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Christmas Greetings

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An individual's conception of the meaning of the Christmas season grows as his years increase. To the infant of pre-school age the idea suggested is that of a holiday which always means gustatory satisfaction, in this case with the added significance of profiting immensely at the hands of a well-beloved and philanthropic old elf. To the elementary school pupil it means further, a vacation, an occasion never lightly to be regarded. But as we acquire age, insight, and wisdom, we find in it a particular opportunity to make those about us happy.

Now, if we are to believe those who should know, in this idea of service is to be found the germ of a new era which is to come in this old world—an era which will rescue our hard-won civilization from present dangers. This is an appropriate Christmas theme applying, however formal and artificial our observance of Christmas may be, and following the precept and example of Him who gave a name to the day.

As the successive New Years with increasing rapidity confront us, let us resolve to regard the talents we possess as a trust, to be neither buried nor abused, but to be cultivated through the opportunities opened to us and then to be used unsparingly in making more satisfactory and complete the lives of those whom we affect.

R. L. BUTTERFIELD



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Harold Snyder 50 Wren Street Jefferson Jr. High Business

Harold is a busy lad, Always gay, and never sad.

Class President 4; Forum Committee 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Hi-Y 3, 4; Music Committee 1, 2, 3, 4; Soccer 2. 3; Student Council 3, 4; Witan Staff 3.

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The "handy man" of the class is Art, In all the activities he takes part.

Athletic Committee 3; Baseball 1, 3, (Reserve) 3; Basketball 1; Candy Committee 4; Class Vice-President 3, 4; Safety and Order Committee 3, 4; Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain 1, 3, 4); Student Council 3, 4; Swimming 1, 2, 3; Thrift Committee 3; Track 2, 3, 4 Witan Staff 4; Wrestling 2, 3, 4 (Captain 2).

Lois McCone 265 Bidwell Terrace Jefferson Junior High Business

Lois is the class red-head, Without her we would be quite dead.

Book Exchange Committee 3, 4; Class Secretary 4; Senior Play 4; Social Committee 4; Student Council (Trensurer) 4; Swimming 3; Thrift Committee 2, 3; Witan Staff 4.





Harold Benham 125 Hermitage Rd.
West High University of Virginia
Laughing, angry, bluffing Bus—
If you're wrong he'll make a fuss.
Forum Committee 4; Wrestling 4.

Henry Brown 61 Flower City Pk. Jefferson Jr. University of Rochester

Henry is of a serious mind, A boy like this we're glad to find.

Athletic Committee 2, 3; Book Exchange Committee 2, 3, 4; Freshman Party Committee 2, 3; Hi-Y 3, 4; Student Council 2, 3, 4; Traditions Committee 3.

Mertie Carmichael 257 Alexander St. LeRoy High

Strong Memorial Hospital

She's popular, pretty, Elusive and witty.

Basketball 3; Glee Club 4; Safety and Order Committee 2; Senior Day Committee 4; Senior Party Committee 4; Senior Play 4; Student Council (Secretary) 4; Tri-Y 3, 4.

Clifford Carpenter 239 Bidwell Ter. Jefferson Junior High Undecided

Our modern Long-fellow is he, Although his poems are of the sea.

Basketball (Reserve) 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Hi-Y 2, 3, 4; Music Committee 1, 2, 3, 4; Soccer (Reserve) 2, 4; Swimming 1; Witan Staff 3, 4.

Warren Case 125 Wedgewood Pk. Jefferson Jr. University of Rochester In a hopeless fix is Warren Case When he stands up, the class to face. Hi-Y 4; Tennis 4; Wrestling 2, 3.

Margaret Connor 8 Holmes St. Jefferson Jr. Mechanics Institute

> Maggie, so demure and sweet, Sells the candy that we eat.

Candy Committee 4; Scholarship Committee 4; Senior Play 4; Swimming 3.

Constance Decker 4169 Lake Ave.
No. 38 University of Rochester
Connie's quiet mien would ne'er betray
Romantic tales that in her mind hold
sway.

Candy Committee 4; Class Secretary 1; Glee Club 4; Thrift Committee 3; Tri-Y 3; Witan 4.

Dorothy Doell 209 Ravenwood Ave Jefferson Junior High Business

Who'd think this busy, clever lass Could be the baby of our class?

Class Secretary 3, 4; Guardian of the Flag 4; Publicity Committee 3; Scholarship Committee 2; Student Council (Treasurer) 4; Swimming 3; Thrift Committee 2, 3; Tri-Y 3; Witan Staff 3, 4, (Editor-in-Chief 4).





Hazel Duffy 192 Desmond St. Jefferson Jr. High Brockport Normal Hazel Duffy is small to the eye, But she figures big in the school Tri-Y.

Girls' Banquet Committee 3; Safety and Order Committee 3; Swimming 2; Tri-Y 3, 4 (Secretary 4).

Elizabeth Heinrich 214 Lake Ave.

Monroe High Converse
"Heinie" has the riding habit keen,
Off and on her horse she's often seen.

Basketball 3, 4; Riding 4; Senior
Party Committee 4; Swimming 4.

Irma Holverson 240 Albemarle St. Jefferson Jr. Mechanics Institute

Irma, wisely, her money to save, Went and had a permanent wave.

Candy Committee 4; Glee Club 2, 2 4; Tri-Y 3, 4.

Melvin Howcraft 17 Tacoma St. Jefferson Junior High Eastman School of Music

Melvin of the raven locks Sells our candy by the box.

Candy Committee 4; Glee Club 4; Hi-Y 4.

Frank Hutchinson 25 Hanford Landing Road

No. 42 Business

A very patient boy is Frank His Ford he always has to crank.

Freshman Party Committee 4; Glee Club 3, 4; Senior Party Committee 4; Senior Play 3; Standard Bearer 4; Tennis 4; Witan Poetry Contest Winner 4.

Pearl Jones 32 Chalford Rd.

Mynderse Academy
Highland Hospital

Pearl, the tall and stately beauty,
Never fails to do her duty.

Glee Club 4; Tri-Y 3, 4.

Karl Kapell Stone Road Jefferson Junior High Business

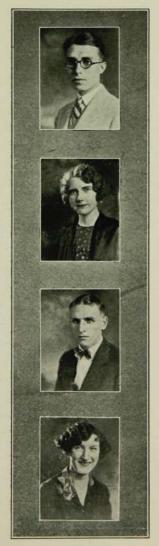
"Kap" Kapell (so they say) Does his lessons every day.

Hi-Y 3, 4; Safety and Order Committee 2; Senior Play 4; Soccer 3, 4, (Reserve 2); Track 2, 3; Wrestling 2, 3.

Leona Miller 259 Summitt GrovePk. Jefferson Junior High Business

"Better late than never," Spikie's motto is forever.

Basketball 2, 3; Girls' Athletic Association 3; Riding 3; Swimming 3; Thrift Committee 2, 3; Witan Staff 4.





Eleanor Morse 135 Cameron St.

Jefferson Jr. Mechanics Institute

Little Esh, trying hard to reduce, Soon found out it was no use.

Forum Committee 4; Glee Club Riding 4; Ring Committee 4; Senior Party Committee 4; Tri-Y 4; Thrift Committee 4; Senior Day Committee 4.

Virginia Smith 83 Locust St.

Jefferson Junior High Pennsylvania Academy of Art Virginia, the artist of the class Is quite a deliberate little lass.

Tri-Y 3; Witan 4.

Harold Stienfeldt 436 Ridgeway Ave.

Jefferson Junior Oswego Normal
Seldom before was a full-back seet
Like Bouncer of our own Soccer team.

Baseball 2, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4; Wrestling 2.

Wilhelmina Van Kesteren Charlotte Station

No. 41 Cornell

Your Georgia peach is cried up far and near,

Our Grecian peach is what we boast of here.

Candy Committee 4; Glee Club 2, 4; Publicity Committee 1, 2, 4; Ring Committee 4; Safety and Order Committee 2; Senior Play 4; Swimming 2 3; Thrift Committee 2, 3; Tri-Y 3, 4.

Lena Watson 270 River St.
No. 38 Undecided
Lena has been at Charlotte many

years, Now when she leaves, start she 'd' tears.

Class Secretary 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3 4; Orchestra 2, 3; Senior Party Committee 4; Senior Play 4; String Quartette 2, 3; Tri-Y 3, 4.

Viola Westfall 668 Lewiston Ave. Kodak High Undecided

A quiet lass of manner coy, Pursuit of knowledge is her joy.

Candy Committee 4; Scholarship Committee 3.

Helen Whitney 3231 Lake Ave.

Brockport Public Schrol
Monroe Post Graduate

Helen, we hear, is of no kin
To Whitney of the cotton gin.

Glee Club 1; Publicity Committee 4; Swimming 2; Tri-Y 3, 4; Witan Staff 4.



THE INTELLECTUAL EPOCH

twenty-four, upon our entrance into sausage roast at Sunset Point. Charlotte High School, and will prob-

in January 1928.

class who started in January 1924: went in search of the best adviser a Constance Decker, Helen Whitney and class ever had and we found her right Wilhelmina VanKesteren. Constance in our own home-room, Miss Goff. tells me they didn't have an initiation party. The freshmen met and elected ant role in the school affairs. Arthur Constance Decker, secretary. ligent choice when they made "Billy" hand busy taking down the notes of "Connie" class officers. didn't want to deprive the school of itor-in-Chief, has her hands full makcarry on the school's activities.

