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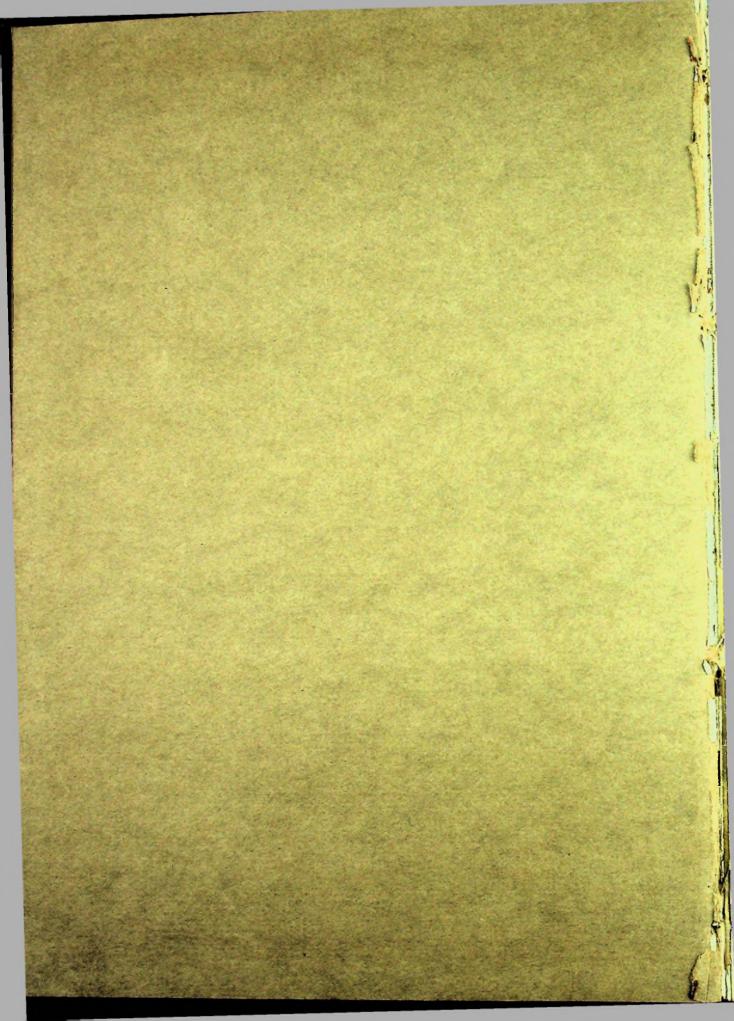


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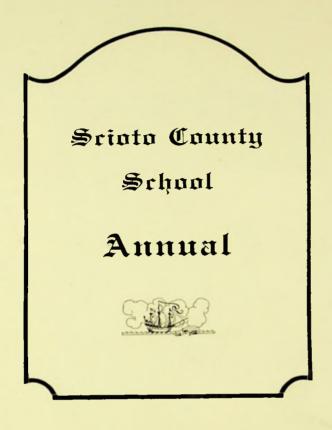
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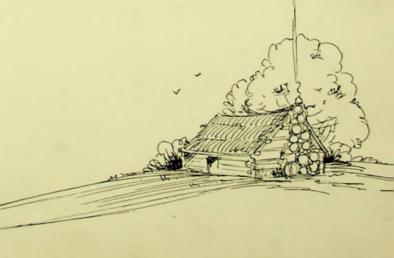
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# Dedication

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N appreciation of the man who has spent the greater part of his life in the service of the Scioto County Schools, who has never spared himself in his efforts to raise the standards, improve the equipment, and elevate the profession, who has had his hopes and ideals realized through his efforts and endeavors, who has always been loved, honored, and re-

spected by his co-workers, friends, and the public at large for his integrity, sterling worth, and high moral character, whose professional activity has been recognized and rewarded, at various times, by his associates and fellow members of the Ohio State Teachers' Association because of his unusual ability along administrative and executive lines, we, the superintendents, supervising principals, and teachers of the Scioto County School District, respectfully dedicate this, the first Scioto County School Annual, to our county superintendent, Mr. E. O. McCowen, for his loyalty to, and never failing interest in, his teachers and the profession.



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# Foreword

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HE initial number of the Scioto County School Annual is submitted to the friends and patrons of the schools of Scioto County as a product of the combined efforts of the high schools of the County District.

This first annual necessitated a great deal of thought and patient work, for a county annual is a new departure in high school annuals, and it was necessary to plan and outline each step carefully as there were no precedents to follow.

We wish to thank every person who has had any share in the plans and designing of the book and it is submitted to the friends of the various schools, here represented, as an annual depicting some of the school activities that have been developed in Scioto County since county supervision became effective in 1914.

We trust it will be received and appreciated by the supporters of the cause of education in the same spirit as that in which it is submitted.

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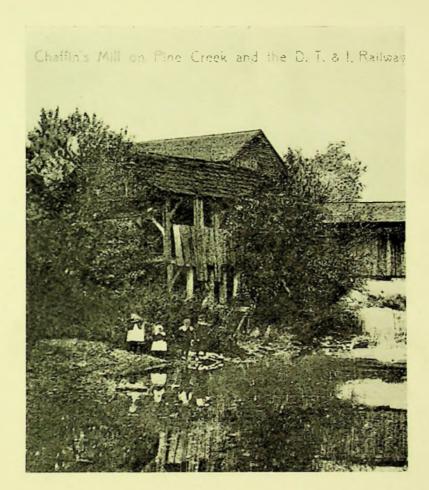
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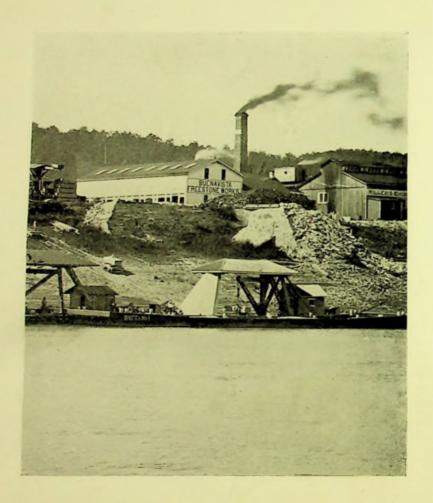
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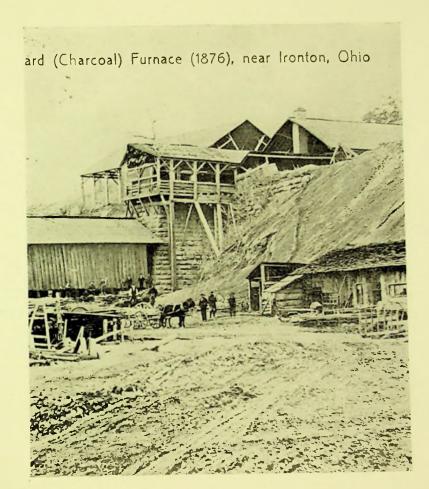
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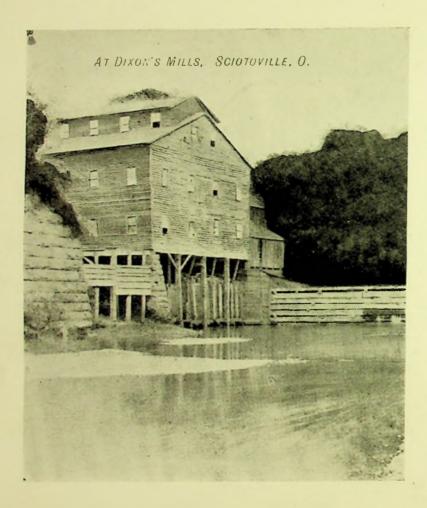
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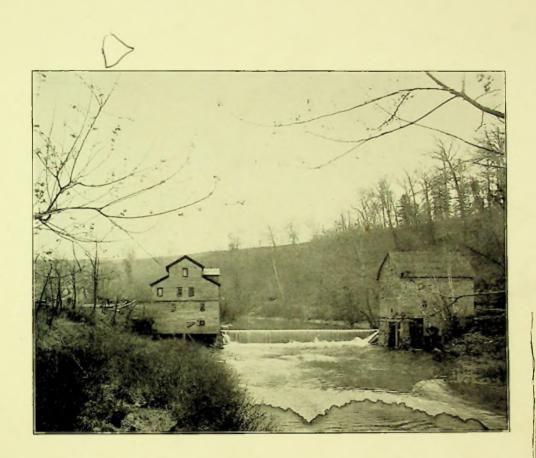


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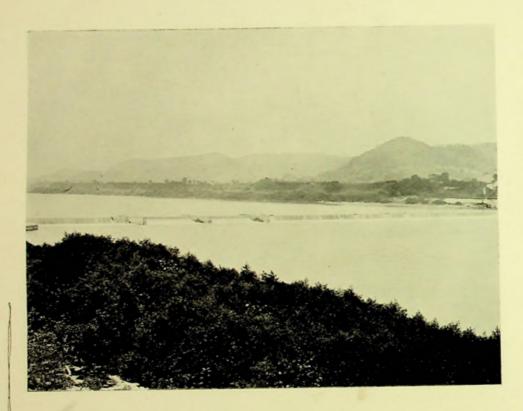


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SCIOTO COUNTY COURT HOUSE

Scioto County Board of Education



JOHN S. VIOLET, President
Scioto County Board of Education

John S. Violet, a farmer in Valley Township near Lucasville and for a number of years a member of the Board of Education of the Valley Township Rural School District became a member of the first County Board of Education of Scioto County under the new school code in 1914. He has been a member of the County Board during all the period of time following 1914 to the present, having been reelected in 1925 for the full term of four years. He is the president of the County Board and has served in that capacity for the last five consecutive years.

He has had a clear vision of the needs of the schools of the county and has uniformly stood for progress and deserves a full measure of credit for his part in the great development that has been made in the schools of the county during his tenure.



## SCIOTO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Top Row: John S. Violet, Lucasville; A. B. Fenton, Scioto Furnace; Carl J. Herms, Wheelersburg. Bottom Row: Ord Thompson, McDermott; Co. Supt., E. O. McCowen, Clerk; Charles A. Hopkins, Portsmouth, Ohio, R. F. D. No. 1.

John S. Violet, President, is mentioned elsewhere in the Annual. Ord Thompson, Vice-President, McDermott, and Carl J. Herms, Wheelersburg, were decisively re-elected in 1923. Both have been ardent supporters of good schools in their own districts and in standing behind strong constructive work in the county. John S. Violet, Chas. A. Hopkins, Washington Township and A. B. Fenton, Bloom Township, were elected in 1925 by an overwhelming majority. A. B. Fenton, for years a member of the Bloom Township Board of Education, was a prominent factor in the splendid school development of his township. Chas. A. Hopkins, Superintendent of the U. B. Sunday School at Nauvoo is a leader in progressive movements.

This Board will continue a progressive educational policy in the county.



# COUNTY BOARD OF SCHOOL EXAMINERS

J. P. Kuhner . . . County Attendance Officer

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SCIOTO COUNTY'S FIRST COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

Left: John S. Violet, W. A. Pyles. Middle: J. F. Shela. Right: Dr. A. G. Stevens, A. B. McBride.

The presidents of the local boards of the county school district met in June, 1914, at the Court House, and unanimously elected the first County Board as follows: J. F. Shela. Wheelersburg, five years: Dr. A. G. Stevens, South Webster, four years: John S. Violet, Lucasville, three years: W. A. Pyles, Friendship, two years; A. B. McBride, Rarden, one year. One member was to be elected each year thereafter for a five-year term. These men enjoyed the respect and confidence of the people of their own communities and were interested in the schools of their respective districts, being members of their own local boards respectively.

J. F. Shela having been re-elected, resigned in 1921 to take a position in the office of the State Auditor. A. B. McBride, twice re-elected resigned in 1921 on account of ill health. Dr. A. G. Stevens declined re-election on account of the press of professional duties. John S. Violet was re-elected, the last two times by popular vote, being the only one of the original county board still a member. W. A. Pyles declined re-election to permit the new village district of Sciotoville to have a member as required by law.

In July, 1914, the board organized with Dr. A. G. Stevens, president, A. B. McBride, vice-president and J. F. Shela, secretary pro tem.

E. O. McCowen was also elected as County Superintendent for the full three-year term.

The new school administration began on August 1, 1914.

The board deserves everlasting credit for the broad, progressive, constructive school policy inaugurated and executed which has made the village and rural schools second to none in the State.

