

THE REFLECTOR

CLASS
1922

Decatur High School

New Decatur High School



Completed September 1, 1920.
Cost of building and equipment, \$100,000.
Auditorium with seating capacity of 225.
Gymnasium 42 feet x 99 feet.
Building has nine class rooms.
Manual Training and Household Arts departments.
Laboratories equipped with Welch apparatus.
System of forced ventilation.
School organized on the 6-2-4 plan.
Sixty-four pupils in the Junior High.
One hundred thirty-three pupils in the Senior High.
Courses in Agriculture and Commercial subjects given.
School used for community center work.
Has an active Parent-Teacher Association.
School has diploma relations with U. of M.



WILTON E. ABRAMS, "Abe"

"There are always two opinions."

English Course

Commercial History
Baseball, '21, '22 Basket Ball, '22
Class Oration

VELMA R. BAILEY, "Vem"

"Why can't we all be cheerful?"

English Course

History, '19, '20, '21, '22
Junior and Senior Chorus, '22

LOUISE R. BOPE, "Lou"

"Trustworthy in character,
Charming in personality."

College Preparatory Course
Orchestra, '19, '20, '21

Social Editor, Annual Staff
Class Oration Piano Solo

EDWARD G. BUYS, "Ed."

"Have you considered my words?"

College Preparatory Course

Baseball, '19, '20, '21, '22
Basket Ball, '20, '21, '22
Football, '22 Track, '20
Debating, '22 Oratory, '22
Class Prophecy

IVA D. BRIGHAM

"Give me books and music, and
leave me alone."

College Preparatory Course

Debating, '22 Basket Ball, '21
Secretary Athletic Assn., '22
Literary Editor, Annual Staff
Valedictory

MAXWELL D. CONWAY, "Max"

"Leave the rest to me."

College Preparatory Course

Baseball, '20, '21, '22
Basket Ball, '21, '22
Football, '22 Track, '22
Glee Club, '22
Class Prophecy

Passed away 1960

MARGARET L. CONWAY "Margie"

"Sweet as morning's dew."

College Preparatory Course

Glee Club, '20, '21, '22
Basket Ball, '20, '21
Orchestra, '21, '22
D. H. S. L. S. '19
Secretary Athletic Ass'n '21
President's Address

PAUL L. COLE

"Be not lost so poorly in your thoughts."

English Course

Track, '20, '21 Glee Club, '21
Senior Chorus, '21 Band, '21, '22
Orchestra, '21, '22
Class History, '22





J. RAYMOND COOK, "Cook"

"It's alright after the ice is broken."

English Course

Basket Ball, '20, '21 Baseball, '19, '20

Football, '22 Glee Club, '21

School Reports, '21 W. P. C., '19

Track, '19, '20, '21

H. S. Band, '20 Oratory, '22

Athletic Editor, Annual Staff

Class Will

MARGUERITE N. GWILT, "Rite"

"I love not man; he is too simple."

College Preparatory Course

Joke Editor, Annual Staff

FLORA ISABELLE HINKLEY

"Red"

"Merry and witty, with flaming hair"

College Preparatory Course

Orchestra, '20, '21, '22

Glee Club, '20, '21

D. H. S. L. S., '19 History

Editor-in-Chief, Annual Staff

Salutatory Saxophone Solo

BURL A. GRAHAM, "Curly"

"A jolly good fellow."

English Course

Commercial History

Chorus '21 Baseball, '20, '21

Basket Ball, '20, '21 Track, '20, '21

PAULINE E. PRICE, "Polly"

"A delightful mixture of humor and intelligence."

College Preparatory Course

Basket Ball, '20, '21

Glee Club, '19, '20. Commercial

Athletic Editor, Annual Staff

Giftatory

KARL KERN, "Kernel"

"Is all the laughter gone dead out of thee?"

English Course

History Commercial

Baseball, '20, '21, '22

Basket Ball, '22 Football, '22

CATHERINE M. HOWLAND,

"Irish"

"Black blue Irish hair and Irish eyes."

English Course

History

ZELL HAMILTON

"Let me revel in batteries and wires."

Baseball, '21

Commercial

History





THOMAS A. HOWLAND, "Tim"

"His head of hair his only asset."

English Course

Commercial Glee Club, '21

Band, '22 Football, '22

Alumni Response

Passed away either '59 or '60

MARIE L. FRENTHWAY "Whitie"

"The nights are wholesome."

College Preparatory Course

Basket Ball, '20, '21, '22

Commercial

Asst. Business Mgr., Annual Staff

Class Song Class Poem

STANFORD T. RICE, "Stan"

"Give thy thoughts no tongue."

English Course

Baseball, '20, '21, '22

Basket Ball, '21, '22

Track, '21, '22 Glee Club, '21, '22

Senior Class History

Many classes have entered High School, but I am sure no better one entered than the one September 3, 1918. We numbered thirty-three, and made a good showing in the front seats of the assembly room of the old building. We soon became acquainted with our teachers, and a class meeting was called, the following officers being elected: Edward Conway, President; Dana Goble, Vice President, and Pauline Price, Secretary and Treasurer. At the same meeting we chose our class colors which were purple and gold and our motto, "We Will Win." Our banner was ordered and in a short time banner morning came in which the Freshmen were the leaders. Our social functions of the year consisted of parties, two with the Sophomores, one at the home of Joe Welcher and the other at the home of Tina King. We also had a party at Raymond Cook's home.

One night in February, the fire alarm was sounded and people from far and near came to its call to see that building which had done so many years of service totally ablaze. That bell which used to say "Come to school" was broken to be heard no more.

The Board immediately set to work trying to find a place to continue school and succeeded in renting the Upfield house, popularly known as the "greenhouse." It was rather a cold greenhouse and many plants were stunted during the winter. Our desks were tables made of rough boards and sawhorses, the seats were rough benches something like our grandfathers used, I imagine. Our faculty advisor this year was Mrs. Mills.

The next September we again resorted to the Greenhouse. Zell Hamilton joined the class at this time. Some of our members were left behind and some did not return. Stanford Rice made steps to Dowagiac, where they had a school house. One day a class meeting was called in the sitting room and the following officers elected: Raymond Cook, President; Iva Brigham, Vice President, and Margaret Conway, Secretary and Treasurer. We decided to keep the same motto and class colors.

Miss Eperle was our class advisor, but she wishes us to call her Mrs. Hirst now. This year our social affairs consisted of a party at the home of Raymond Cook, and a picnic at Gravel Lake.

The next fall we entered a real building. Instead of the benches and sawhorse tables we had all the latest equipment. Some of the new features are locker rooms, equipped with shower baths, a large gymnasium, and a pneumatic clock that not only keeps time for all of the rooms but is equipped with hall bells for classes. It was rather amusing to see us at first wandering around trying to find the right room, but in a short