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## DEDICATION

We wish to dedicate this Commencement Issue of the Blue and White  
to the teachers of Vergennes High School who have so ably  
assisted us throughout our school years. We greatly  
appreciate their untiring efforts which have  
helped to make us better citizens.

### AND

We also dedicate this issue to the advertisers of Vergennes and  
surrounding towns whose sincere cooperation has  
made our school paper possible.

INTRODUCING  
THE CLASS  
OF 1951

**Edmund Eldon Atkins**

"Ed"

*Motto: "Work Does Not Hurt Anyone"*

Baseball 2,3,4, Religion 1, Senior Play Committee 4,  
Blue & White Staff 2,3,4.

Edmund is a boy who can tell you all about baseball, especially the Boston Red Sox. He isn't a great hand for the girls, not around here, anyway. Edmund works hard and gets a job done, and in a cooperating manner. Best of luck, "Ed."



**Sidney Earl Barnard**

"Sid"

*Motto: "He Who Waits For Time, Loses Time"*

Boys' Chorus 1,2,3,4, Religion 1, Blue & White Staff 4,  
Latin Club 1,2, Senior Play Committee 4, Junior Prom  
Committee 3.

"Sid" is one of the quieter boys in our class, but he has his jokes and he uses them at the right time. "Sid's" good humor and willingness to take a joke along with his studiousness will get him far in life we're sure. Best wishes, "Sid."

**Janice Mary Clark**

"Jan"

*Motto: "Time Will Bring New Opportunities"*

Girls' Chorus 3, Mixed Chorus 3, Blue and White Staff 3,4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Senior Play Committee 4, Freshman Reception Committee 4.

Janice joined our class in her junior year from Mount Saint Mary's in Burlington. She is a very diligent worker in class activities and has a sunny smile for everyone. We are sure that there is much success ahead for you, "Jan."

**Alma Janet Danyow**

"Elmer"

*Motto: "Silence Is Golden"*

All State Orchestra 1,2,3,4, School Orchestra 1,2,3,4, Blue & White Staff 2,4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Freshman Reception Committee 4, Senior Play 4, Class Officer 1, Patrol 1,2,3, Mixed Chorus 2, Girls' Chorus 1,2,3,4, Drum Majorette 2,3,4, Drill Team 1,2,3.

Everyone is going to miss Alma's outstanding pep, especially her popular "snake dance." Best of luck always, "Elmer."

**Helen Ann Field****"Helen"***Motto: "Faith Conquers Always"*

Latin Club 1,2, Patrol 1,2,3,4, Drill Team 3,4, Senior Play 4, Blue & White Staff 3,4, Girls' Chorus 4, Class Officer 2,3,4, Girls' State 3, Good Citizenship Girl 4, United Nations 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Valedictorian 4.

Helen is a cute senior who always frisks about when you ask her to run an errand. She is always willing to do things for others. She has been on the honor roll all through high school and we know that whatever she chooses for a vocation, it will be a good one and she will accomplish her goal. Our best wishes will be always with you, "Helen."

**Elaine Ann French****"Elaine"***Motto: "Climb Though The Rocks Be Rugged"*

Mixed Chorus 3, Girls' Chorus 2,3, Orchestra 3,4, Band 3,4, Freshman Reception Committee 4, Senior Play 4, Class Secretary 3,4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Blue & White Staff 3,4.

Elaine is the cute little senior who is always willing to help us. She has been with us three years and as secretary during our senior and junior years. She has done a wonderful job. We are all sure she will reach the goal at which she is aiming. The best of luck in the future, "Elaine."

**Roger Omer Gibeault****"Rog"***Motto: "Make The Best Of What You Have"*

Boys' Chorus 1,2,3,4, Mixed Chorus 3,4, Patrol 4, Blue & White Staff 3,4, Religion 1, Senior Play 4, Latin Club 1, Debating Team 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Minstrel Show 1, Drill Team 4.

Roger is our witty senior whose debating ability helps him to get out of work. Seriously, though, Roger has the ambition and will to work that will make him a success in life. Best of luck in everything you do, "Rog."

**James Howard Hanna****"Jim"**

*Motto: "The Higher We Climb, The Better We View"*

Boys' Chorus 1,2,3,4, Mixed Chorus 3,4, Patrol 1,2,3, Drill Team 1,2,3, Senior Play 4, Blue & White Staff 3, Class Officer 4, Latin Club 1,3, Boys' State 3, Basketball 2,3,4, Baseball 1,2,3,4, Band 2,3,4, All State Band 4.

"Jim" always finds time for both sports and studies. He will be missed in the band with his horn. May you be successful in life and in your engineering career, "Jim."



**Grace Candace Hawkins**

"Grace"

*Motto: "Never Put Off Till Tomorrow What Can Be Done Today"*

Religion 1, Girls' Chorus 1,2,3,4, Patrol 1,2,3,4, Drill Team 4, Blue & White Staff 3,4, Editor-in-chief 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Latin Club 1,2, School News Reporter 2,3, Driving Course 1, Girls' State Alternate 3, Senior Play Committee 4, Debating Team 4.

Grace is one of the tiniest girls in the class. She is always busy, helping out in every activity that she can. She is sure to make a very good librarian in the future. The best of luck, "Grace."



**Helen Marie Hawkins**

"Helen"

*Motto: "Learning Is Not An Easy Matter"*

Girls Chorus 1,2,3,4, Mixed Chorus 4, All-State Orchestra 1,2,3, All-State Chorus 4, Patrol 1,2,3,4, Drill Team 4, Senior Play Committee 4, Blue & White Staff 3,4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Religion 1, Latin Club 1, Orchestra 1,2,3,4.

Helen, a quiet senior, seems to be a friend to everybody. Her best friends know she is not as shy as she appears to be. Lots of luck and happiness to you, "Helen."



Alan Charles Holmes, Jr.

"Al"

*Motto: "Experience Is The Best Teacher"*

Orchestra 4, Band 3,4.

Alan is certainly one of the quietest seniors but has a sense of humor. If you should want to know anything about history just ask Alan. Good luck.

Francis Harkness Hoose

"Gander"

Boys' Chorus 1,2,3,4, Mixed Chorus 3,4, All-State Chorus 4, Blue & White 3,4, Boys' State 3, Debating Team 4, Senior Play Committee 4, Religion 1, Latin Club 1,2.

We will always remember Francis for the corny jokes that he pops. He is always good natured, he is a good sport and willing to help at all times. He's certainly one of our most popular seniors. Best always, "Francis."



**Dorothy Mae Jaquith**

"Dot"

*Motto: "Music Hash Charm"*

Religion 1, Band 1,2,3,4, Patrol 1,2,3,4, President of the Band 4, Drill Team 2,3,4, Girls' Chorus 1,2,3,4, Mixed Chorus 1,2,4, Orchestra 1,2,3,4, All-State Orchestra 1,2,3, All-State Chorus 4, Tri-school Festival 1,2, Blue and White Staff, 3,4, Senior Play 4, Freshman Reception Committee 4, Class Officer 1,2, Junior Prom Committee 3, Magazine Campaign Manager 1, Latin Club 2.

Dorothy is the tall cheerful blonde of our class who always has a smile for everyone. We will miss her musical ability in the band and orchestra. Much success to you always, "Dot."



**Gwendolyn Ann McGrath**

"Gwen"

*Motto: "Hope For The Best; Provide For The Worst"*

Patrol 1,2,3,4, Drill Team 2,3,4, Religion 1, Band 2,3, Latin Club 1, Girls' Chorus 1,2,3,4, Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4, All-State Chorus 3, Junior Prom Committee 3, Class Officer 2, Senior Play 4, Freshman Reception Committee 4, Debating Team 4, Prize Speaking 4, Blue & White Staff 3,4.

Gwen has come to be known as a great debator. Just have Jack say one word of opposition and the fight is on. We will all miss her wit and humor and shall always remember her. Best of luck, "Gwen."

**James Edward McNulla, III****"Jim"**

*Motto: "Live To Learn So You Can Learn To Live"*

Boys' Chorus 1,2,3,4, Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4, Band 1,2,3,4, Band Manager 3,4, Orchestra 3,4, All-State Chorus 3, All-State Band 4, Basketball 1,2,3,4, Basketball Captain 4, Baseball 1,4, Baseball Manager 2,3, Patrol 1,2,3, Drill Team 1,2,3, Drill Master 2,3, Tri-School Festival 1, Minstrel Show 1, Debating Team 4, Prize Speaking 4, Class Officer 1,2,3,4, Senior Play 4, Freshman Reception 4, Blue & White Staff 2,3,4, Driving Course 1, Religion 1, Junior Prom Committee 3, Latin Club 1.

Jim is one of our handsome seniors whose versatility and ambition in all activities have made his four years in high school a success. We are sure you will attain happiness in life also, Jim. Lots of luck.

**George Robert Moorby****"George"**

*Motto: "Don't Do Today What You Can Put Off Until Tomorrow"*

Religion 1, Junior Prom Committee 3, Debating Team 4, Blue & White Staff 3,4, Senior Play Committee 4.

George is one of the liveliest members of our class. He always has a smile and a corny joke for everyone, and enjoys arguing with the teachers. Best of luck with the farming, "George."



**Marion Kate Mcorby**

*"Mim-Mim"*

*Motto: "If At First You Don't Succeed Try, Try, Again"*

Salutatorian 4, Patrol 1,2,3,4, Senior Play 4, Blue & White Staff 3,4, Patrol Drill Team 3,4, Girls' Chorus 1,2, Band 4, Office Secretary 4, Alternate for Girls' State 3, Junior Prom Committee 3.

Marion has been with us for four years and is one of the shortest girls in the senior class. We are sure that Mr. Berry will miss his efficient secretary and that Mr. Grandfield will miss his typing teacher. Best wishes.



**Florence Louise Poulin**

*"Flossie"*

*Motto: "No One Is Free Who Is A Slave To His Body"*

Patrol 1,2,3,4, Drill Team 2,3,4, Religion 1, Latin Club 1,2, Girls' Chorus 1,2,3,4, Mixed Chorus 3, Girls' State 3, Blue & White 3,4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Senior Play Committee 4.

Florence, being one of the shy ones, is well liked by everyone for her quiet and friendly manner. We wish you the best of everything in the future, "Flo."

**George Francis Rose****"Rosie"**

*Motto: "A Fool Who Keeps Silent Passes For  
A Wise Man"*

Religion 1, Driving Course 1, Blue & White Staff 3,4,  
Junior Prom Committee 3, Senior Play Committee 4.

George is one of the cooperative members of our class. He is always ready to greet you with a nice hearty pat on the back. He may seem quiet in school but we know that he's not so quiet outside. Lots of luck to you, "Rosie."

**Julius Alan Russett****"Al"**

*Motto: "He Who Gives Quickly Gives Twice"*

Boys' Chorus 1,2,3,4, Mixed Chorus 3,4, Religion 1,  
Class Officer 1, Tri-school Festival 1, Minstrel Show 1,  
Latin Club 1,2, Boys' State Alternate 3, Magazine Cam-  
paign Manager 4, Blue & White Staff 2,3,4, Junior Prom  
Committee 3, Senior Play 4, All-State Chorus 4.

Alan is one of the most cooperative and hard work-  
ing boys in our class. We'll now expect to see him using  
his salesmanship which he put to good use while being  
business manager of the Blue and White. Best of luck to  
you in the future, "Al."



**John Gilbert Stebbins**

**"Jack"**

*Motto: "Make Each Day A New Adventure Rather Than A Routine"*

Boys' Chorus 1,2,3,4, Mixed Chorus 1,2,3,4, All-State Chorus 3,4, Band 3,4, Orchestra 3,4, Patrol 1,2,3,4, Captain 4, Drill Team 1,2,3,4, Drillmaster 4, Asst. Drillmaster 3, Junior Prom Committee 3, Senior Play 4, Religion 1, Class Officer 2,3, Tri-School Festival 1, Latin Club 1,2, Minstrel Show 1, Prize Speaking 4, Debating Team 4, Blue & White Staff 3,4, Basketball Manager 3,4, Boys' State 3, Boys' Nation 3.

Ever, body will miss Jack, not only his presence but his wise little sayings which are always interrupting somebody. Between his dancing and talking we'll miss the captain of the patrol and hope every success will be his.



**Joyce All Tracy**

**"Jo"**

*Motto: "A Wishbone Isn't As Likely To Bring You Success As A Backbone"*

Patrol 1,2,3,4, Drill Team 1,2,3,4, Mixed Chorus 2, Girls' Chorus 1,2,3, Blue & White Staff 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Freshman Reception Committee 4, Senior Play Committee 4.

