

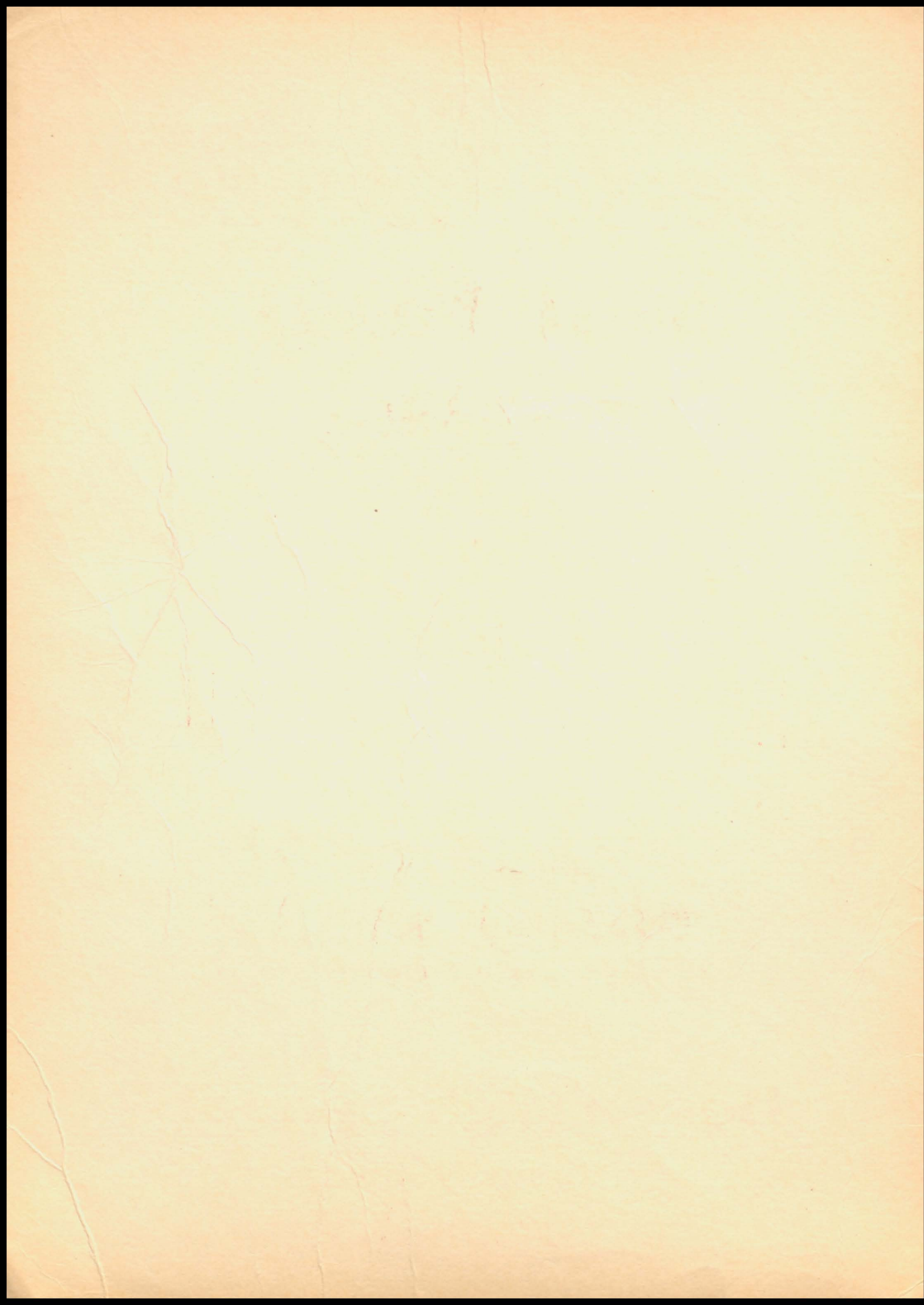
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Dedication



We the students and faculty of Besse High School, respectfully dedicate this issue of the Besse Breeze to Charles Taylor who passed away on November 27, 1947. He was a man well worth our love, respect, and admiration; and one whose kindness and congenialty will long be remembered.

— — — BESSE HIGH DIRECTORY — — —

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Elwood Knights



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Sophomore Reporter	Carol Knight
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EDITORIALS

BESSE OWLS

The Besse Owl has long been the trade mark of our high school and we have tried this year to make him more prominent. No one in school today seems to know why the owl was first chosen as our mascot, but we take this fowl of the air for granted. Perhaps an owl was chosen because it happened to fly in an open window one day, or perhaps it was because it, like the students of days past, flew about by night and slept by day. Or perhaps Besse chose to be wise like the traditional owl. Anyhow we are proud this old bird is here to encourage us in our work and to give us a good name.

We have tried this year to bring the owl back into the spotlight. He has assumed an important position on the front of the boy's basketball jerseys and has been seen to be floating around the main room day after day on the front of the white T shirts. Perhaps someday we may get to be as wise as the wise old owl in the back of the room. Who knows?

Anyway we are happy to give a last resounding cheer: Yea, Besse, Yea, Owls, Yea, Yea, Besse Owls.

Hattie Rood, '49

TOYS FOR FRANCE

A happening took place last month which, I am sure, pleased everyone, especially the Maine people. A shipload of toys gathered by Maine children was sent to the children of France. The ship, the Patrick Henry, arrived in Nice and was greeted there by one of our women correspondents. The arrival of it and the acceptance of the toys was specially broadcast back here so that the children of Maine could see what happiness their good deed had brought.

Our correspondent spoke to a store-keeper there in France. You could tell how delighted he really was with the toys, as he said they would be distributed throughout all the provinces of France. This conversation was rebroadcast in French so that the French people could also listen to it.

I think it was a brave and noble deed for the children of Maine to do. We little know the suffering and the unhappiness which the children of France have had to endure. Not only have they lost relatives, perhaps even parents, but they have had to do with little food and scarcely any luxuries. If a few toys would bring happiness to them, then it is up to us to supply those toys with which we are so abundantly supplied and of which they have none.

If children all over the United States would follow the lead set by the children of Maine, then they also would be happier for having made somebody less fortunate happy too. The children of America can help to influence the feeling of good will between nations just as much as do our president and statesmen.

Faye Cookson, '48

ROLL OF HONOR

HIGH HONORS—90 or over

HONORS—85 to 90

SENIORS

Brenda Braley (3)
Faye Cookson (3)
Rosella Rex (3)

Jean Bagley (3)
Geraldine Brown (2)
Florence Flye (3)
Marilyn Shibles (3)
Ferne Keef (1)
Mary Fuller (1)

JUNIORS

Elaine Rideout (1)
Ethel Carver (1)

Lillian Drake (3)
Elma Lee (3)
Hattie Rood (3)
Elaine Rideout (1)
Carlene Waugh (2)

SOPHOMORE

Betty Blake (3)
Joyce Fuller (3)
Carol Knight (3)
Bernice Bezanson (1)
Robert Cookson (1)

Bernice Bezanson (2)
Robert Cookson (1)
Amy Bezanson (2)
Elizabeth Sylvester (1)

FRESHMEN

Nelson Bezanson (3)
Charles McKiel (2)
Ida Marks (1)

Thelma Baker (2)
Evelyn Bessey (3)
Berry Coffin (1)
Rosamond Keef (3)
Edna Lewis (3)
Ida Marks (2)
Virginia Mason (3)
Charles McKiel (1)
Margaret Johnson (1)

SENIOR CLASS ROLL

CLASS ROLL SENIORS

June Bagley
Jean Bagley
Brenda Braley
Geraldine Brown
Faye Cookson
Florence Flye

Mary Fuller
Ferne Keef
Harriet McKiel
Donald Quimby
Rosella Rex
Marilyn Shibles



CLASS OFFICERS

President Florence Flye
Vice President June Bagley
Secretary Harriet McKiel
Treasurer Faye Cookson



CLASS MOTTO: The Future Is Ours
CLASS COLORS: Green and Gold



COMMENCEMENT

Baccalaureate May 30, Church, 3:00 P. M.
Last Chapel May 28, Church, 3:00 P. M.
Graduation and Ball June 2, I. O. O. F. Hall, 8:00 P. M.

