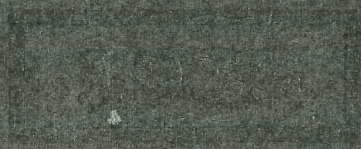


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DEDICATION

To those whose interest and energy
have contributed most substantially to
the success of Wright City High School,
we do most sincerely dedicate this book.



Standing, reading left to right—George Wiemer, John F. Case, Fred Lichte, Frank Symes.
Seated—Oley Hedeman, Vice-Pres.; Elmer Nieburg, President; Clarence Feix, Sec'y and Treas.

Board of Education

THE Board of Education, the mainstay of Wright City High School, is continually working for the betterment of the school and the benefit of the students; we find the board co-operating in everything that is undertaken by the school. It is our hope and desire that the Board of Education will accept this page as our means of expressing our sincere thanks to each of them for their faithful service to W. C. H. S.



HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

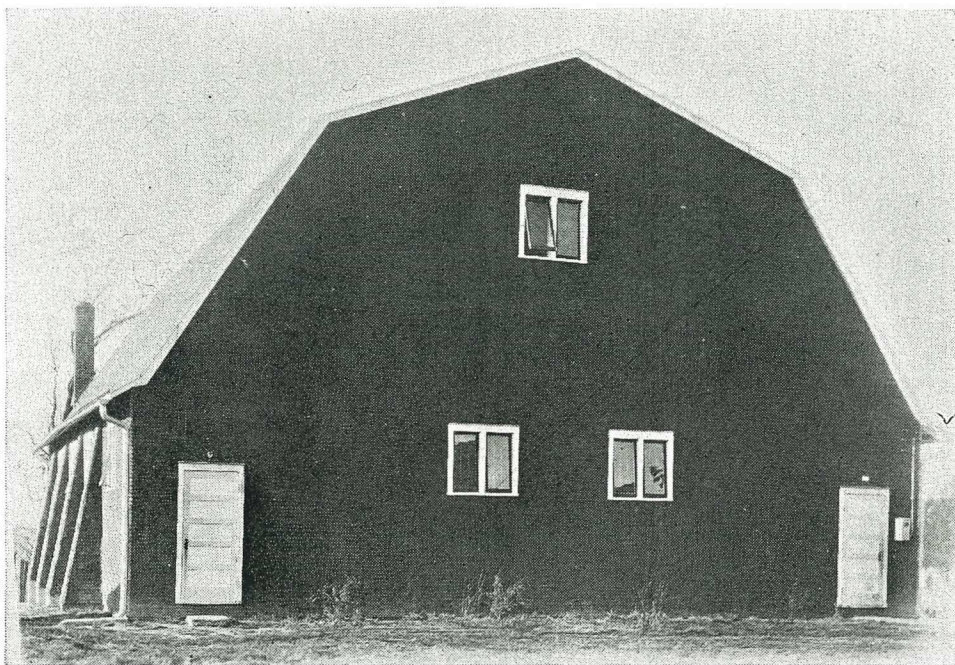
History of the Wright City High School

CONTINUED progress has been the history of Wright City High. Although measured by the span of time for other schools its life has been short, the record of achievement is one to be proud of and perhaps not excelled by any other high school of like enrollment in this state. It is a story of progress through co-operation of patrons, teachers, and students.

For several years prior to 1922, O. P. Browning, superintendent of the grade school, which employed but two teachers, had taught the ninth grade. Unapproved by the State Department of Education, students who had taken the work were allowed to submit to an examination and having passed a satisfactory test were admitted to the tenth grade work. In 1922, patrons of the school and the Board of Education, with William Heidtman as president and J. H. Stegen as secretary, decided to establish a third class high school, the ninth and tenth grades to be taught. O. E. Kettelkamp was employed at a salary of \$150 a month.

No building being available, the city hall was tendered for high school purposes, no rental being charged. The room was equipped, and books purchased by the students. In September, 1922, the first high school, which later was approved by William Dillon, representing the State Department, opened with Forest Strathman, Richard Koopman, Wayne Stoff, Gladys Nieburg and Arline Astroth enrolled as students.

So successful was the first term of school that a decision was reached by the Board of Education to submit a proposition to vote bonds for an addition of two rooms to the grade school building in 1923. The bond issue at the regular election, however, failed to obtain a two-thirds majority vote, although 93 votes were cast for and but 48 against the proposition. The Board composed of William Krome, president, and Robert Struchtemeyer, Tony Owens, Thomas Smith, John F. Case, and Amos Gerken immediately called a special election, and on April



HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

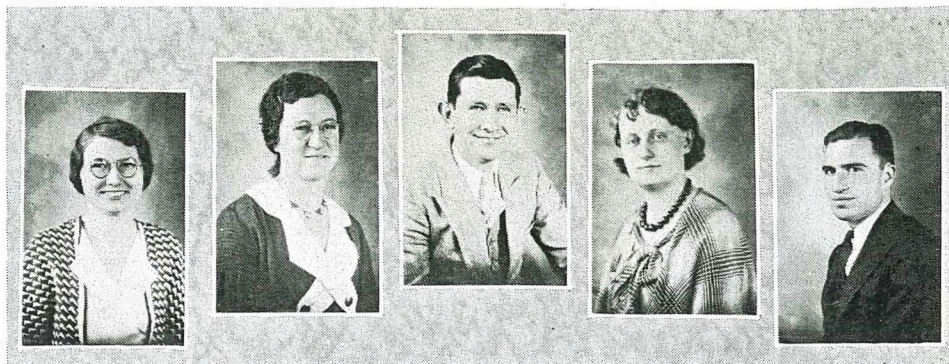
History of the Wright City High School (Continued)

28, the bond issue for \$3,500 carried by a large majority of 164 to 65. A contract was let and building began.

Determined that further opportunity for attendance at home should be given their children, C. G. Nieburg, F. H. Astroth, F. T. Strathman, and Herman Koopman pledged \$25 each per month in 1923 and Faye Hendershott was employed to assist Superintendent Kettelkamp. Wayne Stoff was employed as janitor to pay his tuition and the class of 1922-23 continued in '23-'24. The school was approved as second class, but in 1925 there was a temporary lapse to third class. Roi S. Wood was employed as superintendent. In 1926, however, the school again was approved as a second class institution, with Dorothy Isler as assistant to Superintendent Wood.

Credit must be given to the present superintendent, L. F. Gooch, for being instrumental in building a first class high school. Succeeding Prof. Wood in 1929, Prof. Gooch has worked untiringly for the school's welfare as had his predecessors, and enough tuition students were secured to guarantee salaries of two additional teachers in 1930-31, Ray Means and Thelma Salmon being employed as assistants. The first graduating class with nineteen members was presented in May, 1931, a proud day for Wright City. Anna Mae Cochran with Thelma Salmon and Prof. Gooch made up the staff in 1931-32, and this year's faculty is composed of L. F. Gooch, Fern Braden, and Herbert Rhoads.

