upon our minds, reaching high school.

In the seventh grade, the merit award for good citizenship was awarded to Patricia Ackerman and Charles Griffith. During our grammar school days many of our classmates left us. Some of these pupils entered different schools.

In September, 1950, we entered upon our most wonderful high school days. We were introduced to our new name, freshmen. We also became acquainted with a more complicated and interesting routine. Some of us were asked to serve at the Junior-Senior Banquet and others began to take part in the basketball activities. At this time, three of our classmates dropped out, Eva Hughes, Maggie Lee Ackerman, and Franklin Burke.

Soon, we found ourselves entering the sophomore class. We entered with great enthusiasm and the ability to accomplish things, but we did not exert ourselves, by studying. Some of us were honored by invitations to the Junior-Senior Banquet. Carol Lee Davis, joined us during our Sophomore Class, but we also lost four other members, Buddy Ackerman, Dorothy Hughes, T. C. Carrol, and Edith O'Quinn. This left us thirteen members. The honor this year, was bestowed upon Evelyn Adams, as Miss J.H.A.

Our Junior year was one of many enjoyable events. We began with a new addition to our class, Edith Dodd. The first of the year, we received our rings. This was the occasion we had long awaited. Next came our junior play, "Sing for your Supper," which was a real hit. Then came the Junior-Senior Banquet and all the other wonderful things that could possibly happen to make you a happy, dignified Junior. Our Junior year will always remain in our hearts, as a most cherished year of high school days. We lost another member of our class during this time, Ruth Bazzle.

Seniors at last! We began our senior year with three of our classmates missing, J.L. Langdale, McNeill Ackerman and Edith Dodd. This left us eleven members. Our Senior year was full of tasks, both great and small. There was studying, ordering invitations, senior play, and all the other social activities that go along with seniors. It was fun, even though it was a year of greater concentration. To our sorrow, we lost two seniors, Carol Lee Davis and Edward Rhode. This left us only nine members in the senior class.

Twelve years we have waited for this wonderful time to come. Even though we started out with eighteen, only nine have come to the end of a completed task, as far as high school is concerned. It also leaves a deep sorrow in our hearts to know that we will no longer be coming to Cottageville High School. Some of us will go to college, some in service, and some will probably take up the art of homemaking. But wherever we are we will always remember the wonderful faculty and students and wish that they will have as much success in reaching their goal as we have had.

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