BESSE BREEZE

JEAN C. BAGLEY

"Jeanie"

February 8, 1930

Class Marshal

Here's to the Captain of our basketball team;
Wherever there's mischief, there's always
Jean.

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Ass't Manager 3, Cap-
tain 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Red Cross
1, 2, 3; Breeze Board 3, 4, Girls Sports Editor
3, 4; Class Treasurer 1, 2; Student Council 2;
Honor Roll 1, 2, 3; Graduation Usher 3; Fresh-
man Play 1; Allstar Forward of Waldo Coun-
ty League 4.

We'll all miss you, Jean, not only in sports,
but in all the school activities. Good luck
and may happiness be with you always.



JUNE C. BAGLEY

"Junie"

February 7, 1930

Class Poem

Here's to June, so loyal and true,
Who's always willing and ready to do.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Softball 2, 3, 4; Bazaar
Committee 4; Editorial Board, Ass't Printer
4; Junior Prize Speaking 3; Graduation Usher
3; Freshman Play 1; Sophomore Play 2; Jun-
ior Play 3; Senior Play 4; Student Council 4,
Treasurer 4; Manager of Magazine Drive 4;
Class Secretary 1; Class Vice President 4.

We wish you the best of everything and
happiness in the future years.



BRENDA BRALEY

"Babs"

March 28, 1930

Salutatory

Because you have a lot of charm
We're sure no one will wish you harm.

Class President 1; Vice President 2; Treas-
urer 3; Student Council 1, 2, 3; Editorial
Board 4; Advertising Manager 4; Bazaar
Play 1, 2, 4; Minstrel Show 3; Bazaar Com-
mittee 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheer-
leader 1, 4; Freshman Play 1; Sophomore Play
2; Junior Play 3; Senior Play 4; Junior Prize
Speaking 3, First Prize; Interscholastic Speak-
ing 3, Second Prize; Captain Magazine Drive
3; Graduation Usher 3; Mistress of Ceremon-
ies Freshman Reception 2; First Prize Essay
Contest 3; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4.

We know your ambition for your class and
your ability to go ahead will bring you much
success in the future.





GERALDINE E. BROWN "Gerry"

December 1, 1930

Class Gifts

Sweet personality, full of rascality;
That's "Gerry" Brown.

Waterville High School 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2; Purple and White Club 2; Physical Education 1, 2; Dramatic Club 2; Besse High School 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Softball 3, 4; Junior Play 3; Junior Prize Speaking, Third Prize; Editorial Board 4, Exchange Editor 4; Graduation Usher 3; Minstrel Show 3; Senior Play 4; Prize Speaking 4.

You're very popular with both boys and girls. May this popularity make your life full of fun and bring you much happiness.

FAYE I. COOKSON "Cookie"

September 22, 1929

Valadictory

Your kindness and your laughter
Will help you through the years.

Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Class President 1; Class Secretary 3; Class Treasurer 4; Secretary of Student Council 3; Editorial Board 1, 3, 4, Class Reporter 1, Literary Editor 4; Freshman Play 1; Sophomore Play 2; Senior Play 4; Junior Prize Speaking 3; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Allstar Guard of Waldo County League 3, 4; Graduation Usher 3; Bazaar Committee 1, 2, 3, 4.

Faye, with your kindness and ability, we know that you will have much success and happiness in future years.



FLORENCE F. FLYE "Peanut"

October 20, 1929

First Honor Essay

A girl so nice and friendly
You'll find in our own Florency.

Softball 1, 2, 3, 4, Captain 3, Manager 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Freshman Play 1; Sophomore Play 2; Junior Play 3; Senior Play 4; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Bazaar Committee 1, 2, 3, 4, Chairman 4; Junior Prize Speaking 3; Graduation Usher 3; Minstrel Show 3; Class President 4; Class Secretary 2; Student Council 2, 4, Secretary 4; Editorial Board 3, 4, Editor-in-Chief 4; Candidate to D. A. R. 4; Captain of Magazine Drive 4.

As a basketball player, student, and classmate, we are certainly proud of you and sincerely wish you the best of luck in the future.



BESSE BREEZE



MARY R. FULLER

"Fuller"

March 17, 1930

Class Gifts

Here's to Mary, a friend 'tis true;
Always happy, never blue.

Freshman Play 1; Junior Play 3; Senior Play 4; Softball 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Junior Prize Speaking 3; Graduation Usher 3; Bazaar Committee 1, 2, 3, 4.

Mary, you've been a swell classmate throughout high school. Best of luck in all you do in the future.

FERNE R. KEEF

"Ferne"

May 23, 1930

Class Will

A classmate with such vim and pep;
We are mighty proud of you, you bet.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Freshman Play 1; Sophomore Play 2; Junior Play 3; Senior Play 4; Junior Prize Speaking 3; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3; Graduation Usher 3; Bazaar Committee 3, 4.

You've been a lot of fun to have around;
we won't forget you. Best of luck to you in the future.



HARRIET E. McKIEL

"Hat"

June 12, 1930

Class Prophecy

The sun shines East, the sun shines West
But Harriet knows what sun shines best

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Ass't Manager 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior Red Cross 1, 2, 3; Bazaar Committee 2, 3, 4; Breeze Board 3, 4, Humor Editor 4; Bazaar Play 1; Minstrel Show 3; Sophomore Play 2; Junior Play 3; Senior Play 4; Junior Prize Speaking 3, Second Prize; Class Vice President 3; Class Secretary 4; Student Council 3, 4, President 3; Graduation Usher 3.

You have been a swell member of our class, Hat. Here's wishing you the best of luck in your future.





DONALD A. QUIMBY "Don"

November 1, 1929

Class Will

Oh, handsome boy, we welcome you,
We're glad we never you did lose.

Basketball 1, 2, 3; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Bazaar
Committee 4; Editorial Board 2, 3, 4; Senior
Class Marshal 3; Freshman Play 1; Sopho-
more Play 2; Junior Play 3; Senior Play 4;
Student Council 1.

You have courage, my lad, to have stayed
with this class of eleven girls; may this char-
acteristic bring you much good luck.

ROSELLA D. REX

"Rosie"

September 28, 1930

Second Honor Essay

A rose in bloom, is Rosie;
She's been our great delight.

Editorial Board 3, 4; Bazaar Committee 2,
3, 4; Junior Prize Speaking 3; Senior Play
4; Class Reporter 3, 4; Graduation Usher 3;
Honor Roll 2, 3, 4.

A girl from Massachusetts can be lots of
fun and we're glad you joined us. Here's
wishing you lots of luck.