High School sent to us quite a large ing the second year this class seemed not they had a good time. to be asleep, for I can't find any record of a single class party.

chose Miss Riley as our class adviser, while "Howie" Frazer, of the IV-1 ing our attention to scholarship only, role of Joseph Billings Junior. "Billy" inson to take a leading role in their Mary. Of course it was a success. play.

longed-for senior term. thing we did, after electing officers,

The Intellectual Epoch began in the was to decide upon our class rings and year of our Lord nineteen hundred pins. This term we held a huge

At last we now are senior "finals." ably come to a close with our exodus We have twenty-six members in our class. Miss Riley, our class adviser, We have three members in our resigned from the faculty and we

Our class has played a very import-Waldner Sexton, president; Wilhel- Newcomb, the Business Manager of mina VanKesteren, vice-president, and the Witan, hurries from place to place Oh, securing advertisements for the magthey knew they had made a very intel- azine. Leona Miller keeps her right We the meeting, while Dorothy Doell, Edall the original members of this class, ing Miss Sharer and Mr. Lee get to so we leave "Kate" Bailey, "Red" Al- work on time. Lois McCone rushes bright and "Duke" Duquette to help over at the last moment with luncheon reviews from the Practice House. Oh, You ask why wasn't I in that orig- yes, I played the piano in the high inal class? Well you see, I stayed school orchestra for several years, back one, two, three___well, it doesn't and what would the boys' quartette do make any difference how many terms. without "Cliff" Carpenter and "Duke" In January 1925, Jefferson Junior Snyder?

On November 12, we had a dancing number of students, increasing our party at Elizabeth Heinrich's home. class to seventy-four members. Dur- Ask the people who went whether or

Now we come to the Senior Play, "Step Lively." Karl Kapell, with his At our first meeting in our junior quick temper "stepped lively" and year we elected class officers and grasped the part of Joseph Billings, We dragged thru that third year, giv- class, with his winning ways, took the with no social functions in view. We VanKesteren, who is very temperalet the seniors borrow Frank Hutch- mental, just fitted the part of Aunt

And now we are ready for the Last September 1926 we started our fourth and last act of our high school The first career-senior day and graduation.

Lena Watson, Class Historian.

JANUARY 1928 CLASS **PROPHECY**

A horrible crash heard all through the station; snatches of conversation no-yes, it was Pearl Jones. and I knew, after a minute of think- afraid I nearly choked her and she ing that there had been an accident. didn't recognize me for a minute, but I rushed forward, eager to be in the when she did, well, she called another way and I was surprised to hear some- nurse and introduced me to her colone bellow, "Eleanor, Eleanor, in the league, Miss Mertie Carmichael, Dr. name of Charlotte High School, go in Benham's favorite nurse. that room and see if you can stop Benham, too. Lena's crying!"

and saw an old classmate of mine - nods, as though we were excused, but Lena Watson. She was laughing and we didn't pay any attention for it crying and it took me several minutes wasn't every day we met such a celebto secure the information that she had rity. been in the wreck. She was on her way to visit her old home after an started to walk in the direction of absence of several years, during which Sibley's store, when I heard a very time she had been teaching little sav- undignified, "Hey, Esh, want a ride?" ages to stop eating peas with a knife.

person who had asked my help, so she's a dealer, now. very gently, came in and then I recog- from the ___er__ranks_of Fords. nized in the guise of a plain clothes Before she let me out I had ordered a man no less a personage than Harold red roadster. Beware, she's a wicked Stienfeldt, our old "Bouncer." Direct- saleswoman. ly behind him stood another person, served on the Candy Committee? merely an everyday sort of person, I walked through Sibley's to the except that he did look more intelli- grocery department and was just gent. He started to recite poetry, starting to leave without the pastry something about the beauty of the re- I absolutely needed for my tea-room flecting moon on the water as the yawl (rush order), when an exceedingly skimmed by. It sounded very famil- important looking person rushed up iar to me and evidently to the others, and said, "See here, Eleanor, if you for we all spoke at once, "Clifford don't let me help you, I'll lose my Carpenter, have you been hurt?"

They shouldn't have worried, however, for Cliff must recite poetry when ing here?" he is inspired and everyone excuses him because of his genius.

Another interruption:

room? There are some patients we find a new frock. I had heard of a should like to bring in here." This clever new shop-Mile. Lois-and I from a nurse.

I looked again at the nurse-yes-

Harold Benham came in at that I went into the room he pointed out moment and gave us the coolest of

Finally when I left the station, I

It was Billie Van Kesteren in a Just as Lena stopped her antics, the wonderful LaSalle roadster. It seems She has risen Remember when she

job."

"Harold Snyder, what are you do-

Harold, it seems, is very successful in the handling of groceries.

After leaving the store I walked up "Would you mind clearing the East Avenue where I thought I might was very anxious to visit it.

A page opened the door for me. I Nothing seems to make her nervous, make a stumbling exit when someone the air over every cup of tea. desired to know if she could assist me. Irma had to leave immediately after until she called the business head. Re-Virginia is always so busy, member Dot Doell? Well, she was it. I met Constance at her "Little"

to a special service at the beautiful Arthur's specialty is sweaters, and the new church designed by Henry Brown, more the merrier. a well-known architect. I was sur-

such people).

eanor Morse. Of course, I was, I al- It was Karl Kapell. ways was, and I still am. I recog-Carolina.

dinner but I took her to my own tea- I looked at my program-Youth room and perhaps you think she danced by Hazel Duffy; Age interpwasn't delighted to see my partners, reted by Margaret Connor. Viola Westfall and Leona Miller. Viola has a wonderful business head.

felt very insignificant in the beauty or upset her even temperament. Leof the interior and was just going to ona, however, is always flying into

Oh, but yes, they had all types of cinner, so I decided to meet Constance dresses. Madame would be delighted. Decker and go to the beautiful new Just then the important personage theatre lately completed by the wellturned into a red haired, clinging per- known contractor, Warren Case. Warson. You see it was Lois McCone, ren even persuaded Virginia Smith to and she was Mlle. Lois. I congratu- paint one of her marvelous pictures lated her and she told me to save for one of his beautiful wall spaces. just fifty per cent of my felicitations Warren must be very persuasive, for

We talked and talked, as women Men's Shop," which she owns in partwill, and we made arrangements to go nership with Arthur Newcomb.

After the theatre we went around prised at that but then they told me to the stage entrance to congratulate that Frank Hutchinson was the min- Helen Whitney on her successful porister and Melvin Howcraft was the trayal of "Juliet" in the play "Step organist. (It is wonderful to meet Lively." She is a brilliant actress. While we were talking to her a news-After I left the shop I was walking paper reporter asked for an interview along, when some woman came up to with her at her earliest convenience. me and wanted to know if I was El- Three guesses, who was the reporter.

We all invited him to supper and nized the speaker immediately. She we arrived at a fascingting little was Irma Holverson. It seems that place just in time for a ballet named she has a wonderful stable down "The Persual of Youth." It was very South, somewhere, and is training one lovely. From the shadows came the horse for the Kentucky Derby. She figures, swaying as if caught by a told me that Elizabeth Heinrich was breeze. Then another figure, old and teaching riding to some stupid girls bent, hurried from the shadows, at some finishing school in North clutched at Youth who skillfully evaded. Suddenly a darkness-then a Irma and I invited each other to soft light, and Age stood all alone.

Eleanor Morse, Class Prophet.



TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Bigh Brhool, Borhester, New Hork, United States of America, being of sound mind and body, do hereby make our Cast Mill and Cestament:

our sincere thanks for the help he has the Book Evchange so that it will not given to us in our four odd years of be lost. high school.

was our class adviser for but one Soccer team, but in his place we leave term, we leave our appreciation for the well known heavyweight, Paul her help in our class affairs.

Third: To the paper borrowers of object to the use of the paper for their advise them wisely. classes. Wendell Fishbaugh has been Eleventh: In order that "Howie" appointed to see that each student Fraser's experience as campaign mangets his share of the paper.

a few dozen market baskets to replace right to make the campaign speeches the ever-cumbersome brief cases. May for the next ten years upon condition the people who did stumble over brief that he judiciously alternate his efcases fall safely into the baskets.

Fifth: To Miss Doehler we leave Independent parties. some dog biscuits. We hear that she

eral we leave "Pat" Wharity and Horace Frisbee as an assistant. "Harve" Halloway to replace "Duke" Snyder and "Cliff" Carpenter (our two Will and Testament. We appoint the famous Harmony Boys).

with us three of the best poets, we hope that as we are leaving Herman

We, the Bannary Class 1928, of Charlotte Duquette and "Beans" Campbell, the Witan will not suffer seriously.

Eighth: Because Paul Van Doorn always has excuses handy, we have asked him to publish a book so that the other students (?) may use his First: To Mr. Butterfield we leave alibis. We advise him to leave it at

Ninth: We regret to take with us Second: To Miss Goff, though she "Bouncer" Stienfeldt, the hero of the Graden.

Tenth: We believe that the teachthe school we leave a whole stack of ers need someone to advise them in math pads to be used at their disposal, student affairs, so we are leaving the We hope the English teachers won't post to "Larry" Pennington. May he

ager for the student elections may Fourth: To the freshmen we leave not be wasted, we leave him the sole forts on behalf of the Athletic and

Twelfth: Boris Warden has had is starving her dog to keep it small, the post of cheer leader alone for Sixth: To the student body in gen- many years; therefore, we leave him

Thus we shall conclude our Last June Class of 1928 the sole custodian Seventh: Because we are taking and Executor of this document.

Wilhelmina Van Kesteren, Class Testator.





