



GEORGE EFSEAFF, President

He should, he could, he would, he did the best.

MAX LAURITZEN

From the crown of his head to the sole of his foot, he is all mirth.



FLORENCE ROGERS

A sweet, attractive kind of grace.

EULENE CARRUTH

I trow that countenance cannot lie
Whose thoughts are legible to the eye.

SENIORS

When the seniors of 1944 reached the end of their last high school year and received their well-earned diplomas, it was a memorable day. That day of graduation symbolized the end of a period of four years of learning, which is the foundation of the graduate's later education or vocational life.

The freshmen of 1940 entered Strathmore Union High School many in number, and with a perplexity of mind as to what the next four years might bring to them individually. Had all the students who entered this class during the four years remained, there would be 102 graduating instead of 26.

Even though the shadow of war had cast itself upon the school and had necessitated many limitations of activities, the class adjusted itself to the tension of war and helped to promote the Junior Red Cross and the sale of war bonds and stamps.

Two outstanding Spartans of the class, Lee Smith and Arlis Garner, complied with Uncle Sam's wishes and gave up their last year of school to go in the Service.

The seniors of 1944 will play their part in the fighting of the war, as over half of the boys have already joined some branch of the Service.

Just as important as the actual fighting is the post-war period of reconstruction, in which the seniors of today will solve the post-war problems of tomorrow.

CLASS OFFICERS

- PRESIDENT..... GEORGE EFSEAFF
- VICE-PRESIDENT..... MAX LAURITZEN
- SECRETARY..... FLORENCE ROGERS
- TREASURER..... EULENE CARRUTH
- YELL LEADER..... MAX LAURITZEN



RUTH ADAMS

Her modest looks, the cottage will adorn.



MABEL BASHAM

O', saw ye the lass wi' the bonnie blue een
Her smile is the sweetest that ever was seen.



NELMA BOATMAN

She is pretty to walk with,
And witty to talk with,
And pleasant, too, to think on.

MILDRED BRANNON

A sense of humor ardently displayed.

BARBARA DAVIS

Let the world slide.

JACK DILL

Have I caught my heav'nly jewel?



BEN EISNER

A blond, curly haired Casanova.

ANNALIESE FRANKEN

She dives into work with a zest,
She travels the road to success.

BEVERLY GABLE

Nothing is impossible to a willing heart.



NORMA HARRISON

'Tis good to be merie and wise.

JACK HURST

A Texan first; a U. S. citizen second.

DALE KIRK

Men of few words are the best men.



PATRICIA MADDOX

I have mark'd a thousand blushing apparitions to
start into her face.

KEITH MELTON

He was fresh and full of faith that "something
would turn up."

CALVIN MILHAUS

He admits there are two sides—
His and the right side.



HELEN NEVE

The way to have a friend is to be one.

CAROLYN PETERSON

Nature has endowed this blonde damsel with
a love of song.

VIRGINIA ROTHWELL

The gentle mind by gentle deeds is
known.



JOY TAYLOR

There's language in her eye, her cheek, her lips.

LYNN VANHART

Valiant, but not too ventures.

LORRAINE WEBB

As merry as the day is long.





D. STARK, President



FRONT ROW: M. Orr, K. Rothwell, B. Nuckols, D. Ingersoll, M. Efsaaff, N. Short, R. Speck. SECOND ROW: J. Dye, M. Searcy, W. George, I. Fisher, H. Songer, J. Lambeth, D. Norris, R. Prichard, E. Chase, M. Glover, N. Dohrer. THIRD ROW: L. Reese, L. Coley, G. Garner, E. Campbell, D. Stark, A. Knutson, L. Kroells, R. Della, E. Craven. BACK ROW: G. Woody, P. Longacre, A. Cline, C. Smith, B. Cargile, J. Wallace, J. Hughes, R. Ingersoll, Mrs. Probasco.

JUNIORS

This year has been very much of a contrast to former years. The juniors have faced many new responsibilities and have assumed many important school offices.

The boys took an active part in football, basketball, track and tennis. The girls are leaders in most of the interclass sports, being champions in volleyball.

A number of Girl Reserve, Ring Girl, Junior Red Cross, Spanish Club and Service Club offices were held by junior girls, while the boys were prominent in Boys' League, Spartan Knights, Spanish Club and other organizations. Both boys and girls have also filled responsible positions on the Spartan News and Pleiades staffs.

The social highlight of the year was the Junior-Senior Banquet.

As for dramatics, the juniors excelled in the production of the class play, "Anybody's Million," and the assembly program, "A Day at Radio City."

Junior Rube Day brought a rise out of the school with many new beauties, which were never seen around the campus before. They came forth in a glorious array. Many henna and peroxide westerners and farmers were striking among the brazen beauties.

The junior class rings received much admiration and comment.

The junior class is looking forward to a successful year as seniors.

