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In Memoriam

Dolly Fong. '24 Earnest Andrade, '25 Joseph Pinza, '26



Dedication.

It is to the taxpayers of the township who have given us this much needed and splendid building---our new Washington Union High School ---that the Jenior Class of 1923 dedicates this book.





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History of Senior Class

Four years ago in August we started out in our respective high school busses for our first day at dear old Washington, (but we didn't think of it as "dear" that day). We had heard of the pranks and jokes of which we might be the victims, and we were not exactly thrilled at the prospect. Anyway, we made the grade, and made it in high.

Out of fifty odd that started on that glorious August day, only nineteen have stayed and finished the race. Some have dropped out and many have moved to other schools.

When our first class meeting was held we felt exceedingly proud and grown up, and as we were timid and bashful the meeting was conducted in a very orderly manner. From that time on, we have elected our class officers with no trouble involved.

At the date of the writing of this history none of us have ventured out upon the sea of life, so we have not been able to distinguish ourselves as yet. Although one, who started with us in 1919, Miss Van Ness Gardiniere, has become a well known and accomplished dancer.

Taking the class as a whole it has been a success. We gave a Freshman party, Sophomore party, Junior dinner, all of which we thoroughly enjoyed, and our activities as Seniors have excelled those of our other three years.

Our scholarship record has always been high.

All who know our class and our records will point to us as a class of distinction.

CLASS HOROSCOPE

NAME-	FAVORITE EXPRESSION FAMOUS FOR	FAMOUS FOR	AMBITION	DESTINY
Anita Garcia (Dutch)	What dear?	Her length.	To be tall.	Senatoress.
Velma Francis (Vel)	That's all right.	Her efficiency.	To be a banker.	Pres. First National Bank.
Joseph Shinn (Shinnigan) Fair enuff!	Fair enuff!	His haircomb.	Pres. Anti-Woman League. Stage-door Johnnie.	Stage-door Johnnie.
Maude Thatcher	Is that so?	Her general ability.	To be editor of "Life."	Fortune teller.
Dorothy Fowler (Dot)	Gee! I don't know.	Freckles.	To be a wild woman.	Married woman.
Clarisse Hirsch (Chick)	Try to be agreeable.	Her wicked eyes.	To take care of Nila.	Forelady in cheese factory.
Mae Logan (Pat)	How can I reduce?	Mercells.	To get thin.	Hair dresser.
Lewis Musick (Eli)	You are the cat's meow.	His wad of (?)	To be a physicist.	Hen-pecked husband.
Victoria Palmer (Vic)	Ye gods!	Her line.	To flirt.	Peanut vender.
Estelle Hirsch (Stell)	Dare me?	Her creations.	To be a manicurist.	Spinster.
Claremond Secada	Who said?	Bashfulness.	To coach baseball teams. Animal trainer.	Animal trainer.
Florence Cunha	Isn't that awful?	Speeches.	To make world safe for (?) Poetess.	Poetess.
Nila LeGue (Shorty)	Oh, heavens!	Her independence.	To be a prima donna.	President W. C. T. U.
Elsie Murphy (Murph)	Gwan.	Her quiet disposition. To put on weight.	To put on weight.	Yell leader.
John Oliveria	I did not.	Being agreeable.	To be a lawyer.	Cow puncher.
Gertrude Destrella	What!	Her winning smile.	To be manager of violinist. Stenog. at Washington.	Stenog. at Washington.
Leonard Dondero (Getty) Hello, dearie.	Hello, dearie.	His many girls.	To be a Prof.	Organ grinder.
Mary Bliss	I didn't have time.	Bluffing.	To get married.	Traveling saleswoman.
Lucille Campos (Lu)	Say, kid.	Her dancing.	To become an actress.	Janitress.

Commencement Program

June 8, 1923

Address, "Opportunities"......Dr. Ira B. Cross

Violin Solo, "Adoration".....F. Borowski Mr. John R. Edwards Miss Gertrude Hunt at piano

Presentation of Diplomas Mr. Fred F. Dusterberry, President of Board of Trustees

Senior Ball

One of the most enjoyable social events of the year will be the Senior Ball, given by the class on June 9th at Maple Hall, Irvington. As this will be the last time the class will be together before their final separation, they are determined to make the best of the opportunity.

The decorations will make a pleasing and effective background for the dancers.

"The best dance ever given by a Senior class," will be the verdict June 10.



The Staff

Top row from left to right—Maud Thatcher, Literary; Lewis Muscik, Athletics; Claremond Secada, Draughtsman; John Oliveria, Circulation Director; Joseph Shinn, Business Manager; Clarisse Hirsch, Treasurer.

Bottom row from left to right—Victoria Palmer, Advertising Director; Nila Le Gue, Assistant Editor; Gertrude Destrella, Assistant Advertising Director; Estelle Hirsch, Editor; May Logan, Jokes; Velma Francis, Stenographer.

