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# James Ford Rhodes High School

Class of  
January 1949

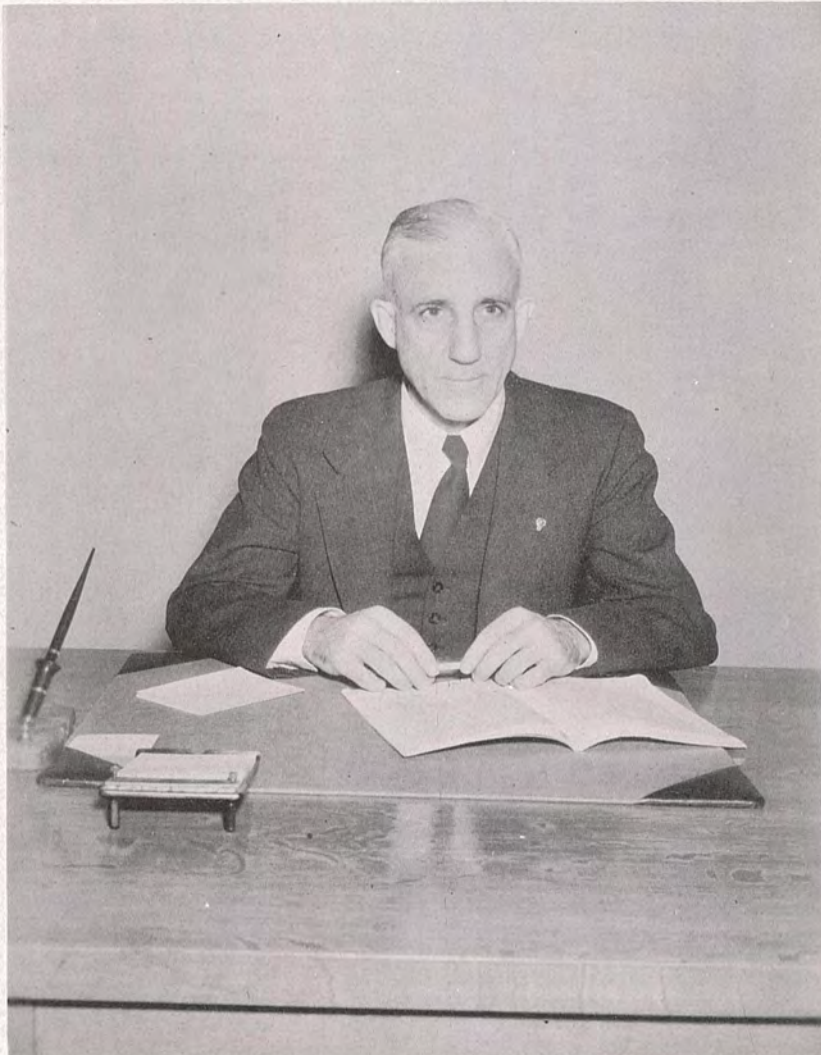
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*Our Alma Mater*





Members of the Class of January, 1949:

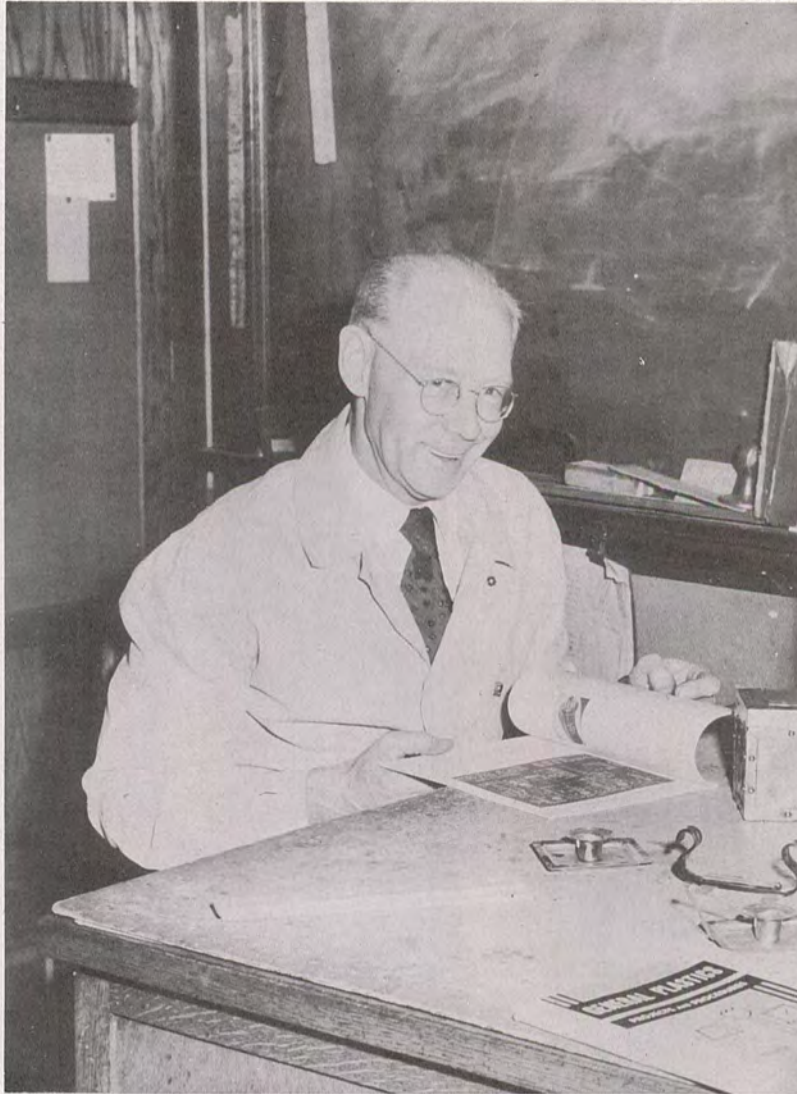
In the days of sailing ships timber experts constantly searched the forests for the finest trees that grew, for masts and spars. These mast-trees had to be free from flaws which would cause them to break under strain: they had to have resilience enough to take hard blows and then spring back; and above all, the fine appearing shell with a rotten core had to be avoided.