# Scioto County Teachers' Association



R. G. WOOD President

R. G. Wood President
Ora E. Foster Vice-President
L. N. Harness Treasurer
Miss Ruby Messer Secretary

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A. B. Prior, Chairman N. B. Potts Levi Elliott A. B. Jones Mrs. Mamie Erwin

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# Scioto County Teachers' Institute

L. N. Harness President
Miss Hilda Fenton Secretary



L. N. HARNESS President

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#### Wheelersburg

A. B. Preston, President Carl J. Herms, Clerk G. Wesley Shela Chas. F. Payne John Duis

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C. H. Aeh G. H. Havener Albert Cullum Lester Knost Mac Greenlee John Kaltenbach David Kaltenbach Cecil Henry Harold Leive Minnie Potts Goldia Neff Maude Peery Hilda Fenton Gertrude Kuhner Isabell Queen Hazel Greenlee Elizabeth Mossbarger Emma Hollenbeck Linnie Leive Marcella Williams Faith Fenton

## Brush Creek Township

Robert DeLong J. E. Ivers Robert Ivers T. C. Jones Lee Howard Gladys Jones Ada Jones Elizabeth Ralstin Mabel Blackburn Margaret Davis Helen Walsh

#### Buena Vista

Pearle Morrison Irene Apel

#### Clay Township

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# Green Township Guy Bumgarner

A. C. Jones Ivan Cline Emma Staker Anna Staker Jane Graff Anna Lange Louise Davisson Julia A. Hunley

# Harrison Township

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Jefferson Township Leslie O. Allen Anna C. Wilson Grace Bradbury

Anna Deemer Helen Babel Mabel Carver

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#### Minford

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J. H. Cox E. E. Snively Maud Jones Enid Rickey

# Nile Township

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# Rarden Township

Ray Thompson Leonard Blackburn Millie Thompson Mary Thompson Mary K. Crowe Leota Crabtree Muriel Burling Annie Smith Bertha White Clara White Ocie Wolford Audrey Ralstin

#### Rush Township

Joseph F. Harness Forrest Violet Bryan Vandivort John Toy Mabel Crabtree Virginia Hurley Louise Scheffler Violet Brown Mary E. White Garnet G. Harness

#### Union Township

Glenn Davis W. A. Lindsey Mary A. Davis Jennie Oakes Clara Walsh Kathryn Walsh Lucile Fouch

Valley Township Glenn Turner Clarence Diehl Lenna Hawk Muna Hamilton Etta Coleman Harriet Morris Celia Rhoades

# Vernon Township

Reynold Warren Emil Schafer Katie Monroe Mollie Marsh Bertha Perdue Loyezelle Haffner Lucile Warren Ollie Clark

### Washington Township

V. C. McCall Amy Mitchell Tessie Naas Libbie Goetz Blanche McHenry Stella Bradney Louisa Fout Mabel Shaw Garnet Calhoun Edna George Beatrice DuPre Lilian Henninger Edna Ralstin Margaret Strickland

#### Wheelersburg

Frank Rolf H. H. Blackburn Adrian Smith Anna Willis Jessie D. Lindemann Eunice Smith Mary Oakes Stella Barney Katherine Frey Gladys Hughes Freda Haffner Ruth Fritz Violet Fritz Eva McCowen Hazel Lemon

# Eighth Grade Graduates

#### Bloom Township

Harold Hagen Roy Smith Bessie Kelley Oka Flanery Bertha Bowling Cecil Estepp Hazel Akers Ruth Holman Elna Johnson Finley Besco Galen Besco Arthur Dill Gilbert Dill Harry Triggs Emma Humphreys Bertha Clark John Tracy Lawrence Aeh Lloyd Carmichael Albert Slack Earl Bowles Walter Bellamy Elwood Martin Howard Gulker Myrtle Larter Aileen Walker Ruth Pyles Ada Durham Virginia Grant Evelyn Peery Margaret Bachtel Margaret Tracy Alice Crabtree Edith Smith Helen Denning Bertha Peery

#### Brush Creek Township

Howard Hockaden Geneva Gordon Elsa Ivers Harland Baker Lloyd Baker Ella Colvin Olive Liston Doris Smith Joe Smith Orpha Ralstin Elbert Sparks Lucille Baldwin Iris Hill Pearl Jones Mary Loevenguth

#### Buena Vista

John Wilton Boland Hubert Eugene Francis Robert Paul Mitchell Alva Burton Hazelbaker Minnie Marie Clifford Freida May Chandler Anna Ruth Easter

#### Clay Township

Hattie Gable
Louise Bayless
Dolly Davis
Frank Noel
Fenton Miller
Paul Arthur
Beecher Collins
Stanley McManus
Hargis Hughes
Ralph McCoy
Edgar Mullins
Glenn McManus
Earl Schmid

#### Green Township

Ivy Shannon Freda Cook Margaret Mault Clara Mae Russell Avanelle Brush Jane Waddell Ellis Gallion Frank Otworth Ray Otworth Valle Burke Carl Mullins Martha Louise Strehle Otto Yinger Maude Jones Mary Cline Bertha Lange Edith Gleim Ruth Carroll

#### Harrison Township

James Henry Arthurs Lula Smith Albert Gampp Lowell Gampp Ethel Turner Edgar Turner Fern Coldiron Albert Rider

#### Haverhill

Miles Hughes Anna Lois Davisson Andromeda Fannin Helen Little Anita Rose Bertha Rose

## Jefferson Township

Ida Burchett Clara Zeune Orville Powell Eldon Hancock Ethel Isaac Ray Canter Ellsworth Young Garnet Fields Alma Fields Ammie Green Howard Colegrove Ruby Stambaugh Charlotte Luckett Anna Preston Selma Shuler Charles Stambaugh

#### Madison Township

Della Durham Ethel Newman Herman Powell Homer Magnet Sherman Martin Russell Shoemaker Lula Burchett

#### Minford

Lorena Cole Mary Bradbury Rowena Allen Bessie Moore Catherine Moore Elnora Parks Mabel Powell Clayton Poole Wendell Poole Earl Bennett Minnie Brame Fayita Warren Alletha Warren Paul Giles Gayle Hadaway Averill Brown Vondon Lyons Geraldine Lyons Kathleen Coburn Laura Rice Albert Will Albert Watters Arthur Dawson Margaret Riddlebarger Earl Williams Harmon Knore Flossie Fullerton Eugene Knore Roseanna Coles Opal Montgomery Hazel Walker

## Morgan Township

Dana Dodds
Clarence LeMaster
Roy Rottgen
Erma Rottgen
Anna Colley
Mabel Silcott
Virginia Price
Charles Addington
Reva Addington
Cloda Pauley
Ida Crabtree
Joseph W. Graham

# Eighth Grade Graduates

#### Nile Township

Marie Douglas
Minnie Welch
Georgia Welch
Virginia Welch
Robert Turner
Welch
Clarence Shaw
Goldie Curnutte
Freida Rideout
Anna Foster
Ruth Kennedy
Theodore Sutton
Allbine Lewis
Floyd Lavinder
Marice Monk

#### Rarden Township

Robert Mustard Geneva Frondorf Lehman Odle Farrell Odle Paul Boyd Catherine Mosteller Lulu Thompson Willie White Carl Moore Harold Liston Leo Blackburn Theo. Nelson Cora Newman Relva Spears James Spears Ernest McChesney Eugene Enz Elizabeth Smith

# Rush Township

Cleda Sly
Gladys Moore
Nellie V. Matthews
Charles Mershon
Alberta Simon
Florence Hilbert
Frances Schackert
Henry Russell
Harry Cooper
Velmer Carpenter
Dennis Hurley
Harrison Jones
Summer Koch
Albert Storm
Avanelle Colley
Mildred Jones
Daisy Montgomery
Homer Hull

## Union Township

Merlie Hilt Mary Heher Eliza Cooper
Helen Dinkler
Ruby Marasek
Vesta Coburn
Pauline Burcham
Wilbur Hilt
Lacy Farley
Blaine Farley
Eileen O'Brien
Mary Margaret O'Brien
Lawrence Thornton
James Brewer

#### Valley Township

Louise Diamond Agnes Widdig Mabel Field Charlotte Field Ruby Ashcraft Megie Seth Marguerite Shay Jaunita Harness Kathryn McKinley Kathryn Spriggs Grace Artis Lucille Merritt Gertrude Blakeman Octavah Nesbit William Bernthold Paul Bennett Donald Knost Eugene Wolfe Robert Vulgamore Lawrence Russell Louis Spriggs Violet Appel

# Vernon Township

Elizabeth Rase Hilda Born Ruth Estep Ralph Ruth Millard Hudson Effie Blackburn Clara Ferrel Minionette Weaver Florence Jones Alma Robinson Gladys Jones Waldo E. Monroe Ruth Nagel Gladys Raike Christine Schwamberger Bailey Martin Leo Groh Delbert Hale Carless Vance Ethel Summer Okie Adams

#### Washington Township

Ludia Milison Mildred Noel Marcella Beaumont Mary Margaret Grumme Virginia Catherine Graine Eugene Adams Charles Barney Redfern Bolton Milford Bowser Christena Crowder Herman Alfred Doll Leonard Goodman Pauline Goodman Roy Manuel Thelma Noel Lera Sutherland Berdena VanMeter Jewell Vickers Alma Smith Ethel Jones Edward Rice

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Paul Bihl Louis Bihl Helen Burgess Thelma Clutts Homer Hall Thelma Henning Byron Hilliard Myrtle Hurley Betty Montgomery Vernon Parsons Wilda Pollard Everett Preston Hazel Plummer Mary Frances Stephenson Homer Strothers Lucy Vanhorn Homer Wright Ollie Abbott Elma Armbrister Raymond Blair Willie Boggs Beatrice Conley Esta Conley Betty DeCrow Golda Dutiel Mildred Frick Ruie Hacker Loeda Harr Richard Hoskins Jaunita Jenkins Marcella Lang Edgar LeMaster Annabel Lipker Thelma Oakes Howard Payne Lucile Prior



MISS EDNA ARUNDEL

Director—Scioto County Normal School



# Class of 1926

Top row: Groh, Hall, Schneider, Snook, Lemon, Yinger, Riggs 3rd row: Gibbs, Van Meter, Thomas, Mault, Staker, McCreight, Schwamberger, Walden, South, Henninger, Z. Blume

2nd row: Shonkwiler, Henson, Pollard, Moore, Co. Supt. E. O. McCowen, Miss Arundel, McCarty, Jenkins, Rase, Dixon

Bottom row: Walker, Brown, Alcorn, Aldridge, D. Blume, Rector, Davis, Snyder



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# History of Scioto County Normal

HE new school code of Ohio enacted into law early in 1914 required that all teachers in the elementary schools should get professional training six weeks per year until a maximum of thirty-six weeks or one year of professional training should be secured. In order that there should be a sufficient number of training schools to meet this requirement and to make it possible for a sufficient number of new teachers to get their training from year to year the new school code also provided for the

establishment of County Normal Schools but only in connection with First Grade High Schools. At first no high school work was required for a student to enter the County Normal. Later, two years of high school work were required for entrance and now not only graduation from a First Grade High School, a four-year course, but also an examination in the way of a general ability test and tests on English and various other subjects is required.

The Scioto County Normal School, although it could not have been anticipated, was a natural outgrowth of the select summer normal schools for the training of teachers that had been conducted annually by Superintendent E. O. McCowen at Wheelersburg, beginning in 1911. If not a natural outgrowth, then it was a fitting culmination of those efforts. Those four summer normals, from 1911 to 1914, both inclusive, were attended by a large number of teachers who were offered not only the chance for advanced review in the common branches for teachers' examinations as they were then conducted but also work in several high school branches among which were Latin, Geometry and Physics, as well. The fourth and last of these special normals was recognized in 1914 by the State Department of Education in accordance with the new school code. This still being a private school Miss Dora A. States, an exceptional teacher in Methods, was employed by Superintendent E. O. McCowen to teach the various training courses offered that summer, such as Primary Methods of Reading, Language Methods, etc. Superintendent McCowen having been elected County Superintendent in July, entered upon his duties August 1, 1914. This automatically ended the select summer normal. But he was able to have a six weeks summer term of a County Normal for 1915 approved by the State Department of Education. The District Superintendents, four in number, were required by the County Board of Education as provided by law to teach in the County Normal. Under this arrangement two of them, Clark Fullerton and Paul E. Cromer, taught the first three weeks of the term while the County Superintendent directed the school the entire term. The State Department of Education paid the Normal Director, Miss Fronia Isley, who taught the professional subjects, thus making the summer session of 1915 the real beginning of the Scioto County Normal. The State Department of Education did not find it advisable or perhaps possible to provide for a summer session of a County Normal thereafter.