MARILYN J. SHIBLES

"Squeak"

July 8, 1930

Class Prophecy

So sweet, and nice and on her toes;
That's our "Squeak" where'er she goes.

Basketball 3, 4, Manager 4; Softball 2, 3,
4; Bazaar Committee 2, 3, 4; Breeze Board
3, 4, Exchange Editor 3, Business Manager
4; Minstrel Show 3; Sophomore Play 2; Jun-
ior Play 3; Senior Play 3; Junior Prize Speak-
ing 3; Student Council 1, 3, Vice President
3; Honor Roll 4; Class President 3; Gradua-
tion Usher 3; Junior Red Cross 1, 2, 3; Sen-
ior Play 4.

Your pleasant ways have won you many
friends. Best of luck in the future.



SENIOR CLASS



Front Row, (left to right): Rosella Rex, Harriet McKiel, Florence Flye, Donald Quimby, June Bagley, Faye Cookson, Geraldine Brown.
Back Row: Marilyn Shibbles, Ferne Keef, Jean Bagley, Miss Mitchell, Mary Fuller, Brenda Braley.

The Senior Class elected the following officers for the year:

President — Florence Flye
Vice-President — June Bagley
Secretary — Harriet McKiel
Treasurer — Faye Cookson
Class Reporter — Rosella Rex
Class Advisor — Miss Mitchell

The Senior Class, composed of eleven girls and one boy, has been outstanding in many activities. The first team in girls' basketball is composed of Senior girls. Brenda Braley was chosen "Apple Annie of Pomona Grange." Florence Flye, who was chosen D. A. R. candidate, has been very active in all school affairs.

Rosella Rex, '48

JUNIOR CLASS



Front Row, (left to right): Catherine Knights, Elma Lee, Harold Hotham, Carleton Fuller, Danny Blake, Ethel Carver, Lillian Drake.
Back Row: Dana Libby, Carlene Waugh, Jimmy Yeaton, John Hendsbee, Mr. Furtwengler, Elaine Rideout, Hattie Rood.

This year from our class, consisting of thirteen members, we chose as our officers:

President — Elma Lee
Vice President — Danny Blake
Treasurer — Carleton Fuller
Secretary — Ethel Carver
Class Reporter — Elma Lee

We Juniors are proud to claim, as members of our class, Had, Dutchie, and Danny—the star players of the Waldo County Champs—and also Jimmy, their efficient manager.

The Junior Girls have four active members on the basketball team and six out for the softball team.

Besides taking part in sports we do our share on the school paper. We also have earned some money toward meeting our future expenses. For this we thank our supporting townspeople, whole heartedly.

Elma Lee, '49

SOPHOMORE CLASS



Front Row, (left to right) : Carol Knight, Carolyn Keef, Betty Blake, Seth Bradstreet, Leslie Clark, Joyce Fuller, Betty Sylvester.
Back Row: Amy Bezanson, James Hendsbee, William Woodbury, Mr. Furtwengler, Roddy Robinson, Robert Cookson, William Noyes, Bernice Bezanson.

The Sophomores have had a very successful year under the leadership of the following officers:

President — Seth Bradstreet
Vice President — Leslie Clark
Treasurer — Joyce Fuller
Secretary — Carolyn Keef

We started our happy and successful year by initiating the Freshmen, who showed great sportsmanship by obeying our every command.

It was a great day when we received our class rings.

Amy Bezanson, a very ambitious Sophomore, won second prize in the magazine drive.

Carol Knight, is an outstanding girl athlete.

Betty Blake, Carol Knight, and Joyce Fuller have made the honor roll every time this year.

Leslie Clark, Roddy Robinson, and Seth Bradstreet have all taken a great part in the boys' athletics. Keep up the good work!

Each Sophomore resolves to do his share toward making a still more successful Junior year.

Carol Knight, '50

FRESHMAN CLASS



Front Row: (left to right): Rosamond Keef, Edna Lewis, Martha Rowe, Mrs. Grant, Virginia Mason, Ida Marks, Evelyn Bessey.
Second Row: Donald Glidden, Robert Freeman, Guy Higgins, Berry Coffin, Dexter Higgins, Charles McKiel, Nelson Bezanson.
Third Row: Oswald Cash, Richard Keene, Kenneth Orr, Irving Quimby, Keith Noyes.

Last fall on September 10, twenty three Freshmen entered Besse High School. There are only twenty of us left. Keith Spiller and Sherwood Baker left us the first part of the year while Margaret Johnson left in the middle of the year.

Freshman Reception was something we all looked forward to eagerly and now look back upon with pleasant memories.

Erving Quimby, Robert Freeman, Betty Coffin, Dexter Higgins, and Charles McKiel have taken great interest as well as a great part in basketball this year. Richard Keene and Charles McKiel took part in the bazaar play, "The Ghostly Passenger."

Following is a list of our class officers:

President — Charles McKiel
Vice President — Berry Coffin
Secretary — Ida Marks
Treasurer — Dexter Higgins
Class Reporter — Edna Lewis

Edna Lewis, '51

EIGHTH GRADE



Front Row, (left to right): Lawrence Reynolds, Maurice Scribner, Jr., Beverly Cookson, George Gould, Stephen Fowler.

Back Row: Allen Higgins, Allen Knights, Roger Cole, Miss Edith Mitchell.

After our days at Besse Grammar
We're ready for work
Without much glamour.
So here we are, with only one lass
To make the others stand aghast,
As we try to do our daily tasks.
Ever loyal, friendly, true;
We'll do our best to improve our school.

IN MEMORIAM

Edward Hilton Rowe
August 16, 1935
June 22, 1947

A MIDNIGHT ADVENTURE

Slowly the door pushes inward and as usual squeaks loudly in doing so. An odd looking figure can be seen cautiously advancing into the room. His loud irregular breathing, coming in gasps and sighs, can be heard.

The intruder is quite large in stature and his hair is sticking out in all directions. He carries a large object in one hand and over his shoulder he wears a robe or cloak of some sort. All the while this figure is talking to himself in jerks and stutters.

"I-I sure hope everyone's asleep. I hope they don't hear me. Oh, what was that! Oh, you Skippy? Now be quiet—or they'll be sure to hear me. Go on."

He slowly and carefully marches up the winding stairs with the dog following him.

"Hey! What's the matter with me? Why should I go so darn slow and qu-quiet like. Guess I must have eaten too much ice cream and c-c-ch-opp-s-pphew-cake. I'm getting worse-s-eems."

Down the hall at the head of the stairs he goes, until suddenly he comes to an abrupt halt.

"Oh-w-what in heck is th-this?—Oh what a horrible looking creature! W-walkingright along beside m-me. G-got to—puff-puff-reach that room. I c-can't s-seem to move fast-EEK-ain't it awful!"

The figure then throws, with all his force, the object in his hand and the coat over his arm, straight at the apparition.

Immediately there's the sound of breaking glass, a dog's bark and screeches. Lights come on and this is what can be seen: young Joe Brown is standing with his mouth open, looking at a broken mirror with his shoes and overcoat lying mixed up with the glass; and at the other end of the hall his mother and father appear, looking bewildered and somewhat angry.

The clock strikes twelve and Mr. Brown remarks, "Well, son, I see you managed to get home safely by twelve!"

"Y-yes, sir. I remember what you told me—the looking glass, I—I—"

"That's all right, Joe," said his mother. "I never did like the old thing."