Joyce has been with us her whole four years of high school and we have come to know her very well. She is always ready with a helping hand. We are sure she will succeed in everything she does. Good luck in the future, "Jo."



Regina Dorothy Yattaw

"Jean"

*Motto: "Find A Way Or Make One"*

Girls' Chorus 1,2,3, Religion 1, Junior Prom Committee 3, Senior Play Committee 4.

Regina is a pleasant senior who is ready and willing to help in class activities. We know she will be a success in anything she attempts. We wish you the best of luck in the future, "Jean."

Class Motto:

After the Battle, the Reward

### CLASS SONG FOR '51

Tune—"There's a Tree In the Meadow"

As we leave dear Vergennes High  
 We want you to know  
 Our thoughts will ever lie with you,  
 Wherever we go.  
 We shall always remember,  
 To life's very end  
 The pleasures that we have found  
 With our teachers and friends.  
 We are leaving Vergennes High,  
 Our school work is done,  
 And we find it hard to say goodbye  
 This class of Fifty-one.

Elaine French, '51

Class Colors: Blue and Silver

Class Flower: Lily of the Valley

Class Bird: Bluebird

## CLASS HISTORY

As we look back on our first experiences at Vergennes High School we find that some memories have become very dim and others remain very vivid in our minds.

At our first class meeting soon after the opening of school we elected the following class officers: President, James McNulla; Vice President, Alan Russett; Secretary, Alma Danyow; and Treasurer, Dorothy Jaquith.

On initiation day we were asked to dress in unique clothes which, for the girls consisted of long underwear, and for the boys, dresses, both with the proper accessories. After this terrible but memorable incident, initiation day was forgotten. That evening we were officially accepted as members of Vergennes High School at a reception given by the seniors.

At the close of our first year, the Class picnic was held at Bayside where everyone had a good time.

One of the activities of our first year which proved to be an interesting one, was our trip to Burlington to visit the Freedom Train.

Except for our President, James McNulla, whom we elected for the second term, we left the sophomore activities up to a different slate of officers—Vice-President, Jack Stebbins; Secretary, Helen Field; and Treasurer, Gwen McGrath.

The class voted to give Mrs. Thurber a Sheaffer pen and pencil set as a going-away present.

To conclude our sophomore year we all enjoyed a class picnic at Ethan Allen Park.

To get off to a good start for our Junior year we elected the following class officers: President, Jack Stebbins; Vice-President, Helen Field; Secretary, Elaine French; and Treasurer, James McNulla.

In order to raise money for our Junior Prom we had two raffles. The traditional Thanksgiving turkey was a

raffle prize, and at Easter we raffled a ham. Also, we had two food sales whose proceeds likewise went towards the expenses of the Prom.

One evening during the latter part of October the class journeyed to Middlebury to see Margaret Webster's production of "Julius Caesar." We all enjoyed the superb acting very much.

As May approached, we started planning for that big event the Junior Prom. This year we decided to have something entirely different. We dispensed with the Storm of Colors and in its place we had the gym highly decorated with a night-club motif. With multi colored crepe paper strips we lowered the ceiling to about a height of twenty-five feet. We had small, white linen covered tables at intervals around the edge of the dance floor. They were lighted with small lamps. The big eye catcher of the evening was the simulated silver bar. It sparkled and glistened in the dimly lit room. This bar was attended by four boys in white linen waiters' jackets. The Ambassadors from Barre furnished the music for dancing. Everyone thought this was the most beautiful Prom ever presented, and, of course, we thought so, too.

Helen Field and Florence Poulin were selected as delegates to Girls' State. The alternates were Grace Hawkins and Marion Moorby. James Hanna Jack Stebbins and Francis Hoose were chosen for Boys' State. Upon their return they were requested to speak before many groups in Vergennes to relate the purposes and activities of these projects. Jack Stebbins was chosen at Boys' State to represent Vermont at Boys' Nation in Washington, D. C. Not only the junior class, but also the city of Vergennes was very proud of Jack's receiving this honor.

James McNulla was chosen from Vergennes High School to go to the United Nations headquarters at Lake Success where he saw the U. N. in action.

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### CLASS WILL

We, the class of nineteen hundred and fifty-one, having sound bodies and minds and having attained the zenith of wisdom in the remarkable space of four years, do hereby bequeath to the worthy recipients the following priceless gifts:

To the future Senior class of 1952, we leave a private study hall, equipped with plush seats, snack bar, radio, and a supply of your favorite records to play when you're tired of studying. The teachers may use this room by special permission from the Seniors.

To Robert Stebbins, Edmond Atkins leaves a pair of jet-propelled roller skates so that Bob won't always be just two minutes late for school.

To Helen Looby, Sidney Barnard leaves his limousine jalopy, with his apologies if it doesn't prove to be a good taxi for the class trips.

To Winona Little, Janice Clark leaves her position as fastest writer in the shorthand class. Just a little practice will do wonders, Winona.

To Joyce Larrow, Alma Danyow leaves a book entitled "How to Do the Charleston in Fifteen Easy Lessons." Maybe you'll decide to stick to the old-fashioned waltz when you see what Alma's version is, Joyce.

To Joanne Charbonneau, Helen Field leaves her position as head of the class. We know you'll make it, Joanne, if you are as diligent as Helen.

To Patricia Little, Elaine French leaves her clarinet. Maybe it'll help you to get into the band at last, Pat.

To Raymond Bodette, Roger Gibeault leaves the English class in stitches. We hope you can keep it as lively as Roger did, Bud.

To John Donnelly, James Hanna leaves a few inches of his height, to be used only on special occasions.

To Joan Peabody, Grace Hawkins leaves her quiet, unassuming manner. Not that you really need it Joan, but it may help to keep the hallway quieter.

To the Junior Class, Helen Haw-

kins leaves a supply of handkerchiefs for the tears they will shed when the Seniors graduate.

To Mike McGrath, Alan Holmes leaves a pair of crepe soled shoes, so that Mike can walk softy into the study hall.

To Paul Ripchik, Francis Hoose leaves his quiet, peaceful manner. We understand that you're not really loud, Paul.

To Alice Tucker, Dorothy Jaquith leaves five inches of her long, blond hair. Still, it might look out-of-place on you, Alice.

To Colleen Bargfrede, Gwendolyn McGrath leaves her place as class debator. That is, if you can beat the opposition, Colleen.

To Richard Tarte, James McNulla leaves his ability to boast about his basketball playing. You can use a little practice, Dick, but don't go too far.

To George LeBeau, George Moorby leaves his ability to tease the girls and get away with it. Be careful though, George, when their tempers begin to boil.

To Lucy Case, Marion Moorby leaves a few of her numerous boy friends and corresponding problems. However, try to keep just one at a time, Lucy.

To the Blue and White Staff, Florence Poulin leaves a supply of French poems, so that the French editors may take it easy next year.

To John Stephens, George Rose leaves a book entitled, "How to Win an Argument on Any Subject." To use especially in American History class.

To nobody, Alan Russett leaves nothing, because he says he needs everything he has.

To John Fisher, John Stebbins leaves his loud colors. It may cover up for your shyness, John.

To Raymond Plankey, Joyce Tracy leaves her drawing ability. You'll make a fine artist, as we can tell by some of the work you have done for the Blue and White.

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### CLASS PROPHECY

It is ten years since graduation and I have taken our Senior class picture from my album. There's been quite a change in all the members of the class since that time. Many of their occupations are interesting and some amusing. Maybe as I look over this picture I can recall to mind what happened to all my classmates. Most of them are scattered in various places and I may have trouble relating all their adventures to you, but I'll try, anyway.

Edmond Atkins is one of our real old-fashioned Vermont farmers, and word has it that he is running his father's farm now. He must believe in large families, too, because he's married and is the father of seven children.

It was always Alan Holmes' ambition to be the clever manager of a dice hall. He established one in Reno, Nevada, a few years ago. He's willing to play any game with anybody, and when he does, he usually come out on top.

Sidney Barnard is the one who used to dash around town in those hot-rods of his. He used to go so fast even the State Police got out of his way. Sidney is working out west now at an air base where they try out jets. His favorite pastime is to go for a ride in one of the slower travelling jets that goes only about 2000 miles per hour. He says it seems a little slow, though.

Francis Hoose used to have fun tickling the ivories in school. He's having more fun now. He's pulling ivories, but they aren't the piano's. They're the ivories of fine, upstanding citizens of Vergennes. Francis is now the local dentist.

Roger Gibeault is the principal of Vergennes High School now. He encourages all his students to laugh heartily. It seems that when he was in school, teachers didn't appreciate his laughing ability so he has instituted a new course for students in every grade. It is entitled "Advanced Jokes" and is taught by Mr. Gibeault himself.

Since the sad passing of Hedda Hopper three years ago, Alan Russett has had a column in the **Los Angeles Clean Sheet** where he records all the latest romances and break-ups. He is noted all over the United States for his marvelous write-ups and nose for news.

James Hanna has all the bobby-soxers swooning since he is now exercising all his charm and ability. His dainty feet carried him west soon after graduation from aggie school at UVM. He was looking for work as a western cowpoke but was discovered by a talent scout while surveying the Chicago stock yards. He is one of the top actors in Hollywood and his latest movie is a revision of his old favorite "We Shook the Family Tree.

George Rose is president of the Rose Model Agency of New York. He is a much sought-after gentleman now for judging beauty contests. He modestly boasts that he received most of his experience from standing on Fishman's corner in Vergennes, many years back. He has developed a very shrill wolf whistle with which to voice his approval of bathing beauty contestants.

Janice Clark is head telephone operator at Vergennes. She is still giving wrong numbers to a lot of people. But, strangely enough, Sonny always seems to get the right number.

Jack Stebbins started his political career at Vergennes High School with White House Conferences and debates. He first became mayor of Vergennes and then was elected Senator from Vermont. His debates on the Senate floor have caused nation-wide comment and a few demands for another Vermont senatorial election. Since the Stebbins Crime Investigation Committee has been televised, the sale of television sets has gone down, and the number of television viewers has decreased.

After graduation, Elaine French went to legal secretarial school and got a job as secretary to Senator Stebbins. The lovely diamond on her third finger, left hand, seems to bear out a prophecy

that some of our class had hinted at several years ago—that she and Jack would eventually pair off.

Grace Hawkins is now head-librarian at the Washington Congressional Library. One of her best customers in the research department is Senator Stebbins. It seems that he didn't get enough research work in school, so he goes and sees Grace once in a while. Though she has had several romances, Grace insists on being the old-maid of the class.

After leaving Vergennes High School Gwendolyn McGrath stayed at home to raise her little brothers and sisters. Finding her time somehow incomplete she built in her backyard a huge swimming pool where she teaches swimming in the summer. Between dives she operate a concession there at the pool. During the winter she turns the swimming pool into a skating rink and teaches figure skating. From our last observation some ten years ago she must really cut quite a figure.

Marion Moorby took the civil service exam before leaving school and then through good fortune the government offered her a position at a fast-growing army camp—Fort Dix, New Jersey. Since her invasion of the office, activity and interest have speeded up considerably among her fellow employees.

Joyce Tracy attended Castleton Normal and is teaching 1st grade in the elementary school. She met and married a nice young fellow from Middlebury and he's employed at Simmonds Benton.

Dorothy Jaquith studied as a flutist at the Juillard School of Music for several years. She is teaching now in Oshkosh, Massachusetts, where she instructs an exceptional class of flutists called the "Flim-Flam Flutists." They're a real razzle-dazzle bunch of musicians, too.

James McNulla granulated summa cum lousy from the small boys school on the Onion River (St. Michael's). He chose a career in the music field as a

singer and is following closely in the footsteps of Margaret Truman. In the fall, if Harry permits, they will open in a new musical, "Tales of Otter Creek" which will open soon after the close of "Tales of the South Pacific."

Helen Field is one of the best nurses at the Manhattan General Hospital where she works since her graduation from Mary Fletcher Hospital. Of course one of her best patients is George Rose. It seems that he is susceptible to all diseases that come along. His latest and worst one is "heart" trouble.

Alma Danyow is still a seaman in the Waves. Poor Alma has had a tough time. They've busted her eight times for doing her famous snake dance in restricted areas.

George Moorby joined the army soon after graduation and after five long tedious years rose to the admirable rank of buck private. While serving in the Belgian Congo, George met and married a Ubangi named Bongo-Bongo and now George doesn't want to leave the Congo.

After graduation, Helen Hawkins attended Burlington Business College and took a Junior Accountancy course. She is now employed at the National Life Insurance Building in Montpelier.