In the forest of humanity, experts constantly are looking for persons who are of mast-tree caliber. Future leadership in business, industry, and the professions, demands such persons.

As you leave high school and in the years ahead each of you will ever be under the scrutiny of some mast-tree expert. Your success in your home and in the community will depend upon how well you measure up. May your associates always judge you as acceptable mast-timber.

Best wishes  
NEIL D. MATHEWS





### ERNST BEREIT

We, the Senior Class of January, 1949, proudly dedicate our yearbook to Mr. Ernst Bereit, who has been a constant help to aspiring graduates of our class.

Mr. Bereit has been the homeroom teacher for our boys from the 9B through the 12B, and though times must have been discouraging he never lost any interest and he always took an active part in our affairs.

The memory of Mr. Bereit's long white shop coat, his frost-bitten red nose, his heart warming smile, and his snowy-white hair will live in our hearts forever.

Members of the 12A Class



## CLASS OFFICERS



William P. Green  
PRESIDENT



Richard F. Moranz  
VICE-PRESIDENT



Dorothy Kormos  
SECRETARY



Jack L. Heideloff  
TREASURER

## COMMITTEES

### SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Mary Lee Wittich, Chairman  
Garry Jainshig  
Doris Kinter  
Bill Kostecki

June Placky  
Marie Sedlak  
Don Wieland  
Shirley Young

### YEAR BOOK COMMITTEE

Ken Stafford, Chairman  
Janis Dreher  
Carol Louis

Roland Meyer  
Art Obloy  
JoAnne Schmidt

### CLASS PROPHECY

Janet Janos, Chairman

Steve Mahoney

### CLASS WILL

Gerry Lytle, Chairman

Dick Fox

### CLASS HISTORY

Don Schwan, Chairman

Shirley Wehr

### NAME CARD AND ANNOUNCEMENT COMMITTEE

Jim Hennis, Chairman

Eileen Hanisch

### FLOWER AND COLOR COMMITTEE

Rosemarie Genchi, Chairman

Don Wieland

### CLASS MOTTO

"Only the fit survive"



JOSEPH M.  
BABYAK  
"Joe"

Orchestra and band club;  
Senior band; Junior choir.



BETTY JEAN  
CASTLE  
"Bee Jay"

Y-Teen; Choral club; Rhodes  
Review staff; 11B, 11A, Class  
social committee; 9th grade  
chorus; Art club.

ROBERT C.  
BECKSTROM  
"Bob"

Reserve track; Citizen club;  
Senior choir.



JACK H. CUTTING  
Junior choir; Senior choir;  
Spring plays 1945-1946; Tum-  
bling and apparatus club.

MARTHA M.  
BERTAN  
"Marty"

Future Retailers of Ohio.



JANIS CAROL  
DREHER  
"Jan"

German club; Junior Y-Teen  
Nature club; Year book com-  
mittee.

DONALD  
BLACKBURN  
"Blackie"

Stage craft.



RUTH ELIZABETH  
FARRAR  
"Rudie"

9B-9A Chorus; Girls Glee club;  
Junior Y-Teen; Radio Produc-  
tion.

PAUL W. CASE  
"Pete"

Freshman football; Stage craft;  
Intramural basketball.



JEAN J. FELTES  
"Jeanie"

Jr. Red Cross; Sr. Red Cross;  
Jr. Friendship Club; Sr. Friend-  
ship; Student Council Repre-  
sentative; Vice president of  
homeroom; Future Retailers of  
Ohio; Distributive.



