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## To Miss Joyce E. Sharer

Long our able teacher, more lately  
our safe confidant and trusted guide, for  
all time, we know, our sincere friend, we  
dedicate this book.

## The Annual Board

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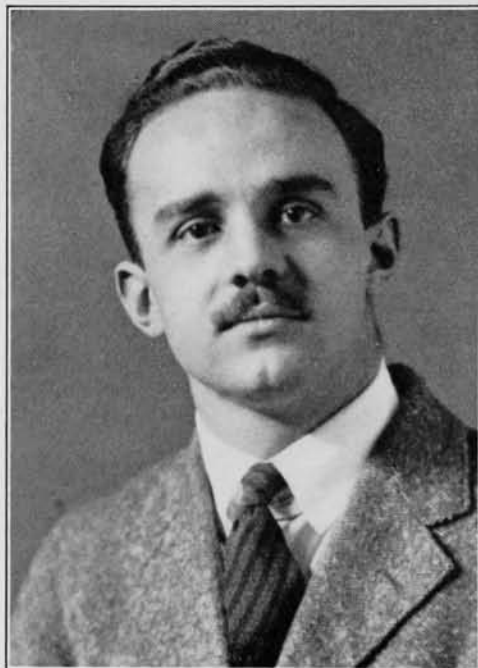
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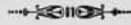
*Boys' Class Advisor*

# S E N I O R S



## Class Officers

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JOHN F. BURNS, *Secretary*  
FLORENCE DREWS, *Treasurer*



## Class Colors

ORCHID AND SILVER



## Class Flower

SWEET PEA



## Class Motto

LABOR OMNIA VINCIT



ASTRID ANDERSON 3880 Lake Ave.  
Jefferson Junior Cornell

*And ne'er did Grecian chisel trace  
A nymph, a Naiad or a Grace  
Of finer form or lovelier face.*

Basketball 2, 3; Glee club 2, 3; Operetta 2, 3; Student council 2, 3; Witan 2, 4; Literary Society 3; Frosh party 2, 3, 4; Senior Annual 4; Class testator 4; Senior play and Dance Committee 4; Senior play 4.



FLORENCE ARLIDGE Stone Rd.  
No. 38 Nurse

*Who mix'd reason with pleasure  
And wisdom with mirth.*

Basketball 2, 3; Literary club 3; Motto Committee 4.



HELEN BACON 138 Pollard Ave.  
No. 38 Mechanics Institute

*Studios to please, yet not ashamed to fail.*

School Representative at Chamber of Commerce Luncheon 3; Book Exchange Committee 4; Principal's Office 4.



JOHN F. BURNS Dewey Ave. Station  
No. 38 Business

*Whatsoe'er it is, be it work or play  
It is well done in John's way.*

Witan 4; Senior Annual 4; Secretary Senior Class 4.



MARY G. CASTLE 132 Selye Ter.  
Jefferson Junior New Haven Normal  
School of Gymnastics

*I am in earnest. I will not equivocate; I will  
not excuse; I will not retreat a single inch  
and I WILL be heard.*

Basketball 3, 4; Witan Staff 2, 3, 4; Pub-  
licity committee 2; Leader of Literary club  
3; Class president 4; Student Council 2, 3;  
Secretary Student Association 4; Senior  
Annual 4; Basketball captain 4; Senior Play  
4.



MIRIAM E. CLEARY 4 Winchester St.  
No. 3 Post Graduate at C. H. S.

*The world was sad, the garden was awild  
And Man the hermit sighed  
Until woman smiled.*

Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Frosh party committee 2,  
3, 4; Girls' Basketball 2, 3; Witan staff 3;  
Student Council 3; Athletic Council 3; Oper-  
etta 2, 3; Charlotte Day Committee 4; Senior  
Ball committee 4.



NORMAN R. COONS 951 Dewey Ave.  
Jefferson Junior Hobart

*Conscience has no more to do with gallantry  
than it has with politics.*

Glee club 2, 3, 4; Operetta 3, 4; Witan  
Staff 3, 4; Senior Annual 4; Senior Ball 4;  
Leader of Glee Club 3; Graduation Day  
Committee 4.



ERNEST C. DOTY 325 Lake View Pk.  
Jefferson Junior Syracuse University

*On the stage he was natural, simple, unassuming,  
'Twas only when he was off that he was acting.*

Leader of Glee Club 4; Senior play 4; Oper-  
etta 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Tennis 4.



FLORENCE MIRIAM DREWS 8 Tacoma St.  
Jefferson Junior Chicago College of  
Osteopathy

*Had I been present at the creation I would have  
given some useful hints for the better ordering  
of the universe.*

Basketball 3, 4; Student Council 4; Treas-  
urer of Senior Class 4; Literary club 3;  
Forum committee 4; Ring committee 4;  
Senior Ball Committee 4; Senior play 4.