Florence Poulin is a private nurse in Boston, Mass. Her favorite patients are male. She has a special way of soothing her patients, she either sings or talks to them in French. It seems to have a quieting effect on them, too.

Now for myself, I attended Albany Business College and took a secretarial course. I work down at Lake Champlain in the summer, and I am employed at a law office in Burlington in the winter.

As I replace this picture to its customary place in my album, I wonder what will happen to our class in the next ten years. Some of our ambitions have been fulfilled, many have yet to be fulfilled, but we feel that we have really made a conquest of the big, wide world which we were warned about. We,

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## ADVICE TO UNDERCLASSMEN

Since the graduates of "51" have done so well in their high school careers we felt that we should pass some of our worthy information on to the undergraduates. We hope that they will all follow our advice, knowing that we have learned through diligence and toil and can pass on to them knowledge of great value.

If your car is ready to fall apart and you wonder if it will last another week see Sidney Barnard. His Stanley Steamer is still on the road.

Anyone wishing to learn the Charleston and other "hot-rod" dances in six easy lessons see Alma Danyow. She's tops at it.

If you want to learn the art of keeping quiet in study hall and getting along with teachers see Regina Yattaw. How do you do it, Jeanie?

Do you want a Charles Atlas build and a girl-teasing technique? See James Hanna, he's got both. What's your secret, Jim?

Do you want a bright and sunny smile everyday? See Janice Clark, she has one for everybody.

If any of you fellows want to entertain your girl see Francis Hoose about piano lessons. Music has won many a fair young girl's heart.

You girls who are interested in arguing on something you do not know anything about see Gwen McGrath, the gal with the golden throat.

Would you like to get straight A's and still be popular with the fellows? See Helen Field, she's not as shy as she acts.

Anyone short of a female companion see James McNulla. He has a technique of taking care of several girls at the same time, which may be of help to you. Ask him how he does it.

If you'd like to play in the orchestra next year, ask Helen Hawkins if she'll teach you how to play the violin. She is a student of Jascha Heifitz.

If you want to be a politician and travel the country over see Jack Steb-

bins. He's a walking encyclopedia and travelogue, and can tell you all about Washington, D. C.

Some of you junior girls who want to be the center of attention and teased by all of the boys see Marion Moorby. She has a special formula of her own.

Do you want to be a true blue farmer? See Edmund Atkins, our agricultural agent. Anything concerned with farming is right down his alley.

For you girls in a commercial course who desire to be efficient secretaries see Elaine French and Joyce Tracy. They have some tips for you.

Do you want to stay out dancing every night, tend the chores and still look bright and fresh in the morning? See George Moorby, he's a professional at it.

Girls, do you want to get a driver's license without knowing how to drive? Ask Dot Jaquith, she may have the answer to your problem.

If you want to be a big game hunter see George Rose, the sportsman and rifle marksman of the class. Ducks and squirrels just aren't safe when George is around.

For you members of the French class that are having trouble see Florence Poulin. She can put an end to your difficulty. Parlez-vous francais, Florence?

For those interested in a cruise in Noah's Ark call on Roger Gibeault. That's quite a boat you have there, Roger. When are you taking the girls in the class on a trip?

How would you like to sport around in a new Mercury? See Grace Hawkins, she's got one.

You want to be a genius in history and geography? Contact Alan Holmes, our walking encyclopedia on those two subjects.

If you're checking the price of Ry-Krisp in these days of inflation, ask Alan Russett about it. It's his steady diet.

To leave a real word of advice to you

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### SENIOR CLASS TRIP

On a memorable morning in early February, a chartered bus arrived at V.H.S. to take the Seniors on their long-anticipated class trip to the Ice Follies in Montreal. Going up, there was much talking, singing and merry-making so the trip seemed much shorter than it would have been otherwise. The early hour of 7:45 A. M. didn't dampen anyone's eagerness. We arrived at the Hotel Laurentian, on Dominion Square, about 11:00. While entering the city there was much cramming of necks to see what the city looked like.

After being shown to our rooms, which we found to be very comfortable, we went out to lunch. Many of the students found that the hotel restaurant suited them while others went exploring for other places to eat.

During the afternoon we divided up into groups of three and four and went out to do the city. Many of the seniors went to the Wax Museum, Saint Joseph's Shrine, and Notre Dame Cathedral. Some looked through the department stores and tried out some French pastries. That night most of the boys went to see a hockey game while the girls went to the movies. Everyone was in at 12:00, as was designated, but that is not saying that everyone was in bed shortly after that. Everyone was up surprisingly early, considering the time that some retired.

On Sunday morning some of the seniors and their chaperones went to church while others went out walking or sightseeing.

After dinner everyone gathered in the lobby, got their tickets for the much awaited Ice Follies, hired taxis and were off to the arena. When we arrived at the Montreal Forum, we were ushered to our box-seats by a courteous usherette. After the Ice Follies many remarked on the unique way of changing scenes. Everyone agreed that there was certainly a lot of time and thought put into the making of the Follies.

Some of the main attractions were: Corps de Ballet, The Baker's Treat, Pastry Maids, The Swing Waltz, A Beautiful Rainy Day, The Great American Pastime, and On The Eve of the Bullfight. The costumes were very colorful and well planned; the skating was very good.

Our chaperones were Principal and Mrs. Berry and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Grandfield. We arrived in Vergennes Sunday night around 11:30, happy and tired but feeling that our money was well-spent on an enjoyable weekend.

Grace C. Hawkins.

### CLASS WILL

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To Jeanne Sullivan, Regina Yattaw leaves her report card with a few A's. Just in case of emergency, Jeanne.

To the faculty, we leave our sincere thanks for their help in making us the brilliant, outstanding class that we are.

Signed, sealed and declared as our last will and testament by the Senior Class of Vergennes High School, Vergennes, Vermont, on this fourteenth day in June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-one.

Janice Clark, '51.

### CLASS PROPHECY

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one of the most praiseworthy classes which ever graduated from Vergennes High School, have certainly left our mark on the world.

Regina Yattaw,  
Class of '51

### ADVICE TO UNDERCLASSMEN

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—enjoy your school years because you'll find them the best years of your life. They will pass so swiftly that you will not realize their value until the days come when you must leave. Adieu!

George Moorby, '51.  
Jack Stebbins, '51.

## SENIOR PLAY

The night of November 17, 1950, brought to the senior class the culmination of weeks of studying lines, days of painting scenery and lugging furniture. At precisely 8:20 the house lights dimmed, the curtain slowly ascended, and the audience got the first glimpse of the Senior play, "We Shook The Family Tree." This rollicking play kept the audience laughing from that moment on.

Hildegarde Dolson, played by Gwen McGrath, is desperately anxious to attract some eligible male for the dance Saturday night. For, in the words of Hildegarde, "It's almost Saturday night and no one has even hinted." She wins the school debate with an impassioned plea against drinking, but instead of attracting the boys, she succeeds in convincing everyone her father is a drunkard. Sympathetic women call her mother (Carolyn Cowles) and ask if Father (Jack Stebbins) beats them very often and one even suggests sending him to Alcoholics Anonymous. Despite all this Mother realizes Hildegarde's plight and decides to take action in procuring for her a date for the big dance. Mother says she knows one of the nicest boys in town and immediately goes off to call him. Of course Hildegarde is in ecstasy at the thought of going to the dance. Using her vivid imagination she tells her friends, Ellie-May and Jill (Alma Danyow and Marion Moorby) about her "secret admirer." She really exaggerates, the result making her secret admirer sound better than a Broadway idol. Poor Hildegarde! How could she know that the boy Mother had called was Freddie (Jim McNulla), the only boy in school who wears knickers. In a screamingly funny scene, Hildegarde finds out the truth in front of everyone. She pleads with her father to break the date, but Father is mad, for everyone is convinced now that he is a drunkard. Furthermore, Freddie is the son of his boss,

Mr. Schermer, and it would be best not to antagonize him further.

Meanwhile, Hildegarde has given a little girl she was supposed to watch. (Helen Field), some envelopes to play mailman with. But the envelopes that get distributed to all the neighbors turn out to be her father's old love letters to her mother. That settles it! Hildegarde can expect no mercy from her folks and she's in despair. Hildegarde reads about Beauty Mud and sends her sister (Elaine French) out to buy some, in hopes that it will help her to cause a stag-line stampede. While all this has been happening, Father has invited Mr. and Mrs. Schermer (Alan Russett and Dot Jaquith) over to tea in an attempt to prove to him that he has a very normal family. While they are there Hildegarde rushes in, her face covered with beauty mud, screaming that there is a "bass in the bathtub." Her brother Jimmy (Roger Gibeault) has placed it there in want of a better place to keep it after he had caught it. Of course the boss is shocked. Then Freddie bursts in wearing long pants. He has borrowed them from Hildegard's brother Bob (Jimmy Hanna) without his knowing it. Then her brother rushes in and tackles Mr. Schermer, thinking that he is Freddie. This really looks like the end but of course everything comes out all right. Freddie gets a new suit by selling his graduation present, a watch, and he and Hildegarde finally leave for the dance.

The seniors could not have produced the play without the able direction of Miss Moulton. We also wish to express our thanks to Mr. LaPorte for the use of the furniture.

Those who did not have roles in the play, served behind the scenery by helping to make the actual production possible. Francis Hoose acted as stage manager. Roger Gibeault, George Rose and Grace Hawkins handled the advertising. The properties were in charge of Alan Russett, Sidney Barnard and Regina Yattaw. Costumes and make-up were in charge of Joyce Tracy, Janice

Clark and Lucille Wood. Helen Hawkins, Marion Moorby, George Moorby and Edmund Atkins had charge of the lighting.

The services of all these committees proved very valuable.

Gwen McGrath  
Class of '51

### CLASS POEM

As we look back across the years—  
The years so swiftly flown,  
We see the treasures they have brought,  
Which truly are our own.

Gladly we've studied without complaint  
Through many a tedious day,  
Endeavoring to absorb deep inspiration  
To broaden and brighten life's way.

We live again the years gone by  
Realizing our work is just begun,  
And ever bright in memory keep  
The class ties of Fifty-one.

Alan Russett  
Class of '51

### CLASS HISTORY

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For a fitting climax to this most memorable year we held a picnic at Bayside, where a good time was enjoyed by all.

The senior year got under way by electing the following class officers: President, James McNulla; Vice-President, Helen Field; Secretary, Elaine French; Treasurer, James Hanna.

On November 22, we held our Senior Play, a three act comedy "We Shook the Family Tree," which, under the direction of Miss Moulton was a great success. Everyone in the class contributed to the producing of the play.

We journeyed to Burlington on November 21 to see "Hamlet," starring Laurence Olivier, and later in the year we had the opportunity to see the movie "Macbeth." Since we had just finished the play of Macbeth, this movie was very interesting to us. Orson Welles

did a splendid job in portraying the title role.

To raise money in our senior year we sold soft drinks and candy at all of the home basketball games. The former patrol room was converted into a concession room, an electric refrigerator was installed, and we were able to sell candy and soda at recess, also. We sold Christmas cards and wrappings to defray the expenses of our trip to Montreal to see the "Ice Follies" on February 4.

We journeyed to Montpelier on March 28. We were shown through the National Life Insurance Building and the activities of the various departments were explained to us by the guide. We visited the House of Representatives and watched the procedure while they were in session. We also went through the museum of the Vermont Historical Society.

Helen Field was chosen as Good Citizenship Girl from the Senior class, and was also chosen to visit the United Nations.

Many of the seniors have participated in the music, sports, and patrol activities.

We have all enjoyed our period of education at Vergennes High School and hope we have contributed as much to it as we have received from it. Our appreciation and thanks go to our teachers who have helped us through our four years here.

Sidney Barnard '51

### A GLANCE FORWARD

As graduation time draws near,  
We think of all those seniors "dear"  
Who are ready to leave old V.H.S.  
And begin the career which they think  
best.

The teachers will be relieved, I guess,  
But as a junior, I must confess  
That we are just as noisy, I fear  
As those seniors whom we'll replace  
next year.

Joyce Larrow '52.

