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Foreword

In the hope that in the years to come, we may be able to turn through these pages in solemn retrospect, and view with pride our role in this school, we, the Senior Class of Cooleemee High School, publish the school's yearbook, "The Indian Echo."



Dedication

To Miss Moseley, with deepest gratitude for her unfailing patience, her splendid guidance, cooperation, and friendship during our high school years, we respectfully delegate the 1944 Indian Echo.



G. R. Madison
Principal



Paul W. Donnelly
Math and Science



Inez Hubbard
Home Economics



Olive McKown
Commercial

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—Math and Latin

Faculty

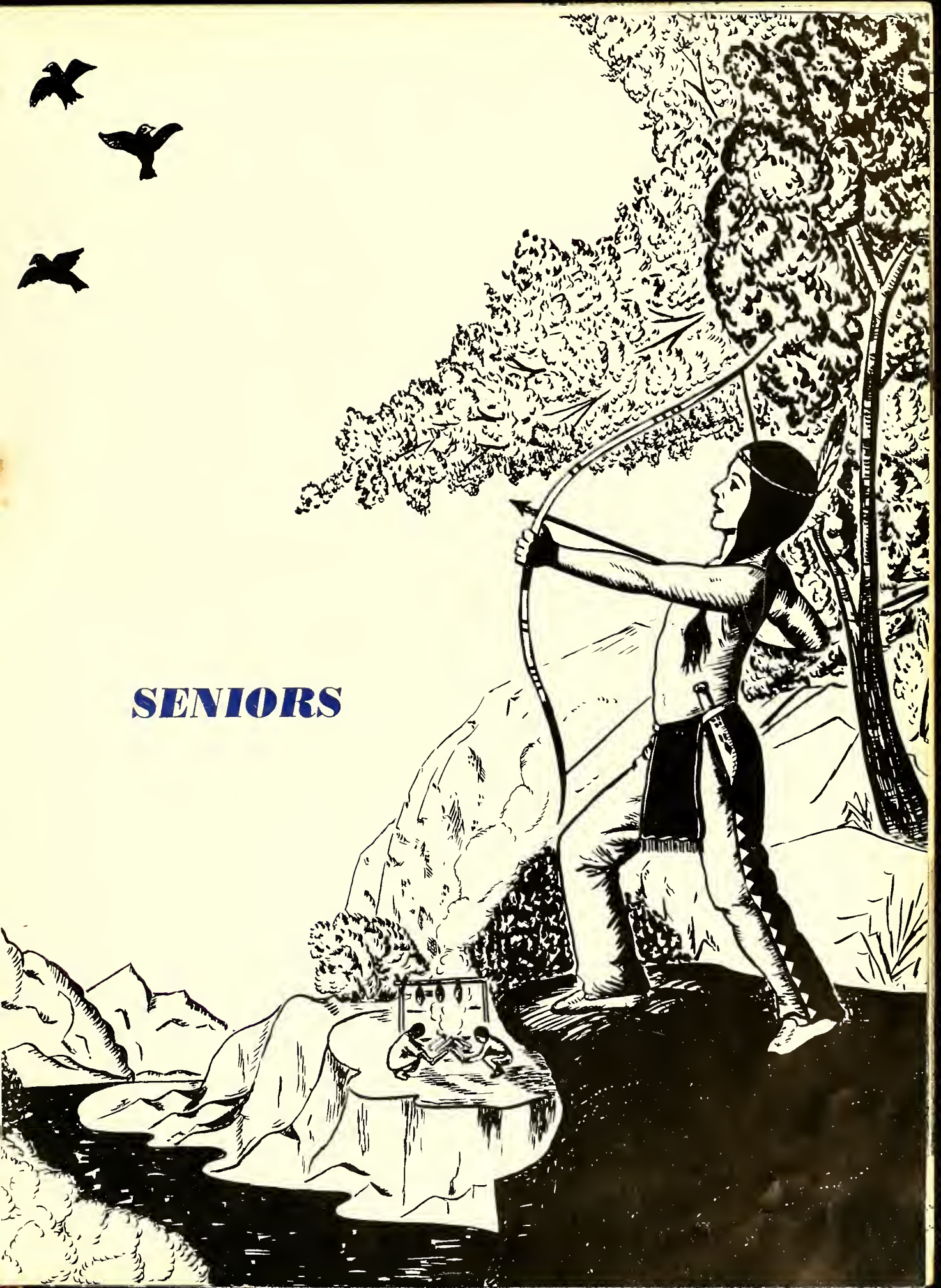
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English and French

Sarah Sherrill
English

James W. Wall
History



SENIORS



The Indian Echo '44



*President
William Gales*



*Vice-President
Imogene Isley*



*Secretary
Geneva McClannon*



*Treasurer
Frank Foster*



*Prophetess
Margaret Kirk*



*Historian
Nancy Ridenbourn*



Senior Class Officers

●
Mascots

*Chency Koogler
Billy Joe Brown*

Cooleemee High School

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Anne Apperson

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Lester Bailey

4-H Club 8, 9; Basketball 9, 10.



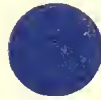
Charlie Barnhardt

Baseball 10, 11.



Minnie Ruth Beck

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Robert Floyd Benson

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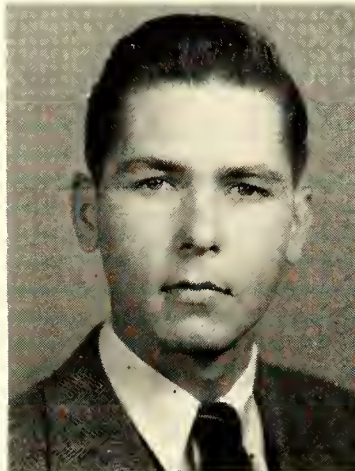
Reuben Berrier

Glee Club 8, 9; 4-H Club 8, 9; Dramatics Club 11.

Ruby Doris Blackwelder

Home Economics Club 9.

Deceased



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Cornelius A. Boon

Mocksville High School 8, 9;
Basketball 10, 11; Paper Staff 11;
Assistant Editor of Annual 11.

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matics Club 11; 4-H Club 8, 9,
10, 11.

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Inez Driver

Glee Club 8, 9, 10; Home Eco-
nomics Club 9.



Phoebe Catherine Dulin

Linden High School 8, 9; Paper
Staff 11; Glee Club 8, 9, 10, 11;
Annual Staff 11; Dramatics Club
11.