It was not until the summer 1917 that arrangements could be made to organize a County Normal for the nine months' term as required by law. The Board of Education of Wheelersburg made application to the State Department of Education to establish a County Normal in connection with their First Grade High School and gave the assurance that they would provide a suitable room, janitor service and supplies as necessary. On the approval of that application by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction the County Board of Education upon the recommendation of the County Superintendent unanimously voted to establish a County Normal at Wheelersburg. On the nomination of the County Superintendent Miss Fronia Isley of Miami University was employed by the County

Board of Education as County Normal Director. In September of that year the first annual session began with an enrollment of twelve graduates of First Grade High Schools and ten other students whose preparation varied from that of promotion from the eighth grade to two years of high school work. Those who were not high school graduates were required to take one-half time work in the high school. Hence, the graduating class in May 1918, consisted of only twelve.

An annual session of nine months, consisting of two semesters each, has been held each year up to and including the present time, (May 1926). The County Normal Directors have been college graduates, usually of outstanding professional preparation and attainments and have done excellent work. Those who have been County Normal Directors are: Miss Fronia Isley, two years; Miss Garnett E. Lutes now Mrs. Shively; Miss Florence V. M. Corson and Miss Abigail Bristow, one year each; Miss Ruth C. Teeters, two years, and the present director. Miss Edna Arundel, two years with assurance of continuance if she so desires. Although good salaries have been paid to the directors, comparatively speaking, the amounts available to be paid have not been sufficient to keep some of these splendid instructors who have found it desirable to step rapidly to higher salaried positions.

County Superintendent E. O. McCowen has taught in the County Normal every year since its beginning, teaching from two to three subjects twice each per week in addition to his other work. This gives him opportunity to come in personal contact with prospective teachers and to know first hand something of their ability.

It would have been almost impossible to do a fairly efficient degree of work, in a large measure, in the rural schools of Scioto County, particularly during the World War Period and since that time, had it not been for the new recruits from the County Normal. The Scioto County Normal has done much to make trained teachers for the schools of this county. The County Normal has a distinct place among the schools for the training of teachers and it will be a sad day for many sterling young men and young women whose means are limited and who desire to teach when the County Normal is abolished by the General Assembly of Ohio if that day should ever come. May that day be far, far away.



# Scioto County Normal Alumni Association

#### Term of 1917 1918-Miss Fronia Isley, Teacher

Alberta Dever

Mrs. Marguerite Ressinger Warner

Mabel Price

Mrs. Esther Oakes Moatz

Mrs. Geraldine Hyland Scherer

Mrs. Lelia Grant Addis

Margaret Forby

Mrs. Elinor Janes Cole

Mrs. Marie Janes Hayward

Mrs. Emma Nourse Moore

Mary Agnes Cunningham

Mrs. Garnet Jenkins Harness

# Term of 1918-1919-Miss Fronia Isley, Teacher

Garnet Calhoun

Berda Haney

Mrs. Lillian Smith Barney

Ada Drummond Edna Knapp

Ruth Groh

Mrs. Tishia Lewis Burke

Nelle Smith

Mrs. Mary Barney Miller

## Term of 1919-1920-Mrs. Garnett E. (Lutes) Shively, Teacher

Emma Addis

Chloe Gleim

Stella Barney

Golda Compton

Mrs. Florence Johnson McNelly

Elizabeth Thompson

Anna Willis

Mrs. Biance Stratton Riddlebarger

Isabell Queen

Temperance Sherman

Katherine Frowine

Mrs. Marjorie Purdy Marting

## Term of 1920-1921-Miss Florence V. M. Corson, Teacher

Joseph Harness

Jane Graff

Katherine Frev

Mrs. Garnet White Wagner

Loraine Brown

Violet Fritz

Mrs. Louise Doty Davisson

Mabel Duvendeck

Lucille Burke

Hazel Sieck

#### Term of 1921-1922-Miss Abigail Bristow, Teacher

Bessie Fitch

Pauline Coburn

Mrs. Dora Miles Rottgen

Mrs. Louise Smith Seth

Frances McCowen

Orin Graff

Mrs. Eva Snyder Seidel Alma Cadot Frances Gray John Fenton Reynold Warren

Virginia Hurley Margaret Helt

Julius Tomlin

Irene Harris

Mrs. Lucile Seth Warren

Gertrude Mougey

Mrs. Ada Jones Fritz

Lillian Silliman

Lillian Harness

Mrs. Edna Turner Barney Mrs. Edna Andre Burke

Mrs. Hazel Fritz Smith

# Term of 1922-1923-Miss Ruth C. Teeters, Teacher

Anna Deemer Hilda Fenton

Jessie Lindemann

Mrs. Mabel Lindemann Hansgen Margaret Hock

Forrest Poole

Mrs. Lucille Ruth Jones

Dorothy Russell

Frank Rolf

Maude Peery Pearle Morrison Howard Kirk

Edna Hansgen

Elizabeth Grandison Mrs. Libbie M. Goetz Faith Fenton

Anna May Duncan Edwin Duncan Valley Davis

Mrs. Violet Brown Burns Nellie Milam

Charles Hock

Mrs. Violet Higgins Ach

Pauline Graham

Mrs. Katie Monroe

Ada Carter

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# Scioto County Normal Alumni Association

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#### Term of 1923-1924-Miss Ruth C. Teeters, Teacher

Frances Ault
Ruth Dutiel
llo Feurt
Mrs. Thelma Gilkerson Hogan
Elizabeth Graff
Gladys Hughes
Lucille Harr
Lillian Henninger

David Kaltenbach
Ellen McClave
Eva McCowen
Lena Nickell
Mabel Edna Oakes
Adrian Smith
Margaret Stewart
Louise Scheffler

Forrest Violet

# Term of 1924-1925-Miss Edna Arundel, Teacher

Howard Long
Emil E. Schafer
Mabel Crabtree
Leota Crabtree
Loyezelle Haffner
Freda Haffner
Ruth Fritz

Maurine Wade
Pauline Shearer
Irene Apel
Gertrude Frowine
Leonard Blackburn
Faith Garrett
Beatrice DuPre

Grace Bradbury
Beatrice McGraw
Hazel Cole
Elizabeth Moore
Mary Edna Duncan
Edith Eckhart
Anna Lange



# School Development



N the short space allotted to this topic in a work of this kind it would be impossible to give a complete discussion of the remarkable school development made in the village and rural schools of Scioto County since August 1, 1914. Only the most important things will be touched upon.

The first County Board of Education recognized that their executive the County Superintendent, must be a leader in educational thought, a director of constructive work and a man of vision, ability and courage to carry out a broad school development program. They knew the type of man they ought to have for this position and after due deliberation chose E. O. McCowen as County Superintendent. In this selection the soundness of their judgment has been proven by the part that he has played in such achievement.

At the first meeting of the County Board of Education with all members present Superintendent McCowen broadly outlined a complete new school building program for the entire county and pointed out on the map of Scioto County the locations where the new buildings ought to be in order that it might be possible for all of the boys and girls of Scioto County to attend a high school. The program was so broad and comprehensive that it excited the admiration of the board although a few smilingly expressed a doubt as to the ability to complete so large a constructive work vet they unanimously and courageously approved the plan with the assurance that they would stand four-square behind such a program. To the four of the members of the first county board who are still living it must indeed be a genuine pleasure to look back to that time and to see that the program has become an accomplished achievement with little deviation and even with more work done that the original plan included. Had it not been for the vision, progressive attitude and steadfastness of each and all the members of Scioto County's first County Board of Education there could not and would not have been that development which has made the village and rural schools of Scioto County second to none in Ohio. Much credit, too, belongs to those members of the later County Board who have stood for the continuance of that policy for their support at a later time was equally necessary.

In 1914 there were only two first grade high schools in the county outside of Portsmouth. Today, in addition to those original two at Lucasville and Wheelersburg, there are first grade schools at Rarden, Otway, McDermott, Minford, South Webster and Green Township as well as third grade high schools at Buena Vista, Friendship and Lyra. There are no boys and girls in the Scioto County School District who are not within possible reach of high school advantages. The first grade high schools mentioned above, including Wheelersburg High School have well organized, well balanced broad curriculums and offer various extracurricular activities. The schools are well equipped, with sufficient apparatus, helps and equipment for excellent work. In connection with the development and establishment of such high schools the grades have likewise been consolidated and improved with equally good facilities. Transportation has generally been provid-

ed on a moderate scale consistent with the condition of the roads and the rules of the state affording financial assistance.

County uniformity of test books was brought about by the co-operation of all of the local boards of education who were willing to adopt a uniform list of text books recommended by the Superintendents of the county. This was accomplished in 1915 and remains to the present day. In 1921 free text books were provided in nearly all districts.

Since the number of classes to be taught by a teacher in the one-room school doing eight grades of work is beyond the range of human possibility to do well the plan of alternation of studies was devised by which the number of daily classes was materially reduced. This was the best improvement possible next to consolidation.

Many things have been done to improve the teaching force. In the Fall of 1914 six extension classes for the training of teachers were organized in the county school district and extension work has been conducted every year since that time. A summer session of a County Normal was held in 1915 and a County Normal offering a one-year course was established in 1918. Teachers have been urged to take summer courses in professional work at universities. The result is today that the teachers of the county school district, as a group, are well trained for their work.

Uniform records were adopted for the schools. The teachers' annual institute was re-organized so as to be both inspirational and educational. The teachers also organized a County Teachers' Association to be able to finance educational meetings in the year and to have closer contact to develop and maintain a good professional spirit.

Athletics within their proper sphere were introduced and a County Basket Ball League for both boys and girls was organized. It has afforded interesting contests and helped to bring the schools in closer touch with the community. Local exhibits of school work and extensive exhibits of both grade and high school work at county fairs have had a place of importance. Combined gymnasiums and auditoriums in the new schools have permitted a wider use of school plants.

Many of the school districts of the county were in bad financial condition in 1914, some of them apparently hopelessly in debt for current expenses running through a period of years in which time many teachers had received pay only occassionally. The good business management of Supt. McCowen in advising and assisting the local boards of education has made it so that the schools have been well financed, teachers as a rule have been promptly paid, salaries have improved as they ought commensurate with the character of the work, helps, devices and modern equipment have been provided, splendid buildings at minimum costs, properly designed with reference to all that goes to make up a modern school have been constructed and the general conduct of the schools is on a sound financial basis.

## Wheelersburg

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The old four-room school building at Wheelersburg, at the time of its construction in 1847, was the best building in Scioto County. Up to 1907 it was the only school building at that place. Some of the best teachers in Scioto County and many scholarly teachers from elsewhere have taught in that building and many men prominent of today have gone to school in it. A notable example of the latter is Hon. George W. Rightmire, now President of the Ohio State University. It was in this building that

Supt. McCowen taught when he became Superintendent of the Wheelersburg schools in 1906. This building was superseded in 1915 by the splendid new building shown in this annual which by contrast shows some of the great development of Scioto County's schools under the present school administration.

The Wheelersburg schools always in the past kept at a good standard, as standards were from decade to decade, dating well back into the preceding century, have made notable and pronounced development. The Wheelersburg schools are outstanding and are pointed to and referred to by educators elsewhere in Ohio as an example of a high type, modern, progressive, consolidated school with a broad curriculum and as one which affords splendid, various extra curricular activities.

# South Webster - Bloom Township

A comparison between the old building at South Webster and the new grade and high school building of Bloom Township at the same place as shown in the annual will indicate the unusual development made in this large township of rural schools.

South Webster Village District was combined with the township district to provide a larger tax duplicate and a larger enrollment so that that section of the country might establish and provide a First Grade High School. This has been done. One of the best high schools of Southern Ohio is the way it has been classed by those who know.

Pupils are transported from various parts of the township to the high school so that we have here what is perhaps the best example of consolidation of rural schools among the hills in the state. Good teachers had always been employed at South Webster and this had partly paved the way for better things. But it took organized effort on the part of many citizens of the town and township to

get the new high school building without which the development would not have been. Much credit should be given to the board of education of the town and township and to the many citizens who worked so unselfishly to evolve a splendid school system.



## Brush Creek Township including Otway



The old three-room two-story building at Otway was only a grade building in 1914. But in 1915 a third grade high school was organized. It was later raised to a second grade. But as in the case of South Webster, further development was impossible so the boards of education of Otway and Brush Creek Township and the citizens of both districts petitioned the County Board of Education to unite them into one district so as to have a greater tax duplicate and a greater enumeration. On the recommendation of Supt. McCowen the union was made and today Brush Creek Township at Otway has a splendid modern first grade high school as good as may be found in rural districts.

A comparison of the old building with the new grade and the new high school buildings gives silent testimony to the great advance in education made in that part of Scioto County.

Supt. McCowen has pointed with pride to the fact that the carrying of the

bond issue for the first grade and high school building at Otway, a six-room structure, was the beginning of school development in Scioto County, the measure having been almost unanimously carried. The people of that township school district are enthusiastic supporters of their schools. A. B. Jones, Principal of Otway schools for years, was a leader in this constructive work. Many others, of course, assisted.



