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## 53 SENIORS RECEIVE DIPLOMAS AT COMMENCEMENT

### SENIOR CLASS PLAY GREATLY ACCLAIMED BY LARGE AUDIENCE

#### Chet Binney, With Simmons As Publicity Manager, Wins Modern Ethel

A crowded audience, roaring with laughter, enthusiastically applauded the brilliant farce, "The Whole Town's Talking" presented by the senior class at the Rialto Theater last Wednesday. The director of the play was Miss Arnold; Marie Peters assisted.

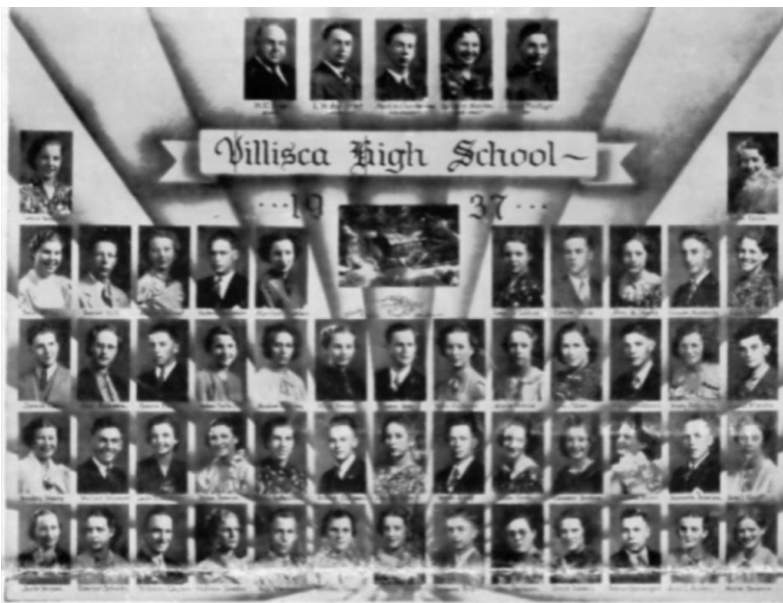
Ethel returns from Chicago and is accompanied by Mr. Shields, a gallant gentleman who speaks French fluently and kisses the ladies' hands. Mr. Simmons puts thumbs down on this cookie pusher; he plans for his daughter to marry Chester Binney. Binney is a bachelor no woman would fall for. "When he comes into the room, you feel as if some one had just gone out." "?????", Ethel declared hotly, "the man whom I marry must be as attractive to other women as he is to me; he must be a man of the world, one who has lived and sowed his wild oats, like Mr. Shields.

So Mr. Simmons decides to invent a love affair for the unromantic Binney. Binney selects at random photos of the Queen of England, Mona Lisa, and Letty Lythe. Simmons selects the motion picture actress, Letty Lythe, writes a personal inscription on the back of the photo and purposely drops it where Mrs. Simmons picks it up. The story soon leaks out and the whole town is talking. Chester Binney becomes the unromantic Romeo of Sandusky.

Ethel drops Mr. Shields like a hot potato and immediately becomes engaged to Binney. In the midst of his glory, Letty Lythe and her fiancé, Mr. Swift, who happens to be a prize fighter, appear. When Mr. Swift hears about the affair which the whole town's talking about, he becomes infuriated and determines to fight it out. Binney persuades him to fight in the dark and Mr. Shields locks the door and snaps off the lights. A fierce struggle ensues while Ethel and Letty Lythe pound on the door, demanding entrance.

When the lights are turned on again, Binney is hanging on the chandelier and Swift and Shields are "laid out" on the floor. Letty and Ethel rush to the rescue of their heroes.

The cast was: Mr. and Mrs. Simmons, played by Marlin Gunderman and Anna Lou Muckey; continued on page six



### CREATIVE EDUCATION CLAYBURG'S SERMON AT BACCALAUREATE

Reverend W. F. Clayburg addressed the graduating class last Sunday evening at baccalaureate in the First Methodist church. The title of his sermon was "Creative Education."

In his sermon, Reverend Clayburg defined education as the symmetrical development of man in body, mind and soul. Education is of great value to the individual, it enables him to hold a higher place in the business world, live at a higher standard of living. It heightens people's ????? of him. It gives him greater power of doing something for the world.

"Education," Reverend Clayburg declared, "is an obligation to society. The educated man must see and think things clearly, must live creatively, and serve unselfishly. Creative education is the development of man that he may create something for the world."

Reverend Arthur Mortenson gave the scripture reading. Reverend W. E. Bowden gave the announcements and benediction and Reverend Carpenter prayed.

Music for baccalaureate was by a selected group of junior high students under the direction of Miss Oman. The mixed chorus sang "Raise Me, Jesus" by Huntley-Parks, "Spirit Divine" by Bernard, "The Lord Is My Shephard" by Koschat. The double mixed quartet sang "My Task" by Ashford

### The Snoop

**Candid Shots on Senior Skip Day**  
Louella LaVars saying go climb a steep cliff. Tsk! Tsk! Such immodesty.

Edwin Davie spilling mustard all over a sandwich and himself.

Army showing him how to eat a sandwich covered with mustard—safely.

Tom Kehr (after having eaten 13 wieners) wanting more because 13 is unlucky.

Wally Williams go started all right; but where did he end up?

Bill W. the only boy in Dorothy Henry's car—a rose among thorns, eh, Bill?

Marie Peters waving at every man she saw and scaring her load to death by doing it.

Three terrible boys taking Anna Lou's precious love letters away from her.

Army leading group out on a nature hunt.

Louella LaVars sneaking around and taking pictures when least expected.