DOROTHY H. HOWE Denise Rd.  
Franklin Grammar School No. 6 Business

*Age cannot wither nor custom stale  
Her infinite variety.*

Glee club 1, 2; Operetta 1, 2, 3; Basketball  
1; Witan Staff 4; Frosh party 2, 3, 4; Senior  
Ball committee 4; Charlotte Day committee  
4; Graduation day committee 4; Literary  
Club 3; Senior Annual 4.



HOWARD H. JUSTICE Charlotte Station  
Greece No. 2 College

*Man is but a reed, the weakest in nature,  
But he is a thinking reed.*

Track 1; Picnic committee 1, 2; Baseball  
2, 3, 4; Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Operetta 4; Glee  
Club 3, 4; Reserve Basketball 3; Treas-  
urer of Student Association 4; Ring com-  
mittee 4; Student Council 2; Assistant Glee  
Club Leader 4; Senior Ball Committee 4;  
Senior play 4.



JOHN C. KARL 31 Pollard Ave.  
No. 38 College

*Our John's a salad, for in him we see  
Oil, vinegar, sugar and saltiness agree.*

Student Council 4; Vice-president Senior  
Class 4; Witan Staff 4; Senior Annual 4;  
Frosh Party 4; Charlotte Day committee 4;  
Debate Team 4; Soccer Manager 4; Motto  
Committee 4.



D. AVERY LANDON                      406 Flower City Pk.  
Jefferson Junior                      University of Rochester  
Albany Law School

*But there are wanderers o'er eternity  
Whose bark drives on and on  
And anchored ne'er shall be.*

Student Council 2, 3; Secretary of Student Association 3; Operetta 2, 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Swimming Manager 2, 3; Debate Team 4; Class poet 4; Reserve Basketball 4.



JOSEPH R. PICKENS                      Latta Road  
Greece No. 2                      College

*Altho I am a pious man  
I am not the less a man.*

Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Fire prevention committee 3; Graduation day committee 4.



MILTON B. PUNNETT                      446 Seneca Parkway  
No. 7                      Pratt Institute, New York

*Art is long and time is fleeting.*

Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Basketball Captain 4; Operetta 3, 4; Senior Ball Committee 4; Senior Play 4; President Student Association 4; Safety and Order Committee 4; Graduation Day Committee 4; Witan Staff 3, 4; Art Editor of Aurora 3; Senior Annual 4.



J. CARLTON RICHENS                      Dewey Ave. Station  
Greece No. 15                      Undecided

*I dare do all that may become a man  
Who dares do more is none.*

Presentation Committee 4; Stage Manager of Senior Play 4.



RUTH E. RICKMAN Charlotte Sta.  
Greece No. 2 Mechanics Institute  
*Few things are impossible to diligence and skill.*  
Glee Club 1; Class Gift Committee 4; Safety  
Committee 4; Senior Ball Committee 4.



RUTH ESTHER SAGE 72 Alpha St.  
Holy Cross Homeopathic Hospital  
*We know what we are, but know not what we  
may be.*  
Literary Society 3; Witan Staff 4; Recorder  
of Beta Phi 4; Class Prophet 4.



ERMA E. SHAW 27 Meridan Street  
No. 38 Business  
*That which ordinary men are fit for, I am quali-  
fied in; and the best of me is diligence.*  
Witan Staff 4; Class Historian 4; Gradua-  
tion day Committee 4; Thrift Committee 4;  
Business Manager of Senior Play 4.



EDITH S. SOUCIE 26 Petten Street  
No. 38 Rochester Business Institute  
*The Sunshine girl.*  
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Operetta 1, 2, 3; Senior  
Ball Committee 4; Ring Committee 4; Senior  
Play.



OPAL K. TRAVIS

No. 38

*Oh, I could play the woman with my eyes  
And braggart with my tongue.*

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Operetta 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Basketball 2, 3, 4; Class Motto Committee  
4; Senior Ball Committee 4; Senior Play 4.



GILBERTA WESTFALL

No. 38

*A still, small voice.*

Presentation committee 4.

32 Strohm St.

Undecided



WILBUR C. WIGNALL

Dist. No. 11

*I love it, I love it, and who shall dare  
To chide me for loving that old arm chair.*

Orchestra 1, 2; Reserve Soccer 2; Reserve  
Basketball 2; Swimming 3, 4; Frosh party  
3; Senior Ball Committee 4; Senior Play  
Committee 4; Operetta 4; Senior Play 4.

40 Riverside St.

Buffalo University

## Class History

Prehistoric Picture of the Class of January, 1924



*Can You Recognize Five Members of the Class in this Group?*

In January 1921 Charlotte High opened its doors to a class whose hidden knowledge and ability has been brought out during its high school life.

The first real event in our new career (and every one of us remembers it well) was the Frosh party given in October of the following term. Of course, we may have looked green as all freshmen do.

That grand October evening was very exciting. How well we remember the quinine solution so graciously administered by the Honorable William Wegman, an upper classman. I think that the merchants of Charlotte must have had to order a new shipment of *whole* barrels after that evening. On the whole, though, the evening was enjoyed by every freshman regardless of his treatment. But deep in our hearts we nursed the black hope that the day

would soon come when we could pass on to some poor freshman the hard knowledge which we had acquired on that evening.