"Well, I'll be darned," said the dog, going down the stairs as they all went quietly to bed.

Harriet McKiel, '48

TINY

He was awfully small for his age, Tiny was. But he was a dear, little boy with black curly hair, brown eyes, a pug-nose and a sweet, sensitive mouth.

He was standing under the arbor waiting for his Mom to get ready to go to town, for today his Dad was coming home from war, a wounded hero.

Bill, the hired man, stopped the car near Tiny. With a hop, skip and a jump of gladness, Tiny landed on the running board to ride around to the front door where his Mom would get in.

At last! they were on their way. Tiny gave little wriggles of ecstasy until his mother said, "I do believe your Dad and I will have to call you "Wiggles." Tiny laughed, for just the mention of his Dad's name brought happiness to his little heart.

"There's the station!" exclaimed Tiny.

As soon as the car stopped, his mother opened the door and she and Tiny stepped to the sidewalk. "Don't forget," cautioned mother, "that we musn't let Dad see we care he has only *one* leg."

Tiny saw his Dad first. He began running, looking only at his Dad. There was a squeal of brakes, a policeman's whistle. Tiny, in his excitement, had forgotten that he was crossing the street and had looked neither right nor left.

Tiny's Dad would not see Tiny alive.

Brenda Braley, '48

HIS LAST FIGHT

The crowd was eagerly rushing to the box office to obtain their tickets for the biggest fight of the year, which was to decide who would be the next champion. Little did the crowd realize what this fight meant to one of the contestants, Chuck Robinson. To him, if he could win, it would mean that he would be able to buy a home for himself and his nephew Tommy, whom he had been taking care of since Tommy's parents were killed in an accident two years ago. It would also mean that he could give Tommy the things that all boys of twelve wish to have, the greatest of which was to have a dog of his own. Then, too, he could attend the same school for the remainder of his education instead of being forced to move to a different one. It meant all this and more, too.

Chuck was in his dressing room having his final check-up before the big fight, when suddenly everything went black to him for a minute. After Chuck recovered, his doctor told him that he was afraid the fight would cause further injuries to his eyes and that he could not allow him to go on with it. But Chuck pleaded with him and told him what this fight meant to Tommy. Finally the doctor consented, stating that it would definitely have to be his last fight.

At the introduction the crowd applauded and cheered wildly, first for one and then the other, according to whom they wished to be the victor. But Doc and Tommy sat with their fingers crossed, and Tommy even had a few tears in his eyes as Chuck and Wendy Gallant entered the ring.

At the sound of the bell for round one the two came to the center of the ring, fighting. Rights and lefts were flying furiously. For three rounds they fought on even terms, weaving and bobbing, swinging and jabbing

whenever the opening was found; but the fourth was the fatal round. Chuck was giving all he had when suddenly one of Wendy's jabs caught him in the temple, causing another blackout. Chuck finally went down and was counted out.

In the dressing room the doctor applied bandages to Chuck's eyes, telling him that after a few hours rest the bandages could be removed and his sight would again be returned. Tommy sat with tears in his eyes but told Chuck that he had put up a game fight and that nothing mattered if only he could see again.

The next day Chuck went job hunting, but could find nothing but white-collar jobs and these weren't for him. Discouraged, he returned to the rooming house but was greeted at the door by a smiling and excited Tommy. Chuck could see the enthusiasm beaming from Tommy's expression as he listened to Tommy telling him of the job, open at the city owned kennels where all the stray dogs were kept. This chance could not be denied.

Now Tommy has not only one dog but several, and a home provided by the city.

Dana Libby, '49

EPITAPHS OF THE SENIORS

Beautiful Gerry, carefree maid
Slumbering peacefully in placid shade
What did she die of? Goodness knows!
Maybe from having too many beaus.

Here lies Jean, our basketball star,
Beneath this willow tree
She died from stooping down too far
Her boy friend for to see.

This little tombstone, modest and gray
The grave of Rosella is marking
'Twas pneumonia that caused her death—
For she caught cold while parking.

Here lies Faye, that charming lass,
The girl most studious in her class.
She died afar, oh cruel fate!
But why in Arizona state?

This well-marked grave holds in its depths
The form of Florence Flye.
She died of indigestion,
A tear drop in each eye.

This long grave! who lies within?
 'Tis Harriet who grew so tall and thin
 From stretching up on her tip-toe
 To whisper to her darling beau.

Speed caused the death of her who lies
 Beneath this grassy mound.
 In getting away from Herbie,
 Mary sure did cover ground.

'Neath this massive shaft of marble
 With a rose bush at the head
 Lies the stately form of Brenda
 Why? Why just because she's dead.

Interred here is Marilyn,
 The little girl from Troy,
 Who croaked while she was singing
 Her favorite, "Danny Boy."

Ferne Keef, a girl of vigor and dash
 Came to her death in an airplane crash
 It wouldn't have happened if she'd stayed at home
 But for various reasons, she loved to roam.

In this little grave by the side of the pool
 Lies June, the treasurer of our school.
 Worry and care should have caused her death
 But she really died for want of breath.

Beneath column, white and tall,
 Lies Donald Quimby, last of all
 The end came early to him, alas!
 For he was the only boy in our class.

Beneath this weeping willow,
 In this lone, deserted spot,
 Lies the author of these epitaphs—
 Forgive me! But forget me not!

MY CHRISTMAS PRESENT

This was a busy day, the day before Christmas; and everyone was shopping, going to and fro and looking straight ahead. I was just another one, mixed in to help make up the crowd. I was walking hurriedly down the street when suddenly all of my interest was torn away from the crowd and my eyes feasted upon a little girl about eight years of age. She was very beautiful, her curly hair glistened like sun on the snow, and her eyes!

Oh, what beautiful eyes. Why, she reminded me of my little girl that had been drowned with my husband while at sea. If only I could have them back now, but no, it was no use, no use to keep wishing for something that was impossible, something that couldn't come true. I couldn't seem to take my eyes from her. She was like a magnet, with me as its object, drawing me closer and closer. As I approached her, she was watching a young man in the store and addressing him as "Daddy".

Centering my attention on the man I could hardly believe my eyes. It couldn't be. Not my husband? Then this must be my child. As I stared, first at the child, then at the man, I noticed the child's eyes focused upon me. Breaking the silence I asked, "Little girl, what is your name?"

"Gwen Foster is my name, pretty lady, what is yours?"

Incredible! Could all this happiness come to me in one short moment, especially after I had given up all hope of ever seeing them again?

"Why, why, my name is Mrs. Anne Foster."

"Did you say your name was Mrs. Anne Foster?" Swinging around I faced the man that had so greatly attracted my attention in the store. Yes, it was Dan. I couldn't be mistaken—the same hair, and the same smile. Yes, yes, it was Dan!

Suddenly, after searching me with his eyes for several moments, he cried, "Anne, Anne! It can't be true! Oh darling, at last I've found you! At last you're here! Oh, it's true! It's true!"

With tears, joyful tears, running down my face I picked up the child, my child. A happy family started for home, while Dan was explaining excitedly how he and the child were saved from the ship wreck and how he had been searching continually for his wife, and now, now he had found her.

My husband and I chatted continually, way into the night, while little Gwen slept peacefully, and contentedly in her little crib, with her baby doll clutched in her arms.

That night I, Mrs. Foster, prayed a hard, earnest prayer, a prayer that everyone would be as happy as I and my family, and that all unhappy families would be blessed with some wonderful happening to make their lives beautiful and for everyone to have a Merry, Merry, Christmas!