Franklin Mayo Foster

Glee Club 8, 9, 10; Class Treas-
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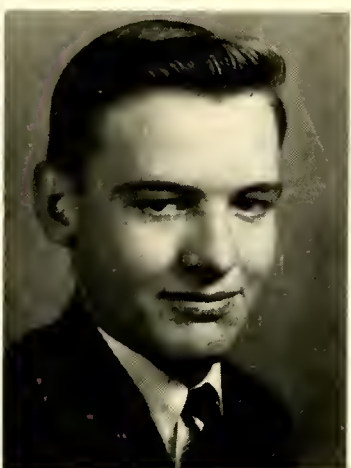
Hazel Gales

Home Economics Club 9; Paper
Staff 11.

William R. Gales

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4-H Club 9, 10, 11; Class Presi-
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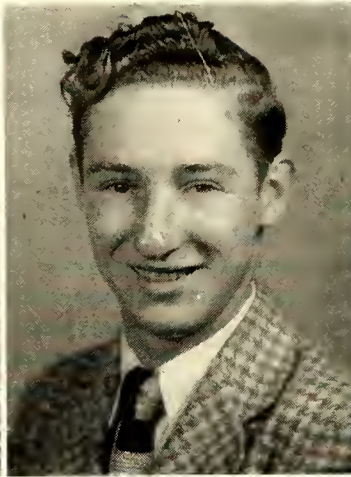
Ruby Hancock

Home Economics Club 9; 4-H Club.



Sophie Imogene Isley

Glee Club 8, 9, 10, 11; Newspaper Staff 11; Editor of Annual 11; 4-H Club 8, 9, 10, 11; President Dramatics Club 11.



J. L. Jordan

Glee Club 8, 9, 10; Basketball 10, 11; Paper Staff 11.



Margaret Stone Kirk

Glee Club 8, 9, 10, 11; 4-H Club 8, 9, 10, 11; Marshal 10; Class Prophetess 11.

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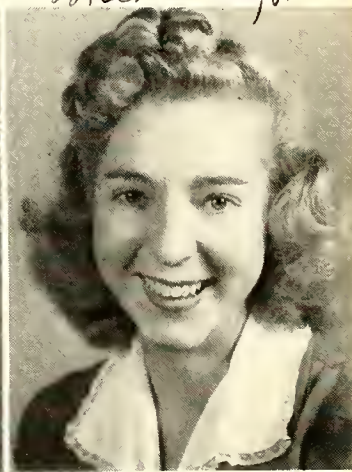
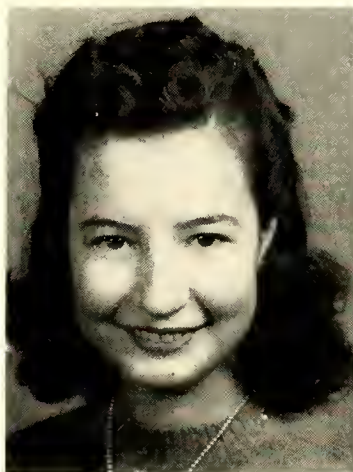
Ethel Messick

Glee Club 8, 9, 10; Home Economics Club 9.

Eloise Mitchell

4-H Club; Home Economics Club 9.

Eloise Mitchell
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Seniors

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Harry Monsees

Durham Schools 8, 9.



Fanny Morrow

4-H Club 8; Home Economics Club 9.



Jacqueline Morton

Cheer Leader 8, 9; Basketball 8, 11; 4-H Club 10; Dramatics Club 11; Sec. Home Economics Club 9; Glee Club 8.



Dorothy Owens

4-H Club 8, 9; Home Economics Club 9; Glee Club 9, 10.



Nancy R. Boon

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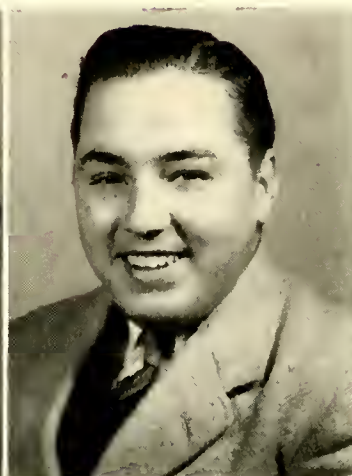
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Garland Page

Baseball 9.

4-H Club 8, 9, 10, 11; Home Economics Club 9; Editor of Newspaper 11; Class Historian 11; Marshal 9, Chief 10; Dramatics Club 11.

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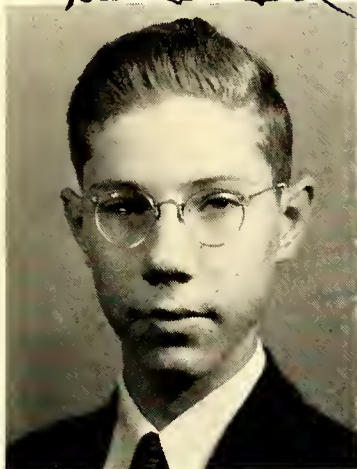


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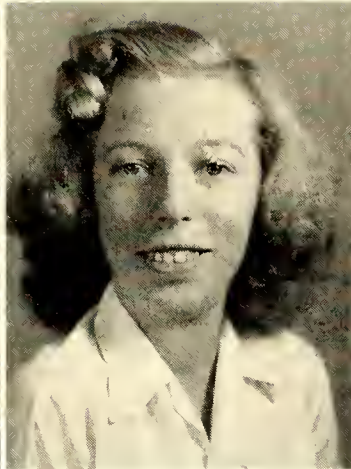
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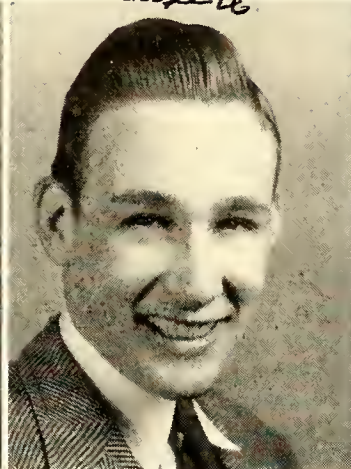
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Grease



Charlotte Swain

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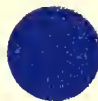
E. C. Tatum, Jr.

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Katherine Tutterow

4-H Club 8; Home Economics Club 9.



