



JUNIOR CLASS



History of the Class of 1919

It was in the year 1915, that we entered Stockton High School two hundred strong, a class of very "green" freshmen. Now that we approach our senior year, we dislike to admit our freshmen foolishness, for the class of '19 has proven itself a great factor in the life of the school.

After being sufficiently educated, we were allowed to hold our first class election, over which Mr. Garrison officiated. We proceeded, in a noisy fashion, to elect officers. Although the disturbance was great, it did not affect our thinking apparatus. We showed our brilliancy by electing Richard Walters, president; Myrtis Witherly, vice president; Vincent Dunne, secretary and treasurer; Hector Silva, sergeant-at-arms; and last but not least, George Fortune, executive committee representative.

Our age was the deciding factor as to what sort of a dance we should give. As we were still youngsters (no one could convince us of this fact at the time) we decided to give a very informal dance, which, after all, proved to be the success of the year.

In athletics we had several stars and in this branch of student activities, our "honorable name" was always at the top.

Much more dignified and respected, we returned the following year as sophomores. Anxious to show ourselves rid of all freshman habits, we held an orderly meeting, and without any confusion, chose a set of officers equal to the first. For president we elected Vincent Dunne; vice president, Persis Miller; treasurer, Floyd Gardner; secretary, Grace Lund; and sergeant-at-arms, Chester Close, our "little giant."

Our athletic ability had increased and we proved worthy of our reputation. Our football team played the freshmen a tie game, and in the final game, was defeated. But revenge is sweet! We won three successive baseball games from the freshmen and also defeated them in a track meet by a score of $67\frac{1}{2}$ to $29\frac{1}{2}$. Even this did not satisfy us. We tackled the rest of the school is an inter-class swimming meet and won easily. This gave us possession of the Johnson cup.

When we came back this year, we were minus several prominent class members, who had enlisted. Although we miss all our soldier boys, we are proud that they have gone.

Once more we elected our officers. The election, which was an exciting

one, to say the least, ended with the following results: Forrest Parker, president; La Verne Williams, vice president; and Doris Barr, secretary and treasurer. In spite of more or less masculine opposition, Alberta Eckstrom received a good majority of votes for sergeant-at-arms. The manner in which she has upheld our dignity, proves that we were right in upholding "woman suffrage."

Because of the illness of our president, who has been confined to his home for several months, we had no dance of our own, but the juniors' customary farewell dance to the seniors was one which has not been equaled for many a year. Everyone enjoyed it thoroughly.

Our boys are still making a record for themselves in athletics. Everyone knows that in Stockton High School's world of sports, the juniors are a power to be reckoned with.

After three years' experience, we look back upon a long list of achievements which we know will reach a happy culmination in our senior year.

There never was, and never will be, another class like that of 1919.



Assemblies

The assemblies of 1917-18 have proved especially interesting and profitable to the students of Stockton High School, good speakers and entertainments having been provided on every occasion. Especially were the assemblies interesting this year, when the war questions and problems are uppermost in everyone's mind. The speakers have been most enlightening on this score, bringing home to the students the issues and realities of this great war.

The first assembly of the year was held September 13, 1917, in the gymnasium, when all again met with the usual good fellowship and co-operative spirit. Mr. Garrison read, for the benefit of the Freshmen, the rules of the school, concerning admits, loitering in the halls, etc. He also discussed the Junior College to some extent, promising that Stockton would have one in the fall of 1918 if there was enough call for it and nothing happened.

On October 1st the first girls' assembly was held, at which many important matters were brought up. Three new classes were reported as open to the girls, namely, home nursing, first aid, and knitting. Committees were appointed for the coming year and also plans were discussed for the Freshman reception.

At an assembly held October 12th, Mr. C. L. Neumiller talked to the students in the interest of "Liberty Bonds." He explained the gravity of the war and what must be done to protect our boys. He said in conclusion: "There is only one flag and one America. Let us protect them by buying Liberty Bonds." Then Joe Stout presented Mr. Campion, who was leaving soon to enter the service of the United States, with an engraved match case as a token of remembrance from his classes.

A very instructive Current Events lecture was given by Mr. Iliff on October 12th, illustrated by slides from the University of California. His talk was mainly on two points: Germany as a "queen market," and German intrigues in North and South America and in Russia.