The Editor and Staff of "The Washingtonian" take this opportunity to thank the faculty, advertisers, students, and alumni for their help in making this book a success.

The co-operation of all has made the task of preparing this book a pleasant and enjoyable one.

The financial problem was the difficult one to solve as the amount of money needed could not be raised by subscription alone. The splendid help of the business men of the township, who have given us their advertisements, has enabled us to publish this annual.

To Mr. Kibby and Mr. Wright we wish to extend our hearty thanks. Without their aid and advice, we would have been at a loss to solve the many problems which confronted us in the publishing of this book.



The Great Northwest

In motoring through the Northwest you are impressed by the wonderful scenery of that region. The amount of land covered with timber is astonishing. The highways have had to be constructed through the middle of vast forests.

One of the most beautiful of these roads is the one leading to Mt. Rainier National Park in the State of Washington.

There are many varieties of scenery along this route, including snow covered mountains, sloping down to small valleys and canyons below. Great streams of melted snow rush down the canyons, washing away much dirt and many rocks from the mountain sides.

One of these is the Nesqually River. Its course is very winding. In several places the current becomes slower for one moment and then the river drops down perpendicularly two or three hundred feet. The most beautiful fall in this river is Narada. A huge volume of water pours down the side of the canyon, crosses the road-bed on the bank of the river, then falls down six hundred feet to the bottom of the canyon. To stand near the top of the fall and watch the clouds of mist coming up from below is delightful.

Farther up the canyon, beyond the fall, is a glacier. You would not know that it is there, as it is two or three hundred feet from the main road. The glacier is not gleaming white as you might expect, but is the color of dirt at a distance. With the aid of magnifying glasses you can see that there is dirt and rock as well as ice in the glacier. Small pleces of ice continually break off from this great mass.

Along the one-way road from the glacier to Paradise Valley are many hued wild flowers. Sometimes you will find them growing within ten feet of a bank of snow.

After traveling for ten miles with the snow and wild flowers over the landscape on the right, and with a beautiful river hundreds of feet below on the left, you reach the hotel in Paradise Valley. In the early morning you can look out of your window on a small stream below, running through a green valley dotted with patches of snow and bright wild flowers.

More beautiful than this peaceful valley, so far up in the mountains, is Mt. Rainier, towering fourteen thousand feet above, with a clear blue sky forming a background for the snow covered peak and its slopes.

After viewing this beautiful scenery, so typical of the Northwest, you realize what you have missed by not taking this trip before.

A Trip Through Ireland

We had arrived in Ireland, the buffer state of Europe, and the most picturesque. Our first stop was at a typical Irish village, Glencoe. This village is one in which the scenery is unsurpassed. All around are verdant hills, beautiful and naturally fertile land, and proofs of Ireland's past, which are found in her art and architecture.

We traveled through Glencoe and the neighboring villages in a small cart, drawn by an old, slow horse.

No sooner had our driver stopped the conveyance in front of the village store than countless lads and lassies rushed out from every nook and corner in the village to welcome us, or perhaps our money.

The people are affectionate, sympathetic, and warm hearted. They made us enjoy and appreciate our tour through their village just by their attitude of friendliness and welcome toward us.

This is just one of the many incidents we experienced on our trips.

After traveling through a great part of Ireland and thus securing a general survey of the country, we were astounded by its structures, features, and products. Why has Ireland been so unfortunate and so full of discontentment—with such natural resources—her noble harbors, her River Shannon, her fertile land? But at last when we obtained our first view of the "silver streak," we were able to comprehend that one of the misfortunes of Ireland was due to her geography. This "silver streak," a body of water, divides Ireland from the mother country. Right then and there we closed our eyes and tried to visualize what Ireland's history might have been had it not been for this barrier.

We hurried on and arrived in England, determined to return some day to enjoy more of Ireland and to fathom out the remaining causes of her unsuccessfulness.

Generally, tourists hurry through Ireland without stopping to note its rare beauty; mainly because they are eager to reach Great Britain and the continent. But we have found that in all our travels no country holds such a store of delights and surprises as the Emerald Isle.

Sentiment! How much there is in our old building! This old fashioned school, on an old fashioned site.

In every room there are memories. How I love to walk down the corridors, up and down the stairs. The atmosphere is that of home to me, as it surely must be to others.

Ah! the dear old basement, with its furnace covered with names and numerals, from many years back—although in reality it is a dark and dreary place—but what does Youth care?

In our assembly hall, which is not very large, we have gathered for our rallies. The faded penants hung on the walls inspired our heroes whom we cheered with mighty voices to go on the field to fight their hardest for Washington High.

I am proud to say that I am a student of the last class which will go from this building, and I hope the following classes may hold just such fond memories of their beautiful school as I have for the old one.