**RICHARD FOX**

*"Dick"*

French club; Foreman club; Nature club; Boys leaders; National Honor Society; Football team; Wrestling team; Citizens club.



**ALICE KAREN HARRISON**

*"Al"*

German club; Nature club; 9th. Grade chorus; Jr. Y-Teen.

**ROSEMARIE GENCHI**

*"Honey"*

Y-Teen; Home Economics club-Sec.; Red Cross; Bookroom; Student Council; Choir; Glee club; 9B Chorus; Carnival "48"; 12A Flower committee.



**DONALD G. HARTMAN**

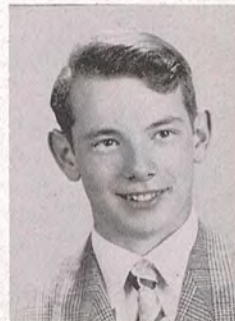
*"Nig"*

Freshman track; Reserve track; 9th. grade chorus; Boys glee club; Distributive Education; Future Retailers of Ohio.

**WILLIAM P. GREEN**

*"Bill"*

Varsity Basketball; Varsity Football; 12A Class President; Vice President Boys Leaders; Vice President St. Council; Varsity "R" Club; Work and Win Club; Rhodes Review Staff.



**RICHARD HAWKINS**

*"Dick"*

German club; Foreman club; Nature club.

**FLORENCE M. HALL**

*"Flo"*

Y-Teen; French club; Library club; Dramatics; Bookroom.



**ELWOOD HEABLER**

*"Woody"*

Varsity Football Mgr.; Stage craft; Production.

**EILEEN E. HANISCH**

9th. Grade chorus; Nature club; German club; Student council treasurer; 12A Name cards committee.



**JACK HEIDELOFF**

*"Snuffy"*

German club; Nature club; 11A Class Sec.; 12A Class Treasurer.



**JAMES HENNIS**

*"Big Jim"*

Boy's Leaders; Senior band; Band and Orchestra club; President of Rhoda Hi-Y; Foremans Club; Varsity Football; Reserve track; Chairman of Name card committee.



**JANET MARY JANOS**

*"Jean"*

Girls Leaders club; Orchestra and Band club; Class Prophecy.

**JOYCE LOUISE HINE**

*"Joy"*

Choir; Triple Trio; Senior Y-Teen.



**LILY KARALFA**

*"Lil"*

Senior choir; Senior Y-Teen; Glee club; F T A club; 9th. grade chorus; "47" Track Queen.

**CLARICE MAE HOLBROOK**

*"Clare"*

Senior Y-Teen; Glee Club; Senior choir.



**CAROL ANN KAUL**

*"Shorty"*

Library club; Bookroom.

**ANNA JABLONSKI**

*"Jabby"*

Jr. Choir; Future Retailers of Ohio.



**DORIS ELAINE KINTER**

*"Dorie"*

9th. Grade chorus; Junior choir; Senior choir; Art club; 12A Social Committee; Spring Show "47" Melody Fair.

**GARY JAMES JAINSHIG**

*"Little Giant"*

9th grade Boys Glee Club; Senior choir; Nature club; President Audio and Visual Aids; Head.. Cheerleaders;.. Citizens club; Public address system; In-tramural basketball.



**DOROTHY JEAN KORMOS**

*"Dorth"*

National Honor Society; FTA Club; 11A Social Committee; Senior Y-Teen; 12A Class Secretary.



WILLIAM CHARLES  
KOSTECKI

"Koss"

9A-9B Boys choir; Freshman  
Track; Reserve Basketball;  
Varsity Basketball.



DAVID  
LEONHARDT

"Dave"

FRANCES IRLENE  
KRISE

"Granney"

Senior Y-Teen; Home Economics  
Club Treasurer; Red Cross;  
Nature Club; Bookroom; Student  
Council; Band; 9A Chorus;  
Choral Club; Announcement  
chairman.



NANCY  
LEONHARDT

"Robie"

9th. Grade Chorus; Jr. Choir;  
Orchestra; German Club; Band  
and Orchestra Club; Distribu-  
tive Education; President of  
Homeroom; National Com-  
mittee Chairman; Official Vot-  
ing Delegate.

DAVID LASKY

"Herman"

Student Council; Boys Leaders;  
Varsity Football; Varsity Track;  
Varsity "R" Club; Foreman  
Club; 12A Social Committee.



ALBIN J.  
LISOWSKI

"Al"

Band and Orchestra Club;  
French Club; Radio Announcer;  
F T A; Rhoda Hi-Y; Senior  
Band.

SHIRLEY JOAN  
LASKY

"Shirl"

9th. Grade Chorus; Glee Club;  
Senior Choir; Home Ec. Club;  
Spring Shows of "47"-48";  
Librarian in Glee Club.



CAROL JEANNE  
LOUIS

"Jean"

9th. Grade Chorus; Choral  
Club; Glee Club; Girls Leaders;  
President Home Ec. Club; Stu-  
dent Council; Y-Teen; Spring  
Show "47"-48"; 12A Year-  
book Committee.