WHO COULDN'T FORGET

waters came, "What a day was yes- Christmas, for every Christmas. terday, since yesterday"___a violent splash___a deathly silence_a piercing shriek___Help! Help!__a silence, forever.

bottom-side-up, was found on the shore and caught in the canoe was a victrola with a record still on it- a dark corner, a wavering voice, a "Yesterday." That evening the body little cry, and it startled Douglas of Mary Anne Sherry was brought Lanner. out of the depths of the lake; Mary Anne, nineteen years young, fiancee of Douglas Lanner.

ered, but Douglas Lanner worked. ing "Yesterday." If he had gone with her, if he had not selfishly chosen body. to play golf yesterday.

All through July, August, September, sullen October and November he worked, slaved, trying to forget, but whisper, almost timidly, came the eneverywhere, always he heard a mock- treating, "Promise you won't laugh. ing "Yesterday."

One week 'til Christmas. together-oh, such happiness. year he had nothing, no one.

A perfect day in June, across the the people who were living for this

And Christmas Eve.

"God, God, you have forgotten me!" Unconsciously he uttered it aloud, standing in a dark, corner, just away The next morning a light canoe, from light and happiness. "God, God, oh God."-an unmistakable plea.

"Mister, He forgot me, too." From

"What! Who's there?"

The sudden, forced cry of Douglas scemed to startle the voice, for it al-Everyone wondered; everyone pond- most whimpered as it said, "I'm sorry, Mister, but I had to talk to somebody, He worked to forget, to drive it out my back hurts so and I'm cold and I -that last awful shriek, that mock- guess I'm hungry, too." Sobs came, muffled sobs of a brave little some-

> "Oh, I say, you poor little kid. Come out here where I can see you."

A short pause, and then in a mere Promise, Mister."

"Cross my heart, I won't laugh." Last Douglas solemly gave the sacred year he had had Mary Anne. They promise of childhood. He heard a had shopped together; had planned little cry of pain and a shuffling, This lagging step and into the light came a pitiful little body.

Five days 'til Christmas-he A litttle boy's dark brown eyes couldn't stand it-the joy on every looked up into his and Douglas' eyes face, the laughing, happy children, filled with tears. The poor little kid

was twisted and the face had lines of and happy boy limped into the big, pain, pain from a little body, cruelly big living room where Douglas Lantreated.

"Merry Christmas, young fellow. tree, into a bower of presents and joy. It's a beautiful day, with enough

millionaire."

"Oh, gee, Mister. Say, what's your it all. name? I guess I forgot to ask or something.

to serve you." This from the unhappy were too valuable, too precious to Douglas of "Yesterday." "What do keep, it came first from the little boy, you wish for breakfast, sir?"

anything I want?"

"You bet you can-anything."

"Well, I'll take an egg or two-my fellow, God will never forget." mother used to give me eggs, Mister -and some toast and can I have cocoa, too?"

An hour later, a well-filled, scrubbed

ner waited; into a room of a hastily purchased and trimmed Christmas

Just Douglas, a poor little kid and diamonds in the snow to make you a a mother-housekeeper, but it was a heavenly day-a day of freedom from

For an hour hardly a word had been spoken. Thoughts seem to fill "It's Douglas Lanner, and I'm here the room and then, as if the thoughts yellow curls nodding, dark brown eyes "Say, do you mean it? Can I have heavy, wanting a pillow-"Mister, do you think God could forget?"

"While I have you to love, little

A smile of happiness, a sleepy nod. "Poor little kid"-and it was no longer Yesterday.

Eleanor Morse, '28.

THE RESTORER

young stranger. among his books and instruments.

"Strange," the villagers often whisbeen now for ten years or more. And liquid. ceased to worry over this mysterious beating heart. person.

only last for a few minutes, however, God! Thank God! I have found it!" after which he would be completely forgotten for many days to come.

In the year 1817, there came to the During all these years he had worked little village of Moline, France, a to perfect a composition of herbs and Evidently of good drugs which he thought would restore family and associations, he was, nev- the dead to life. He had at last sucertheless, a recluse, desirous of living ceeded, and was waiting patiently for alone, and seeming to be very content his first opportunity to try his great discovery.

At last he had his chance. A cat, pered. And the small children glanc- long a member of his household, and ed wistfully at his little old house, set in truth his only friend, died. Shortly far back from the road, where he after, the doctor, with nervous fingers, spent most of his time without being approached the lifeless animal, the visited by friend or foe. Thus it had hypodermic syringe full of his new Carefully, he injected a few the people of the town had long ago drops into its veins. He waited with Wonder of wonders! The lifeless figure moved slowly from Once in a while a traveler would side to side as the potent preparation stop at the village inn, and the con- acted upon it. In a few minutes it versation would lead to the peculiar stood up and ran around the room. actions of "the doctor." This would Overcome, the doctor shouted, "Thank

The village had been attending to its business, having no conception of But little did the town know what the doctor's activities. was passing through the doctor's morning there was sadness among the brain during the years he had spent townsfolk, for the old and revered in his little out-of-the-way house, priest had met death's call. The vil-

gone beyond.

But had he gone beyond? That was the thought in the doctor's mind. And he answered it emphatically, "No."

The funeral was arranged for the next day, and the doctor made up his mind to be there. The morrow came. Great was the town's surprise when the tall form of the doctor moved down the aisle, and he took his place in a front seat, close to the coffin.

Still and peaceful in death, the priest lay, his face wearing an untroubled expression, as it had in life. The doctor gazed at it long and earnestly, a thousand emotions coursing through his breast. Here was a body, once living and breathing, stilled by the God of the Universe, and he, he was assuming the powers of God.

had lifted his head and passed on with as he had lived-a madman. the rest. Suddenly as the people

lage bell tolled its deep tones to the were gathered for the procession to countryside, mournfully telling the the grave, the casket bearers shouted, people that one in their midst had No wonder. Walking along with their burden, they had felt a movement from within the casket. The lid was pushed off from the inside, and the bearers set it down. Shrieking with fright they ran away. The astounded congregation approached the casket. ard craned their necks in wonder. A faint blushing pink slowly crept over the dead man's face, his muscles twitched violently. His eyes opened. Staring vacantly at the crowd who had assembled to witness his funeral, he suddenly pointed at the doctor and shouted, "You fiendish devil, you have disturbed my peaceful rest!"

In a horror a hundredfold more intense than that of the villagers, the doctor stepped back. Out into the air he ran, towards his house, trying to collect his scattered wits. Pushing the door open, he stumbled over the The service went on, the prayers cat and pitched forward upon his face. were said, and the hymns sung; then The hypodermic syringe in his pocket each in turn walked by the bier for a pierced his skin and he received a last look at his friend. The one to drop of the liquid. A dose for the stoop over the dead man last was the dead injected into a living man! Fire doctor, and he held in his hand the danced before his eyes; for a moment syringe. Deftly he pierced the veins he recalled troublesome problems in the man's arm with the delicate which had always perplexed him; needle, and in a fraction of a second then with a last heavy sigh he died

Roswell C. White, '29.

THE FELINE REST FARM

Bill Tuttle, Bob Ellery, Ronald Wil-I (my name is Dan Baxter) were Ashton?" said Red. seated on a board in my dad's lumber yard. We were discussing various mile from here," said I. ways of making money. Red suggested that we raise rabbits but Bill to the sanitarium will board their cats thought that raising dogs would net with us," said Bill Tuttle. better receipts.

cats?"

cities such as Chicago, Boston and brilliant idea struck me! New York, the owners of pet shops board cats."

"Who would be silly enough to send kins (commonly known as Red) and their cats to a small town such as

"The sanitarium is located only a

"Maybe the rich people that come

"Where will we keep the cats?" "Nonsense," said I, "why not board asked Bob Ellery. Here was a question that stumped us. We couldn't "Cats?" said Bob, "are you crazy?" put the cats in our barns; our parents "Not at all," I replied. "In large would not allow it. All at once a

> We would keep the cats in my Dad's lumber yard.

"I have it," I cried, "in the lumber having a good time. Such a yowling yard is an abandoned mill. My Dad and spitting you never did see. There will let us use it."

the place!"

would be an ideal place, so accordingly cats. They looked more like alley we marched down to Dad's office to cats. We ran back to my Dad's lumobtain the permission to use it. The ber yard and borrowed a wagon. mill had been used a long time ago Everybody in Ashton had heard of for the purpose of storing lumber, our crazy cat scheme. When we drove Now some of the windows were shat- down to the express office a crowd of tered and the mill was slowly crum- people were gathered around the cat bling to pieces. When we reaching the crates, and when we started to load office we broached the subject to Dad. the cats on the wagon the crowd hoot-He is a very considerate man. I guess ed and shouted funny suggestions to he knows what a boy likes to do. us. We didn't mind them a bit; we After much urging, he finally consent- just kept right on loading the cats, ed to our scheme.

mill looking it over. The upper floor started to the mill. was in very good condition. At one end was a great door which, when that we had twenty cats in a crate. opened, admitted a great deal of light. The total number of cats were sixty. We swept the floor and threw water When we unloaded them from the over it to make it cleaner. Then we wagon and into their cages we went to Bob Ellery's father's store breathed a sigh of relief. The cats and carted some boxes from the cel- were in their cages yowling and spitlar to the old mill. In the mill were ting at each other. some slats. These we nailed on the care; they were there at a dollar a boxes. Then we sat down and wrote week each. They certainly were not an advertisement which read,

SEND YOUR CATS TO OUR FELINE REST FARM ONE DOLLAR A WEEK SEND THEM NOW 780 BROADWAY ASHTON, NEW YORK

Monday morning came. We home and get some milk." paper. had put the finishing touches on the ness. Pretty soon the expressman's would not be stealing; it would be bormill crying, "They have come!"