The record of Wright City High throughout ten years has been one of continued progress. In academics, literary, music and athletic competition our school has more than held its own in strong conference competition against schools of far greater enrollment, as the many trophies won attest. We feel confident that Wright City High will go on to greater things.



Lydda Vahle

Mattie Keithly

L. F. Gooch

Fern Braden

Herbert Rhoads

Faculty of the Wright City High School

MISS LYDDA VAHLE:

Miss Vahle, our primary instructor, came the year preceding Prof. Gooch and Miss Keithly; her teaching then was limited to one year in a rural school, but six valuable years in our school have assured us of her worth. She has taken up music, penmanship, and art as additional work in her instruction. (Our best insurance of our grade teachers' success has been their re-employment).

MISS MATTIE KEITHLY:

Miss Keithly, our upper grade teacher, came from O'Fallon, Mo., in 1929 and has successfully instructed her room as well as proved valuable assistance in music for both high school and grades since then. Miss Keithly is outstanding as a 4-H Club leader and has been for a number of years.

PROFESSOR L. F. GOOCH:

Prof. Gooch succeeded Prof. Roi S. Wood in 1929, coming into our school after one successful term in a country school and two each in Wellsville and Reger, Missouri, schools. Professor Gooch is a graduate of Kirksville State Teachers' College, Kirksville, Mo., and has to his credit 12 hours' work at Missouri University, Columbia, Mo.

Professor Gooch has taken up social and political science and mathematics as special interests in teaching. He has coached four very successful years in basketball, three years in boys' basketball and three in girls' basketball; also three years in track. His success may be measured by the cups placed in our trophy case since his coming.

In 1930, Wright City High School became a first class school. Prof. Gooch's work has been readily approved by the State Department. Since his coming, our enrollment has increased from 48 to 75, and with his return as superintendent next year, the prospects for increase look bright.

We feel indebted and grateful to our superintendent in a measure we cannot easily express for all he has done for us, both as individuals and as a school.

MISS FERN BRADEN:

Miss Braden received her education at William Woods College, Kirksville State Teachers' College, and Missouri University. She had six years of teaching experience before coming into our school, two of those being in North Kansas City schools. Her majors are commerce, english, and music. We feel her year with us has been one of success and advancement as we believe her coming year here will be. We appreciate her earnest endeavor to build our school. Miss Braden's home is in Mexico, Mo.

MR. HERBERT RHOADS:

Mr. Rhoads, our principal, has made his home in Kansas City, Mo., receiving his education at the above place, as well as at Missouri University and the Kirksville State Teachers' College. Mr. Rhoads' majors are social science and science. Although this is his first year of teaching, we feel sure it has been a successful one. As an athletic coach, he developed one of the smoothest working basketball teams in this section, a team that W. C. H. S. will long remember.

Parent-Teacher Association

THE Parent-Teacher Association was organized in 1921 with John F. Case as the first president and Rev. A. E. Katterjohn as the first secretary. In recent years, the Parent-Teacher Association has been largely in the hands of the women members who have been especially active in behalf of the school.

It is estimated that the organization has contributed over \$3,000 to the school. This has been spent on school equipment, all of the playground equipment having been provided from this source.

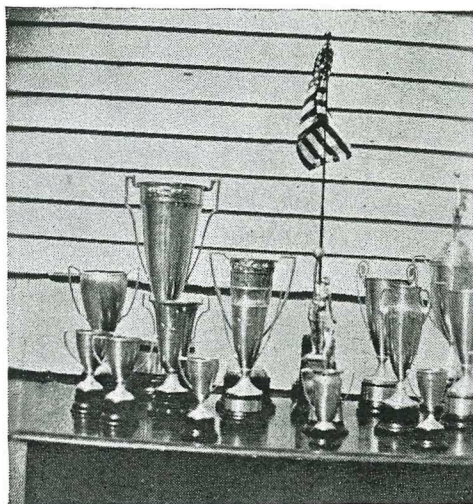
The Parents and Teachers usually have an annual Bakers' Exchange, and everyone is invited to contribute something toward it—cakes, pies, chicken—anything they care to give. This has proved a very successful means of raising revenue.

Last year, for the first time, the Association in co-operation with the High School, gave a fall festival. There were many different displays such as quilts, fancywork, canned goods, garden products, etc. In the evening, the public was pleasantly entertained by the High School. As a whole, the event was very successful, and it is estimated that around \$125.00 was cleared.

It has been the custom of the P. T. A. to meet the second Tuesday in each month. At this time, business matters are discussed and the general welfare of the school is considered. After the business meeting, a program usually is given.

At the last meeting, the new officers for the following year are elected. Our present officers are as follows: Miss Mattie Keithly, president; Mrs. Henry Diekroeger, vice-president; Mrs. A. E. Katterjohn, secretary; Mrs. Gus. Schmitt, treasurer.

The newly-elected officers for next year are: Mrs. L. F. Gooch, president; Mrs. Gus. Schmitt, vice-president; Mrs. George Wiemer, secretary; Miss Mattie Keithly, treasurer.



Trophies Won by Wright City

Since the beginning of the school year of 1929, Wright City has placed twenty-five trophies on the shelves of a suitable case. These laurels have been won in various activities, including academic meets, dramatics, music, track, tennis, and basketball.

The fact that competition has been almost entirely with schools much larger than Wright City makes an even better showing for our girls and boys.

The past year has found the East Missouri Conference, which is made up of six schools, awarding seventeen trophies. Of those seventeen, Wright City won six, or two more than any of the other schools. The student body feels that they have just reasons for boosting W. C. H. S.

Bits of Interest

The local student body is made up of girls and boys with a wide range of addresses. The following post offices are represented in our directory: Warrenton, Foristell, Wentzville, O'Fallon, New Melle, Marthasville, and Wright City.

An interesting fact about our school is that fifty-six students out of the total enrollment of seventy-five are non-residents—a good sign that we are growing.

Last year, two well-filled car loads of students made a trip to Gray Summit, the home of the Purina Mills Farm. First hand information was received on practically all phases of farming. At the noon hour a dinner that will long be remembered was served by the management of Purina Mills. The afternoon was spent visiting other places of interest including the old Grant home and the Busch stables. A similar trip is being planned for this spring with a great deal more enthusiasm being shown. Probably some remember the mince pie.

Possibilities for W. C. H. S. for '34 are even brighter than ever, so far as prospective students are concerned. However the finances are calling for new sources. In order to keep the school at present standard, the Board of Education is charging a library and laboratory fee of fifty cents per month. This small amount will work a hardship on no one, while at the same time it is a life-saver to our first-class school. Watch for the largest enrollment in the history of the school.

The Alumni Banquet and party has grown to be one of the outstanding social events of the community. Nearly fifty attended the last annual affair and voted it the biggest success of them all.

Marie Nobbmann was elected president of the organization for the coming year, with Charles Oney secretary and treasurer, and Ruth Wippert vice-president.



Seated, reading left to right—Theodore Metcalf, Karl Mueller, Joseph Rayfield.
 Second row—Ellis McCoy, Elmer Godt, John Miller, Herbert Rhoads, Coach.
 Third row—Buddy Edwards, Edgar Kamphoefner, Billy Oney.