Florence Flye, '48

ALPHABET

A is for Amy, from down towards China;
Her opinion of Lindy couldn't be finer.

B is for Bernice and the Bettys, two,
Also for Berry and Brenda Lue.

C is for Caroline, Carol, Carlene,
Also for Charles who can hardly be seen.

D is for Dexter and Donald G.,
Duchie and Danny and Dana Bea.
E is for Ethel, Elaine and Elma Lee,
Also for Earl, Edna and Evelyn B.
F is for Ferne, Faye and Florence Fiye,
While G is for Gerry and also for Guy.
H is for Hattie, winsome and glad;
H also stands for "Harriet and Had."
I stands for Ida, the girl from the hill;
Look at her now, she's a regular Jill.
J is for John and also two Jims,
And June and Jean, our only twins.
K is for Knights, the first name is "Cappy,"
And also for Keith, who's always so happy.
L is for Lillian and Leslie Clark;
Both of these kids, always out for a lark.
M is for Mary and Martha, so sleek,
And then two Marilyns, one of them "Squeak."
N is for Nelson, through the hall he does dash;
O is for Oswald whose last name is Cash.
P is for principal, also called Pop,
He's vowed that this gum-chewing habit shall stop.
Q is for Quimbys—yes, they are brothers;
If they'd all be alike—we'd wish there'd be others.
R is for Rosie, Roddy and Robert C.,
Also for Robert F., Rosamond and "Goon," by gee!
S is for Seth whose ambitions are *high*;
To attain a great height he surely will try.
T is for Thelma, the only "T" here,
At basketball games, we all hear her cheer.
U is for us, Besse by name;
Through our basketball teams, we've won great fame.
V is for Virginia, Mason that's her,
But in spite of her size, she creates quite a stir.
W is for our Williams, both likeable boys;
One is a Woodbury, the other a Noyes.
X is for exams which the teachers will give,
Not too many please—we hardly can live.
Y is for you, whose names we've omitted,
We'd have put you in here if the rhyme had permitted.
Z is for zest in our work and our play,
To have pleasure in both, in school you should stay.
And here's to the whole of us, 'nary a fool,
And three cheers at the last for Besse High School.

UNSUSPECTED THIEF

Jack Howard was sitting at his desk in the office of the First National Bank in Dayton. He had been sitting at the window staring blankly into the distance for the past two hours. The quarterly bank statement did not check. He had been checking and rechecking but now his mind appeared blank.

He suddenly turned back to his books and figured. One hour passed, but the accounts still did not check. Jack had figured for what seemed like days, but still he could not make both ends meet—what had happened?

Jack then went to his boss. He shook as he entered Mr. Barlow's office. How could he stand explaining and figuring over this any more!

"Mr. Barlow," Jack began, "I have some very sad news."

"Yes," replied Mr. Barlow, crisply.

"Our accounts come far from meeting this quarter," he explained.

"How far?" Mr. Barlow asked.

"The accounts say that we are less exactly fifty thousand dollars," Jack replied nervously. "I have been through all accounts and have figured for hours, but I can not make them check."

"We will have to look into this," replied Mr. Barlow. "You may leave now, Mr. Howard."

Later that afternoon, after the bank closed, Mr. Barlow called the police. The police came and after a careful investigation, which included the taking of finger prints, disclosed that it appeared as if an employee of the bank might be involved.

That night Jack was very tired, but after eating a lunch he took his hat and coat and went to pay a visit to his brother Harry. Jack always took his troubles to Harry, who worked as a teller in the same bank. Harry was kind to Jack and could always comfort him in different ways.

Jack and Harry were sitting quietly in the latter's living room when Jack said, "Harry, I have some sad news, which you probably have heard. The bank has lost fifty thousand dollars. It has been stolen from the bank."

"No," replied Harry.

"Yes, and as you know, Harry, the police have taken finger prints and are now tracing all clues."

"It can't be that much. I did hear that they had lost a little—but fifty thousand—that's a lot of money," exclaimed Harry. "Jack you, er—you couldn't have — —"

"Well, it's true. I have been figuring for hours so I guess I will go home now and get some rest," replied Jack.

On the way home Jack wondered why Harry was so nervous while hearing of the theft.

The next morning Jack walked into the bank to be met by the manager.

"You're late, and where is Harry? He has not showed up yet," said the manager.

Jack went to his office and tried to call Harry but there was no answer. He waited a while and tried again; but still no answer. He then grabbed his coat and hat and went to Harry's place. To his surprise he found Harry had gone—bag and baggage. Hurrying back to the bank with his report, he burst into the manager's office.

"Harry's gone!"

"I am not surprised," replied the manager, curtly.

"Why?" asked Jack. "You mean — —"

"Exactly! The police are after him. The report of the fingerprints came back today and — —"

"Oh, no!" replied Jack nervously.

"Yes, do you know anything about it?" asked the manager.

"No, sir, I do not. All I know is that Harry has skipped town but I don't know why."

After a long talk with the manager, Jack returned to his office. "Oh —why would my brother do that? It can't be true. There must be some mistake."

After Harry was brought back, Jack went to see him. Jack still couldn't believe that Harry had done such a thing.

Two days later, at the hearing, the thief confessed; for it was proved definitely, beyond the suspicion of a doubt, that the fingerprints were those of the manager!

Jean Bagley, '48



STUDENT COUNCIL



Seated, (left to right): Ida Marks, Carleton Fullery Florence Flye, Elma Lee, June Bagley, Leslie Clark, Faye Cookson.

Second Row: Ethel Carver, Joyce Fuller, Mr. Furtwengler, Carolyn Keef, Harriet McKiel.

Third Row: Seth Bradstreet, Berry Coffin, Danny Blake, Dexter Higgins, Charles McKiel.

For this school year 1947-1948 the governing body of Besse High School chose the following officers from the four officers of each class:

President — Elma Lee

Vice President — Carleton Fuller

Secretary — Florence Flye

Treasurer — June Bagley

We, the students, wish to express our satisfaction with our chosen leadership for our democratic school government.

We, the student council body, hope we have satisfied and set a good example for Besse's students of the future.

SENIOR PLAY



Front Row, (left to right) : Ferne Keef, Rosella Rex, Brenda Eraley, Donald Quimby, Marilyn Shibles, Harriet McKiel, Geraldine Brown.
Back Row: James Hendsbee, Faye Cookson, Florence Flye, Miss Mitchell, June Bagley, Mary Fuller, Roddy Robinson, Jean Bagley.

The Senior Class presented the comedy, "Dizzy and Daffy," Friday, April 9th. The part of Aunt Maude, who was in love with the memory of Chauncy, was played by Brenda Braley. Rose Renshaw, Aunt Maude's niece, was portrayed by Rosella Rex. The problem child, Daffy Renshaw, was Marilyn Shibles. Dizzy Burton, just arrived from England, was played by Harriet McKiel. Ferne Keef took the part of Jo Ann Farley, the nose girl from next door. Austin Chandler, who was in love with Aunt Maude, was Donald Quimby. James Hendsbee played the part of Sherwood Lang, who was in love with Rose. Chester Getty, who met with an accident, was played by Roddy Robinson. Chester's nurse was Geraldine Brown. Faye Cookson took the part of Anita Marshland, who had her eye on a fortune. Harriet Getty, Chester's wife, was Mary Fuller. Grandma Marlin, mother of Aunt Maude, was June Bagley. Grandma's nurse was Florence Flye. The play was coached by Miss Mitchell and Jean Bagley was stage manager.