Mrs. Grace Walker

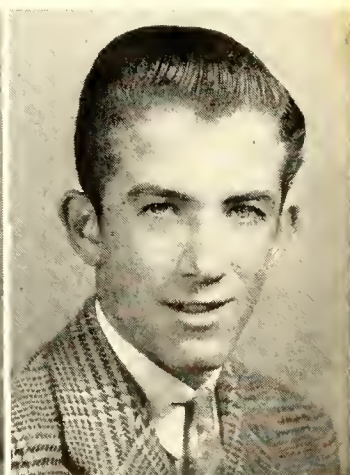
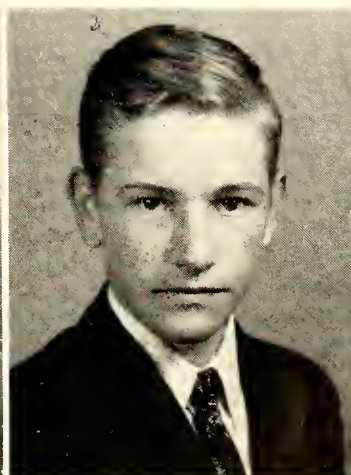
Carl Ward

Sylva School 8, 9, 10.

Jimmie Wilson

Glee Club 8, 9, 10; 4-H Club 8, 9, 10, 11; Dramatics Club 11; Cheer Leader 11; Annual Staff—Advertising Manager 11.

Seniors



FLOWER—*Red Rose*

COLORS—*Red and White*

MOTTO—*To be rather than to seem*

Senior Class History

PREFACE

It is said that history is recordings of the works of the great, but in the story of the class of 'forty-four, Cooleemee High School, there are no facts so outstanding as to change the course of civilization. Nevertheless, the events leading to the golden day of graduation have been colorful and varied. Studies, social events, teachers, and classmates—all are worthy of record. These chapters will be most interesting to those who are concerned. Our history is here preserved that those beyond these walls may know our lives and that years may not dim our memories.

CHAPTER I

In the fall of nineteen hundred and forty, we entered high school—sixty-four bewildered freshmen. Even though we were a bit "green" at first, we soon became accustomed to the high school routine with Mr. George E. Smith, Principal; Mrs. Annie G. Bost, the homeroom teacher of the boys and Miss Sue Munday, that of the girls. Because of our many new experiences, this year sped by and soon it was vacation time again.

CHAPTER II

We re-assembled in the fall of 'forty-one and began work as sophomores. We were no longer "green" and we felt that we knew all there was to know. Several of our number had found "softer" jobs during the summer, and there were only fifty-four left. Miss Reva Painter was the homeroom teacher of the girls and Mrs. Bost was again that of the boys. Our school days were darkened after Pearl Harbor, but soon we awakened and set to work harder than ever.

CHAPTER III

September, 1941—we were Juniors. It was hard to believe, but it was true. During the summer, four of our noble boys heard the call of Uncle Sam and went to join his ranks. We are proud to know that these boys represent our class in the service of our country. Several more deserted us, and there were forty left to resume classes.

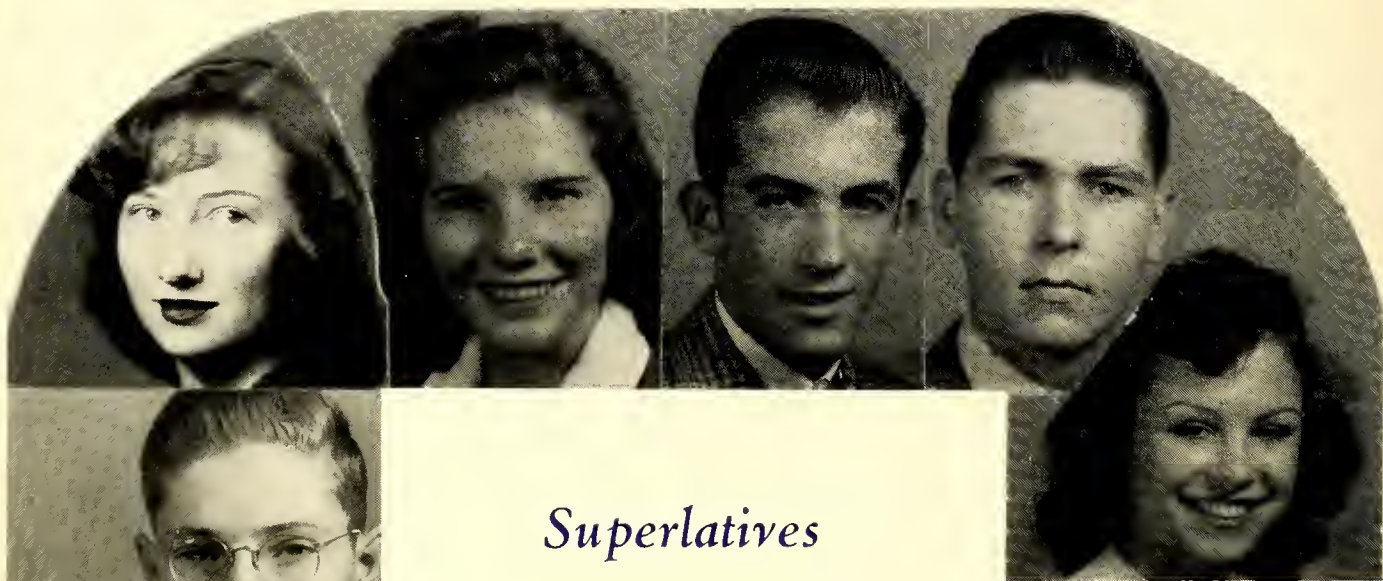
This year Mrs. Claude Burgess was the homeroom teacher of the boys and Mrs. Frances Benson, leader of the girls. Our class officers were: president, Jimmy Wilson; vice-president, Nancy Ridenhour; secretary, Imogene Isley; treasurer, Margaret Kirk. After Christmas Mrs. Burgess had to leave us, and Mrs. D. H. Dulin took her place. After two months, Mr. Edward Johnson came and was given the responsibility of the junior boys. On April second, we presented a play, "Just Like Cinderella." Then the outstanding social event of our high school days—the Junior-Senior Banquet on April eighteenth. For patriotic reasons, we had the banquet on the stage of the auditorium.

CHAPTER IV

At last we are Seniors—thirty-four members who have crossed the obstacles of high school life and are preparing for graduation. During the past two years we have learned that instead of knowing everything, we have everything to learn! Led by Mr. G. R. Madison, our new and efficient principal, Miss Marjorie Moseley as teacher, William Gales, president; Imogene Isley, vice-president; Geneva McClannon, secretary; and Frank Foster, treasurer, we have participated in all Senior activities.

Now, as we are about to embark on the great highway of life, we are taking with us the possessions rightly gained and that we deem priceless—the joyous memory of our four years spent in Cooleemee High School.

