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DEDICATION

It is with deep respect and sincere appreciation
that we dedicate this Commencement Issue
of the Blue and White

To

Mrs. Harris E. Thurber, who has been with us for two years
as English teacher, and whom in that comparatively
short time we have come to respect and admire.

Through her helpfulness and willing
cooperation, she has become a favorite
teacher of many students.

INTRODUCING
THE CLASS
OF 1949

**Muriel Helen Benedict****"Bunnie"***Motto: Experience is the best teacher.*

Mixed Chorus 3-4, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Orchestra 2-3-4, Christmas Concert 2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play Committee 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Blue and White Staff 4, Religion 1, Rifle Club 4, Basketball 4, Patrol 1-2-3, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Driving Course 3.

Muriel, it has often been said, stays home only long enough to eat, and studies only once in a while. This shows you how full of energy she is. We all wish you the best of luck, Bunnie, in everything you do.

Marlin Robert Blakely**"Cooney"***Motto: Live and learn.*

Boys' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4, All State Chorus 4, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play Committee 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Class Office 1, Apple Picking 1-2, Religion 1-2-3, Basketball 1-2-3-4, Drill Team 1-2-3-4, Drill Master 4, Patrol 1-2-3-4, Boys' State 3, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Driving Course 3.

Marlin is remembered most of all for his straight-shooting on the basketball court which helped to win many games for the past four years. He also seems to have the technique of winning friends and keeping them. Last, but not least, he seems to have quite a droll sense of humor. A fellow like you can't help but succeed, Cooney.



Marvin Donald Blakely**"Fats"**

Motto: No man can ever rise above that at which he aims.

Boys' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4, All State Chorus 4, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Senior Play Committee 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Class Office 2, Apple Picking 1-2, Religion 1-2-3, Basketball 1-2-3-4, Basketball Captain 2, Drill Team 1-2-3-4, Patrol 1-2-3-4, Boys' State 3, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Minstrel Show 2, Graduation Activities 4, Driving Course 3.

Marvin really knows how to handle the ball from the guard position on the basketball team. Everybody seems to admire him, not only because he dresses like a movie star but because he is an all-round good fellow. Incidentally, we happen to know, "Fats", that you are not nearly so quiet and well-behaved outside of school as you are inside! Much success to you.

**Marie Rose Bodette****"Featherhead"**

Motto: Ever onward.

Mixed Chorus 2-3-4, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Orchestra 2-3-4, All State Orchestra 3, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Blue and White Staff 3-4, Religion 1-2-3, Rifle Club 4, Prize Speaking 2, Latin Club 1, Drill Team 3-4, Patrol 1-2-3-4, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Graduation Activities 4, Cheerleading 2.

Marie is one of the best natured girls in the Senior Class. We also have heard her pop quite a few corny jokes so that shows that she has a really wonderful sense of humor. We've heard tell that she is some sharp-shooter on the rifle range. We hope, "Featherhead", that your road of life is as straight as the bullets that come out of that gun of yours.



Marguerite Irene Bradley "Rita"

Motto: The riper the apple, the greener the core.

Mixed Chorus 1-3-4, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Christmas Concert 2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Apple Picking 2, Religion 1-2-3, Rifle Club 4, Drill Team 2-3-4, Patrol 1-2-3-4, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Graduation Activities 4, Driving Course 3, Cheerleading 2-3.

"Rita" is one of the cutest of the girls of the Senior Class who recently acquired a ring for the third finger, left hand. This lessens her eligibility for the males of the high school by a wide margin and we have seen some males who look really disappointed. We happen to know she is perfectly happy about it all and we want to wish you all the happiness you deserve, "Rita."

Edwin Paul Chapman "Dude"

Motto: If you have money, nothing else will be lacking.

Boys' Chorus 2-3-4, Mixed Chorus 2-3-4, Christmas Concert 2-3-4, Senior Play 2-4, Class Office 1, Blue and White Staff 2-3, Magazine Campaign Manager 3, Basketball Manager 2, Baseball 1-2-3-4, Latin Club 1-2, Patrol 1, Tri-School Festival 2-3-4, Salutatorian 4.

Paul is the tall, dark, and handsome boy of the Senior Class who always seems to know what's going on. You will recognize him when you see the baseball team play. We will miss all the corny jokes and wisecracks he is noted for when he is gone. Paul is the Salutatorian of the class and worthy of the title. You can't help succeeding, "Dude."



Erwin Arthur Clark**"Senator"***Motto: He who gives quickly, gives twice.*

Boys' Chorus 2-3-4, Mixed Chorus 3-4, Orchestra 1-2-3-4, Band 3-4, All State Chorus 4, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Class Office 3-4, Magazine Campaign Manager 2, Religion 1-2, Latin Club 1-2, Debating Team 3, Tri-School Festival 4, Graduation Activities 4, Driving Course 3.

Erwin is one of the more studious members of the class who seems to get a lot done in a short time. He seems, also, to like to argue with the teachers, occasionally winning the argument. Best of luck to you, "Senator."

**Yvonne Lorraine Davis****"Yvonne"***Motto: Semper Fidelis.*

Mixed Chorus 3-4, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Blue and White Staff 2-3, Religion 1-2-3, Latin Club 1-2, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Graduation Activities 4.

Yvonne is probably the quietest student in the Senior Class and very nearly the smartest one. This seems to prove that it pays to keep quiet at times. Although very few of us have come to know her very well in the time she's been with us, we all like her and wish her the best of luck always.

**Barbara Ann Evans****"Barb"**

Motto: A fool who keeps silent passes for a wise man.

Mixed Chorus 2-3-4, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Drum Majorette 4, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Class Office 1-4, Blue and White Staff 2-3-4, Apple Picking 2, Magazine Campaign Manager 2, Religion 1-2-3, Rifle Club 4, Basketball 2-3-4, Latin Club 1, Drill Team 1-2-3-4, Patrol 1-2-3-4, Girls' State 3, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Operetta 2, Graduation Activities 4, Driving Course 3, Cheerleading 1.

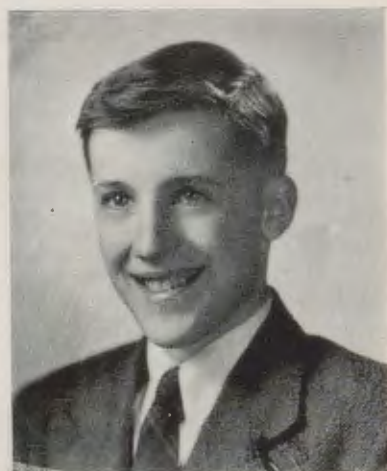
"Barb" is another one of the Seniors' cute attractions who is also the shortest one of the class. But her height doesn't seem to impede her any because if there is anything brewing Barb is usually right there. We will miss her "flitting" around the corners in school and seeing her strut as a drum-majorette. We wish you much happiness in the future, "Barb."

Robert Stanley Field**"Bob"**

Motto: Where there's a will, there's a way.

Stunt Night 2, Senior Play 4, Class Office 3, Religion 1-3, Latin Club 2, Boys' State Alternate 3, Graduation Activities 4.

Although Bob is quite quiet in school we know that he is full of fun and quite a wit outside. Once in a while he will loosen up in school and pop a corny joke or two. He's probably the best-natured boy in the class. We wish you the most successful life you can possibly have, Bob.



Glenn Harlan Griffith**"Glenn"***Motto: It can be done.*

Boys' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Mixed Chorus 3-4, All State Chorus 4, Senior Play Committee 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Blue and White Staff 4, Religion 1, Patrol 1, Driving Course 3.

Glenn is also very quiet in school and quite dignified. He doesn't spend all of his time studying like most quiet people in school do, because we have seen him talking in study halls. He is always good-natured. Best of luck, Glenn.

**Robert Philip Higbee****"Hig"***Motto: Experience is the best teacher.*

Boys' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Mixed Chorus 1, Senior Play Committee 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Religion 1-2-3, Rifle Club 4, Tri-School Festival 2-3, Operetta 2, Driving Course 3.

Another Senior boy who you don't hear much of around the school but you know he's there just the same. He seems to have a store of jokes that he occasionally uses. Best of luck, "Hig."



Shirley Alberta Hunt

"Shirl"

Motto: Time and tide wait for no man.

Mixed Chorus 4, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play Committee 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Blue and White Staff 4, Magazine Campaign Manager 2, Religion 1-2-3, Rifle Club 4, Debating Club 3-4, Drill Team 3-4, Patrol 2-3-4, Girls' State Alternate 3, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Graduation Activities 4, Driving Course 3.

"Shirl" has a quiet way about her in school but we know she is a lot of fun on the outside. She is always ready to lend a helping hand in any school activities that may be going on, specially when it comes to the debating team. Here's wishing you much success.

Janet Marjorie Husk

"Mergie"

Motto: Never say die.

Mixed Chorus 3-4, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play Committee 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Class Office 4, Blue and White Staff 4, Religion 1, Latin Club 1-2, Tri-School Festival 2-3, Graduation Activities 4, Driving Course 3, Cheerleading 3.

Marjorie is another of the quieter girls of the class but sometimes she would surprise you at the wisecracks she gives. She's a god sport and willing to help at all times. Best of luck to you, Marge.



Betty Eileen Jenkins**"Jazzy"**

Motto: To be hungry and have to wait makes me furious.

Mixed Chorus 2-3, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play Committee 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Blue and White Staff 4, Apple Picking 1-2, Religion 1-2-3, Basketball 1-2-3-4, Captain 4, Patrol 3-4, Drill Team 3-4, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3.

Betty is remembered by her fast dribbles up the floor in a basketball game and her swell sportsmanship at all times. She also has a sense of humor that really sets you rocking. We'll miss the intricate dance steps we used to see her do. May your life be full of happiness, Jazzy.

**Grant Stanford Laber****"Grant"**

Motto: If a thing is worth doing at all, it is worth doing well.

Boys' Chorus 2-3-4, Mixed Chorus 2-3-4, All State Chorus 3, Christmas Concert 2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Class Office 2-3-4, Blue and White Staff 2-3-4, Magazine Campaign Manager 4, Religion 2-3, Class Marshall 3, Latin Club 3, Debating Team 3, Drill Team 2-3-4, Patrol 2-3-4, Boys' State Alternate 3, Tri-School Festival 2-3-4, Operetta 2, Graduation Activities 2-3-4, Driving Course 3.

Grant is the Casanova of the Senior Class. There seems to be something about him that the girls find irresistible. We cannot figure out if it's his manly build or his flaming hair. Whatever it is, the girls are all for it. We know you'll succeed, Grant.

**Geraldine Ruth Lawrence****"Jerry"***Motto: Honesty is the best policy.*

Girls' Chorus 1-2, Christmas Concert 1-2, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play Committee 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Blue and White Staff 4, Religion 1-2-3, Latin Club 3-4, Patrol 2-3-4, Tri-School Festival 1-2, Driving Course 3, Prize Speaking 2.

"Jerry" is another quiet girl in the Senior Class, but we all doubt that she is as quiet out of school as she is in school. We will all miss her friendly face in the halls and in all the classes.

Ann Marie Milo**"Ann"***Motto: He who seeks shall gain.*

Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3-4, All State Chorus 4, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Blue and White Staff 4, Magazine Campaign Manager 4, Religion 1-2-3, Latin Club 1-2, Drill Team 1-2-3-4, Patrol 1-2-3-4, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Operetta 2, Graduation Activities 4, Driving Course 3.

Ann has always been active in every activity there was in high school. She was always ready and willing to give help where help was needed. We're sure, Ann, that your future will be as happy as it can be, and you will enjoy life always. Best of luck!