Boys' Track

AT the time of writing, our track team has had little time for practice, although they have been seen lately practicing for the coming East Missouri Conference Track Meet. Having several of last year's men back on the squad, we are expecting a successful season.

Among last year's men who are on the squad this year are: Miller, Oney, and Edwards.

Track has become a more important feature among the school activities, and we hope that Wright City may continue to enjoy friendly competition of this kind with other schools.

Two records were set last year that remained unbroken this year. They were: 440 yard dash by Borgman in 57 seconds and the shot put by Stamer, who put it 37 feet 7 inches.



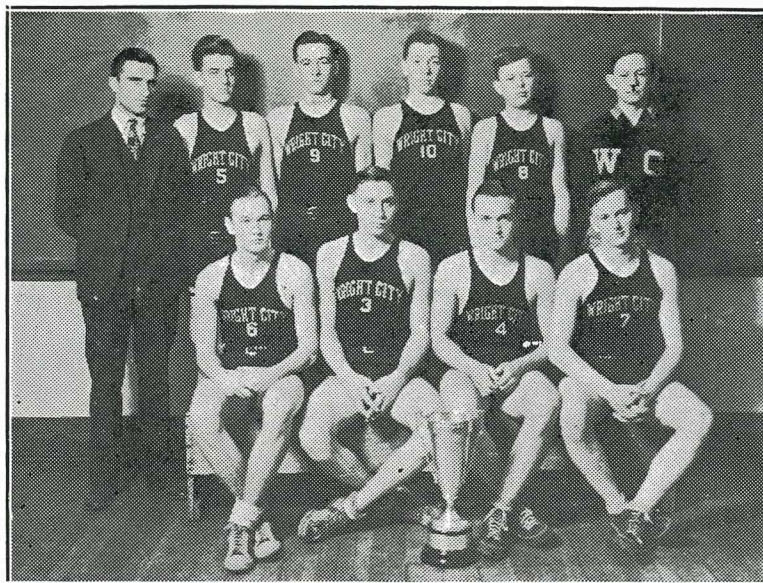
MEMBERS OF TENNIS CLUB

Tennis

THIS spring a tennis club was organized in our school, and the following officers were elected: Elmer Godt, president; and Mildred Willis, treasurer. The club sponsored a tournament in which all members who cared to took part. Ten boys entered in the boys' tournament and five girls entered in the girls' tournament. Paul Stamer and Buddy Edwards were the winners of the boys' tournament. We are unable to give the names of the winners of the girls' tournament since not all the games have been played.

In 1930, W. C. H. S. entered in a tennis meet with neighboring schools. Willie Lee Schmitt and Ralph Schmidt, with August Stamer as alternate, made up the boys' team at this time, while the members of the girls' team were Malinda Nobbmann and Marie Nobbmann, with Emma Kriz as alternate.

At that time, our teams were successful in bringing home the trophy given at the meet. W. C. H. S. has not been entered in activity of this kind since 1930, but it is hoped that there may be more of this friendly competition in the future.



Seated, reading left to right—Francis Case, Paul Stamer, (Capt.); John Miller, (Capt.); Beverly Pitts.
Second row—Coach, Herbert Rhoads; Ellis McCoy, Billy Oney, Buddy Edwards, Roland Struchtemeyer, Alden Bruning.

Boys' Basketball

THE season opening with five letter men back from 1931-32 found Wright City High School represented by one of the best boys' teams to wear the Blue and Gold. They performed some feats no other boys' team ever accomplished for W. C. H. S. Our boys, captained by Stamer and Miller, defeated our neighboring school for the first time in the history of the school; and they won a tournament, placing the first boys' basketball trophy on our shelves.

Their playing in tournaments showed the following results: In the fall Bowling Green tournament, the boys won first place by defeating New Florence, Winfield, Bellflower, and Bowling Green. It was in this tournament that John Miller was made "All Star Captain" and Billie Oney given honorable mention.

At Warrenton, they defeated New Haven and then bowed to Montgomery City in the semi-finals.

In the Troy tournament, the boys were defeated in the first round by Hancock. At Bowling Green this spring, W. C. easily defeated Louisiana, then was defeated by Bowling Green.

In spite of being seriously handicapped by injuries and illness, our boys made a record of which everyone in W. C. H. S. should be proud. Schedule follows:

NON-CONFERENCE GAMES			CONFERENCE GAMES		
	W. C.	Opp.		W. C.	Opp.
Howell at Howell.....	15	26	Troy at Wright City.....	26	25
New Florence at Wright City	23	13	Warrenton at Warrenton.....	13	17
Howell at Wright City.....	26	9	Elsberry at Elsberry.....	18	33
Hermann at Wright City.....	16	18	Eolia at Wright City.....	21	28
Silex at Wright City.....	29	16	Wellsville at Wright City....	24	40
Montgomery at Wright City..	15	19	Warrenton at Wright City....	34	25
Hermann at Hermann.....	17	22	Eolia at Eolia.....	38	33
Hermann at Wright City.....	28	31	Wellsville at Wellsville.....	14	37
Hermann at Hermann.....	22	29	Troy at Troy.....	23	27
			Elsberry at W. C. (forfeit)...	0	2
			Total for season	402	450



Seated, reading left to right—Ann Loren, Ida Mae Gross, Helen Nobbmänn, Billie Groce.
 Standing—Coach, L. F. Gooch; Florence Schaper, Elizabeth Bockhorst, Malinda Nobbmänn,
 Mildred Nobbmänn.

Girls' Track

TRACK has been growing in importance within our school for some time, and last year featured it at the highest. Our track team made a better showing than ever before, but striving against greater competition than had ever been known.

At the time of writing, the track season had hardly opened, making it impossible to test the strength of our team.

Last season, however, our girls won some notable victories. They defeated Elsberry in a dual meet; they lost a close meet to Troy; they placed second in the East Missouri Conference meet and won the conference relay.

Individual honors in the East Missouri Conference Meet went to Ann Loren, Helen Nobbmänn, Billie Groce, and Ida Mae Gross, who ran the 220 yard relay; Ida Mae Gross, who won 2nd place in the 75 yard dash and 2nd in baseball throw for distance; Ann Loren, who won 2nd in the 50 yard dash and 3rd in the 75 yard dash; and to Malinda Nobbmänn, who won 1st place in the baseball throw for accuracy.

Two records made last year remain unbroken this year. They are: The 220 yard relay which was run in 28.5 seconds, and the baseball throw for accuracy, the record being 100 per cent.



BILLIE GROCE—Queen



Vera Ordelheide, Freshman.



Esther Katterjohn, Junior.



Bernice Krauschner, Sophomore

Fall Festival Queen

SPECIAL class meetings were held by the individual classes at which they selected a candidate from their class to represent them in the Fall Festival Queen contest, which closed on the evening of October 22.