"What's come?" asked Red. "The cats," cried the boy.

crates of cats. They seemed to be yowling for a while.

were large cats, and small cats, mid-"Oskey wow wow!" cried Red. "Just dle sized cats, and calico cats. Some had hair and others had none at all. The others agreed that the mill They did not look like rich people's and when finally the wagon was load-In a few minutes we were at the ed we hit the horse with the reins and

When we got to the mill we found But we didn't any beauties.

All at once Red asked this question, "What are we going to feed them?" We had not thought of that. What were we going to feed them! We looked blankly at each other.

"We might feed them rats and mice," said Bob.

"Yes, and cats like meat from the butcher, and milk," said Bill.

"Bill." I said, "run down to Mr. O'-After we had written this we sent Shonsey, the butcher, and ask for it to the "New York Sun." It was to some scraps of meat. And Bob, you be put in the Sunday edition of the and Red set some traps. I will run

We owned a cow. I would milk her mill and we were all ready for busi- and obtain milk for the cats. That boy came running up the hill to the rowing. I milked the cow and Bob and Red caught some rats and Bill brought some scraps of meat from the butcher. Those cats were hungry Hearing this joyful news we ran to and when we fed them we were glad the Ashton express office to find three that to eat they would have to cease

The next morning Bill came back them. cats certainly knew how to yowl and spit and fight. strewn all over the station and all up for a while. the street to the mill.

did not know. The people had not sent us any money and we began to realize it was a joke. Bob suggested letting them loose. We couldn't do that for the neighbors would have us arrested. The only thing we could do was to let them loose outside the town limits.

Mr. Jasper Grinder owned a dairy just outside the town limits. He was very mean to boys and so tight he wouldn't give a tramp a drink of water. Here was a chance to get even with him! We borrowed a wagon at Dad's lumber yard and piled the cats in it. As we drove through the main street of Ashton everybody that saw the cats smiled. Finally we got outside the town limits. Mr. Jasper Grinder's home was only a few hundred feet away. We unloaded the wagon and dumped the boxes in the road. The cats were set free and they were certainly glad to get their freedom. Every single one of them scampered up the road toward Jasper Grinder's We rejoiced over our good fortune of getting rid of the cats. That night we were all sitting in Red's hammock when up the street came Jasper Grinder's wagon. were amazed.

"Are you the boys that dumped the cats near my farm?" Jasper Grinder said.

"Yes, sir," we answered.

"Well, here are your dingbusted cats," he said.

And there they were, every last one of them. Big cats, and small cats, middle sized cats, and calico cats, cats with an abundance of hair, and cats with no hair. Mr. Grinder drove the wagon full of cats over to the Quick! Here he comes!" mill. He helped us unload them. We

Such a spitting mass of Anwith the news that there were two imality you never heard. They spit crates of cats waiting to be taken to and scratched and howled and yelled their quarters. Those two crates of until we couldn't stand it much longer.

Bill had the price of four movie We got the wagon tickets in his pocket. We went there and carted them away. Cat fur was so we could forget those cursed cats

Two hours later as we were coming What we would do with them we out of the movie house we heard the fire bell. Up the street clanged the fire wagon. It was in the direction of the lumber yard.

Somebody shouted, "It's the

mill!"

When we heard that we ran all the faster. I was thinking about the lumber yard. Supposing that would burn down. Dad would be a poor man then. By this time we had reached the mill. The lumber yard was not on fire, but the mill was burning fiercely.

Somebody shouted, "Save the cats,

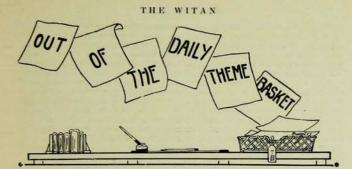
save the cats!"

The mill was beyond saving now. (So were the cats). Suddenly the great door at the top of the mill new open. The heat had caused it to expand. Cats appeared in all directions. They jumped from the upper floor, every one of them, and ran through the crowd. Finally the fire was extinguished and the crowd went home. The next day Dad caught a tramp in one of the lumber sheds. After a severe grilling at the station house he confessed that he had set the mill on fire. There were big cats, and small cats, alley cats and calico cats, cats with an abundance of hair and cats without hair, perched on telephone poles, barns and houses. The tramp was sent to prison but the cats remained in Ashton. And now we have nothing but cats, cats, cats. One cat was even bold enough to make its home in the church bell. Ashton is full of cats. Frank Upton Frey, '31.

At the Senior Play

Margaret C.: (from stage) "Help!

The door opens quickly and Mr. shoved them in their boxes and fed Butterfield unexpectedly appears.



ON CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

don't, there's surely something the the car-stop with her. matter with them. They begin to go mad about a week before Christmas sweetly. "I confess I didn't get and the climax comes about the second around to it before. Don't you think or even the last day before the hol- the decorations on our street are iday.

Let me take, for example, my neighbor, Mrs. Bennett. Christmas we were shoveling out our waved me good-bye.

year.

worst!"

went into the house. I did not see was made up. Mrs. Bennett again for some time- It is no easy task fighting your way out of my front door, Mrs. Bennett I wondered what my little neighbor

At Christmas time most sane and was just locking hers after her. Natright-minded people go mad. If they urally we met and I walked as far as

> "I'm going shopping," she smiled, pretty?"

I nodded, and reflected on what a Ordinarily perfect shopper she must be. she is just a kind-hearted, pleasant-would never bump into anyone rudely faced, well-mannered woman with two and growl politely after the victim. children and a cheerful, little husband She would not push and crowd at who fairly worships her. We often counters. She would be ever polite, talk over the back fence, informally, ever lady-like, ever pleasant. What and I might add that that is an ex- a restful change! I left her at the cellent method of finding out what car-stop, small and sweet and smiling people are really like. Along about in her big fur coat with purse and the last of the second week before shopping basket over one arm. She

respective walks and paused to chat. Of course I never would have con-"I suppose you have all your Christ- fessed to Mrs. Bennett but I, too, was mas shopping done?" I asked because going shopping that afternoon. There I understood that it was the proper was just one old maiden-aunty down question to ask at this time of the in the country whom I had forgotten. I hadn't gotten any farther than silk "Oh, no," she smiled sweetly. "I handkerchiefs and jazz-garters for just can't realize that Christmas is so her and I was just a little afraid they soon to be upon us and I haven't an wouldn't do. But how should I know idea what Tom wants, moreover. I do what maiden-aunties like? By afterthink Christmas shopping is the noon I had about decided on a pair of opera glasses and by the time I I agreed, politely, and soon after reached the surging crowds my mind

in fact until the fateful second day through Christmas crowds, especially before Christmas. As I was going for one as naturally polite as I am.

the store I wanted. opera glasses; so I bought them with- bags and galoshes and beat it. out much risk of my life.

Christmas card ought to go with it. shocks won't come often in my life. So I set out towards them. I had Now there was only one more elbow, I had encountered all day! but unfortunately that elbow was do- Oh, the joys of Christmas shopping! ing just the same thing mine was. It

did and decided not to shove quite so became a matter of rivalry. At last hard for her sake. At last I reached its owner turned square on me. But There didn't I hope she only got a blurred vision. seem to be much of a demand for for I ducked down into a sea of handthe time I was half-way down Main Then I happened to think that a street I decided to stop. I hope such

For the woman was my little neighfairly good luck, considering the num- bor, Mrs. Bennett, her hat awry. er of elbows and black looks cast my cheeks flaming and eyes fiercely way, in getting near the counter. angry and her elbow was the sharpest

Helen Haven, '29,

THE ALDER LEAF

No doubt you remember the lonely at the time, it did come back to me is not an exception.

Twenty years ago, it is said, Mary cantations. house, left one evening contrary to her something husband's wishes, to visit a neighbor branches." who lived five and twenty minutes For all these unnatural occurrences, over the hill.

do not doubt her word, for was she they returned full force. as mere fantasy. In a letter to Eliz- which drove her homeward. abeth Carroll, an old friend of her Overhead a white moon soared upon I did not dwell upon this phenomeron startled her fitful progress; nothing

weather-beaten house not far from later, and under undesirable circum-Hopkin's grist-mill between Fruitland stances. She also notes: "I was not and Lakeside, a rambling structure of a little startled to hear an unearthly an antiquity that apparently dates screech issue from the old elm known back to Noah and yet, almost incred- here about as Mother Beauty's Chestibly, has avoided Time's sharp teeth nut Tree. Of course, it was dark and and the slow death of decay. Man lonely on the road, and I was some-unravels a mystery from every stone, what frightened with pictures of and, as may be expected, this house ghosts and spirits walking beside me, and petrifying me with hypnotic in-But as I review the Burgeon, buxom mistress of the scene I remember seeing a white flitting among the

She had crossed its she finally reached Vane's unhurt. crest many times before and felt no The congenial conversation soon sub-ill effects from it, but this night, dued her presentiments, and upon whether by an over-exertion to reach leaving the warm glow of her neighthe top or an indefinable fear, her bor's fire, her disturbing experiences heart, she affirmed beat louder and were nearly forgotten. Now as she faster than ever before. stepped out into the cool night air Fancy often flavors the tale; still I and found herself once more alone, not a high-minded person known appears in times of distress; I bemiles around for her exactness? I lieve, in her sudden despair Mistress cannot, therefore, pass her commerts Burgeon found a latent fortitude

school days, she writes: "As I stepped its eternal journey, shining most awupon the little bridge that crosses Fish fully in its black setting of night. Creek, I can swear I saw the alders Below, stark shadows lay as if on an that grow there in one clump, move airless world. No sound escaped the and no wind was blowing." Although Erebian darkness; no living thing

disturbed the monotonous landscape that lay on either hand.