Viola May Moses**"Vi"**

Motto: Put off until the last minute but come out on top.

Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3-4, All State Chorus 2-3, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play 4, Junior Prom 3, Class Office 2, Blue and White Staff 1-2-3-4, Apple Picking 1-2, Magazine Campaign Manager 4, Religion 1-2-3, Prize Speaking 2, Drill Team 1-2-3-4, Patrol 1-2-3-4, Girls' State 3, Good Citizenship Girl 4, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Operetta 2, Graduation Activities 4, Valedictorian 4.

Viola needs no introduction. Everyone knows her and knows of the fine work she did in high school. We will miss having her around to help out with things like she always did. We are very proud that Viola was chosen as State Good Citizenship Girl.

**Eunice Winifred Muzzy****"Venus"**

Motto: The hand that gives; gathers.

Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Drum Majorette 4, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play Committee 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Blue and White Staff 4, Religion 1, Rifle Club 4, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Graduation Activities 4, Driving Course 3, Cheerleading 2-3.

We'll remember Eunice for her cheer-leading and her boisterous laugh that resounded through the walls of the school. Also the sense of humor that was so much a part of her life. Good luck!

**Robert F. Parker****"Porky"**

Motto: A penny saved is a penny earned.

Boys' Chorus 1, Mixed Chorus 1, Senior Play Committee 4, Religion 1-3.

One of the quieter boys of the class, but not so quiet or far out of sight that we'd forget about him. They say his sense of humor is sufficient to make up for his quietness. Much happiness for you!

Elizabeth Anne Sullivan**"Cherry"**

Motto: If at first you don't succeed try, try, again.

Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3-4, Drum Majorette 4, All State Chorus 4, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Class Office 3, Blue and White Staff 2-3-4, Apple Picking 1-2, Religion 1-2-3, Basketball 1-2-3-4, Drill Team 1-2-3-4, Patrol 1-2-3-4, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Operetta 2, Graduation Activities 4.

Betty has given the high school many laughs during her four year stay. She's able to get along with just about everybody and she is well liked by practically everybody.



Constance Ann Therne

"Connie"

Motto: He succeeds who does not grow weary of trying.

Mixed Chorus 2-3-4, Girls' Chorus 1-2-3-4, All State Chorus 3, Christmas Concert 1-2-3-4, Stunt Night 2, Senior Play Committee 4, Junior Prom Committee 3, Class Office 3, Blue and White Staff 2-3-4, Religion 1-2-3, Drill Team 3-4, Patrol 2-3-4, Girls' State 3, Tri-School Festival 1-2-3-4, Operetta 2, Graduation Activities 4, Cheerleading 2.

Connie had a great deal to do with school activities, especially the Blue and White of which she is editor in chief. We will miss her helping hand.



1949

Class Motto — "Live to Observe and Observe in order to know how to Live."

Class Colors — Green and Gray

Class Bird — Goldfinch

Class Flower — Yellow Rose

CLASS ODE

(Tune: "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi")

The time now is near, and the season's
here

When we must say goodbye—

As years go by there will oft' return
mem'ries

Of Vergennes High

The Blue and the White will lead on
thru the fight,

And the grey and green will try

To win first place and carry the light—

For the honor of Vergennes High!

E. A. Sullivan, '49

CLASS HISTORY

As we look back to the year 1945, we remember how 45 of us entered Vergennes High School and took our places as official members in the Freshman class on September 21, the date of initiation. We elected the following as class officers: President, Paul Chapman; vice-president, Marie Blakely; secretary, Barbara Evans; treasurer, Marlin Blakely; Mrs. Nelson, our class advisor. In February we put on a very successful Valentine dance with Mrs. Wright as our chaperone.

In September of '46 we elected as class officers: President, Viola Moses; vice-president, Erwin Clark; secretary, Grant Laber; and treasurer, Marvin Blakely. This year was a lucky one for our class, because we won first place in Stunt Night with a take-off of a number of well-known radio programs. As a special added attraction we had "It Pays To Be Ignorant," an appropriate program for our less intelligent classmates.

Our Junior year we elected Constance Thorne as president; Robert Field, vice-president; Grant Laber, secretary; and Bettie Sullivan as treasurer. We held vic dances every Friday night all winter to earn money, so that our Junior Prom would be the best ever to take place. This great event was held on May 28, and we were the first class ever to make a profit, which totaled \$100. The interior of the gym was decorated in the form of a ship in artistic hues of blue and silver. A silhouette of a ship was engraved on the programs, and the dances were named after various ship-board terms. We had "The Storm of Colors" and two crystal balls, that made us dizzy even though the punch did not. Music was furnished by the "Black Panthers" of Middlebury College, and I am sure everyone enjoyed themselves. At least our class thought it was the finest and most successful prom ever to be held, although we might be prejudiced.

Delegates chosen from the class to

go to Girls' State were Constance Thorne and Barbara Evans. Marvin and Marlin Blakely, our Boys' State representatives, had everyone looking twice.

We began our Senior year by electing Grant Laber as president; Marjorie Husk as vice-president; Barbara Evans as secretary; and Erwin Clark as Treasurer.

One of the most important and certainly most entertaining events was the Senior Play, "A Ready Made Family" by Jay Tobias. This was a three act comedy, directed under the able hand of Mrs. Thurber, and was believed to have been one of the best, with a well-chosen cast and a capacity audience.

We sold apples and milk during recess all year to collect enough money so that we might go on a class trip. This long anticipated trip to Montreal to see the Ice Follies began on Friday, February 11. We stayed at the Laurentien Hotel, a new 22-story structure. The Follies were beautiful, especially the costumes and lighting effects. On Saturday morning we went shopping after which many went on a sight seeing tour of the Wax Museum, Shrine of St. Joseph, and many other places of interest. We started for home that afternoon, tired but happy, with many fond memories of two wonderful days.

Viola Moses was chosen as Good Citizenship girl of the year, and we were proud that she was the state-wide choice as well.

On March 30, we journeyed to Montpelier to visit the State Legislature and we were given a dinner at the Brown Derby by the Town Representative and a Senator from Addison County; we also met Governor Gibson. After dinner we visited "Redstone" the new home of the Vermont State Police, and also went through the National Life Insurance Building.

Throughout our four years in high school we have tried to obtain the goals we have strived for. Only by help and understanding of each other have we

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CLASS PROPHECY

The year is 1960, and the place, Vergennes, Vermont. The class reunion has been called for the class of '49. As we walk down the street we see that many of the people we know back in '49 have come a long way.

One of the few exceptions is Paul Chapman, who is head pinboy at Blakely's Bowling Alleys, owned and operated by our old classmates, Marvin and Marlin Blakely.

Grant Laher, after many promotions, has become second vice-president of the J. C. Penney Company.

Shirley Hunt, Marie Bodette and Marjorie Husk have become world famous for their method of combatting radioactivity in the atom bomb victims of the Third World War, during which they were army nurses.

Erwin Clark has become Congressman Clark who, it is rumored is going to run for U. S. Senator in the next senatorial election.

Viola Moses is private secretary to Congressman Clark, and has the upper hand in all his affairs.

Robert Higbee is one of the biggest contractors in Vermont, and is building a new high school here in Vergennes, not that we really need one, only the old one burned down this year.

Robert Field and Robert Parker both reside in Ferrisburg, where they are prosperous farmers. They visit the Ice Follies every winter in Montreal because they enjoyed them so much when we went there on our class trip.

Bettie Sullivan is working for Northeast Airlines as a flight stewardess, and has caught a handsome pilot after all these years of looking for the perfect husband.

Ann Milo has become Ann Russett, and the little Russetts aren't so little.

Barbara Evans was a nurse for a while, but now she has married a famous brain surgeon.

Rita Bradley and Bobby Evarts still have their weekly spat, although they are now married, they were on speaking terms the day they were married for a change.

Glenn Griffith is operating a subsidiary of Eastman-Kodak here in Vergennes. He has been trying to get a raise for a year but he is still so quiet and bashful that he has been afraid to ask for one.

Connie Thorne is Dean of Women at Middlebury College, and the girls don't have to worry about coming in late at night because she understands their problem.

Eunice Muzzy is running a children's nursery in this city and is quite a disciplinarian because of all she received in school.

Geraldine Lawrence gave up being a nurse and has married a college professor named John.

Muriel Benedict has married and is living in Weybridge with her husband and six children, maybe they will keep her tied down now.

Betty Jenkins is physical education teacher at V.H.S. and has a young basketball player named Jim Smith, in her class, a relation of the one she always was kidding with.

Yvonne Davis has married and is living in West Addison, she gives singing lessons in her spare time.

I have given you a brief glimpse into the private life of my classmates and also of myself, so will close for now, until we meet again at our next reunion.

Erwin Clark, '49

CLASS HISTORY

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been able to carry on the work laid out for us. Those years seemed to fly by, and suddenly we find ourselves at that fork in the road where each goes his own way, maybe never to see some of his friends again. We hope, though it is hard to express our thought, that we have been able to show the underclassmen through the lines of this history, how much fun we have really had, and that deep down in our hearts we regret leaving the school that has become so much a part of us.

Constance Thorne '49

STUDENT VOTE

Most Popular Girl.....Constance Thorne
Most Ambitious Girl.....Viola Moses
Cutest Girls.....Barbara Evans
Marguerite Bradley
Best Looking Girl.....Barbara Evans
Biggett Wolfess.....Bettie Sullivan
Best Sport.....Betty Jenkins
Quietest GirlYvonne Davis
Most Cooperative Girl.....Ann Milo
Best Dressed Girl.....Constance Thorne
Best Personalities.....Constance Thorne
Bettie Sullivan
Best Dancer Betty Jenkins
Wittiest Girl Eunice Muzzy
Most Studious GirlYvonne Davis
Least Studious Girl.....Muriel Benedict
Most Likely to Succeed.....Vio'a Moses
Constance Thorne
Least ConceitedShirley Hunt
Best DispositionMarjorie Husk

FACULTY VOTE

Most Popular Girl.....	Constance Thorne
Most Ambitious Girl.....	Viola Moses
Best Looking Girl.....	Constance Thorne
Cutest Girl	Barbara Evans
Most Likely to Succeed	Constance Thorne
Best Sport	Betty Jenkins
Quietest Girl	Yvonne Davis
Most Cooperative	Viola Moses
Most Intelligent	Viola Moses
Best Disposition	Constance Thorne

STUDENT VOTE

Most Poular Boy.....	Marlin Blakely
Most Ambitious Boy	Paul Chapman
Best Looking Boy.....	Marlin Blakely
Biggest Wolf.....	Paul Chapman
Best Sports.....	Marlin Blakely
	Marvin Blakely
Quietest Boy.....	Robert Parker
Most Cooperative Boy.....	Grant Laber
Most Intelligent Boy.....	Paul Chapman
Best Dressed Boy.....	Marvin Blakely
Wittiest Boy	Robert Field
Best Personality	Marlin Blakely
Best Dancer	Marlin Blakely
Most Studios Boy	Robert Field
Least Studios Boy.....	Robert Higbee
Best Disposition.....	Robert Field
Most Likely to Succeed....	Erwin Clark
	Paul Chapman
Least Conceited	Robert Parker

FACULTY

Most Popular Boys.....	Marvin Blakely Marlin Blakely
Most Ambitious Boy.....	Paul Chapman
Best Looking Boy.....	Paul Chapman
Best Sport	Marlin Blakely
Quietest Boy	Robert Parker
Most Cooperative	Marvin Blakely Marlin Blakely
Most Intelligent	Paul Chapman
Most Likely to Succeed.....	Erwin Clark
Wittiest Boy	Robert Field
Best Disposition	Robert Higbee

CLASS WILL

We, the members of the class of 1949 of Vergennes High School of the City of Vergennes, County of Addison, State of Vermont, being of sound mind, memory, and understanding, do make, publish, and declare the following as our Last Will and Testament:

I, Muriel Helen Benedict, do devise and bequeath to Frances Poulin my extra dates. Maybe you can have a different one every night now, Frances.