The different class selections were as follows:

Seniors—Billie Groce.
Juniors—Esther Katterjohn.
Sophomores—Bernice Krauschner.
Freshmen—Vera Ordelheide.

As soon as the ballots were prepared, each class began working for their candidate and faithfully supported her by every possible means. Each voter, upon receiving ballots, was required to denote for which class queen the vote was intended.

When the ballots were counted, the returns favored the Senior candidate, Miss Billie Groce, by a large majority, and she was crowned as well as presented with a lovely box of candy.



Seated, reading left to right—Malinda Nobbmann, (Captain); Ida Mae Gross.
Second row—Edna Belle Archer, Helen Nobbmann, Virginia Lange, Mildred Willis.
Third row—Coach, L. F. Gooch; Florence Marie Schaper, Helen Owens, Esther Katterjohn, Dorothy Eversmeyer.

Girls' Basketball

WRIGHT CITY upheld its high standards in basketball by completing the season with a record of eleven victories, one tie, and one defeat. The Wildcats won every home game played and never lost a conference game.

This makes three consecutive years without a defeat at home or in the East Missouri Conference.

Malinda Nobbmann proved a worthy captain by playing a tip-top game all season.

In tournaments, they were defeated by Crystal City in the Troy Tournament in the first round by a 27-23 score. At Monroe City the girls won second place, being defeated by Monroe City in the finals. At Bowling Green, they were defeated in the Class B finals by Otterville.

The 1932-1933 girls by hard, clean playing placed two trophies on the shelf for W. C. H. S.—the East Missouri Conference championship and second place at Monroe City.

The loss of five letter girls through graduation will be hard to overcome, but with five of the 1933 squad back, captained by Esther Katterjohn and Helen Owens, prospects look brighter at once. Much added strength is expected from new members which will be added to the squad next fall.

The season's schedule was:

NON-CONFERENCE GAMES			CONFERENCE GAMES		
	W. C.	Opp.		W. C.	Opp.
Augusta at Augusta.....	45	20	Troy at Wright City.....	23	21
Howell at Howell	40	8	Eolia at Wright City.....	32	26
Howell at Wright City.....	56	6	Wellsville at Wright City...	35	21
Hermann at Wright City....	28	22	Troy at Troy	35	12
Silex at Wright City.....	53	5	Eolia at Eolia	28	28
Middletown at Wright City...	67	15	Wellsville at Wellsville.....	28	22
Hermann at Hermann.....	27	28			
			Total Season's Score.....	497	234

HOROSCOPE

NAME	NICKNAME	SAYING	PASTIME	WANTS TO BE	WILL BE
Miss Vahle	Lid	"Oh really"	Letter writing	Someone's wife	Gruen
Miss Keithly	Mat	"Oh forevermore"	The piano	A puzzle	Mack's boss
Miss Braden	Erben	"All right now"	Studying nature	Composer	Secretary
Mr. Rhoads	Herb	"One in a seat please"	Hitch-hiking	Independent	Preacher
Mr. Gooch	Prof.	"Well I'll be....."	Playing nurse	Farmer	Senator
Edna Belle Archer	Ed	"You tellin' me?"	Talking to.....	Seamstress	Same
Mabel Bolligar	Mae	"You'd be surprised"	Writing notes	A model	Flop
Blanche Broadstone	Bean	"What?"	Reading	Stenographer	Foiled
Christine Broadstone	Time	"Shucks"	Working	Nurse	Widow
Francis Case	Case	"Yeah man"	Grumbling	Journalist	Nothing
Mildred Diekroeger	Dickie	"Zat so!"	Singing	Famous	Old maid aunt
Ruddy Edwards	Bud	"Beat it out son"	Brain work	Sheik	Sissy
Elmer Godt	Godt	"Gosh"	Tennis	Business man	Farmer
Billie Groce	Bill	"Oh pew"	Whispering	Mean	Mother of 16
Ida Mae Gross	Pete	"Dog-gone-it"	Thinking	Sailor's wife	Pretzel twister
Edgar Kamphoefner	Kamp	"Ah....."	Looking dignified	Banjo picker	Water boy
Virginia Lange	Gin	"Oh Yeah"	Dating	Noticed	Foiled
Ellis McCoy	Red	"What say boy"	Smoking	Painter	Bootlegger
Lucinda McElhiney	Lu	"Now Milton...."	Grieving	Cook	Terrible
John Miller	Johnnie	"Great day"	Dreaming	Loved	Caught
Malinda Nobbmann	Sissie	"Oh gee"	Criticising	Storekeeper	Shocked
Beverly Pitts	Bev	"Gee whiz"	Sleeping	Dancer	Hit
Hazel Rayfield	Hazie	"Do tell"	Gossiping	Teacher's pet	Ridiculous
Arthur Schemmer	Artie	"Awk"	Blushing	Nothing	Clod-hopper
Thelma Katterjohn	Fatty	"Ah shucks"	Reducing	Slender	Scale breaker
D'Arline Vahle	Bean	"Ah you"	Smiling	Modest	Fat
Mildred Willis	Mill	"Oh my"	Looking innocent	Lively	I wonder?
Jimmie Williams	Jim	"My gosh"	Studying?	Preacher	Brigham Young 2nd
Helen Nobbmann	Babe	"Oh yeah"	Bragging	Boss	Last
Helen Owens	Jack	"Yeah"	Arguing	Mrs. Krueger	Left
Paul Stamer	Polly	"Oh sure"	Eating apples	Smart	Smarty
Vaunila Huenefeld	Nita	(Nothing)	Waiting	Neat	Sweet
Elizabeth Bockhorst	Beth	"I know"	Studying	Important	Housewife
Elizabeth Case	Lizzie	"Hang it"	Drawing cartoons	Vamp	Vamped
William Schultz	Willie	"Well"	Girls	Noticed	Loved
Robert Goltzman	Bobby	"Yes ma'am"	Driving Franklin	Kissed	Missed
Esther Katterjohn	Ottie	"Shoot"	Being sweet	Here and there	A success
Florence Schaper	Flo	"I just laughed...."	Telephoning	Seen	Heard
Earl Cleveland	Cleve	"Ah naw"	Primping	Handsome	Ladies man
Margaret Portman	Maggie	"I'll say so"	Working	Teacher	Nurse
Pauline Rayfield	Polly	"For Pete's sake!"	Hiking	Just anything	Who knows?



JOHN F. CASE

Trophies Donated by John F. Case

AT THE beginning of the basketball season for the year 1931-1932, Mr. John F. Case presented the school with two trophies, one each for the boys' basketball award and the girls' award.

The trophy each year is awarded to the most valuable player in recognition of outstanding loyalty, ability, and team spirit but is retained by the school. This particular player's name is engraved on the cup in testimony of his or her achievement.

Two judges with the coach decide the individual worthy of receiving the award and honor that accompanies the same. Awards for the 1931-1932 season went to Malinda Nobbmann and Ben Borgman, honorable mention being received by Mildred Nobbman, Helen Owens, Ann Loren, and Ida Mae Gross for the girls and Francis Case and John Miller for the boys.