JUNIOR PLAY



Front Row, (left to right): Hattie Rood, Lillian Drake, Carleton Fuller, James Yeaton, Elaine Rideout, Elma Lee.
 Back Row: Leslie Clark, Mr. Furtwengler, Carlene Waugh, Ethel Carver, Catherine Knights, Danny Blake, John Hendsbee.

This year the Juniors presented a bang-up three act play, "The Darling Brats," under the coaching of Principal Furtwengler. Presented April 2—we didn't fool anybody with this hilarious, exciting comedy!

Our characters were well portrayed by:

Ethel Carver	.....	the Negro Cook
Elma Lee	.....	the oldest Darling
Danny Blake	.....	Jack Henry—gardener
Hattie Rood	.....	"Babs"—one of the brats
Jimmy Yeaton	.....	"Hank"—the other brat!
Lillian Drake	.....	"Tess" the pretty high school girl
Elaine Rideout	.....	Aunt of the Darlings
John Hendsbee	.....	"Rod" Cyn's fiance!
Leslie Clark	.....	"Spike" Tess's boyfriend
Carleton Fuller	.....	An Appleton Crabb—Agatha's suitor
Carlene Waugh	.....	"Gloomy Gussie"—Rod's mother

We hope our audience enjoyed this play as much as we did presenting it to you.

BAZAAR



Front Row, (left to right): Carlene Waugh, June Bagley, Elaine Rideout, Florence Flye, Marilyn Shibles, Elma Lee, Betty Blake.
 Back Row: Brenda Braley, Faye Cookson, Carleton Fuller, Mary Fuller, Joyce Fuller.

The annual high school bazaar was held on Friday, November 21, at the Albion Grange Hall.

There was beano, darts, penny toss, guessing, exhibit table and fish pond, besides other afternoon entertainment. The food sale in the afternoon was also a great attraction.

Tickets were sold on a basket of mixed food; evidently people realized it would be worth their while to buy several tickets, because they really went like hot cakes.

The evening entertainment consisted of a one act play; the cast was chosen from the whole school. The characters in the play were as follows:

Mr. Owens	Roddy Robinson
Spike Owens	Charles McKiel
Dixie	Joyce Fuller
Mrs. Stillman	Brenda Braley
Erica Stillman	Edna Lewis
Clarice Jackson	Geraldine Brown
Edgar Roof	Richard Keene
Mrs. Owens	Carol Knight

A Chinese Auction on a bag of grain followed the play. The people really showed their capacity to support the school activities by bidding up on that bag of grain in a whole-hearted manner.

Everyone seemed to enjoy the Bazaar very much and our school fund increased greatly.

PRIZE SPEAKING

This year instead of our annual prize speaking being required of the Juniors, it is on a voluntary basis. Any one interested in this particular activity and wishing to profit from its training may participate. The contest will be held in May and prizes will be awarded. The winners will participate in the Waldo County League Speaking Contest, later in May; and if lucky enough to place in this contest, will participate in the Spear Speaking Contest the following year. This year Brenda Braley, who placed second in the Waldo League Contest, will enter the Spear Contest to be held in Augusta, in April.

It is felt that placing speaking on a voluntary basis will call out those who particularly enjoy it, and will enable them to work up to greater ability from year to year so that we may compete with the other schools on a more comparable basis.

This year's program will be as follows:

Elaine Rideout	Song of Bernadette
Catherine Knights	Lady of the House
Robert Cookson	Rendezous With Destiny
Elma Lee	Nocturne
James Yeaton	The Big Game
Marilyn Robbins	Exit Big Bad Wolf



CHEERLEADERS



Front Row, (left to right): Harriet McKiel, Edna Lewis and Marilyn Shibles.
Back Row: Elma Lee, Brenda Braley, and Betty Sylvester. Thelma Baker was absent.

These Besse lassies have been the moral boosters of the basketball teams throughout the season. Much credit is due them for the spirit shown both in victory and defeat. Typical of the cheers chosen by this peppy group is:

One — Two — Three — Four
Three — Two — One — Four
Who for? What for?
Who you gonna yell for?
Besse! Besse! Besse!



BOYS' BASKETBALL



Seated, (left to right): Roddy Robinson, Carleton Fuller, Danny Blake (Capt.), Leslie Clark, Harold Hotham.
 Second Row: Mr. Furtwengler, Charles McKiel, Erving Quimby, Robert Freeman, Berry Coffin, Dexter Higgins, Seth Bradstreet, Nelson Bezanson, (Mgr.).

Due to the expert coaching of Mr. Furtwengler, the "Owls" had a very successful season this year with a record of 16 games won and 5 games lost.

One of the most exciting games was that with Winterport, here. Our opponents arrived here ready to receive a beating but were not ready to give up until the last whistle had blown. The scoring was almost even throughout the game. It was Besse's victory with a score of 42-37.

Another hair-raising game was the one in which we met Brooks there. With a show of great skill of both teams and an overtime, Brooks came out with the score 48-47.

We journeyed to the Belfast Armory to play the league play-off with Brooks. Because of the accuracy of the forwards and agile play of the guards, Besse departed with a victory of 31-29 making the "Owls" Waldo County Champs, and therefore representatives of the Waldo League in the State Tournament.

Following is a list of all the games and the resulting scores:

Games	Besse	Opp's
Erskine	39	17

Searsport	34	42
Unity *	55	27
Liberty	64	18
Clinton *	52	39
Erskine *	60	13
Alumni *	41	38
Brooks *	31	20
Winterport	45	26
Freedom *	47	14
Clinton	37	39
Searsport *	37	15
Unity	64	23
Brooks	47	48
Liberty *	44	19
Winterport *	42	37
Freedom	28	17
Oakland	32	75
Brooks (league play off)	31	29
Winthrop (K. V. tournament)	32	45
Blue Hill (State Tournament)	34	48
	896	641

*—indicates home games

Had Hotham was high scorer for Besse, with a total of 364, while Danny Blake won a close second with 312. The average score of our team per game was 42.4.

We hope to have as successful a season next year or even better since we lose no one by graduation this year.

Danny Blake, '49



GIRLS' BASKETBALL



Seated, (left to right): Harriet McKiel, June Bagley, Florence Flye, Jean Bagley (Capt.), Faye Cookson, Geraldine Brown, Ferne Keef.
Second Row: Dana Libby, Marilyn Shibles (Mgr.), Carlene Waugh, Mary Fuller, Miss Mitchell, Carol Knight, Catherine Knights, Elma Lee.
Third Row: Virginia Mason, Rosamond Keef, Bernice Bezanson, Martha Rowe, Betty Sylvester, Joyce Fuller, Carolyn Keef, Ida Marks, Amy Bezanson.

Although we did not get the title, "Waldo County Champs," this year we had a successful season, winning sixteen out of nineteen games played. We started the season minus the services of two of last year's squad but with good substitutes we were able to fill their places quite satisfactorily.

To our coach, Miss Mitchell, we want to express our thanks for the time, effort, and patience that she gave us.

Our line up was as follows: left forward, Capt. Jean Bagley with the other forward positions shared about equally by Florence Flye, June Bagley, and Harriet McKiel; guards, Ferne Keef, Geraldine Brown, and Faye Cookson. Our most active subs were Marilyn Shibles, Mary Fuller, Elma Lee, Carlene Waugh, Dana Libby, Carol Knight, and Catherine Knights.