I, Marlin Robert Blakely, do devise and bequeath to James Smith, my ability at basketball. Maybe you can play twice as well next year, Jim, by adding my ability to your own.

I, Marvin Donald Blakely, do devise and bequeath to any Junior boy my corner seat. It's the only place you can sit and talk without being caught.

I, Marie Rose Bodette, do devise and bequeath to Barbara Charbonneau, my ability to start an argument in American History. It comes in handy, Barb.

I, Marquerite Irene Bradley, do devise and bequeath to Lucille Collom, my ability to write notes without being caught. You seem to get it every time, Lucille.

I, Edwin Paul Chapman, do devise and bequeath to John Stebbins, my place as poorest writer in school. I know you are trying hard, Jack.

I, Erwin Arthur Clark, do devise and bequeath to Mike McGrath, my trombone so that you can blow off steam without annoying anyone, especially those in Mrs. Thurber's study hall, Mike.

I, Yvonne Lorraine Davis, do devise and bequeath to Jean Higbee, my quiet manner. It sometimes pays to be seen and not heard, Jean.

I, Barbara Ann Evans, do devise and bequeath to May Ross all the Saturday night dances. I hope you will be as faithful in attending them as I have, May.

I, Robert Stanley Field, do devise and bequeath to Clement Loohy, my car. Someone has to do the running

around, Clem, and I mean strictly in the line of duty.

I, Glenn Harlan Griffith, do devise and bequeath to Alan Mack my silly grin and blushing face. You seem so sober, Alan.

I, Robert Philip Higbee, do devise and bequeath to Alan Langeway my English book. I wonder if you will get as much out of Shakespeare and Chaucer as I did, Alan.

I, Shirley Alberta Hunt, do devise and bequeath to Norma Bodette, my job at Stephens' Pharmacy. I hope you get to know the Mayor as well as I do, Norma.

I, Janet Marjorie Husk, do devise and bequeath to Henry Sisters, my ability to write poems. I know you certainly need it, Hank.

I, Betty Eileen Jenkins, do devise and bequeath to Betty LeBeau, my basketball ability. Not that you need it so much, Betty, but I thought you might use my height.

I, Grant Stanford Laber, do devise and bequeath to William Baldwin, my title as "Casanova of the Senior Class." The only thing you have to have is a steady girl, Bill, for protection.

I, Geraldine Ruth Lawrence, do devise and bequeath to Louis Champagne my gum, so that you may get caught oftener than I did, Louis.

I, Ann Marie Milo, do devise and bequeath to Mary Charbonneau, my dress-making ability. I heard you lacked that technique, Mary.

I, Viola May Moses, do devise and bequeath to Stephany Thompson my extra A's. They do come in handy, don't they, Step.

I, Eunice Winifred Muzzy, do devise and bequeath to Doris Burroughs, my "corny jokes." They really help to liven up a study hall, Dorie.

I, Robert Field Parker, do devise and bequeath to James McNulla, my quiet way. You know, Jim, I just can't see you taking it easy.

I, Elizabeth Anne Sullivan, do devise and bequeath to my sister, Jean,

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ADVICE TO THE UNDER-GRADUATES

Since I, Marie Rose Bodette, am the most intelligent member of my class, it is my privilege to pass on a few bits of advice we have absorbed through our four years of high school.

If any of you want to know how to stay out till the wee small hours in the morning and still look wide awake next day in school, see Paul Chapman.

Would you like steady correspondence with Buckham Hall at the University of Vermont? Maybe Shirley Hunt will share hers with you.

If you want to learn efficiency and how to get along with everyone, you should see Viola Moses. She is tops in everything.

Some of the noisy Sophomores could profit by a few lessons on the "Art of Keeping Quiet" from Yvonne Davis. How do you do it, Yvonne?

Would you like to learn how to spend a full and interesting evening at home? See Ann Milo. You know, don't you, Ann?

If you would like free lessons on how to milk a cow, see Bob Parker and Bob Field. You should know, fellows?

Girls do you want to be able to ride in a fast moving car calmly? Marjorie Husk says she will be glad to explain her technique to anyone.

If you want a big smile even on the darkest of days, see Connie Thorne. She somehow always manages.

Do you have trouble getting your studying done in a short time? If so, see Muriel Benedict. She has done it for four years.

If you want to be tops in sports and liked by all your classmates, see Marlin and Marvin Blakely. They really are swell boys.

Men, do you need a house built on short notice? Bob Higbee says he can build one in no time. Right, Bob?

There has been a rumor around the Senior class that there is an excess of college and high school boys coming in from Middlebury. Any of you lonesome females who are interested are

cordially invited to see Bettie Sullivan and Barbara Evans. You would be glad to get rid of them, huh, girls?

Do you want your teachers to truly love you? Grant Laber says he has an entirely new formula.

Do you want to be a varsity basketball star? Watch the technique of our Betty Jenkins.

Eunice Muzzy has let it be known that if any of the awkward Freshman want dancing lessons, she will gladly oblige.

If you want to be slow and still go places, see Erwin Clark. How do you do it Erwin?

We hear next year there is going to be a left-behind male around Vergennes First come, first served, so please see Gerry Lawrence. How about it, Gerry.

If you would like a fresh copy of that new book **How to Ride and Influence Horses**, see Marie Bodette. She has one, hot off the press.

To be forever amazed at the wonders of the world, observe the technique of Glenn Griffith. He is always amazed.

If you need a new dress to wear in a hurry, Rita Bradley says she makes one in no time.

Seriously our four years of high school have been very happy. We are sincerely grateful for the patient help of all our teachers and to our parents for making their milestone in our lives possible. We hope that of the advice we have just given, some of it will do some good and that the next Senior class will be as happy and successful as we were.

Marie Bodette, '49

CLASS WILL

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my place as "Number 1 Red Head in High School." Some gentlemen may prefer blondes, Jean, but I'm sure you can prove different.

I, Constance Ann Thorne, do devise and bequeath to Alice Tucker my height. When there's a crowd, Alice, you never can be found.

Ann Milo, '49

SENIOR CLASS TRIP

CLASS OF '49

On Friday, February 11, at 1:30 P. M., a chartered bus, arrived at V. H. S. to take the Seniors on their long-anticipated trip to the Ice Follies at Montreal. On the way the trip was shortened by much singing, talking, and merry-making. Before we knew it, it was 5:00 o'clock and we were entering Montreal. The hotel where we were to stay was the Laurentien, a new 22-story structure on Dominion Square. This is the first post-war hotel to be built in Canada; thus it is completely fire-proof.

After being shown to our rooms, which we found so luxurious that we hated to leave them, we freshened up a bit and went out to supper.

At 7:30 the class met in the lobby to go to the Follies. Taxies were used as a means of transportation. When we arrived at the Montreal Forum, we were ushered to our box-seats by a courteous usherette. Promptly at 8:30 the overture began as the houselights dimmed, and preparations were made for the first feature of the show. The main features were: "Fountain of Versailles," "All Aboard for Candyland," "California Centennial," "Aladin's Lamp," "Coney Island," "Mardi Gras at New Orleans," and "Aero Dynamics." To us the Follies were nothing less than colossal. One could not help thinking how much work had gone into the production of the show as a whole, and also the technique of each individual skater. Many things contributed to the perfection which was manifested; one was the precision timing, also the elaborate costumes and the many different lighting effects.

Especially effective were the Contiglo costumes used in the "Mardi Gras" which created a multi-colored effect, with no lighting whatsoever. The grand finale "Aero Dynamics," starred 32 Ice Folliettes and the entire company which consists of a total of 86 persons.

After the Follies we went out to eat and everyone was in at 12:00, the des-

ignated time. We will not disclose the exact hours of retiring, but everyone was up surprisingly early Saturday morning. We had breakfast, went shopping, ate lunch and then many of us went on a sight-seeing tour which took in the Wax Works, Notre Dame Cathedral and St. Joseph's Shrine.

At 4:00 P. M., a tired, but happy group reluctantly piled onto the bus and once more headed homeward. Everyone had a grand time and there was also much to be gotten out of the trip from an educational and cultural standpoint.

We arrived in Vergennes at 8:00, more tired, but with the thoughts of many fond memories in our minds.

Grant Laber

Constance Thorne

THE SENIOR PLAY

The annual Senior Play took place on November 9, 1943, at the Vergennes City Hall. It proved to be a tremendous success due to the superb talent of the Seniors. Under the direction of Mrs. Harris Thurber it was said to have been the best play ever presented by a high school class.

The play was a comedy in three acts by Jay Tobias called "A Ready Made Family." The story centers around the sophisticated Mrs. Agnes Martyn, played by Bettie Sullivan, and her three children and the aristocratic Henry Turner, played by Grant Laber, and his two children. Mrs. Martyn met Mr. Turner at the sea shore, they fell in love and were married, unbeknown to their children. The couple return home and immediately the children start planning ways and means to break up the couple. Mrs. Martyn's children were Marilee, played by Rita Bradley, who succeeded in infuriating Mr. Turner with her baby talk; Bob, played by Erwin Clark, whose epileptic fits put Mr. Turner in a dither; and Gracie, played by Ann Milo, who stole the show by acting the diabolical part of a typical brat.

Mr. Turner's children were Doris, played by Barbara Evans, who drove Mrs. Martyn into a nervous frenzy by constantly talking about her operation and Sammie, played by Paul Chapman, who put on a good act of a kleptomaniac. The eccentric Aunt Lydia was played by Viola Moses and she objected to the marriage because Mrs. Martyn was once married to her brother Horatio ten years ago, and she thought that Agnes should remain true to her husband's memory.

In the final outcome the children confessed that they were selfish and decided to accept their new parents and become one big happy family. The humor of the play centered around Marie Bodette and Bob Field who played the parts of two colored servants. Marie was Begonia Washing and Bob was Nicodemus Pippis.

All in all the success of the play is due chiefly to the cooperation of the class members who took part in preparing the scenery, make up and the stage furnishings donated by Goodheart's Furniture Store. Our appreciation is also extended to Miss Laura DeMeritt as make up artist; Mrs. Nelson as prompter and Miss Jean Howland who assisted in directing.

CLASS POEM

The past four years have been only too kind
 To this dear class of forty-nine.
 As we stand at the gate between future
 and past,
 We remember joys that forever will
 last.
 Remembering the past, both gladness
 and strife,
 Whose lessons will guide up in our fu-
 ture life.
 We welcome the future, as yet quite un-
 certain,
 Where we will dwell till death draws
 its curtain.

Marjorie Husk, '49

TO THE CLASS OF 1949

Since this is a time of saying farewells for me as well as for you, perhaps our emotions are somewhat similar as the school year draws to a close. Certainly, we all dread the thought of parting with those whose friendship has meant so much to us at V.H.S. There is a sadness, too, in the memory of good times shared — Friday night games, gala proms, music festivals, class trips, senior play rehearsals and all the other things which have added variety and happiness to these years. Even the old school building (though we've cursed it often) arouses a feeling of nostalgia, but we are glad to know that a better one is coming.