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## Rarden and Rarden Township

Rarden, like Otway, had only grade schools in 1914. A third grade high school was first established in the old four-room building. The high school was later raised to second grade. Like other villages, limited by both resources and enumeration, no further school development could have been made without the joining of districts. So in due time the boards of education of Rarden Village and Rarden Township met, agreed to a plan of union of the districts and had petitions circulated among the citizens of both districts looking toward such a union. These petitions were presented to the County Board of Education and the districts were united. The erection of the new grade and high school building at Rarden, well-equipped, made a first grade high school possible which they now have and



which offers good opportunities to the youth of a large area of territory. With Manual Training and Home Economics the course of study is broadened and enriched and the people are proud of their school. R. K. Day, for many years Principal of the Rarden schools, did his full share in this matter of development. Others, too numerous to mention, likewise deserve much credit.

## Nile Township



The old two-room building at Friendship presents a sharp contrast to the splendid new six-room grade and high school building recently erected. A Third Grade Charter was secured for the high school in 1926. High School work was attempted in Nile township for the first time in 1925 pupils having been transported to the Portsmouth

High School previously. Transportation to the grade building provides for a certain amount of consolidation. No more beautiful site for school purposes can be found than the four-acre lot on which the new building is located. Ample opportunity for recreation will thus be afforded to the boys and girls, now regarded an essential to any well organized school.

# Green Township

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The old building called Forest Academy marked the location of a Third Grade High School which has been abandoned. Green Township was a rural district consisting of nine one-room schools and one two-room school with no high school. The board of education by means of a large bond issue solved the school problem at one stroke by consolidating the schools in three places, a two-room school at Ohio Furnace, a four-room building at Powellsville, and a grade



and high school building near Franklin Furnace in which has been established a modern First Grade High School.

In pleasing contrast with the old is the new as shown herein. Altogether Green Township presents a very good example of sensible consolidation and supports a reasonable amount of transportation.

## Clay Township

Clay township is divided by a range of hills practically impassable so that a consolidation of its schools in one place would be impossible. Its board of education solved their school situation through a bond issue by means of a two-room building on Long Run, a two-room building on Munn's Run and an eight-room grade building with combined gymnasium and auditorium on the most populous side of the school district. Because of the proximity of the Portsmouth High



School students beyond the eighth grade are transported there. Grade pupils are transported to the consolidated building in an efficient manner and the school work is being well done. Many varied community meetings of interest have been held in the auditorium thus creating outside interest in the school. Clay township indeed had a progressive Board of Education.

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## The New One-Room Type Building



The picture of the Scioto Furnace one-room building is here shown as a type of that kind of school. There are four such buildings in Bloom Township in places from which transportation would not be practicable. These are well constructed of brick, have one-side lighting, two entrances, good cloak rooms for wraps, blackboards at suitable heights from

the floor, single adjustable seats and a heating and ventilating stove. There are a few frame one-room buildings in the county of like design.

There will perhaps always be some places in the hills of southern Ohio where the sparsity of population and the condition of the roads are such that there can be nothing but one-room schools. Whenever possible to build new buildings in such places Scioto County school development has attempted to construct only modern buildings of the above type.

# Powellsville - - Green Township

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The new grade building at Powellsville pictured here is one of the three referred to under Green Township.

The Board of Education of that township deserves credit for the develop-



ment that they have made and for the courage they have displayed in withstanding such criticism as naturally comes from and is incident to such development.

# Nauvoo - - Washington Township

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School development in Washington Township although slow in starting is now making good headway as shown by the new building at Nauvoo. That township has a rugged topography and has some localities for which only one-room



schools seem best. A fifty thousand dollar bond issue carried in 1925 will complete their present development and will mean not only a six-room addition to the new building at Nauvoo but two other modern one-room buildings as well. Since there are three other new one-room buildings in the township the schools of that district will begin in the fall of 1926 in very good buildings, well equipped.

The harder the fight the greater the glory. And so the greater the credit to teachers and patrons who have successfully solved their problem in Washington Township.

## Minford

The creation of the Minford School District and the establishment of the High School there constituted an unique period in the history of the school development of Scioto County. It marked the successful completion of a seven years' contest for Good Schools in that locality. Some men there have won eternal credit and deserve instituted praise for the bull-dog tenacity and unwavering courage shown through a protracted effort to improve conditions.

The attempt in 1915 to carry a Bond Issue for \$30,000 in Harrison, Madison and Minford to establish a joint High School at Minford was overwhelmingly defeated by the former two. Later a Bond Issue for a High School in Madison was decisively beaten. Still later, a real campaign was conducted by the Board of Education of Madison and County Supt. E. O. McCowen for a Bond Issue for \$39,750 to centralize the schools and establish a High School. Both measures carried. The opposition took it to Court where it was lost in the Common Pleas. Won in the Court of Appeals and lost in the Supreme Court.

Then on petition of a large number of people the County Board of Education created the new District of Minford with an area of about 30 sq. miles, and appointed its Board of Education. The Board called an election for a Bond Issue of \$40,000. The opposing element instituted preceedings in court to dissolve the District and to enjoin the election. The Court decided in favor of the County Board of Education, the election was carried by a very large majority and a Modern First Grade, well equipped High School has been established.





ANOTHER GROUP OF COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS

## Necrology

## Al Turner



In January, 1918, Al Turner was elected unanimously and served on the County Board of Education until 1921. For many years he was a member of the Nile Township Board of Education. He assumed a leadership on that board and was earnestly for the development of the rural schools. The last important thing that he did for good schools before his death was to arrange for the purchase of the beautiful site

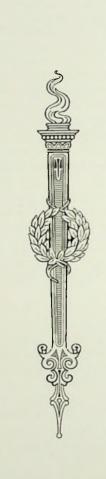
at Friendship where their new school building now stands. By his death in 1924 the schools lost a very staunch friend.

## Dr. A. G. Stevens

Dr. A. G. Stevens of South Webster, Bloom Township, was a member of the first County Board of Education and its first President. As a member of his own local board he was a large factor in the splendid development of the Bloom Township schools and in the establishment of their modern first grade high school. Wherever the interests of the boys and girls were concerned there you would find care-



ful consideration by Dr. Stevens. He was an enthusiastic supporter of athletics in the high school and stood for general progress in everything. His last work for the schools was in paying much personal attention to the completion of the new grade building at South Webster. Dr. Stevens could always be counted upon for GOOD SCHOOLS. His death in 1925 was a great loss to his community.





Wheelersburg High School



A. B. PRIOR, Superintendent Ohio Northern University

Superintendent A. B. Prior was graduated from Frazeysburg High School, Muskingum County, is the holder of a B. S. Degree from Ohio Northern University and both life certificates in Ohio. He has had a wealth of experience beginning his work as a teacher of one-room rural schools and passing successively on with a successful experience as a teacher in grade elementary school work, High School Principal, and Superintendent of several different villages. His success is indicated by a good tenure in the various positions accompanied by a gradual increase in salary. Five years ago he was elected Superintendent of the Wheelersburg Schools and has been very earnest and keenly active in directing the work of these schools to a high standard of efficiency. The State Department of Education has paid high compliment to this school and to his work as an executive. The extra-curricular activities of the Wheelersburg High School is an outstanding feature and its orchestra and school band are invited to play on more occasions than it can accept.

Superintendent Prior was chosen to be President of the Scioto County Teachers' Association in 1923, at the time of its organization and was re-elected to that position. He is also Secretary of the Department of County and Village Superintendents of the Ohio State Teachers' Association, which is further evidence of his good professional standing in the state.

His professional spirit is splendid, his work is being unusually well done and and future success will crown his efforts.



## WHEELERSBURG HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS

### RALPH C. WOOD

Principal Ohio University Ohio Northern University Manual Training Orchestra

### LILLIE MAIER

Ohio State University History Latin

## OSCAR DANIELS

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### DOROTHY VANDERVORT

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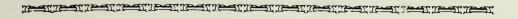
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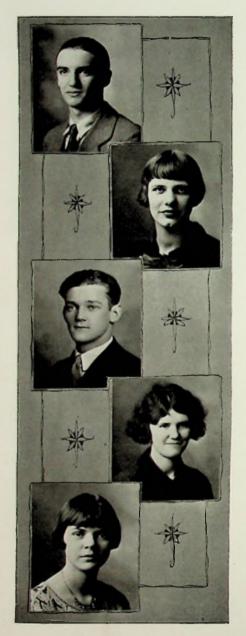
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Glee Club '24
Orchestra '23-'24-'25-'26
Vice President '25
Pres. Orchestra '26
Pres. Senior Class
Latin Club '23-'24
Band '26
"Safety First"
Class Play
"Professor Pepp"

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Class Play '26

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BEGINNERS' ORCHESTRA



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## HIGH SCHOOL BAND

Director-Mr. Wood, Euphonium

Cornets—Thelma Oakes, Joseph Hughes, Mr. Daniels, Richard Hoskins, Harold Callihan. Trombones—Howard Payne, Howard Seth, Donald Lindemann, Jonas Harr. Clarinets—Hoyt Smith, Everett Preston, Ruth Billips. Bass—Eleanor Barber, Helen Smith. French Horns—Pearl Smith, Homer Strothers. Alto—Byron Hilliard. Saxaphone, Rex McCowen. Drums—Arthur Workman, John Snook, Edrie Read.



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## GAMES

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Southeastern Ohio Basket Ball Tournament at Athens, Ohio. Wheelersburg 20 Gallipolis 26

### BOYS' BASKET BALL TEAM

Seated left to right: McCowen, Hall, Capt., Ferguson Standing left to right: Workman, Ockerman, May, Jenkins, Lindemann. Coach: O. L. Daniels.

## GAMES

Wheelersburg	15	McDermott	3
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**	15	McDermott	1
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	7	Minford	1
	5	S. Webster	1
**	26	Otway	
**	14	S. Webster	1
** *	10	Otway	1



### GIRLS' BASKET BALL TEAM

Seated left to right: Smith, Callihan, Capt., Burgess. Standing left to right: Hughes, Lipker, Barber, Montgomery. Coach: O. L. Daniels.

## The History of Wheelersburg Schools

Wheelersburg was settled in 1820 by Captain Wheeler. The settlement was called Concord for the first two years, after which it was changed to its present name in honor of its founder.

The first school house was built in 1822 and John Young was the first teacher. Later, this gave way to another building which in a short time proved inadequate. In 1845 Jesse Y. Whitcomb was chosen teacher and being a New Englander by birth and an able educator by training he soon had a sentiment for something better and under his direction and leadership a four-room brick building was erected in 1847. At that time, this building was one of the best in this section of the state and gave Wheelersburg an educational standing which it has maintained to the present time under the supervision and direction of the capable and efficient men that have always been at the head of the schools. Among these men was Aaron Grady, who will always be remembered by those who came under his direction and influence.

As the population increased, and when the demand was sufficient, higher branches were added to the curriculum, and in course of time the school became a combined high and normal school, offering training to hundreds that went out to teach. In 1885 the first graduating class received diplomas and some were graduated each year thereafter. Wheelersburg and vicinity is proud of the fact that the first graduating class included the name of George W. Rightmire now President of Ohio State University.

When the present able county superintendent, Mr. E. O. McCowen, took the superintendency in 1906, the school had been chartered by the State Department of Education to issue third grade diplomas, and the charter was raised to a second grade in 1907. In September of that year, the curriculum was increased to include four years of high school work. Also, during the same year, another four-room building was added and in Jan., 1910, the high school received a first grade charter under which it has operated ever since. In 1917 the present high school building was erected, giving Wheelersburg a modern, up-to-date commodious school plant, second to none in this section of the state. But the needs of the community were increasing rapidly, and the old building erected in 1847, having served a long and illustrious career was declared unsuitable for school purposes in 1922, and it gave way to a new, modern, up-to-date eight-room grade building which was occupied in September 1924 and it helps to take care of the 800 pupils that are now enrolled.

The Wheelersburg Schools have always been characterized by the great interest manifested by the people and patrons of the vicinity, toward educational progress and improvements. As long as this spirit continues, and as long as it will continue to be served by the same progressive type of boards of education and the welfare of the pupils under the direction of the same type of enthusiastic teachers, then the schools will continue to occupy the same honored position as they have in times past.



Bloom Township High School



N. B. POTTS
Supervising Principal

N. B. Potts, Supervising Principal of the Bloom Township Schools at South Webster has the distinction of having been born and reared in the township of whose schools he is now the executive head. He graduated from the South Webster High School and began his career in school work in 1913 as teacher in the seventh and eighth grades in the same system. After two years in that position he taught one year in the Green Township High School at Powellsville and then returned to South Webster to become Principal, which position he held for another two years. The position of District Superintendent in the northern half of Scioto County was offered to him. After one year as District Superintendent he became Supervising Principal of the Bloom Township schools at South Webster, which position he has held to the present time. Mr. Pott's experience has been varied, progressive and successful.