NANCY RIDENHOUR
(Class Historian)



Superlatives

(Read counter-clockwise)

Hazel Gales.....	Prettiest girl
Bob Benson.....	Best looking boy
Inez Driver.....	Most popular girl
Jimmie Wilson.....	Most popular boy
Anne Apperson.....	Most dignified girl
Paul Shepherd.....	Most dignified boy
	Best all around boy
Edna Crawford.....	Most athletic girl
Jake Jordon.....	Most athletic boy
Jack Morton.....	Wittiest girl
Charlie Barnhardt.....	Wittiest Boy
Nancy Ridenhour.....	Most intellectual
Geneva McClannon.....	Best all around girl

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Prophecy . . . Class of '44

As I completed my column for the evening paper and prepared to go home, my chief, the editor of the New York Times, called me into his office. A revolution had broken out in Cuba, and I was to cover it for the newspaper. Being accustomed to hurrying off on a story like this, I quickly packed and took a plane for Havana at midnight. The stewardess on the plane happened to be a former classmate of mine, Minnie Ruth Beck, and she was busy making the passengers comfortable for the trip. Once I asked who was piloting our plane. And I was astonished to learn that it was William Gales, another member of the class of '44.

Before I knew it, we had landed at Havana airport, and everybody began hailing taxis to take them to their hotels, or homes. Before taking a taxi, however, I stepped into the airport restaurant for a cup of coffee. Glancing around, I saw an old friend of mine, Jacqueline Morton, behind the counter busily mixing ice cream sodas. Although thirteen years had passed since "Jack" and I were together as high school seniors, I saw at once that she was still as cute and witty as ever.

Seeing these three members of the senior class brought back old memories, and I had a desire to see the other thirty-one. But knowing that my schoolmates were scattered all around the globe, I dismissed this thought from my mind.

The next day, I went to the War Department to learn some details of the war in Cuba. I was amazed to see Jake Jordan as the military advisor from our country. He was serving in the absence of Charles Barnhardt. After sending a short write-up to the paper back in New York, I returned to my hotel.

On my last night in Havana, I went to a popular night resort for dinner. The floor show was beginning just as I entered. A very talented young man, whom I recognized as Paul Shepherd, crossed to the center of the stage and sang a popular song hit of the day, accompanied on the piano by Miss Inez Driver. This all seemed too good to be true, that I should run into two former class members so far from home on the same evening, and I began to glance about for other familiar faces. Seeing no one else whom I recognized, I made my way backstage to speak to Paul and Inez and renew our acquaintance. Imagine my very great surprise to meet there the manager of the show—none other than Jimmie Wilson. After shouts of greeting between us, he explained in answer to my questions, that he had organized a troupe show in Boston, composed of a group of the most talented boys and girls in our old C. H. S. class, and they were playing a month's engagement in Havana. How glad I was that I happened in there, and Jimmie went on to tell me what a marvelous floor show they had. But I wanted to see for myself, so I went back out front to enjoy the show as a spectator. The next feature was a toe-dance by Miss Ruby Blackwelder. Music for this dance was furnished by Ethel Messick Hellard, and her orchestra. Watching this topnotch band perform, I saw several other friends. Ruby Hancock was playing first trombone, Bob Benson was at the harpischord, Cornelius Boon played the violin, and Eloise Mitchell was trumpet soloist. The hostess for the evening was Geneva McClannon, owner of the club.

Across the street was a drug store, known as "Scott's Drug Spot", another of Buddy's chain stores. He must have followed Geneva all the way to Cuba with no luck yet.

When I arrived at the airport in New York City, I noticed a great mob of people gathered around someone, evidently of great importance. When I caught a glance of the person, I saw that it was the minister to Great Britain, with his smiling wife, the former Imogene Isley, at his side.

The first newspaper that I read after returning to New York carried a story about one of the city's dangerous criminals having been sent again to court for trial. I was interested to read that his lawyer was Lester Bailey, famous Chicago Attorney.

Another person getting her name in headlines rather often these days is Fannie Morrow. She has recently completed her first term as Mayor of Newark, N. J. Some of her untiring cabinet members are Garland Page, Phoebe Dulin, and Reuben Berrier.

Airplanes are now as common as automobiles, and it is nothing out of the ordinary to take a plane to London, Paris, Sydney, or any place one might take a notion to visit. So when my vacation came in the spring, I went to London. One of the first persons I saw when I arrived was Harry Monsees. He had become one of the best known lecturers of the time, speaking usually on the international situation.

There seemed to be many friends of mine in London. Carl Ward, famed concert pianist, was being featured at the Royal Palace Theatre for three weeks. He is well-known to Londoners, for last year he married a very prominent English girl.

In the hotel lobby one night, I saw Lt. Hazel Gales, looking as fit as ever in her Army Nurse uniform. Hazel had just returned from two years in New Guinea, where she served with the Army Nurse Corps.

After spending two pleasant weeks in London, I decided to go by Shanghai on my way home. The first day in this city was uneventful because it rained, but the second day I set out to explore. Entering a large, modern department store I immediately recognized Katherine Tutterow behind a counter. We talked nearly an hour, for it was good to see a familiar face in the strange city. There were many Americans in Shanghai, and I was not surprised to learn that "Kitty" had married. She told me that Grace Walker was living on a farm not far from the city, and that Charlotte Swain was teaching school in a near-by town.

In a few days I was back in New York, and as the days grew warmer, thousands of people went over to Atlantic City, N. J. for swimming and a good time. One of the life guards there was Dorothy Owens and a popular spot on the beach was a hot-dog and lemonade stand run by Anne Apperson and Frank Foster. From all accounts, they were having a lot of fun, as well as making a successful business.

Edna Crawford and E. C. Tatum have married, of course, and settled down in a home of their own in a small town in North Carolina.

Nancy Ridenhour is living in Winnipeg, Canada, with her husband, an Army Captain, who distinguished himself by capturing fifty German soldiers, single-handed, in the invasion of Germany during the 2nd World War. Thus have the members of Cooleemee High School, Class of '44 found their places in the world of today.

Senior Class Poem

At the Crossroads

RICHARD HOVEY

You to the left and I to the right,
For the ways of men must sever—
And it well may be for a day and a night,
And it well may be forever.
But whether we meet or whether we part
(For our ways are past our knowing),
A pledge from the heart to its fellow heart
On the ways we all are going!
Here's luck!
For we know not where we are going.

Whether we win or whether we lose
With the hands that life is dealing,
It is not we nor the ways we choose
But the fall of eares that's sealing
There's a fate in love and a fate in fight,
And the best of us all go under—
And whether we're wrong or whether we're right,
We win, sometimes, to our wonder.
Here's luck!
That we may not yet go under!