The freshman basketball team could never have had such a successful year if it had not been for the untiring Howard Justice who played as guard. While Howard was so busy with basketball the girls helped to form a Captain-ball team. Jefferson Junior was the only school with which games were arranged.

Soon we were promoted to sophomores. What a grand and glorious feeling! From that time to now we, as a class, have shown our ability in the various lines of school activities.

The operettas called for a number of the members of this class to act on the cast as major and minor characters. Norman Coons played one of the leading



*Our Class in June 1921*

parts, that of John Bender in the "Belles of Beaujolais" given in 1922 and as that of Captain Corcoran in "All At Sea" given in 1923. Ernest Doty played a leading part in '22 and proved to be the usual good entertainer. He has also rendered vocal solos in a number of our assemblies.

The "Witan" which was introduced in C. H. S. about two years ago has been well supported by the members of the '24 class, both by contributions and staff work. Ten of us have held executive positions on the staff. Mary Castle and Norman Coons won the prizes offered by the Witan in the Story Contest last year.

Everyone knows Charlotte High because of her good work in athletics. "Milt" Punnett who was the "oldest inhabitant" of the class of '23 suddenly decided to graduate with a good class so, of course, he waited for us. We are proud that we have such a good athlete. He is now captain of the basketball team. Another one of our number, Ernest Doty, stands out for his good work in athletics. He may be small but when it comes to basketball he's right there. Howard Justice,

who made a good showing on the freshman basketball team, has also done his part on the soccer and baseball teams. Without these men, where would Charlotte be? John Karl, as manager, led the soccer team through its most successful season last term.

During the January '23 term there was a Gymnastic Efficiency Contest open to the girls of the school. Mary Castle, our class president, was awarded the cup as the girl having the most points.

Last year when Shop School challenged us to a debate, Don Landon and John Karl represented the class of '24. As two of the three speakers they won the day for Charlotte. This was another victory over an old rival in a new field.

When we became Seniors it was with great pride that we took up our responsibilities. When Students' Association called for officers, Milton Punnett, our popular athlete, was the choice for president. Realizing our duties and responsibilities as leaders, the class met on October 29 to elect its officers. Mary Castle was elected president; John Karl, vice-president; John Burns, secretary and Florence Drews,

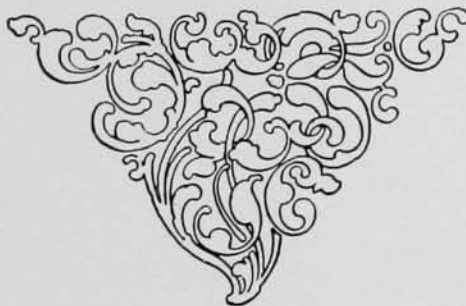
treasurer. On November 5 the committees and Senior Annual Staff were appointed. It was then that things began to hum. Everyone could see how busy the seniors were.

On December 26, the Senior ball proved to be one of the most enjoyable occasions of our entire career. The hall was most tastefully decorated and was indeed a credit to the committee in charge.

The music was furnished by Baman's orchestra.

We have done our best to promote the spirit of good feeling and co-operation in the school and to bring the school standards to their best. We sincerely hope that our successors will imitate our course with equal enthusiasm and success.

ERMA SHAW, *Class historian*



## Snapshots



Flossie and  
Little Eva



King of the  
Swat

After the Frosh Initiation--



Smile, Smile--all the while.



Little castles  
Hellen + Mary



Puzzles--WACRE'S THE MAN?



"Fatty"



The fighting Irish



Eppie the vamp



Shut my mouth



Bashful(?)



Ain't Jim Cute



Fencing

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## Anno Domini 1934

How hard to teach when one's mind is far from the unruly pupils! Would the day never end? Ten years ago to-day I was graduated from dear old Charlotte High, hoping to return there some day to teach. But alas! Here I am in a western city with only one life-long friend, Florence Arlidge, head nurse of the city hospital, near me.

The school day finally ended. Then at my boarding house—

"Telephone, Miss Sage."

It was Florence Arlidge, all excited about a great magician who was to give a performance at the city hall that evening—

"And Sagie—he is one of our school friends!"

"Who?"

"Joseph Pickens, and they say he's got the Thurston of our school days beat a mile."

We decided to go. Perhaps we would learn something of our old friends. At least, we would see Joe.

Although we arrived early, hoping to see this man of extraordinary ability and talent before the performance, crowds even then were filing in, so we took front seats. Perhaps we might obtain a glance of recognition from this notable personage.

Amidst loud clapping in walked Mr. Pickens, not the Joseph Pickens of our days, but a tall thin man wearing a long black wig curled in judicial style.

Florence nudged me, and like the Florence of old days giggled, "He's looking at us."

Indeed, he was smiling directly at us and speaking.

