

Morning

Third Prize

In the dusk before the day,
 Before the sun's first piercing ray
 Awakes the sleeping world, that world is blest
 By a sweet, reposeful, dreamless sort of rest.

The moon is paling in the dark blue skies.
 Morn's herald tells the drowsy world to rise
 To a new day. Then the golden sun
 Peeps o'er the world's bright rim, and the day's begun.

The balmy air is thrilled with joyous song,
 And the tunes of happiness float the clouds among.
 The waking birdlings cheep with voices low,
 Whose accents beg the moments not to go.

The wings of morning push the night aside;
 The sunlight seems the darkness to deride;
 The sunbeams force the shadows to surrender,
 And the glorious Sun is left in all his splendor.

MARGARET RUTLEDGE 9B.

A Worker

Can I, a Youth, enter Life without protest,
 As I look at lives about me?
 For I look critically around
 And see the absurdity of conditions.
 Today I saw a group of chattering girls,
 Who laughed and talked about their individual worth,
 While a poor and weary janitress sat wearily upon a bench;
 Her face showed discontent and deep unhappiness,
 For her work is to pick up papers and scraps of lunches
 Thrown hastily upon the floor
 By those same girls who talk about their worth.

MARGARET SPOONER 12A.



Post-Graduates

Post graduates, like the graduating class, form the largest group of the kind in the school's history. Many are students who have participated in student leadership, scholarship, dramatics, athletics, and what not. There are three good reasons why we have Post-Graduates: a few who have a natural love for work come back to finish the year subjects they elected; more than a few come to obtain recommendations to higher institutions of learning; and a few have such a long-formed habit that they do not know what else to do.

12-B Seniors

AWAY back in the dim days of February 1925 these students who are to graduate next February were only 9B freshmen, and still wearing the green. As far as I have been able to discover, they didn't seem to want to be bothered with holding meetings and electing officers; at least, there is no record of any such proceedings until the fall semester.

At any rate, a great deal of their time seems to have been spent in producing such athletes as Louis De Martini, John Hancock, Theodore Ohashi, Jack Roberts, Jim Rule, Bob Scott, and Jean Rule, girls' tennis star. But with graduation in the not too-distant future, these mighty athletes will have to get busy and elect some officers to guide them. Great things are expected of this midyear class of 1929.



GUARD and TACKLE



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Junior History

IN the fall of 1925 a large group of impudent little boys and girls entered "Les Portes" of Stockton High School, and immediately began to satisfy their curiosity as to how and by whom supervised study was conducted. They really seemed more devoid of intelligence than the freshmen before them. In conjunction with the February class they did get down to business long enough, however, to hold a meeting conducted by Harry Berg. After several "calling downs" by him, they elected John Hancock, president; Violet Van Pelt, vice-president; Merle De Camp, secretary-treasurer; and Joe Wells, sergeant-at-arms.

The next fall the members of this class came back to school with a vengeance, coupled with the intention to avoid room 6 at the 3:05 period, and an aim to show everyone of what sort of metal they were made. They had the election fever, and this time the officers were Andre Bascoe, president; Norval Hammert, vice-president; Alvin Crow, secretary-treasurer, and Kermit Comstock, sergeant-at-arms. The following spring instead of giving the customary three-act play as the sophomore oral expression students had always done, this class gave three one-act plays. These dramas were "Neighbors," "Maker of Dreams," and "Tickless Time." The plays were most excellently produced and well received by the audience. Miss Ida C. Green proved an able coach.

This year the class has been so busy getting used to the idea that they are upper-classmen, that they have not bothered about electing any officers. They probably considered them more or less of a nuisance, anyway. They have, however, been very active in all branches of student affairs; such as athletics, supervised study, dramatics, student control and discipline committee meetings, and debating. Next year these students will be *the* upper classmen.

May they have the best of luck in everything.



G U A R D and T A C K L E



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Sophomore History

FEELING that they should give the "Little Green Freshies" a bit of encouragement this year because they knew what a big struggle they had had in their first year, the "Sophisticated Sophs," got "big-hearted" and allowed them to win the Freshman-Sophomore Oratorical Contest by a 17-4 decision.

Gene Hornbeck and George McNoble upheld the name of the sophomore class, each winning a second place in the contest. Gene won second choice on his recitation of the poem, "Da Dago Man," by T. A. Daly, and George recited Patrick Henry's famous speech for liberty. Miss Willian Hinsdale, head of the public speaking department of the College of Pacific, was the sole judge of the contest, which was, to say the least, a very colorful affair, for each class had its side of the "courtroom" decorated with the class colors. The sophs wanted the freshmen to know who they were, so they yelled—

"Here's the class
That has the go
1—9—3—0

Although they did let the freshies defeat them in oratory, the sophomores raised S. H. S. to second place in the Sophomore debate league. They won from both Turlock and Oakdale by 3 to 0 decisions, and from Sacramento by a 2 to 1 count. They lost to Manteca, however, by a 2 to 1 decision.