The teachers of Scioto County have honored Principal Potts by electing him twice as President of the Scioto County Teachers' Annual Institute; and twice he has been appointed a member of the Executive Committee of the Scioto County Teachers' Association.

Under his administration the Bloom Township High School has developed into a very excellent rural high school which offers a modern curriculum and various important extra-curricular activities, not the least of which is the Annual Lecture Course.

Mr. Potts holds an A. B. Degree from Rio Grande College, a High School life certificate in Obio and he undoubtedly has a very bright future.



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Class Play
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Mother Mine
Class Play

FAY BALDRIDGE "Peggy"
Class Play
Basket Ball '25-'26
Dramatic Club '26
Debates '23-'24-'25-'26

ORVILLE KINKER "Egbert"
Dramatic Club '23-'24-'26
Good Morning Mr. Keep in Tab
Mother Mine
Class Play
Operetta, Love Pirates of Hawaii
Debates '24-'25
Annual Staff '26
Breeze Staff '26
Salutatorian '26

MILDRED KALTENBACH

"Mid"

Secretary '26 Glee Club '24-'25-'26 Orchestra '24-'25-'26 Latin Club '23 Science Club '23 Annual Staff '26 Breeze Staff '26 Beat It They Do Say Mother Mine Class Play Pageant, America; Yesterday and Today Class Poet '26

PEARL LARTER "Tom"
Dramatic Club '23-'26
Glee Club '25
Basket Ball '24-'25
Debates '23
Breeze Staff '26
Plays: Mother Mine—Class Play
Pageant, America: Yesterday and Today

RALPH SIMS Latin Club '23 Science Club '23 Mother Mine Class Play Debates '23-'24-'25 Dramatic Club '26

"Christmas"

"Jake"

EVELYN MARTIN
Dramatic Club '25-'26
Glee Club '25-'26
Love Pirates of Hawaii
Mother Mine—Class Play
Breeze Staff '26
Annual Staff '25

"Hobe"

HOBERT ESTEPP
Dramatic Club '25-'26
Mother Mine
Class Play
Love Pirates of Hawaii
Basket Ball '24-'25-'26
Captain '26
Science Club '23
Annual Staff '25





DOROTHY MARTIN Class Officer: Vice-President '24 Class President '25 Treasurer '26
Dramatic Club '23-'26
Latin Club '23
Science Club '23 Radio Club '23 The Haunted Gate They Do Say—Class Play Mother Mine Love Pirates of Hawaii America; Yesterday and Today Debates '24-'25 Annual Staff '25 Breeze Staff '26 Basket Ball '24-'26; Captain '26 Glee Club '24-'26

MILDRED MILLIRON "Mid" Class Play Dramatic Club '26 Debates '23-'24

"Dot"

HOWARD RUTH "Bud" Basket Ball '24-26 Dramatic Club '23-26 Penrod Mother Mine Class Play Love Pirates of Hawaii America; Yesterday and Today Science Club '23 Debates '24-'25

RUTH DILL "Rastus" Science Club '23 Dramatic Club '25-'26 Beat It Mother Mine Class Play Class Play
Debates '23.'25
America; Yesterday and Today
Annual Staff '26 Class Prophet '26



MANUAL TRAINING



HOME ECONOMICS



MECHANICAL DRAWING







## JUNIOR CLASS

Carrie Bandy Pres., Leona Beekman, Madeline Cadot, Virgie Jenkins, Alice Ruth Donley, Ruth Lemon, Marguerite Sommer, Walter Kuhner, Elizabeth Simmering Sec. and Treas., Bernard Potts, Mabel Crabtree, Thelma Wiseman, Clarence Smith, Harry Poetker, Marjorie Jackson, Raymond Hanes Vice-Pres., Agnes Fletcher, Joseph Wiseman, John Wallace.

#### SOPHOMORE CLASS

Gladys Bandy Pres., Callie Queen, Orville Crabtree, Avanelle Yelley, Alva McGraw, Gertrude Addis, Marion Wiseman, Broda Baldridge, Mary E. Shope, Treas., Calvin Yelley, Margaret Stevens, Carl Akers, Clara Kuhner, Herman Arthurs, Edna Knost, Dorothy Crabtree, Lillian Walker, Paul Kaltenbach, Eva Kaltenbach Sec., Williard Carter, Geneva Potts, Blanche Stidham, Zona Jones, James Sweeney.

### FRESHMAN CLASS

Elwood Martin, Edith Smith, Emma Humphrey, Bertha Clark, Albert Slack, Arthur Dill, Pres., Ruth Holman, Edna Johnson, Gilbert Dill, Lewis Hutchinson, Ethel Sommer, Finley Besco, Ada Durham, Galen Besco, John Baldridge, Alice Crabtree, Okia Adams, Paul Sargent, Myrtle Larter, James Sweeney, Margaret Bachtel, Vice-Pres., Lawrence Aeh, Sec., and Treas., Harold Hagen, Mildred Gilliland, Helen Denning, Walter Bellamy, Harold Jenkins, Bertha Bowling, Roy Smith, Howard Gulker, Ruth Pyles, Evelyn Peery, Aileen Walker, Bertha Peery, Orpha Carey, Okie Flannery, Hazel Akers, Margaret Tracy, Virginia Grant.



STUDY HALL



NEWSPAPER STAFF



GLEE CLUB



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## BOYS

Back Row Left to Right: Potts, Coach Cook, M. Wiseman, Middle Row: Ruth, Kinker, Carter, Crabtree, Estepp. First Row: Martin, J. Wiseman, Hanes, Kaltenbach

GAMES							
Webster	20	McDermott	15				
	29	Piketon	6				
**	16	Oak Hill	20				
"	39	Green Twp.	4				
17	18	Cadmus	19				
**	16	Otway	10				
**	45	Minford	7				
91	15	McDermott	10				
**	33	Otway	5				
**	6	Piketon	5				
44	17	Wheelersburg	19				
	19	Sciotoville	10				
	21	Minford	11				
11	12	Hamden	13				
**	15	Wheelersburg	17				
	19	Oak Hill	23				
**	24	Green Twp.	7				
Scinto	County	Tournament					
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11	32	McDermott	6				
**	8	Wheelersburg	9				
Athens Tournament							
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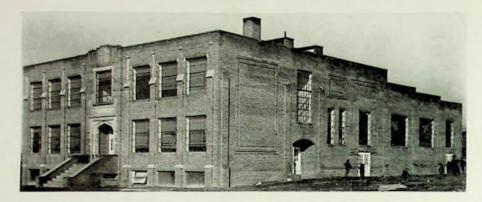
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	11	9	Minford	7
	19	6	McDermott	14
	**	18	Otway	15
		1.4	Piketon	15
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#### GIRLS

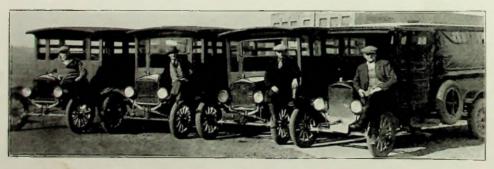
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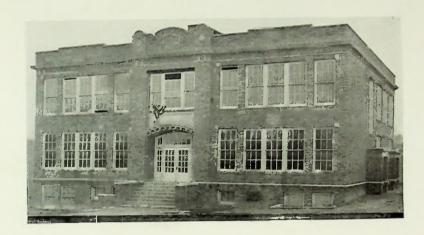
SOUTH WEBSTER GRADE BUILDING



DRAMATIC CLUB



TRUCKS AND DRIVERS



Minford High School



RAY G. WOOD
Supervising Principal

Ray G. Wood came to Scioto County from the Marietta Township Schools, Washington County, and has for the past six years devoted his interest and ability to the schools that have come under his supervision in Scioto County.

During the four years (1920-1924) he was Principal of the Otway High School and was influential in the establishment of a first grade high school there, where previously had existed only a second grade school. During this period also, the enrollment increased from eighteen to seventy-five students, due in great part to the interest awakened by the introduction of new subjects and activities.

For the past two years (1924-1926) Mr. Wood has been Supervising Principal of the Minford Schools, during which time the High School especially, has made much progress. Since he has been in charge, higher standards of scholarship, an effective honor-conduct system, and such extra-curricular activities as Orchestra, Glee Club, Debating Teams, Literary Societies, as well as Basket Ball and Baseball have been introduced into the school, and are evidences of his modern, progressive and practical methods.

Mr. Wood has been active in professional organizations since coming to the County; during the current year he has been president of the Scioto County Teachers Association. He is a graduate of Ohio Northern University, from which he has received the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education, and is continuing his graduate work for the Master of Arts degree at Ohio State University.



## MINFORD HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS

Back Row Standing: Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Violet, Miss Johnson. Seated: Mr. Wood, Mr. Duncan

### RUTH JELEN WOOD

A. B. Ohio State University English—Modern Languages Coach: Girls' Basket Ball "Box and Cox" "The Show Actress" Librarian

### LUCILE GOLL VIOLET

A. B. Hiram College Latin—Mathematics Coach: "Spreadin' the News" "The Family Doctor" "Yanki San" Glee Club

### ALMA V. JOHNSTON

B. S. Ohio State University Home Economics—Physiology Coach: "The Neighbors" "Deacon Dubbs" Debating

#### RAY G. WOOD, Superintendent

B. S. in Ed. Ohio Northern Uni. Science—History Coach: Boys' Basket Ball "Am I Intruding" Orchestra

#### EDWIN JOHN DUNCAN

Scioto County Normal Miami University Manual Training—Occupations Asst. Coach: Boys' Basket Ball





LOWELL CARMI THOMPSON "Bilkins"

"Always a smile and never a frown.
On the Vaudeville Stage he's a man of renown."

Stockdale '22-'24
Minford '24-'26

"Class History"
Class Play
Editor-in-Chief of Annual
Vice President '26
Orchestra
Glee Club President, Debating, President
Ciceronian, Manager Basket Ball team '26

LAUNA MYRTLE PARKS "Unie"
"Always a smiling and laughing lass,
"Almost always found at the head of her class."
Sciotoville '22-'23
Minford '23-'26
Salutatorian
Class Play
Athletic Editor
Secretary '26
Modern Language Club
Ciceronian
Debating

Basket Ball Captain '26

NELLIE IMOGENE KUHNS "Nellie"
"The smallest one of the whole fourteen,
But the spunkiest kid you have ever seen."
Stockdale '22-'23
Minford '23-'26
Class Poem
Class Play
Treasurer '26
Ciceronian
Glee Club
Basket Ball Forward

ELDON LOWELL DEEMER "Fatty"
"Eldon his lessons has never got,
But answers all questions whether he
knows them or not."
Stockdale '22-'23
Minford '23-'26
"Generalities"
Class Play
Orchestra
Glee Club
Athenian

HERMA IRENE CARR "Priscilla"
"Her good "conduct" we'll have to say,
Is always a result of her lady-like way."
Minford '23-'26
"Our Classmates"
Class Play
Modern Language Club
Athenian

FLOYD WINTERS BENNETT "Sissy"
"Although he's big, and husky, and sound.
With some Freshman girl he's always
found."
Wheelersburg '22-'23
Minford '23-'26
"Farewell Oration"

"Farewell Oration"
Class Play '26
Business Manager of Annual
Basket Ball Guard
Glee Club
Athenian

# LILLIAN CLARICE FENNER

"Giggle Mary"

"Don't get Lillian to the state of wrath.

For she'll slap everyone that comes in her path."