RICHARD  
LAURENCE

"Dick"

Visual Aides; Noon Movie  
Operator; Junior Journal; Stu-  
dent Council.



GERALDINE LYTLE

"Gerry"

Editor Rhodes Review; Junior  
Journal; Senior Choir; Girls  
Glee Club; National Honor  
Society; Work and Win Club;  
Senior Y-Teen; Junior Friend-  
ship; 12A Class Will; 12B  
Social Committee.



STEPHEN P.  
MAHONEY

*"Steve"*

Varsity Track; Varsity Wrestling; Boys Glee Club; Varsity "R" Club; Stage Production; Class Prophecy Committee; Intramural Basketball; Student Council; Operetta "45".



ADELAIDE  
NOLZAN

*"Addie"*

German Club.

GLEN L. MAIR

*"Scotty"*

Foreman Club; Visual Aid Club; Audio Aid Club; Public Address System; Intramural Basketball.



JEAN MONTIE

*"Jeannie"*

Nature Club; Future Teachers of America.

PETE MARALDO

*"Moral"*

9th. Grade Boys Chorus; Boys Glee Club; Intramural Wrestling; Senior Choir; Nature Club; Foreman Club.



RICHARD FRANK  
MORANZ

*"Mouse"*

Vice President of Class; President of Boys Leaders; Varsity "R" Club; Foreman Club; Varsity Football; Varsity Wrestling; Reserve Basketball; Reserve Track; Championship Football Team of 1947; Spring Show "48".

RICHARD D.  
MARTINEZ

*"Gomez"*

Band and Orchestra; Foreman Club; Intramural Wrestling; Decathlon; Tumbling and Apparatus Club; Reserve Track.



BILL JOHN  
NEDRICH

Varsity Track; Varsity Cross Country; Foreman Club.

ROLAND ARTHUR  
MEYER

*"Ro"*

Citizens Club President; Boys Leaders; German Club; German Club; Foreman Club; Varsity Track Captain; Reserve Football; Year Book Committee.



WALTER NIKISHIN

*"Nick"*

Freshman Track; Boys Chorus; Boys Glee Club; Operetta "45"; Stage production.



KATHRYN LOUISE  
NOTTKE

*"Kathy"*

Nature Club Secretary; 9B  
Chorus; Student Council.



ELAINE POLY

Nature Club; Sr. Friendship;  
Future Retailers of Ohio.

ART OBLOY

*"Wildroot"*

Varsity Football; Varsity Bas-  
ketball; Leaders Club; Varsity  
"R" Club; Year Book Com-  
mittee.



ELAYNE MARILYN  
PRYSTASH

*"Elly"*

9B-9A Chorus; Choral Club;  
Red Cross.

PATRICIA ANN  
ORTLI

*"Pat"*

Junior Y-Teen; Senior Y-Teen;  
Bookroom.



EMIL RUCKY

*"Rucky"*

Boy's Leaders; Foreman Club;  
Varsity "R" Club; Citizen  
Club; Freshman Football; Var-  
sity Football; Varsity Wrest-  
ling; Reserve Basketball; Track.

ELEANOR  
PETROVICH

*"Ellie"*

9th. Grade Chorus; Nature  
Club; Dramatics Club; Mixed  
Choir; Jr. Choir; Future Re-  
tailers of Ohio; Distributive  
Education.



EVELYN SANDY

*"Ev"*

Work and Win Club; Honor  
Society.

JUNE PLACKY

*"Blackie"*

Girls Leaders Club; Senior  
Friendship; 9th. Grade Chorus;  
Junior Choir Secretary; 11A,  
12B, 12A Social Committee;  
"48" Football Queen.



ROBERT FREDRICK  
SCHIFKO

*"Bob"*

Boys Glee Club; Wrestling  
Mgr.; Varsity "R" Club; Audio  
Aids; Intramural Basketball;  
9th. Grade Choir.



JO ANN MARJORIE  
SCHMIDT

"Jo"

Senior Choir; Glee Club; Home Ec. Club; 9th. Grade Chorus; Radio Prod.; Voice Culture; Melody Fair "47"; 12A Year Book Committee.



DOROTHY SPANUR

"Dot"

9B Chorus; Junior Y-Teen; Senior Y-Teen; Nature Club.

JOYCE ADAIR  
SCHMOTZER

"Smutz"

9B-9A Chorus; Choral Club; Red Cross; Radio Production.



KENNETH E.  
STAFFORD, JR.

"Ken"

Chairman Year Book Committee; Boy's Leaders; National Honor Society; German Club; Citizens Club; Work and Win Club; Rhoda Hi-Y; Student Council; 12B Class President; Sports Editor of Rhodes Review.

LEONARD GEORGE  
SCHREIBER

"Schreib"

Treasurer Foreman's Club; Junior Choir; 1947 Spring Play; Audio Aids.