The result of the 1932-1933 season gives the award to Malinda Nobbmann and Ida Mae Gross with honorable mention to Helen Owens. The boy receiving the award this year was Beverly Pitts; honorable mention to Francis Case and John Miller.

National Scholarship Award

IN 1931, Wright City High School became a member of the "National Scholarship Club" and owners of the National award. Each year the boy and girl ranking highest in their class for the four years has his and her name engraved upon the award. As individual awards, they receive a bronze medal with a ribbon of national colors attached.

Winners of awards are as follows:

- 1931—Virginia Krome and William Lee Schmitt.
- 1932—Ann Loren and Wesley Bruning.

Dramatics---Continued

SINCE the beginning of the Wright City High School, remarkable dramatic ability among the students has been shown. Every play has been outstanding and has always played to a good sized audience.

The first play to be given was entitled "Deacon Entangled." It was coached by Helen Hackman, and two of the leading characters were Ralph Schmidt and William Lee Schmitt. These two were always favorites with the audience because of the humor they put into their parts. It was the same year that the first Literary meet was held. An organization of seven schools made up the meet. The schools represented were: Wright City, Jonesburg, Hawk Point, Marthasville, High Hill, Augusta, and Truxton. A cup for the school scoring the most points was given. Wright City came out victorious, winning the literary cup and taking second in the one act play. The play given was "The Merry, Merry Cuckoo." Mildred Nobbmann and William Lee Schmitt played the leading roles.

The following year, the organization was dropped, and instead an invitation meet was held. The two schools accepting were: Troy and Jonesburg. Wright City again came out on top winning the large trophy and other honors among which was first in the one act play. The play was "On Vengeance Heights," and the main characters were played by: Ann Loren, August Stamer, Ida Mae Gross, and William Lee Schmitt. The same year the High School gave the play "Cyclone Sally." Ida Mae Gross and Ferdinand Wildschuetz had the main parts.

It was in 1931 that the East Missouri Conference was organized. This organization is made up of six schools, which are: Wright City, Troy, Eolia, Warrenton, Elsberry, and Wellsville. This year a number of trophies for various things were given, among them, one for first place in the one act play.

Although competing against larger schools, Wright City still upheld her fine record of previous years, taking second in the entire meet and placing first in the one act play, adding another trophy to the school's ever growing collection. The play given was "The Patchwork Quilt," and its outstanding success was due to the fine acting of Ann Loren, who had the leading role, and the excellent coaching of Prof. Gooch. The same year the High School put on the play "Smiling Through." It was brilliantly acted by: Nellie Wisbrock, John Miller, Paul Stamer, Elmer Godt, Mildred Nobbmann, and Ann Loren. Perhaps it was because all the players gave such a sincere performance that "Smiling Through" will always linger in the hearts of the citizens of Wright City as one of the finest amateur plays they have ever seen.

This year, 1933, Wright City again took second in the meet and second in the one act play. The play, "The Merry, Merry Cuckoo," was repeated; and Ida Mae Gross and John Miller had the principal roles. "Aaron Boggs, Freshman" was given at the middle of the term with Robert Golterman and Mildred Willis playing the leading roles. It was presented to one of the largest audiences that has ever attended an entertainment of this kind in Wright City. The play was coached by Miss Fern Braden, who deserves much credit for its success.

It has been the custom for the Seniors to give a play at the close of the school term. The first Senior play to be given was "The Camouflage of Shirley," and the principal parts were played by: Nellie Owens, William Lee Schmitt, Dorothy Pitts, and John Smith. The next Senior class gave the play, "Bells of Shannon," and the cast consisted of: Mildred Nobbmann, August Stamer, Wesley Bruning, Ben. Borgman, Barley Borgman, and Ann Loren. The senior class this year has selected "Lighthouse Nan."

The High School has also made an excellent showing in humorous and serious readings during the past four years. The readers deserve much credit for our success in dramatics. Miss Braden and Mrs. L. F. Gooch are to be complimented on the way the readers were coached.

The Wright City High School has set a record along the Dramatic line that they may well be proud of. We feel that they will always uphold that record and that they will go on doing even bigger and better things for the school.

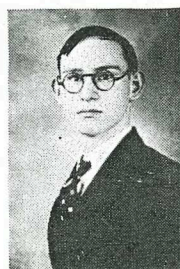


NEGATIVE

Esther Katterjohn John Miller

AFFIRMATIVE

Hazel Rayfield Elmer Godt



ALTERNATE

Christine Broadstone Robert Golterman

Debates

ALTHOUGH this is but the second year for organized debating in our school, we feel that much has been accomplished for such a short time. Our last year's debating team was made up of Elmer Godt and Christine Broadstone for the affirmative and Esther Katterjohn and Josephine Rottmann for the negative. The teams were coached by Professor Gooch. The question debated was: "Resolved, That the several states should adopt a plan for compulsory unemployment insurance." Each team debated twice—the affirmative against Troy and Bellflower and the negative against Montgomery City and Wellsville. The affirmative lost both their debates by a 2-1 decision, while the negative won from Montgomery City, who later became champions of the district, but lost their last debate to Wellsville.

This year's debating squad is composed of Hazel Rayfield and Elmer Godt for the affirmative, with Robert Golterman as alternate, and John Miller and Esther Katterjohn for the negative, with Christine Broadstone as the alternate. Professor Gooch again coached the teams with Miss Braden as an assistant. The question debated was: "Resolved, That at least one-half of all local and state revenue shall be derived from sources other than tangible property." The affirmative won their first debate with Eolia, 3-0, but lost their last one; the negative lost their first debate with Troy, 2-1.

We hope that the high school students and the community will take a greater interest in debating, and in the following years Wright City may set a record that they will always be proud of.



Orchestra and Band

Front row, left to right—Robert Golterman, Roland Struchtemeyer, Francis Case, Ida Mae Gross, Mildred Diekroeger.

Back row—Herbert Rhoads, Dorothy Eversmeyer, D'Arline Vahle, Lydda Vahle, Ruth Logan, Marcella Huenefeld, Bernice Krauschner.

OUR ORCHESTRA consists of twelve members. This year, we have had several more members, which enabled us to have a successful year, and each member hopes that it may be possible to have a continuation of such an organization in the future.

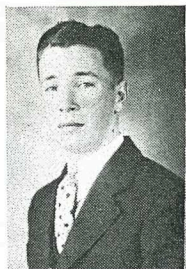
Operettas

EACH year the chorus class of W. C. H. S. presents an operetta. The first operetta presented in our high school was "Miss Cherry Blossom," a Japanese musical comedy. In 1931 the class presented "The Gypsy Rover"; in 1932 the musical comedy "Once In A Blue Moon" was given.

This year the chorus class presented "Hearts and Blossoms," a musical comedy in two acts. The story, which took place in an American summer hotel, was interesting and humorous. Four love plots were unraveled, with numerous laugh-provoking situations arising.

