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Juniors Present Banquet

Friday, May 14, the junior class honored the seniors with the unusual banquet that has been held in Commerce for several years. The theme of this years productions was "Big Top". The gym was decorated to represent the inside of a huge circus tent. Balloons, circus scenes, and table added to the festivity, and even the program was planned around this theme.

One clever ingenuity of the juniors was pink lemonade on the menu, which added to the gala air of the circus. The favors were in the same theme, with funny clowns for the place cards.

Joe Mountford played host for the junior class as the barker. Mr. Reese gave the invocation. Mary Ann Howard welcomed the seniors with "Parade" and Bob Jamieson responded for the seniors with "Circus Attendants". The boys quartette sang two songs, "Stout-hearted men." and "I Got Shoes", followed by a short talk by Mr. Baker. The junior had another clever surprise held back. Peggy Vantrease gave a real circus ballet dance "Cake Walk". After this Shirley Judd commended the faculty and Mr. Stewart told how "The Show must go On".

The tables were cleared away and the dancing began. A large crowd stayed until the dancing was over this year.

The Juniors worked hard on this, and Mrs. Campbell and the junior class deserves a vote of thanks for the splendid banquet.

GUESS WHAT

I am a little thing about a big meaning. I help everyone. I help unlock doors, open up hearts, dispell prejudice. I create friendship and good will. I inspire respect and admiration. Everybody love me I love Everybody. I violate no law. I cost nothing. Many has praised me. I am pleasing to others of a high degree. I am useful every moment of the day. I AM COURTESY!

BACCELAUREATE

Sunday evening at 8:00 p. m., Baccelaureate services were held in the High School gymnasium for the graduating seniors of 1948.

During the processional, played by Milton Moudy, the seniors were led into the gymnasium by two junior girls, Mary Ann Howard and Cecelia Peterson.

The program was as follows Invocation, Rev. McMillan; Girls' Glee Club, "Prayer Perfect"; The sermon was delivered by Rev. Scales. "Nobody Knows the Troubles I've seen was rendered by the boys' Quartette followed by the benediction by Rev. Childress. Recessional by Milton Moudy.

Senior Assembly

Don't be surprised if you see some gypsies roaming the halls tomorrow. It will only be the seniors in their regalia for the annual senior assembly. The assembly is going to be quite a affair by the name of "The Open Road".

All the seniors are to take part in the program and are coming to school in the costumes of gypsies. So don't be surprised at anything that might happen in the ahlls.

The class history and prophecy will be given during this program Many humorous and unusual incidents will undoubtedly occur. If some dignified senior wills his pleasing personality or brains to you, be happy. For remembered you'll get your revenge later.

Girls Trio and Boys Quartet To Miami

The Girls' trio and boys quartette of C. H. S. were guests of the First Christian church of Miami on May 9 They each sang two numbers. The quartet sang "Nobody Knows the Trouble I See" and "Stout-Hearted Men" The trio sang "The Green Cathedral" and "The Prayer Perfect". The pupils enjoyed other musical numbers rendered by the church members and also a short sermon. After the service a picture show was shown by the people of their church taken on previous Sundays.

Adios From Senior Class

We of the Senior Class who are leaving the halls of old C. H. S. wish to express what is in our hearts that will linger in our memory through the rest of our lives.

We are happy to have accomplished our task which means a great deal to each student but the thought of leaving school brings tears to our eyes and lumps in our throats. Yes, we are sorry to leave our friends who have stood by us and gave us the strength and courage to stick it to the end. So to you, our friends, we give good luck & happiness throughout your lives and success wherever you may go.

Good Bye

Good Luck

Till We meet Again
Seniors-48.

Partnership in Bookkeeping

After completing their last practice set the bookkeeping class is starting to study partnerships. As an addition to the regular assignments, the students are choosing a partner and entering an imaginary business.

The object in this is to give the students a clearer conception of how a business operates on the partnership system. Many types of businesses has been discussed With a certain amount of money given as capital to start on, the students are devising ways to start a profitable enterprise. The students have chosen partners and have started imaginary businesses ranging to roller rinks to garages.

Who knows, some of the countries' future tycoons may be right here in Bookkeeping class.

M H S Class Visits Commerce

The Miami High School Science class visited the Pre-Engineering class of C.H.S. The hosts presented many interesting facts about "Ham radio, Electronics, etc. The science class was sponsored by Mr. Adams.