JOHN TACEJKO

"Tex"

Boys Chorus; Boy's Glee Club; Vice President of Junior Choir.

DONALD W.  
SCHWAN

"Don"

National Honor Society; Senior Choir; Latin Club President; German Club; Reserve Football and Basketball; Student Council; Visual Aids; School Show "48"; 12A Class History.



JEROME G.  
TKACHYK

"Jerry"

Senior Band; Senior Choir; Reserve Band; Boy's 9th. Grade Chorus; Tumbling and Apparatus; Boy's Leaders; Foreman Club; Band and Orchestra Club; Wrestling; Reserve Basketball; Freshman Basketball; Junior Choir.

MARIE ANN  
SEDLACK

Senior Choir; Girls Glee Club President; Home Economics Club Vice President; Bookroom; 9th. Grade Chorus; "48" Spring Show; Radio Production.



DARLENE ANITA  
WARRING

9th. Grade Chorus; Glee Club; Sr. Choir; Student Council Representative; Jr. Band; Sr. Band; Distributive Education (Social Chairman); Jr. Journal.



SHIRLEY WEHR

*"Shirl"*

Rhodes Review; Senior Y-Teen; Orchestra; Band and Orchestra Club; French Club; 12B Social Chairman; 12A Class History.



DONALD ROBERT WIELAND

*"Slim"*

Band and Orchestra Club; Band; Orchestra; Rifle Club; Wrestling.

FRED JOSEPH WEICH

*"Fritz"*

Visual Aids; Decathlon; Freshman Football; Class Prophecy Committee.



MARY LEE WITTICH

*"Witch"*

9B Chorus; Junior Journal; Rhodes Review; Student Council; F T A; Junior Y-Teen; Senior Y-Teen; 11A Social Committee; 12B Class Secretary; German Club President; National Honor Society; 12A Social Chairman.

BETTY WELSCHENBACH

*"Bett"*

9B Chorus.



SHIRLEY ANN YOUNG

*"Annie"*

Junior Y-Teen; Senior Y-Teen; Nature Club; 9th. Grade Chorus; Glee Club; Bookroom.



RAYMOND ZAVAGNO

*"Ray"*

Freshman, Reserve, Varsity Football; Production; Citizens Club; Varsity "R" Club; Foreman Club; Boys Chorus.





BASKETBALL TEAM



WRESTLING TEAM



BOYS LEADERS



GIRLS LEADERS





FOREMANS CLUB



HOME ECONOMICS CLUB



James Ford Rhodes Alumni Association



GERMAN CLUB





NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY



RHODES REVIEW



CITIZENS CLUB



STUDENT COUNCIL

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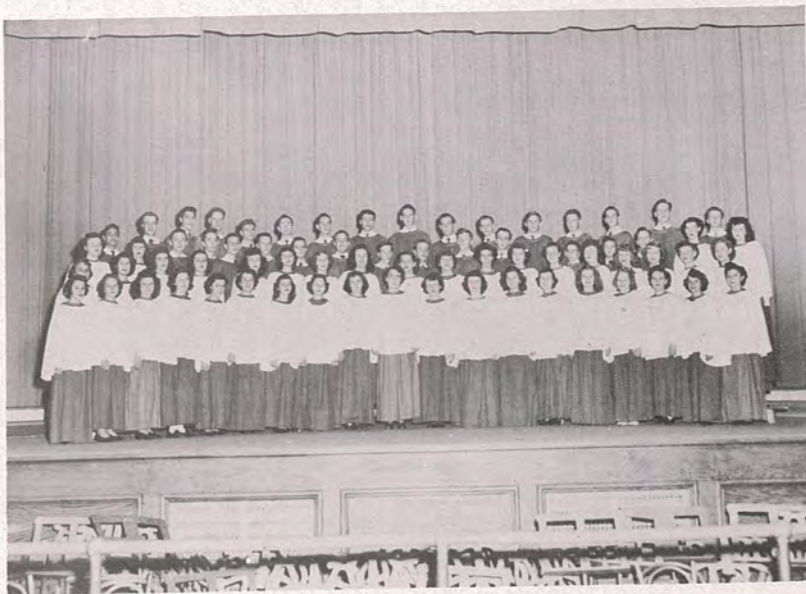