On February 13 the squad was called together to choose a star forward and guard to go to Brooks to play in the all-star game February 20. The Captain, Jean Bagley, who had made 360 points during the season was chosen for the forward and Faye Cookson, who had done her part by helping to hold our opponents from scoring, was chosen for the guard.

The first team members and three substitutes of the squad will graduate this June but we feel confident that the remaining players will carry on, for they have shown much progress in the practices and games in which they have participated.

The schedule was as follows:

Opponent	We	They
Erskine	39	18
Searsport	35	16
Unity *	35	23
Walker	55	35
Clinton *	54	43
Erskine *	45	19
Alumnae *	22	10
Morse Memorial	27	39
Winterport	37	22
Freedom *	39	42
Clinton	38	24
Searsport	37	15
Unity	39	32
Morse Memorial	33	36
Walker *	38	28
Winterport *	60	27
Freedom	34	26
Williams	38	20
Clipperettes *	33	19

*—indicates home games



GIRLS' SOFTBALL



Front Row, (left to right): Elma Lee, Harriet McKiel, Jean Bagley, Faye Cookson (Capt.), June Bagley, Ferne Keef, Florence Flye (Mgr.)
 Second Row: Catherine Knights, Marilyn Shibles, Carlene Waugh, Mary Fuller, Geraldine Brown, Joyce Fuller, Brenda Braley, Carol Knight.
 Third Row: Edna Lewis, Virginia Mason, Hattie Rood, Rosamond Keef, Miss Mitchell, Evelyn Bessey, Bernice Bezanson, Ida Marks, Ethel Carver.
 Back Row: Martha Rowe, Betty Sylvester, Amy Bezanson, Carolyn Keef, Dana Libby.

Many of the high school girls went out for softball this fall; therefore we had a large squad.

There is no league in softball, but we enjoyed playing with two of the nearby schools—Unity and Erskine.

We want to thank our coach, Miss Mitchell, for her assistance in helping us through a successful season.

The most active players were: Captain Faye Cookson, Jean Bagley, Harriet McKiel, Mary Fuller, Brenda Braley, Florence Flye, Marilyn Shibles, June Bagley, Ferne Keef, Carlene Waugh, Elma Lee, Ethel Carver, Rosamond Keef, and Bernice Bezanson.

The games were as follows:

Team	We	They
Erskine	19	12
Unity (there) .	17	10
Unity (here) ..	8	7

BOYS' BASEBALL



Front Row, (left to right): Robert Freeman, Carleton Fuller, Roddy Robinson, Danny Blake, Harold Hotham.

Back Row: Erving Quimby, Dexter Higgins, Berry Coffin, James Yeaton, Mr. Furtwengler, Leslie Clark, Seth Bradstreet, Charles McKiel, and Donald Quimby.

Our record for last year was not very good, but we are looking forward to a successful season this year.

Last year we played three games. Our first one was with Erskine, they beat us by quite a margin. Next we played Unity; we lost that one too. The third and last game was with Erskine; we won!!!!

This spring the lineup will probably be as follows: Jimmy Yeaton, catcher; Had Hotham and Danny Blake, pitchers; Danny Blake and Had Hotham, first base; Erving Quimby and Roddy Robinson, second base; Leslie Clark, short stop; Dutchie Fuller, third base. We have quite a few men for outfield positions and substitutes. They are Donald Quimby, Seth Bradstreet, Charles McKiel, Dexter Higgins, John Hendsbee, James Hendsbee, and Keith Noyes.

Danny Blake, '49

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

- Sept. 9 School begins. What a bunch of Freshmen!
- Sept. 12 Class meetings. Plans are made for Freshman Reception!!!
- Sept. 26 Freshman Reception. We welcome such good sports.
- Oct. 4 Magazine Drive begins.
- Oct. 7 Seniors go to Prebles for their class pictures. Smile pretty!
- Oct. 14 Magazine Drive is finished and we have gained a combination radio-phonograph plus many individual prizes.
- Nov. 21 Bazaar. Our school fund increases greatly!
- Nov. 26 Thanksgiving vacation.
- Dec. 2 Besse at Erskine. Looks like two championship teams at Besse this year!!
- Dec. 16 Christmas vacation.
- Jan. 6 Brooks at Albion. Boys won—girls lost. The boys' hopes are high for League Championship!
- Jan. 13 Freedom at Besse. Our girls defeated—our chance at the cup dwindles. Boys are still successful.
- Feb. 3 Besse at Brooks. Tie game—played five minutes overtime. Boys lost by one point. Still counting on the Championship.
- Feb. 12 First ad trip to Waterville. Very successful!
- Feb. 13 Vacation week.
- Feb. 17 Play-off with Brooks at Belfast for right to enter State Tournament. We won by two points.
- Feb. 18 Kennebec Valley Tournament. Defeated by Winthrop.
- Feb. 20 All star game at Brooks. Boys awarded trophy for Waldo League Championship.
- Feb. 23 Individual photos of school students taken by Alston Co.
- Feb. 26 Tournament play-off at Brewer. Defeated by Blue Hill.
- Mar. 9 School pictures taken by Prebles.
- Apr. 2 Junior Play.
- Apr. 9 Senior Play. Good work, Seniors.
- Apr. 9 Vacation.
- May Prize Speaking.
- May Junior Prom.
- May 29 Final Exams!!
- May 30 Baccalaureate.
- June 1 Last Chapel.
- June 2 Graduation and Graduation Ball.
- June 3-4 Another school year completed!!!!

HUMOR

Carleton Fuller is so used to being out nights that when he does stay home he can't seem to stay in bed.

It seems he walks in his sleep, if he goes to bed too early.

One night he found himself walking back to his room in the middle of a cold winter night. His mother asked him where he had been. The first thing that entered his mind was that he was after a drink of water.

But there seemed to be a leak in that excuse because the next morning the prints of his bare feet were seen in the snow leading from his bedroom window across the yard to the car.

Whether he went for a ride that night or not is sort of a mystery, but those footprints in the snow told on you, didn't they, Dutchie?

Father: Now, Son, tell me why I just punished you.

Son: Imagine that! You spanked me and you don't even know why you did it!

Jimmy (in court) Good morning, your honor. How are you today?

Judge: Fine—ten dollars.

Clerk: Sir, my wife told me to ask you for a raise.

Boss: All right. I'll have to ask my wife if I can give it to you.

Peanut: Do you know what the little calf said to the silo?

Mary: What?

Peanut: Is my fodder in there?

During a history class Miss Mitchell asked one of the pupils when Grant died. One of the pupils spoke up and said, "I didn't even know he was sick."

Mother: Don't dip your bread in the gravy. It's such bad manners.

Son: I know, Mother, but it's such good taste.

Customer: How much is the canary?

Clerk: Ten Dollars.

Customer: I'll take it. Send me the bill.

Clerk: I'm sorry, sir, but we can't send the bill without the rest of the bird.

When a sailor entered an auction shop, a parrot caught his eye. He bid \$5 for it. Someone bid \$10. The sailor bid \$15, only to be topped by his competitor who bid \$25. The parrot was finally sold to the sailor for \$30. When leaving the shop, the sailor asked, "Can this parrot talk?" The auctioneer replied, "You ought to know. He was bidding against you."