wooden bridge beneath her feet she and pork sausages hanging from recalled with overwhelming vividness hooks. He always has a slice of the moving alders, and glanced, half bologna for the little boys or girls fearfully, toward them. Her thoughts who bring him orders from their reverted to spirits and ghosts, perhaps mothers. lurking within the clump. That was idle fancy, for suddenly a white Mr. Peters served in the Civil war, ghastly figure entered the road.

where her husband slumbered unknow- Peters' fondness for children and will mindful of its steepness, across the as she expresses it. long lawn she sailed, and, before the long grass by the bridge had bowed maiden name was O'Rourack). room that night.

who snored unevenly and almost la- president of the "Ladies' Missionary boriously, as if troubled with a bur- Society." densome nightmare. He sprang, wide awake, from the ruffled bed and was stout cheerful woman, whom the chilsoon listening attentively, if not dren call "Ma." She knows how to believingly, to her tale.

but, nevertheless, Mistress Burgeon is a quiet apologetic man who wears never visited her neighbors at night a derby hat and smokes a pipe (exagain, and Farmer Burgeon went cept when he's home). about his work with a satisfied air. There also must be noted that on are all familiar. I will not mention wash day Mistress Burgeon was a his name, but suffice it to say that he little surprised to find an unnoticeable is always doing things to make other grass stain on the top sheet and an people dislike him and delights esalder leaf beneath the bed.

Anonymous

NEIGHBORS

The only animal devoid of these creatures is the hermit, and he probably has had them at one time; hence his hermitage.

In almost every neighborhood there is found at least one of a number of acters."

There is Mr. Shwartz, the chubby German butcher, in whose window are As Mistress Burgeon felt the rough seen long links of weiners, bologna,

Then there is Mr. Peters, the kindly natural, for who would not think of old gentleman, who always has a supernatural in such circum- group of children about him to listen stances? But her thoughts were not to stories or for peppermint sticks. where he lost a leg, the stump of She ran, even faster than the which he displays proudly. He lives screams that followed her. One thing with his elderly sister. She is a prim was necessary, to reach her room old lady who sees no sense in Mr. ingly, to awaken him and have his not have them in the yard "to trample protection. Up the hill she flew, un- on the flowers and pull the cat's tail,"

Next comes Mrs. DeSmith (her twice, the door of her room was soon as she married Mr. DeSmith, she barred. No immortal would enter her began to put on airs. Now she has one child, Percy, a sickly youth with She hastened to arouse her husband a studious bent, and she has become

Then there is Mrs. Bennet, a rather make real swell doughnuts and she It is doubtful if the story be true, knows who likes them. Mr. Bennett

> Next comes a type with whom we pecially in going about at picnics spilling the liquid refreshments upon the clothing of other people in a way that appears to be accidental and then apologizing in a sickish manner. But now I must stop. The lightning is striking too close for comfort.

> > Eugene Mater, '30.

IS IT WORTH WHILE?

Every man born into the world has what may be termed "standard char- an individual standard by which he consciously or unconsciously measures

and shapes every action of his life, spect and even a peculiar kind of love With many in this commercial age -by his indomitable perseverance, Bethe question is, "Will it add to my cause of his immemorable force of possessions? wealth?" and to others it is, "Will it le Chat, a small animal with devastadd to my enjoyment?" But with the ating, sharp claws. wiser man it is, "Is it worth while?" This is the question everyone in this love for M. le Chien. Why? Beschool should ask himself before he cause he is a weak-willed individual. goes into any undertaking.

Of course, the time is too kick him. ing the time, considers the attractions we love to be masters, too. while.

cannot be considered in the mass, most valuable asset, his personality. Why? Because it is made up of individuals with individual needs and What might be good for one would be far from the needs of another. It must rest largely upon each person to answer for himself the ever present question, "Is it worth while?" Douglas I. Copeland, '29.

M. le CHIEN et M. le CHAT

much that practically every one, in and saying "I am here." this old world, prefers M. le Chien, done. M. le Chien, you may know, is your There is something friendly in friend Fido. While M. le Chat is that "Hello." It has a merry ring and is chases up a tree.

most certainly M. le Chat would have friend. But M. le Chat commands our affec- onal; "Hello" is just the word. tion,-more than our attention, re-

Will it increase my character, we consider him only as M.

Now most people profess a great incapable of any resistance to our, at It very often happens that tourists least a little, stronger minds. Thereor travelers will find themselves com- fore he must grovel and adapt himpelled to change trains in a strange self to each deviation of our mood. city which has many interesting He must love us, whether we pat or Not so M. le Chat! brief to visit many of the places. The course we,-mastered by the organiztourist, naturally, after carefully not- ation we have created-love him,-for near at hand and decides what is Chien brings to mind not M. le Chien, most worth while to view. The same but Airdale, Bull, Terrier or Collie. old question of what is most worth He has adapted himself to so many different climes that sometimes he is But when the decision of what is hardly able to recognize himself. Toworth while is reached, there is the day he is this; tomorrow he will be equally important question, "How am that. He has degenerated, (or is it I to determine this at all times?" A developed?) to that point where he general answer to this question can- can adapt himself to readily changing not be readily given, since humanity conditions, but only at the loss of his

David Babcock, '29.

HELLO!

A cheery, rollicking word, thoroughly American in its origin and use, is that little word "Hello." Purists have tried to dissuade us from its use, especially in telephone conversation. But the little word "Hello" sticks. The Briton says over the wire, "Are M. le Chat outranks M. le Chien in you there?" which never fails to every respect, with the exception of strike the funny-bone of the American. one. Yet this one failure means so Picture one's self lifting the receiver

particular martyr Fido occasionally a good beginning for the voice with the smile, which good sense advises Few people admit that they like the us to adopt at all times. It is a lusty, cat-it has never been the fashion, youthful word, this "Hello," and sits Nevertheless the cat survives. If we on the top of many a tongue, ready to were such cat-haters as we pretend, dart away and ring cheer to a passing "Good morning" is all too used up his nine lives before now. formal; "How do you do" is impers-

Catherine Wilkinson, '29.

SOME DREAMS OF A STUDENT BOOKWORM

Midnight

All's well-Enter Daniel Boone, Kit pickled it in, hic, alcohol, hic. Carson-forest

Boone-How now, Carson, what did ye kill this fine marnin' in the woods?

Kit-Nothin', Dan, nothin' but a bunch o' redmen. How's the spaghetti and coffee? I'm hungry.

Boone-Here try some o' this. a whisper) A good appetizer, fifty

years old.

Kit-Well cut open the Hostess Cake an' let's eat. (In a stage whisper) Say, what is this? It smells funny.

Boone-Limburger; use it three

times and the smell's yours. Kit-Where'd you get it?

Boone-Sears, Roebuck.

Kit-Yeah?

The Scene Fades King Arthur's Court All the trimmings

Artie-Well my hearty lairds, bring in the round table and we'll play roulette.

1st Servant-K. O. boss.

Sir Galahad-What would ye do for a burn?

Artie-Use Unguentine. Galahad-Mercy! Merci!

heard fighting and vociferating voci- agus). ferously).

Artie-Ho, my moonshine night, to arms and quell this rebellion.

togs and starts out).

Galahad-What ho there, you in-

1st Servant-Say, behead this bird, will ye? He pinched my ear in the and Arthur, lend me your ears. table.

2nd Servant-You're a bare faced \$5,000. prevaricator.

ensues speak! (Whereupon a scrimmage and Galahad gets away with a long boot).

Enter Artie

Artie-Say, I thought I told you to for all of me. Good-bye! put down this mutiny. (This to Galahad).

Galahad-(Burning with pride because he couldn't find the Unguentine) your attention while I tell____

Well, I, hic, did it, didn't, hic, I? I've

Artie-Oh, phoo! Let's play roulette. (They play while servants vocalize but do not do any damage).

Galahad-Ho, hum! Let's quit. Artie-Yah, just when I begin to

win, you quit. Bah!

(Enter butler with card on platter) Butler-Caesar wishes to speak with you, sir.

Artie-Show him in. (Aside to Galahad) That's queer! I didn't hear his flivver rattle up. D'you think he walked over on foot?

Galahad-No! Of course not. The new Fords are out. He came over in

the ambulance.

(Enter Caesar with train-retinue) Caesar-Gar Blyme, what service. (He slays part of the king's help without any aid and sticking his nose into the king's business, whereupon more bad words are to be heard).

Artie-Calm yourself, Julius!

(Pushes Caesar's nose away and offers him a cigarette).

Caesar-Ah, this is more like it. Artie-Like what, Julius, like what?

Caesar-Oh, why bother with that? (Soon Caesar begins to doze, then (Silence. Soon the servants are dies as he turns grey about the esoph-

Artie-See how easy it is?

Galahad-How'd you do it?

Artie-I gave him an 'Old Gold'. Galahad--(Galahad dons football He died of contentment. (The door swings open and Mark Antony enters with upwards of 50,000 of his countrymen who follow like sheep).

Mark--Friends, Romans, gentlemen,

Someone-I can't; I've sold them for

Galahad-Oh, stow it!

Mark-Now, friends, if I may have the floor_

Artie-Take chairs and ceiling, too,

(Exit Artie in an awful temperature).

Mark-And now, friend, may I have

forms on the right.

Mark-Aw, rats! What's the use? the meaning. (Out goes Mark and in comes Franc neck).