With a steady swing and an open brow
We have tramped the ways together,
But we're clasping hands at the crossroads now
In the Fiend's own night for weather;
And whether we bleed or whether we smile
In the leagues that lie before us,
The ways of life are many a mile
And the dark of Fate is o'er us.
Here's luck!
And a cheer for the dark before us!

You to the left and I to the right,
For the ways of men must sever,
And it well may be for a day and a night
And it well may be forever!
But whether we live or whether we die
(For the end is past our knowing),
Here's two frank hearts and the open sky,
Here's luck!
In the teeth of all winds blowing.

North Carolina State

Tune: "Annie Lisle"

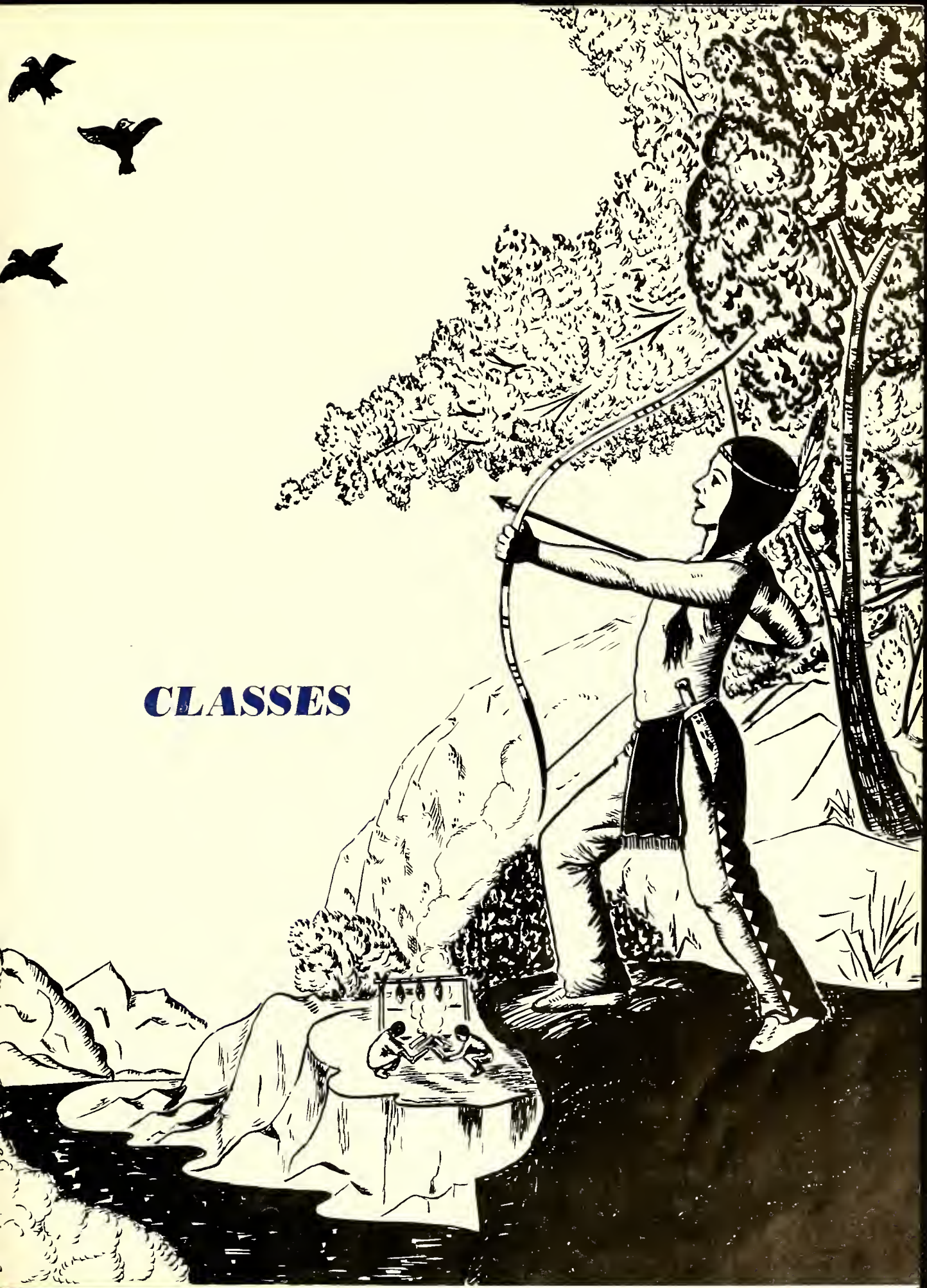
Our Cooleemee High School, now to thee
We lift our song of praise,
We love thy walls, we love thy halls,
And all thy pleasant ways.
We love thy wisdom and thy strength
Thy truth, which makes men free.
Thine, thine we are, in peace or war,
Our own dear Cooleemee.

From thy portals we may wander
Through the worldly maze;
Yet our hearts hold golden memories
Of our student days.
We leave our high school and our teachers,
Proud our hearts may be,
And the world shall find us stronger
For our years with thee.

With hope and courage, faith and joy
We face the future bright;
The great world now receives us all,
Thy strong hand gives us might.
As thy brave sons have ever done,
So in the years to be,
We'll guard thy honor evermore
Our own dear Cooleemee.

—by IMOGENE ISLEY
and MARGARET KIRK

CLASSES





FIRST ROW: Ethel Spry, Ruth Wood, Frances McDaniel, Janie Kerley, Mildred Nail, Claytie Hoover, Faye Sain, Helen Shore.

SECOND ROW: Mary Tom Spry, Mildred Creason, Oleta Mayberry, Reba Sanders, Grace Osborne, Louise Nichols, Jean Hilliard.

THIRD ROW: Marvin Spry, H. A. Wyrick, Wayne Seamon, Junior Sechrest, Cornelius Myers, Bob Webb.

FOURTH ROW: Frank Tatum, John Wagner, Odell Vickers, Grady Spry, Jr.

Juniors

FIRST ROW: Mildred Chappell, Margie Cannupp, Pauline Carter, Helen Grubb, Mary Louise Gales, Ocena Ellenburg, Jean Deweese.

SECOND ROW: Helen Cook, Mary Evelyn Everhardt, Vernell Cheek, Louise Brown, Loudetta Broadway, Margaret Bivins, Janet Eaton, Sara Ruth Daniels.

THIRD ROW: Floyd Sales, Cecil Bernier, Phil Clement, Sammy Brogdon, Wayne Eaton.

FOURTH ROW: Gray Everhardt, Vernon Bowers, Eddie Freenian, Henry Crotts, Ray Carter.





FIRST ROW: Peggy Brinegar, Mary Shepherd, Coleen Shore, Doris Waller, Doris Shoaf, Drue Owens, Dolly Davis, Helen Swink.