However, this June is a beginning, not an ending; for each experience in life sends us onward more fully equipped to deal with the future. Your graduation is in no sense a release, nor does it probably mean that you will enjoy a more carefree existence as parental bonds are loosened. Like Hawthorne's Hepzibah and Clifford, you will find that the only true jailer is one's own mind. Thus, we may enslave ourselves to ignorance, to bad habits, to prejudice or to evil influences unless we are constantly alert. Your high school education should aid you in recognizing these dangers, and we hope that school, together with the influences of church and home, has succeeded in fostering a sincere desire in you to resist them.

In another sense, we find that self-imposed restrictions are far less lenient than the indulgent commands of parents. Certainly this is true in the matter of assuming responsibilities for, as some of you have already started to learn, a responsibility once assumed by an intelligent, honest person carries with it the solemn obligation of fulfillment. This feeling of duty to fulfill need not be unpleasant and only becomes so if one tries to free himself from it. As with most abilities worth having, one becomes more proficient with practice, and soon we welcome

responsibility and enjoy taking our share of it in the home and in the community. That is maturity and true freedom.

In closing, may I congratulate you upon having procured for yourselves part of the equipment which is essential to living a full, happy, and meaningful life. Whatever the cost of obtaining a high school education has been to each of you, I feel sure that none of you will ever spend time, energy, or money to a better purpose. My thoughts will be with you often in the years ahead, and I sincerely hope and believe that your experiences and associations at V.H.S. may help to bring to each of you the realization of your own personal definition of success.

Betsy K. Thurber

I AM AN AMERICAN

I am an American, a simple thought which is taken for granted by many people each day, but do we ever really stop to think exactly what this means? Is an American black, white, Jewish, Roman Catholic, Protestant, or all of these? Is an American a race, a religion or a particular color? By actual definition, an American is a person who lives in America. We lucky individuals who live in this land of opportunity have many rights and privileges. We are endowed at birth with equal rights, which means that every one regardless of race, color or creed, regardless of whether he is rich or poor, crippled or feeble-minded. He is entitled to the same essential rights as any man as long as he does not infringe upon the rights of others. There is no need to go into these rights, because everyone knows the four freedoms, the Bill of Rights and most of all, the "inalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

It does sound ideal, does it not? But there is one trouble with all these wonderful opportunities, everyone in America is not privileged to enjoy them. Probably half of the people have a prejudice of some kind. Just to give you

an idea of how terrible this prejudice can be, can you imagine this incident, reported on the radio this evening. A negro woman is going to have a baby and she and her husband like any other normal couple are making plans for the baby's future. The time comes when the woman must go to the hospital, when out of nowhere a terrible complication strikes, a caesarian operation is necessary and a specialist to perform it. The husband phones frantically for a hospital, but, do you think a white hospital will accept a Negro mother? No! It will not, narrowness of mind, stupid, ugly prejudice stands in the way, a life might be saved but, no. The mother is the same as any other other except that she is black, yet she is branded as though she had some contagious disease. Finally a Negro hospital is located in a town seventy-eight miles away. The husband feverishly drives as fast as he dares, but it is too late. The mother and baby die upon the operating table. This man will be embittered all of his life toward the white race. Do you blame him? I don't. I am sincerely ashamed of my color if this is an example of the humanity shown by white people.

It is the same with Jews, Roman Catholics, Italians and Polish people. You hear people taunt them with: "Dirty kike," "look at the little Catholic going to church like a sissy," or "see the dirty wop." Is this America, the land of opportunity and freedom from want, worry, fear and prejudice? If you are one of these people, you are a disgrace and a discredit to your nation. Remember that God made us all, and intended us to live or he would never have placed us upon this earth. Let us truly strive to understand people who are a different color, a different nationality, or different religion from us. Let us give them a fair chance. Remember, it doesn't matter if you are as rich as Rockefeller or poor as Job. "From dust thou art and to dust thou shalt return." We were all created by the same God and we are all equal in

His sight. They too are Americans, they too have a right to everything this bounteous land has to offer. If you truly try to do this you will succeed. Perhaps someday we may reach a goal when we all will be able to say with a clear conscience, "I AM AN AMERICAN."

Marie Bodette, '49

LIFE'S LITTLE INSPIRATIONS

Baby sitting can be fun, but when it is over and the babies are lying asleep and you are lying, it is an excellent chance to get an inspiration; especially if you hear a knocking at the window that makes you so scared that you do not dare turn over in bed or breath through your nose.

Lying there took me back to a night several years ago that I shall not forget in a hurry. This particular night is horrible to remember, but it is also humorous to think that nothing bad actually happened. There I was lying asleep when suddenly I woke up. On waking I decided to smooth out a wrinkle in the sheet — sorry, it was my sister's arm. I proceeded to stretch my arms and upon reaching out my hand, I grasped a man's hand!

It was then that I opened my eyes to see the figure of a man silhouetted against the light from the window. After shaking hands for several minutes, I decided I must be meeting a blind date. I nudged my sister until she came to her senses — after she had lent me a couple of kicks that set my calves to bawling. Together we let out some yelps that should have wakened Father, but by this time he, the man, was under the bed. The springs began to resound as he bumped his head. My sister thought then it must be a dog and suggested throwing a shoe. I said no, that he might have a gun. Dogs do not usually carry guns, but this sure was a tall dog according to my measurements. The door was ajar and he succeeded in bumping his head on that for which I cheered si-

lently. He made his way to the window at the end of the hall and escaped by way of the porch roof. But this time Father had made his way to the bottom of the stairs. Pop always slept down stairs in case of burglars.

Incidentally the inspiration for this story was so great that I was tempted to get up and write it when it first came to my mind, but that quaint knocking at the window kept me well under the covers.

Marjorie Husk, '49

HIGH SCHOOL — HOW IT PREPARES YOUTH FOR LIFE

Everyone knows that one express purpose of going to school is to learn many facts so that when specific questions are hurled at a student he will know the right answers. If this were the only result, high school would be very unpurposeful, and to say the least would have accomplished little toward developing stability of character and emotional maturity in a young person. In reality the acquiring of knowledge is only a fraction of what is to be gained by attending a secondary school for four years. I shall attempt to enumerate a few of the psychological and social advantages of the present day high school.

In a high school such as ours, where there is a comparatively small student body, no individual should lack an opportunity for self-expression. Everyone should be able to take part in some of the many extra-curricular activities. Many of the students, being very versatile, are active in many things. It seems to me that each activity goes to develop a different quality in one's character, the major and most basic one being the art of cooperation and getting along with your fellow associates. If one is to be an asset to the band, orchestra, drill team, or basketball team, he must cooperate perfectly and in ev-

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EUNICE M.



DORIS B.



DORIS + BILLY.



JIM + BOB



LOUIE + COLLEEN



Betty + Johnnie



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ery case do his part to the best of his ability.

It is good experience for one to be a member and eventually an officer on the School Patrol. It is equally beneficial to be an officer and a leader in your class. In both instances one learns to assume responsibility and feel some of the thrill of self-assurance and prestige which goes with these positions.

By participating in various concerts, operettas, minstrels, plays, etc., a student is able to develop poise and stage presence to a certain extent. Many high schools offer dramatics as an extra-curricular activity and I believe that VHS would do well to organize a dramatic club.

A club of this type does much toward developing poise and self-assurance in a person. If someone else calls attention to one's enunciation and voice inflection, he will think more about improving it himself. By endeavoring to apply to everyday conversation, the English grammar one learns, one will discover after he gets out in the world that an important problem, common to everyone, is already solved. All these things come to light later in that personal interview, and depending on the nature of the job you are applying for, any one of these attributes might spell the difference between being accepted or rejected. A prospective employer takes all these into consideration, as well as whether or not your hair is combed and your shoes are shined.

If a person spends the middle years of his teens in high school, he will have more broadening experiences than his classmate who dropped out in the freshman year. He has an equal chance with all the others of being chosen to go to the All State Music Festival, or even the greater distinction of going to Boys' State or Girls' State. Every senior girl is a candidate for the Good Citizenship Award; a higher honor may not be shown to any member of

the class. He will have the opportunity of going on a class trip and finding his way around in a metropolitan area. He will have the experience of visiting the legislature, state institutions, etc. As well as losing out on the instruction which he would have got from his teachers, he is also missing a lot of personal help and guidance which they are capable of giving us. Our teachers are our superiors and of a higher calibre than the average laymen; therefore, we should be grateful for, and heed the advice which they can give us from previous experience.

These are all major factors in the development of a young adult. These advantages of experience and environment all go toward moulding a well-rounded individual. How much broader will be his outlook on life because of the great blend of experience which he has had over this four-year period!

Grant S. Laber, Class of '49.

BEAUTY

Beauty is a wonderful thing,
Whether it be physical or in the mind
And souls of ones you love so dear.
It is the changing of night into day,
Of boats skimming over the rolling
waves,
Of winter changing into warm days of
spring
But most of all, it is the things
Which are dearest to your hearts and
souls.

Marguerite Bradley, '49

EXCHANGE

***Excellent **Good *Fair

The Oriole, Highgate High School**

We received your Christmas issue, and we think your literary section is very well done. We especially enjoyed your sports and jokes section. We hope to receive many more of your school magazines.

Searchlight, Richford High School***

We think your magazine was very well put together. Your short story

contest was the first we have ever seen in any high school magazine. You had a very good editorial section. We hope to exchange many more copies of your magazine with ours.

Scribbles, Rochester High School**

Your art is excellent, but your stenciling needs to be improved. We enjoyed your literary as well as your jokes. We are looking forward to seeing copies of future editions.

Newsy Bits, South Royalton High School***

We liked the way your magazine is put together, and it is very well edited. The sections were not well grouped. We hope your future editions will reach us.

Sentinel, Spaulding High School**

We like your school paper, but we wish you would have a joke and literary section. We would like to see more school events and less world events. We would like to receive more of your school papers.

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

Your paper was very well printed, and we liked the way you presented your features. We hope to exchange more copies of your paper in the future.

We would like to receive school papers from the following schools, whom we have not heard from as yet this semester:

Middlebury High School
Richmond High School
Poultney High School
Randolph High School
Bristol High School
Shelburne High School
Waterbury High School
Brattleboro High School
Wilmington High School
Essex Junction High School
Northfield High School

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The opening event of this year was the long anticipated Initiation. This year, however, instead of the usual clowning there was a party given at night for the frosh with the Seniors as hosts. Entertainment was provided by the freshmen in the form of a talent show. This makes the freshman officially members of the high school.

Following the initiation the annual magazine campaign got under way. Class managers were as follows: Seniors, Grant Laber; Juniors, Doris Burroughs and Mike Mallow; Sophomores Helen Field and Roger Gibeault; Freshmen, Richard Sorrell and Sally Bristol, 8th grade, Jean Sullivan; 7th grade, Freddie Hoose and Patty Jaquith. Manager in charge of the drive was Biagio Palermo, co-managers were Ann Milo and Viola Moses. This year more magazines were sold than ever before. Sales reached a new high with \$1,040.45 as the total amount sold. The highest student salesman was Alan Russett who sold \$105.50 worth, and Jean Higbee, who was 2nd highest, sold \$49.00 worth.

Different classes elected their class officers who are as follows: Seniors—Grant Laber, President; Marjorie Husk Vice President; Barbara Evans, Secretary; Erwin Clark, Treasurer. Juniors—Vincent Mallow, President; Henry Sisters, Vice President; Stephany Thompson, Secretary; Alan Langeway, Treasurer. Sophomores—James McNulla, President; Vice President, Jack Stebbins; Secretary, Helen Field; Treasurer, Gwendolyn McGrath. Freshman—John Stephens, President; Alice Tucker, Vice President; Marguerite Lawrence, Secretary; Robert Stebbins, Treasurer.