Perhaps the most touching assembly of the year was called October 15th by Ray Dunne in honor of Vivian Prindle, who had been called to the colors. Here for the first time the realities of war were brought home to us, when one of our own classmates was called to military duty. Mr. Garrison, in a patriotic address, bade Vivian Godspeed. Claude Forkner, Evelyn Murray, and Frank Vierra also spoke a few words showing their affection for their schoolmate. Then Harrington Wells, on behalf of the senior class, presented Vivian with a wrist watch, and in a few words Vivian expressed his deep gratitude to his classmates. As a fitting conclusion, the student body pledged anew its allegiance to the Stars and Stripes.

On November 8th Mr. Fred Morrison of Berkeley gave a very interesting talk on the Young Men's Christian Association's war work, appealing to the boys to help in raising one million dollars for this creditable cause.

The public speaking class, directed by Miss M. U. Howell, made its debut at an enthusiastic assembly held November 16th. Claude Forkner acted as chairman. Carl Weiss gave us a broader insight into the character of Hoover by his talk, "Hoover, Not Only a Citizen of the United States, but a Citizen of the World." Flora McDiarmid gave an original toast to Hoover, followed

by a recitation, "The New Joseph," by Marion Downer. Rodney Elsworth concluded the program with his talk, "The American Garbage Can, an Old Friend." All the speeches were very creditable and interesting.

Stockton High was very fortunate in hearing Dr. Foster, president of Reed College, deliver an address on the work of the Red Cross in the war. He urged that everyone do his duty now, for the students who do their work well now will be those on which the future of our country will depend. He told us some incidents which brought us nearer to our men "over there," showing their lonesomeness and hardships.

Another interesting and able speaker was Mr. J. Sprunger, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., who talked to the students on the prison camps of the war zone on January 17th. Having traveled extensively in the war zone, he was able to give us a vivid and interesting picture of war conditions.

It seems that practically every assembly held during the year 1917-18 dealt with patriotism in some form. One of these was under the auspices of the public speaking class held January 16th, who presented the school with a beautiful service flag. It contained on its pure white field, bordered with red, nineteen blue stars, denoting that nineteen of the students of the Stockton High School had left their high school careers to answer the call of Uncle Sam. (This number has since grown to twenty-six.)

At an enthusiastic assembly held January 30th the Thrift campaign was launched by the public speaking class. Lowell Stanley, Claude Forkner, Evelyn Murray, Francis Viebrock, Frank Vierra, and Newton Robinson all helped to explain the "whys and wherefores" of Thrift, after which the public speaking class set the example by purchasing Thrift stamps.

Following the Thrift campaign, Dorothea Powell, another member of the class, introduced the smileage campaign at an assembly on February 4th. She explained the origin, nature and need of smileage books, after which Mr. Campion, one of the faculty honorably discharged from the service, gave a most interesting talk upon the life of the boys in camp. It was moved that the student body take books for the nineteen boys whose names are commemorated by stars on the service flag, and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote of the assembly.

The first music hour of the year was held February 7th under the direction of Mr. French. The chorus and the band gave several selections and the other students also joined in some of the popular songs.

Probably the most interesting assembly of the year was held on Washington's Birthday, when Miss Halwick, director of physical training, Miss M. U. Howell, instructor in public speaking, and Mr. French, director of music, united with their respective classes to do honor to the occasion. Ray Dunne was master of ceremonies. A symphony orchestra opened the program, followed by an effective flag drill by one hundred and twenty-five of Miss Halwick's gymnasium girls. Then ten girls in Colonial costume gave a Colonial Dames' dance. The first speaker was Claud Forkner, who took as his subject, "Honoring Washington." Marion Downer next gave an original poem, "Lest We Forget," followed by Flora McDiarmid, who spoke on "Washington Cuts the Cherry Tree: An Old New Story" in an interesting and clever way. "Washington's Ideals: Are They Being Fulfilled?" was the subject of Rodney Elsworth's talk. Francis Viebrook took as his subject,

"Then and Now." The concluding talk was given by Karl Weiss, who placed two new stars on the service flag for Harold Quail and George Davis, who had recently enlisted. As a fitting conclusion, the entire assemblage sang "God, Save Our Splendid Men; Bring Them Safe Home Again."

On February 28th Mr. John G. Iliff, head of the history department, made a vigorous attack on the pro-liquor element in his lecture, "Booze and the War." He explained the 18th amendment and concluded by appealing to the students to be on one side or the other, but at least to be something.

The students of Stockton High School were especially fortunate in being addressed by Dr. Aurelia Henry Reinhardt, president of Mills College, in an inspiring talk on the subject, "American Youth in the Great War." She sounded the same note as a former speaker when she urged the students to stay in school as long as possible and prepare themselves for the great work after the war. This was the message she left with her interested audience.