The picturesque view from that high cliff, where you could see into four states, so one of the seniors said.

Army telling us about this school days and how the only thing they got to do was study, that is all except one of them whose initials were Louis Armstrong, and the only reason he didn't have to study was because he knew it all.

Leonard Fryer and Hazel Groff continued on page six

### MARIE PETERS AND DONALD MCINTOSH WIN JOSTEN AWARDS

Marie Peters and Donald McIntosh were presented Josten Medals by Superintendent H. E. Dow in Farewell Chapel last Tuesday morning. This award is made each year to the boy and girl in the senior class who have high physical, mental, moral and social standards. Marie and Donald have proven in their high school life to be the most representative of the high school and country and are honored by this award.

Reverend Carpenter delivered his eighth consecutive address, "The Mustard Seed, Small Beginning but Great Ending." In his sermon he pointed out that our high schools and colleges are a by-product of the Lord and we owe our positions to our Lord.

### TWENTY-ONE SENIORS MAKE THE HONOR ROLL

Alice Froyd, Marilyn Jenkins, Marie Peters, and Louella LaVars were on the magna cum laude list for their last six weeks of school.

The seniors whose grades averaged from 90 to 95% are Helen Branan, Louise Brown, Irma Culver, Edwin Davie, Edna Delaney, Doris Dickey, Maxine Findley, Francis Frey, Dorothy Gray, Marlin Gunderman, Fern Hullquist, Tom Kehr, Donald McIntosh, Anna Lou Muckey, Betty Stillians, and Viola Sutherland.

Read the advertisements!

### FROYD VALEDICTORIAN

**AVERAGE OF 96.5% IS  
HIGHEST KNOWN  
FOR V.H.S.**

### Professor Arndt of Lincoln Addresses Senior Class On 'Help Wanted!'

The fifty-fourth annual commencement exercises of Villisca high school were held Thursday evening, May 26, at the Rialto theater. Fifty-three students were presented their diplomas by Mr. Guy W. Kehr.

Karl M. Arndt, associate professor of economics at the University of Nebraska, addressed the graduating class on "Help Wanted."

Alice Froyd was announced valedictorian of the senior class of '37 by Superintendent H. E. Dow. Those who ranked highest in scholarship percent among girls are Alice Froyd whose average was 96.55%; Marie Peters, 96.27%; Marilyn Jenkins, 95.33%; and Anna Lou Muckey, 94.53%.

Donald McIntosh, with an average of 94% was highest of the boys. Thomas Kehr with an average of 91.56%, and Marlin Gunderman with an average of 90.54%, were ones highest among the boys.

The high school boys' quartet and the girls' sextet provided music for the commencement. The boys sang "Alma Mater" by Stephen Fry and "Keep in the Middle of the Road" by Bartholomew. The girls sang "The Green Cathedral" by Hahn.

Rev. Arthur Mortenson gave the Invocation and Rev. Frank Clayburg gave the benediction.

### JRS. FETE SRS. AT METHODIST CHURCH

The juniors and seniors, all bedecked in formal array, enjoyed a very dignified and otherwise enjoyable evening when the juniors gave the seniors their annual banquet.

In the midst of a cheerful Dutch setting of purple and gold, the senior class colors, with a Dutch windmill border design, next year's seniors and this year's grads sat before tulips, which served as nut bowls and placecards.

The waitresses were dressed in the real costumes of quaint Holland and the waiters wore Dutch hats and ties.

Jim Wertman as president of the junior class delivered the continued on page six

## The Villista Volcano

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The staff wishes to thank Mrs. Armstrong for her co-operation in publishing The Volcano and also the commercial department for their work in making the paper attractive

### SET YOUR GOAL; WORK TOWARD IT

Well, seniors, we have reached and fully achieved our first real goal. For twelve years we have studied and played together and now, at last, we are successful.

We have travelled over the first lap of life's adventurous highways. Under the guidance of our teachers and parents we have found the road, so far, well marked, thus making travel relatively easy.

We are about to enter a more complex world. We are at the threshold of the first great crossroad of life. What direction shall we take. Some of us will be fortunate enough to be able to attend college where our experiences will be enriched by associations with large groups. Some of us will be needed to lend a helping hand at home. In this case, let us enrich our lives by being happy and useful.

The foundations we have laid in high school will determine in a large part, our success in whatever we do. If we have been honest, industrious and dependable in high school, let us continue to do so when we are out on our own. On the other hand, if we have been shiftless, lazy, and irresponsible during these twelve years, now is the time to change.

But whatever may be our lot, let us set a goal for ourselves and work toward it. And may our ways meet again some time, just for the sake of "Auld Lang Syne."

#### TO VISIT WEST COAST

Betty Stillians left Wednesday for Los Angeles, Calif., where she will visit with friends and relatives.

### GRADUATES SEEK FOR THE UNKNOWN

Nothing is done. Everything remaining to be done over. The revealed picture is not yet painted, the greatest book has not been written, the most beautiful music is not yet composed. All our inventions from typewriters to radio and television await to be perfected. Chemistry is just becoming a science. Even the most advanced sciences are being fundamentally revised. Our social problems are awaiting a Darwin whose work is in turn awaiting an Einstein.

The fifty-three seniors who have specialized either in football, having a good time, or unearned credits will go forth into the world and, whether in colleges or through experience, they will learn what is already known. If, however, they realize what a vast amount of work awaits them to be done or perfected, they will set out to accomplish something and, as a result of their work, the world will be a better place in which to live.

### CLASS PROPHECY

The scene is the World's Fair in Paris in 1957.