SECOND ROW: Elizabeth Sprye, Lorene McDaniels, Nellie Wofford, Dorothy Sam, Doris Garwood, Ruth Turner, Claytie Nichols, Norvin Brogden, Cecil Ward.

THIRD ROW: Thomas Lineberry, Arnold Garwood, Henry Foster, Jimmy Thompson, Vernon Stout, David Milholen, Frank Slough.

Sophomores

FIRST ROW: Frances Hairs, Margaret Lineberry, Coleen Hellard, Pauline Hellard, Modene Creason, Modene Foster, Janie Freeman.

SECOND ROW: Margie McCullough, Helen Alsobrooks, Jerry Ijames, Peggy Karley, Dorothy Daniels, Inell Anderson, Mary Ann Call, Mary Ruth Campbell, Mildred Frye.

THIRD ROW: Kenneth Beck, Travis Cope, Lester Ellenburg, Fred Blackwood, Sidney Carter, Lindy Daniels, Hayden Bowers, Lawrence Couch.





FIRST ROW: Doris McClamrock, Bonnie Campbell, Peggie McCullough, Helen Mayberry, Ann Ridenhour, Billy Templeton, Rosa May Phelps, Eloise Williams.

SECOND ROW: Ellen Ward, Allie Cannupp, Helen Mitchell, Rachel Kimmer, J. N. Tutterow, James Nichols, Henry Shoaf, Billy Owens.

THIRD ROW: Virginia Peoples, Billie Jean Josey, J. W. McClannon, Bobby Ridenhour.

FOURTH ROW: Nellie Owens, Bobby Jordan, Bill Shoaf, Eugene Hellard.

Freshmen

FIRST ROW: Dorothy Head, Ruth Hellard, Helen Danner, Dorothy Ellis, Betty Sue Eaton, Peggy Daniel.

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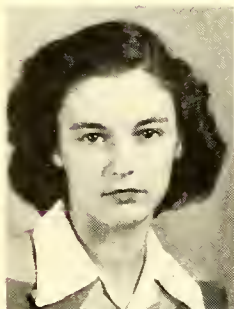
THIRD ROW: Howard Correll, Terry Burton, Carl Chappell, John Lewis Correll, Hayden Benson, Dave Dulin, Sonny Foster.

FOURTH ROW: Jack Daniel, Robert Brooks, Glen Foster, Robert Hathcock.



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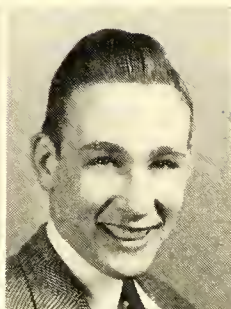




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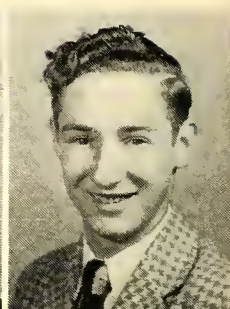
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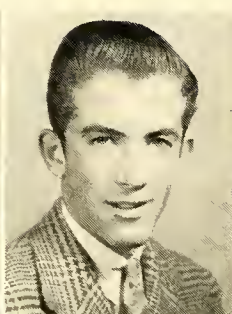


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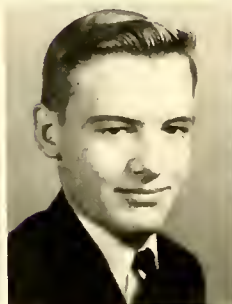
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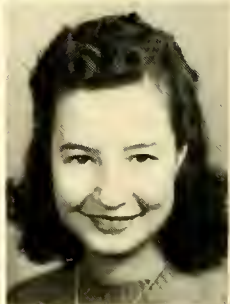
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CHEERLEADERS: *Mildred Creason, Minnie Ruth Beck, Mary Ann Call*

PLAYERS: *Mary Louise Gales, Doris Shoaf, Ruth Wood, Ruth Turner, Edna Crawford, Jean DeWeese, Modene Foster, Helen Grubb, Jacqueline Morton, Oleta Mayberry, Helen Cook.*

Girl's • Basketball • Boy's

CHEERLEADERS: *Sammy Brogden, Arnold Garwood, Jimmie Wilson.*

PLAYERS: *Cornelius Myers, J. L. Jordon, Marvin Spry, Grady Spry, Kenneth Beck, Cornelius Boon, E. C. Tatum, Jr., Frank Tatum, Bobby Benson, Henry Crofts.*





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THIRD ROW: Ruth Turner, Phoebe Dulin, Mildred Nail, Nancy Ridenhour, Mary Evelyn Everhardt, Mary Tom Spry.

FOURTH ROW: Mrs. Bailey, John Wagner, Marvin Spry, Margaret Kirk.

Glee Club



Home Ec Club

FIRST ROW: Frances Harris, Peggy Brinegar, Mary Shepherd, Eleanor Spry—officers.

SECOND ROW: Doris Waller, Drue Owens, Ruth Turner, Doris Shoaf, Modene Foster, Janie Freeman, Elizabeth Spry, Colene Shore, Helen Swink, Colene Hellard, Margaret Lineberry.

THIRD ROW: Modene Creason, Lorene McDaniel, Inell Anderson, Mildred Frye, Helen Also-brooks, Ruby Hamilton, Janelle Grubb, Claytie Nichols, Pauline Hellard.

FOURTH ROW: Dorothy Sain, Nellie Wofford, Mary Ruth Campbell, Jerry Ijames, Mary Ann Call, Pansy McCullough, Miss Hubbard.





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- SECOND ROW: Junior Sechrest, Sarah Ruth Daniels, Ruby Daniels, Janelle Grubb, Minnie Ruth Beck, Imogene Hellard, Janie Freeman, Edna Crawford, Imogene Isley, Nellie Owens, Margaret Daniels, Kathleen Crotts, Mary Louise Gales, Mary Ann Call, Nancy Ridenhour.
- THIRD ROW: Ray Carter, Gray Everhardt, Jimmie Wilson, Kenneth Beck, E. C. Tatum, Jr., Bobby Benson, Henry Crotts, Paul Shepherd, Sammy Brogden, Cornelius Myers, Carl Ward, Robert Hathcock, Wayne Eaton.

