

CLASS HISTORY

In 1939 there was a large group of a little children gathered at Lodge School to begin its career in school. We were all wondering what school was like. It wasn't long before we began learning how to read and write and enjoyed going to school very much. We began struggling through the grammar grades. Some of our classmates moved away, and some even quit school, but new ones joined us to take their places. Finally, we finished the seventh grade.

We were now beginning high school and Mr. Clayton was our teacher. We were a little afraid of him, but we soon learned that he was a part of us, especially in Arithmetic class, and there was nothing to be afraid of anymore. We knew no one could take his place. Miss Mary Power and Mr. C. M. Padgett were our teachers, too, and we owe a great deal to them as well.

We began the ninth grade with three members less. Miss Power left and Miss Louise Pontius taught us English. Miss Martha Sauls was our homeroom and Home Economics teacher. We struggled through Algebra and our other courses and from there we moved on to the sophomore class.

Mrs. Lavenia Stahl was our English and home room teacher during our tenth year of school. We were glad to welcome Henri Bishop and Nancy Morningstar to our class from Ehrhardt. It was our time to plan the Junior-Senior Banquet. Working industriously and happily we finally succeeded in making it a successful one. Shortly after the banquet was over, we realized we would soon be Juniors. We left the sophomore class sadly knowing we no longer had Mr. Padgett for a Superintendent.

When we Juniors arrived at school in the fall of 1949, we found Mr. Clayton our Superintendent, and we knew he could fill Mr. Padgett's place well. Miss Marie Henery was our home room teacher and our English teacher was Mrs. W. R. Corder. We had some new privileges this year. The teachers helped us to organize a Beta Club and Mrs. J. E. Bishop, our music teacher, directed the Glee Club. Our interest was very much aroused by these clubs. Miss Sauls helped us to give a Junior Play in order to raise money to go to Washington the following year. Four of our classmates chose married life instead of school and left us for a different life. These students are as follows: Mary Louise Brabham, Faye Murdaugh, Laverne Fralix, and Alice Carter. Vivian Crosby quit school to go to work and Betty Ann Pennington and Mary Ann Goodwin graduated and are now attending college. Clyde Kinard and Newton Stone joined the Armed Services.

Few, but strong, fourteen of us joined each other this fall to complete our high school education. Charles Wilson left us shortly after school started to go to work. This left thirteen of us. We worked hard to get our yearbook and struggled the whole year trying to raise enough money to go to Washington. We enjoyed working together and wish we had all our old classmates back with us. Where are only several of us who received our grammar and high school education at Lodge. These are the following students: Blanchard Carter, Graham Cummings, Cecily McMillan, Jeannie Elizabeth Martin, Ewell Parnell, Furman Peters, and Miriam Polk. The other seniors are Nancy Morningstar, Joyce Lyons, Henri Bishop, James Barnes, Carlisle Avant and Marshall Smith.

So runs the history of this class of 1950-1951. We are happy to have advanced thus far.