As I was strolling around trying to kill a few idle moments, I noticed a very beautiful and elaborate building with a huge electric sign which read MODERN SWING. The strains of lovely and captivating music were floating out of the public address system, so I decided to go in. As I entered I noticed a large placard which read "Peterson's Fillies." Then as a tall blonde fellow come toward me I understood, it was Kenneth Peterson. He told me that he had married Eleanor Burton but even after he was married he just couldn't quit looking at pretty girls so to keep peace in the family he had organized his own follies.

When I asked him where Eleanor was he said she was featured in duet numbers with Lessie Reynolds and that those two girls were singing with Edwin Davie's orchestra (those famous exponents of rural rhythm). To top it all Pete took me in to see the show and who do you think I saw right in the front row of the chorus? Yes, Dorothy Henry!

After seeing a very lovely performance, I left the Modern Swing building and wandered on down the mid-way. I came upon a show that looked not unlike a fan dance. Not wanting to miss anything I hurried in and who do you think was ushering there? Wallace Williams. I was shocked to tears but I hurried on to my seat as the performance was just starting. Who should come on the stage but Marie Peters and Louella LaVars; but something was wrong here, they were fully clad; then as the announcer spoke I realized my mistake. It wasn't a fan dance—it was a debate between those two master minds of science.

Seeing so many of my old friends aroused a question in my mind as to the occupations of the rest of them. Knowing of no better way to find out, I went to a crystal gazer to see what he continued on page six

### 'MEMBER WHEN?

We were scared stiff in our boots when Miss Howard walked by, and after she was completely out of sight, we'd whisper about her paddling machine.

In the first grade the girls had their enemies locked in jail (the place for coal on the west side of the building.)

We still tease Marilyn about embarrassing Ed Davie so in the first grade by showing the hem of her dress while reciting!!

We slaved and slaved and spilled more ink for Palmer Method pins and certificates?

The time Bill Wiedeman gave a girl his mother's watch and all the guys threw apple cores at her and said it was phoney?

Our fourth grade used to beat the fifth grade in football and M??? Lois Means, and Betty were ??? leaders out by the mud scrapers? Speaking of mud scrapers, the girls embarrassed the boys with their gymnastics on the scrapers.

What a task it was to march out to the end of the walk before we could break line and go home?

Marilyn Jenkins had a birthday party and we all acted so naughty that her mother wouldn't let her have another party for several years?

How jealous all the girls were when Mary Webster came to school, and also envied Marian Burris?

The girls hoping and praying they would get the leads in the operettas while the boys hoped the opposite—they wouldn't. (Everyone had to turn their heads before Doc would hold Naomi Kitchen's head. And that skinny little Tom Kehr had a huge wad of gum behind his ear the night of the performances.

Mrs. Cummings (Miss O'Dell), after being besieged for several days, closed the doors and jumped over the yardstick?

In contest spelling we learned about one hundred new words every day and everybody strove to hold seat number one? (Plus Junky and Le's thrilling experiences in Omaha. And Gunderman used to catch everyone on how to spell superhythumphysics!)

Miss White had declaim in junior high and Doc, Burton, and Ev won the places in the home contest and went to Clarinda. Ev spoke "At the Swimming Pool" (of which he was more or less the author) and won a medal for first place although he had forgotten.

The climax of our career when we, peaking from behind the curtain, saw our big moment sauntering down the sidewalk, stopped in front of our homes and whistled. We immediately dashed out and walked at the extreme edges of the sidewalk to the eighth grade class party.

It seems like yesterday when we did all those things and maybe some day we'll look back and think of the things we did while we were still "kids" in high school.

### GIRLS TO GO TO CAMP

Campfire Girls are planning to attend camp at Mildord, Neb., June 20. The girls are working to defray their expenses.

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### CLASS WILL

We, the Senior Class of '37 of V.H.S., of Montgomery County, State of Iowa, United States of America, on this 20th day of May, being of super and sane minds, in the following said "will" give to the said persons our said worldly possessions.

To the Junior Class goes all our ????? of good citizenship and behavior.

We leave our faculty to the mercy of the future-up-and-coming seniors.

The following seniors wish to leave their valuable personal property to the respective persons.

Dorothy Henry's knowledge of physics to Lois Bergren.

Marie Peter's gift of loquaciousness is bestowed upon Bob Peckham.

Faith Farlin places Wes Devine under the watchful eye of Laura Mae Focht. To Don Hale is given Elwin Montz's dark complexion. Donald McIntosh bequeaths his black, curly locks to Della Peterson. We wish to present Johnny Ridenour with the full benefit of Eleanor Schantz's dignity.

We will hear Audrea Larson singing Lessie Reynolds' cowboy songs. Alesa Anderson's dependability is willed to Yale Werner. Johnno Swanson in the future may own James Chew's happy-go-lucky ways.

On Sterylene Stamps we'll see Alice Froyd's curly locks. Hubert Anderson's football accomplishment in Frank McFarland. Maravene McCoy is requested to accept Louise Brown's height. Erma Hoffman and Junior Focht are each endowed with Helen Peterson's seriousness.

Tom Kehr's indefinable air of aristocracy is left to Victor Hall. Willis Marvick receives the benefit of Viola Sutherland's typing ability. Mili Winter's bashfulness goes to Coach Ruff. Louella Swanson is heir to Helen Selley's sarcasm. And to all the teachers is bestowed Lelia Stinemate's power to control her temper.

Virginia Sander's dimples are given to Ruth Phillips. Kenneth Peterson wishes to bequeath his and Eleanor's space at the lockers and their lounges in the various classes to all couples who seem to have reached that certain stage. Laurena Focht leaves her beauty and shapely figure to "Mouse" Wertman.

