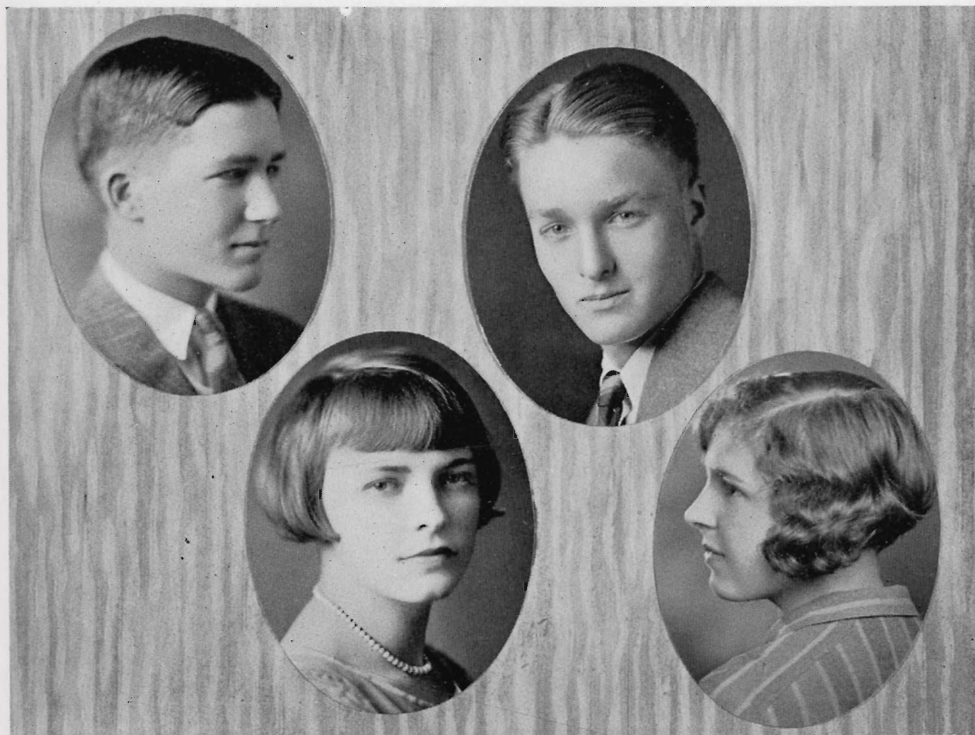


# Student Body

1924-1925



STUDENT COUNCIL



KENNETH HOWARD, President  
ARNELL GILLETT, Girls Vice President

HUGH STRACHAN, Boys Vice President  
HELEN COLE, Secretary

## The Student Council

The student body council during the fall term 1924-1925, which was organized under the new constitution, providing for a representative from each registration room, made a group of 85 councilmen. Working together, with the co-operation of the students at large, much was accomplished.

The school's financial problem was solved by a huge carnival, which was the first of its kind to be held at the new high school. The proceeds went toward the X-Ray and the football expenses.

Enthusiastic rallies and assemblies were held at intervals, which kept up the interest of the school activities.

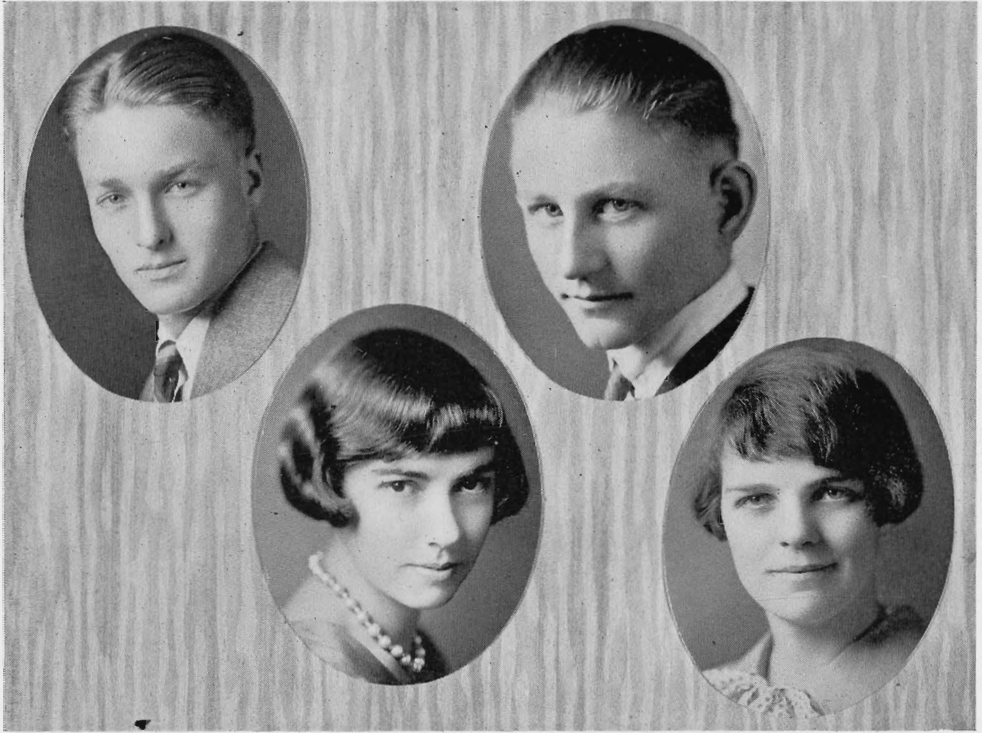
Many speakers were heard by the students and also the privilege was given them of hearing well-known pianists.