Cicero-What's the crowd for, I wonder?

on the face).

extermination of all).

R. Trayhern.

MONOLOGUE

"Well, Sandy, here you and I sit all Just because we picked the cherries off my sister's cake, that was made for her party, is no reason at all for us to be sent to our room on Christmas eve. Do you think it is? Well, anyway, Sandy, we're going to pay her back, aren't we? Quick. catch that mouse running across the Now sneak down stairs and, floor! when the ladies are about to sit down to lunch, run in front of them with the mouse. Be sure you sing.

Ho! Ho! Ho! Listen to them scream! Good work, Sandy! Keep it up! Well just look at that cat! He has laid the mouse in the middle of the floor and is coming back to me.

Well, Sandy, we haven't had such a bad Christmas after all, have we? Do you think Santa will come to us? Fern Clark, 8A.

BOOKS

into a cover we call a book. As ev- old picture down and ran. ervone knows, there are many differinteresting to certain people. To an chance of getting caught. to fit his particular desire are the it. most important. Reference books also which fits in all places and that is the back at the crumbling walls. If it were not for the dictionary.

Court Fool-Sure, it's free! Line dictionary there would be many words of which many people would not know

An altogether different type of book Cicero with Cataline hanging on his is the story book. Under this type the novel, comes the biography, poems and travel. These books are also very important and would be very Galahad-(Seeing Cicero, finds his hard to get along without in most way through the crowd and slaps him cases. But although they are very important, there are a few which we Cicero-Oh, you invective invective, could get along without. One of them I'll get even yet. (Whereupon a big is the novel. Novels are mostly for riot starts which results in complete pastime reading and are not absolutely necessary, although it would be very queer not to have them when we wanted something quiet to do.

> Books are queer things but are very interesting and certainly very helpful in this world. Pearl Jennings, '29.

A PORTRAIT

It was an old, musty, damp, dreary, abandoned house. The old picture had hung on the wall in the same spot for many years. The old mother who had first owned it, had been dead many years. Her youngest son was an old gray-haired man. Since his childhood no one had seen the picture.

A man of questionable character had happened to wander into this place in an effort to evade the police. At first he did not see the picture. Then as a cloud floated away from the sun, a bright stream of light flooded the room. The old masterpiece hung there, looking down at the man, as if to say, "Now that you have me, what are you going to do with me?"

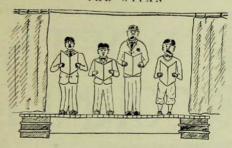
The man looked away and then back again. Then hearing the tread Many pages bound together and put of authority coming, he snatched the

First he tried to sell it. The best ent kinds of books. Certain books are offer he could get was not worth the industrious student in school who has knowing the value of the rare old a definite purpose in mind, text books piece, he took it back where he found

The thief who found it died. The fit in this class. Most students would old gray-haired man whose mother not get very far if it were not for ref- had owned it died. But still, to this There is one book day, the old picture stands and smiles

Horace Frisbee, '29,

THE WITAN







THE FRESHMAN'S SENTIMENT

It is only a large brick building, But to us it means many things, A place for study and working, For pleasures and thrills that it brings.

We love every room and each stair- And by that star way,

Three Wise Me

The desks and the sounds of its bells, The corridors where oft we linger To gossip and chat with our pals.

Each year now our school days grow shorter, And the day for our parting grows

near; But no matter where time may fin l un

But no matter where time may find un.
We will have the old memories so dear.

Susanne J. Bogorad, '31.

FALL

The air is getting colder And the sky is getting gray; The snow is getting bolder As winter creeps this way.

The green grass is departing And the trees are getting bare, As the cold wind creeps, exulting, O'er remains of summer's fare.

The roofs with frost are coated, As we rise at early morn; And we go to tasks devoted, And brave old Winter's storm. Harold Rich, SA

A CHRISTMAS POEM

There in the East
A star shines;
A star that is dear to me,
A star that every traveler
Should follow on land or sea.

And by that star
Three Wise Men
Were brought to Christ our King.
You may see it shine in the East today
As it did at the birth of the King.

That star is still a symbol
To more than the Wise Men three,
That Christ, our Lord and Saviour,
Reigns over you and me.

Gertrude Altpeter, 8B

HOMEMAKING

Across the road we hustle In sunshine, rain or snow; "What do we do today, girls?" Take notes—how well we know.

We'll take notes on Anemia, The rheumatiz' and gout; Miss Childs has a smile to give, But the girls all have a pout.

"Notes again today, Miss Childs? We'll never remember these; We most forgot the Purin free foods Of eggs, nuts, milk and cheese.

What good are all these notes
Of foods to eat, and why?"
The answer given is logical.
"They'll be useful bye and bye."
Elsie Tackabury, '28,

CREW ON A ONE-MAN SLOOP

"Oh, I am the cook and the captain bold, And the mate on the good ship 'Nig', The bo'sun tight and the midshipmite, And the crew of the captain's 'gig'.

"Oh, I sail the craft and I navigate
And study the charts and maps,
So if by a gale or storm or such,
I were swept overboard perhaps,
The whole boat's crew would get in Dutch,
And the ship would be left to the rats.

"It's like this, dear reader, as I will explain, From where in the cockpit I sit, I can handle all rails and belay all lines And survey the rest of the ship. The captain's congenial, the bo'sun is fine, The mate and midshipman are fair, An' the crew and the bo'sun spend most of their time
Try'n' to lure the sea winds from their lair.

"On a ship like mine it's easy to live, And sail the craft near and far, Since the sails are all one and that rather small,

And the crew consists of one 'tar'.
Because I'm the cook and the captain bold,
And the mate of the good ship 'Nig',
The bo'sun tight and the midshipmite,
And crew of the captain's 'gig'.

"Oh, what,—it grieves me to think of such, Oh, what,—would the good ship do If I suddenly slipped from the deck And left only the rats for a crew." Raymond Winegard, '29.

CHRISTMAS EVE

By the chimney-place are hung Fine white stockings, washed and wrung.

Says Santa, "This is quite a bit, But I'll fill them to the tip."

The center one he notes is small, So in this he puts a ball.

For the rest he finds a drum, A doll, some candy and a gun.

Then a jackknife and a kite, He's hurrying now with all his might.

Morning comes and with it joy Over every gift and toy. B. Gehring Cooper, 7A



EDITORIALS

PROPRIETY OF SUPPORT

In the solicitation or giving of support, I believe that there are certain proprieties or cautions to be observed.

Whether it be buying tickets for an athletic event, an entertainment, or the purchase of a magazine, there is usually an appeal to school spirit or the plea that "you'll be doing the same Personthing when you're a senior." ally I do not approve of this.

It is my opinion that a sale should be attempted or accepted on merit alone. If the salesman has no belief in his wares, he might as well cease operations before they embarass him. Lack of belief in the merit of an object usually creates distrust in the mind of the prospective victim. In the same way, resort to state argument creates the same impression.

Set out to sell with the idea that the purchaser is going to dissect your arguments in this light, and you will make your sale, and-the converse has always possibilities of being true.

DISARMAMENT

Why not disarm? Not nationallywith paper wads and rubber bane's had we made a mistake? doesn't add materially to our National Defense, so why not discontinue it?

forcibly too, was a sharp smack on the her neighbor's desk. In another corear with one of these wads while I ner two more were earnestly discussstudies. My wrath rose immediately -this seemed a bit more like studyand the victim became the antagonist only to hear that "he was awfully as I pursued the fleet freshman around cute, the romantic type, you know, but the room.

impress him as to what would happen upon further application of his machine of torture-on me. We both quietly took our seats upon the arrival of Mr. True.

This practice becomes a deadly rivalry between the I's and the I-2's each term, and woe to the person who sits between these factions in study hall.

Now, I'm not at all a pessimist, and I am open to all alibis, excuses and arguments for this. So if anyone can convince me that a boy is better equipped for fun or studies with one of these implements, I will agree to furnish him with bands and ammunition.

But,-why not disarm?

WHERE DO YOU STUDY?

One day out of curiosity we decided to visit the study hall. You see, when we were busily reading the dictionary we had discovered that a study hall is a room set apart for the application of the mind to acquisition of knowledge of some particular branch of learning.

Armed with this definite definition, we entered the room on tiptoe. We but within the school. This practice recoiled a step (not quietly now)-

Here a girl was powdering her nose, there another was surreptitiously The thing that started me on this slipping a folded bit of paper (which of thought, and started me looked suspiciously like a note) onto was deeply (?) engrossed in my ing some subject. We moved nearer still not so hot." (When we reached Having finally caught him, I made home we looked up cute and hot once some foolish and sheepish attempts to more. We are still puzzled-?)

children are called, isn't it?) snap a don't. of paper flying across the room.

horrified and hurried to flee. is the world coming to? (A kind is all there. friend explained that the "study hall" We hadn't realized that the duties of other. the classroom were so rigorous and exacting. The only question left in our minds is-where does the student apply his mind to the acquisition of knowledge if he works it in the classroom and rests it in the study hall?

ARMISTICE DAY

On Friday, November 11, the American Legion of Monroe County presented the Armistice Day program at the Regent Theatre.

Dr. Bradstreet, chairman of the Flag Committee, presided over the meeting. The main speaker of the morning was Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., who gave a very inspiring address.

The program was concluded with the presentation of flags to the Girl Guardians of all the schools in the city. The flags were presented by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the American Legion. The Girl Guardians are chosen from their respective schools or the basis of citizenship and scholarship. Dorothy Doell received the flag for Charlotte High School. This flag will be transferred to her successor at exercises taking place in the school.