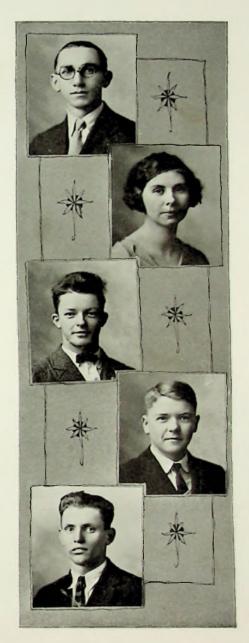
Sciotoville '22-'23
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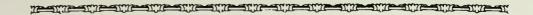
Class Prophecy Class Play '26 Literary Editor Basket Ball Modern Language Club Athenian

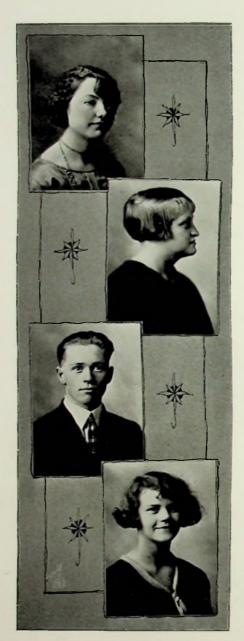
ULRICH BRAME SMITH
"Because he's little and full of glee
He's certainly a chip from the family tree."
Wheelersburg '22-'23
Minford '23-'26
"Class Grumbler"
Class Play '26
Joke and Art Editor
Basket Ball
Athenian

ALTON MYRON CORIELL
"Very small, but lots of wit,
And not at all shy of using it."
Minford '23-'26
"Class Will"
Class Play '26
Class Editor
Debating
Giceronian
Glee Club

OTTIS ALVA NEWMAN "Preacher"
"Noted for his jokes and funny actions,
Where he is, there's always attraction."
Sciotoville '22-'23
Minford '23-'26
"Key Oration"
Class Play '26
Music Editor
President '26
Orchestra
Glee Club
Debating
Basket Ball Captain '26







CHLOE MAE MONTGOMERY "Chloe"
"She's always good and has her lessons
done,
But she certainly misses a lot of fun."
Minford '23-'26
Valedictorian
Class Play '26
Modern Language Club
Athenian

HULDA MARILDA SMITH "Grumpy"
"It's a fact that people admire,
Her work as a Basket Ball star."
Wheelersburg '22-'23
Minford '23-'26
"The Worth of Our Attainments"
Class Play '26
Glee Club
Athenian
Basket Ball

RUSSELL ELMER POWEIL "Russ"
"A good little chap with hair of brown,
He lives with his "Pap" northeast of town."
Wheelersburg '22-'23
Minford '23-'26
"Optimism"
Class Play
Glee Club
Ciceronian

OPAL PEARL BROWNING "O"

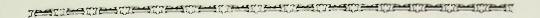
"If she would break the habit of sleeping late,
For some young man she would be a great mate."

Stockdale '22-'24

Minford '24-'26

"Advice"

Class Play
Glee Club
Latin Club
Ciceronian





GIRLS' BASKET BALL TEAM

Coach—Wood, O. Parks, E. Fenner, L. Fenner, E. Parks, A. Milam. Subs: Hayward, Mgr., Allen, Shuter, Irwin, Kuhns, L. Parks, Capt., Smith



BOYS' BASKET BALL TEAM

Wood—Coaches—Duncan. L. Thompson—Manager
Left to Right: Kuhns, Smith, Yeagle, Shuter, Bennett, Grimshaw, Capt. Newman,
Frowine, McGlone, Carr, Knore, Helt.







Seventy-two

## JUNIOR CLASS

The Junior Class has a membership of twenty. Its officers are as follows: President, Minta Irwin: Secretary, Edna Irwin; Treasurer, Forrest Yeagle. They have chosen for their motto "Tonight we Launch, Where shall We Anchor?" Class colors, scarlet and gold; class flower, pink rose-bud. The Juniors are taking part in all the school activities—ten play basket ball, thirteen take music, four debating, and all literary work. They have given two entertainments—the Orpheous Male Quartet and the Junior Class play. The proceeds to defray the expenses of the Junior-Senior banquet which is held at the end of the year. This has been a year of great accomplishments for the Juniors, and they look forward expectantly to their Senior year.

First Row: F. Lockhart, G. Knore, R. McGlone, R. Shoemaker, F. Shuter, R. Grimshaw, H. Frowine

Second Row: J. Carr, H. Snyder, E. Powell, L. Entler, F. Allen, F. Yeagle, P. Helt Third Row: M. Irwin, A. Milam, M. Hayward, H. Andre, I. Dodds, E. Irwin

## SOPHOMORE CLASS

It is a small class of only fourteen members, but they are doing wonders any-how. Everett Snyder is president, Esther Fenner secretary, and Bernard Bennett treasurer. Their motto is "Climb, though the Rocks be Rugged." Class colors are scarlet and gray, class flower is the red rose-bud. Five of their members play basket ball, seven take music, on debating and all literary work.

First Row: E. Fenner, H. Bennett, G. Wheeler, B. Bennett, D. Kuhns, E. Snyder, C. Rase, E. Kayser

Second Row: M. Brown, K. Ruby, M. Sudbrook, O. Parks, A. Shutter, A. Irwin

## FRESHMAN CLASS

Earl Williams is president, Elnora Parks secretary, and Laura Rice treasurer. They have four in basketball, ten in music, three in debating and all in literary. They have selected for their motto, "Today Decides Tomorrow"; class flower, white rose-bud; and class colors, old rose and gold.

First Row: E. Williams, H. Powell, H. Magnet, E. Bennett, H. Knore, E. Knore, V. Lyons, A. Watters

Second Row: O. Montgomery, A. Wills, G. Hadaway

Third Row: A. Fields, G. Church, R. Coles, E. Parks, R. Allen, H. Walker E. Newman, K. Coburn

Fourth Row: M. Ruby, B. Moore, A. Warren, W. Poole, L. Cole, C. Poole, M. Bradbury, G. Irwin, B. Moore, H. Colegrove (not in picture)



ORCHESTRA Mr. R. G. Wood, Director



LATIN CLUB



MODERN LANGUAGE CLUB



ANNUAL STAFF



DEBATING CLUB



GLEE CLUB





## CICERONIAN LITERARY CLUB

Back Row: H. Bennett, O. Newman, L. Thompson, V. Lyons, R. Shoemaker, R. Powell, U. Smith, E. Bennett, E. Williams, A. Coriell, H. Frowine
Second Row: E. Newman, G. Church, E. Parks, O. Browning, O. Montgomery, L. Parks, H. Walker, R. Coles, H. Andre, I. Dodge, E. Fenner, R. Grimshaw
Third Row: E. Snyder, A. Shuter, C. Coburn, N. Kuhns, A. Irwin, E. Irwin, G. Irwin, M. Ruby, E. Kayser, F. Allen, C. Ruby
Fourth Row: G. Wheeler, E. Knore, C. Rase, E. Lockart, G. Knore, R. Bennett

Fourth Row: G. Wheeler, E. Knore, C. Rase, F. Lockart, G. Knore, B. Bennett, D. Kuhns, F. Yeagle, A. Wills



## ATHENIAN LITERARY CLUB

Back Row: C. Montgomery, J. Carr, F. Bennett, R. McGlone, H. Magnet, E. Deemer

Second Row: M. Sudbrook, M. Brown, L. Fenner, H. Carr, H. Powell, H. Snyder, H. Knore

Third Row: O. Parks, A. Fields, R. Allen, B. Moore, H. Smith, M. Hayward, E. Powell, A. Milam, A. Waters

Front Row: A. Poole, A. Warren, M. Bradbury, G. Hadaway, L. Cole, M. Irwin, C. Moore, W. Poole

Seventy-Six





Rush Township High School



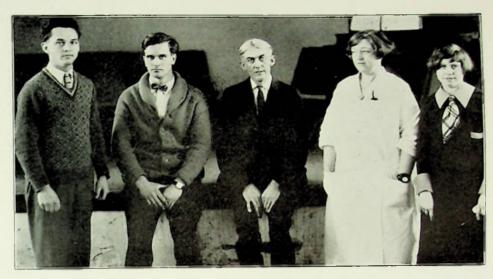
L. N. HARNESS
Supervising Principal

History, Mathematics, Civics, Economics

L. N. Harness, Supervising Principal of the Rush Township High School at McDermott, began to teach twenty-six years ago. The first fifteen years of that time was spent in one-room rural and elementary grade school work. For the last eleven years he has occupied his present position. He has done his full part in the establishment of a good, modern First Grade High School for Rush Township at McDermott. He did splendid work in assisting in carrying the bond issues necessary to build a high school building before a First Grade High School could be established, even against bitter opposition.

A strong advocate of extra-curricular activities in addition to good work in high school, Mr. Harness has developed good basket ball teams and established an annual Lecture Course for his Community.

Only a tireless and industrious worker and an enthusiastic supporter of progressive measures could have achieved what Principal Harness has done.



# THE HIGH SCHOOL TEACHERS

# CHARLES WILLIAM MOSSMAN

Centerville H. S. '22 Rio Grande Normal '24 R. G. C. Elocution '26 Athletics, Spanish, English, History

## LILIAN N. HALBRAN

Cincinnati, Ohio Teachers College, Miami Uni. '24-'25 Home Economics

# L. N. HARNESS, Principal

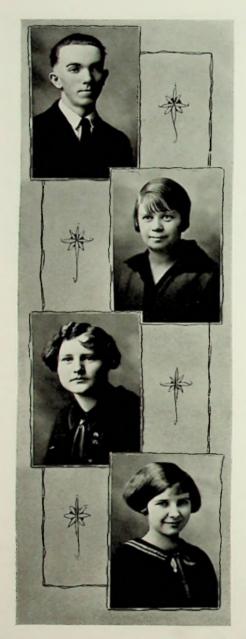
Lucasville H. S. 1898 Athens 1914 Miami 1916 Rio Grande 1922 Mathematics, Economics, History, Civics

# EDWIN JOHN DUNCAN

McDermott, Ohio Portsmouth H. S. '22 Scioto County Normal '23 Miami University '24-'25 Industrial Arts

# JEANNE A. CASTNER

Ironton H. S. 1918 B. A. Wooster College '22 Latin, English



CHARLES STEWART BANKS
Baseball '23-'24-'25'26
"Deacon Entangled" '24
"He kept his counsel and went his way"

EVA ELIZABETH JONES

Basket Ball '23-'24

Glee Club '26

"To be slow in words is a woman's virtue"

GLADYS LEOLA NORMAN
Basket Ball '24-'26 Capt. '25
Ass't Editor-in-Chief of Staff
"Deacon Entangled" '24
"She's charming to walk with,
Witty to talk with
And sweet to think on, too."

RUBY MARGUERITE BALLENGEE Basket Ball '24-'25-'26 "That's one on Bill" '25 Glee Club '26 "A gentle and retiring Miss"

NELSON WALDEN Otway '23-'24-'25 Treasurer '26 Baseball '26 Sport Editor of Staff

"What he greatly thought he nobly dared"

FONDA GLADYS STAHL Society Editor of Staff Vice President '25 Orchestra '26 Basket Ball '24-'25-'26

"That's one on Bill" '25
"To know her is to love her"

SARAH IRENE HACKWORTH

Lucasville High '23-'24 President of Class '25 Glee Club '26 Staff Joke Editor

"Blessed with a temper whose unclouded ray,
Can make tomorrow as cheerful as today."

HERBERT GEORGE ODLE

Basket Ball '25-'26 Baseball '25-'26 "That's one on Bill" '25

"Fic! What a spendthrift he is with his tongue!"





# GEORGE WASHINGTON TEETERS Basket Ball '25-'26 Vice President '26 Orchestra '26

"A man you can't help but like."

## CLARA ELIZABETH HACKWORTH Lucasville High '23-'24 Pres. of Class '26 Glee Club '26 Editor-in-Chief of Staff Treas. of Class

"Tho vanquished she could argue still."

## NELLE FITCH BARBER

Basket Ball '24-'25 Capt. '26 Secretary of Class '26 Glee Club '26 Business Manager of Staff "That's one on Bill" '25

"True to her word, her work, her friends."

# ANNA MARIE MARASEK Otway High '23-'24

Otway High '23-'24 Secretary of Class '25 Orchestra '26

"Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace."



#### GAMES

McDermott	15	S. Webster	20
**	16	Wheelersburg	24
**	20	Otway	12
**	5	Wheelersburg	24
**	10	S. Webster	15
**	35	Green Twp.	16
**	28	Minford	5
	24	Green Twp.	16
	18	Otway	14
	14	Wakefield	9
10	20	Minford	-\$

## BOYS' TEAM

Seated, left to right: Odle, Teeters, Koch. Standing: Higgins, Duncan, Coach Mossman, Hurley.

#### GAMES

McDermott	12	Minford	13
**	19	Otway	15
**	21	S. Webster	21
**	38	Wheelersburg	14
**	24	Otway	6
**	14	Wheelersburg	15
**	14	S. Webster	6
**	25	Green Twp.	0
**	10	Minford	3
**	11	Green Twp	4
**	14	Wakefield	9

# GIRLS' TEAM

Seated, left to right: Norman. Barber, F. Stahl. Center: Colley. Standing: E. Stahl, Ballengee, Higgins, D. Barber.