Francis Frey's capability and his motor boat laugh to Henry McMahon. Louella LaVar's studious nature is granted to Dean Sandquist. Junior Hibbs in the future may own Marilyn Jenkins' fabish mannerism. Fern Hultquist offers her modesty to Venice Wheeler.

Marlin Gunderman wishes that Earl Schenck be presented with his fickleness. Robert Sutphen's caveman style is granted to Jack Cooney. Jimmie Means is to possess Wallace Williams' height and basketball ability.

Viola Scott's excess weight goes to Merrill Coon. Lucille Overman is presented with Maxine Stevenson's red hair. Anna Lou Muckey wills those languid eyes to the admirers in the sophomore class.

Verne King's boldness goes to Millard Enarson. It has been requested that Betty Stillian's orig- continued on page six

### LUCKY DOGS— THOSE SENIORS!

Our seniors bid good bye this year To the good old V.H.S.

They pretend that they are sorry, Tho' are glad and won't confess! Lucky Dogs!

They have their pictures taken, And their heads begin to swell; They go out two weeks early, And smiling, bid farewell! Lucky Dogs!

They talk of plans for next year, And sing (or hum) a merry tune; In short, they think they own the world,

And have a mortgage on the moon. Lucky Dogs!

But nevertheless we'll miss them, Or at least, we'll know they're gone;

For all the noise will disappear, But the school will still go on;

**Those Lucky Dogs!**

—Ardis Froyd

### TEACHERS EXPRESS OPINION OF CLASS

Recalling the seniors in their classrooms, the teachers decided what they would do if they were to teach them again.

Miss Stillians: "Scold them and work them harder." Mrs. Armstrong: "I would not do anything different. Most of them follow instruction well, prompt and show initiative. I believe I would use the same method of teaching as I feel they responded well." Miss Jamison: "I have had only a few seniors and they have been very consistent workers." Miss Gardner: "I think members of the senior class are far above average or below and I should try to make more individual differences in their work, giving those capable more work and giving more drill for the weak." Miss Rusk: "I don't know whether it could be accomplished or not—but I'd like to arrange the work so that it would call for initiative on the part of the student, to teach them to be scientific thinkers forming their own ideas from facts and not others' opinions—not governed by personal prejudice or desires instead of inquisitive thinking." Miss Arnold: "I'd make them work harder because I know they can."

### SENIORS STATE

#### H. S. REGRETS

What would you do if your were given the opportunity to re-live your high school days? This is what some of the seniors would do:

Marie Peters would plan to get in some sleep (in classes perhaps.) Frank Phillips would study harder! So would Mili Winter. Leonard Fryer would play hokey the first year and after that he would not go to school. Eleanor Burton declared, "I'd take a commercial course instead of normal training! Lelia Stinemates says she'd raise whoopee. Anna Lou Muckey would take a few more activities while Louise Brown would study more and take various subjects. Eleanor Schantz would take a straight academic course instead of commercial course. Alice Froyd wouldn't study Caesar. Donald McIntosh would do the same thing again.

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#### 4 GIRLS ATTEND STATE CONTEST IN SHORTHAND

##### Contestants Compete At Des Moines With 400

Mrs. Armstrong took four of her students, Doris Dickey, Viona Sutherland, Marilyn Jenkins, and Ardith Beavers to the state shorthand contest at Des Moines held last Saturday at the American School of Business College.

First and second to individual novice shorthand were Bonnie Sparks and Mary Catherine Brooks both of Centerville. First and second in individual amateur shorthand were Charlotte Shoal of Indianola and Magdalene Bolchunos of East Sioux City. Villisca's ranking is unknown for it has not yet been received through the mail.

There were 400 contestants at the contest. The amateur and novice typing contests were held before the shorthand contests. Marilyn Jenkins and Ardith Beavers took the fast take which was 90 words a minute. Viona and Doris also took the fast amateur take which was 110 words a minute.

Mr. Lewis of Chicago, who has dictated at every Iowa shorthand contest except one and also for shorthand contests and numerous other contests, dictated the shorthand letters.

The girls had quite an enjoyable time. They stayed at the Fort Des Moines hotel, had dinner in Younkers' Tea Room, went sightseeing, and saw "Shall We Dance" at the Orpheum.

To defray part of their expenses the girls did commercial work for the Villisca business men.

#### V.H.S. WIN 1st, 2nd IN BOTH YEARS OF SHORTHAND AT SHENADOAH

Shorthand students representing Villisca high school in the district commercial contest held at Shenadoah April 24, won first and second places in the individual honors in both first and second year shorthand.

Marilyn Jenkins, who took first place in the first year shorthand, had a grade of 95 per cent, Ardith Beavers, second place winner, made a grade of 94.5 per cent. Both girls chose the fast take, which is dictation at the rate of 70 words per minute.

Viona Sutherland, who rated first place in second year shorthand, received a grade of 97 per cent. Doris Dickey, who placed second, had a grade of 96.5 per cent. They also chose the fast take, which is dictated at the rate of 90 words per minute.

These students received orange commercial bars. Ardith, Frances, Vermila, and Viona were also given V's.

The results of the Every Pupil Typing contest which was taken in February were received. The advanced typewriting class rated in the upper one-fourth of the schools taking the test, and the first-year typewriting class rated in the upper one-half.

If all the students who sleep in class were laid end to end—they would be more comfortable.

#### DELLA PETERSON NEW G.R. PRESIDENT

The Girl Reserve officers for the next school year are: president, Della Peterson; vice president, Mary Lou Negley; secretary, Ruth L. Peters; treasurer, Marian Fryer. They were elected by popular vote May 1.