Class of 1924

President, Robert Sweeney Vice-President, Jeanette Richmond Secretary, Ruby Joyce Treasurer, Eleanor Rogers

Junior Class History

All hail to the class of twenty-four, That's full of life, if not of lore, Who in activities is very spry, And who always roots for Washington High.

The classmen come from far and wide, From neighboring towns and countryside, In Fords, in busses, and on "bikes," While others have some very long hikes.

The teams of girls and teams of boys, To us and the school brought many joys. When "Scrubs" we won the interclass game, And as Sophs and Juniors upheld our fame.

As Juniors we've won the name of "winner," By the last event, the "Senior Dinner." We are sure as Juniors we've paved the way, So when Seniors we are we can truthfully say, "Every day in every way, we are getting better and better."



Class of 1925

Class Motto: Cor unum, via una.

President, Eugene Silva Vice-President, Velma Copeland Secretary, Evelyn Day Treasurer, William Rose

The Sophomore Class began its school career last year with one of the largest memberships in the school history.

Class officers were elected as soon as the members became acquainted. Though their president and star athlete, Homer Snow, moved away during the year, the class activities were efficiently guided by his successor, Edith Gomes.

Most of the class survived that time of the whole year most dreaded by all Freshmen, Labor Day, and returned after vacation proud of their new name, "Sophs." And now at the end of the year they have more reason than ever to be proud of it, because it stands for a class noted for its school spirit, pep, and originality.

Those who went to our Hallowe'en Party last fall considered it the best school party they had ever attended. We'll say it was. 'Member how you hated to go home? The party given in honor of the Seniors was one of the other successful social events.

The play presented by the Sophomore Dramatic Club at the Christmas party proved very entertaining. Their actors are destined to become stars.

Those interested in sports, among both the boys and the girls, put up a good fight and won several interclass games. Athletic activities were very successful this year. The Girl's Baseball Team made an especially good showing by winning the "Interclass Championship" and defeating several grammar schools. On all school teams the class has been well represented.

The loss of their fellow student, Ernest Andrade, was felt deeply by his classmates. He will be remembered always by the Sophomore Class as one who worked hard, played fair, and had a kind word for everyone.

With such a history preceding them and such a bright future ahead, the constituents of the Sophomore Class go forth with the same spirit to make their Junior year still more successful.



History of the Class of 1926

President, Frederick Amaral Vice-President, Sibyl Botelho Secretary, Adele Steinhoff Treasurer, Alwin Searles

On August 14, 1922, sixty-five pupils gathered from all parts of the township to enroll as Freshmen in Washington Union High School. We were a timid and bewildered group, but in a few days when our courses of study were settled, we began to feel at home and ever since have taken a very important part in school activities.

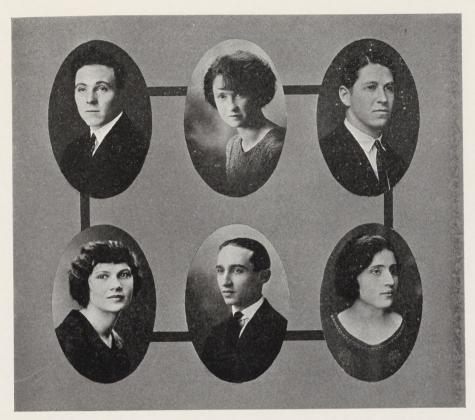
Before long the enrollment increased to seventy-two, but by the end of the year a few had dropped out.

On Monday evening, February 12, 1923, the class entertained the whole school at a Valentine Party, which was enjoyed by everyone present.

Many of the Freshmen seem to be natural born athletes. In March there began a series of interclass baseball games. The first was between the Freshmen and Sophomores, and the second between the Freshmen and Juniors, in each of which the Freshmen were victorious. Those who played in these games were: Alwin Searles, Lawrence Pimentel, Logan Page, and Henry Santos.

The girls have also done well in baseball, the following members of the class having made the first team: Irene Alameda, Sibyl Botelho, Louise Clark, Alice Dargitz, Pauline Gronley and Adele Steinhoff.

The annual "work" day was held on Thursday, April 26. The Freshmen girls were initiated and had to sing and make speeches for the benefit of the other classes. After the luncheon was served the girls of our class washed the dishes—a sad duty which custom and the upper classmen have ordained that Freshmen girls shall perform. In summing up the day's "work," everyone had an enjoyable time, even we who feel that at last we have fulfilled all the requirements to make us full-fledged Freshmen.



LEWIS MUSICK President MAY LOGAN Secretary MARCELLA NORRIS Vice-President LEONARD LUCIO Boys' Athletic Manager GEORGE RICHARDS Treasurer MAMIE DUARTE Girls' Athletic Manager

Student Body

A complete union of the students of Washington Union High School was brought about through the formation of the Associated Students' Organization, February 8, 1923.

This organization was formed for the purpose of promoting a spirit of unity among the pupils of the school and of securing an efficient management of student activities.