**STUDENT VOTE**

Most Popular Girl.....Helen Field  
 Most Ambitious Girl.....Helen Field  
 Cutest Girl .....Janice Clark  
 Best Looking Girl .....Florence Poulin  
 Biggest Wolfess.....Alma Danyow  
 Best Sport.....Helen Field  
 Quietest Girl .....Helen Hawkins  
 Most Cooperative Girl.....Helen Field  
 Best Personality.....Dorothy Jaquith  
 Best Dancer..... Alma Danyow  
 Wittiest Girl .....Gwendolyn McGrath  
 Most Studious Girl .....Helen Field  
 Least Studious Girl.....Alma Danyow  
 Best Disposition.....Joyce Tracy  
 Most Likely to Succeed....Helen Field  
 Least Conceited ..... Helen Field  
 Best Dressed Girl.....Elaine French  
 Most Popular Boy.....James Hanna  
 Most Ambitious Boy.....James Hanna  
 Best Looking Boys,  
     John Stebbins, James McNulla  
 Biggest Wolf .....James McNulla  
 Best Sport .....James Hanna  
 Quietest Boy .....Sidney Barnard  
 Most Cooperative Boys,  
     Francis Hoose, James Hanna  
 Wittiest Boy .....John Stebbins  
 Best Personality.....James McNulla  
 Best Dancer .....John Stebbins  
 Most Studious Boy.....Sidney Barnard  
 Least Studious Boy.....George Rose  
 Best Disposition.....James Hanna  
 Most Likely to Succeed...James Hanna  
 Least Conceited.....Francis Hoose  
 Biggest Flirt..... James McNulla  
 Best Dressed Boy.....John Stebbins

**FACULTY VOTE**

Most Popular Girl.....Helen Field  
 Most Ambitious Girl.....Marion Moorby  
 Cutest Girls,....Janice Clark, Helen Field  
 Best Looking Girl.....Florence Poulin  
 Most Likely to Succeed.....Helen Field  
 Best Sport.....Gwendolyn McGrath  
 Quietest Girl ..... Helen Hawkins  
 Most Cooperative Girl...Marion Moorby  
 Best Disposition... .....Helen Field  
 Wittiest Girl.....Gwendolyn McGrath  
 Most Popular Boy.....James McNulla  
 Most Ambitious Boy.....John Stebbins  
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**THE NEED FOR A HIGHER  
 EDUCATION**

In our great grandfather's time the only education needed was reading, 'riting and 'rithmetic. The only reading in the earlier time of America was the BIBLE and PILGRIM'S PROGRESS and a few letters that were occasionally received. The 'riting was for keeping in contact with friends and keeping journals. The 'rithmetic was for adding and subtracting accounts at the general store.

In our grandfather's time an eighth grade education was necessary. If a person had successfully completed the

eight grades, he or she was considered fairly well educated and if they wanted to, could teach. Men for the most part did the teaching, the girls of wealthier families went to school but the bigger majority stayed home and learned to do household tasks in preparation for marriage.

In our father's time a high school education was considered quite enough to get and hold a good job. Most of the colleges then were for training people to teach, for the practice of medicine and for the ministry.

At the present time, not only a high school education is required to get a successful job, but a college education is sometimes necessary. At the present time it is quite easy to get a job as a secretary or a job working in a store with just a high school diploma, but every day more and more positions are requiring people to have college degrees. Many students on graduation from high school say that they are tired of studying and have a chance to work at the local grist mill or the local dime store. Anyone who has the chance to go on to college, even if they have to work their way through, should take the opportunity immediately after completion of high school work. Colleges are getting more crowded and now is the time to further your education while study habit is familiar, not two years from now when you are better off financially. In many states there are colleges which give generous scholarships and state universities which are practically tuition free. A person who really wants to further his or her education, but does not have the money, can find a job that will take care of room and board and still leave time for studies. Scholarships and summer employment will be a good boost to college expenses.

As education progresses parents should encourage their children more and more to go on to college, for in the near future in order to hold a successful job not only a college degree will be needed but a master's degree. Jobs at the present time may be plen-

tiful but in the future more of them will require higher education than high school and those that went on to a further education will be thankful.

Grace C. Hawkins, '51.

## SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

1950-1951

This year's school activities got off to a good start with the Freshman Reception held Friday, September 22nd, at the gym. James McNulla was the Master of Ceremonies. The program consisted of piano selections, tap dancing, baton twirling, and solo and group singing. Refreshments and a dance followed the program.

The annual magazine campaign got under way with the following leaders: 7th grade, Celeste Tucker; 8th grade, Ann Berry and Paul Bristol; 9th grade, Jane Ripchik and Robert Ross; 10th grade, Neldon Whitty; 11th grade, John Stephens; and 12th grade, James McNulla. Business manager was Alan Russett and assistant business manager was Colleen Bargfrede. The high sales man for the first week end was James McNulla who sold \$37.25. The grand total for this year was \$1504.60. High salesmen were as follows: Colleen Bargfrede, \$218.50; James McNulla, \$174.55

The class officers elected for this year were: Freshmen: President, Robert Grant; Vice President, Robert Marshall; Secretary, Margaret Hanna; Treasurer, Donald Little; Sophomores: President, Raymond Plankey; Vice-President, Nancy Clark; Secretary and Treasurer, Jeanne Sullivan; Juniors: President, Alice Tucker; Vice-President, Robert Stebbins; Secretary, Pauline Gibeault; Treasurer, John Fisher; Seniors: President, James McNulla; Vice-President, Helen Field; Secretary Elaine French; Treasurer, James Hanna

The band organized this year with approximately 35 students under the leadership of Mr. Wm. Andrews. Sr. Officers elected are as follows: President, Dorothy Jaquith; Secretary and Treas-

urer, Helen Looby; Business Manager, James McNulla; Music, Robert Stebbins; and Chairs, James Hanna.

The annual Teachers' Convention was held in Burlington on October 5th and 6th. School recessed for this convention.

The senior play "We Shook The Family Tree" was presented November 17th, 1950. The cast consisted of the following seniors: Gwendolyn McGrath, Jack Stebbins, James McNulla, Alan Russett, Helen Field, Roger Gibeault, James Hanna, Marion Moorby, Alma Danyow, Carolyn Cowles, Dorothy Jaquith and Elaine French. Other members of the class worked on production committees, helping to make the play a huge success.

Miss Helen Field represented V.H.S. at the United Nations meetings in Lake Success.

Each class presented an assembly program this year. The juniors led the list and presented a "Talent Scouts" program. Others were "Truth or Consequences," and "Vergennes Varieties." All members of the classes took part. Also we enjoyed assemblies put on by such professionals as: Nutchuk, an Alaskan Eskimo pianist and lecturer; Pierre and Pierrot, professional roller skaters; Paul Burke, a cartoonist from California; and The Holbrooks, impersonators of great personalities.

The Christmas concert was held at the gym on December 19th. All the choruses participated and there were solos by Carolyn Cowles and James McNulla. The band and orchestra were under the direction of Mr. Wm. Andrews, Sr. The chorus director was Mrs. Sherer.

The Christmas recess began Thursday, December 21st and school reopened January 2nd, 1951.

Mid-year exams were held January 11th and 12th.

After the resumption of school this semester, several events have taken place at V.H.S. which are worthy of special mention.

The seniors went to Montreal Febru-

ary 3rd and 4th on their class trip. There they enjoyed the 1951 Ice Follies. They went sightseeing and shopping and had a memorable time. They stayed at the Laurentian Hotel.

The senior English students, accompanied by Miss Moulton, journeyed to Burlington March 7th to see the movie "Macbeth." The seniors had recently completed studying this Shakespearan tragedy.

The boys' and girls' basketball teams both had very successful seasons. In honor of their tournament bid to the southern Class B championships the Rotary gave the boys' team a banquet and awarded them individual gold basketballs. This banquet was held April 3rd at the Vergenes Inn with Mr. Larry Gardner, Director of Athletics at UVM as guest speaker. The Woman's Club gave recognition to the girls' basketball team with gifts of engraved sterling silver basketballs for members of the first team and the manager. The girls' team took first place in the Champlain Valley League.

The seniors formed a debating team this spring and debated for the Addison Northwest District Teachers' meeting in Ferrisburg. The topic was: "Resolved: That the minimum draft age shall be 18." The affirmative members of the team included Jack Stebbins, Grace Hawkins and Roger Gibeault, while the negative side was composed of James McNulla, George Moorby and Gwen McGrath. Francis Hoose acted as alternate. After so much interest was shown in debating the juniors and seniors combined to form opposing debating teams. Debates for the Addison and Vergennes PTA were given. The question involved was: "Resolved: That we shall not send more troops to Europe." The affirmative side was composed of Jack Stebbins, Roger Gibeault, Gwen McGrath and George Moorby. The negative side was represented by James McNulla, Colleen Bargfrede, Joanne Charbonneau, and John Stephens.

Helen Fields was chosen Good Citi-

eznship Girl by the V.H.S. seniors and faculty. Helen was also a candidate to Girls' State last June and a school delegate to the U. N.

Spring recess was held from April 13th to 23rd.

Prize-speaking was held April 27th at the V.H.S. gym. Seven students participated. The winners were: 1st place, Jack Stebbins; 2nd Richard Royer; and 3rd James McNulla. Others participating were: Gwen McGrath, Sally Bristol Joyce LeBeau, and Barbara Clark.

The seniors journeyed to Brandon and Windsor May 3rd, accompanied by Mr. Berry. This trip was in connection with their American History class.

The Spring concert was held May 3rd at the VHS gym. All the choruses under the direction of Mrs. Sherer participated. The band also played, under the direction of Mr. Wm. Andrews, Sr. The program was varied and especially enjoyable. There were four senior soloists: Francis Hoose, Alan Russett, Dorothy Jaquith and John Stebbins. During the instrumental part of the program there were two duets: A flute duet by Ann Berry and Dorothy Jaquith, and a trombone duet by Joyce Larrow and Dorothy Jaquith.

The annual Music Festival in Burlington was held May 10, 11 and 12th. The representatives to the All-State Chorus were: Carolyn Cowles, Francis Hoose, Jack Stebbins, Alan Russett, Helen Looby, Helen Hawkins and Dorothy Jaquith. All-State Band candidates were: James McNulla, James Hanna and Joyce Larrow. All State orchestra choice was Alma Danyow. The Vergennes High School Band also appeared in the Music Festival parade on Saturday.

Two state School Safety Patrol Field Days were held this year at which the Drill Team were asked to give marching demonstrations. These Field Days were held at Essex Jct. and Rutland on May 19th and 26th respectively. Mr. Stanley Grandfield is in charge of the patrol and drill team this year.

The annual Junior Prom was held on

June 1st, with a reception from 8:00 to 8:30 P. M. for the seniors. Dancing followed with music by the "Ambassadors."

The members of the junior class who will attend Girls' State and Boys' State as representatives of V.H.S. were chosen by the faculty with additional choices for alternates. Delegates for Girls' State were Helen Looby and Alice Tucker with Lucy Case and Joyce Larrow as alternates. For Boys' State, John Stephens, John Fisher and Harold Charbonneau were chosen with Raymond Bodette to serve as alternate.

Commencement Week activities for 1951 are as follows:

Baccalaureate — Sunday evening, June 10th.

Eighth Grade Promotion Exercises—Wednesday morning, June 13th.

Class Day Exercises—Wednesday afternoon, June 13th.

Alumni Banquet and Ball—Wednesday evening, June 13th.

Graduation Exercises—Thursday evening, June 14th. Commencement Speaker, Dr. John Huden, UVM.

This summarizes the school activities for 1950-51. It has been a very busy and enjoyable year for the students of V.H.S.

Colleen Bargfrede,  
Class of '52

## OUR STATE

Our state is so pretty  
With its rocks and rills,  
Its moss covered stones,  
And tree grown hills.

The rivers are large  
The towns are small  
But we Vermonters  
Love them all.

And those of us  
Who have wandered away  
Hope to return  
To it, some day.

Helen Hawkins '51

## THE BLUE AND WHITE SIXTY-ONE YEARS AGO

The first issue of what is now called the **Blue and White** was published in 1890 under the title of the **V. G. S. Progress**. It was edited by ...members ...of the senior class. The editor-in-chief was A. Bush Willmarth. Other members of the staff whose names may be familiar to our readers are: Ada B. Crosby, Arthur Kingman, Ruth C. B. Fisher, William and Gertrude Jackman, Harry H. Booth and Benjamin Dubuke, Principal of the Vergennes Graded School, as it was called, was Alfred B. Morrill. There was a staff of four instructors and the Prudential Committee consisted of Thomas Mack, M. T. Bristol and F. M. Moulton.

The lengthy editorial told of the problems of editing a school paper, about commuting tuition students and the increase in the parents' interest in the school. One fact mentioned in the editorial was the lack of a school flag, and its importance to the school and its pupils. It asked why no one had volunteered to purchase a flag for the school—their patriotism would surely get a lift with such an addition.