Now, when men are giving their lives for the cause of democracy, it was particularly fitting that "hello" day should be observed, one of the most democratic movements in high school life. So the second "hello" day was observed April 19th with an assembly and Big S dance after school. The assembly proved to be one of the peppiest of the year. Newton Robinson, Big S president, had charge of the program. Mr. Ellis gave some history of the Big S society, followed by Marion Downer, who, in her naive way, told what "hello" day had already done for her, and who, in the words of the chairman, "had the right idea." Harrington Wells spoke on what "hello" day meant. The Big S dance brought the day to a fitting close.



The Rallies

Our rallies out at S. H. S. have had lots of "pep" this year, due to the efficiency of our yell leaders, Mel Rider, Angelo D'Amico and Pat Wells. Perhaps part of the "pep" is due to the fact that our rallies have been less frequent than usual on account of the numerous assemblies for Red Cross, Thrift, Conservation, Liberty Loans, Smileage and other war work, with an occasional meeting of the music classes, when dashing selections have been contributed by the band under the able leadership of Mr. French. Every meet, be it football, basketball, track, baseball or swimming, has had its rally, so just the most important can be mentioned.

Our first rally was held on October 12th and might be fittingly called a "Jazz" rally, for it was held to promote interest and enthusiasm in football and swimming. The air was charged with "pep" and it is safe to say the yells could have been heard by our nearest antagonists.

One of our snappiest rallies was held before the Berkeley football game. Coach Hunt made his first appearance at a rally and surely talked up our team. A great deal of time was used in practicing yells, and during the execution of "Yaka Dula" the yelling changed to laughing, due to the slight imitation of the native dance by our yell leaders. For some unknown reason this has been omitted since.

"Pep," "snap," "jazz" or anything and everything was what marked the rally held for "Miss Bob White," which was to be given on December 7th and 8th. The band opened the session and was followed by short talks on the merits of the play by Zelda Battilana and Angelo D'Amico. Mr. Toms then spoke on the financial side of the play, and the band finished a noisy finale.

February 15th marks the date of a REAL rally that was "pep" from the word go. This was held in honor of the coming basketball game with Lodi. Speeches (?) from the members of the team were the order of the day, the first being executed by Captain Rider. As a finis Mel produced an apple which he said was given him to feed up the team. The climax came when "Newt" calmly but deliberately ate it as it was passed to him. Coach Cave also spoke on the merits of the team and B. Frankenheimer, manager, lent a word or two as to means of transportation. "Vinnie" Thompson was called upon and timidly asked and pledged the support of the fair sex.

On April 16th we had an athletic assembly to work up enthusiasm for track, crew and baseball. Capt. Joe Baumel spoke promisingly of the coming baseball game with Sacramento.

An enthusiastic student body assembled in the gym on May 9th to talk up the coming swimming meet with Lick-Wilmerding High. Joe Stout, captain, and Coach Cave spoke on the merits of the team. The band added the musical "pep" by several stirring pieces, and every conceivable yell was reviewed several times.



HISTORY OF THE CLASS OF 1920

We entered into our year of greenness and happiness in 1916-17, but we could not possibly have looked as green as this year's freshmen do. We started out by holding an altogether too peppy meeting, according to Mr. Garrison. After a great deal of noise, on the part of the pupils, and many explanations on the part of Mr. Garrison, we finally elected the following officers: William Eccleston, president; Lois Raggio, vice president; Frances Ann Gummer, secretary; Bill Parker, treasurer; and George Scofield, sergeant-at-arms.

As freshmen we came out strong for athletics. We won the inter-class football championship, we had five men on the varsity crew, we showed up strong in basket ball, and five of our men were the proud owners of "Circle S's."

The girls took an active part in basket ball and tennis and even those haughty seniors had to admit that our dance and our candy sale were far better than the average, for freshmen.

At the beginning of our sophomore year, 1917-18, we held a meeting, and with less noise and explanations, we elected the following officers: Willard Zent president; Josephine Arbios, vice president; Darrel McCloud, secretary; Vivian Wriston, treasurer; and Lester Cowley, sergeant-at-arms.

As sophomores, we have done even better in the field of athletics. Our team won the inter-class football championship and carried off the inter-class track meet, as well. We had a good class basket ball and class football team, but the inter-class contests for these sports were never held. If they had been, we might have won them, too.

This year the girls have shown more interest than usual in athletics. The vim and vigor which characterized their basket ball games reminded one of "the good old days." The sophomore girls' team won the hard-fought interclass championship, convincing the cock-sure freshmen beyond a doubt, that it is disastrous to try to outdo sophomores. The girls who played on the team were Winona Creigh, Marguerite Goran, Esther Jenkins, Norma Raggio, Pearl Sumner, Gladys Turner and Ethel Wallace.