The officers of this organization are: president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, editor of "The Hatchet," all of whom are elected by the students, and the banker, who is the principal of the school. The boys elect a student manager for boys' athletics, and the girls elect their manager for the girls' athletics.

As time passes we feel that the Association will fulfill its aim as the main factor in the school for the unification of the students.



N VICTORIA PALMER Assistant Editor

ROBERT SWEENEY Editor-in-Chief

The Story of the Hatchet

The origin of our school paper, "The Hatchet," is an interesting one. The school wanted a paper, and through the efforts of Mr. Moyer, Phillip Griffin, "Kelly" Wales, and one or two others, the publication of the paper was started in 1916.

Up to this time they had mimeographed one, which was not successful. A change was inevitable. Their plan materialized and "The Hatchet" was published two or three times a year. The publication of it then discontinued for a few years until the arrival of Mr. Kibby.

Mr. Kibby has done remarkable work with the meager equipment we have for printing. At present "The Hatchet" is published every three weeks, and next year it will become a weekly paper, its four pages crowded with the very best material obtainable from the students.

The Editorial Staff this year is as follows:

Editor	Robert Sweeney
Associate Editor	
Assistant Editor	Jeanette Richmond
News	Edward Collins
Boys' Sports	August Alquist
Girls' Sports	Estelle Hirsch
Senior Class	Nila LeGue
Junior Class	Arwin Ormsby
Sophomore Class	Edith Gomes
Freshman Class	Logan Paige

Girls' League

Before our Girls' League was organized, there was a feeling among some of the faculty members and pupils that we needed some kind of an organization in the school which would help solve two problems.

The first of these was: how could the girls of the school interest the girls from the grammar schools in the high school, and help them get started in their new work? Before this time girls in the various towns had been appointed by the principal to act as advisers to the new girls about to enter high school from their towns.

The second problem was: how could we create a feeling of unity, friendliness and school spirit among the girls already in the school, and discourage snobbishness and cliquishness among them?

With these problems to be solved we organized the Girls' League, in 1919, with Miss Marietta Edwards as first president.

This organization was one of the first of its kind in California. But the idea of Girls' Leagues has spread widely, so that now several Federations of Girls' Leagues have been formed in the State. A Federation was formed in the Bay Counties, at San Mateo, October, 1922, of which our league is a charter member.

Miss Sandholdt, our faculty adviser, deserves much credit for her unceasing efforts in helping us solve our problems.

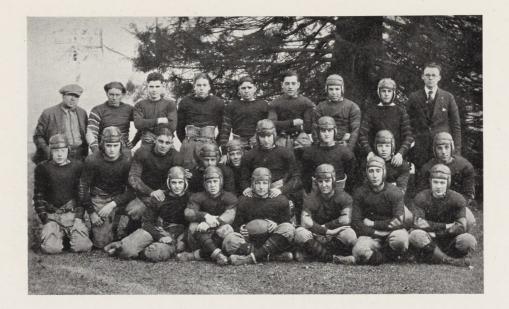
The Girls' League has always stood for hospitality, welcome, unselfishness, and the refinements of school life, and has been the chief social agency in the school since its organization.

The present officers of the League are:

President	Gertrude Destrella
Vice-President	Jeanette Richmond
Secretary	Madelyn Moore
Treasurer	Marcella Norris

Committee Chairmen:

Ways and Means	Aleine Joliff
Hospitality	Ruby Joyce
Program	Estelle Hirsch



Football

Football season opened with the old "Spirit of 1899." The spirit predominated throughout the entire season.

In the San Rafael game, the extra fight and energy in the battling eleven showed up vividly. Day, the crushing wonder, gave a good exhibition to the spectators. The guards, Brown and Santos, played a great game. Bettencourt at center was the bulwark of the line.

Potter, Galilio, Fremont, and Alameda were only practice games. Although Alameda came out in the lead, W. U. H. S. was not disheartened. Hayward, having put up a good fight against Alameda, held a superior feeling toward us. This feeling however, was taken out of them when W. U. H. S. cleaned them up to the tune of 32-0.

The tackles, Laws, Steinmetz and Musick, kept the holes open for the plunging back-field, Ormsby, Day, Sweeney, and Lawlor. Goulart, Dondero and Silvera filled the end positions splendidly.

The work of the second team is worthy of note. In their game with Hayward second team they defeated them 14 to 0.

The first team schedule was as follows:

Date	Team	Place	V.	W.
September 9		t Centerville		13
September	Piedmont a		5 7	$\frac{8}{21}$
September 30 ⁻ October 7 ⁻	Gallileo at Potter at C		$\begin{array}{c} 0\\ 7\end{array}$	$\frac{19}{36}$
October 14	Alameda a	t Alameda	13	0
	Alameda a		$\begin{array}{c} 13 \\ 0 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0\\ 32\end{array}$



Baseball

Another successful season has been completed and above is a photograph of the triumphant "little nine."