"My friends, there are two here tonight whose interest is not particularly in my work or in me but in the fate of the January 1924 graduation class of the Charlotte High School of Rochester, New York. For their interest and your amusement I shall present as many of the members of this class as time permits, each engaged in the work to which he has been called."

After taking a large opera hat and making certain passes over it, he set it on the floor.

Out stepped Mary Castle, almost unchanged from school days except for a more dignified carriage. She seated herself in a large chair. The stage changed into a most magnificent room. I recalled a picture of the Conference Chamber of the Hague. That was it. A number of men appeared in the room, from where I do not know, and seated themselves in

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company with Mary, around a large table—

A VOICE—"Miss Castle is Chairman of the Board of Arbitration, in which all European quarrels are settled."

As the scene faded, Florence whispered, "Sagie, all except Mary were men. Do you suppose she hates them all, as much as ever?"

Before I could answer, another scene appeared quickly, then others in rapid succession:

In the pulpit of the Cathedral of York, England, stood John Karl preaching—and still following his youthful practice of not using notes.



Next, a court room in Paris with Norman Coons just finishing a case in a suit for divorce for two rich Americans.

The rest of the scenes were in surroundings more familiar:

An extensive green-house on Ridge Road, with Carlton Richens bending over a large, red rose, above which hung the sign, the "*Fadeless Opal Rose*."

Then, a large study in an apartment in New York with Florence Drews leaning comfortably back in her chair evidently dictating to her secretary, Dorothy Howe—

VOICE—"Florence Drews is the greatest novelist of the day."

So that week Florence had had in New York had been spent in looking for a studio! Now we knew!



The scene then shifted to the stage of the Eastman Theatre with Erma Shaw,

the greatest ballet-dancer of the day, the sole entertainer of the evening. Joe told us afterwards that Erma was making her first American appearance in five years. Evidently her fame has become international.

I stared excitedly. Congress in action! What boy had reached that goal? Ruth Rickman stepped forward with a paper in her hand. In large letters on the top were the words, "APPROPRIATIONS FOR BEAUTIFYING THE BANKS OF THE GENESEE." At last Miss Abbott was to have her desire fulfilled.

Then a short, light-haired man with the stern features of Don Landon, boarding a steamer of the White Star Line. I obtained a glance at his passport. It was for Russia. Why was he going there? I learned that later in the evening.

An artist's studio in New York was the greatest surprise to me for there stood Astrid Anderson modeling a statue, while Opal Travis posed as "Innocence."

The last picture of the series showed Romeo and Juliet being played at the Lyceum Theatre. The role of Juliet was taken by Edith Soucie while Ernest Doty starred as Romeo. No longer need Charlotte High lament over a lame Romeo!



All faded and the great magician stepped forward.

"I have given all the time to this I may but I will answer questions in the anteroom at the close of the performance."

Meeting Joe afterward and hungering for more news we asked question after question.

"Why was Don going to Russia?"

"His love of argument has caused him some trouble. He's on his way to Russia to help establish a new government. Of

course if he has to obey it, he won't stay there long."

"Tell us about all the rest of the crowd."

"Well, Helen Bacon is chief buyer for Wanamaker's in New York. She is at present in Paris buying the summer goods."

"Milton Punnett is the greatest magazine illustrator we have in the United States. He can be as slow at his work now as he wants to, for he knows his services are indispensable."

"And Miriam Cleary?" Florence asked.

"Well, Miriam has taken to doing missionary work. Her love for gum has led to a spreading of it among the cannibals of the South Sea Islands."



"Not a real missionary!" we gasped.

"Well, chief saleswoman for the Beechnut Chewing Gum Company."

"Where's Howard?"

"Oh, I mustn't forget Howard Justice. Why, he's the most popular coach Harvard has ever had. Last year, during the football season, they lost but one game. I guess that speaks for itself."

"And Wilbur Wignall?"

"He's head of the Efficiency Department of Kodak Park. The spare moments spent there during the summer vacations gave him the opportunity of learning just what improvements were needed."

"Don't forget John Burns."

"Oh, no danger. John opposed Gilberta Westfall in the election for mayor of Rochester. As Gilberta won on the platform of the Blue Sunday Laws, John turned his attention to educating the people through the movies. His series of pictures entitled, 'HOW THE COMMERCIAL COURSE HAS HELPED ME' has made his name famous."

Joe had to take the midnight flyer for Denver, so our visit was necessarily cut short.

"Well, apparently," remarked Florence as she left me at my door, "each member of the class has been living up to our motto, 'Labor Omnia Vincit.'"

RUTH SAGE, *Class Prophet.*



## Class Will

We, the class of January, 1924, of the City of Rochester, the County of Monroe and the State of New York, being of sound and disposing mind and memory and considering our all-too imminent departure from this, our high school, do make, publish, and declare this to be our Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other wills by us made:

First: It is our desire that all our just debts such as the publication of our senior annual and all other graduation expenses be paid by our Executor as soon after our departure as possible.