Much time and thought were spent on amending the by-laws of the new student body constitution.

The honor point and service point systems were put before the students at the close of the semester and the service point system met their approval, but was to have more time spent on it before going into effect.

Taking all in all, the semester was most successful for the student body council.

Helen Cole, '25, Secretary.



HUGH STRACHAN, President  
FLORENCE NEELLEY, Girls Vice President

EDMUND PILZ, Boys Vice President  
VIRGINIA SELLON, Secretary

## Student Body

The mid-year council started out with one big worry, namely, a debt of about five hundred dollars due on the X-Ray. The old council had already found a way to cancel this, so it was our duty to finish it; and we did. After discussing plan after plan, it was decided to have student body cards which would sell for one dollar (\$1.00) a piece. These would entitle the holder to the X-Ray, a discount on all athletic games and debates, and a small book which contained almost everything anyone would want to know about, from the year's calendar to the rules and regulations of the school. With the help of these cards, we are glad to say, we paid our debt.

About every five years the high schools of northern California have a large C. I. F. track meet for the purpose of deciding the northern California championship, and, this year it was held in Sacramento. Twenty-one schools were represented and a very large crowd attended. Medals were provided for the winners by the Sacramento Chamber of Commerce and cups were awarded to the winning teams. As this meet was backed by the student body, it proved very successful. It all helped to build up a wonderful reputation for good old S. H. S. both in the present and future.

All that the outgoing council representatives, student body officers, and seniors ask is that the student body keep up this wonderful enthusiasm and spirit, and make us a high school that is impossible to surpass next year.

VIRGINIA SELLON, '25, Secretary.

## The Carnival

Late last fall the student body found itself confronted with a depleted treasury—in fact, actually found itself in debt. A plan was needed by which sufficient means could be raised to clear up the debt and to carry on the activities of the ensuing year. A committee of Mr. Walsh, chairman, Arnell Gillett, Dolly Keenright, Florence Neelley, Milton Thomas, Orval Shreck, and Katherine Gurnett was appointed by the student body president to arrange for some plan of entertainment that would raise the needed money.

Many plans were suggested and from these was chosen the idea of a real, riotous carnival. Mr. Dale agreed to do his best to put the thing over. The students were pleased at the thought, when they thought about it, but the date set, December 5, was a long way off. Why bother about it so soon?

Many worked late and laboriously but not everyone realized just what an event it was until December 4, and then the students caught the spirit of the affair. The date had been postponed until December 13, and now that they had another week in which to redeem themselves they didn't mean to waste a minute of that time. All one could hear around school was talk of the carnival. Everyone wanted to do something to help; everyone talked of what he was doing or might do. Best of all, everyone got together and did his best to make the affair a huge success, everyone from a timid sophomore, who sold tickets to his family and neighbors, to Mr. Walsh who lost many a night of sleep and was often late to dinner because he was working for the carnival. Mr. Dale was caught up by the tide of enthusiasm and was delighted to find so much true school spirit and energetic cooperation.

Then came the task of attracting to our immense undertaking the interest of those outside of school. Most parents were too occupied with their own business to bother about what made their children so excited at school. It was but childish pleasure. However, when the parade marched up Kay street, almost the whole student body in full force with weird and colorful decorations, the sidewalks were crowded with curious people. What was the carnival? Where was it and when? Why, of course they would go if it was half as good as the parade.