There were several good literary selections. The titles of some of the prose contributions were: "Schools of Vergennes" by Ada Crosby; "Otter Creek; Its Navigation and Water Power" by Arthur Kingman; "Our Nation's Banner" by Ruth C. B. Fisher, and "Gettysburg Battleground at the Present Time" by Will Jackman.

In the article by Ada Crosby entitled "Schools of Vergennes" she included an excerpt from the resolutions of the meeting on the discussion of the building of a new school. This states in part "—such sums of money as may be required to erect, finish and furnish said schoolhouse, and build the necessary fences and outhouses for the same, and neither the cost of erecting, finishing or furnishing such houses and

fences, nor the amount of money shall exceed the said sum of seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500), and said committees are hereby authorized to sell on the best terms they can, the brick schoolhouse and the premises." In 1863, eighty-eight years ago, the main part of our present schoolhouse was erected at a cost of thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000.)

The poetry selections were named "A Lesson In Astronomy" by Mary Johnson and "A Token for Heaven" by Ruth C. B. Fisher. These poems indicated that the education of the pupils then was much more formal than today, tending towards the classics.

In a full-page ad in the back of the book the length of terms, faculty and tuition are listed so that parents would be encouraged to send their children to the Vergennes Graded School. The school year was made up of three terms: fall, winter and spring. The tuition rates for one term were \$4.00 for primary grades, \$5.00 for intermediate, \$6.00 for high school if taking the English course and \$6.50 if the classical or Latin course. There was a total of 43 students in the high school.

Here are a few school notes and jokes which we found to be enjoyable and entertaining reading.

"The school is talking of getting a drum and of having Arthur Kingman for drummer. This young man has a natural talent for music and no doubt will make a good one."

"When do girls talk least? When they are asleep."

"The park is getting to be a dangerous place, for one of the senior girls lost her way in it going home. Happily she was rescued by a noted young man of '89."

"All the scholars should patronize those who have advertisements in our paper."

"Scholars that do not sing are requested not to select pieces mornings,

but to let those who sing do the selecting."

"Two of the senior boys have commenced to take double-entry book-keeping on November 17. There is also to be a class in single entry at the beginning of the winter term."

"Notice: All loafers must keep off the school grounds. Any who are seen disturbing the scholars in any way are liable to a fine."

"Following is a few lines of poetry well-adapted to the school:

All good boys love their sisters;  
So good have I grown,  
That I love other boys' sisters  
As well as my own."

The advertisements in the **V. G. S. Progress** also indicated that a lapse of many years have changed the city of Vergennes and the customs of its people.

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We realize how very successful this first Vergennes school magazine must have been and what pride the students took in its publication. We may only hope that 60 years from now our edition of the Blue and White may be read and approved by other editors and that they, too, will feel that we have made progress in our paper.

Marilla Place,  
Class of '52.

## TELEVISION

Television is a wonderful invention, but if you aren't careful it can get out of hand. I know from experience. Since my family got a T. V. set, things just aren't the same. We used to all eat at once. Now, if and when a meal is ready my mother has to pry us away from the television set. However, we usually eat most of our meals sprawled all over the living room floor.

Of course, eating is not the only trouble. On certain days, strange people come into the house, without knocking of course, and plunk themselves down into our best chairs. Then at a certain time, they get up and leave without speaking a word. Each member of the family thinks that someone else in the family has invited the stranger in, and so says nothing until after he has left. Usually the strangers come in on their own accord. People that we know come to visit a lot more often, which adds to the bedlam caused by T. V.

At night, when the children are supposedly asleep, strange noises are heard from atop the stairs and behind chairs. Upon investigation my brother and sister are usually found sneaking a look at a late program. When they are told to go to bed, they always ask to stay up until the end of the program, and they are usually allowed to stay up half the night.

Of course, television does have its advantages. When company comes there is always something to do. Once in a while, when the company has been there all day, and we have had rather a tough time of it, we find it quite hard to get the company to go home.

Of all the shows, the most popular with the whole family is Suspense. When it is on, everyone sits biting their nails. My father likes Hopalong Cassidy best and my mother enjoys the wrestling. She is getting to be quite a wrestling fan. She learns some of the holds then uses them on us kids.

Here is some advice to people who contemplate the purchase of a T. V.

set. Be ready for a complete change in all your home life. Be prepared for low grades from your children and for a lack of time for yourself to read and gossip as much as in days previous to your new acquisition. Be prepared for company at all hours and see if you don't notice a Hopalong Cassidy swagger and western dialect from your youngest.

I know that anyone who buys a T. V. set will really enjoy it despite its few drawbacks. Any other thing they might miss by watching television, will be more than made up for by the wonderful entertainment and education of T. V.

John Stephens,  
Class of '52

## MY MOST HARROWING EXPERIENCE

It was a dark, dreary day and there I was—a captive in as dark, dreary and dismal a room. I could dimly see my captor across the room and hear the shuffling of the other victim's feet.

I could hardly keep my eyes on the book I was trying to entertain myself with because I wondered what was in store for me. I was aware of the fact that I was breaking a strict rule and justice would be meted out at the hands of my ghoulish captor.

Every now and then you could see a shivering figure with knocking knees go to a large receptacle in the front of the room and toss something in. And once in a while one would go out the large door and disappear into one of the many side tunnels which were rumored as torture chambers. If you listened closely you could often hear senseless phrases of English and chattering in a foreign language from these rooms.

Every one cringed in terror when they saw the guard move, for they knew that one of them would be next. The guards were odd beings, picked because of their abilities. It was believed most of the guards had four eyes, two in

front of their heads and two in back, with the eyes in back covered cleverly by hair so they could watch a victim without him knowing it.

Then I cowered in terror as I realized that my captor was moving slowly towards me with a fiendish grin. Suddenly a shadow fell across my book. I knew it was the end. Then it happened. A hand touched my shoulder and a falsely sweet voice said "Raymond, go put your gum in the basket."

Raymond Bodette.  
Class of '52

### THE GREATEST EXPLORER

Could it be possible that he, Thomas Mathew, the greatest explorer of all times, had made his last exploring trip into the darkest wilds of Africa? It couldn't be. A great life like his could not be ended so soon—especially when he could contribute so much to the great world of science. It hardly seemed possible that he could be trapped in this huge, dark, damp, yawning cave, with no visible way of escape. He could hardly believe that it was true.

There must be some way out of this big, black, scary cave. He couldn't be completely helpless. Why, he had been trapped in worse places than this and had made his escape safely. Surely he would work free this time. Certainly the greatest explorer in the world could not end all of his explorations by getting himself trapped in a cave. There must be some way of moving even just a little of the landslide that blocked much of the cave.

What was that? It sounded like something moving behind him. A stealthy, creepy noise. It was! It was a soft padding noise behind him. It sounded almost like a cat stalking its prey. Maybe that's what it was. A cat, a big jungle cat creeping up on him, ready to pounce. He must turn around and see. He couldn't let it leap upon him without warning. There it was! Just those horrible big greenish-yellow eyes. They seemed to glower

and glow, and then become smoky and dangerous looking.

It must be a jungle cat. But what kind could it be? It might be a large menacing lion, the king of beasts, or it might be a ferocious tiger ready to pounce upon him and tear him apart. What was that low, rumbling noise? It was the beast. He must be getting ready to jump. If the cat pounced upon him, he had no way of protecting himself except with a knife and a jammed gun.

Suddenly the eyes disappeared.

Where had the beast gone? How had he managed to get in here? Had the animal been here when he had entered the cave? Had it been trapped in here the same way he had? Maybe it had found its way in through another entrance. If that was so maybe he could find the same entrance.

Listen! A noise from outside. A muffled shout. It said:

"Tommy, come and eat, dinner's ready."

The great Thomas Mathew gave a small grunt of disgust and sulkily put a hand against the side of the cave and pushed. It slid away to reveal a little blond-headed, blue-eyed boy of about eight or nine. He crawled from under the sofa and stood up, regarding his surroundings. Behind him, blinking his eyes against the light stumbled a little yellow tiger kitten. They both ambled slowly into the dining room.

So ends the tale of Thomas Mathews, the greatest explorer in the world.

Regina Yattaw  
Class of '51

### A COW POKE'S STORY

I was born in a western town away out in the East in the days when Kid Karson was an antique. When I was about six months old, my family moved out West to Kenses, where Messy James and his outfit operated. As soon as I could walk, I was weighted down with

a pair of six-shooters a-hanging from a cartridge belt, and by the time I was eight years old, I was a real old gun slinger. I could sling my guns faster than most men could shoot theirs. My knowledge of gunslinging was so much in demand that I could only give pointers to a few of the people that'd line up at my door. I imparted my knowledge to Billy the Goat, the Droolins of Koka Kola, Buffaloed Bill, Deadhead Dick and Wild Pill Hiccup. As a result of my giving these amateurs pointers they became famous in-laws.

Still I was widely known as a great horseman and I used to ride the orniest horse on the merry-go-round whenever Barnum and Bailey came to town.

I used to get in many a gun duel and always cool and calmlike, I'd draw my gun with a trembling hand and just rake the ground with buck shot, and in that way I kept the streets clean. Then I used to go into a barroom and order a good strong drink of Lipton's iced tea, when my nerves were on edge.

A good share of my life I spent killing rough hombres, playing stud poker and rustling cattle, and as a result of rustling cattle and killing hombres, I spent most of my time behind bars.

In my heyday, I was a good drinker. I'd get red-eyed from drinking Red-Eye Whisky, bloodshot from staying up all night and blackeyed from getting into fights.

When a rough hombre insulted me I sued to slap leather so much that my hands stung and felt sore from slapping my leather holster.

Finally after an uneventful life of killings and boredom plus a few games of tiddley-winks and hopscotch, I died a violent death in my sleep when a nightmare trampled me to death.

At my funeral there was a great turn out because somebody let all the cattle out of the pasture. With much ado, I was buried on Boots-on-Hill in my bedroom slippers.

Alan Holmes, Jr.  
Class of '51

### A GRADUATION THOUGHT

Graduation is here at last;  
But somehow we've just begun  
To seek our goal in this strange world—  
So we really haven't won.

Now we are truly on our own to find  
A future place in which to live a happy  
life—

With the help of God's good grace.

With confidence we are ready,  
With wisdom we'll do our best;  
The past years have been stepping-  
stones

That lead to happiness.

Janice Clark,  
Class of '51.

### HOME WORK

He drapes himself ungracefully  
Across the nearest chair;  
Some sandwiches, cokes and pie he  
downs—

With still some room to spare.

Though Emily Post is leatherbound—  
Upon the bookcase shelf;  
He's satisfied that her etiquette  
Is for others than himself.

He's nicely set, and then a ring—  
Oh! Oh! the girl friend, by his tone;  
He spends the rest of study time  
Upon the telephone.

Emma Schondube  
Class of '52

### JUNE

June!

The month of contrast and challenge!  
Exams and the close of school,  
Vacation and the swimming pool.  
Serious graduates capped and gowned  
Brides and grooms smiling all around  
Warm days—roses—and other flow-  
ers,  
Cool nights—moonlight—and sudden  
showers.

Memories past and present.

June!

Ruth Vincent '52.



#### CLASS OFFICERS

First row, left to right—Ann Berry, Pauline Gibeault, Jeanne Sullivan, Nancy Clark, Elaine French, Alice Tucker, Helen Field. Second row, left to right—Donald Little, Raymond Plankey, Robert Grant, James Hanna, James McNulla, John Fisher, Robert Marshall.

**EXCHANGE**

**B.H.S. Register, Burlington High School**

We like your excellent paper, and hope to receive regular copies next year.

**Academy Student, St. Johnsbury Academy**

Your paper is very well written. Your illustrations are excellent and your different features are very original.

**Lasell News, Auburndale Jr. College**

Your articles are well written, and your papers are interesting. ....

**Sentinel, Spaulding High School**

We like your paper very much, and enjoy your large variety of pictures.

**Green Horn, Springfield High School**

We like the way you arrange your paper. Your advertisements and other feature presentations are very well constructed.

**Polonius, Poultney High School**

You have a well compounded paper, but we wish you would put in a few more jokes.

**Scribbles, Rochester High School**

We like your excellent magazine very much. We are very glad of your success with it, and we wish to compliment you on your nice edition.

**Rambles, Northfield High School**

We noticed especially your layout of ads, and wish to compliment you on it.

**Hi Schooler, Bellows Falls High School**

We were very glad to receive your magazine and wish we had started exchanging with you sooner. We like the way you arranged your features and articles.