The retiring president, the newly-elected president, and the G. R. sponsors appointed the other cabinet officers. The following offices complete the 1937-38 cabinet: program chairmen, Lois Bergren and Lucille Stackhouse; finance chairman, Vernita De Voss; service chairmen, Chyrl McGee and Jean Wolfe; social chairman, Ardith Beavers; publicity chairman, Helen Neal; corresponding secretary, Aneva Miller; music and religion chairman, Audrea Larson.

#### 3 GIRLS TO ATTEND G. R. CONFERENCE

Three G. R. representatives will be sent from here to the annual Girl Reserve conference. Della Peterson, next year's G. R. president, will have all of her expenses paid to the conference. Lois Bergren and Lucille Stackhouse are the other probably candidates although it hasn't been definitely decided as yet. Miss Stillians, G. R. advisor, stated that if those two girls do not go, substitutions will be made. These two girls, however, will have only half of their expenses paid. The conference will be held at Camp Brewster (near Omaha) from June 11 to 13.

#### NORMAL TRAINING COURSE IS REVISED

The normal training course was revised for next year. Business English was dropped and either English 11 (American Literature) or English 12 (English Literature) is required. Agriculture was made a tenth year subject with special class in biology for second semester; physiology is to be an eleventh year subject, and geography, twelfth. Physics is not required for normal trainers.

The other change in academic routine was extending speech to a two-semester subject. This interesting and valuable course is recommended for all students.

#### NEW G. R. OFFICERS INSTALLED MAY 11

Installations of the new G. R. cabinet was May 11. Rings were awarded to the following senior girls at this meeting: Alesa Anderson, Eleanor Burton, Alice Froyd, Fern Hultquist, Marilyn Jenkins, Anna Lou Muckey, Marie Peters, Helen Peterson, Viola Scott, Helen Selley, Betty Stillians, and Lelia Stinemates.

#### SIX STUDENTS ARE GIVEN DECLAM BARS

Marlin Gunderman, Junior Hibbs, Dorothy Henry, Louella LaVars, Anna Lou Muckey, and Betty Lou Hyde were awarded purple declam bars. Anna Lou and Betty Lou also received V's. Miss Arnold made these awards to those who had competed in out-of-town contests.

## Boys' Glee Club Rates 'Good' At State

#### Boys Give Miss Oman a Gift

In appreciation for the wonderful training and musical aid they have received, the boys' glee club presented Miss Oman their music instructor, with a beautiful Telechron electric clock. Engraved on the base of the clock are the words, "Miss Oman from the 1937 Boys' Glee Club."

#### SENIORS RECEIVE JOURNALISM AWARDS

Fifteen students, 12 of them seniors, received journalism awards.

Those who held responsible positions—Donald McIntosh, editor; Louella LaVars and Bud Pleak, assistant editors; Marie Peters, exchange editor and reporter; Mary Lou Negley, Business manager—received purple bars.

Wallace Williams was given an academic "V" and bar for his outstanding sports write-ups.

The monograms, which are white V's and "37" on purple diamond-shaped felt, were awarded Betty Stillians, Marlin Gunderman, and Mili Winter, feature writers; Louise Brown, commercial reporter; Frank Phillips, Berniece Madden, and Junior Hibbs, members of the business staff; Alice Froyd, chapel reporter, and Anna Lou Muckey, feature writer, reporter, and member of the business staff.

The contribution of many other members of the staff have been valuable. If they continue working for the paper they will probably do original and outstanding work and will be duly awarded next year.

#### 200 ATTEND OPEN HOUSE

More than 200 parents attended the open house at the high school building on April 23.

Originality and very good work was characteristic of the displays. The work which drew special attention was clever modernistic birds by the seventh grade artists, eighth grade puppet show, geometry constructions on the board, Caesar class' Roman house, typing designs, and chemical setups. Honor certificates, pins and ribbons won by the commercial students were also a big attraction.

Miss Stillians' history classes exhibited a number of interesting projects including models of a monastery, a feudal village, a medieval castle, a Roman temple, a guillotine, coronation chair and crown, miniature flags of various countries, and clothespin dolls which were dressed to represent historical characters.

The normal training girls had a model standardized rural school house, the five rooms of which were complete in every detail as was the playground.

After a musical program in the assembly the guests were served refreshments by the home economics girls.

Most of the members of the jazz orchestra are graduating this year. They are Edwin Davie, trombonist; Tom Kehr and Donald McIntosh, trumpeters; Marlin Gunderman, saxophone; Marilyn Jenkins and Eleanor Burton, pianists.

#### 19 VOCAL MUSICIANS PIANIST GRADUATE

V.H.S. will be minus at least 19 warblers next fall. Graduation takes Eleanor Burton, contralto soloist, member of girls' sextet three years—went to the state twice, and member of the girls' glee club and mixed chorus. Edwin Davie, baritone soloist this year, member of boys' quartet, glee club, and mixed chorus is also graduating. Other outstanding seniors in vocal music are Betty Stillians and Marie Peters, members of the girls' sextet and large groups, and Kenneth Peterson and Donald McIntosh, members of all boys' vocal groups.

Marilyn Jenkins who has been pianist for all vocal music the last four years will be greatly missed.

Seniors in the glee club are Alesa Anderson, Marlin Gunderman, Janis Hausen, Dorothy Henry, Louella LaVars, Frank Phillips, Lessie Reynolds, Lelia Stinemates, Robert Sutphen, Mili Winter, Doris Dickey, and Hubert Anderson.