Second: To all of our schoolmates we leave our greatest hopes of a new institute of knowledge so equipped as to help them the more easily to become illustrious and flourishing citizens of our country.

Third: To the men of the faculty club we bequeath a secluded spot where they may convene without fear of interruption.

Fourth: To our beloved faculty we leave Miss Lansdale's study hall for all future faculty meetings, equipped with an alarm clock set to ring at four o'clock to show at what time said meetings are to end.

Fifth: In a spirit of deep appreciation for his kindly guidance and patience, we bequeath to Mr. Butterfield two years of freedom from a certain worn out joke which it is unnecessary to mention here as it has been sprung fifteen thousand five hundred and one times in our brief four years' memory. For two years no reference will be made to the subject in any regular school gatherings, in assemblies, on place cards at banquets or in any other form whatsoever. Also we leave him absolute quiet or as near absolute quiet in his office as is consistent with the presence of Leo Sampson to whom we leave the chair in our Principal's office so long occupied by Norman Coons.

Sixth: To Mr. Chamberlain and Miss Mattern we will a new set of apparatus for the gym to include: Dumbbells (in the form of frosh) Wands ("Vic" Carr and

Nelson Ahrns), Weights ("Walt" Sexton and Frank Siddons).

Seventh: To Mr. Lee we leave John Karl's belt to remind him of the fact that suspenders are out of style.

Eighth: To Miss Landsdale we leave a machine namely The Noise Absorber invented by our classmate Florence Arledge. May the remainder of Miss Landsdale's days at Charlotte be spent in tranquility.

Ninth: To the Latin Classes we bequeath the clocks in this building useful chiefly as instruments to show at what time the said instrument ceased to go.

Tenth: To the members of room seven who have hitherto had the exclusive right to stand erect at past assemblies we bequeath the right to occupy what remains of the front seats during handy and uninteresting assemblies.

Eleventh: To Florence Landon we leave the undisputed right to keep Miss Crouch company in the tardy room every night as "Milt" Punnett is leaving.

Twelfth: To those camouflaging time killers such as Laura Karl, Eleanor Worth, and Helen Paine with nothing to do, we give the locker rooms providing they don't get caught.

Thirteenth: To "Hike" Parmele we give the privilege of making an address before assembled students of Charlotte every Thursday providing that he choose a different topic each time or if subjects fail him he shall constitute himself assistant director of music to relieve Miss Spaulding of her tasks.

Fourteenth: To Pauline Pitcher we give the exclusive right to ask all questions either pertaining to or not pertaining to the subject under discussion.

Fifteenth: To others who are to take up their duties as our successors in this unexcelled institute of learning after due consideration and meditation we do bequeath:

1. To "Dick" Smith a year's subscription to the "Vogue."

2. To "Walt" Sexton a stern expression and dignity of manner such as becomes his advancing years.

3. To "General" Howe the privilege of walking to school with Lois Speares each morning in the absence of our friend "Guddy" Speares.

4. To "Red" Keeler a free scholarship to the International Correspondence School of dancing. When not engaged in the strenuous pursuit of this art, he may shoot one monkey-faced owl each pheasant season.

5. To "Charlie Mac" a copy of Miss Riley's speech on how to study.

6. To Frank Siddons a pair of field glasses to enable him to see facts clearly.

7. To Harry Tarrant a copy of Mr. Lee's essay on silence.

8. To John Maher, Norman Coons' good intentions.

9. To "Cille" Bailey, Mary Castle's gum.

10. To the class of June 1924 all of our failures.

11. To the class of 2000 Gordon Howe.

12. To "Jim" Hughey a new radiator for his Ford.

13. To John Donoghue a copy of Burton's rhyming dictionary.

Sixteenth: We give and bequeath last but not least unto the school in general, with deep regret and best wishes for the future, our excellent class advisors Miss Sharer and Mr. Chamberlain, trusting that they will find some other wanderers in the hall of learning in need of kind guidance and trusting also that they may be as deeply appreciated and as sincerely admired by all those who come after us as they have been by the class of January '24.

We hereby appoint the class of June '24 to be the executor of this, our Last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof we subscribe our name and affix our seal the eighteenth day of January, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand, Nine hundred and twenty-four.

Class of January 1924,

ASTRID ANDERSON, *testator*.

Witness:

John C. Karl, Vice-President,

John Burns, Secretary.