We would like to receive school papers from the following schools, whom

we have not heard from as yet this semester:

- Brattleboro High School
- Wilmington High School
- Richmond High School
- Essex Junction High School
- Middlebury High School
- Randolph High School
- Bristol High School
- Shelburne High School
- Waterbury High School
- Ludlow High School

- Helen Hawkins, Exchange Editor '51
- Rita Charlebois, Asst. Ex. Editor '52
- Nancy Clark, Asst. Ex. Editor '53.

**ATTENTION: PARENTS**

Now parents all please listen,  
Young folks are wild you say.  
I wonder if you'll stop and think,  
What happened in your day?

Of course you rode in buggies then,  
Old Dobbin safely drew.  
But parking places, I presume,  
Were not so very few.

I know you could not go too far,  
And back again at night.  
But arms could bend the same as now,  
And hug up just as tight.

The dancing steps are different,  
But it's rhythm just the same.  
And may not be more wild than when,  
You used to play the game.

Now sit and close your eyes a bit,  
Just think of days gone by.  
Compare the young with then and now,  
"Alike," I hear you sigh.

As this brings memories to each one,  
I know that you will vow,  
That young folks have not changed too  
much,  
From your time until now.

Lucille Little '52



#### FACULTY

First row, left to right—Mrs. Constance Berry, Miss Laura Demerritt, Mr. James Berry, Mrs. Jeanne Bodette, Mrs. Lillian Mundy. Second row, left to right—Mr. Lloyd Moulton, Miss Merle Moulton, Mr. Biagio Palermo, Mr. Reginald Paquette, Mr. Stanley Grandfield.

## LATIN

DE REBUS LATINIS, ANTIQUIS  
ET PRESENTIBUS

## Vergennes In Valle Champlain

In Champlain Valle vivo, inter Lacum ejus nomine et Verdes Montes, cujus aestus remotus circumspectus est cum sol occideret. Sunt montes per provinciam Vermontis.

Aestate gramenes et arbores terram cum pulcheritudine sub caelum caeruleum colorant. Hieme viri et liberi in nive ludunt.

Urbs Vergennis est in hac valle. Urbs coeli statum habet, tamen quattuor medicos habet.

Aves et animalia semper amicos hic inveniunt. Cives in hac valle sunt semper placidi.

Vergennes est exemplum bonum urbis pacis et libertatis.

Kenneth Booth '53.

## Celebratio In Vergenne

Ad Ides Augusti Anno Domino MDCCCXXXVIII in urbe Vergennes cives CL annum cum sua urbs condetur, celebraverunt. Urbs Anno Domini MDCCCLXXXVIII condebatur. Festum duos dies durabat. Incepit in urbis viduario ubi certamen musicum dabatur. MMD Cives in viradario erant. Tum oratio a Warren Austin dabatur. Multi viri erant ibi-Princeps Larrow Vergennis, Princeps Burns Burlingtonis, Princeps Correy Montpelieris, Praetor Aikin Vermontis, Sub-Praetor Wills, Medicus Pachand et multi alii ex Vermonte et Canada.

Tum tectus ex memoria saxi emovebatur. Illud munera ad finem perduxit. Tum spectaculum de historia Vergennis dabatur. Septora mona vesperi convivium dabatur. CCXXVII populi erant ibi. Saltatus in via eventus diei ad finem perduxerunt.

Postulo die viri, qui ignes extinguiebant, festum cum conventibus ad finem perduxerunt.

Raymond Plankey '13.

## Iter Ad Vermontem

Erat dies frigidus hibernus, cum Canada oppido meo abscessi. Erat duodevicesimo die Januarius, undeviginti quadraginta sex.

Viae erant glacialissimae illa die et erat necesse ire tardissime. Erat longissimum iter a carro quod umquam ceperam. Ad casam avunculi mei perveni undecima hora noctu. Mane matutinus novam patriam videre e lectulo surrexi. Erat magna mutatio mihi, quod, ubi habitaveram, non montes videbamus, et erant pauci colles.

In Vermonte priusquam fueram, sed non eram satis antiquus ad memorandum. Hoc tempore manere, non visitare, veneram.

Septimo die post adventu scholam incepti. Erat diiversissima e schola Canada, nam ibi "French" dixerunt, et hic "English" dixerunt.

Primo erat difficile, sed nunc id multo amabam.

Reynald Goddard '53.

Pauca Facta De Vergennis Industries,  
Ex Libro Qui In Anno

## MDCCCLXXXVI Edebatur

Maximus societas fabricandi Vergenne illo tempore erat "National Nail Company" qui in anno MDCCCLXVIII conditum est. Aedificia, cum aquae privilegio, ab "Vergennes Water Co." ex "Vergennes Iron Co." emebantur. Terra LXXX acrium constitit et erat in occidente latere fluminis. Prope "Nail" societam, "Flanders Pump" ab J. P. Flanders et Co. fabricabatur. Hic Societas in MDCCCLXXXVI ad Burlington movebatur. Partes januarum et foriculae ab G. W. Kendall et Co. in MDCCCLXIX conditae sunt. Ea aedificia ab Vergennes Water Power Co. conducebantur.

"Vermont Shade Roller" Societas in occasum solem finem pontis ponebatur. "Shades rollers, slats," et cetera fabricantur. Ab W. et D. L. Crane in anno MDCCCLXXVII conditum est. In anno MDCCCLXXXIII municipibus societa-

tis mutatum est., cum W. Crane pro praeside, D. Robinson, sub-praeside, A. C. Crane, praefecto aerarium et W. A. Tuttle, pro curatore. Societas sortem LXM thalerum habebat. Primum aedificium incendit et ea quae nunc adsunt in anno MDCCCLXXIV aedificata sunt "Island Grist Mill" in insula in summo rovo qui molam agiti ponebatur. Reponerat "Bradbury Mill" quid in June anni MDCCCLXXVII incensum est. Mola ab N. G. Norton qui quoque aliquid vic habere in alga re scrutum commersium exercebat et Syracusae frigidum aratrum tractabat.

John Fisher '52  
et  
Neldon Whitty '53

### Heri Et Hodie

Antiquitus pueri et puellae ad scholam longe ambulabant. Scholae erant in uno auditorio. Multos libros non habuerunt. In tabulis scripserunt.

Hodie in ruri paucas scholas cum uno auditorio habent. Interdum medium scholam in oppido habent. Pueri et puellae in omnibus et vehiculis accurrunt.

In urbe multas scholas habent. Hae multa auditoria habent. Linguam, scribendum, lectiones et multas alias res discunt. Multos libros habent.

Scholae hodie sunt meliores quam illae heri.

Mary Jane Pollard '53.

### Hercules

Herculis erat validissimus vir. Erat filius Jupiteris. Vis Herculis visa est cum erat juvenissimus. Olim in Thebe, Graciae urbe, habitabat, sed a populis urbem relinquere iussus est. Hercules duodecim labores perfecit. Unus periculosus erat "Necare Hydram." Alius magnus labor erat "Sustinere Caelum." Hercules erat clarissimus post duodecim labores. Cum mortuus est, suum rogam fecit et in eo se incendit.

Patricia Little '53.

### Caesaris Exercitus

Pars maior Caesaris exercitus erat pedum milites, cujus tela erant gladii et scutae. Viri galeas gerebant et scuta portabant.

Caesaris exercitum tormenta habebant quae milites hostem superare juvabant. Aliae res quae Caesaris exercitum juvabant erant turres alti quae in rotis movebantur ad murum oppidi quod debebatur. Ex his turribus altus pons inferebatur ex qua milites in urbem ferocissime pugnabant.

George Spencer '53.

### Viae Romanae

Roma vias bonas habebant, et eis hodie "U. S. Bureau of Roads" operum studiosum dant. Italia quoque vias pulchras et longas habebant. Viae Latinae erant et sunt hodie tam pulchrae ut multae fabulae de eis scriptae sint.

Provincia victa, via nova cum celeritate constructabantur. Viri, qui erant peritissimi, bene laborantur.

Nulli viae tam bene tam Romanae fabricantur.

Charles Royer '53.

### Ludi Romani

Ludi Romani ex ludis hodie differabant. Romani in Colloseo, multos eorum ludos spectabant. Ibi viros videbant qui saepe ad mortem pugnabant. Saepe toto die eventus spectabant. Feminae vix umquam cruentes ludos videbant.

Primum eventum diei erat pugna cum gladiis lignis. Proximum eventum fortasse erat certamen inter armatos equites. Saepe ad mortem pugnabant.

Si vir vulneraretur et spectatores eum parcere vellent, sudaris agitabant, aut pollices sursum vertebant. Si spectatores eum interficere vellent, pollices devertebant.

Erant aliae pugnae inter liones et viros.

Ludi hodie faciunt nos salvos et bonos "sports," si ammittamus aut vincamus. Romanis temporibus erant tales ludi ut currorum cursus et luctator pro corpore et musculo.

Paul Ripchik '53.

## FRENCH

## Jeanne d'Arc (1412-1431)

Jeanne d'Arc est une héroïne de France et une paysanne qui vivait pendant les invasions anglaises de France. Elle croyait qu'elle a entendu des paroles du ciel et elle a vu des visions des saintes la pressant sauver sa patrie.

Le roi de France lui a donné le commandement des armées françaises en 1429. Inspirant les soldats qui étaient découragés, elle a battu les Anglais dans quatre batailles. Elle a été prise par les habitants de Bourgogne, les alliés des Anglais, qui l'ont vendue aux Anglais pour seize mille francs. Elle a été condamnée comme sorcière et elle a été brûlée au poteau sur la place du marché à Rouen en 1431.

In 1919 Jeanne d'Arc a été déclarée une sainte. La fête de Jeanne d'Arc est célébrée par tous les Français le deuxième dimanche de mai.

Helen Field,  
Class of '51.

## SUSPENSE

I am so worried,  
I am so tense,  
What will happen to me  
In this time of suspense?

Will I be all right?  
How will this turn out?  
These are some of the things  
I am thinking out.

As I stand here waiting  
I'm biting my nails  
My knees are shaky,  
My complexion pale.

Can I go through with this?  
My fate I bemoan;  
It's the first time I've been  
On a bus all alone.

Joanne Charbonneau, '52

## AMERICA FIRST

Get your bank, save every penny,  
Fill it full so it will burst.  
Let the whole world know you're help-  
ing,  
So America will be first.

We must not think of ourselves,  
Nor the strength and money spent.  
For one goal let us be aiming,  
Save the nation, not the cent.

Let us help to keep our country,  
Give us strength and make us brave.  
So that each may have his freedom,  
Not be someone else's slave.

Look across the dark blue ocean,  
See the ones with freedom lost,  
Teaching us to give untiring,  
All we have at any cost.

Lucille Little '52

## SPRING FEVER

I'll never get this darned verse done  
Spring Fever.  
I'd like to get out and have some fun  
Spring Fever.  
And yet I have to sit here and dream  
And write a poem without a theme  
Spring Fever.  
The baseball park's the place for me  
Spring Fever.  
And not here scribbling poetry  
Spring Fever.  
So if you don't mind, I'll mosey along  
And put an end to this silly song  
Spring Fever.

Harold Charbonneau '52.

## JOKES

Mrs. Bodette—"I heard you picked up some French when you were in Montreal this year."

George Rose—"I sure did."

Mrs. Bodette—"Well, let's hear some words."

George Rose—"I didn't learn any words."



### PATROL

First row, left to right—Ruth Drew, Helen Field, Beverly Cunningham, Marion Moorby, Mr. Grandfield, Sandra Danyow, Betty Marshall, Grace Hawkins, Colleen Bargfrede. Second row, left to right—Florence Poulin, Patsy Aubin, Dorothy Jaquith, Joan Peabody, Joyce Tracy, Lucy Case, Marilla Place, DeLisle Flynn, Lorraine Andrews. Third row, left to right—Ass't Drillmaster John Stephens, Willis Farnsworth, Paul Ripchik, John Hawkins, Neldon Whitty, George LeBeau, Arthur Provencher, Kenneth Booth, Drillmaster John Stebbins.