"Kelly" Wales gave some valuable advice to the squad at the opening of the season. Coach Edwards offered a medal to the player who would do the most for the success of the team and "Getty" Dondero was the fortunate winner. All through the season each player did remarkably well.

On April 25th W. U. H. S. trimmed Hayward 5 to 1 with Secada pitch-

ing. "Getty" Dondero played a spectacular game. Goulart on second and Captain Bettencourt catching, played in fine unison.

The Mission game was a wonder. Powers, Silveria, and Brown played a perfect game in the field.

The Oakland Prep game showed great form with Sweeney holding down third base.

In the practice game with Santa Clara, the old fight and confidence came back. The growl for Hayward's meat was started.

The entire season may be summed up a success. Washington High's motto is: "Uphold the previous record."

The following is the record for the season:

Date	V.	W.
February 28	6	3
March 6	1	. 4
March 14	1	17
March 21Oak. Preps. at Centervil	le 7	5
March 24	1	5
March 27Potter at Potter	3	15
April 14	8	3
April 18S. C. Preps. at Centervil	le 7	6
April 23Hayward at Hayward		5



Track

The track season of 1923 has been a very successful one. Only a small squad was practicing during the baseball season. As the number of the meets in the schedule increased, interest in track grew.

On May 5th Washington met Cogswell at San Francisco and was beaten 36 to 92.

Our team showed great improvement when it met Santa Clara on May 11th.

The closest score in this year's track record was 86 to 72, when Washington defeated Hayward on Hayward's own grounds. Pleasanton and Livermore did not take part in this annual meet of lower Alameda County, much to the regret of the other contending teams.

Since the organization of the C. A. C. A. L., the Washington track team has held the championship continuously.

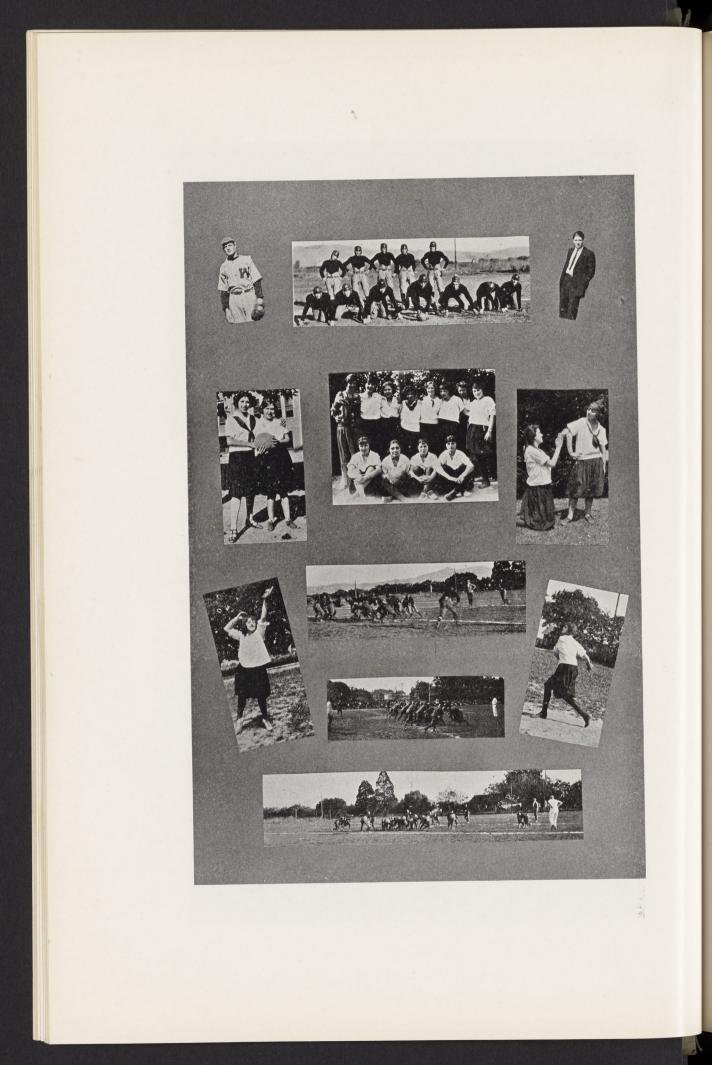


Girls' Athletics

Each year the Girls' Physical Education Department has become larger, and this year, under the training of Miss Hunt and Miss Thoming, the girls have been able to accomplish something in athletics.

Although the girls' teams have not always been on the long end of the scores, they have shown excellent spirit, as well as ambition to win against these opponents in the future.







A Modern Shakespeare

"Are you going to be in English today?" "To be, or not to be? That is the question."

Lewis Musick—"What is the date, please?"

Miss Thoming—"Never mind the date, the examination is more important."