Bengal Tales Party

Last Wednesday, the year-book staff trekked over the picnic grounds of Schermerhorn park. They enjoyed the fried chickens and trimmings Later they roasted marshmallows. The highlights of the evening included water fighting, merry-go-round drunkenness and swinging air sickness. The members were: Leroy Bennett, Barbara McAuley, Jo Ann Rodgers, Leota Henson, Fred Witten, Nancean Hufford, Carole Shamblin, Colleen Steele, Jack Hubbard, Sue Beth Pyahhunkah, Charley Cantrell, Ramona Barker, Stella Jean Russell and their sponsor, Mrs. Jacoby.

Speech Clases on Party

Twenty one members, who had participated in speech events directed by Miss Lewis, enjoyed a picnic Friday, May 7 at Whella near Seneca, Mo. There was swimming, tennis, and dancing, yes, and even animals of the human specie if you know what we mean. And there was most any type of enjoyment for those who fancied it. Then came the thrill of the day. You guessed it—chow! Boy was we hungry and there was fried chicken, potato salad, deviled eggs, cookies and all the stuff that goes with it. Then we settled down for a little rest but only for a little while then we were up and at 'em! For who can sit still on a picnic? Even home to reconcooperate. Everyone enjoyed themselves.

Senior Girls Congratulated

Nelson's Furniture Store in Miami has honored the graduating class of the Commerce High School by presenting to them miniature Lane Cedar chests.

The chests are about 10 inches long and 5 and one half inches wide with a beautiful polished grain on the outside. They are equipped with a dainty lock and key.

To Nelsons Furniture Store the girls say "Thanks"

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Commencement, May 27

Thursday, May 27, will put the finishing touches on activities of the year for the seniors. Commencement Exercises will begin promptly at 8:00 p.m. with Milton Moudy playing the processional Mary Ann Howard and Cecelia Peterson are the Junior girls selected to elad the seniors. The following program will be presented: Invocation, Rev. Childress: Girls Trio will sing "The World is Waiting for the Sunrise"; The Salutatorian address will be given by Nancean Hufford. The speaker of the evening, Roi S. Woods, Superintendent of the schools, Joplin, Missouri, will be introduced Superintendent Stewart. Mr. Woods will speak on "Faith and the Future" John Dawson will give the Valedictorian speech followed by the Boys Quartette singing Oklahoma. Presentation of class will be made by Mr. Stewart and the awarding of the diplomas by the President of the School Board, Mr. Dee Peterson. Benediction, Rev. McMillan. Recessional, Milton Moudy.

Style Show

Tuesday, May 25, at 8:00 p. m., will be the Home Economics Ssyle Show. This is an annual affair and is looked forward by the sewing classes.

The Home Economic I girls will model gowns, pajamas, and housecoats but these will not be judged.

The Home Economics I and II girls will select one dress to be judged on appearance as well as workmanship.

The Boys' Home Economics class will model their shirts they recently completed.

Music will make up the remainder of the program.

C.H.S. Band to Joplin

The Freedom train will be in Joplin on Friday, June 4, from 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p. m. All bands in the four state area are invited to participate in the parade at 2:00 p.m. and the concerts held throughout the day. The C. H. S. band is to attend this all-day affair

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EDITORIALS

TIGER CHAT PLATFORM

1. High Scholarship
2. More School Spirit
3. A "Spotless" School
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5. School Reputation Upheld

The Tiger Chat's staff of CHS congratulate the graduating seniors of '48 for their splendid work this year and the past years they spent at CHS.

Every year we have a class that we think is better than the last. This is the way we feel this year also. We are very proud of our seniors and we hope in later years they develop themselves to make us even prouder.

THE STAFF

Glenn Hensley and his mother left for Texas, Sunday, July 16, to join his father who has obtained summer work for him. Glenn plans to return here for his senior year of school.

The milk of human kindness beats cold cream in keeping wrinkles away.

AWARD ASSEMBLY

The award assembly was held on Friday, May 21. Awards were presented to all the students who had participated in outside curricular activities. Each teacher presented his or her awards to the students. The student council pins were presented also. The gym decorations for the banquet were left for the occasion to enable the underclassmen to see the work put forth by the juniors.

Appealing again to the American History students—Volume 33 of the new set of Chronicles of American History is still missing. While cleaning out lockers, be sure to look for this book.