The high school has enjoyed during the course of the year a series of instructive assemblies. Sept. 21, the first one was an entertainment given by Donald Scot-Morrison who played on a harpsicord and gave excellent im-

personations of eminent musicians. The second one given by Norman Webster on Oct. 18 was entitled "So You Don't Like Poetry," it proved most interesting to all. George Gilbert Groman frequently known as the "Diplomat of Dialects," gave an illustrated talk on dialects and accents. This took place on Nov. 15. Our last speaker, Victor Griffin, on April 29 gave us a "birds-eye" view on "Romantic Morocco."

October 28, Ernest Johnson, noted Negro tenor entertained the high school. He was accompanied by Mrs. Robert Galipeau at the piano. The high school joined in on the choruses of many of his songs.

Twenty-five students from Mrs. Thurber's Junior and Senior English classes traveled to Middlebury to see the Margaret Webster production of Macbeth. The play was very well done and the students were enthusiastic in their praise of it.

The 1948-49 cheerleading squads for the boys and girls' basketball teams were: Stephany Thompson, May Ross and Norma Bodette, Senior squad; Shirl Hamilton, Jean Sullivan, and Shelia Clark, Junior squad.

Early in Nov., the 25th to be exact, the Class of 1949 gave the annual Senior play. The name of it was "A Ready Made Family," a farce in 3 acts by Jay Tobias. It proved to be a huge success and highly amusing. Mrs. Thurber and Miss Howland were co-directors.

The Christmas issue of the Blue and White went to press the week of Dec. 16, all high school classes participated in the making, with pupils from the typing classes volunteering to do the stenciling. It was composed entirely by the student body with Mrs. Thurber and Mrs. Berry advising.

Dr. Lange of the University of Vermont was at the high school. Tuesday, Jan. 5, and gave aptitude tests to the Juniors and Seniors. As yet, the results have not been figured.

The Drill Team made its first public

appearance this year at the Vergennes-Middlebury game. January 28th.

The Boys' Basketball team was nosed out of first place this year by the fast playing Bristol quintette. The VHS girls also got runner up cup, when in a hard playing game they lost by one point to the Bristol sextette in the deciding game for first place. It was an all round disappointment for those concerned.

On Friday, February 11 a chartered bus arrived at VHS to take the Seniors on their long anticipated trip to the Ice Follies at Montreal. During the day and a half they were there they stayed at the Laurentien, a modern 22-story structure. At 7:30 Friday night them class met in the lobby to go to the follies, where they had box seats. On Saturday afternoon many of the Seniors went on a sight seeing tour of the wax works museum. The class left for home that afternoon at 4:00 p. m. It was a trip that will always live in the memories of the Class of '49.

This year in an effort to make more money for their class treasury, the Senior Class had a milk and apple concession in the hallway, every recess. Without this fund their trip would have been impossible.

The Vergennes Band has finally gotten underway, they have played for several PTA meetings. Until their uniforms come they will wear the Patrol capes and caps. Everyone agrees that they are a great success. An added attraction this year are the drum major and majorettes. They are: Grant Laber, Drum Major; Bettie Sullivan, Barbara Evans, Carolyn Cowles, Marguerite Robinson, Sally Bristol and Alma Danyow, Majorettes. The officers chosen for the band are: President, Dennis Sullivan, Secretary; Mary Charbonneau Librarian, Alan Langeway; Mgr., James McNulla; Press Agent, Norma Bodette. This year also was their first year at the Burlington Music Festival.

Good Citizenship Girl for the Class of '49 was Viola Moses, who was also

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ORCHESTRA

Back row, left to right—William Baldwin, James McNulla, Erwin Clark, Alan Langevin, Vincent Mallow, Bernard Dike. Second row, left to right—Cloy Mallow, Helen Hawkins, Muriel Bendict, Alma Danyow, Dorothy Jaquith, Mary Charbonneau, Doris Burroughs, Norma Bodette, Helen Looby.

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chosen State Good Citizenship Girl. Class honors were: Valedictorian, Viola Moses; Salutatorian, Paul Chapman, and third place, Yvonne Davis.

On March 17th Vantine Studios from Boston took the Senior individual pictures. Different group pictures were taken among them, those of the Drill Team, Band and Basketball team.

The Fish and Game Club are now sponsoring a girls' and boys' rifle club with Mr. Hoose in charge. The object of this project is to teach more people the correct use of firearms.

The week of April 3, Hugh Clark, a Senior at Yale took charge of the Civics, American History, Business Law, and 7th grade Geography classes.

The All State Music Festival was held in Burlington this year on May 5-6-7. The high school choruses and orchestra accompanied by Mrs. Galipeau performed in the auditorium on May 7th. There was a large representation from Vergennes in the annual parade. The pupils chosen to sing in the All State Chorus were: Ann Milo, Bettie Sullivan, Stephany Thompson, Norma Bodette, Marvin Blakely, Marlin Blakely, Erwin Clark, Glenn Griffith. Pupils, playing in the All State Orchestra were: Dorothy Jaquith, flute Alma Danyow, violin; Helen Hawkins, violin; and Bernard Dike for the All State Band.

On April 28th the American History Class took an educational and interesting trip to the State institutions of Brandon and Waterbury. They had the advantage of making a complete tour of both institutions and learning how Vermont State institutions are run and supervised.

The field days for the patrol this year were held in May, at Rutland and Essex Junction. Officer Cadet has also shown a colored film taken of the drill team in action last spring at Belows Falls.

The Junior Prom was held on June

3rd, with the Class of '50 as sponsors. The interior of the gym was decorated in green and white with the Storm of Colors again predominating the color scheme. The programs were done in Gray and Green, the colors of the Senior Class. The music was furnished by "The Ambassadors" from Barre. The reception lasted from 8:30 to 9:00, dancing began at 9:00 and lasted until 1:00. Chaperones were: Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Moulton, Mr. and Mrs. James Berry, Mr. and Mrs. Biagio Palermo, Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Norton, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ripchik, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bristol.

Commencement Week opened with Baccalaureate on June 12. This was followed by Class Day and Graduation exercises taking place on June 16.

This completes the school years of 1948-49. I think that everyone will agree that it has been busy, yet enjoyable one for all of us, and one we will not soon forget.

Barbara Evans, Class of '49

A POEM

I've chewed my fingers to the bone,
My pen is running dry.
But still an inspiration I've not had,
No matter how I try.

I'm supposed to write a poem today
Twelve lines long, at least
But I'll be darned if I can think,
My grains good work, has ceased.

I wracked my brains all last night,
Again all day today,
The people round me have gone mad
I sent them, I dare say!

I've bothered them for paper
I've bothered them for ink
I'd like to bother someone
Who, unlike me can think!

Marvin Blakely, '49

LATIN

Judicium Audax

Caesar tum legatos, atque centuriones convocavit et eis nuntiavit.

"In pristino tempore Ariovistus id lucidum fecit ut amicitiam Romani populi vellet, inquit," Certus sum ut cum meam integritatem acceperit, nec meam amicitiam nec amicitiam Romani populi rejicebit.

Sed si tam stultus esset quam nos oppugnare, cur timetis? Tuum virtutem et meum ductum non credere postestis? Germani a Romanis saepe superabantur.

Mox multitudo servorum, cum Romanis armis et Romanis disciplinis, Romanum exercitum spectare non poterant. Etiam Helvetii Germanos praeterita superaverunt; tam Helvetii Germanos praeterita superaverunt; tam Helvetii pares nostro exercitu non erant. Recens exitus Germanorum nobis ullam angor efficere non debent. Multos menses Ariovistus Gallos vivit. Tum oppugnavit cum proelium non expectarent. Igitur eius victoria plus e arte belli gerendi quam e virtute consecuta est.

Francis Hoose, '51

Caesar Et Helvetii

Gallia in partes tres dividitur, ab Belga, Aquitania, Celtica, Helvetii, gens Celticae, ducem Orgetorigem, nomine, habebant. Suas terras relinquere volunt.

Post duos annos praeparationem Orgetorix deiciebatur et arbitrantur eum sibi mortem conscivisse.

Helvetii auxilium ab Haeduis rogaverunt. Jam Caesar novas legiones conducebat et post multum provocationem juvandi causa ad Helvetios procedebat.

Multis bellis pugnatis a Caesare, satis magna pabuli suppetebat. Haeduis dixit se juturum esse eos si frumentum ferrent.

Caesar multos bellos cum Helvetiis

pugnabat. In praeparatione ante ultimum bellum omnes suos equos remisit ut omnes homines aequatic essent. Helvetii scuta portabant quae ab hastis Romanis transfixa sunt.

Helvetii breve tempore tradiderunt. Omnes obsides reddendi erant et nulla bella plura adducenda sunt.

Sidney Barnard, '51

Caesar, Dictator

Magna Commotio Romae excitebatur, quod Caesar magnas victorias in Gallia obtinuerat. Magnus heros erat. Sed cum in vulga gratus esset, tamen res publica non propitia ei erat. Crassus erat mortuus et Pompeius ab hostibus Caesaris adductus erat. Duos plures annos esse consul voluit et prior cum Pompeio et Caesare cogitatum erat ut id facere potesset et tamen provinciam non relinquerent. Sed Crassus et Pompeius adducti erant et hostes Caesaris eum prohibere e id faciendo constituerunt.

Tandem ab Bruto, Cassio, et aliis veteribus amicis, necatus est.

Allan Russett, '51

Caesar

Caesar est notus pro suo principato et proeliis cum aliis gentibus. Juvenis, delectationem in republica in vita habuerat et in hac progredi laborabat. Legatus provinciae Galliae electus est. Casum facere se notum a pugnando pro Gallia videbat. Exercitum condidit et profectus est. Gentes multos vicit et tandem erat consul Romae.

James Hanna, '51

Equi Diomedis

Octavus labor Herculis erat ducere ex Thrace equos Diomedis. Hi equi cibum carnis humani dabantur. Eorum victimi erant hospites qui in regione recto ab Diomede inventi erant. Her-

cules postulavit ut equi ei darentur et cum ejus postulatio recusabatur, possessorum occidit et ejus corpus equis ad edendum jacebat. Propter haec facta regnum in loco Diomedis ei offerebatur sed recusabat et capiens equos cum suo, Greeciam redebat.

Geraldine Lawrence, '49

Hercules

Hercules, nobilis vir, erat filius Jovis et Alcemenae. Aemula, Juno Herculem delere judicabat et cum solum octo menses esset, duas serpentes ad eas cunabulas misit. Has strangulavit.

Mox post suum matrimonium, regina caeli eum cum insanio contristavit, quae eum suos tres liberos interficere ducebat. Satisfactione, duodecim annos Eurytheum, qui ei duodecim desperatos facinoros jubebat, merare concinebat.

Helen Field, '51

Regnum Mortui

Hades regnum mortui, sub terra erat. In eorum itinere ad Hades spiriti mortui a Mercurio ducebantur.

Primus ad flumen Styx veniebant et

id in navicula transiebant. Styxo transito, spiriti ad flumen Lethe veniebant. Ex hoc flumine bibebant et statim omnia ex eorum memoria accesserunt.

Secundus, ad regiam Plutonis veniebant, Pluto rex Hades erat, filius Jupiteris et Ceris.

Prope solium Plutonis et Proserpinae, tres judices mortui, spiritos attribuebant. Boni domum in "Elysian Fields" dabantur, terra vitae beatae, dum mali ad Tartarum ut poenam sustinerent mittebantur.