L. M.—"I know, but I thought I'd get one thing right."

Evening Psalm

My Physics 'tis of thee, Thou book of misery, Of thee I cry. I hate your laws and gases, I wish you were in ashes, Pain through my head now dashes—-From thee I'll die.

Fond Parent—"What is worrying you, son?"

Paul D.—"I was just wordering how many legs you gotta pull off a centerpede to make him limp."

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"I thought you took geometry last year." Jack L.—"I did, but the faculty encored me."

Mr. Wright—"I'm going to speak on liars today. How many of you have read the twenty-fifth chapter?

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Nearly every student raised his hand.

Mr. Wright—"Good, you are the very group to whom I wish to speak. There is no twenty-fifth chapter."

"Why keep that school girl complexion?" said a Junior, as he brushed off the lapel of his coat.



Miss Thoming—"Marcella, you may remember that the roll is taken at 8:50."

Marcella N.—"That's all right, if I'm not here, don't wait."

Ye Wise Sayings

"He, who would rise with the sun, must not stay up with the daughter." "You can't always love tomorrow, those whom you have loved today." "Home is the place where we are treated best and grumble most."

Elated

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Frosh—"Charlie Newlin was fined last night for speeding." Second Frosh—"Was he sore about it?"

Frosh—"Not at all; he was tickled to death that anyone could have suspected his car of going over fifteen miles an hour."

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"Why is a pen like a girl?"

"Because every fellow should have one of his own and not borrow the other fellow's."

Mr. Edwards—"Robert, tell about Hawaii." Robert (half asleep)—"What?" Mr. Edwards—"Hawaii." Robert—"Oh, fine, thank you."

Logical

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Any girl (while dancing)—"I washed my hair last night and I can't do a thing with it."

Micky-Yea?"

Girl—"Tommy, get off my toes."