The memorable affair was staged in the new Sacramento high school, but it would have been impossible to recognize that stately building on the night of December 13. The halls, a maze of color, lights, sawdust, confetti, and serpentine, crowded with merry-makers and joy seekers, made a good representation of the streets of a Spanish town at carnival time. The auditorium was transformed into a gorgeous French cabaret. Tables surrounded the sides where those who wanted a quiet time sat, were served with dainty cookies, and sipped soda-pop served under a fancy name. They could dance or watch others dance to entrancing music.

Helen Cole, the senior A candidate, was elected and crowned Queen of the Carnival. Everyone had voted as they first came into the building, by dropping their ticket into the box of their favorite candidate. The stage of the auditorium represented a royal throne room and, after an elaborate crowning, the Queen presented the winners of the point contest with their prizes. Thus ended the carnival.

Long will that gay carnival live in the memories of those who had an active part in it, and in the memories of those whose privilege it was to attend.



DEBATING TEAMS 1924-25



### *First Semester 1924-25*

The 1924-25 debating season has been one of the most successful ones for some years. This was largely due to a new system of choosing the debating teams which was put into effect by Mr. Everett, the debating coach. Under the new system a squad of six is chosen at the first tryout. After the members of this squad have worked on the question for two weeks, a second trial is held and the four debaters that will represent the school in the final debate are selected. This system has resulted in keen competition for places and has improved the teams considerably.

During the season only one debate was lost, a fact that demonstrated the worth of the new system.

Gladys Staats, Velma Evans, William Harr, Catharine Brown, Frances Adams and Frances Hunt composed the squad chosen at the tryout for the debate on the subject: "Resolved, that the United States should recognize the present government of Russia without delay." The debate was held on November 13. Gladys Staats and Velma Evans, Sacramento's affirmative team, defeated Fresno by a 3 to 0 decision. Catharine Brown and Frances Adams, the negative team, lost to San Jose by a 2 to 1 decision.

The second league debate was held on February 20, the subject being: "Resolved, that the land and aerial forces of the United States should be doubled." The first squad chosen was composed of Arthur Seymour, Victor Burns, William Harr, Gladys Staats, Velma Evans and Patricia Stanton. Sacramento's affirmative team Arthur Seymour and Victor Burns, won from Madera High School by a 2 to 1 decision. The negative team, Gladys Staats and Velma Evans, won from Modesto High School by a 2 to 1 decision.

The first sophomore debate was a dual one with Placerville High School on the subject: "Resolved, that the death penalty should be abolished in California." Victor Burns and Mary Coleman, Carl Henige, Ralph Giffen, Ruth Woodard and Eugene McGeorge composed the first squad chosen. Victor Burns and Mary Coleman won a decision of 3 to 0 from Placerville's affirmative team and Ralph Giffen and Ruth Woodard won the negative decision by a 2 to 1 vote.

STEPHEN PAXTON, '25.

Debating Manager

## *Second Semester 1924-'25*

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The second semester of debating was as successful as the first. The third league debate, which was held on March 27 was the most interesting one of the season. The squad chosen for the debate consisted of William Harr, Ruth Woodard, Ralph Giffen, Frances Adams, Clarence Glacken and Eleanor Rodgeron. The subject was: "Resolved, that all bonds owned in the state of California unless excepted by federal statute, should be taxed." William Harr and Ruth Woodard, the affirmative team, won a 3 to 0 decision from Turlock High School, while Frances Adams and Clarence Glacken won a 2 to 1 decision from Placerville High School.

Victor Burns, Clarice Harber, Thomas Stanton, Milton White, Orval Schreck and Agnes Haug were chosen as the first squad to debate on the subject: "Resolved, that three-fourths of a jury should bring in a verdict in all criminal cases in California." Victor Burns and Clarice Harber, the affirmative team, won a decision of 3 to 0 from Escalon High School, while Milton White and Agnes Haug defeated Modesto High School by a 2 to 1 decision.

This year, at the annual extemporaneous speaking contest, Sacramento High School was represented by Catharine Brown who deserves much credit for her fine work.

Catharine Brown was selected at the tryout to represent Sacramento at the annual oratorical preliminary contest at Stockton where she tied for first place with Stockton. At Manteca, May 8, Edward Fong from Stockton took first place in the finals.

BRANT CHAPLIN, '25,  
Debating Manager