Culture can be acquired with effort, but common sense is a gift.

Ledger Lunacy

The list of prize winners at a picnic included the following: "Mrs. Smith won the ladies rolling pin throwing contest by hurling the pin 75 feet. Mr. Smith won the 100 yard dash.

The Madison, Wisconsin "Capital Times" printed the two headlines side by side: "55 Roosters Stolen at Town of Oregon Farm."

"Socialist Club to Hold Chicken Supper."

In the old days the man who who saved money was a miser. Nowadays he is a wonder.

A recession is a period in which you tighten your belt. In a depression you have no belt to tighten, and when you have no pants to hold up it's a panic.

Woman to man on a lonely road, "Why what a coincidence! It just happens that I have a gallon of gasoline in my purse.

Junior grabbed the funnies and went into a comiccoma.

Deft definitions: Lady—a woman who makes it easy for a man to be a gentleman. A rush hour—when traffic is at a standstill. Minor operation—one performed on some body else.

To her question—was she the first girl he had ever kissed—he replied, "As a matter of tact, yes."

Taste makes waist.

Now that the girls have the new look there isn't much use in looking.

Perhaps a few women would conceal their age if a few more men would act their age.

A little girl's thank you note: "Thank you for your nice present. I always wanted a pin cushion, although not very much.

A young woman brought a yapping dog into the hotel dining room. A man at a nearby table endured it for a while then turned to her and with a grave air of solicitude asked "Your first dog madam"?

"You should have seen my birthday cake, a young woman told a friend. "Seventeen candles—one for each year."

There was a skeptical silence, then, "Seventeen candles!

SPORTS

By Bob Jamieson

TIGER TROPHIES

Everyone who passes thru the portal of Commerce High cast their glances toward the trophy cases, which holds the trophies that were won as far back as 1920. Commerce Hi has more trophies than any town its size and as we look at them we think what grand teams they were and how proud they must have been.

This year the Tigers have won three trophies in basketball and we're mighty proud of our boys. We have a class A second place trophy of the Lucky Seven Tourney. A class B second Lucky Seven tourney. A second place B team Lucky Seven tourney. Those are three beautiful trophies. If you haven't noticed them be sure to when you pass the case next time. They have the year 1947-48 on them.

The junior hi boys also won a trophy this year in the tourney held here in Commerce. It was a first place and a beauty also, so take a look at the new ones as well as the old ones and be proud of our boys this year.

Did you burn some of them at both ends?"

A woman's mind is cleaner than a man's—she changes it more often.

Well, from now until school starts next year you won't have to depend on me for the jokes, you can read the kinds you want, but remember read the kinds you should too!

BAND CONCERT

The Commerce band presented its annual concert on Thursday evening, May 20. A forty-five minute program was planned and began at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Branson, music director, was in charge of the program.

Band numbers on the program were "Peasant Life", "Stout Hearted Men", "Night and Day", "Tea for Two", "Uncle Tom's Cabin", "Drummer's Delight", "Iowa State Band Law", and "The Booster". At intermission the boys quartette, consisting of Bob Long, Raymond Rhodes, Bob Jamieson, and Fred Witten, sang "I Got Shoes". One number was rendered by the girls glee club. It was "Sympathy" by Friml. The girls trio sang "I heard you cried Last Night".

Immediately following the concert the students who participated enjoyed a banquet at Basil's Cafe.

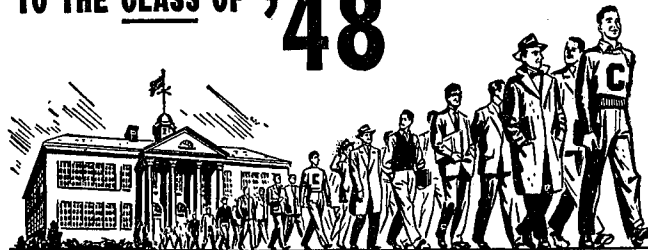
ALL SCHOOL OUTING

The new idea this year has "tops" in the idea of an all school picnic. The entire group will journey to Schermerhorn Park near, Galena, Kansas, Friday to spend the day exerting all energy or just being lazy.

There's one thing worse than thinking we are never wrong—and that's knowing we are wrong but never admitting it.

Go off to the house of thy friends for weeds soon choke up the unused path.