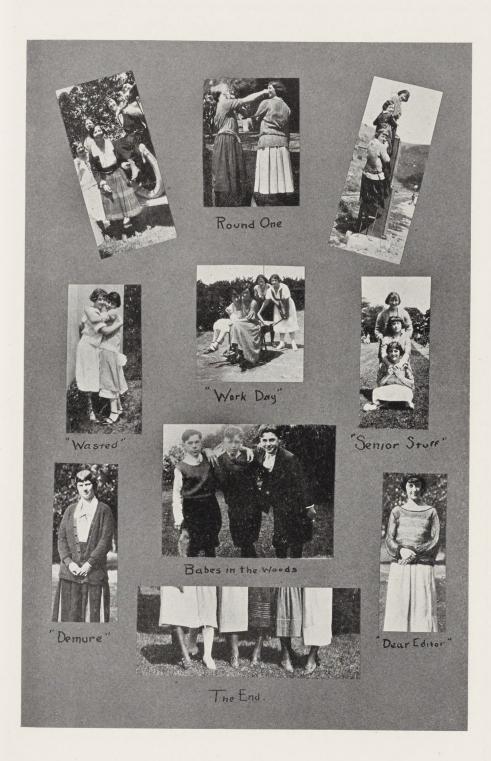
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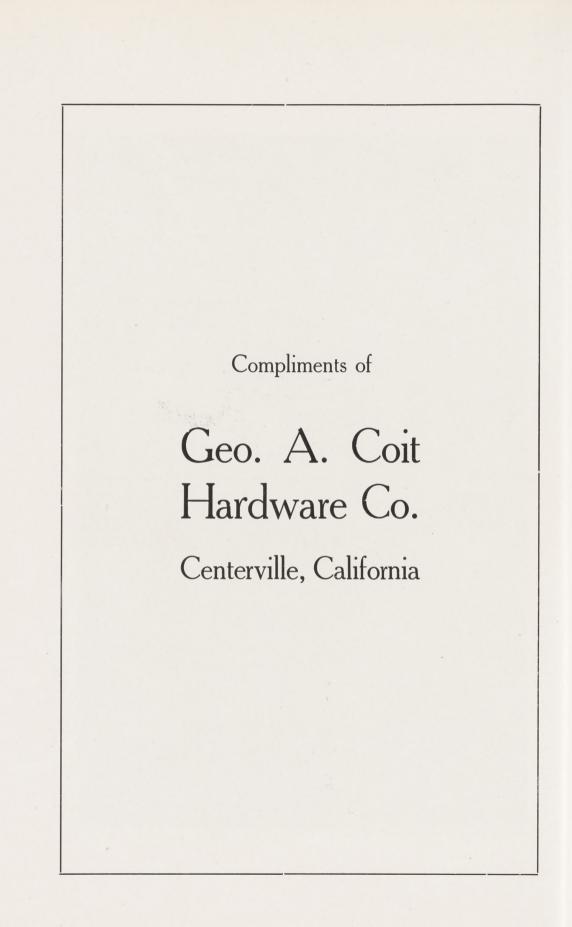
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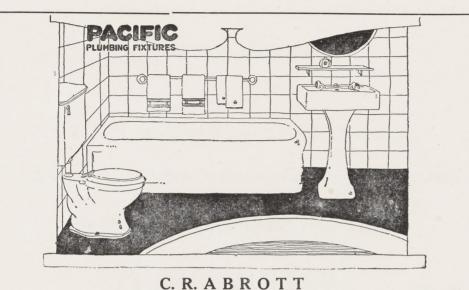
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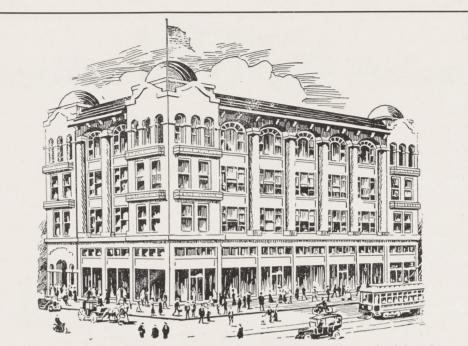
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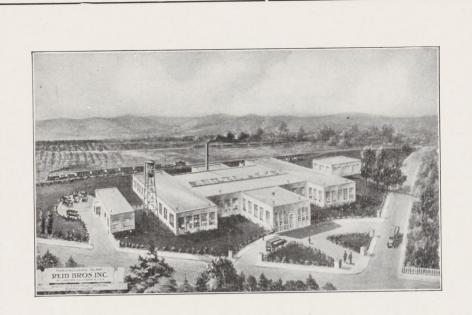
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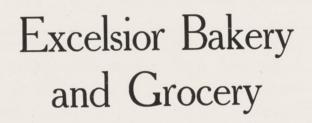