#### 56 BARS, LETTERS GIVEN GLEE CLUB

Glee club awards were given to Fifty-six students. Recipients of V's and bars are Hubert Anderson, Kenneth Peterson, Venice Wheeler, Edna Smith, Laura M. Focht, Jack Cooney, Marjory Adkins, Helen Gardner, and Bernard Stallings.

The following persons received blue bars: Eva Mae Agee, Aleva Anderson, John Bakke, Eleanor Darcos, Edwin Davie, Joe English, Boyd Edwards, Millard Enarson, Raymond Fisher, Thomas Fisher, Junior Focht, Ardis Froyd, Marjorie Froyd, Marlin Gunderman, Janice Hausen, Dorothy Henry, Vera Henry, Bill Honeyman, Violet Hull, Marilyn Jenkins, Louella LaVars, Audrea Larson, Donald McIntosh, Arthur McIntosh, Jim Means, Glen McCredy, Mary Lou Negley, Donald Osborne, Bob Peckham, Horace Pleak, Marie Peters, Ruth La Vaughn Peters, Frank Phillips, Ruth Phillips, Viola Scott, Ted Shanks, Betty Stillians, Louise Reynolds, Lelia Stinemates, Grace Straight, Robert Sutphen, Louella Swanson, Donald Tyler, Mili Winter, James Wertman, and Doris Dickey.

#### 13 SENIORS PLAN TO ENTER COLLEGE

Many students are thinking of attending college next fall, although their plans are not definite. Marie Peters will major in mathematics at Aurora College, Illinois. Faith Farlis plans to attend William Wood at Fulton, Mo. Mili Winter wants to take journalism at Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Wallace Williams may attend Iowa State College at Ames. Louella LaVars and Anna Lou Muckey plan to take a pre-med course at the University of Iowa. Louise Brown is going to the American Institute of Business. Viola Scott and Helen Selley want to attend Red Oak Junior College.

#### DEFRAY EXPENSES BY BENEFIT DANCE

##### See Interesting Sights While In College Town.

The boys' glee club was rated "good" in the state contest at Iowa City, May 8. The boys made a splendid showing against the stiff competition which they had. Three towns receiving superior ratings over them were Hawarden, E?????, and Dennison.

The boys won the right to compete in the state contest as a result of the unanimous decision of superior rating by the judges in the district contest at Corning.

The ?????? club sang in the Macbride auditorium. Their contest selections were "Dear Land of Home" by Sibelius and "Song of the Jolly Roger" by Cavendish.

Expenses to the ?????? were defrayed by means of a benefit dance ??? in the Villisca Armory. Dance music was furnished by the high school jazz orchestra which is composed chiefly of glee club members.

The town responded very graciously to help the boys through the purchase of dance tickets. Receipts from the "benefit" totaled \$30.00.

Cars for the trip were driven by Mrs. Gunderman, Mrs. Henry Tyler, Mr. Dew, Marilyn Jenkins, Mr. Roy ??????, Miss Oman, and Mr. Peckham.

The appearance of the club at Iowa City will be the last for several members since many of them are graduating this year.

While the boys were in Iowa City, they visited many places of interest which included the Iowa University campus, the physics laboratory, mechanical and electrical engineering departments, the Iowa Union, and the new Press building. Some of the boys went swimming at the field house, others visited the stadium to watch the marching bands perform and to attend a college track meet. One group rented bicycles and rode through the city and in the airport. Miss Geraldine Tyler took the boys through the University hospital. The boys will long remember the wonderful time they had at the music contest at Iowa City.

#### STUDENTS EARN BAND AWARDS

Mr. Hunter, aided by Secretary Audrea Larson, awarded gold bars to the students who participate in the music contest. They are Donald and Arthur McIntosh, Donald Osborne, Eleanor Burton, Bob and Bill Peckham, Bill Honeyman, Marjorie Froyd, Lester Hull, Bud Pleak, John Bakke, Joe English, Edwin Fisher, Edwin Davis, Treva McCoy, Donald Paxton, Ruth L. Peters, Barbara Wheeler, Wilma Sanders, Jean Wolfe, Bernadine Stamps, Ruth Phillips, Louella LaVara, Gene Underwood, Donald Tyler, Jim Means, Luella Swanston, Audrea Larson, Tom Kehr, Vera Henry, Treva McCoy, Wilma Sanders, and Jean Wolfe also received V's.

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## CLASS PROPHECY

continued from page two could tell me, but to my surprise I found Maxine Stevenson instead of the woman. After a few mystic moves she fell into a deep trance and this is what she told me:

Anna Lou Muckey has been married twice. Her first husband was Frances Frey, a wealthy Iowa farmer, but because of a jealous fight caused by Laurena Focht flirting with Francis, she divorced him. Her second husband is Corwin Mauderly, the owner of a chain of vegetable cars in the east side of New York.

Verne King is a muscle man for a gang of notorious killers. Incidentally his wife is Treva McCoy.

Betty Stillians, a famous gold digger, has hooked that famous styler of men's fashions, Tom Kehr. My, how those class play love affairs last!!

Helen Branan and Jim Chew have become the screen's greatest lovers.

Hubert Anderson is chief bodyguard for the president of Still Steel. The owner is Harold Still. Harold, incidentally, has married Aleva Anderson and they are living quite extravagantly.

Much to my surprise I learned that Viola Scott and Viona Sutherland are teaching back there in good old Villisca. Viola is teaching physics while Viona masters the commercial department of the school. All of her second year typists are typing seventy-two words per minute or more.

Virginia Sander and Bill Simpson were married and are living on a chicken ranch in Connecticut. Leonard Fryer, a chicken specialist, is tending their chickens.