TO THE CLASS OF '48



When you get your diploma you'll have a big decision to make. What field will you enter? Before you decide, take a look at what the U. S. Army offers high school graduates.

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DRUM MAJOR'S MUSINGS
Dedicated to Cecellia)

I think I'll clean out some of my stuff and see what I'll need for college next year. H-m moccassin need shoe string one of 'em gone. . . music rack is starting to rust. . . gosh here's one high heel slipper with no mate when did I ever go to a party that stinking . . . Hey! What's that little ball of blue ribbon over there in the corner? Gosh I wish I can be a little graceful, I stumbled and rolled right past it. Oh well I wish you'd look, If that's not that whistle I looked over the planet for. It can bring back a lot of rollicking good time with the CHS band Just like the time our new band suits came in, and clear back to the years I used to want to hold a Drum Major's baton and prance like a leader. Finally I managed to get in the band and follow the leader. I followed one for six years. This year I received one of the biggest moments of my life when I received a title of Drum Majorette, and equipment of baton and whist le.

There's a certain type of drum major whistle you have to use to be heard above all of the drums. Last years leader, Leanna Mitchell, borrowed hers from Wesley Peterson. I, too, had to borrow it from him this year. Things won't be so complicated the coming year though, because his big sister is going to succeed me Yes when Cecilia borrows her whistle. it will be from her lit tle brother. That whistle has certainly been a good one to stand all the chewing it has taken.

I hope you have as much fun and good luck with it around your neck, Cecillia, as those before you have. And I hope you never face a strong wind with the shako in your head. It's just like a sail on a boat. The collar seems tight when you start prancing in a parade, but you don't have to keep even with anybody, so you can slow down whenever you want to and the whole band has to keep behind. I do hope you have the habit of looking before you sit, and let yourself down slowly. The trousers fit rather snug, and for heaven's sake don't sit down on all those buttons on the tail of the jacket. The first time I sat down I though I'd look like a pickle the rest of my life.

Well, Cecellia, I think you will make a wonderful Drum

Majorette next year, and you have given lots of cooperation with the whole band since you have been a part of us. Here's to you—Good Luck.

The Senior's Farewell



Farewell to you old Commerce Hi,
That school we love so well,
With memories that will never die,
Though may our fortunes swell.

However anxious we may seem
To receive that reward so night,
'Tis not because we're tired of you
For we're proud of you old Hi.

The time is near for us to go
On up old life's great hill,
With Superior for our banner,
Onward, upward with a will.

Now just a word to the sophomores,
With your ambitions so nigh,
Make a senior be your goal,
And you'll get there if you try.

And then to the sturdy juniors
Be a class not to abate,
Remember you always have a friend
In th class of "48".

A farewell advice to the freshmen:
That is, the sophomore abate,
Defy the sturdy junior,
Imitate the "48".
—Mary Ann Hamby.

Last but not least the student council awarded the pins that each year go to the outstanding student in the various subjects. The pins did not arrive in time for the award assembly, but a special assembly was called to present the awards to the following students.

Honor student, Leroy Bennett; Typing I and II, Dona Sue Hance and Nancean Hufford; History, Shirley Judd; Mathematics, Doro

othy Cresap, Science John Dawson English Jean McKinney; Bookkeeping, June Pharis;; Shorthand Joan Gailey Home Economics I and II Jeanette Holmes and Luella Mayberry; Student Council Collen Steele and Charley Cantrell.

The pins were gold plated and attached to a blue and white ribbon. These were very attractive. They should serve as an incentive to students in the school years to come.

Work hard and try to be one picket for the award. Hard work and a little self determination is all you really need!

Guess What

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Always remember that words are like flying kites, once you let go of one of them you can't get them back.

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Edwin K. just makes things up but he had better watch where they appear, especially not in the snoop.

Preston C., Why have you been missing so much lately? Could you be in love?

Paul J., Who is your dream girl you see in your dreams at night?

The student council members are nursing blisters on the hands from hoeing in the flow er garden.

What did Patty think happened when Mosley shot her with the water pistol.

Bobby C., How is the little seventh grader you have on the string. Is she pretty Bob?

Charles N. wanted so bad to be in the snoop last time, that he is willing to give a dollar to put him in this time. Don't please Charles.

Since the carnival came in to town, Richard W has been up to see what is going on.

Who was the boy you were with at the carnival Monday night Barbara M? Was he good lookin'?