Several of our men, Cowley, Palmer, Parker, Schmidt, Santini, Stanley,



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and Wilson, have become star players and are the proud possessors of "Block S's" awarded them for their hard practicing and excellent playing.

These men are the no less proud possessors of "Circle S's," which they received for hard training and good playing on second teams: Badger, Eccleston, Garner, Hill, Kynaston, McKinzie, Metzger, Palmer, Parker, Peek, Wentz, Wilson and Zent.

Besides being an athletic class, we are also good students, and have some "bright ones" in our midst. When Miss Alvarado and Mr. Iliff talk Spanish and French as if they were in Spain and France, we find ourselves entirely at home.

If we can judge from some of the houses that are being designed by the sophomores in the Industrial Arts Department, there are going to be some extremely wealthy men and lucky wives (perhaps) among the class of '20.

Miss Montgomery says we are quite artistic. Much of the drawing for this year's annual was done by the sophomores in her classes.

Our girls have done their part in holding sandwich sales and entertainments to raise money for the Red Cross.

But what we are most proud of, is that five of our boys, Jesse Adams, Lowell Stanley, Ernest Stephens, James Kroh, and James Barsi are now in the service of our government. They are either fighting or preparing to fight "over there" for their classmates here.

We are proud of our record this year, but as confident "Juniors-to-be," we feel sure we shall excel it next year.





MAY DAY

THE SONG OF THE GYPSY TRAIL

For over the crown of the wind-swept hills

That are burning with autumn gold,

Where the great boughs sway with a yearning note,

To a wind that is never old.

Let's follow the wind and dance with the leaves,
Banish cares, nor seek an abode,
Let our gypsy hearts be gay and free
In the joys of the Romany road.

Let's follow the birds, as they fly to the south,
Far above, in the blue of the sky;
Let's trip thru the forest and o'er the bare fields
To the lilt of the old gypsy cry.

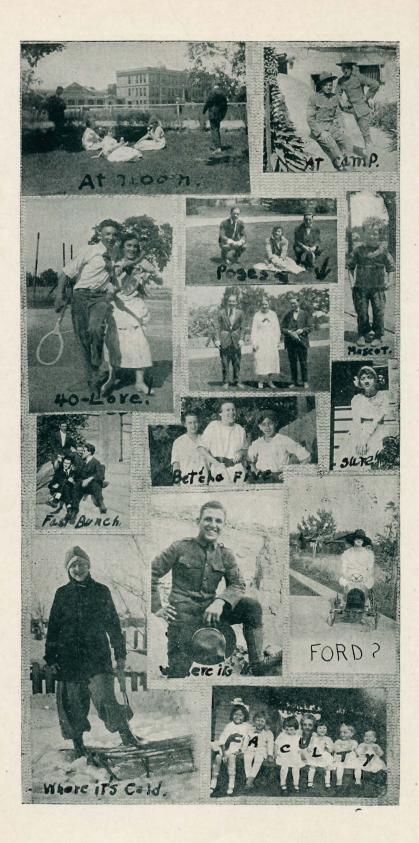
Then we'll challenge the cold, the frost and the rain,
And scorn all who battle with strife;
We'll sing to the tune of the gay tambourine,
And drink to the Romany life.

—Е. М. А., '18.

THE GOLDEN STAR

In the twilight on the western front,
A wounded soldier lay;
His body wet in his own warm blood,—
The allies had won the day.
His thoughts were turned to his dear home
As he slowly passed away,
And he wondered how the news would reach
His mother, worn and gray.

On that same eve a mother sat
With a picture in her hand,
And thought she saw a small white cross
Over a mound of sand.
Her team-dimmed eyes then sought the star
That waved in the breeze so bold,
And while she gazed the evening sun
Turned the blue star into gold.



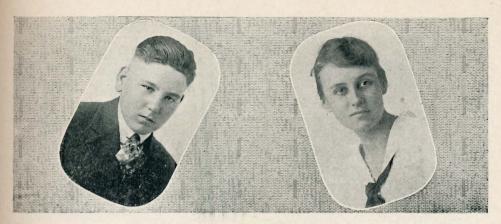
FRESHMAN



Egnes Behymer.



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FRESHMAN HISTORY

Our freshman year is at a close,
And so are all our freshman woes.
The sophomores have tried their best
To keep us "young 'uns" from any rest.
They've joshed and jeered and teased us all
'Till we've hardly dared walk through the hall.
But we've borne it all with the best of cheer,
Thinking of what we'll do next year.