# WHAT WE THINK OF EACH OTHER

Result of vote taken at the regular senior meeting

January 7, 1924

	Hardest Worker	Biggest Gifter	Greatest Giggler	Most Studious	Best Looking	Biggest Bluffer	Worst Nuisance	Most Popular	Most Indispensable	The Wittiest	Best Dresser	Most Energetic	Best Natured	Best Athlete	Nerriest	Most Forgetful	Hardest Knockor	Laziest	Biggest Flirt
Anderson, Astrid .....	1				8			5		12									1
Arlidge, Florence .....		2	5					2		7		2	7			3			1
Bacon, Helen .....	1											2					5		2
Burns, John .....	1				1				3				2						
Castle, Mary .....	8			1				2	8	1		6		3					
Cleary, Miriam .....							1	1		2						1		1	3
Coons, Norman .....		1				8	4			1						4		4	
Doty, Ernest .....		4			1			1			3	1	3	1		2		5	
Drews, Florence .....				1											5		6		
Howe, Dorothy .....					1		3				3						1		2
Justice, Howard .....							1		1	2		3	1	2					
Karl, John C. ....	4						2					1			3	1	3		
Landon, Don .....		8				6				4					8	2			
Pickens, Joseph .....								1				1			1			1	
Punnett, Milton .....	3							5	6					11		3			
Richens, Carlton .....				15															1
Rickman, Ruth .....										1							3		
Sage, Ruth .....		2	13			4	4								1				
Shaw, Erma .....				1								1	1			2			
Soucie, Edith .....					5								1						2
Travis, Opal .....							1												6
Westfall, Gilberta .....		1			1								2					1	
Wignall, Wilbur .....					1		2	1				1	1	1				6	
Total number of votes cast .....																			18

## Auto-Hiking

"We walk a mile, we rest awhile, we're 997 miles from home." So sang Bill Bacon who, with his chum Jim Miller, was taking an auto-hiking trip to Chicago.

"What do I see, is it a ride that is approaching upon the western horizon? Hail him, quick! Bill," said Jim.

Bill motioned with his hand and at the same time shouted, "Give us a lift!"

The car, amid a squeaking of tires and brakebands, came to a stop and a cheery, "Climb in, boys," invited them to an easier method of traveling than walking.

The boys slipped their packs off their backs and took a seat in the car, arranged themselves comfortably, so that they could see everything there was to be seen, and were off once more.

This is only one example of how hundreds of boys are satisfying that travel lust that grips them at a certain age.

Auto-hiking is a delightful means of traveling. By auto-hiking I mean, traveling by means of getting rides in automobiles, whose drivers are kind enough to stop and give you a lift when you ask. It is a delightful means of traveling for there are few worries and few expenses to detract from your enjoyment, and there are plenty of adventures that are not met in other modes of travel.

Rides are very plentiful. Almost everyone that has the room will give you a ride, some are even glad to have your companionship. Some of these rides are long and some short, some cars go fast and some slow, some are careful drivers others are daring. You take your chance, for you have no choice.

It is seldom you have to walk far, not even ten out of a thousand miles would have to be covered in this manner. In some places people will not stop so readily as in others, as in towns and at the foot of hills, so it is to your advantage to walk if you happen to be in one of these places.

Rides are sometimes obtained with very amusing people. This only tends to make the trip more enjoyable. For example you might get a ride with an old colored fellow in an ancient Lizzie, who had only fifty cents, five extra gallons of gasoline, a wife in Pittsburgh and another in Chicago, who was on his way to Pittsburgh from Chicago because his Chicago wife had run away. He tells you he wouldn't have picked you up only he joined the Masons here awhile back and learned what true brotherhood is. You would laugh all the way from Toledo to Cleveland if that's where he carried you.

In this mode of travel, you often run across newlyweds and even they will pick you up, and you will spend another hundred miles or so amused by them and their actions. The thing I could never figure out was why they would give anyone a ride. I should think a man just entering the state of matrimony had plenty of trouble already.

Then there is the fun of telling of your adventures to the kind person who gives you a ride. This is indeed a pleasure and of course each time it is told, like small town gossip, it becomes more thrilling and wonderful.

Although automobiles will stand almost unlimited abuse, even nowadays they are not trouble-proof. That's one more reason why it is advisable to do your traveling on someone's else back seat. When his car breaks down, you see if you can help him. If you can't, you leave him in the hands of some understudy of Jesse James, who is armed to the teeth with a garage bill, while you step out and hail the next car that happens along and continue your search for new sights without further delay. It seems cruel, but it is unavoidable.

Sending post cards home (and other places) occupies about half of your time and consumes about half of your money. No auto-hiker's equipment is complete without either pen or pencil to write postal cards. Even if he should have to

sacrifice his tooth-brush, the pen or pencil should be carried.

Night, like the tide, has never failed to close in upon us and almost as regularly, the traveler begins to look for a spot to spend the night as soon as it grows dusk. With the coming of darkness the auto-hiker can feel assured that his day's travels are over, for the few who travel in the night are too suspicious and afraid to offer rides to strangers, and they are not to be blamed.

With his means of traveling cut off the auto-hiker's thoughts then turn toward a shelter for the night. Your shelter is generally carried in the pack upon your back in the form of a tent of the "dog" or shelter type. Then comes the question of where to pitch the tent. This, like a great many things, nowadays is already taken care of for you, as there are hundreds upon hundreds of free camping sites, which, as the signs read, are kept by Chambers of Commerce, States, Cities, Counties, villages, gasoline stations and country grocery stores. These sites are generally excellent places to spend the night for they are kept very neat and fire wood and other supplies are furnished free. An attendant is also given free so you can spend a pleasant evening trying to think up a bigger yarn than he can, and about

midnight you will decide it is impossible and go to bed. These attendants you will find can tell you almost anything including wrong directions.