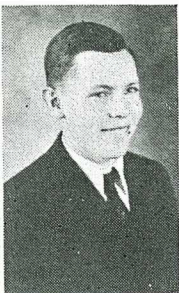
The cast was composed of the following characters: Mrs. Horace Manning, who believed in dreams—Florence Schaper; June, her daughter, young, pretty and romantic — Mildred Diekroeger; Marie, her sister, younger, just as pretty and even more romantic—Ida Mae Gross; Matthew Brandon, the absent-minded man—John Miller; Jerry Higgins, poor but promising, Edgar Kamphoefner; Malindy, a young lady of color—Esther Katterjohn; Samson Bonapart, an ebony hued bell boy, Buddy Edwards; Eileen, Edna Belle Archer; Betty, Elizabeth Bockhorst; Bruce, Roland Struchtemeyer; and Bob, Elmer Godt—visitors at the hotel.

Dramatics



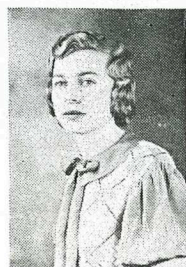
BUDDY EDWARDS

Boys' Humorous Readings.



ELMER GODT

Boys' Serious Readings; One Act Play.



IDA MAE GROSS

Girls' Serious Readings; One Act Play.



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One Act Play.



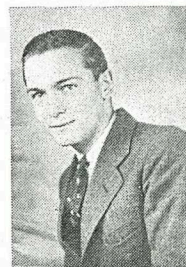
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VIRGINIA LANGE

Girls' Humorous Readings.



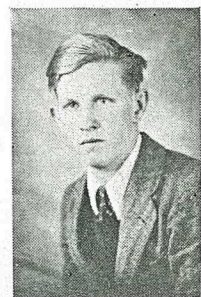
JOHN MILLER

Boys' Serious Readings; One Act Play.



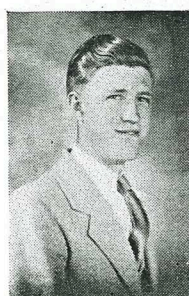
HAZEL RAYFIELD

Girls' Serious Readings.



WILLIAM WISBROCK

Boys' Humorous Readings.



Top row—Lucinda McElhiney, Sec'y and Treas.; Malinda Nobbmann, President; Ida Mae Gross, Vice-President.
 Second row—Edna Belle Archer, Sr. Rep.; Helen Nobbmann, Jr. Rep.; Frank Wisbrock, Soph. Rep.; Dorothy Eversmeyer, Fresh. Rep.
 Bottom row—Billie Groce, Sr. Rep.; Helen Owens, Jr. Rep.; Marcella Huenefeld, Soph. Rep.; Margaret Rufkahr, Fresh. Rep.

Student Council

THE aim of the Student Council is to provide an organization of the student body for the purpose of settling problems that come before the school and creating a strong self-government.

Our secretary and treasurer has efficiently handled the school's money and records during the past school year.

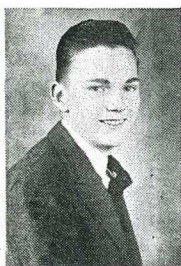
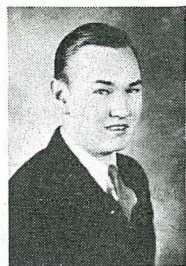
The first successful council was in the term 1931-1932. The council of that year reached the point in their endeavors where they presented the school with a radio. Our council of 1933 has voted on presenting the school with a trophy case to finish a successful year.

Following is a list of members of the Council of 1931-1932:

Nellie Wisbrock, President.
 Mildred Nobbmann, Sec'y-Treas.
 John Miller, Vice-President.
 Noble Broadstone, Senior Rep.
 August Stamer, Senior Rep.

Willie Rottman, Junior Rep.
 Helen Owens, Sophomore Rep.
 Helen Nobbmann, Sophomore Rep.
 Marjorie Pitts, Freshman Rep.
 Billy Owens, Freshman Rep.

Music

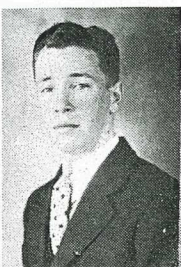


FRANCIS CASE

Tenor Solo; Boys' Quartet; Mixed Quartet.

EARL CLEVELAND

Bass Solo; Boys' Quartet.

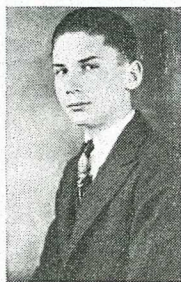


MILDRED DIEKROEGER

Soprano Solo; Girls' Quartet; Piano Solo; Accompaniments.

BUDDY EDWARDS

Bass Solo; Boys' Quartet; Mixed Quartet.



THELMA KATTERJOHN

Accompaniments.

EDGAR KAMPHOEFNER

Boys' Quartet.



ESTHER KATTERJOHN

Alto Solo; Girls' Quartet; Mixed Quartet.

FLORENCE SCHAPER

Soprano Solo; Girls' Quartet; Mixed Quartet.



D'ARLINE VAHLE

Alto Solo; Girls' Quartet.



Seated, reading left to right—Dorothy Eversmeyer, President; Margaret Rufkahr, Lena Franz.
 Standing—Theodore Metcalf, Vera Ordelheide, Karl Mueller, George Wisbrock, Vice-Pres.;
 Harold Lange, Evelyn Fortman, Joseph Rayfield, Sec'y and Treasurer.

Freshman Class History

IN the beginning of the school year of 1932-1933, a group of green objects, eleven in number, could be seen shyly strolling in the direction of the school building.

After acquaintances were made and subjects outlined, the Freshmen found themselves ready to go to work. Their main ambition was that of attaining the goal of Sophomore Class.

During the first week, they made the acquaintance of their teachers and held class election. Miss Fern Braden was chosen for class sponsor and Dorothy Eversmeyer elected president. The president has been earnestly endeavoring to lead her class after the dignified fashion of the Seniors.

It was not long until the upper-classmen began to think perhaps there was some talent in the new class, so the Freshmen were invited into athletics, music, and dramatics.

Of course, the Freshmen must have some social activities, for as the old saying goes, "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," so naturally the year could not be complete without our well-loved Freshman parties.

We consider the Freshman year a successful one and hope that, after they have exposed themselves to the full brilliance of the teachers and have absorbed all their knowledge, the Freshman class of 1933 will scatter to all corners of the earth and give all mankind a chance to reap the benefits of their culture.



Reading left to right—John Miller, Assistant Business Mgr.; Francis Case, Business Manager; Ida Mae Gross, Editor-in-Chief; Mildred Diekroeger, Assistant Editor. Elisabeth Case, Assistant Editor.

Wildcat Echoes Staff

IN this book, "Wildcat Echoes of 1933," the staff has striven to its utmost endeavor to produce a book which is worthy of our high school. We know this book is not free from errors, but we hope you will uncritically disregard them. Help us promote the good feeling and fellowship of good old Wright City High School.

The Staff has considered it an honor as well as a pleasure to publish this book. It is our desire to express our appreciation to those who have helped us in producing this book by their co-operation and most especially to Professor L. F. Gooch for his very valuable assistance.