The student body was represented at the theatre by a delegation consisting of the members of the Student Council.

EDITORIAL WRITING

It's great fun. If you can't find something that does ideas while meeting the necessary reinterest you, anything else will do. quirements.

Shocked, we looked in another dir- Start writing, and before long you ection to see a boy (who looked like have something; hardly anyone knows a freshman, that is what the younger what, and sometimes you yourself It will generally show your rubber band and send a folded piece character. If you are a pessimist, it will be plainly written in your editor-By this time we were thoroughly ial. If you are an optimist, an ego-prified and hurried to flee. What tist, a stoic, a cynic, or what not, it

If you have never written an edis a place where the over-worked itorial, do so and you will be surbrains of the students are rested), prised at the result-one way or an-

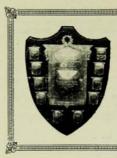
ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Witan Staff is particularly gratified with the number and quality of stories submitted for this issue. The lack of space prohibits our acceptance of all the stories which would be usable. The Feline Rest Farm, while not a winner in the contest, is published because it represents good work from the Junior High School Department.

The Witan would welcome editorials of school interest from others than staff members.

Many of the jokes turned in, and particularly from the Junior High School Department, seem to indicate that students do not clearly understand the type of joke which is desirable. They should be originalthat is, something from actual, personal observation. There is no object in copying our jokes from other papers any more than there would be in copying our stories.

We welcome our new cartoonist and hope that he will be able to give us more entertainment in coming issues. Any of you who are particularly interested in this kind of work should consult Mr. Lee, Miss Werner, or Miss Sharer before submitting contributions, as there are special requirements for the drawing of cartoons and none can be accepted that do not meet Did you ever try to write an ed- them. The last two cartoons on the First you page were suggested by contributions find something to write about, prefer- from the Junior High School boys, and ably something you are interested in, the cartoonist has tried to keep their



COMMITTEE NOTES

students.

ing the letters by the numbers, thus: average lower than it should be? 3. 2. 2. 1. 1. and obtaining the average From time to time during the school given below.

junior and senior high schools, the your time. Scholarship Committee.

A brief, and far from thorough, ex- highest average was obtained by the amination of the second report card IV-2 class, whose standing was 2.34. marks for this term reveals several At the other extreme were the II-2's, facts that should be of interest to all whose average was about half way between C and D. The ranking of all By an arbitrary assignment of the classes from those earning the numerical values to the letter grades, highest to those earning the poorest it was possible to obtain a rather ac- average for the month is as follows: curate index of the average mark IV-2, 2.34; 8B, 2.25; I-1, 7A and earned by each class. The values as- 7B, tied at 2.18; II-1, 2.16; III-1, 2.15; signed were as follows: A, 4; B, 3; IV-1 and 8A, each 2.10; I-2, 2.03; III-C, 2; D, 1; E, 0. For example, if your 1, 1.93, and II.2, 1.58. Check up on report card held the following marks: your own average for that month. B, C. C. D, D, your average for the Did it help to place your class among month could be calculated by replact he highest? Or did you bring the

of these numbers, which would be year we hear much about loyalty, both 9 divided by 5, or exactly 1.80. Since to your school and to your class. The 1 stands for D and 2 for C, the index Scholarship Committee suggests that 1.80 would indicate that your average there are few better ways of showing mark for the month was 8-10 of the real loyalty than by so faithfully way from D to C., i. e. not quite a C carrying on your studies that your This example will enable marks will be an elevator, carrying you better to understand the figures the average of your class and the average of your school to a higher level. The average for the whole school Incidentally, better marks on your was found to be 2.11, somewhat better card will make school a more com-Of the 12 classes in the fortable and enjoyable place to spend

icism around the corridors in regard at the expense of the Board of Eduletic teams, and of the fact that the we have this, and this and this?" teams of some of the larger schools are sometimes more fully equipped representative school teams must be than ours. There seems to be a con- purchased from the moneys derived siderable number who are under the

We have recently heard some crit- impression that all teams are equipped to the equipment furnished our ath- cation and so they ask, "Why cannot

> Any and all equipment used by our (Continued on Page 53)

A SOUND PROGRAM

ter citizens through present and fu- lieu ture health, and the development of classes. social and character building assets (courtesy, honesty, self-control, etc). health, with P. F. I. 100 to 115. This The administrative method has been group will include all those of the faulty and makeshift at best.

We have all had the experience of and ability. changing classes after the start of a single class twice weekly. semester, with the result that we are assigned to a new "gym" class along with P. F. I. 85 to 100. These people with others who have neither the same are under the normal for their age and interests, experiences or abilities as size, and need some extra work. This we. This results naturally in a some- class will meet three times weekly as what "helter-skelter" type of work a unit. that interests and helps some of us all of the time, and all of us some of the fects, poor musculature and general time, but never helps all of us all of poor health, with P. F. I. below 85. the time, as it should.

is needed is a sound, scientific phys- der our present plan. needed.

Such a plan is proposed for our sponsible physician. Each pupil will be given strength tests, which, when considered mentally sound. It means increased and weight, will determine his physi- a corresponding increase in intracal capacity index. basis of the strength indices, pupils courtesy, fair play and good sportswill be divided into four groups, viz: manship are primary athletic aims, (1) Those in excellent physical health with health as a by-product. with P. F. I. of 115 and over. If

Beginning next semester, a new their disciplinary record be satisfacprogram in Health Education is con- tory, these pupils will be excused templated for our school, based on the from routine gymnasium work and very latest methods and material allowed to elect either a leadership available in this field. Heretofore we class or after-school recreation in have tried to interest every student in place of the usual gymnasium classes, his or her personal health with the Regular attendance in the elected work ultimate goal in mind of making bet- will give credit toward graduation in of the present

> (2) Those in average physical same relative age, weight, strength They will meet in a

> (3) Those just below the average

(4) Those with marked physical de-This class will also include all those Health education assignment accord- who normally are excused from health ing to classes in school is not a solu- education by a physician's certificate. tion of the problem, because classes Here is the group that needs the most in school are a mental grouping. What attention and has been neglected unical classification that will provide will meet five times weekly for indigraded work for each individual as vidual work given by the health teachers under the supervision of a re-

Such a plan is, of course, fundaalong with each pupil's age, height, interest in after-school recreation with These tests are mural activity. Social efficiency is an purely scientific, and no element of important product of the after-chool judgment is allowed to enter. On the program. Cooperation, self-control, (Continued on Page 53)

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The Witan Staff

Front Row—Constance Decker, Miss Cashman, Ralph Isaac (business manager), Dorothy Doell (editor-in-chief), Arthur Newcomb (business manager), Lois McCone, Miss Sharer.

Center Row-Mr. Lee, Isabelle Harper, Marion Weston, Miss Donovan, Leona Miller, Dorothy Taylor, Margaret Hersey, Mary Heydweiller.

Rear Row-Percy Andrews, Floris Ferguson, George Humby, Clifford Carpenter, George Taylor, David Babcock, Allen King.

THE WITAN PARTY

held a party at the Practice House don't know what you've missed. on November 23. Marguerite Heydtime was had by all.

party! Let's have a little more de- tioned on each side. Wouldn't you

tail.

seated themselves in the middle of the ing this way and that blowing balfloor. Luckily the floor was spotless, loons about? Well, rather! The obbut anyway, a newspaper was provid- ject was to have the smallest number ed for those who doubted that the of balloons on your side at the end of floor of the students' lunch room could five minutes without touching them. be spotless, even with Mr. Derrin's Thanks to the united efforts of the care. had been taken, the contestant was Lee, the girls won. A delicious chocpresented with a knife and a warning olate St. Nicholas was their wellto be as careful here as at home. A earned dish of beans was held on the contest- sweeter? ant's head and then began the fun. The coo-coo board was passed at The beans were to be carried on the the table and each and every person knife from the top of the head to a present had to do as directed by the custard cup which was held in the lan tiny slip of paper he punched from of the contestant. If you think that's the coo-coo board. easy, try it. This feat was won by the Witan Secretary. It must be, her Miss Sharer and Miss Donovan, as favorite dish is peas. She was pre- judges, after a heated debate, awarded sented with a beautiful piccolo, purchased from Woolworth's large department store. As Dorothy Doell, Percy Andrews, Harrison Grotzinger A passerby glancing toward the and Lois McCone failed to put the darkened Practice House would hardly beans in the cup, they were penalized believe that the Witan Staff had reby being made to sweep up the beans cently left with memories of a Witan they had so carelessly thrown around, party where all enjoyed a good time.

The Virginia Reel followed. If you

The members of the Witan Staff have never seen Mr. Lee dance, you

The next game followed close on the weiller was a guest of honor. Re- heels of the Virginia Reel. The girls freshments were served and a good formed one team and the boys another. A string was stretched across the What a rummy way to report a middle of the room with a team stahave been surprised to enter and see The evening's fun began with a con- Miss Sharer and Miss Donovan, to say One by one the contestants nothing of the stately seniors, rush-After this position of honor boys and the infallible support of Mr. reward. What could be

There were many close seconds, but

Leona Miller, '28.

Lost: -- One man. Return to Leona Dorothy: (playing Cat's Meow) No questions asked. Miller. No reward offered.

"Make a noise like a hyena." David: "Why, just laugh, Dorothy."