**PATROL**

**Senior Promotions**

<b>Major</b>	Joyce Tracy
John Stebbins	Dorothy Jaquith
	Helen Hawkins
<b>Captains:</b>	
Gwendolyn McGrath	<b>2nd Lieutenants:</b>
Grace Hawkins	Marion Moorby
<b>1st Lieutenants:</b>	
Helen Field	<b>Private First Class:</b>
Florence Poulin	Roger Gibeault

**OTHER PROMOTIONS**

<b>Captain:</b>	De Witt Clark
John Stephens	James Peabody
<b>Drill Master:</b>	John Hawkins
John Stephens	Donald Little
	Willis Farnsworth
<b>Ass't. Drillmaster:</b>	<b>Privates 1st Class:</b>
Neldon Whitty	Barbara Chamberlain
<b>1st Lieutenants:</b>	Jane Ripchik
Betty Marshall	James Provencher
	James McGrath
<b>2nd Lieutenants:</b>	Kenneth Drew
Lorraine Andrews	Jessie Cockran
De Lisle Flynn	Sandra Danyow
Lucy Case	James Hawkins
Paul Ripchik	Shirley LeBeau
Joan Peabody	Ronald Lawrence
Marilla Place	Betty Clodgo
Colleen Bargfrede	Patty Jackman
George LeBeau	Helen Bull
Neldon Whitty	Ciara Chamberlain
<b>Sergeants:</b>	Margaret Booth
Reynald Godard	Sally Spear
Arthur Provencher	Barbara Clark
Ruth Jerome	Ann Freeguard
Kenneth Booth	Ruth Drew
<b>Corporals:</b>	Irene Rose
Mary Palmer	Robert Ross
Patsy Aubin	Beverly Cunningham
	Sally Tracy

Of the many fine extra-curricular activities at V.H.S., probably one of the most necessary and valuable is the Safety Patrol. Each year boys and girls voluntarily serve, in all kinds of weather, to protect the lives of their fellow students. Few people realize that ever since a school Safety Patrol has been organized in Vergennes, not one accident has occurred to the students while patrolmen were on duty. This is a record to be well proud of. This year was no exception. With Mr. Stanley Grandfield, as our director, the School Patrol has again completed a fine year.

The select group from the patrol, the drill team, also deserves honors. It is quite a task to select thirty-two members out of one hundred or more candidates to serve in the drill team, when practically all are good marchers. They will be giving exhibition drills at Essex Junction and Rutland this spring before the Annual State Patrol Convention.

In closing, we would like to thank Mr. Grandfield for his guidance, the members of the patrol for their fine work, and the students of V.H.S. for the cooperation in making this year a successful one.

John Stebbins, Captain.

**JOKES**

Mr. Berry—"Wake up that fellow next to you."

James Hanna—"You do it, Mr. Berry you put him to sleep."

Bob Stebbins—"Did you pass your exam?"

Billy Sullivan—"Well, it was like this—you see—"

Bob Stebbins—"Shake! Neither did I."

Miss Moulton—"Dorothy, name two pronouns."

Dorothy Jaquith—"Who, me?"

Colleen Bargfrede—"I'm not myself tonight."

Louie Champagne—"Then we ought to have a good time."



### GIRLS' BASKETBALL—CHAMPLAIN VALLEY LEAGUE WINNERS

First row, left to right—Shirley Hamilton, Joanne Charbonneau, Capt. Helen Looby, Sally Bristol, Jane Ripchik, Joan Peabody. Second row, left to right—Coach Moulton, Shirley Mitchell, Sandra Tucker, Margaret Hanna, Joyce LeBeau, Marion Parkinson, Manager Alice Tucker. Third row, left to right—Sandra Danyow, Nancy Clark, Clara Chamberlain, Janet Swenor, Shirley Larrow,

**GIRLS' SPORTS**

Vergennes should be very proud of the girls' basketball team for winning the Champlain Valley League title for the first time since 1947, with a total of 13 wins, 5 losses, and one tie.

It was necessary to revamp the team with many squad changes. Joanne Chabonneau was moved from backcourt to forecourt where she did wonderful work. Jane Ripchik, a freshman and new to the squad, also did a fine job. Sally Bristol and Joan Peabody, veteran guards from last season, deserve credit for their checking the opposition on every occasion.

Capt. Helen Looby's 21 point average this year was one point less per game than last year. With another year of basketball ahead of her, Capt. Looby's record should show great improvement. Shirley Hamilton, playing her first year as a forward, averaged 11 points a game which shows much hope for the future.

We are happy to say that we do not lose a single player this year. Also returning is a backlog of valuable substitutes and much hope can be held for the future with Margaret Hanna, Sandra Tucker, Nancy Clark, Joyce Le-Beau, Shirley Mitchell, Sandra Danyow, Marion Parkinson, Rosaline Cunningham, Janet Swenor, Stella Place, Clara Chamberlain and Barbara Chamberlain to fill out the squad.

Improving next year as they have this year should enable the Viking girls to retain the title.

Many thanks are given to Coach Moulton for her hard work in preparing the team for the many games.

I know that I speak for our coach, for the members of the team and for myself in expressing our thanks to the Woman's Club for awarding recognition to us on our recent season. The members of the team who were chiefly responsible for our victories received lovely sterling silver basketballs engraved with CVL (Champlain Valley League) 1950-51 in honor of their bas-

ketball record for the year. Thank you again, Woman's Club.

We also wish to offer our heartiest appreciation to our supporters, both townspeople and students, for their co-operation throughout the season.

Alice Tucker '52.

I'm afraid I was a bit pessimistic about what our season's record would be when we first started our practice last fall. We encountered many changes and setbacks and still managed to come out on top. The season was a bit rocky but the girls felt that their season was fully as successful as the boys' had been.

I wish to express my deep appreciation and thanks for the co-operation I received while coaching here at V.H.S. It has been a rare privilege to work with girls who were constantly aware of the need for team co-operation and effort. Not once have they failed to produce a winning score if it was at all possible and many times they have been the decided underdogs and still managed a victory.

My sincere best wishes for your success in the '51-'52 season and in the future.

Coach Moulton.

Scores of games played this year.

Vergennes	41	Shelburne	41
Vergennes	53	Hinesburg	39
Vergennes	32	Middlebury	33
Vergennes	44	Bristol	43
Vergennes	33	Waterbury	20
Vergennes	48	Woodstock	55
Vergennes	34	Weeks School	33
Vergennes	30	Bristol	52
Vergennes	57	Milton	49
Vergennes	2	Milton	0
Vergennes	55	Jericho	47
Vergennes	2	Jericho	0
Vergennes	51	Hinesburg	48
Vergennes	35	Middlebury	30
Vergennes	39	St. Mary's	37
Vergennes	41	St. Mary's	47
Vergennes	47	Woodstock	45
Vergennes	35	Shelburne	36
Vergennes	40	Weeks School	39



### BOYS' BASKETBALL

First row, left to right—Paul Ripchik, John Stephens, James McNulla, Richard Tarte, Richard Sorrell. Second row, left to right—Coach Palermo, Ernest Bouchard, George LeBeau, James Hanna, Gerald Miller, George Bell, Manager John Stebbins.

## BOYS' SPORTS

Once again as the snow disappears from the ground and the sun climbs higher in the sky, the basketballs are tucked away for another year. Then from among the cries of spring fever around old V.H.S. comes another stronger call, that of "play ball!" Again the great American sport is dug out of the closet and put on the athletic agenda for a new season. Even before the ground has yet dried the fellows start limbering up their pitching arms and answering Coach Palermo's call for a powerful baseball team.

However, before we wade too far into the baseball fever, let's take a glance back at Vergennes' successful season on the basketball court. Under Coach Biagio Palermo's master mentorship and the tough "never say die" spirit of the Blue and White cagers, sparked by Captain Jim McNulla, Vergennes High had a jubilant year in the hoop circle. Contrary to the depressing predictions that we wouldn't win a game due to the loss of practically all of the first string via graduation, the coach whipped his remaining letter-men, along with many new candidates into a team V.H.S. can well be proud of.

Joining Captain Jim McNulla on the veteran list were Dick Tarte, a big gun for the scoring column and an all-round team man; Johnny Stephens, versatile guard and top playmaker who contributed a good deal to the smoothness of the club; Johnny Brigan, a guard whose classy ball-handling and agility on the floor brought many an exclamation during the season; and, of course, Jim McNulla, whose prowess on the court along with his unceasing drive and ability to monopolize the rebounding helped make us tournament contenders this year. Making a mark for themselves in the varsity ring for the first time were Paul Ripchik, Dick Sorrell, Jerry Miller, Ernie Lackard, George Bell,

Jim Hanna, Bob Ross and Ernie Bouchard. Paul, with an eye for the nets and general ability on the court, is off to a good start for his last two years of varsity ball. Dick Sorrell, after an absence of two years from the court made a brilliant comeback at the forward post to replace Dick Tarte in some of the final season games.

Because of space limitations we cannot sing the praises of all the fellows. However, we desire to make it known that the rest of the squad did their part in making the club a success. All will be returning next year, except Jim McNulla; veterans who are going to equal, or better the strength of this year's club.

Of course the season was not all cream and peaches; there were the heart breaking games that were lost by one or two points. But by not letting a loss once in a while dampen their hopes, Coach Palermo was able to take his newly dubbed Vergennes Vikings to the State tournaments. After the disputed win over Ludlow the Vikings went on to meet defeat in the hands of West Rutland, now State B Champions for the sixth consecutive year. There was no crying over spilt milk in the locker rooms after the game only a few sighs and the promise that we would return next year.

All in all V.H.S. had one of the finest, if not the best, team that we have seen in our four years of high school. They were an excellent example of sportsmanship and team unity, each boy playing for the thrill of clean competition and love of the game. Coach Palermo has stated that they were a fine group to work with and have earned the praises they received.

We urge you all to attend the games next year and give support to the club so that maybe we can don the state championship crown next season. The Blue and White cagers are challenging the larger schools and have a tentative schedule lined up that will prove to be a real thriller!

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## BAND

First row, left to right—Marion Parkinson, Alma Danyow, Shirley Mitchell, Sally Bristol, Joanne Charbonneau, John Stephens. Second row, left to right—Lyman Clark, Dewitt Clark, Sandra Danyow, Marion Moorby, Sidney Danyow, Albert Dugan, Paul Ripchik, Kenneth Drew, Elaine French, Alice Tucker, Stephen Gross. Third row, left to right—Mr. Andrews, Joyce Larrow, Clara Chamberlain, Arthur Norton, Patricia Jaquith, Rachael Bristol, Paul Stanilonis, Ann Berry, Helen Looby. Fourth row, left to right—Robert Miller, Ernest Bouchard, James McNulla, Alan Holmes, James Hanna, John Stebbins, William Grant, Ian Booth, Paul Bristol.

**BAND**

The school year is at an end for 1951; the activities of the V. H. S. Band have been busy. We have had our weekly rehearsals and have played for a number of organizations throughout the year. Our Spring concert was held in May and we are all ready to make our appearance at the Vermont State Festival.

The spirit of the members has been very high and we have improved in our playing. What we need now is uniforms and we are in hopes to be able to have them for next season.

I wish to thank the V. H. S. Staff and members for their fine loyalty and cooperation.

Wm. H. Andrews, Director.

**WHAT WOULD IT BE LIKE:**

- If James McNulla drove below 20 miles per hour?
- If everyone knew the school song?
- If everyone got to school on time?
- If Dorothy Jaquith and Gwen McGrath were small?
- If the chemistry class wasn't always smelling up the school?
- If John Stephens could not find any flashy sport shirts?
- If Mrs. Bodette wasn't keeping someone after school every night?
- If Elaine French and Helen Hawkins spoke above a whisper?
- If the teachers could tell the Hawkins' twins apart?
- If Joan Peabody wasn't so energetic?
- If all of the teachers didn't give big assignments on the same day?
- If Grace Hawkins and Helen Fields were large?
- If everyone finished assignments on time?
- If there was time to get in all extra activities?
- If Jack Stebbins wasn't always talking like a politician?

- If Roger Gibeault wasn't so pessimistic?
- If Marion Moorby wasn't such an efficient secretary?
- If Mr. Palermo would smile once in a great while?
- If the Senior Class would set an example by not talking in study hall?
- If Harold Charbonneau and Lucille Bodette did not get along so well?
- If Mrs. Nelson's 4th period study hall did not give her such a hard time?
- If Miss Moulton wasn't always in a hurry?
- If Spot Ross didn't have so many freckles?
- If Helen and Nancy weren't always seen together?

**SONG DEDICATION**

"All My Love—from John Stephens to Joyce Larrow.

"It Isn't Fair"—to the boys' basketball team. Too bad, boys, it must have been the referees.

"The Lullaby of Broadway"—to Jack Stebbins. We hope you make it, Shakespeare.

"I Never See Maggie Alone," Cheer up, Jerry, maybe you will someday.

"With A Song In Your Hearts" to the music department. What's the matter, kids, can't you get it out.

"If"—to Ann Berry.

"You're In The Army Now" to Roger, George Rose, Francis, George Moorby. We hope the draft doesn't get you too soon.