But even the auto-hiker, with his enjoyable means of travel, tires of the continued new sights and longs to see the old home town once more and eagerly counts the miles of his return journey. As he begins occasionally to catch sight of some familiar object his heart quickens and he realizes that he is nearing home. Home, they say, is dearest when farthest away, but it is a mighty dear place to see after a vacation of sleeping on rocks, thistles and the hard old Earth, and after eating a collection of restaurant and camp meals. Mother has been warned in her last letters that her wandering boy is on his way to invade her pantry and she has stocked her shelves till they are sagging under the strain.

After the home coming, comes the best part of the trip, the recalling and telling and retelling the incidents of your trip. It is most strange how quickly the unpleasant side of the trip vanishes and how the good side lingers. I believe you convince yourself that you have had a good time by telling others that you did.

MILTON B. PUNNETT.





## Soccer Team



*Top row*—Milton B. Punnett, John C. Karl, Arthur McLaughlin, Gordon Howe, Mr. Chamberlain, Willis Henry.

*Second row*—James Hughey, Charles McLaughlin, Gordon Speares, Victor Carr, Edward K. Halbleib.

*Bottom row*—Charles Keeler, Fred Newcomb, Jack Vaughan, John Lewis, Thomas Gaffney.

## Soccer

From the first day of practice Charlotte's Soccer squad looked like a winner. Gordon Speares and Charlie McLaughlin, the two fullbacks of last year's squad showed that they were better than ever. Punnett was changed from his old position at wing, to center halfback. This change made an almost impenetrable defense. Newcomb and Keeler were chosen to fill the other two halfback positions, with Art McLaughlin in goal.

It was evident that a forward line must be developed. Hughey was put at center forward. It proved to be a good choice because "Jim" was the highest scorer in the league. Vaughan and Lewis, of last year's squad were given the wing position while Henry and Gaffney completed the line. Fickett, Howe, Halbleib and Carr were held in reserve.

On the *Herald* first team, Captain Speares was selected for fullback, with Art McLaughlin, Charles McLaughlin, Hughey, Vaughan and Punnett being chosen from their respective positions on the second team.

The *Democrat* selected Speares for the first team and C. McLaughlin and Vaughan on the second team.

On the *Times* teams, Captain Speares was awarded a first team berth and Charlie McLaughlin a second team job.

The *Journal* also placed Speares and Charles McLaughlin in its first and second teams respectively.

Charlotte attempted this year something that has never before been attempted. They decided to take a three day trip to Syracuse playing Manlius on Friday afternoon and the Syracuse University Freshmen on the following morning. The trip was a success, our boys winning both games.

### SEASON'S SUMMARY

Charlotte 3	Kodak	1
Charlotte 6	Lima	2
Charlotte 3	Canandaigua	4
Charlotte 0	East High	2
Charlotte 3	Shop School	0
Charlotte 2	West High	2
Charlotte 1	Lima	0
Charlotte 2	Canandaigua	0
Charlotte 0	East High	5
Charlotte 1	Shop School	1
Charlotte 3	West High	2
Charlotte 2	Manlius	0
Charlotte 3	Syracuse Frosh	2
Charlotte 8	Manlius	2

Won 9

Tied 2

Lost 3

The season was closed with a banquet given by the Chi Delta Chi girls in the dining room of the school. Mr. Butterfield was toastmaster, and toasts were responded to by "Guddy" Speares, Mr. Bird, Mr. Chamberlain, "Jim" Hughey and "Red" Maher. Everyone enjoyed this treat.

As is traditional the election was held for next year. Arthur McLaughlin was chosen captain, and "Owl" Keeler assistant captain for our 1924 eleven. The dinner was followed by dancing in the gym which was enjoyed by everyone especially the newly-elected vice-captain.

This team was the best soccer team that has ever played for C. H. S. They were gentlemen every minute of the game. They put everything they had into the game and they exhausted every fair way to win. What more could they do, and what more could we expect?

JOHN C. KARL.

## Basketball Team



*Standing*—Robert Decker, *Manager*, Gordon Howe, Victor Carr,  
Mr. Chamberlain, *Coach*.

*Seated*—Ernest Doty, Arthur McLaughlin, Willis Henry, Milton Punnett, *Captain*,  
Thomas Gaffney.

## Basketball

Basketball got off to a flying start this season. Our team looks good, and has plenty of ability. They have won five games and lost but one at this writing. This is a very fair start.

The season opened on November 30th, against Webster High School, our traditional opponents on opening night. The game was a good workout for our boys, who won handily, 39 to 9. Webster was able to score but two field goals during the entire game, and these were of the "steve" variety in the closing minutes.

The second game with Phelps Academy, proved to be another walk-away for the Green and White. Phelps was able to garner but one field goal in the forty minutes of play. We won, 54 to 7.