Florence Poulin, '51

De Capiendo Erymanthian Verrem

Capere Erymanthian Verrem erat Herculis quattuor labor. Verres ferus incolas regionis prope Erymanthos montes terrebant. Hercule regem reddidit. Dum in sua itinere capere verrem in terram Pholi dolium vini erat. Cum Pholus noluit, Hercules proculum vini interficere conati sunt. Hercules centaures superavit, Interim, suum mortem in breve tempore effecit. Hercules amico sepultuam dedit, tum quieti se daret.

Grace Hawkins, '51

FRENCH

LES SAISONS

J'aime le printemps le meilleur des saisons. Le printemps commence mal, mais il finit bien. L'hiver est fini.

L'été est la meilleure saison pour s'amuser. On peut monter à cheval, nager, jouer au tennis ou conduire un bateau à voiles.

Certainement l'automne est la plus belle saison de l'année. La campagne devient un beau jardin de beaucoup de couleurs.

Il fait plus froid en hiver qu'en les autres saisons mais il y a beaucoup de sports, par exemple, on peut patiner ou faire du ski.

Chaque saison nous donne un sport

différent et une beauté différente que tout le monde peut apprécier.

James McNulla

MON AMIE

Ma meilleure amie est jolie et très aimable. Elle a seize ans. Elle a les cheveux bruns et les yeux bleus. Elle est étudiante. Elle aime danser, aller au cinéma, monter à cheval, faire du ski, et jouer au basketball. Tout le monde l'aime parce qu'elle est très agréable et drôle. Elle est très diligente. Elle travaille après l'école et dans l'été.

Nous avons les amies depuis longtemps et j'espère être son amie toujours.

Norma Bodette



DRILL TEAM

Back row, left to right—Alan Langevin, John Stebbins, Donald Bradley, James McNulla, James Hanna, Grant Laber, William Baldwin, William Roberts, Vincent Mallow, John Stephens, Robert Stebbins. Second row, left to right—Mr. Galipeau, Stephany Thompson, Mary Charbonneau, Lucy Case, Betty Jenkins, Constance Thorne, Dorothy Jaquith, Doris Burroughs, Shirley Hunt, Norma Bodette, Helen Looby, Betty LeBeau, Marie Bodette. Front row, left to right—Ann Milo, Barbara Evans, Elizabeth Sullivan, Lucille Cunningham, Marlin Blakely, Viola Moses, Joanne Charbonneau, Sally Bristol, Cloy Mallow, Alice Tucker.

PATROL REPORT

Last September we organized both the patrol shifts and the drill team. Four of the shifts were made up of high school students and led by Junior and Senior officers. The two shifts, which go out during school time, were taken over by six grade students under high school officers. The junior high school students took over these two shifts early this spring as it was felt that the six graders were losing too much time. This gave them a better understanding of what the patrol is, how it operates, and something to look forward to when they get up stairs.

The drill team, under the able direction of our faculty supervisor, Mr. Galipeau, was organized and started its weekly practices. These practices were usually held on Wednesday's during school but occasionally one could see them hard at work in the gym mornings before school.

So many students turned out for the drill team, that we had to have two groups, the regular drill team and the junior drill team. The regular team was made up of boys and girls who had marched before and who just needed a little brushing up, while the junior drill team was for beginners only. Having a separate group for beginners has made a lot of students interested in it and will also help to make the future drill teams much better.

During the winter, as for the past several years, we put on an exhibition at various basketball games. This was done at usually the most important games and was an added attraction that was looked forward to by both the drill team members and the townspeople.

The drill team was one of the main features at one of the PTA meetings held in the early spring. There are several other occasions at which the drill team takes part in. Such as the Memorial Day Exercises.

This year we were asked to put on an exhibition at the Southern Vermont Patrol Field Day, which was May 14 and was held in Rutland.

We also went to the Northern Vermont Patrol Field Day which was held in Essex Junction on May 21.

We feel that this has been a very good year for both the Patrol and the drill team. This was due to the co-operation of the members and the leaders.

PROMOTIONS FOR SENIORS

Major	1st Lieutenants
Viola Moses	Marvin Blakely
	Marlin Blakely
Captains	Grant Laber
Barbara Evans	Bettie Sullivan
Constance Thorne	Betty Jenkins
Shirley Hunt	2nd Lieutenants
Ann Milo	Marguerite Bradley
Marie Bodette	Geraldine Lawrence

IMMEDIATE PROMOTIONS (April)

Sergeants to Lieutenants	Joyce Tracy
Norma Bodette	James Hanna
Stephany Thompson	Robert Stebbins
William Roberts	Helen Fields
Mary Charbonneau	John Stephens
Ramona Danyow	Privates to Pfc.
Jean Higbee	Joan Peabody
	Lorraine Andrews
Corporals to Sergeants	Joyce Larrow
Geraldine Laurence	Lucille Collom
	DeLisle Flynn
	Rita Charlebois
	Marilla Place
PFC. to Corporals	Juliet Burroughs
Marion Moorby	Colleen Bargfrede
Donald Bradley	Raymond Bodette
Dorothy Jaquith	Lucy Case
Alma Danyow	Joanne Charbonneau

JUNE PROMOTIONS

Captain	1st. Lieutenants
Allan Langeway	Norma Bodette
Drill Master	Stephany Thompson
James McNulla	William Roberts
	Mary Charbonneau
Asst. Drill Master	Ramona Danyow
John Stebbins	Jean Higbee

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BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM

Back row, left to right—Coach, Mr. Palermo, James McNulla, William Roberts, James Hanna, Vincent Mallow, John Stephens, Manager, Bernard Dike. Front row, left to right—Marvin Blake-ly, Marlin Blakely, James Smith, Alan Mack, Albert Roberts.

BOYS' SPORTS**BASKETBALL**

Well, friends, here we are again arriving at the final issue of the Blue and White, the best book of its kind, and of course it is time for another round up of the boys' sports.

Most of you readers will remember the final game of the basketball season with Bristol. It was a close game all the way, with the lead changing hands several times during the game. The score by quarters was as follows: the first quarter was Vergennes' by quite a large margin, 10-3; at half time it was Bristol 18-4, the third quarter found Bristol still in the lead 24-21, and at the final gun it was still Bristol 32-30.

Although we lost that game, you must give much credit to the boys who played. Marlin Blakely was forced out by a broken nose which he received through an accident. This meant changing the team around some and putting in a Freshman who, without a doubt played to the best of his ability, but lacked in experience. Jim Smith led the way in scoring with 18 points, while the rest tried hard, but just couldn't seem to hit the hoop. For Bristol Bud Aldrich led with 10, followed closely by LaDeau and Farr with 7 each.

So much for the playoff game. Now I would like to give you the names of the boys and the positions they played and the points they scored for the year, but first a brief view of who is leaving this year and who isn't. I am sure the coach will miss the Blakely boys who have played brilliant ball this past season. These boys have been playing with the team for five years now and it will seem queer not to see them out there with the rest next year. The rest of the team will all be back for another season at least.

Name	Position	Points
Jim Smith	RF	308
Marlin Blakely	LF	253
Alan Mack	C	70
Marvin Blakely	RG	37
Al Robrts	LG	64

Second Team

Tarte	RF	60
Sorrell	LF	23
Champagne	RF	13
McNulla	C	40
Panton	RG	2
Brigan	LF	2
Bill Roberts	LF	2
Stephens	LG	7
Sisters	C	5

That is all in the scoring column. You will probably notice that some of the boys didn't do too much scoring. I think that this was maybe because they didn't have more chance to play. This coming year, however, I am sure there will be more action for these boys who are on the second team now. We certainly wish you the best of luck in the coming season.

This year there was something new in the line of basketball at Vergennes High. The 7th and 8th grade boys, who usually have a team and play one or two games, were entered into a tournament in Middlebury. This time Vergennes came out on top of the Bristol team. In the course of three weeks Vergennes went by Middlebury, Whiting and Bristol to take the trophy and championship of Addison County. If anyone should happen to see a strange trophy in the trophy cabinet they will know that it is the one that these boys won.

Coach Palermo says:

As for the Boys' squad, the twins will be the only two missing next year. These boys have been workers from their Freshman year, when Marlin (Cooney) and Marvin (Fats) were playing guard position. During their Sophomore year they were separated and Marlin took the forward court while Marvin held down the usual

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GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM

Back row, left to right—Coach Palermo, Sally Bristol, Lucille Cunningham, Muriel Benedict, Alice Tucker, Manager, Cloy Mallow. Second row, left to right—Elizabeth Sullivan, Barbara Evans, Betty Jenkins, Mary Charbonneau, Betty LeBeau, Helen Looby.

GIRLS' SPORTS

Vergennes should be very proud of the girls' basketball team for winning second place in the Champlain Valley League, although again this year we had to play bridesmaids to the Bristol brides.

A great loss to the Club was Jean Myers, who was an outstanding ball player in the state, and captained the 47-48 team.

This year we will lose three of our most valuable players, namely: Captain Betty Jenkins, Barbara Evans and Bettie Sullivan. Although we lose these girls we will have two very valuable forwards back: Mary Charbonneau, a junior and Helen Looby, a freshman. Both girls did an excellent job this year in finding the hoop. Sally Bristol will also return to the backcourt. Perhaps the most valuable and outstanding ball player was Betty LeBeau who plays excellent ball both in the forecourt, and in the backcourt. High scorer of the year was Helen Looby who tallied 170 points, followed by Mary Charbonneau with 115, Bettie Sullivan 90, Betty LeBeau with 89, and Lucille Cunningham with 20. We won eight games out of the fourteen that were scheduled.

Other members of the team who saw considerable action were: Muriel Benedict, Lucille Cunningham, Alice Tucker and Joan Peabody.

Perhaps the best game the girls played was the game with Bristol, at home. Barbara Evans, Captain Betty Jenkins and Sally Bristol, as guards did an excellent job, and held down the opponents to a 17-23 score. The team also felt the absence of Bettie Sullivan on that night.

This year's line up follows:

1st string—

Captain Betty Jenkins—cg
Betty LeBeau—lg
Barbara Evans—rg
Bettie Sullivan—cf
Mary Charbonneau—lf
Helen Looby—rf

2nd string—

Lucy Cunningham....lf
Muriel Benedict—cg
Alice Tucker—lg
Sally Bristol—lg
Joan Peabody—rg

Here is a list of our games and scores as recorded in the score book.

Vergennes	29	St. Mary's	26
Vergennes	50	Hinesburg	23
Vergennes	47	St. Mary's	27
Vergennes	31	Bristol	32
Vergennes	28	Burlington	43
Vergennes	43	Hinesburg	22
Vergennes	40	Shelburne	20
Vergennes	31	Burlington	54
Vergennes	14	Middlebury	30
Vergennes	30	Jericho	25
Vergennes	17	Bristol	23
Vergennes	20	Middlebury	37
Vergennes	35	Shelburne	30
Vergennes	25	Jericho	9
440		401	

Betty Jenkins, '49

GIRLS' SPORTS

A few words from Coach Palermo:

With another basketball season behind us, the students of Vergennes High along with myself can look forward to the next year. Of course, there are those who by graduation will no longer be wearing their particular number.

I, speak of the girls' squad in particular, which will lose Captain Betty Jenkins, Barbara Evans, Betty Sullivan and Muriel Benedict. These girls deserve a heap of credit for the majority of wins this past season, and their loss will be greatly felt next year I'm sure.

It was great working with you girls and lots of luck.