"Sonny Boy" to Jim Hanna, the "kid" of the Class of '51.

"In My Merry Oldsmobile" to John Fisher. Does it still take you 30 minutes to get to Addison, John?

"I'm Late" to Bob and Jack Stebbins and Jim McNulla. Haven't you boys got alarm clocks?

"Anchors Aweigh" to Jim McNulla.



### ORCHESTRA

First row, left to right—Alma Danyow, Helen Hawkins, Anita Charlebois, Elaine French, Sandra Danyow, Alice Tucker, Helen Looby. Second row, left to right—Mr. Andrews, Patricia Jaquith, Ann Berry, Joyce Larrow, Robert Miller. Third row, left to right—Paul Bristol, John Stebbins, Alan Holmes, James McNulla, Ian Booth.

**BOYS' SPORTS**

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Here is the list of this year's games and scores:

Vergennes	44	Shelburne	32
Vergennes	41	Waterbury	43
Vergennes	45	Brandon	29
Vergennes	31	Middlebury	32
Vergennes	51	Brandon	51
Vergennes	41	Bristol	36
Vergennes	50	Waterbury	51
Vergennes	46	Woodstock	42
Vergennes	48	Bristol	38
Vergennes	56	Milton	36
Vergennes	46	Middlebury	29
Vergennes	53	St. Mary's	54
Vergennes	42	Essex Junction	29
Vergennes	56	St. Mary's	48
Vergennes	46	Woodstock	43
Vergennes	36	Ludlow	35
Vergennes	33	West Rutland	63
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High scorer for the year was Captain Jim McNulla with 223 markers to his credit, next was Paul Ripchik with a net of 191 and third was Richard Tarte with 138.

As we go to press the baseball season at V.H.S. has not yet opened. However, we can give you the schedule and say that a good-looking club is forming.

- May 1—Shelburne at Vergennes
- May 4—Vergennes at Weeks School
- May 8—Pending
- May 15—Vergennes at Bristol
- May 18—Vergennes at Shelburne
- May 25—Weeks at Vergennes
- May 29—Pending
- June 1—Bristol at Vergennes

Jack Stebbins '51.  
Sports Editor.

**JOKES**

Driving along a lonely road—  
Jim McNulla—"You look lovelier to me every minute. Do you know what that's a sign of?"  
Sally Bristol—"Sure. You're about to run out of gas."

**FAVORITE SONGS OF THE SENIORS**

- Edmond Atkins "Yellow Rose of Texas."
- Sidney Barnard "I'm Looking Over a Four-Leaf Clover."
- Janice Clark, "Stardust."
- Alma Danyow, "Thinking of You."
- Helen Field, "Beautiful Brown Eyes"
- Elaine French, "Younger Than Springtime."
- Roger Gibeault, "Second Symphonette."
- James Hanna, "Tumbling Tumbleweed."
- Grace Hawkins, "Mocking Bird Hill"
- Helen Hawkins, "Red Wing."
- Alan Holmes "Galway Bay."
- Francis Hoose "You've Got the Money, Honey."
- Dorothy Jaquith, "Sleigh Ride."
- Gwen McGrath, "I Apologize."
- James McNulla, "The Jalopy Song."
- George Moorby, "The Roving Kind."
- Marion Moorby, "I Get Along Without You Very Well."
- Florence Poulin, "May the Good Lord Bless and Keep You."
- George Rose, "If."
- Alan Russett, "The Syncopated Clock."
- John Stebbins, "Begin the Beguine."
- Joyce Tracy "I Apologize."
- Regina Yattaw, "Beautiful Brown Eyes."

**"CANDY BARS"**

- Bit-O-Honey—Joanne Charbonneau.
- Charms—John Stephens.
- Ping—Janice Clark.
- Spicy—Joyce Larrow.
- Forever Yours—Betty Marshall.
- Babe Ruth—George Bell.
- Three Musketeers—Dick Tarte, Cooney Charbonneau, Harold Charbonneau
- Butter Rum—Jack Stebbins.
- Sky Bar—Class of 1950.
- My Baby—Marion Moorby.
- Life Saver—Nancy Clark.
- Nestles—Sally Bristol.
- Power House—Jimmy McNulla.
- Sugar Daddy—Jim Hanna.
- Snickers—Judy Sweeney.

## GOSSIP

We wonder why Colleen Bargfrede was so pleased by the visit of a certain fellow from the Air Force? We thought you were a Navy man, Colleen.

Perhaps Alma Danyow can tell us what the big attraction is at the Grand Union Store in Burlington. Are the prices lower there, Alma or is it the resistance?

From what we hear Marion had quite a time in Montreal with those elevator boys. Why did they stop between floors? By the way, Marion, did you learn any French?

It must be that Marguerite Lawrence gets a lot of packages over at the station or is it a certain fellow with a black Plymouth car that you go to see, Maggie?

We wonder what the matter is with the movies lately? Janice Clark used to be there every time they changed but now we seldom see her. Don't you like the movies anymore or the attendants?

We hear that Florence Poulin and Roger Gibeault had quite a time at that night club in Montreal. How 'bout that?

What is the big attraction in West Rutland? Maybe George Moorby can tell us. By the way, George, whom did you cheer for in the tournament?

Jean Yattaw has taken a sudden interest in Saturday night movies. What's your reason for this? Could it be a certain fellow from Ferrisburg?

We guess that Ann Langeway and Marion Parkinson can't make up their minds about Paul Milo, Norbert Charbonneau, Kenny Drew, and Freddy Le-Beau. But you're still young yet.

John Stephens has been keeping his eye on a certain girl named Joyce. Which Joyce is she, John?

We notice that a certain freshman boy has taken a keen interest in a cer-

tain junior girl. Did you notice that, Joan?

We would all like to know whom Dot Jaquith gets so many letters from in St. Johnsbury. Do they come air-mail, Dot?

Who is this certain "Bill" that Betty Marshall gets all the letters from? What's the matter, Betty, don't you like the V.H.S. fellows, or don't they like you?

Gwen certainly spent a lot of evenings over to Roger's. Was it all debate? If it was debate, over what?

We notice that Helen Field's marks have dropped. Is it caused from holding hands with George Rose eighth period or something else?

Francis Hoose has started work over at the Inn recently. Is it those cute little waitresses that caught your eye or did you just want to work?

Helen Hawkins has taken quite an interest in the Navy. We all know that he is a nice guy too, Helen.

Jim Hanna has quite a line of girls. What's the matter, can't you make up your mind on just one of them?

Grace Hawkins may argue up and down that farmers don't make any money but she seems to be the only senior to drive a new Mercury car.

We notice that Alan Russett has taken quite an interest in a certain French girl in the Junior Class. How 'bout that, Alan?

Sidney, how do you expect to get a girl unless you get a new car? You better see what you can do about this.

Elaine French and Joyce Tracy make quite a pair but, girls, why don't you give the fellows in V. H. S. a break?

Since Jack was in Washington last fall we notice that the letters have been flying between here and Kentucky. We wonder if this romance has cooled any since Christmas? She must have missed getting that lovely card.

## ALUMNI

1949

Muriel Benedict is living in Middlebury.

Marlin Blakely is working in Connecticut.

Marvin Blakely is in the Air Force. He is stationed in Labrador.

Marie Bodette is in nurses' training at the Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital.

Barbara Evans is also in nurses' training at the Bishop DeGoesbriand Hospital.

Betty Sullivan is in Boston.

Bob Field is still at home, working on the farm in North Ferrisburg.

Constance Thorne is at the Castleton State Teachers' College.

Bob Higbee is in the Army Air Force at Wichita Falls, Texas.

Marguerite Bradley is married to Robert Evarts.

Glenn Griffith is in the Army. He is stationed in North Carolina.

Viola Moses is married to Merton Bombard.

Ann Milo is married to Harvey Russett Jr. They have a little girl.

Shirley Hunt and Marjorie Husk are training to be nurses at the Mary Fletcher Hospital.

Grant Laber is in the Navy. He is stationed temporarily in New York City.

Paul Chapman is in the Air Corps stationed at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Geraldine Lawrence is studying domestic nursing in Bennington.

Robert Parker is at home.

Eunice Muzzy is married to Glenn St. Jean and living in Ferrisburg.

Erwin Clark is attending U. V. M.

Yvonne Davis is at home.

1950

William Baldwin is in the Navy, on a tour of duty in the Mediterranean and the Pacific.

Shirley Barrows is in Lackawanna, New York. She is in nurses' training.

Norma Bodette is attending U. V. M.

Doris Burroughs is working at Simmonds-Benton.

Barbara Charbonneau is employed at the First National Bank.

Mary Charbonneau is employed at Simmonds-Benton.

Wayne Charbonneau is working at the Vergennes Theatre.

Ramona Danyow is at home, and is working at Simmonds-Benton.

Evelyn Farnsworth is at home. She is taking a post-graduate course here at V. H. S.

Beverly Hawkins is married to William Field.

Jean Higbee is married to Bruce Wood. They are living in Rutland.

Alan Langeway is home working on the farm.

Clement Looby is in the Air Corps. He is stationed in England.

Allan Mack is in the Air Corps. He is also stationed in England.

Frances Poulin is employed at Stephans' Pharmacy.

Albert Roberts is in the Air Corps. He is stationed in Wichita Falls, Texas.

William Roberts is employed at the A & P Store in Brandon.

May Ross is employed at the Vergennes Theatre evenings and in Supt. Moulton's office during the day.

Henry Sisters is in the Air Corps.

James Smith is in the Army. He is stationed in St. Albans.

Joyce Stearns is at home.

Benjamin Surprise is in the Air Corps stationed in England.

Stephany Thompson is in nurses' training at the Mary Fletcher Hospital in Burlington.

Robert Tracy is working at his brother-in-law's, Oscar Jewell's.

Francis Hoose,  
Class of '51.

### JOKES

"Hi there! Want a ride?"  
Helen Looby—"No thanks. I'm walking back from one now."

Nancy Clark—"Your kisses are like a popular drink."

John Brigam—"Powerful?"

Nancy Clark—"No, old fashioned."

Ann Berry—"Mother, when the fire goes out where does it go?"

Mrs. Berry—"My dear girl, I don't know. You might just as well ask me where your father goes when he goes out."

Mrs. Bodette—"Bud, where was the Declaration of Independence signed?"

Bud Bodette—"At the bottom, I guess."

Mr. Grandfield—"John, can you tell me what a waffle is?"

John Stephens—"Yes sir, it's a pancake with a non-skid tread."

Miss Moulton—"Jack, spell 'straight'"

Jack Stebbins—"S-T-R-A-I-G-H-T"

Miss Moulton—"Correct; what does it mean?"

Jack Stebbins—"Without ginger ale"

Janet Stomper—"Can you drive with one arm?"

George Moorby—"Sure."

Janet Stomper—"Okay, have an apple."

Charles Dennis—"You know, I'm funny—always throw myself into anything I undertake."

Janice Clark—"How splendid! Why don't you dig a well?"

Mr. Palermo—"You can't sleep in my class."

Albert Dugan—"I could if you didn't talk so loud."

Miss Demeritt—"How do you test the temperature of a baby's bath?"

Lucy Case—"You fill the tub with water and put the baby in it. If the baby turns red, it's too hot; if the baby turns purple it's too cold; and if the baby turns white, it needed a bath."

John Donnelly was assigned to write a composition about his origin. He questioned his mother.

"Mom, where did Grandma come from?"

"The stork brought her."

"Well, where did you come from?"

"The stork brought me, and you, too, dear."

So, John wrote as the introduction to his composition: "There have been no natural births in our family for three generations."

Lucy Bodette—"I can't understand why you stayed outside so long with such a terrific dancer as Spot."

Ruth Vincent—"Well, he showed me some new steps and we sat on them."

Funeral director—"How old are you, sir?"

Aged mourner—"I'm 98."

Funeral director—"Hardly worth going home, is it?"

Judge—"Do you challenge any member of the jury?"

Accused—"Well, I think I can lick the little guy on the end."

Mr. Grandfield—"What's an octogenarian?"

Joyce Tracy—"I don't know, but they seem to be unhealthy. Every time I read about one in the paper, he's dying."

A small boy was leading a donkey down the road through an Army camp. Some soldiers, thinking to have some fun, asked, "Why are you holding onto your brother so tightly?"

"So he won't run off and join the Army," said the kid without even blinking an eye.

Elaine French—"I've added those figures ten times, Mrs. Berry."

Mrs. Berry—"That's fine, Elaine."

Elaine French—"And here are the ten answers."

George Moorby, '51,

Joyce Larrow '52.

Joanne Charbonneau '52



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