THE EDITOR.

Juniors---Continued

ELIZABETH BOCKHORST

Class Vice-President, '32; Operetta Cast, '33
Academics, '32; Track, '32.

ELIZABETH CASE

Class President, '31; Class Reporter, '33;
Wildcat Echoes Staff, '33; Operetta Cast,
'32; Cheer Leader, '32, '33; Dramatics, '32;
Academics, '33.

EARL CLEVELAND

Music, '33.

MARGARET FORTMAN

Academics, '31, '32, '33; Class Sec'y-
Treas., '32.

ROBERT GOLTERMAN

Debating, '33; Academics, '33.

VUANITA HUENEFELD

Class Sec'y-Treas.

ESTHER KATTERJOHN

Class President, '31; Basketball, '33; Debat-
ing, '32, '33; Music, '32, '33; Dramatics,
'32, '33; Operetta Cast, '32, '33.

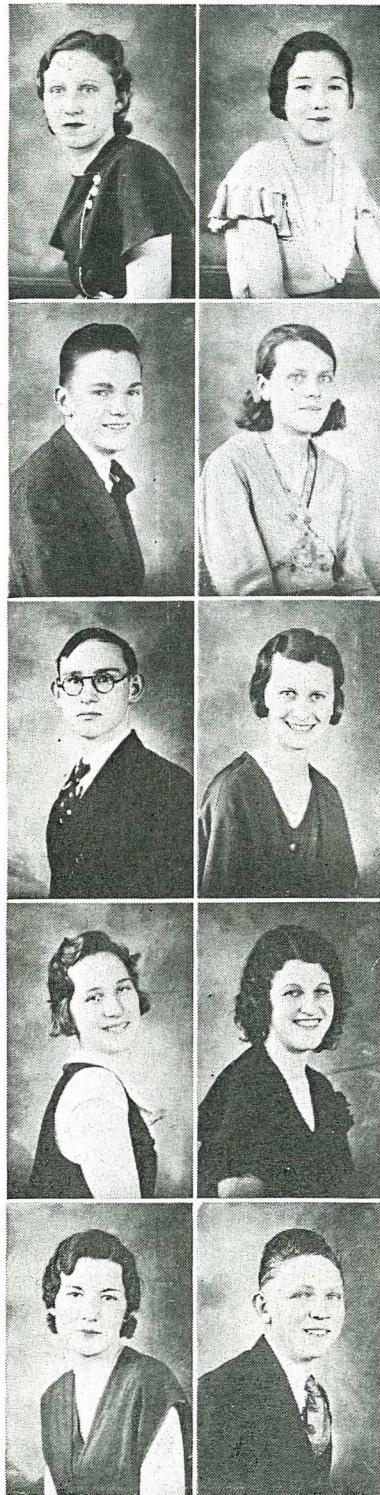
HELEN OWENS

Class Sec'y., '31; Student Council, '32, '33;
Academics, '32; Basketball, '31, '32, '33.

FLORENCE MARIE SCHAPER

Basketball, '32, '33; Track, '32; Music, '31,
'32, '33; Operetta Cast, '31, '32, '33.

WILLIAM SCHULTZ





Seated, reading left to right—Bernice Krauschner, Sec'y-Treas.; Marcella Huenefeld, Council Representative; Frank Wisbrock, President; Ruth Logan, Vice-President.
First row, standing—Mariam Goltermann, Marjorie Pitts, Sallie Mae Wilegus, Helen Thoroughman, Edna Logan, Lulu Daniels, Dorothy Franz.
Second row, standing—Lloyd Colbert, Manuel Mueller, William Wisbrock, Frank Daniels, Billy Oney, Marvin Rosendahl, Alden Bruning, Hillard Waller, Lamond Schmidt, Roland Struchtemeyer, Herbert Miller.

Sophomore Class History

WRIGHT CITY High School began in 1922, but it never really enjoyed genuine fame until the autumn of 1931 when the Sophomore class entered its halls of learning.

Not only is the Sophomore class well represented in size, being twenty-three in number, but it is also represented in nearly every activity of the school.

Four of the class are outstanding in academics and represented their class in the East Missouri Conference Meet held in Warrenton. Two of the basketball letter men and two members of the second team were produced from this class. One of the two boys receiving letters in track this year came from our Sophomore ranks. There is also a representative each in music and dramatics.

The Sophomore class must have its fun, which calls for socials and parties throughout the year. Frank Wisbrock, the president, has the distinction of being the only boy president in high school. Mr. Herbert Rhoads was chosen to preside as class sponsor for the year.

All the achievements the class has attained are merely preliminaries. Time alone can correctly estimate the magnitude of future enterprises in which the Class of 1935 will be successfully engaged.

Seniors—Continued

VIRGINA LANGE

Dramatics, '33; Basketball, '33; Track, '33.

ELLIS McCOY

Basketball, '32, '33; Track, '33.

LUCINDA McELHINEY

Student Council Sec.-Treas., '33.

JOHN MILLER

Class President, '32; Student Council, '32, '33; Operetta Cast, '32, '33; Dramatics, '32, '33; Basketball, '32, Capt. '33; Track, '32; Debating, '33; Wildcat Echoes Staff, '33.

MALINDA NOBBMANN

Student Council President '33; Basketball, '30, '31, Capt. '32, '33; Track '30, '32, '33; Operetta Cast, '32; Tennis, '30.

BEVERLY PITTS

Academics, '33; Basketball, '33.

ARTHUR SCHEMMER

D'ARLINE VAHLE

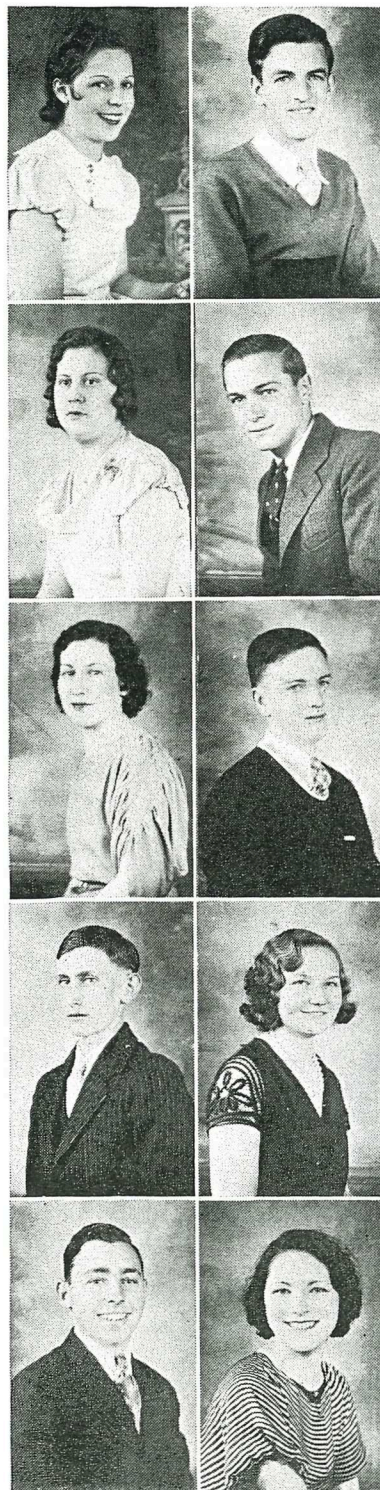
Music, '32, '33.