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The Senior Play Cast

HONOR ROLL

The following people are on the November:

Schmidt, George Taylor, Marion Wes- Sharer, and Mr. Butterfield. ton. III-2-Darrow Dutcher, Truman The plans of the committee are not Murrell. III-1—David Babcock, Mary yet definite enough to be announced, Heydweiller, Douglas Copeland, Dorbut it is hoped that the Handbook will othy Taylor, Tessie VanDam. II-2— be ready by the beginning of the new Hazel Isaac. II-1-Lois Holmes, Marj- term. ory Phelps, Betty Reddy. I-2-Susanne Bogorad, Dorothy Collett, June Estes, Lawrence Kilmer, John Shenton. I-1-David Benham, Dorothy Bubier, Edward Bush, Ruth Comstock, Bessie Evans, Natalya Ivanson, Oscar Judd, Helen Lang, Ruth Manuel, Raymond Richens. 8A-Percy Andrews, Wilbert Buchin, Violet Rentschler. 8B-Edna Johnson, Frank Smith. 7A -Renee Herman, Constance Knapp, Charles LaBelle, Earl Rich. 7B-Janet Barry, Harrington Chase. 7A-Gehr-ing Cooper, Dorothy Dick, Rena Parratt, Elizabeth Wedel.

Uses For a Hairpin

(A personal interview with Harrison Grotzinger)

To clean your ears.

To button your shoes. 2.

To clean out corners.

To hold Fords together.

- Used as various surgical instru-
- Sometimes used to keep your hair up.

Leona: (reading her directions from a slip) "'Neigh like a horse' I can't do that when I'm laughing."

Mary: "Sure you can, give a horse laugh."

Humby: (later, after Leona won the dle."

HANDBOOK COMMITTEE

Mr. Butterfield has appointed the Charlotte High School Honor Roll for following committee to work on an official Handbook of school procedure IV-2-Dorothy Doell, Allen King, for the guidance of students: Henry Karl Naramore, Virginia Smith. IV-1 Brown, George Taylor, Howard

Thomas Baggan, Evelyn Gallery, Fraser, Helen Josh, Berenice Vogt,
Margaret Hersey, Beth Manning, Elsa Beulah Nellis, Miss Carter, Miss

OCTOBER 20-At the regular assembly, Captain Carrol A. Bryant of the American Red Cross gave a demonstration of the Schaefer method of artificial respiration.

OCTOBER 25-Mrs. Cheek, secretary of the Board of Admissions of Mt. Holyoke College, spoke to the junior and senior girls.

NOVEMBER 2-The Glee Club held a party at the Practice House.

NOVEMBER 11-In the assembly, Captain William Emerson of the 391st Infantry spoke on the subject "The Meaning of Armistice Day."

NOVEMBER 12-A senior dance was held at the home of Elizabeth

Heinrich.

RESOLUTIONS

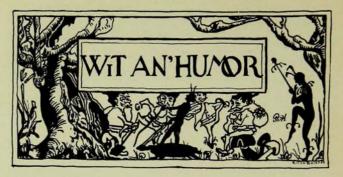
It is coming near the time again when we remember all the resolutions we made a year ago—and then forgot. It is nearly time to make them over again. Let us begin now to make a list. We do so promise and resolve:

To do our home-work faithfully 1. and conscientiously each day.

2. To take particular care in our personal appearance.

3. To practice courtesy toward our teachers and fellow students.

4. And to so conduct ourselves as prize) "I wonder if it's a sad- to bring credit to the school during the coming year.



Mr. Butterfield: (speaking from the center of the faculty group posed for tive." the annual picture) "Fraser, did you tell Miss Keefe we were ready?"

right'."

Mr. Butterfield: "But did she start to come; that's the point."

Fraser: "Yes, sir. But she made a funny face."

What's This?

Miss Goff: "George, can you tell me when the opinion in the South changed-the opinion in regard to protective tariff?"

G. T. (after a moment of deep concentration): "Miss Goff, do you want a date?"

Miss Goff: "I'm tempted to give an examination today."

George H .: "Yield not to temptation!"

traffic-to the locker room.

Mr. Lacy: "If you girls don't stop whiskey." talking, I'll come down there and break you up."

Miss Goff: "Were iron plows used in 1800?"

J. O'B.: "I don't remember."

V. R.: "William is a proper adjec-

Miss B.: "Why?"

V. R.: "Because it tells what kind Fraser: "Yes, sir, she said 'all of a Penn."

The Phone Rings

Ting-a-ling! "Hello! Yes-What? No, he isn't___Who? Yes___Why, certainly____Just a minute (scans class)____Yes, both of them___At the end of the period?____All right." Click!

Mr. Butterfield: (indicating Miss Carter's small niece, while sorting out the various groups for the annual pictures) "And what is this little lady in?"

Voice from the faculty group: "Galoshes!"

J. O'B.: "When the Whiskey Rebel-Congestion is the result of blocked lion began, Washington called out the militia."

Miss Goff: "Then what happened?" J. O'B.: "They drank up all the

Page Conan Doyle!

A. C.: (in history class) "Hamilton proposed a measure by which there should be a tax on all spirits."

ATHLETICS (Continued from Page 50)

One notable feature of the game from admission charges at the games noise, at any rate.

Charlotte Reserves 19-

Playing a good game of ball, the second team lost to a stronger, heavier Monroe squad in a game the day before the varsity meet. The game wasn't as bad as the score indicates. Monroe was simply a little better in both defense and offense.

G. A. A. SUPPER

committee. Phyllis Trayhern made a has attended! short speech of welcome to those of the faculty and alumnae present. Ruth of school spirit! Johnson, Clara Marvin and Tessie Lighthart of last year's class were there. Miss Keeffe, Miss Goff, Miss Emerson, Miss Whelehan, Miss Donovan, Miss Doehler and Miss Sharer enjoyed the occasion with the G. A. A. Florene Rich led the group in singing, and Katherine Travhern provided plenty of noise with some cheers. The dates for the interclass basketball games were announced.

Did you ever notice, in study hall, the way the back seats are always filled first? How is this? What is the attraction? It can't be the win- in the right tense?" dows; it's winter now. As far as we could see, the seats are the same, fect tense." They aren't any more solid, and they aren't chocolate coated.

Will somebody please explain?

COMMITTEE NOTES (Continued from page 38)

was the fact that the small group of -there is no other source of revenue Charlotte rooters was able to hold the available. You can readily see why bigger, more representative Monroe it is essential for you to buy your crowd to a tie score. Let's all pile ticket and come out and support our out and show them who can make the teams. We need both your vocal and financial support!

In former times the general admission charge at basketball games was fifty cents, and student tickets sold Monroe Reserves 37 for thirty-five cents. Because the Finance and Athletic Committees believed that it was desirable to have larger numbers of students at games, the price was reduced to twenty-five cents for student tickets and thirtyfive cents general admission. trary to expectations, the attendance has not increased and as a result the revenue has fallen off.

The solution lies in each and every student and teacher making an effort On Friday evening, Dec. 9th, the to attend as many games as possible Girls' Athletic Association of Char- to support our boys, watch the games lotte High School enjoyed a party at and show school spirit. The next time the Practice House. The supper was you run across a "squawker" ask him prepared by the girls themselves, with how many tickets he has purchased Helen Sandholzer chairman of the this season, and how many games he

All out for C. H. S. and a revival

A SOUND PROGRAM (Continued from page 39)

emphasis on winning alone, and more emphasis on the other objectives can not help but produce desirable results.

Charlotte is taking the lead in this new program among Rochester schools, and all eyes are focused on us. Let us cooperate with the old Charlotte High spirit, and help put over a real piece of work!

Miss Emerson: "Why is this verb

Helen: "Because it's in the imper-

Florence: "How can it be in the right tense when it's in the imperfect tense?"

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Da-da!

Miss Emerson: "Who carries the letters and presents in the mail?" Johnnie L.: "Santa Claus."

H. Brown: (at the General Committee meeting) "Eleanor, will you get a hold of Mr. Chamberlain some time tomorrow?"

Tra Deedle de Dum

Miss Emerson: "Mademoiselle, traduisez 'Jeanne D'Arc est nee a' Domremy'."

Mademoiselle: "Joan of Arc was born in Do Re Mi."

Miss Werner: (in art class) "Is there anyone using a brush who isn't using it?"

Marion: "What becomes of all the marcels and curls when they go out of your hair?"

Beth: "Oh, they go into the air and make the air waves."

Miss Emerson: "Dites quelque chose." (French for 'Say something).

H. I. G. (thoughtfully):"Quelquechose."

Miss Werner (after calling roll): "Does anyone here know about polychrome?"

Harrison: "I don't think she's in this class."

Not Miss Doehler!

Senior (taking place in assembly): "Aren't you honored to sit next to a senior?"

Miss D.: "I'm charmed speechless!"

B. N.: "My feet are cold."
M. H.: "Well, put your gloves on, silly."

Mr. Omans had a telescope, He tried to look at Mars, But it slipped And hit him in the head, And all he saw was stars.

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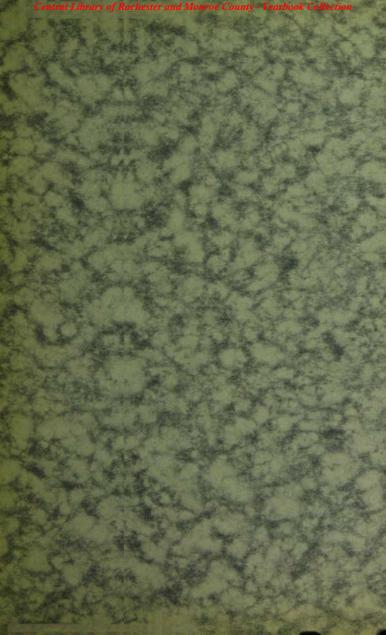
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