4-H Club

Dramatics Club

- FIRST ROW: Marvin Spry, Lawrence Couch, Hayden Benson, Robert Ridenhour, Arnold Garwood, Henry Shoaf, Jr.
- SECOND ROW: Bonnie James, Billie Jean Josey, Anne Ridenhour, Lorene Cheek, Doris McClamrock, Betty Sue Eaton, Helen Mayberry, Dolly Davis, Jean DeWeese, Mary Louise Gales, Doris Shoaf, Drue Owens, Mary Shepherd, Dave Dulin, Anne Apperson, Peggy Brinegar, Janet Tatum.
- THIRD ROW: Helen Grubb, Vernelle Cheek, Jacqueline Morton, Oleta Mayberry, Minnie Ruth Beck, Ruth Wood, Imogene Hellard, Grady Spry, Imogene Isley, Louise Nichols, Modene Foster, Ruth Turner, Mary Ann Call, Nancy Ridenhour, Mary Evelyn Everhardt.
- FOURTH ROW: Jimmie Wilson, Thomas Lineberry, Harry Monsees, John Wagner, Vernon Bowers, Frank Tatum, Sammy Brogden, Reuben Berrier, H. A. Wyrick, Phillip Clement.



School Year in Retrospect

The 1943-44 school year opened early in September with Mr. G. R. Madison as principal. For the first time a nine months school was instituted, and all of the students were glad, as they realized the advantage of a longer school term.

There were several new faces around Cooleemee High School, but the face that most people were interested in was that of Mr. Madison. After gathering the little facts about his life that floated around, they learned that he originally came from Union Grove, North Carolina. He graduated from High Point College with an A.B. Degree in 1930. The next three years were spent teaching school at Mocksville and serving as principal of Smith Grove School. For the next nine years he served as principal of Farmington School. In the summer of '42 he went to Duke University and got his Master's Degree. During the last school year he had served as principal of Cornelius School, and now he had come to Cooleemee.

Although Mr. Madison was new here, he was not the only new person around. Miss McKown, the commercial teacher, came to Cooleemee from Gaffney, South Carolina, her home town. She had in her home room the freshman girls. Miss Sherrill was teaching English and was from Bennettsville, South Carolina. Her room is filled with the junior girls. Mr. Wall was back after a year's absence and had in his home room the junior boys. Miss Mosely was the senior home room teacher and as usual was buried in their problems. Miss Hubbard had the sophomore girls in her home room. Mrs. Bost had charge of the ninth grade boys, and Mr. Donnally's home room was made up of freshmen boys.

The first few days of school were quite gay for the students, but they soon settled down to face a year of hard work which laid ahead of them, and would put them through high school or one step nearer that goal.

Shortly after school opened, the students began thinking about clubs and other extra-curricular activities. Before many days were gone, there were five clubs organized. They were: the 4-H Club, the Glee Club, Music Club, Home Economics Club, and Dramatics Club.

The 4-H Club, under the guidance of Miss Florence Mackie, elected the following officers: President, E. C. Tatum; Vice-President, Kenneth Beck; Secretary, Edna Crawford; Assistant Secretary and Treasurer, Minnie Ruth Beck; Program Committee, Carl Ward, Chairman, Nancy Ridenhour, and Imogene Isley; Reporter, Mary Louise Gales.

The Glee Club, under the direction of Mrs. W. D. Bailey, was organized, and soon the members were busy learning new songs. The Music Club, also under Mrs. Bailey's supervision, and consisting of only the piano students, elected the following officers: President, Phoebe Dulin; Vice-President, Mary Shepherd; Secretary, Janet Eaton; Treasurer, Modene Foster; Publicity Chairman, Margaret Kirk.

The Home Economics Club was composed of the students who were taking Home Economics. With Miss Hubbard as supervisor, they elected the following officers: President, Frances Harris; Vice-President, Mary Shepherd; Secretary, Eleanor Spry; Treasurer, Claytie Nichols.

Mr. Wall and Miss Moseley supervised the organization and the direction of the Dramatics Club. The members elected the following officers: President, Imogene Isley; Vice-President, Ruth Wood; Secretary, Phil Clement; Treasurer, Jean DeWeese; Reporter, Peggy Brinegar. In the fall, the club presented two one-act

plays. The first one was "The Trysting Place," and the players were Frank Tatum, Jacqueline Morton, John Wagner, Anne Apperson, Grady Spry, and Jean DeWeese. The second play was "Groom's Biscuits," and the players were Phil Clement, Minnie Ruth Beck, Marvin Spry, Dolly Davis, and Harry Monsees.

Another extra-curricular activity was a school newspaper. It was published once every two weeks, and the staff included: Nancy Ridenhour, Paul Shepherd, William Gales, Imogene Isley, Geneva McClannon, Frank Foster, Jake Jordan, E. C. Tatum, Cornelius Boon, Hazel Gales, and Phoebe Dulin.

The publication of the annual also played an important part in the minds of the students, especially the seniors. The staff included: Imogene Isley, Cornelius Boon, E. C. Tatum, Phoebe Dulin, Jake Jordan, Paul Shepherd, Anne Apperson, and Jimmy Wilson. These people began work in October, with the first step towards the production of the annual being the photographing of the pictures. They made arrangements for Rowan Printing Company to publish the book.

The basketball teams were organized early in December, and Jacqueline Morton and E. C. Tatum were elected captains of the girls' and boys' teams, respectively. Both teams were coached by Mr. P. W. Donnelly. They were able to play two games each before Christmas. Due to the extra week of Christmas holidays caused by the flu epidemic the season was reopened in the middle of January. An excellent schedule of games was arranged for the teams, and before the season came to a close, the boys had played approximately twenty games and the girls only a few less.

The girls started the season with only one regular—Oleta Mayberry—from last year's squad and several substitutes from that team. With concentrated practice, the team developed amazingly fast and reached the point where they gave any team in its class a real game, and even a few teams out of their class a fight for their money.

For the boys, the season had a little brighter outlook with three of last year's regulars—E. C. Tatum, Jake Jordan and Cornelius Boon—in addition to five of last year's substitutes. The boys faced a hard schedule and played quite a few games with teams from larger schools and showed up surprisingly well.

In January, Miss Ella Stevens Barrett, from the State Board of Education in Raleigh, started working with the teachers on a guidance program for the high school. Miss Barrett discussed with the student body the importance of guidance by teachers in helping students select careers to which they are most suited. She suggested means through which a student council might be organized, how better and more enjoyable home room programs might be planned, and how students, especially the juniors and seniors, might learn more about the many occupational opportunities that are open to young men and women of today.

In order to give the students in school a greater responsibility in treating the problems of the school, a Student Council was set up in February for the first time in the history of Cooleemee High School. The following officers and representatives were chosen to serve on the council: President, E. C. Tatum; Vice-President, Carl Ward; and the council members included: Anne Apperson, Paul Shepherd, Louise Nichols, Frank Tatum, Mary Shepherd, Lawrence Couch, Janet Tatum, and Bill Shoaf. The Student Council acted as a medium between the principal and teachers with the students. This program gave added responsibility to every student in school. The Student Council proved a great success and plans were made to have a similar program instituted next year. Mr. Wall served as faculty advisor.