JAMES WILLIAMS

Class Sec'y-Treas., '32; Operetta Cast, '32.

MILDRED WILLIS

Operetta Cast, '32; Basketball, '32, '33; Tennis Club Sec'y-Treas., '33.





Officers of the Junior Class

PAUL STAMER
Class Vice-President, '33;
Basketball, '32, '33; Dramat-
ics, '32; Music, '32; Oper-
etta Cast, '32.

HELEN NOBBMANN
Class Treas., '31; Class
President, '32, '33; Student
Council, '32, '33; Dramatics,
'32; Academics, '31; Basket-
ball, '31, '32, '33; Track, '32,
'33.

PAULINE RAYFIELD
Class Sec'y-Treas., '33.

Junior Class History

THE Junior class entered W. C. H. S. as Freshmen in 1930 and as a student body consisting of ten members. As sponsor for that year, Miss Thelma Salmon was chosen. Two class elections gave a half term each as president to Esther Katterjohn and Elizabeth Case.

The beginning of the second year found the same number of students in the said class. Miss Anna Mae Cochran succeeded Miss Thelma Salmon as sponsor. Helen Nobbmann was elected for a second term.

In the Junior year, even more Juniors received honors than before; and the class jumped to five more in size. Prof. Gooch served a very successful term as sponsor.

Each Junior has not only been a contributing factor to the success of his class but has also represented the class in athletics, academics, debates, music, and dramatics. A larger per cent of Juniors have made the honor roll during the past year than any other class.

With this array of talent in their ranks, we have reasons to believe the graduating class of 1934 will be a success in the world after graduation.



Officers of the Senior Class

ELMER GODT

Class Sec'y-Treas., '33; Operetta Cast, '33; Dramatics, '32, '33; Debating, '32, '33; Academics, '32; Track, '33; Tennis Club President, '33.

EDNA BELLE ARCHER

Class Sec'y and Treas., '30; Class Vice-President, '31; Class President, '33; Academics, '31, '33; Basketball, '32, '33; Operetta Cast, '33.

HAZEL RAYFIELD

Class Vice-President, '33; Debating, '33; Dramatics, '33; Academics, '33; Track, '33.

Senior Class History

IN the fall of 1929, a class of twenty-two students entered the Wright City High School. That class is the graduating class of 1933 with sixteen of the original twenty-two and seven other Seniors receiving diplomas. During our Freshman year, the faculty consisted of Prof. L. F. Gooch, supt.; and Miss Helen Hackman, principal. At class election, Ida Mae Gross was elected president.

In 1930-1931, there were some changes in the faculty: One more teacher was hired, Miss Thelma Salmon succeeded Miss Hackman, and Raymond Means became principal. We elected Francis Case as Sophomore president and Raymond Means as sponsor. By this year, we entered even more than before into the activities of our school. There were a few social functions which we enjoyed a great deal.

The beginning of our Junior year found a group of new students from New Melle, Foristell, Truxton, and Wentzville, who proved to be a valuable asset to our class. The faculty that year consisted of Prof. L. F. Gooch, supt.; Miss Thelma Salmon, and Miss Anna Cochran. Prof. Gooch was elected class sponsor and John Miller served most successfully as our president.

We began our Senior year somewhat sadly, knowing it to be our last year together. Prof. Gooch was unanimously chosen as sponsor, and the duty of president of the Senior class fell to Edna Belle Archer. Two new teachers this year entered our school, namely, Fern Braden and Herbert Rhoads, principal.

Ever since our Freshman days we have been well represented in sports, music, academics, and dramatics. We feel proud to think we have played a great part in placing trophies upon the shelf for Wright City High. Nearly everyone of the Senior class has taken part in some organization of the school this year.

Our socials began in the fall with a swimming party and continued throughout the year with a bunco party, senior hike, mulligan stew, and Alumni-Senior banquet and dance.

Through the untiring efforts of our sponsor, we have been able to face the future fearlessly. In closing the history of the class of 1933 of Wright City High School, we think of the happy hours spent with our schoolmates and teachers; and our message to the present and future students of W. C. H. S. is that they honor and cherish the high ideals of W. C. H. S.

The class of 1933 extends its best wishes for the success of all.

Seniors---Continued



MABEL BOLLIGAR

Academics, '32.

BLANCHE BROADSTONE

Academics, '33.



CHRISTINE BROADSTONE

Class Vice-President, '32; Academics, '32;
Debating, '32 and '33.

FRANCIS CASE

Cheer Leader, '30; Class President, '31;
Wildcat Echoes Staff, '33; Music, '30, '31,
'32, '33; Basketball, '31, '32, '33; Operetta
Cast, '31, '32, '33.



MILDRED DIEKROEGER

Class Vice-President, '30; Wildcat Echoes
Staff, '33; Music, '30, '31, '32, '33; Operetta
Cast, '30, '32, '33; Academics, '31, '33.

BUDDY EDWARDS

Cheer Leader, '30; Music, '32, '33; Operetta
Cast, '33; Dramatics, '33; Basketball, '32,
'33; Track, '33.

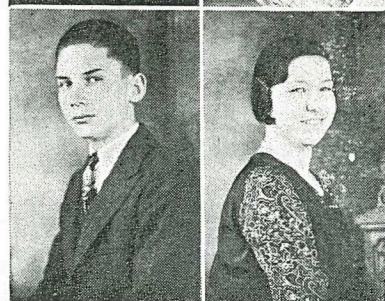


BILLIE GROCE

Cheer Leader, '30, '32; Dramatics, '30, '32;
Track, '32, '33.

IDA MAE GROSS

Class President, '30; Class Sec'y-Treas., '31;
Student Council Vice-Pres., '33; Dramatics,
'30, '31, '32, '33; Operetta Cast, '30, '32, '33;
Basketball, '30, '31, '32, '33; Track, '30, '32,
Capt. '33; Academics, '30, '31, '32; Wildcat
Echoes Staff, '33.



EDGAR KAMPHOEFNER

Dramatics, '33; Music, '33; Operetta Cast
'33; Academics, '32, '33; Track, '33.

THELMA KATTERJOHN

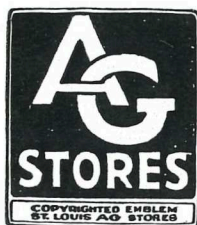
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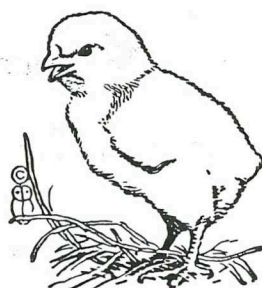
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