The capable officers that kept the junior class going through their busy year were:

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| PRESIDENT | DAVID STARK |
| VICE-PRESIDENT | AUSTINE CLINE |
| SECRETARY | HELEN SONGER |
| TREASURER | NOAMA SHORT |
| PROGRAM CHAIRMAN | DICK INGERSOLL |
| YELL LEADER | IRIS FISHER |
| ADVISER | MRS. PROBASCO |



FRONT ROW: L. McMullen, E. Keck, E. Moore, D. Speck, J. Moorhead, M. Evans, C. Loffin, M. Martin, L. Milhous.
 SECOND ROW: J. Hawkins, J. Currie, D. Dossey, P. Longenecker, R. McGuire, L. Morrison, B. Garrett, L. Halbert,
 B. Arbaugh, B. Webb. THIRD ROW: R. Mitchell, D. Knutson, T. Fortune, J. Dill, D. Fine, L. Pamelton, L. Rogers,
 V. Bevill, R. Fox, B. Pfrimmer, Mr. Dail. BACK ROW: G. McGuire, H. Ferrell, D. Harrison, W. Eisner, N. Newbrough,
 J. Walters, P. Pinkly, B. Fisher, C. Craven, R. Lundine.

B. FISHER, President

SOPHOMORES

Ahoy, schoolmates! This is the day of the 1943-1944 sophomore class of Strathmore Union High School.

On sunny September 13, 1943, in Strathmore, California, the high school students returned from the carefree vacation life they had known for three months. Returning with them were forty anxious sophomores who quickly accustomed themselves to school life again and soon were participating in everything.

There were several boys who made football, basketball and track letters. Several girls made letters also.

The Sophomore Party, which everyone enjoyed, was held on October 29 in the school gymnasium.

On January 14, the sophomore assembly was presented. It made a big hit because boys played the feminine parts and girls played the masculine parts.

The sophomore class had students in the Spanish Club assembly program and the operetta, "Hollywood Bound."

Sophomore students were members of the California Scholarship Federation, the Spanish Club, the Girl Reserves, the Ring Girls, the Boys' League and the Spartan Knights.

The class had 100% membership in the Junior Red Cross and the March of Dimes. Many students worked hard during Christmas Vacation and bought war bonds in the "Fourth War Loan Drive."

The class contributed to the Spartan News and many of the Pleiades articles were written by sophomores.

Many of the students studied hard this year and will continue to do so, in order that they will graduate and go out into the world to be some of the best citizens yet.

CLASS OFFICERS

PRESIDENT	BRYCE FISHER
VICE-PRESIDENT	BERNADINE GARRETT
TREASURER	BEVERLY PFRIMMER
YELL LEADER	JEAN DILL
MERIT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE	BETTY ARBAUGH
SECRETARY	PAULINE LONGENECKER
REPORTER	DOLORES HARRISON
ADVISER	MR. DAIL



B. CARGILE, President



FRONT ROW: E. Smay, R. Newbrough, B. Wiggins, N. Norris, M. Pemelton, B. Cargile, J. Webb, D. Campbell, D. Roy, M. Barr, L. Daniel. SECOND ROW: J. Glover, R. Zike, B. Suhovy, L. Atkinson, J. Short, L. Augustine, G. Taylor, B. Reid, R. Nelson, D. Kelley, J. Gonzalez, E. Neeley, B. Waldron, S. McCaskill, F. Persson. THIRD ROW: D. Johnston, E. Ellis, J. Efseaff, R. Cox, R. Royster, G. Zike, C. Marks, O. Phillips, G. Shirley, B. Gange, D. Hudson, I. Dobbs, B. Rogers, B. Branum, D. Prichard, M. Taylor, Mrs. Premo. BACK ROW: H. Wallace, S. Lightner, T. Bradley, C. Knutson, H. Phillips, J. Soares, C. Gaona, W. Kirk, J. Ingersoll, C. Pharis, D. Rowell, B. Dill, E. McCarty, E. Scott, I. Dugger, H. Dye, F. Wiggins, S. Espinoza, N. Fick, L. Marks.

FRESHMEN

The class officers, elected in October, for the year were the following:

PRESIDENT	BETTY CARGILE
VICE-PRESIDENT	JANIE SHORT
SECRETARY	BARABARA GANGE
TREASURER	IMOGENE DOBBS
MERIT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE	JOHN EFSEAFF
YELL LEADER	SHIRLEY LIGHTNER
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS	BILL SUHOVY

It was voted to make the vice-president program chairman. Janie resigned as vice-president and Dorothy Campbell was elected to take her place. The Freshman Party was on November 12 in the gymnasium. Our dues for the first semester were 25 cents. For the second they were 15 cents.

After the Christmas vacation, different members of the class gave talks on vacations and "What I Would Like To Be." There were many interesting ones. Many book reports were given, also, on different books the freshmen students had read.

Our assembly program was given April 28. It was a radio broadcast, "Flood and Fortune." The students who participated were: Mr. Hardtack, Jerry Shirley; Mrs. Hardtack, Barbara Gange; Marybelle Hardtack, Nancy Fick; Sheriff, Dewey Hudson; David, John Efseaff; Maw, Sue Brown; Jeeves, Melvin Pemelton.

April 21, the freshmen put out the school paper. Barbara Gange was elected editor, with Dorothy Campbell assistant editor. They appointed the following as their staff: Janie Short girls sports; Melvin Pemelton, jokes; Betty Cargile, Ella Marie Ellis, Imogene Dobbs, feature reporters; David Prichard and Ruby Cox, news reporters; Rolly Royster, Shirley Lightner and Nancy Fick, gossip reporters.