Marilyn Jenkins and Frank Phillips are also married. Frank is now chief manager of the O.K. Grocery back in the home town. Clerking in the store are Irma Culver and Edna Delaney.

Faith Farlin is running a fashion shop here in Paris. She is the designer of many new dress fashions.

Alice Froyd, disappointed in love, put her undivided attention on mathematics and has figured out a few things Einstein left unsolved.

Of course, I already knew that there was a movement in the United States to make the famous Doris Dickey a saint. She is the inventor of a gadget for typewriters to erase mistakes.

Bob Sutphen has built a little home down by the dam and he makes his living fishing and selling fish worms. His wife, Helen Selley, is running a fish market uptown and, of course, Bob furnishes all of the fish.

At this point, Maxine Stevenson was rudely interrupted by the entrance of her husband, Elvin Moritz. She said Elvin is a great inspiration to her because he has been in a trance since 1937.

Well, I walked out and the first person I bumped into was Helen Peterson and she was headed for a large tent show where she is the girl on the flying trapeze. Ruby Patterson was peddling peanuts and candy in the crowd.

But seeing May Shannon tight rope walking was more than I could stand. I remembered that I was not far from the museum of art which I had no intention

of missing, so I followed my inspiration.

Here I gazed upon the world famous modernistic paintings of Fern Hultquist; I saw the original manuscript of the best seller and Nobel prize winner, "The Men Are After Me," by Berniece Madden. I also saw the manuscripts of all the marvelous pieces of classical music which Eleanor Schantzinsky had composed. Years ago the clicking of typewriter keys inspired her.

I finally emerged from the art museum and decided to have some fun. Janis Hausen sold me tickets to the skyride. Hazel Groff, who is a model for Lars ads, rode on the roller-coaster with me and as we were getting off we bumped into Maxine Findley and Maxine Holland, who were also in Paris for a good time. They told me that they had married cowboys and lived side-by-side on a ranch in the west—two hundred miles apart. Well, I was so dazed by this time, more because of meeting my classmates than the sights of the exposition, that I decided to go to a pop stand and take it easy. There I was joined by Lelia Stinemates and when she was busily engaged in telling me about her matrimonial bureau (which Congress had just organized and of which she was appointed Secretary) Milli, my wife, busted in. When she saw what a stupor I was in she demanded to know where I had been and promptly took care of the children and put the nursemaid, Louise Brown, in charge of me.

The next day I, Marlin Gunderman, told this story to Doc McIntosh, head of the Universal Press Bureau at Paris. He published the story and got fired.

## JRS. FETE SRS. AT METHODIST CHURCH

continued from page one "Welcome" address to the seniors and Marlin Gunderman as senior class president, gave the "Response."

Mr. M. I. Overman gave a speech entitled "The Root of the Plant." Betty Lou Hyde followed with a speech on "The Stem of the Plant." Mr. Armstrong then spoke on the "The Leaves of the Plant." Betty Stillians talked on "The Plant Buds," and Mr. Dow ended the speeches with his talk on the "The Flower."

Music between the speeches was a solo by Eleanor Burton and music by a grade group, looking extremely Dutch in their costumes. Music during the meal was furnished by a small swing band.

Thus for the seniors another milestone of progress gone by in a mad whirl.

## SENIOR CLASS PLAY GREATLY ACCLAIMED

continued from page one Mr. Shields, Frank Phillips, Mr. Swift, Edwin Davie; Chester Binney, Tom Kehr; Letty Lythe, Betty Stillians; Annie, Louise Brown; Ethel, Eleanor Burton; Sadie Bloom, Laurena Focht; Sally Otis, Lelia Stinemates; Lila Wilson, Mili Winters; taxi-driver, Donald McIntosh.

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## CLASS WILL

continued from page two inality should go to Ed Fisher and her Aunt's full affections to Elmer Simpson. Bill Simpson offers his wit to Jay Mo???

Harold Still's speed in mathematics is put under the protection of Einstein. May Shannon's athletic aspirations are bestowed on Mary Lou Negley. Irma Culver's dramatic actions are willed to Fred Bryson. Edna Delaney's smiling face will be seen on Ruth Shriver.

Doris Dickey's shorthand technique goes to Aneva Miller. The evil eye of Eleanor Burton uses for flirting is bequeathed to Chyrl McGee. Maxine Findley offers her gorgeous sweeping eyelashes to Mildred Bryson. Virginia Wigg in the future may own Helen Branan's high development in the art of chewing gum.

Dorothy Gray grants her pleasant disposition to Mary Hendrickson. Maxine Holland leaves her blushes to next year's speech class. Corwin Mauderly has nothing to give to anybody; maybe he's trying to amass a fortune. Leonard Fryer wishes that Thomas Focht be presented with his slipperiness in tricks at school.

Lowell Stamps is endowed with Janis Hausen's stuttering. Berniece Madden's southern drawl is willed to Maxine Stackhouse. Treva McCoy's affection for the band boys goes to Vera Henry. Ralph Hanke is heir of Rudy Peterson's dainty feet. Frank Phillips wishes that Junior Gourley be presented with his attractiveness to the opposite sex. Edwin Doyle wishes that his rhythm and ability to dance be presented to Arthur McIntosh.

This will is not valid if the recipients do not take full benefit of all things herein given them in this said will.

## THE CLASS OF '37

## "THE SNOOP"

continued from page one posing so they could have their pictures taken.

That sweetly ?????pied and delicately flavored water.

Five girls got lost in a CCC camp in Sidney.

## CANDID SHOTS ON SENIOR PLAY PRACTICE

What kind of tales were Edwin and Tom telling Eleanor one night after play practice?