While Mr. Wall was busy helping with the Student Council, Miss Hubbard was devoting considerable time to a new lunch room program. Through her efforts, the Cooleemee School participated in the Child Feeding Program which was sponsored by the State Department of Public Instruction. The program was developed in cooperation with the Food Distribution Administration as a part of the nation's War and Food Program. It had two purposes in view: (1) To insure that school children get at least one nutritious meal each day; (2) to aid farmers in developing better domestic markets for their commodities. Approximately three hundred pupils of the local school took advantage of the opportunity to secure a nutritious and palatable meal for the small sum of ten cents. A half-pint of Grade A milk was served with each lunch. The food was prepared and served under the supervision of Miss Hubbard. Each meal was planned so that the child would be sure to get the sufficient amount and was served to meet the health needs of the individual. This program meant much to the local school children. It was in line with the modern theory of education that the development of the child's body is as important as the development of the mind.

An outstanding event of the year was a visit by Rev. Edward S. Curry who spoke to the high school about China. He had been a missionary in China until the war began, and the Japanese Government ordered him to leave. Rev. Curry came home on the first trip of the Gripsholm. The students enjoyed his talk very much.

At the first of the year, state tests had been given from the fourth to the eleventh grades. These tests showed that the students were slightly below the level for their grades. Tests were given again in the spring and they showed an improvement, in most cases, over the tests given earlier in the year.

The mental test for entrance into the Army Air Forces was given to about twenty-five boys who were sixteen and seventeen years of age. A Naval V-12 and Army A-12 test was given in March for those interested in pre-flight training. Quite a few boys took these tests as there was no obligation of joining if they did pass.

In the spring the seniors presented a play—which was a tremendous success. Not only did the seniors enjoy presenting the play, but the audience was very pleased with its results.

The Junior-Senior Banquet was given in April. This, too, was a great success. The juniors worked faithfully and succeeded in giving the seniors a banquet which they will never forget.

Commencement found the seniors facing a world entirely new to them. Some would be going to college, some would go immediately to work, and others would join the armed forces of our country. Regardless of the future, each one was happy and proud that such an important milestone had been reached with so much success, and the greatest thrill of all was receiving a diploma for which each member of the class had worked eleven years. The seniors, although they were proud of their success, were also sad to be leaving Cooleemee High School, while the other students anxiously looked forward to the summer vacation, knowing that in the fall of 1944 they would enter the realm of school life at Cooleemee High School once more.

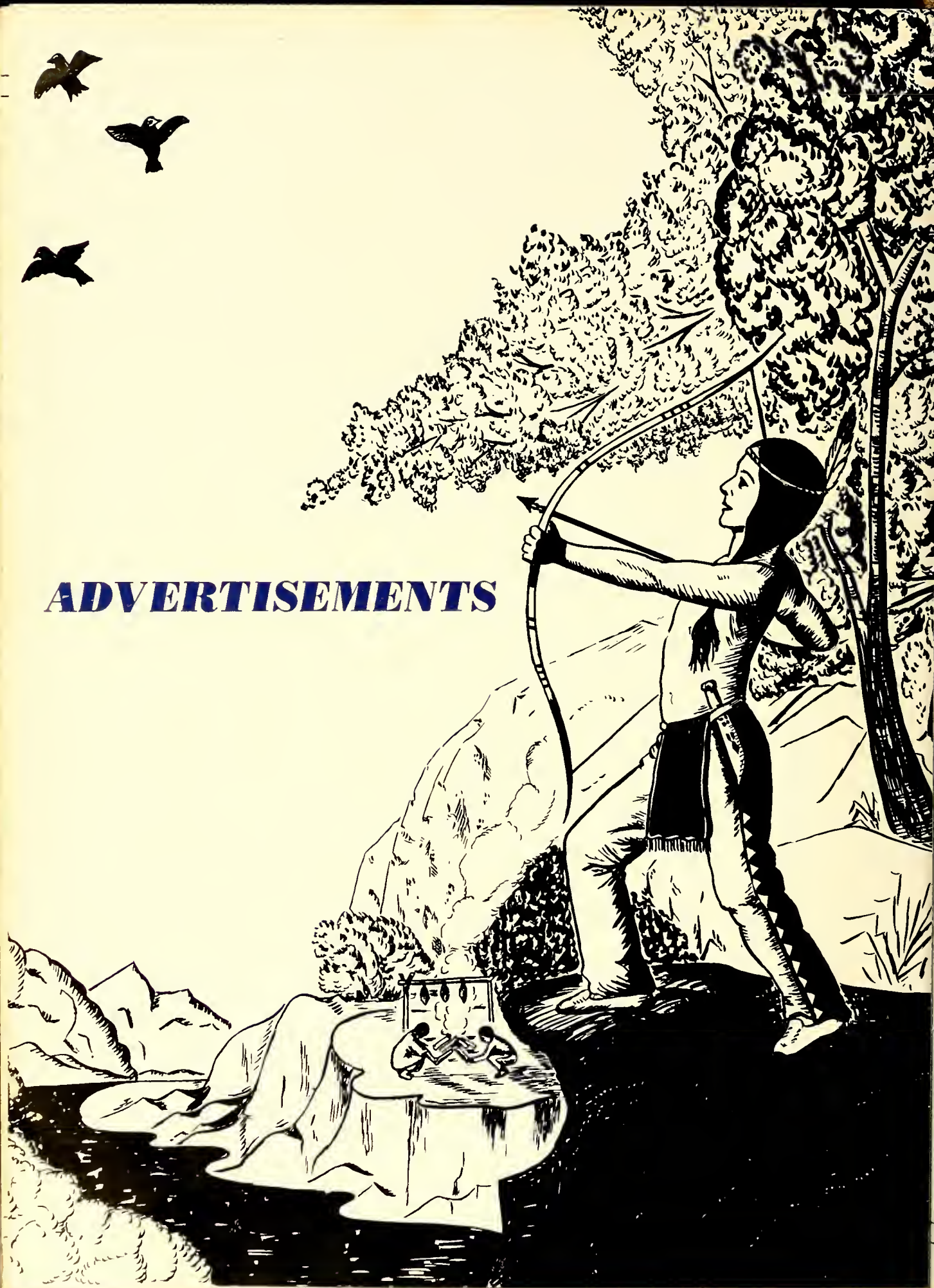
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