GIRLS GLEE CLUB



ORCHESTRA

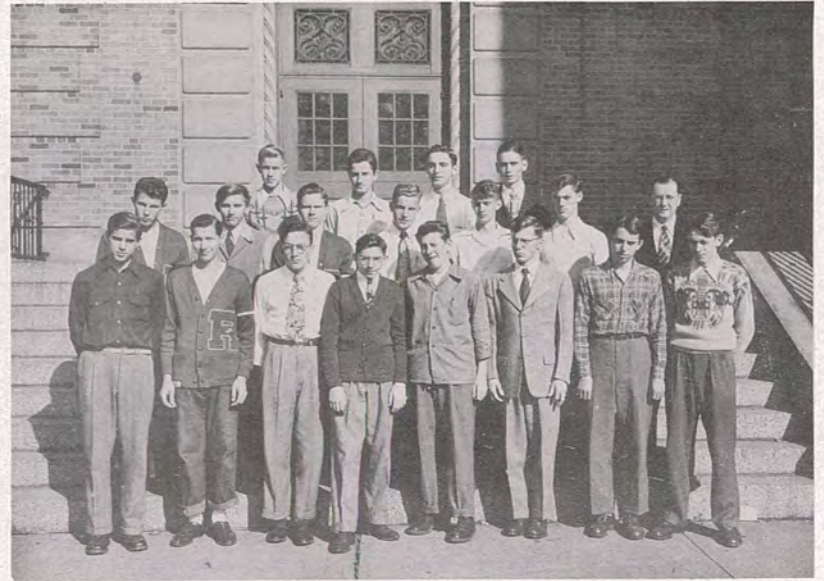


James Ford Rhodes Alumni Association 2017





CHEERLEADERS



CROSS COUNTRY TEAM



FOOTBALL TEAM



YEARBOOK COMMITTEE



## CLASS PROPHECY

We the Prophecy Committee — who within these pages have known all, seen all, and told what we thought we could get away with, — do hereby declare ourselves void and immune of any law suits.

We, Janet, Steve, Kathy, and Freddie, have consulted crystal ball, the cards, and a few palms about the future of the members of this class. We have gone into dark corners to converse with spirits, and we have had nightmares. So after weeks of haunting our minds we do hereby write and mark our predictions. ....The time will be 1959 and the place is the local pub, where we sit reading the daily gossip-vision:

**GIVE A CHEER** — Gary Jainshig is still trying to wake up the Rhodes pep.

**OUR ORSEN WELLS** — Shirley Wehr writes play, produced by Shirley Wehr, directed by Shirley Wehr, and starring Shirley Wehr.

**CONFUSION** — Ray Zavagno has recently been elected as official "left-guard-right-guard" at Knappsville.

**MOVING DAY** — Betty Castle moves, jewelry and all, to Zanesville. Sentimental Reasons?

**UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT** — Skintek's Tavern has been completely turned over to Wally Nikishin, . . . by way of inheritance.

**BIOLOGY** — Evelyn Sandy raises little "fishies".

**CRAFTY GUY** — Don Blackburn takes over as Stagecraft teacher at "dear old JFR".

**FUTURAMA** — Janis Dreher travels to Florida through "George-ya-dahling".

**RECENTLY PUBLISHED** — Jack Cutting writes book, "Cutting's Little Acre."

**HUNTING** — Shirley Young bags a "fox", while on vacation from her Sunday School class.

**NEW ADDITION** — Len Schreiber becomes first driving instructor to teach the art of driving with your knees.

**NEWS ITEM** — June Placky becomes first woman coach of the Cleveland Browns, after turning down steady offer from Knappsville.

**INTERESTING WORK** — Fred Weich has taken up baby sitting. . . . Age limit . . . twenty-one years.

**SAFETY** — Kathy Nottke learns how not to drive on the sidewalks from Ray.

**AGGRESSIVENESS** — Al Lisowski has advanced one rank. He is now assistant pop corn boy at the Broadview Theater.

**PRODUCTION** — MISS Mary Lee Wittich has twenty children . . . in her class.

**BELLS!** — Dick (Mousie) Moranz gets Louis in the ring.

**ESTHER WILLIAMS** — Dot Spanur gets job as lifeguard for Rhodes Pool.

**IDEAL JOB** — Bob Schifko is now selling candy kisses at the Roxy.

**EXCESSIVE FUNDS** — Eileen "Stinky" Hanisch builds mansion in Gates Mills.

**JAZZ ERA** — Bill Nedrick receives offer to play in Lionel Hampton's band.

**REVENGE** — Janet Janos again serves cold hot dogs to Mr. Hoffman. Ha, Ha, Ha, Ha!

**POLITICIAN** — Jerry "the Russian" Tkachyk becomes United States ambassador to Russia. Stalin, Beware!

**POSTAL LOSS** — Doris Kinter doesn't have to write anymore letters.

**LOYAL SERVICE** — After faithfully peddling the Cleveland Press for six years, John Tacejko advanced himself to assistant . . . copy boy.

**FREE LUNCH** — Ruth Farrar, Joyce Schmotzer, and Elayne Prystach open snack bar for use during homeroom. Saves trips to Hancey's.

**DIPLOMAS DO WONDERS** — After receiving his degree in Electrical Engineering, Ken Stafford is now running a barber shop.

**DING DONG!** — Martha Bertan and Clarice Holbrook will soon hear bells. Something old, something new, etc. Good Luck, Girls!