In the early fall the 10A oral English classes and Mr. Ben Lewis' 10A English class presented scenes from the "Midsummer Night's Dream" for the freshmen and sophomores during an adviser period.

On account of the Playcrafters having been formed this year, it was decided to do away with the traditional sophomore play, and then those sophs who were interested in acting could try out for parts in the plays arranged by the Playcrafters.

At one of their meetings the class elected Loyal Miner president; Rene La Porte, vice-president; and Paul Chitson, secretary-treasurer.

This year's sophomore class was more prominent, perhaps, than any previous sophomore class has been. The class of 1930 has been achieving its purpose, the purpose of all freshmen—"success." In October of their first year there were 695 freshmen wandering around the grounds; now there are 646 sophomores cluttering up the halls..



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Freshmen History

Numerally they are the largest part of the school; physically they resemble the cause of stomach ache in the spring; mentally they don't exist. They are the freshmen.

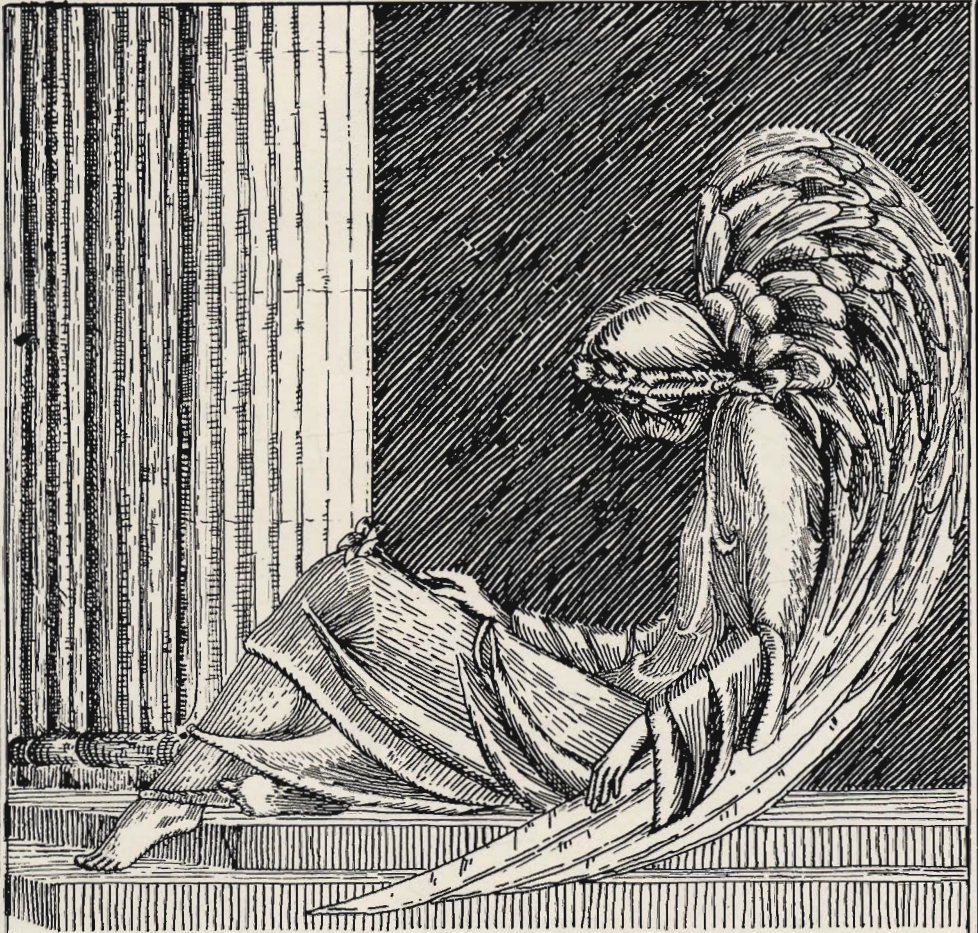
Stockton High School was fortunate this year. Enough of the freshmen entered to have one whole brain between them. The exact number of freshmen at the first of the year was 595. The exact number of brains was 1. But they were liked. They laughed and were laughed at; they grinned and were green; and they lived to the point where they will soon be sophomores. Their motto was "Eat, drink and be green, for tomorrow we will be sophomores."

In the middle of the year the February shipment of the genus that resembles the cause of stomach ache in the spring arrived. They number 284. The number of freshman brains now numbered 1.

The freshman class was unique in that it elected officers. Jack Parsons was elected leader of the green, Carl Truex was elected family autobiographer and Jimmie Brown was chosen yell leader. The object was to put on a bit of dignity in order to beat the sophomores in the soph-frosh oral-English contest. The freshmen talked their way to victory. They downed their arch enemies 17 to 4. The sophomores claimed false representation as to numbers when Barbara Kroeck took a first place by reciting "We Are Seven."

Next year the class of 1931 will be only three discipline committees away from d'plomas. That is, unless someone uses them for the only solid green ivory in existence.





IN MEMORIAM

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MR. C. D. W. HYTE

Violet Trumbo