Coach Biagio Palermo



BAND

Back row, left to right—Erwin Clark, Dennis Sullivan, James McNulla, Alan Mack, James Hanna, William Roberts, Bernard Dike, Robert Mitchell, Frederick Hoose. Second row, left to right—Mike McGrath, Arthur Norton, Norma Bodette, Clement Looby, Mr. Andrews, Robert Stebins, Mr. Berry, Rachel Bristol, Helen Looby, Cloy Mallow, Sandra Danyow. Third row, left to right—Dorothy Jaquith, Alan Langevin, Doris Burroughs, William Baldwin, Lawrence Panton, Vincent Mallow, Mary Charbonneau, Alice Tucker, Gwendolyn McGrath. Front row, left to right—Norbert Charbonneau, William Booth, Kenneth Drew, Paul Bristol. Two members were absent at time of picture—Ann Berry and Albert Dugan.

V. H. S. BAND

It is a great pleasure to the members of Vergennes High School Band and myself to know that we are really on the road to making a fine organization of which this school and the people of Vergennes should be proud.

We have made great strides since a year ago. We have given three concerts and will participate in the Vermont Music Festival.

I want to thank Mr. and Mrs. Berry and the staff for their wonderful cooperation and support without which we could not have succeeded.

I am looking forward to a bigger and better band for the coming year.

The members for 1948-1949 are as follows:

TRUMPETS

Bernard Dike, Allen Mack, Dennis Sullivan, Fred Hoose, Jas. McNulla, Rachel Bristol, Bobby Mitchell.

BARITONES

Norma Bodette, Arthur Norton.

CLARINETS

Billy Baldwin, Doris Burroughs, Vincent Mallow, Mary Charbonneau, Alice Tucker, Allen Langeway.

TROMBONES

Ervin Clark, Gwen McGrath, Mike McGrath, Joyce Larrow, Cloy Mallow.

SAXOPHONES

Clement Looby, Norbert Charbonneau.

BASSES

James Hanna.

ALTOS

Helen Looby, Sandra Danyow.

FLUTES

Dorothy Jaquith, Ann Berry.

DRUMS AND CYMBALS

Lawrence Panton, Albert Dugan, Bobby Stebbins, Kenneth Drew, Paul Bristol, Billy Roberts, Billy Booth.

DRUM MAJOR

Grant Laber

MAJORETTES

Barbara Evans, Bettie Sullivan, Carolyn Cowles, Marguerite Robinson, Sally Bristol, Alma Kenyon, May Ross, Eunice Muzzy.

Thanks for your loyalty, Boys and Girls.

Your Band Director,
Wm. H. Andrews.

HIGH SCHOOL

High school is that wonderful institution where "You Enter To Learn, Go Forth To Serve." When asked what high school actually is, you can liken it to a twenty mile marathon—for like a marathon we start out with a large team, but worn out members keep dropping out until only a few brave ones are able to crawl to the stage to get their diploma. What an occasion! The spectators may not fully realize it but that piece of paper with the scribbling on it is the ultimate in achievement. It is the reward for four long years of struggling, of being excused from class before the period is over, or of hearing your name called out in the study hall for the honor of residing in a front seat during the remainder of the year. When finally graduation is over, practically all the graduates breathe a deep sigh of relief, no more school, no more cramming for exams, and no more worrying about the number of F's on each report card.

Some of us go on to higher institutions and some of us just hang around our home town doing one thing or another, but all of us look back with longing on our four years in high school. For you freshmen, and sophomores, and juniors may not realize it but later on when you do leave, you will know, that your four years in high school were perhaps the happiest years in your life.

So in closing, I take this occasion, and a small space in our 'Blue & White' to say to the undergrads "Make the most of your years in high school, don't drop out, however you may want to, but stick it out to the end, for you will never regret it."

Barbara Evans, Class of '49



LATIN CLUB

Back row, left to right—Sydney Barnard, John Stephens, Francis Hoose, James Hanna, John Stebbins, Vincent Mallow, Alan Russett, Roger Gibeault. Second row, left to right—Lorraine Andrews, Lucille Collom, Lucy Case, Gwendolyn McGrath, Barbara Beach, Jane Barnard, Dorothy Jaquith, Joan Husk, Marilla Place, Delisle Flynn. Front row, left to right—Mrs. Nelson, Florence Poulin, Helen Field, Joanne Charbonneau, Sally Bristol, Cloy Mallow, Geraldine Lawrence, Grace Hawkins, Shirley Larrow.

CRIME IN THE UNITED STATES

In recent reports, statistics show that a major crime is committed every nineteen seconds and fifteen or more people die because of some one else's carelessness.

What are we doing to stop this unnecessary slaughtering of our people?

The number of thefts are very great. On a twenty-four hour basis, four hundred and fifty automobiles are stolen. Approximately one thousand homes and stores are burglarized each day.

In addition to the above statement about three thousand people are robbed of possessions worth fifty dollars every day.

In the year 1946, crime was at its highest point in history. Since the crime has declined although it is still more than in pre-war days.

The greatest number of crimes seem to be committed by people of twenty year to forty years. The largest number of crimes also seem to come from crowded sections of North Eastern United States. About one twentieth of the disturbances were caused by those under eighteen years of age.

With these thoughts in mind "We" the people of the USA might help diminish the crimes committed.

But people will not take part in measures of this kind until an epidemic has begun and over ridden the police force as weak as it can be and function. The police force is weak for one reason; that there are not enough members. Some people claim that the policemen take bribes from criminals and we are ashamed to say that in some cases this is true, but more often the fault lies with the citizens of the communities. People do not aid civil groups and clubs and therefore in the long run, aid criminals.

If, in your town, there are minor slums do what you can to clean them up and take into consideration the underprivileged young people of your communities.

Crime can be reduced in the world if every one will become a conscientious worker against it.

English Essay,

Robert Higbee.

BOYS' SPORTS

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guard position which they kept for their remaining three years.

I personally will miss them and I know that they will be successful in anything they do if they go at it with the same determination that they showed in basketball.

Coach Biagio Palermo.

BASEBALL

So far there isn't much to report about in the line of baseball. Perhaps you would like to know whom the team will be playing. At the time that I am writing this there have been only a few practices and a thorough discussion of the rules so I don't know who will be playing where.

The following is schedule of the games to be played in the southern division of the Champlain Valley League:

May 3	Shelburne	away
May 10	Weeks School	home
May 13	Bristol	away
May 20	Shelburne	home
May 27	Weeks School	away
May 31	Bristol	home

I am afraid that this is about all I can say for this time so will close in saying that the students are always behind their teams and wish them all the possible luck this year and in years to come. As long as there are sports to be played and people to play them, there are sure to be good citizens and better feeling towards our neighbors.



"THE SNOOPERVISOR"

It seems that a few of the Senior girls are ignoring the VHS boys completely and have interests at UVM. How about it, Shirley and Connie?

Now that Rita is working for Jackman's, must be she can afford a car, or isn't that your **red coupe** out front every night, Rita?

From what we hear "Senator" Clark is getting to be quite a **wolf**. How about it, Erwin?

Robert Parker certainly enjoys batting his eyelashes at Mrs. Thurber. What's your mark in English now a days, Bob?

In Montreal everyone enjoyed sight seeing, but Viola seemed to have more fun riding up and down on the elevator. I hear they stop in between floors too?

We hear Eunice Muzzy has been learning how to be a farmerette. How about that, **Porky**?

We hear Betty Jenkins has blocked off a space out at Evert's garage so there'll be plenty of room for **Parking**!

We understand that Gerry Lawrence is taking nurses' training and her secret ambition is to be a private nurse to a certain fellow by the name of **John**

Now that Muriel is driving, fellows—she may want to take you out—riding—that is!

We hear that Barb Evans has found the treasure **Chest** of M.H.S. Is that right, Barb?

For the benefit of Marlin and Marvin and Paul, the seniors are donating a car, so the boys won't have to take the bus back and forth to Middlebury.

We hear that Ann Milo's favorite song is "Here Comes the Bride." More truth than fiction in that statement, right, Ann?

It is noticed that Grant Lober has taken quite an interest in Castleton College. Good thing it's co-educational, isn't it, Grant.

Has anyone noticed what certain lit-

tle sophomore has taken quite an interest in the senior side of the room. If you would like to find out, then ask Glenn Griffith.

Here are a few of Bettie Sullivan's secret "yens." 1946 Ford Cars — Football players — and nicknames like "Jughead," Irishmen named John Patrick.

Marie Bodette has a hobby called Personal Business Management. She is real good at minding peoples' business, too!

We wish Margie Husk would enlighten us on all the letters she gets from New York. Who is he, Margie?

The reason Yvonne Davis has been so quiet is because she has been practicing ventriloquism, and she threw her voice too far.

Bob Field and Bob Higbee would be more than willing to give you girls of the sophomore class lessons in farming. Their techniques are plenty smooth!

Girls! If any of you are interested in garage management, see Jim Mc-Nulla. He can also tell you all about gasoline **tanks**!

We have noticed that a certain sophomore boy has quite an interest in a cute freshman girl—Is that right, Denny?

Since Ronnie Booth has a car, he has been very popular with the Junior High girls. Is it you or your car, "Blondie?"

We wonder what "Big Jim Smith" does with all his free time. Is it in Middlebury, or is it horseback riding in the country, Jim?

The Junior Class seems to have lost all their spirt since they lost their **leader**, but we notice that Mary and Norma are doing a fine job. Good luck, girls!

The freshman girls certainly get around—How about that, Betty and Helen. Maybe you can tell the Sophomore girls how you attract the boys from out of town!

Anonymous

SONG DEDICATIONS

TOGETHER — All the sections in the band.

HE'S BEEN WORKING ON THE RAILROAD — Sally Bristol.

OH HOW WE HATE TO GET UP IN THE MORNING — The milk route gang.

THE FLEET'S IN — Norma Bodette.

FOR EVER AND EVER — Doris and Billy.

SOMEBODY ELSE IS TAKING YOUR PLACE — John Stephens.

TONIGHT AND EVERY NIGHT — Marie and Johnny

I MISS YOUR KISS — Mary Charbonneau.

BRING ON THE GIRLS — Jimmy McNulla.

THE VERY THOUGHT OF YOU — Muriel Benedict.

MY HEARTS BELONGS TO A SAILOR — Nonie Danyow.

DON'T FENCE ME IN — Bob Fields.

YOU MOVED RIGHT IN — Dennis Sullivan.

UMBRIAGO — Coach Palermo.

ALL ALONE — Yvonne Davis

IT AIN'T RIGHT TO SAY AIN'T — Mrs. Thurber.

WHEN I GROW UP — Barbara Evans.

I'LL BE LOVING YOU ALWAYS — Jerry and Johnnie.

SATURDAY DATE — Bettie, Barbara, Eunice and some of the other girls who like Middlebury.

GUILTY — Most of the boys in study hall when things start flying.

I LOVE A PARADE The Drill Team.

DOWN BY THE STATION — Allen Russett, Connie Thorne, Junior Lackard and Bill Roberts.

HER TEARS FLOWED LIKE WINE — Bettie Sullivan.

GRADUATION

With hearts filled with happiness
We greet this joyous day,
But there's a touch of sadness
That will not pass away,
We've worked and played together
long,

Now comes the parting of the ways.
But we'll remember all our lives
The joy of these Senior days.

Forward with our motto guilding,
Problems we'll try to meet with pleasure.

Blue and White our banner streaming,
We will strive with all endeavor
To meet the future bright and new,
And accept our duties proud and true.