**ADVERTISEMENT** — Don Schwan's motto is ----"Well, I schwan, why don't you?"

**FURNISHINGS** — Frances Krise "wantson" french "lavage" lace "curtains" for a "pal". Note to Frances, (please excuse the spelling.)

**PROOF POSITIVE** — Dick Hawkins still knows "Wright" from wrong.

**LONGING** — Carol Kaul gets that yen to see Ken all over again.

**NIGHT SCHOOL** — Bill Green doing his shorthand at "the lounge". Advice: "Don't get the paper wet, Bill."

**FAMILY MATTER** — Nancy Leonhardt is still paying out her suit, only now she has help.

**USED CARS** — Sign: Wm. Kostecki's Auto Sales Co. . . . Special—Car of the Month 1942 DeSoto, \$18. (This includes instructions on how to "Wheel".)

**A CROSELY** — Marie Sedlack walks around



- hunch-back, muttering, "There's not enough room for all of us, anymore."
- SUCCESS** — Jean Montie gets whatever she was after.
- AMNESIA** — Dave Lasky "blank minded" about Rhodes-South game of '47, becomes assistant coach at Fairview.
- SAILING? SAILING?** — Elaine Poly invites the class to have a reunion on board her seventy-five foot yacht.
- PROFESSORRRR!** — Richard Laurence gets Master's Degree at ripe old age of twenty.
- "G. I. JOE-NES"** — Alice Harrison still enjoys that Army man.
- ALLERGY** — David Leonhardt still has a phobia of Laub Baker's Trucks.
- INTELLIGENCE** — Adelaide Molzan graduates from college two years early.
- BIG BUSINESS** — Jim Hennis starts sweater factory . . . yellow sweaters.
- PROFIT** — Jean Feltes opens tea room in 109.
- MODEL** — Peter "Mama" Maraldo models latest fads.
- NAZ DROVIA** — Eleanor Petrovich is found doing the Polka in Siberia.
- BANG! CRASH!** — Don Weiland gets a New Model . . . "Valla" '52.
- QUIET** — Anna Jablonski is still "gabby".
- 90% DISCOUNT** — Need a pair of shoes? See Don Hartman.
- MYSTERY** — What do you know about Joyce Hine?
- A CHANGE** — Glen Mair has switched to Calverts because -----.
- SWEET** — Roses are Red, Violets are blue, Shirley Lasky's sweet, and so are you.
- CHAMP** — Roland Meyer wins 1956 Olympic quarter mile in astounding time of 39.9 seconds. Mr. Holden faints.
- DEBUT** — Lily Karalfa opens at local "spot" doing her version of the famous "Jackson Boogie".
- HITS THE HEADLINES** — Jack Heideloff is now playing baseball at HAISTings, Indiana; in the Franny League.
- LOVE** — Rosemarie Genchi has a crush on something else besides horses.
- GOMEZ** — Dick Martinez who is now Vice-President of the May Co. . . . is still giving three-to-one odds on all the ball games.
- PARADES** — Darlene Warring is just crazy about parades. She's all "cut" up about them.
- CONTAGIOUS** — Art Obloy just got his Master's Degree from Texas Christian but still doesn't know how to keep the girls away.
- COLORFUL** — Betty Welschenbach still singing "There's a Rainbow Over My Shoulder."
- PROMOTION** — Elwood Heabler has been recently promoted to "Chief of Stock" at the F. B. I. (Fisher Bros. Inc.)
- TOO BAD** — Dorothy Kormos can be found teaching dictation to all of Mr. Henderson's future secretaries.
- NOW I SEE** — Joe Babyak gets haircut. Joe Babyak sees the world. The world sees Joe Babyak. (No comment)
- MAC** — With Pat Ortlie the Scotch influence is still there.
- FREE AIR** — Singing commercials given by Bob Beckstrom with the special Texaco gas.
- NIGHT SHIFT** — Gerry Lytle opens night school for knowledge seeking football players.
- NEW MODEL** — Paul Case travels to the "Hilltop" on four new Firestone tires.
- OPERA** — JoAnne Schmidt can be found at the Met. . . . in the audience.
- AGED** — Richard Fox gets "young" again fast.
- YER OUT!** — Florence Hall becomes star shortstop for local Bloomer Girls.
- RED?** — Emil Rucky is captain of a football team called the "Russian Rams", Wiese playing left tackle.
- UNFEMININE** — Carol Louis still isn't afraid of a "mouse".  
And here at the end is the Committee still trying to think of something to write about Steve Mahoney.

HERE'S TO THE FUTURE



## LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

We, the first senior class of January 1949, being of strong and sturdy stock, do hereby bequeath to succeeding classes a share of the golden wealth that we, the twentieth century forty-niners, have mined, as we now go forward into life, prospectors in search of richer more bountiful fields to conquer.