And so we've survived!

We met in the study one happy night,
And held an election with all our might.
When we counted the votes, we found they were double,
(Which certainly caused Mr. Garrison trouble.)
We chose Ethert Barret for his size
And Alice Luke for her winning eyes,
Bobby Hammond for sergeant-at-arms,
Secretary and treasurer, Sherid Moran.
We shouted and cheered with our brand new toys
And managed to make a terrible noise.
'Twas really shocking!

But Ethert Barret soon left school,
So we chose Joe Arbios 'cause he's cool.
Joe's awfully solemn (?), but if he tried
He simply couldn't look dignified.
Well, we've worried along some way or other,
Trying our best not to be a bother.
And we've succeeded.

In athletics we've champion stars to be
As all upper-classmen will have to agree.
We won the inter-class football meet,
And gloried in our foe's defeat!
Of course we're still young, but we're coming along—
Those who think us mere children are certainly wrong.
But we're growing much wiser ev'ry day.
We may be foolish, light hearted and gay,
Just wait till we're sophs!

Stockton Night School

The Evening High School has completed its second year and has established itself as a permanent factor of our public school system. More than two thousand students have been enrolled during this school year. The average number of people in attendance during each month has been about twelve hundred. This is approximately three times the average number of people in attendance last year. The faculty of the Evening High School has included between thirty-five and forty teachers.

Not only have the evening schools grown in students and teachers. They have expanded rapidly in the number of courses given and in the number of departments which have been created. Last year the courses given were almost entirely in the Commercial, Industrial Arts, and Domestic Science and Art Departments. These courses have been improved and advanced courses have been given in these departments. The following departments have been created this year: Art Department, English Department, Language Department, Mathematics Department, Physical Training Department, Science Department, and Red Cross and Nursing Department.

In the Evening Elementary School grammar school work has been given for people of all ages who desire to continue or complete their grammar school education. Classes for foreign-born residents who desire to learn our language, and for the Americanization of those who desire citizenship have been maintained. It is planned to continue this work on a much larger plan next year. It is expected that many more foreigners will desire to learn our language and to become citizens of this country.

The school year of the evening schools has been divided into two semesters. The first semester opened this year one week after the day school started, and closed in December at the beginning of the Christmas vacation. The second semester started on January second, and closed on May 9th, The schools were in session this year on the first four school evenings of the week. Friday evenings were omitted. Some of the classes met on all four evenings. Other classes continued for only one semester, and were reorganized as new classes at the beginning of the new term. Still other classes were organized for a short term only, usually for eight or ten weeks.

The popularity of the evening schools this year has been due largely to the fact that a large number of subjects were offered from which the students could select. Another thing which contributed to its success was the fact that the courses were so arranged as to meet the convenience and the needs of a great many people. Many who are working all day find it impossible or very difficult to attend the evening classes more than two or three evenings each week. Quite a few of the classes were held throughout the entire evening to enable those who could devote only two evenings to the work to progress as rapidly as possible. In several cases these were the most popular subjects.

The average age of the students attending the evening schools is about

twenty-four. The majority are young people, but many are older. The oldest man in the Evening High School this year was sixty years old. The youngest boy was thirteen. The oldest woman was sixty-five years old; the youngest girl was fourteen. The average age of the men was 24.6 years; the average age of the women was 24.3 years. The large majority of the people attending the evening schools are employed during the day time. Many former students of Stockton High School have attended the Evening High School this year to study subjects which they were unable to include in their courses while attending the day school. A few students who have found it impossible to continue their work in the day school this year have been able to go ahead with their studies in the evening.

The next term of the evening schools will open at about the same time that the day schools open next fall. Plans for next year include the continuation of the courses which have been offered this year and the addition of many new subjects. Afternoon sessions of a continuation nature will doubtless be established. It is planned to have these classes meet after the day school is over. They will be particularly designed for adult people who find it impossible to leave their homes in the evening and who desire to study some practical and vocational subjects.

The idea upon which the evening schools are founded is that all people, without regard to age or occupation, should have an opportunity to continue their education. They should be permitted to continue their training along special or vocational lines, or they should be permitted to get a general education in the evening schools if they desire it. A public school system which is maintained by public funds should meet the needs and desires of the entire community as much as it is possible to do so. The idea of continuation schools is a thoroughly democratic one, and the evening schools of Stockton are thoroughly democratic. Their purpose is to serve the people who want to improve themselves and their condition in life. They are rendering a great service to Stockton and will doubtless develop into some of our most important educational institutions.