E. A. Sullivan, '49

JUNE PROMOTIONS

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2nd. Lieutenants

James McNulla
John Stebbins

Sergeants

Helen Looby
Lucille Cunningham
Betty LeBeau
Alice Tucker
Grace Hawkins
Helen Hawkins
Sally Bristol
James Hanna
Marion Moorby
Donald Bradley
Dorothy Jaquith
Alma Danyow
Joyce Tracy
Robert Stebbins
Helen Fields
John Stephens

Corporals

Gwendolyn McGrath
Florence Poulin
Joan Peabody
Lorraine Andrews
Joyce Larrow
Lucille Collom
DeLisle Flynn
Rita Charlebois
Marilla Place
Juliet Burroughs
Colleen Bargfrede
Raymond Bodette
Lucy Case
Joanne Charbonneau

P. F. C.

Shirley Hamilton
Sheila Clark

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Mr. Palermo: Miss Evans, how do bacteria produce:

Barb Evans: They multiply and then divide.

JUST SUPPOSE

You saw Billy without Doris.

Betty Jenkins and Jimmy Smith would stop kidding each other.

Norma Bodette would stop playing with balloons.

Mr. Berry would be on time for fourth Period study hall.

All the geometry class had their lesson done on time. (Just ONCE.)

Jim Hanna could play the bass horn as well as he can carry it.

Jack Stebbins stopping Dancing (the poor girls.)

McNulla's garage ran out of GAS, where would you go **walking** with Helen, Jim? (without a green Buick)

The Senior Class would SHUT UP once in a while.

The baseball team could win one or two games.

Barbara Evans were 5 feet 3 inches.

Beverly Jerry weighed **only 110 pounds**.

Some of the SENIOR GIRLS didn't think themselves so dignified.

Jimmy Smith didn't like sports.

The 12:45 and 8:45 patrol shifts were out on time.

Norma and Helen weren't playing the piano at noon time.

Louie Champagne wasn't always in the office.

Mary Charbonneau would two-time a certain SOLDIER.

Jimmy McNulla having only five girls a month.

Mr. Palermo didn't have to call for order every time he took attendance.

The Blakely twins weren't always with two cute Middlebury girls.

Some of the students would go to class with their work done **on time**.

FOURTH PERIOD study hall was quiet for just one day.

Jim McNulla's mouth was closed for five minutes at a time.

ALUMNI

Last fall when we were chosen for different positions, on the Blue and White Staff, I was lucky enough to be chosen along with the help of Shirley Hunt as Alumni editor. We had lots of fun and laughs looking up long lost graduates of V. H. S. As soon as we would write about some of them they would have changed jobs, gotten married, or had an increase in their present family, but here are how things stand as of April 26, 1949.

Class of '46

The first member of this class we find way down in Wichita Falls, Texas. He is "Buz" Francis Burroughs and he is in the Air Force.

From our long trip down to Texas we return to Vergennes and find Jean Daigneault working at our own local shop, Simmonds and Benton.

We leave Vergennes again and travel Route No. 7 to Burlington. Here attending U. V. M. as a Freshman we find none other than Philip Griffith. Perhaps some day his dream of becoming an English Professor will come true.

Traveling back along Route No. 7 we can stop at Ferrisburg at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerger and find Alfred working at home on the farm.

Now we'll take a rather long trip to Montpelier and find Alice Larrow slaving away at the keys of a typewriter at the National Life Insurance Company. In March when we seniors were up there we saw Alice.

At last we are back in Vergennes to find Margaret Little working at the shop, (Simmonds and Benton). We never hear her say much about her work but maybe some time she'll say something we can quote her on.

Still in Vergennes, we find Elizabeth Norton Eagen. Betty was married on Easter Sunday to Conelly Eagen and they are living here in

Vergennes. Betty is teaching in Pantonton also.

From here we must get out our helicopter and travel over to Bristol. Here if you have good luck you are supposed to find Roberta Shepard. Maybe some of you who read this have had better luck than we did in locating her. If so you might enlighten next year's Alumni editor.

Alice Wallace Ringer is still in the smallest city in USA. She is working at Fishman's Department store. She as you probably know is the wife of Raymond Ringer.

Now we go south on Route No. 7 and somewhere along the way we turn off to go out into Cornwall. Whom do we find here? Who else but Walt Wood. Walt is the second member of this class who was hard to track down. Everyone we asked would reply, "Oh! Walt, he isn't doing anything." We feel you must be doing something. Perhaps if you will let us know.

Clovis Yandow is in North Ferrisburg. He is married to Esther Bristol, who was a member of the Class of '47.

Well so much for this Class. We find not too many have strayed from their homes in the past two years, so on to the Class of '47 and see how many road maps we need to find the members of this Class.

I am sure you folks don't need any road maps to find Pantonton, and after we find Pantonton you will find Janet Abare Miner. She is the wife and better half of Jack Miner.

But for the second member of this class I suggest you drive up to your nearest Esso gas station and get a map which shows the way to Texas. This is where you'll find "Pvt" George Bibeau. George is in the Air Force. We don't need as many maps now to keep up with Georgie as we did when he was right here in High School.

On our way back from Texas, we detour through Randolph, Vt., to find Frank Bradley working back in his home town.

Next is Esther Bristol Yandow (See Class '47).

Our next trip is to Becker Junior College, and here we find Molly Burnham. From all reports she likes it down there in Worcester.

From here we can just board a plane and fly out to Illinois to see Ernie Chapman, another member of the Air Force. Ernie was home not too long ago in Vermont.

Now to stay in our own city a minute we find Mary Cooke, and as far as we know she isn't working anywhere now.

A trip to Ferrisburg finds us stopping in to see Art. Danyow who is living and working on the farm at home.

Colleen Douglas is one about whom we could find out nothing. We wish anyone who can would enlighten us on her.

Up at M. F. H. we find Barbara Drew and Edith Griffith in nurses training. We understand what Barb meant her Senior year when she said she just had to get her Chem. down pat.

While we're in Burlington we might look in at The Burlington Mutual Fire Insurance Co. Here we will find as a typist Phyllis Griffith.

Still we can't leave Burlington, at least not until we visit Jeanne Guyette up at U. V. M. Jeanne is now sporting a diamond. This came pretty straight, to be exact it came directly from her mother.

August Jerger is reported to be in the Armed Forces and this is the only report we have on him, but we can stay right at U. V. M. and find Molly Jerger majoring in music.

Estelle Jerry is a long lost member of her class. We have no news about her.

At last we are back in Vergennes and on Green Street, we find Jean Libeau Briggs. She married Shelly Briggs of New Haven, and is now the mother of a bouncing baby boy.

This certainly is a hard class to track down. I guess that though we have at last found trace of Edith Lawrence. We found her at Burlington Business College.

Catherine Looby Audette is over in Bristol living with her husband, Roger Audette.

Now for another long trip. This time we go to Florida to find Gloria Merrill Field. She married Merrill Field just before moving south.

Nancy Partch is working now right here in her own home town at Simmonds and Benton.

Back to Castleton we go to see Elsie Miller. Had we only known she was there before we could have made just one trip.

In Dr. Preston's office in Burlington we find Virginia Place, studying to be an optometrist. While we're here let's look in on Donald Spooner. We hear he is working at the Electro-Lux.

Lorraine Poquette Audette is living here in Vergennes. She married Ray Audette.

Anyone knowing where Bill Taylor is located please let us know. We were unable to find out any information pertaining to his present location.

Jane Tracy Jewell is the wife of Oscar Jewell and is now working at the sewing shop.

At Stephen's Pharmacy here in Vergennes we find Marjorie Wagner still mixing Soda Pop Pickies.

At last we have located the majority of this class. Now on to a class of more recent graduates, the class of '48.

Nothing very important has happened to this class since our Christmas checkup so we will just put in

the most important changes. They are as follows:

Right here in Vergennes we find Bessie Cram working as secretary for Mr. Moulton.

Stella Devino is now Mrs. Rex Dugan and she is working in Ryan's Department Store.

David Provencher hasn't roamed far either. He is here in Vergennes working in the shop.

And the last change is in Ferrisburg and that is Alice Rider who is now Mrs. Charles Torrey.

It didn't take so many road maps, so much gas, nor so many long trips to find the members of this class, but seriously we have had a lot of enjoyment out of doing this.

Shirley Hunt, '49

Muriel Benedict, '49

DAFFYNITIONS

An adult is a man that has stopped growing at both ends but not in the middle.

An incinerator is a person who hints bad things, instead of coming right out and telling them.

The artichoke was an ancient instrument of torture.

The prairies are vast plains covered with treeless forests.

The United States is mostly populated by people.

The flower has five parts: sepals, pedals, antlers, pistil and trigger.

"POOL DAYS"

I like work
I like school,
But best of all
I like pool.

I slave all day
When in school
And at four
I'm ready for pool.

All night I play
I'm late for school
But never late
For good old pool.

Marlin Blakely '49

JOKES

Mrs. Nelson: What people live in Po Valley?

Boh Stebbins: Po' people.

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Jean Higbee (Sitting in a bus that's filled with sailors). "It never rains but it pours."

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May Ross, to may trying to squeeze in on an overcrowded bus:

"There's no more room mister."

Man: "Whaddya mean 'There's no more room.' I'm the driver!"

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Mrs. Nelson: What is the use of the spinal column?

Bob Mitchell: The spinal column is a collection of bones running up and down your back, which keeps you from being legs clear up to your neck.

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Mrs. Thurber: What did Paul Revere say at the end of his famous ride?

Jack Stebbins: Whoa!

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Mrs. Nelson: What is a ground hog?

Helen Looby: A sausage.

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A maiden's prayer: "Lord, I ask nothing for myself, but please give my mother a son-in-law."

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Mrs. Thurber: Name three relative pronouns.

Henry Sisters: Aunt, Uncle and Brother.

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Mr. Galipeau: Miss Thompson, define a circle.

Stephany: A circle is a round line with no kinks in it, joined up so as not to show where it began.

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Mr. Palermo: What is a magnet?

Paul Chapman: A magnet is something you find in a bad apple.

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Miss Howland: All right, McNulla, you come around after school.

Jim: It's a date.

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Mrs. Nelson: Geraldine, Why don't you stop day dreaming and think about Latin?

Jerry L.: I can't right now.

Mrs. Nelson: Why not?

Jerry: Because Johnnie is occupying my mind.

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Mrs. Thurber: Grant, would you define a mug-rump?

Grant: It's a bird that sits on the fence with his mug on one side and his rump on the other side.

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Mr. Palermo: What would you do in the case of a man bleeding from a wound in the head?

Eunice Muzzy: I would put a tourniquet around his neck.

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Mrs. Nelson: (Addressing her Latin Students) "When are you students going to come to class with your work completed?"

Latin II Students: At the end of the year.

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Mr. Berry: Where is Cincinnati Miss Jenkins?

B-Jenkins: Fourth place in the League.

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Mrs. Thurber: What was the outstanding achievement of Pasteur?

Robert Parker: When a cow died, he cut it open and discovered that it died of silk worms. The worms got into the cow's stomach and tickled it to death.

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MY CAR

I've got an old car.
Is it a jalopy!
The poor old tires
Go flippity-floppy.

It rattles and jerks
And 'most falls apart.
I cross my fingers
When I stop or start.

"Be very careful!"
My father will shout.
He gives me fair warning
Every time I start out.

It passes inspection;
But that's about all.
You can hardly start off
Without having it stall.

The lights? They work.
The clock is still ticking.
The fenders aren't off,
So I'm not kicking.

Doris Burroughs, '50

"I"

Do you have "I" trouble?
Most people do.
"I" did this, and "I" did that,
Did you?

"I" trouble is very contagious,
So you'd better watch out.
'Cause before you know it
You'll be blurting your "I's"
right out.

But if you have "I" trouble,
You'd better get rid of its fast.
'Cause if you don't you're apt
To be president of the "I DID"
class.

May Ross, '50

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