And that afternoon when Tom couldn't sit down? We assume that he was not telling the truth when he said his feet hurt. (??)

It is believed that we could have some true-to-life lover-?????? If M. G. and M. W. were our leading players.

That evening when Betty and Tom both came to practice with red spots on their chins. (But it was only the spaghetti they had for supper and didn't wash off.)

The gift that the play cast so pleasantly bestowed upon Tom Kehr. (It didn't arrive in time but may prove helpful later.)

## V.H.S. LOSE MEET

Villisca came out last in the conference meet held at Shenandoah last Friday night. Ken Peterson garnered all of Villisca's points by placing 4th in the 100-yard dash, 3rd in the 220-yard dash and third in the 440.

## M. PETERS' HIDDEN TALENT DISCOVERED

Any students having difficulty in making ends of their allowance meet should see Marie Peters immediately; for in all probability President Roosevelt has been informed of Miss Peters' ability as a financier and she will undoubtedly be called to Washington almost any day now to balance the national budget. Miss Anna Lou Muckey is her assistant.

Miss Peters won her great fame as a financier recently when she stretched the senior class money so the menu would include candy bars instead of cookies.

Miss Peters decided that the lower priced pickles, mustard and catsup would taste plenty good to the seniors and at the same time would cut down on the food bill. Furthermore, she thought six wieners and four buns apiece would be more than the most of the picnickers would down, so she reduced the number to three buns and five wieners for each of the boys and four wieners for the girls. By this economy the seniors also had marshmallows and candy bars.

## TEACHERS STUDY DURING VACATION

Practically all the faculty members are planning to attend summer school. The misses Peterman, Arnold, Stillians, Gardner, Skinner, and Jamison will attend the University of Colorado at Boulder. The Misses Enarson, Miller, Meyer, and Froyd are planning to attend Maryville State Teachers College at Maryville, Mo. Mr. Dow will take further work in educational courses at the University of Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong are returning to New York City where Mr. Armstrong will attend Columbia University, while Mrs. Armstrong will be secretary to the assistant treasurer of the university. Miss Rusk has not decided whether she will go to San Diego or Cedar Falls.

## FOOTBALL OUTLOOK PROMISING - RUFF

When asked his opinion on the football prospects, Coach Ruff declared, "Looks promising; but one can never tell. Three senior lettermen and ????? are lost from the team and possibly a few others through ineligibility. The weakest spots on the team will be ends and center. Bob Overman, Dwain Narigon and Tom Fisher are candidates for those positions, probably several will be shifted to fill those positions."

Football boys returning next fall are Bob Overman, Everett Findley, Delmer Baker, Ray Fisher, Arthur McIntosh, Willis Marvick, Gerald Schantz, Frank McFarland, Henry McMahon, Jim Wertman, Donny Hale, Ralph Marks, Ted Shanks, Bernard Overman, Dwain Narigon, Orlo Bennett, Bob Neal, Harley McCoy, and John Ridenour.

Seven seniors have spent much time in speech work—being in class plays and competing with other schools in declam. They are Marlin Gunderman, Eleanor Burton, Donald McIntosh, Marie Peters, Louella LaVars, Anna Lou Muckey, and Dorothy Henry.

## SENIORS PROVE ATHLETIC ABILITY

### Four Lettermen Are Lost In Athletics.

Four lettermen are lost to athletic field by graduation this year.

### FOOTBALL

From next year's football team will be gone four prominent faces who played their last game for dear old V.H.S. against Clarinda.

Hubert Anderson, regular tackle for three years, played fine brand of football all season. Anderson received honorable mention on the all-conference team the last two years.

"Pete" Peterson came from Red Oak after our Creston game. He played in the backfield at Red Oak but here he was shifted into the line to play end vacated by the removal of Williams into center. Pete's high spot of the season was in the Clarinda game when he scored three touchdowns.

This was Wally Williams' first year on the team. He started the season at left end but after the Shenadoah game he was moved into center where he played the three remaining games. He did his best playing the Clarinda game.

Jim Chew played end as a reserve. He was always there when needed. His catch of a 35-yard pass at Corning was the highlight of his football days.

### BASKETBALL

There are three who will be missing from the squad next year.

"Pete" Peterson played for two years with Red Oak before moving to Villisca. He played guard and forward; although not a regular, he earned a letter.

Edwin Davie played forward partly as a regular and as a sub; saw plenty of action to earn a letter.

Wally Williams, a regular in his junior and senior year. It will be hard to fill his place as height is lacking at Villisca. He ranked at the top of the Hawkeye scorers last year and was an all-conference player both years.

### TRACK

"Pete" Peterson ran the 100, 220, and 440-yard dashes, did broad and high jumping, and ran half-mile and mile relay. He was on the Red Oak track team two years before coming here.

## 14 LETTERMEN ARE REWARDED BY RUFF

Coach Ruff presented awards to fourteen boys May 12.

Football lettermen are Captain Kenneth Peterson, Hubert Anderson, Donald Hale, Willis Marvick, Jim Wertman, Wallace Williams, Delmar Baker, Bob Hayes, Henry McMahon, Dwain Narigon, and Earl Schenck.

Basketball letters and bars were given to Captain Wallace Williams, Donald Hale, Willis Marvick, Henry McMahon, Dwain Narigon, Kenneth Peterson, Fred Bryson, Edwin Davie, and Tom Fisher.

Kenneth Peterson received a bar and a star for track; Tom Fisher, bar.

John Swanson and Gerald Schantz, basketball managers and Everett Wallace, track manager, were each given numerals. Gerald and Everett also got letters. John earned his letter last year.