Eighty-four

# JUNIOR CLASS

Top Row Left to Right:Edna Stahl, Albert Hilt, John Hill, Charles Smith, Bertha Dinkler

Lower Row: Howard Higgins, Ralph Norman, Victor Koch, Dorothy Barber, Laura Hackworth, Nora Henry

## SOPHOMORE CLASS

Top Row Left to Right: Edith Higgins, Emma Marasek, Catheryn Gregory, Margaret Hull, Dorothy Scott, Elizabeth Crawford, Oro Altman Seated Left to Right: Alfred Duncan, Carl Cooper, Lillian Bond, Verna Crabtree, Gladys Cooper, Norman Harness

## FRESHMAN CLASS

Top Row Left to Right: Gladys Moore, Erma Rottgen, Virginia Hull, Merlie Hilt, Mary Heher, Helen Dinkler, Ruby Marasek, Mildred Jones, Avenell Colley, Ida Crabtree, Anna Colley

Second Row left to Right: Pauline Burcham, Velmer Carpenter, Homer Hull, Lacy Farley, Herbert Addington, William Graham, Eliza Cooper, Virginia Price, Blaine Farley

Third Row Left to Right: Earnest McChesney, Eugene Enz, Dana Dodds, Rufus Hall, Harry Cooper, Sumner Koch, Dennis Hunley, Chas. Mershon, Vesta Coburn, Wilbur Hilt, Lelia McCall, Bonnie McCorkle, Mildred Mead Daisy Montgomery, Arnold Stevenson



ANNUAL STAFF

Left to Right: Sarah Hackworth, Fonda Stahl, Elizabeth Hackworth, Gladys Norman, Nelle Barber, Nelson Walden and Principal L. N. Harness



**ORCHESTRA** 

Left to Right: Fonda Stahl, Howard Higgins, George Teeters, Rufus Hall, Victor Koch, Bertha Dinkler, Anna Marasek, Charles Mossman



## GLEE CLUB

Left to Right: Sarah Hackworth, Louise Hamer, Marguerite Ballengee, Nelle Barber, Elizabeth Hackworth, Avenell Colley, Ruth McGeorge, Charles Mossman, Dorothy Barber, Gladys Norman, Eva Jones Elizabeth Crawford, Gladys Moore



# BASEBALL TEAM

Summer Koch, p Norman Harness, m. John Hill, c Victor Koch, 3. Nelson Walden, I. Coach Mossman Howard Higgins, 2. Herbert Odle, L. Alfred Duncan, m. Charles Banks, r.



# JUNIOR-SENIOR LITERARY SOCIETY

Juniors: Edna Stahl, Albert Hill, John Hill, Charles Smith, Bertha Dinkler, Howard Higgins, Ralph Norman, Victor Koch, Dorothy Barber, Laura Hackworth, Nora Henry

Seniors: Charles Banks, Marguerite Ballengee, Nelle Barber, Sarah Hackworth, Clara Hackworth, Eva Jones, Anna Marasek, Gladys Norman, Herbert Odle, Merle Odle, Fonda Stahl, George Teeters, Nelson Walden



# SOPHOMORE-FRESHMAN LITERARY SOCIETY

Sophomores: Edith Higgins, Emma Marasek, Catheryn Gregory, Margaret Hull, Dorothy Scott, Elizabeth Crawford, Ora Altman, Alfred Duncan, Carl Cooper, Lillian Bond, Verna Crabtree, Gladys Cooper, Norman Harness

Freshmen: Gladys Moore, Erma Rottgen, Virginia Hull, Merlie Hilt, Mary Heher, Helen Dinkler, Ruby Marasek, Mildred Jones, Avenell Colley, Ida Crabtree, Anna Colley, Pauline Burcham, Volmer Carpenter, Homer Hull, Lacy Farley, Herbert Addington, William Graham, Eliza Cooper, Virginia Price, Blaine Farley, Earnest McChesney, Eugene Enz, Dana Dodds, Rufus Hall, Harry Cooper, Sumner Koch, Dennis Hurley, Charles Mershon, Vesta Coburn, Wilbur Hilt, Lelia McCall, Bonnie McCorkle, Mildred Mead,

Daisy Montgomery, Arnold Stevenson



Brush Creek Township High School



A. B. JONES
Supervising Principal
Ohio University, University of Chicago, Wilmington College

A. B. Jones was born April 6, 1882. He attended the Jones' country school until he was eighteen years old. The school term was then short, lasting only from four to six months and Mr. Jones states that he remembers but one term of seven months.

After leaving the Jones' school Mr. Jones attended the Otway school, then under the principalship of J. A. Oppey who encouraged him to attend the Lucasville school over which was James H. Finney, whom Mr. Jones regards as one of the best teachers Scioto County ever produced. Mr. Jones says, "Mr. Finney was an inspiration to me and I shall never forget his classes in Royer's Arithmetic and Rigdon's Grammar."

In the fall of 1901 Mr. Jones secured a teacher's certificate and taught his first term in the home school, receiving \$30.00 per month for a 5½ month term.

He instructed the next two years at McDermott and in 1904-05 he taught both Hoffer Hill and McCullough.

In the fall of 1906 Mr. Jones was elected principal of the Otway School which position he held the following fourteen years. In 1915 the Otway High School was established with Mr. Jones as principal.

Mr. Jones was elected principal of Peebles High School in 1920 and in 1923 was chosen to be head of the new Minford High School. He then returned to Otway where he has been for the last two years.

"Thanks, thanks to thee, our worthy friend, For the lessons thou hast taught."



MR. RAY S. BLACKBURN, B. S. and A. B.

Valparaiso University Chicago University Coach of Girls' Basket Ball Team Teacher of Science, Mathematics and Latin "His strength if not of muscle bred, But of the heart and of the head."



MISS EVA CLARK, B. S.

Mt. Vernon High School
Ohio State University
Faculty Advisor of Annual Staff
Teacher of English, History and
Physiology
"Never arrogant or proud,
Never quarrelsome or loud."



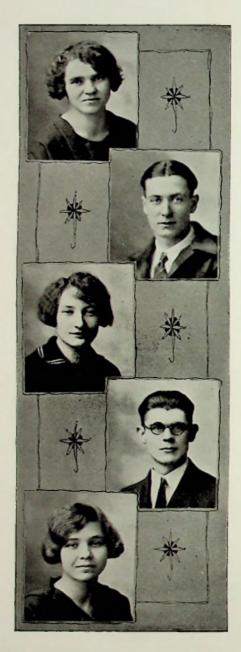
MISS MARGARET FREEMAN

Otway High School Portsmouth High School Miami University Sponsor of Girls' Athletics Teacher of Home Economics "The home is woman's sphere."



MR. EVERETT NEWMAN

Rarden High School
Hamilton High School
Miami University
University of Cincinnati
Coach of Boys' Basket Ball Team '26
Teacher of Manual Training
"With a hammer and saw and some wood
and glue
'Tis wond'rous what this man can do."



BLANCHE DAVIS

"Cricket"
Salutatorian
Adelphian Program Committee '26
Basket Ball '23-'24-'25-'26
Senior Program Committee
"Her hair was thick with many a curl
That cluster'd round her head."

PEARL CLARK "Punkin" Philomathian Monitor and Pro. Com. '26 Base Ball '23-'24-'25-'26 "He never said a foolish thing Nor ever did a wise one."

Prophecy
Adelphian
Basket Ball '25-'26
"If to her share some female errors fall,
Look on her face and you'll forget them
all."

JOHN KRATZER "Moco"
Class Address
Adelphian Program Committee '26
Class President '23.'24-'25.'26
Basket Ball '24.'25.'26
"My only books are women's looks' and folly's all they've taught me."

VIRGINIA HILL "Verdundy Editor-in-Chief Valedictorian Adelphian Program Com. '24-'25-'26 Class Program Committee '25 Debate '25 "She was a phantom of delight." SADIE JONES

"Casey"

Booster Sports Editor Adelphian President Basket Ball '25 Senior Vice-President

"A reinsome lassic with a pleasant smile."

OSCAR DAVIS

"Rusty"

Philomathian
Senior Program Committee '26
Basket Ball '23-'26 (Captain '25-'26)
Base Ball '23-'26
Glee Club '24
Treasurer of Class '23-'26

"We always trusted Rusty with our money for why—we didn't have any!"

PAULINE DAULTON "Polly"
Assistant Editor-in-Chief
Adelphian Vice-President and Pianist
Secretary of Class '24
Glee Club, altoist '24
"Parva, pulchra et dulce est Paulina."

EVERETT BURNETT "Peck"
Oration
Assistant Art Editor
Adelphian
Basket Ball '26
Base Ball '23-'26
"Never rash in word or deed."

ALICE NOXSEL "Allie"
Class Poem
Philomathian
"Modest and shy as a nun is she."





ANNABEL ARNOLD Class Will Adelphian Critic Basket Ball '26 "You tell 'em Annie!" "Kid"

MARY HUGHES "Madge"
Grumbler
Senior Historian
Senior Program Committee '26
Adelphian Secretary
"Her very frowns are fairer far.
Than smiles of other maidens are."

JESSIE THATCHER "Jetty"
Class History
Philomathian Secretary '25-'26
Basket Ball '25-'26
"Good nature and good sense must ever join."

# The History of Otway Schools

The schools of Otway had their humble beginning in 1860 when school was started in a small one-room building. The Honorable Joseph Tracy, now Auditor of Ohio, taught in that first little school house.

In 1891 the original structure was sold and a new school house was erected on the grounds where Otway's grade pupils now assemble.

In 1916 a fire swept over our village destroying the school house, but a larger and better structure built of brick replaced the burned building.

Our first High School was started in the autumn of 1915; at that time it was only a second grade school. A. B. Jones was Otway's first High School Principal and Clyde DeLong has the distinction of being the first graduate and also of making better grades than any following graduate.

Those who had been expecting to leave Otway and go somewhere else for their last year of High School were gladdened in 1922 by the news that the Otway High School had been granted a first grade charter so that they might finish their course at their home school.

A new High School building was now required by state law and this year, 1925-26, the Otway High School students took up their studies in their new quarters.

This short sketch shows the progress which the Otway schools have made and it is the sincere wish of the Senior Class of '26 that the future progress shall be greater than the past.

## ALUMNI OF OTWAY HIGH SCHOOLS

- 1918—Clyde DeLong is attending school at Miami University.
- 1919—Lucille Robinson, Clara Walsh, and Gladys Jones are teaching. Byron Gordon is located in Otway.
- 1920—Hazel Hazlebaker is now Mrs. Ralph Erwin while Blanche Garvin is known as Mrs. Lawrence Montavon, Margaret Freeman teaches Domestic Science at Otway and Rarden.
- 1921—Robert Ivers teaches near Otway.
- 1923—Clara White, Margaret Davis, Robert DeLong and Mary White have entered the teaching profession. Carl Braden is in Portsmouth and John Ingles is in Otway. Ruth Walsh attends Ohio University.
- 1924—Those working in Portsmouth are: Louisa Wamsley, Cecil Jewett, Agnes Heher, Elsworth Braden and Fred Willey. Teaching near Otway are: Glen Davis, Ada Jones, Anna Wamsley and Earl Freeman. Ferman De-Long is at home and Inda Evans is at Blue Creek. Hosea Freeman died in 1925.
- 1925—Lucille Turner and Harland Jones are attending Miami University. Attending the Scioto County Normal at Wheelersburg are: William Snook, Elizabeth Thomas and Lillian Walden. Laura Jackson and Gladys Spears are in Portsmouth. Elizabeth and Audrey Ralstin are teaching. Oscar Jones is at home and Daisy Abbott is in New Vienna, Ohio.

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## JUNIOR CLASS

President, Clinton Snook; Vice-President, Audrey Graham; Secretary, Thelma Braden; Treasurer, Mattie Rutherford; Stella Koenig, Ada Loevenguth, Nola Loevenguth, Herbert Thomas, Kepler Arnold, Milton Ingles, Harold Colvin, and Harold Graham.

#### SOPHOMORE CLASS

President, Howard Evans: Vice-President, Howard Hazlebaker; Secretary, Richard Hines; Geneva Braden, Jesse Burnett, Vada Campbell, Alice Davis, Thelma DeLong, Edward Elmore, Russell Euton, Vesta Glendening, Hugh Liston, Ruth Richards, Harry Sanderson, Olive Spears, Beryl Thomas, Mary Willey, Myrtle White and Bertie Workman.

## FRESHMAN CLASS

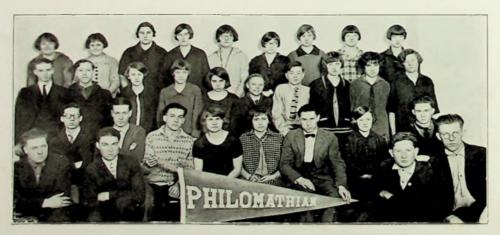
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HOME ECONOMICS CLASS



MANUAL TRAINING CLASS II



MANUAL TRAINING CLASS I

Ninety-nine



## BOYS' BASKET BALL TEAM

Here we see the boys' basket ball team with Mr. Newman as coach. They are, from left to right: Kepler Arnold, Harold Graham, Hugh Liston, Everett Newman (Coach), Harold Colvin, Howard Evans, Oscar Davis (Captain), Pearl Clark and Harry Sanderson.