Patty, do you always go around shooting policemen in the face with water guns?

Only two orchids were worn at the banquet. Patty and Stella Jean were certainly lucky

Who was Ernest Evans at the carnival last Monday nite with?

Bob Long and his rings brought his girl to the banquet.

Leota says she loves to hear Fred sing "I love You"!

Carole and Leroy were seen at the spook light Friday nite

Why are Commerce boys spending so much time in Chetopa.

Did you girls take notice of the handsome stags around th banquet hall.

Carolyn Sue H has been meeting a few boys lately. One asked her where she had been all his life.

Jack knows a girl in junior high and he really likes her!

Wilma Lou H. is really in love with a Miami boy. He calls her up at least once a day over the telephone. Kinda expensive, We'd say.

Snoop certainly hates to take leave of old CHS, all the fun, but maybe Snoop can uncover a few high lights in this vacation.

SNOOP'S Banquet Hi-lights...

Bob J. was the apple of her eye so to speak at the dance at the banquet.

We would like to congratulate Mrs. Beard and the Home making class for an elegant meal.

Why did Mr. Baker think the animals in front of the plates were supposed to represent each person's personality.

The Junior-Senior banquet saw many new gruesome-tuosomes-including Faye Nell and Albert.

Another couple seen was Co leen and Duke.

Nancean must have completely forgotten Paul. Now she is seen with Polard.

Betty's husband couldn't even make it to the banquet. My, married life must be dull

Speaking of married life Velma and Al seemed to be doing all right at the banquet and we don't mean dancing either.

Ernest, there is a rumor going around that you are engaged. Is this the reason you danced with the teachers and the teachers wives.

Cecil, who is the sophomore you are always planning to take to parties.

Everyone seemed to enjoy Peggy Van Trease's dance at the banquet. Especially the boys.

We promised Dona we would announce her engagement in capital letters.

THE TIGER CHAT TAKES PLEASURE IN ANNOUNCING THE ENGAGEMENT OF THEIR STAR REPORTER, DONA SUE HANCE TO HERBIE CONRAD.

Ask Pat E. where she and Gerald went after the banquet. She won't tell.

Roberta, who was that musical man you were dancing with?

What are you going to do this Summer?

Edwin K.: "You got me"

Bob J.: "I guess I'll go to Michigan—I dunno"

Jean Mc: "I'm going to go to Kansas City or Alaska—preferably to Alaska—to escape my troubles.

Fred W.: "My summers is going to be very dull—work, work, work;

Gloria J.: "Work, I imagine gotta to get some money"

Bob Digby) L.: "Arrangements are incomplete. (Sound like a funeral director.

Leota H. "Stay at home & watch mother work", (

Mrs. Crosby: "I don't know my plans are indefinite.

Booby J. "Well--I'm trying to get on at Goodrich right now."

JoAnn R.: "Going traveling gona see the country between here and Oregon".

Ramona B.: "I'm going to go around and see how many men are left.

Earl Dean H.: "I think Uncle Sam's gonna draft me":

Faye Nelle R.: "I'm going to Michigan". (Wonder why so there's a sudden run on Michigan.)

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Duke R.: "I'm gonna hit the road and be a traveling salesman."

Your Slip Is Showing

These heads were all found in Newspapers recently.

Each County Asked to Send Girl for Governors Lunch

Dead Flier Warned Not to Start Stunts

Seed Corn Talks Before Farmers

Woman is Injured When Bus Hits her on Curve

Three States Hit by Blizzard: One Missing

Uncover Skeleton digging for New Flag Pole

Two Banks Robbed and one Killed

Mother Kills Daughter and Self: Then burns Home

MEXICAN BANQUET

"Caramba" and we are off with the first year home economics banquet.

This year the girls chose "Mexican Fiesta" as their theme. The banquet was given in the hall of CHS and the decorating committee decorated with many flashy colors and snappy things. The place card were little Mexican girls holding the names in their hands. The nut cups consisted of a little pot with the cactus growing from it and the grades represented the sand. The centerpiece was a huge cactus and the tables were lighted by multicolored candles.

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All the girls wore Mexican dresses to mix with the theme. The banquet food consisted of different Mexican dishes, and the table was set with brightly colored Mexican dishes and plates.

Thirty six students attended with Mr. Baker, Mr. Stewart and Mr. Reese as honorary guests.

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