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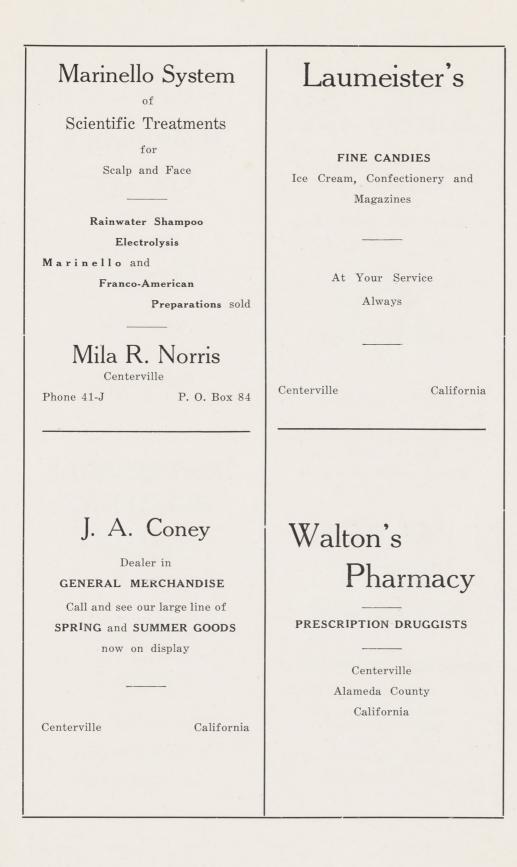
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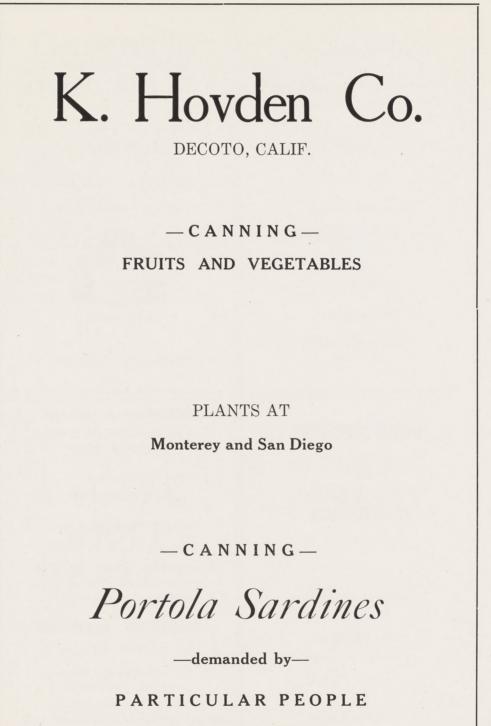
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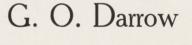
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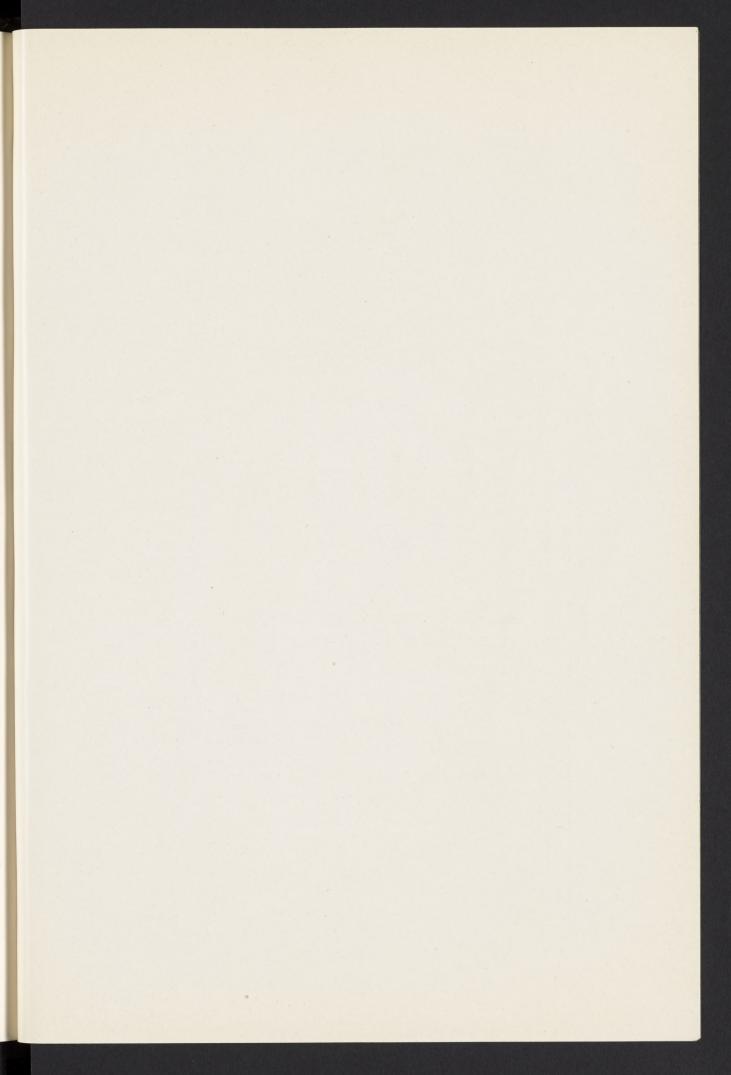
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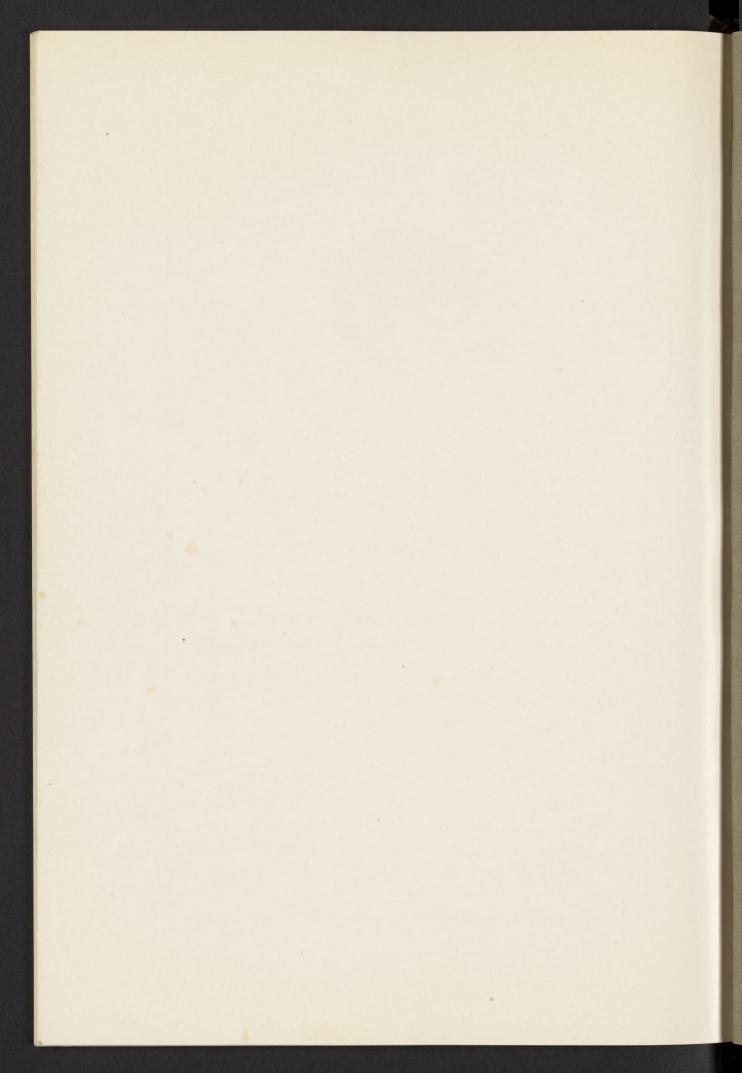


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