Betty B: "What kind of a husband should I look for, Mother?"

Mother: "Never mind the husband, you just look for a handsome, young, single man."

Principal: This is the fifth day this week that you've been sent to me! What do you have to say for yourself?

Gerry: I'm sure glad it's Friday!

Roddy: So you are going to propose to Jean?

Sethie: You bet. Wish me luck?

Roddy: Oh, I wish you luck all right but it won't do you a bit of good because I know she is going to accept.

BESSE'S PERFECT STUDENT

	Girl	Boy
Hair	Marilyn Shibles	Donald Quimby
Complexion	Brenda Braley	Dexter Higgins
Eyes	Elaine Rideout	James Hendsbee
Smile	Joyce Fuller	Had Hotham
Teeth	Harriet McKiel	Robert Freeman
Figure	Carol Knight	Danny Blake
Tallest	Jean Bagley	Had Hotham
Shortest	Edna Louis	Earl Dow
Personality	Florence Flye	Dutchie Fuller
Giggle	Betty Sylvester	Seth Bradstreet, Jr.
Athletic Ability	Jean Bagley	Danny Blake
I. Q.	Faye Cookson	Nelson Bezanson

IN FIFTY YEARS WE EXPECT TO SEE:

Harriet and Had Owners of a potato farm in Freedom
 Gerry Still advertising Wigley's Gum
 Evelyn Secretary in Yeaton's Garage
 Catherine Hollywood gossip columnist
 Ethel Still waiting and living on letters
 Lillian Still breaking hearts
 Elaine Lady paratrooper
 Danny Playing professional basketball
 Dutchie Still trying to get in before 3 A. M.
 Leslie State trooper in charge of Speeding Dept.
 Roddy Resident of Brewer
 Marilyn Still going with "Danny Boy"
 Robert Cookson Owner of the "We Blow 'Em Up Laboratory"
 Jimmy Yeaton Judge at Belfast Court
 Carlene Head butcher at Tuttle's Meat Shop
 John Still getting places 5 minutes too late

Keith	Radio comedian
Jimmy Hendsbee	Peddling pencils
Rosella	Hollywood make-up artist
Sethie	Still trying to grow taller
Mr. Furtwengler	Still producing championship basketball teams
Besse High Students	Going to school in the I. O. O. F. Hall

FAVORITE SONGS

Seniors

Mary Fuller	"So Round, So Firm, So Fully Packed."
Florence Flye	"Three O'Clock In The Morning."
Jean Bagley	"When You've Got A Man On Your Mind."
June Bagley	"They're Either Too Young Or Too Old."
Marilyn Shibles	"Danny Boy."
Brenda Braley	"Too Fat Polka."
Rosella Rex	"Red Silk Stockings and The Green Perfume."
Donald Quimby	"Lonely Little Petunia."
Geraldine Brown	"Dum Dot Song."
Ferne Keef	"Let's Take the Long Way Home."
Faye Cookson	"I'm My Own Grandma."
Harriet McKiel	"Lucky In Love."

Juniors

Elaine Rideout	"What Are You Doing New Year's Eve."
Lillian Drake	"How Soon."
Ethel Carver	"I'm A Big Girl Now."
Carlene Waugh	"That Man of Mine."
Elma Lee	"Pass That Peace Pipe."
Catherine Knights	"Let's Be Sweethearts Again."
Dana Libby	"If I Only Had A Match."
Hattie Rood	"I'm as Ready as I'll Ever Be."
Dutchie Fuller	"How I Hate to Get Up In the Morning."
Danny Blake	"Oh! Look'a There, Ain't She Pretty."
Harold Hotham	"Harriet, Handy With the Lariat."
Jimmy Yeaton	"Evelina."
John Hendsbee	"Learn to Be A Lady's Man."

ALUMNI

1942

Mary Bessey Bryant, Housewife, Dixfield.
 Alice Perkins, Working for Christian Mis-
 sionary Alliance, New York.
 Phylis Day Page, Housewife, Syracuse, New
 York.

Wesley Basford, Working in Shoe Shop,
 Hallowell.
 Richard Fuller, Attending University of
 Maine, Orono.
 Donald Trask, Working in Shoe Factory,
 Clinton.

1943

Arlene Bessey, Working B. F. D., Oakland.
 F. Mavor Clark, U. S Army, San Francisco, California.
 Pearle Haskell Hamilton, Housewife, Palermo.
 Carroll Walcott, Attending School, New York.
 Malcolm West, Working, Portland.
 Virginia Rideout Carver, Housewife, Albion.
 Lloyd Ireland, Attending University Maine, Orono.
 Arlene Blaisdell Parkhurst, Housewife, Richmond.
 Clyde Higgins, Farmer, Albion.
 Avonne Rowe Clark, Housewife, Bryant Pond.
 Durwood Dow, Driving Mail Stage, Albion.

1944

Boyd Fuller, Attending University of Maine, Orono.
 Phyllis McKiel, Attending Colby College, Waterville.
 Helen Ireland Cook, Housewife, Richmond.
 Harry Tuttle, Farmer, Albion.
 Dora Cookson Blaisdell, Housewife, Albion.
 Albannah Higgins, Farmer, Albion.
 Cecile Nelson, Working in Radio Plant. Boston.
 Harold Rood, Working in Hollingsworth and Whitney, Waterville.
 Bernice Rood Bagley, Housewife, Albion.
 Earl Hunt, At Home, Albion.
 Clifton Bagley, Working, Freedom.

1945

Virginia Bradstreet, Training for Nurse, E. M. G., Bangor.
 Ronald Bagley, Farmer, Albion.
 Murial Harding Adams, Housewife, China.
 Leland Bessey, Attending Thomas Business College, Waterville.
 Janet Waugh, Training for Nurse, Augusta.
 Harley Reynolds, Attending Radio Technician School, Chicago.
 Juanita Faulkner, Telephone Operator, Waterville.

Cecil Quimby, Working at Smiley's Dairy Farm, Winslow.
 Eula Bragg Clark, Working at Lockwood, Waterville.
 James Day, U. S. Navy, San Diego, California.
 Vivian Libby Ireland, Housewife, Orono.
 Forrest Libby, Attending Radio and Television School, Chicago.
 Harold Marden, Attending University of Maine, Orono.
 Ralph Marden, Attending University of Maine, Brunswick.

1946

Ruth Bezanson, Attending Houghton College, New York.
 Arlene Harding, Attending St. Paul Bible Institute, Minn.
 Richard Harrison, Attending Thomas Business College, Waterville.
 Ruby Higgins Hanson, West Enfield, Maine.
 Elizabeth Marden, Attending University of Maine, Orono.
 Evelyn Quimby Howell, Housewife, Palermo.
 Alene Sylvester, Attending Colby College, Waterville.
 Joyce West, Working in Augusta.
 Lorraine West Gifford, Working, Augusta.

1947

Roberta Bezanson, Attending Houghton College, New York.
 Henry Folger, Jr., At home, Albion.
 Shirley Fuller, Attending Missionary Training Institution, Nyack, N. Y.
 Anne McKiel, Attending University of Maine, Orono.
 Norman Rideout, Working in Harris Bakery, Waterville.
 Dorothy Robbins Lee, Housewife, Albion.
 Pearl Rood, Attending Thomas Business College, Waterville.
 Maxine Studley, Attending Thomas Business College, Waterville.
 George Waugh, Jr., At home, Albion.

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