The Shop School game showed more action. Our Technical rivals were out to show us that they could play basketball, too. They were not quite good enough, however, for we won, 26 to 15.

The return game with Webster was hard fought and furious. The narrow Webster court bothered our boys considerably, and many fouls were called. Again we won, 32 to 14, in spite of the fact that we were forced to play the closing minutes of the game with four men, as the rest of the players were sent ahead to catch the last train out of town.

We struck a snag at Lyons. Unde-

feated up to this time, our fellows evidently under-rated the Lyons club. We were defeated 25 to 18, in a game that the Lyons supporters called "thrilling." We, ourselves, got the biggest thrill in the dressing room after the game—Ask the referee, the Lyons coach, Mr. Chamberlain, or "Patsy" Rotundo.

Against our Alumni, on January 4th, the team pulled a great "come-back," and for the first time since 1918, and the second time ever, we trimmed our "old grads," 28 to 18.

The basketball team looks good, very good. With such players as, Captain Punnett, Doty, Howe, Cronin, Gaffney, McLaughlin, Henry, Carr and Lewis, we look forward to the balance of the season with anticipation of many victories.

One thing that is lacking so far, is the whole-hearted support of the student body. A few loyal backers are out to every game, rain or shine, but by far the larger part of our spectators consists of students of the other high schools, parents, and people at large. This is too bad! We admittedly have a team that should even better the record of last year's championship aggregation. **TURN OUT AND SUPPORT THE TEAM**, and show the folks uptown that the good old **CHARLOTTE SPIRIT** is still very much alive!

ERNEST DOTY.

## Girls' Basketball



*Top row*—Florence Drews, Lucille Bailey, Helen Moore.

*Middle row*—Dorothy Lascell, Thelma Lascell, Edna Schwucho, Miss Mattern.

*Bottom row*—Dorothy Burghart, Hellen Castle, Mary Castle, Opal Travis,  
Norma Swigert.

## Student Council



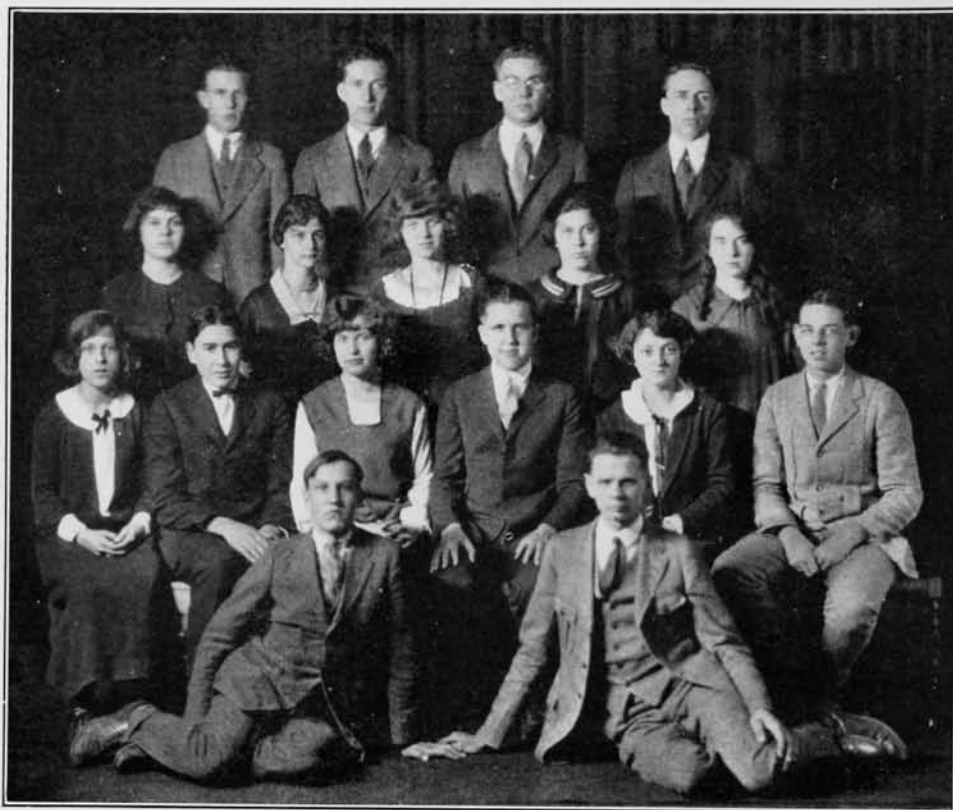
*Top row*—Mr. Lee, Hiram Parmele, Robert Critchell, John Lewis.

*Second row*—Mr. Chamberlain, James Hughey, Gordon Howe, Mr. Butterfield,  
John Karl.

*Third row*—Miss Sharer, Florence Drews, Howard Justice, Milton Punnett,  
Mary Castle, Helen Moore.

*Bottom row*—Hellen Castle, Berenice Trowbridge.

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