# GIRLS' BASKET BALL TEAM

The O. H. S. girls were successful in winning many games this year through the splendid work of their coach, Mr. Blackburn. From left to right they are: R. S. Blackburn (Coach), Mary Margaret O'Brien, Olive Liston, Ruth Richards, Geneva Gordon, Eloise Pritchard, Thelma DeLong, Ella Colvin, Audrey Graham, Margaret Freeman (Sponsor), Orpha Ralstin, Reva Addington, Mary Willey, Thelma Braden (Captain), Jessie Thatcher and Blanche Davis.



Rarden Township High School



ORA E. FOSTER
Supervising Principal
Miami University
Lebanon University
Wilmington College
University of Cincinnati



MARGARET FREEMAN
Home Economics
Miami University



ORRIS EVERETT NEWMAN Manual Training Miami University



HELEN LEE GREEN
English-Latin
Ohio State University
University of Wisconsin

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President
"Civil Service"
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ELMER TRACY IRWIN Secretary









One-hundred Four

#### JUNIOR CLASS

Gladys Bowles Frank Clark Fred Clark Mabel Cooper Foster R. Kirker Irene Koch Mary Newman Bruce Penn Wells Reinoehl Raymond Ross

#### SOPHOMORE CLASS

Wenonah Abbott Charles Blackburn Ruth Bohlender Roy Bowles Maurice Gardner

Lowell Weaver

Mabel Newman Eliza Ross Edna Taylor Esta Taylor Dale Watson

#### FRESHMAN CLASS

Gladys Austin Paul Boyd Alfred Moon Carl Moore Robert Mustard Theo. Nelson Olive Newland Cora Newman Elizabeth Smith William White

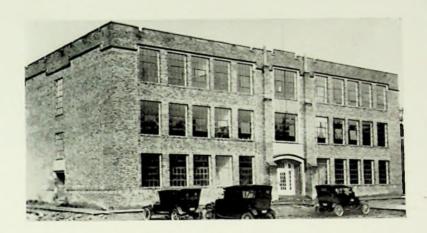


MANUAL TRAINING

### Some of our School Activities



HOME ECONOMICS



Green Township High School



E. B. SCOTT
Supervising Principal

For about twenty-two years Supervising Principal E. B. Scott of the Green Township High School has traveled along the pedagogical road "teaching the young idea how to shoot," with an experience from that of a one room elementary school to that of Manual Training in a First Class High School and to his present position.

Mr. Scott is a graduate of Ohio University with a B. S. in Ed. Degree and holds life elementary and Manual Training certificates. He taught Manual Training in the Bloom Township schools at South Webster for four years and was Principal of the High School one year in addition to teaching Manual Training and other high school subjects. Called to the Supervising Principalship of the Green Township High School in their splendid new building he has put forth a good effort to help develop it and although confronted with the difficulties which necessarily exist in the organization of a new school system, he is progressing well toward the making of that high school one of which Green Township may well be proud.

With his enthusiasm and abundance of energy no stone will be left unturned by him to do his work in a creditable manner.



TEACHERS GREEN TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

#### LEWIS SMITH

B. S. in Ed. Ohio, Northern University, English, Science, B. B. Coach.

#### MISS MARY LOWER

B. S. in Ed., Ohio University, History, Civics, General Science.

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Bowling Green State Normal, Domestic Science, Hygiene, Physiology.



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#### JUNIOR CLASS

Top: Left to right; Kendall Mault, Lewis Hyland, Irving Rase, Luther Lange, James Porter, Pres., Frederick G. Rase, Bennie Smeltzer.

Front Row: Frederick W. Rase, Frances Oakes, Clara Schneider, Elizabeth Porter, Hugh Hoover.

#### SOPHOMORE CLASS

Top: Left to Right; Lowell Oakes, Ray Schneider, Pres., Oliver Doty. Front Row: Lucile Schafer, Mayme Gleim.

#### FRESHMAN CLASS

Top: Left to Right: Ellis Gallian, Otto Yinger, Frank Otworth, Valley Burke Jane Waddell, Adromedea Fannin, Bertha Lange Front Row: Avanell Brush, Marguerite Mault, Freda Cook, Louise Strehle, Iva Shannon, Ruth Carroll, Maud Jones.







One-hundred Eleven



#### BOYS' BASKET BALL TEAM

Top Row: Irving Rase, James Porter, Coach Smith, Kendall Mault, Luther Lange, Capt.

Front Row: Lewis Hyland, Bennie Smeltzer, Frederick W. Rase.



#### GIRLS' BASKET BALL TEAM

Top Row: Avanell Brush, Bertha Lange, Miss Sylvia Gable, Marguerite Mault, Jane Waddell.

Front Row: Clara Schneider, Adromedea Fannin, Clara Wheeler, Captain,

Elizabeth Hock, Charlotte Workman.



Nile Township High School



P. S. WAMSLEY
Principal
Ohio Northern University
Bliss Business College
Ohio University

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Class Motto LABOR OMNIA VINCIT

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#### ESTALENE CAUDILL

"This one thing I do, or these forty things I dabble in, which shall it be?"
Program Committee
Captain Basket Ball Team
Forward on team

#### LOUISE BRIDWELL

"She is beautiful and therefore to be woodd She is a girl therefore to be won." Class President, Critic

#### LOUISE CUPPETT

"We're always interested when Louise is present, a very charming person is she. While her company is always pleasant." Class Treasurer Art Editor

#### ANNA LEE MAHAN

"She is possessed with the laughing spirit, And she never takes things seriously, Which is sometimes the best way to be." Center on Basket Ball Team

#### MAE MITCHELL

"She is witty with laughing brown eyes, Everyone thinks she is sweet and wise." Class Secretary President Literary Club Guard on Basket Ball Team



### Class Prophecy

After graduating from the Friendship High School, I took a two-year course at the Ohio State University. Then I went to California to teach in one of the public schools. I stayed there eight years and then came back to Ohio to visit my mother. I was very anxious to find out what each of my class mates had done or become.

A few days after my arrival I went to our nearest town and my curiosity was satisfied. On the corner of Fourth and Chillicothe streets, whom should I meet but Mae Mitchell, who had been one of the jolliest and biggest mirth-producing persons in the class. Going up to her, I extended my hand saying, "Mae, it surely is wonderful to meet one of my best friends at such an unexpected time. Tell me all you can about our school mates. I am very anxious to know, but first tell me about yourself."

"Yes, indeed," she replied. "I will do my very best. Come with me to my home and we'll talk about past times and friends."

When we arrived she introduced me to her husband who was a wealthy business man. (I was impressed by his good looks but please don't tell Mac. She might tell me to go back to California.)

Beginning the conversation, she told me first about herself. "I was married three years ago to Jack. We get along perfectly. I am a regular housewife and wouldn't exchange my present job for any other."

"You remember Homer Ratliff, do you not?" she continued. "He has gotten rid of his freckles and is now a traveling salesman. His favorite brand of cosmetics is 'Instant Freckle Remover' and he himself is the best advertisement for the firm. All is necessary is one of his pictures taken several years ago and a recent photograph of himself."

"What has become of Anna Lee Mahan?" I asked. "Well, she took a Domestic Science course, you know, and then became the editor of 'Household Hints' on the woman's page of our daily paper. The old adage, 'The nearest, largest way to a man's heart is through his stomach,' can certainly be applied to her. For she is engaged to a girlhood sweetheart of hers. He told me that she could prepare some of the most appetizing dainties he had ever tasted."

"Maurice Vaughters is still a bachelor. No coquettish glances, baby-blue eyes have entired him. He went to the West eight years ago and now owns a cattle ranch. He has been here several times visiting most of his old acquaintances, but the call of the prairie has more attractions than any city."

"Louise Cuppett is a school teacher and she seems to enjoy her work. I have heard that she is considered one of the best teachers in this county," continued Mae.

"Estalene Caudill studied music, vocal in particular. She was just beginning to be recognized as a great alto singer when she fell in love with a movie actor and her career ended. They are married now and live in Atlanta, Georgia. I think cupid has had real good business, don't you?" Mae said, as she ended this interesting topic of how time had dealt with my class mates.

After chatting about trivial things, I went home. A week later I returned to California and am now engaged to my dear Harry. So I haven't been left out of the fun after all.

MARY LOUISE BRIDWELL



Vernon Township High School



J. JASON MITCHELL Principal

Adams County Normal, Wilmington College

#### SENIOR CLASS

Omar Robinson



#### FRESHMAN CLASS

Ruth Estep Clara Ferrel Florence Jones Gladys Jones

Lloyd Waddle

Waldo Monroe Elizabeth Rase Alma Robinson Ralph Ruth



### History of Vernon Township High School

High School pupils of Vernon Township Rural School District, until 1921 had been attending various high schools outside the district. In 1921, on the recommendation of County Superintendent E. O. McCowen, the board established a two-year high school. Its first teacher was John H. Ruth, a graduate of Ohio University and a native of Vernon Township. The first class was graduated in 1922 under a third grade charter from the State Department of Public Instruction.

Owing to the difficulty in securing a competent high school teacher, since Mr. Ruth had accepted a higher salaried position elsewhere, and owing to an apparent lack of sufficient interest on the part of the community, the school was temporarily abandoned for one year. A request was made at the end of that time by the board to the County Superintendent to attempt to re-establish the school. Supt. Mc-Cowen insisted that a mass meeting of the patrons and citizens be held to discuss the matter. This was done and a unanimous vote of those present favored the project. So the school was re-established in 1923 with Harold H. Blackburn of Rarden as the teacher. He did good work and had a graduating class at the end of his year, accepting a position in the Wheelersburg schools for the next year.

J. Jason Mitchell was chosen as Mr. Blackburn's successor and has held the position successfully to the present time, with graduating classes each year.

A bond issue in the amount of \$30,000 was carried by the electors in 1924 and the high school is now ensconsed in a beautiful four-room building which also accommodates two grade schools. The building has a good sized basement, gymnasium and play room, thus providing for a certain amount of community center work.

If the new board of education shall prove to have a vision for the future equal to or exceeding that of the retiring board the future of the Vernon Township High School will be assuredly bright.



# Buena Vista High School Temporary Building



ORIN GRAFF
Principal
Ohio Northern University

#### **GRADUATES OF '26**

Class Roll Beatrice May Alcorn Gertrude Ione Francis Everett Edgar Perry

Class Flower Tea Rose Class Colors Blue and Silver

Class Motto
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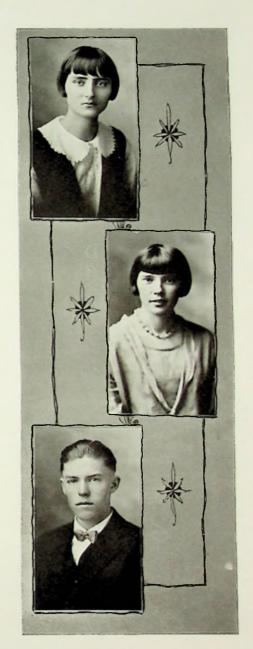
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PUPILS OF BUENA VISTA HIGH SCHOOL

#### JUNIOR CLASS

Frieda Mae Chandler Hubert Eugene Francis Anna Ruth Easter Alvin Burton Hazelbaker Robert Paul Mitchell



### History of Buena Vista High School

On the Ohio River in the extreme southwestern corner of Scioto County is situated the beautiful and quiet little village of Buena Vista. It's High School pupils were sent to Portsmouth at first with tuition paid, but later under a better law, with either board of transportation in addition being paid. In 1923, on recommendation of Supt. E. O. McCowen the Buena Vista Board established a high school. Its first teacher was Miss Matilda Adams. The first commencement was held in 1924 under a Third Grade Charter.

A Scioto County boy, Orin Graff, Ohio Northern University, employed in 1924, has been the teacher since. With a graduating class each year and with earnest diligent work he has helped to create a splendid school spirit. The High School is being conducted in a Temporary Building.



BUENA VISTA GRADE BUILDING

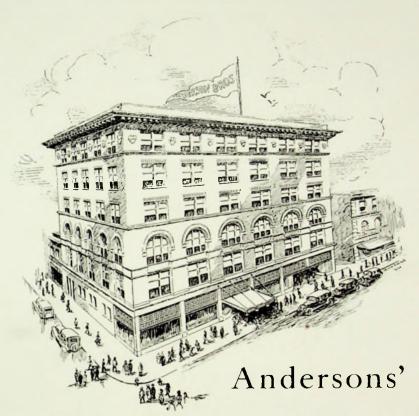




Valley Township High School

Valley Township High School did not contribute anything to the Scioto County High School Annual, although they were very courteously invited to do so.





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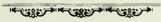


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