### ATHLETICS

#### VEIN I

Nugget I: To Coach Andy, we leave the tedious job of finding replacements for three linemen, Zavagno, Obloy, and Rucky, and three backs, Fox, Green and Moranz.

Nugget II: To Coach Van is willed the chore of plugging the gaping holes in his cage squad left by the graduation of Green, Kosteckj, and Obloy.

Nugget III: To Coach O. J. goes the loss of two of his prize gentlemen of the mat, Moranz and Fox.

Nugget IV: To Coach Holden is bequeathed the task of replacing star quarter miler Meyer, record breaking pole-vaulter Mahoney, and Nedrick of the cross country squad.

Nugget V: The Boys' Leaders Club is left minus ten of its stalwarts, the largest January corps of graduating leaders in the school's history.

### MUSIC

#### VEIN II

Nugget I: To the A Cappella Choir we leave fifteen vacancies, ranging from the squeaky sopranos to the barrel-house basses.

Nugget II: We bequeath to the girls' glee club room for nine aspiring young Jenney Linds.

Nugget III: Joyce Hine leaves the Triple Trio an octette.

Nugget IV: The band and orchestra are left with nine empty uniforms and chairs to fill.

### PERSONALLY

#### VEIN III

Nugget I: The geometry-Studebaker addicts of Ollie Hoffman's solid class leave succeeding S. G. classes the honor of completing the proof of the theorem they so ingeniously originated. . . "Which way does a Studebaker go ---And why."

Nugget II: To the English classes, we display our English teacher record. Quote . . . Two years with Miss Cutright ---- Miss Cutright departs; One year with Miss Simpson --- Miss Simpson departs. . . . Unquote.

Nugget III: The Rhodes Review staff is left with four holes to plug as Green, Lytle, Stafford, and Wittich finally pull up their paste pots and depart after three years each of looking wise.

Nugget IV: To any and all class picnickers the transfer of J. Pluvius's generous contribution to our annual "splash parties."

Nugget V: Art Obloy leaves to other fugitives from a haircut his prized possession of an unopened bottle of Wildroot Cream Oil.

Nugget VI: Steadies Carol Louis and Dick Moranz leave to challenging couples who are "just that way about each other" an opportunity to break their "steady" record.

Nugget VII: Mary Lee Wittich and her 12A social committee leave to succeeding January classes sleepless nights of trying to get an informal financed.

Nugget VIII: To the "rah-rah, yeh team squad" we leave the task of filling the gap of master megaphonists left vacated by our own Gary Jainshig.

Nugget IX: Lily Karalfa, "the flower of our choice," after blossoming forth into the prettiest track queen of 'em all, abdicates her throne to succeeding buds.

Nugget X: The sparkler brigade, Evelyn Sandy, Doris Kinter, Martha Bertan, Darlene Warring, and Clarice Holbrook, donate all unrewarded man-hunters their success formula, "Chase and Ye Shall Catch."

Nugget XI: With the passing of two-thirds of the school's famed Polkateers, Jerry Tkachyk and Bill Nedrick, we leave a stunned silence.

Nugget XII: The trio of females that succeeded in attaining three of the twelve offices available in 11A, 12B and 12A class elections leave to similarly male-dominated classes a ray of hope.

Nugget XIII: Class Prez Bill Green bequeaths to any other brave males his acquired success, finesse and pride for shorthand.

Nugget XIV: With the graduation of several of our more studious classmates, we leave room for other enterprising scholars (?) bestowed with terragotta protruding proboscises.

Nugget XV: To touchdown starved rooter, we leave fond memories of a 1947 Charity Game Entrant.

Nugget XVI: We leave.



# CLASS HISTORY

It was a dark and gloomy January morning as we entered that gray, morose building. We walked slowly up the front steps and beheld before us a sign which led us straight to the mammoth auditorium.

After hearing Mr. Mathews' assuring words, we were quite sure that we would have no trouble at all in finding our way around the school. But as we looked up into the faces of those smirking seniors, we became weary as to whether or not we really needed those elevator passes or whether the swimming pool was really on the fourth floor.

That was four years ago and now as we find ourselves seniors we wonder if we were really as ridiculous as those up-and-coming "flats" seem to us. Let's look back through those four years and find out for ourselves.

FEBRUARY 3, 1945: We've struggled three days of agony. Our program cards, in many pieces, are still clutched in our hands.

FEBRUARY 9, 1945: This afternoon the freshman party was held in the cafeteria. The Boys and Girls Leaders aided Mr. Seedhouse in filling us with pop, pretzels and potato chips. Square dancing and musical chairs kept us busy the rest of the afternoon.

MARCH 13, 1945: We "flats" have gotten a say in the school government. We elected Student Council representatives today. Chosen were Gene Velisek and Marie Sedlack.

APRIL 10, 1945: Cool, neat, and sporty seem to be the adjectives that refer to the latest fad. You've guessed it—it's the Butch haircut. Some people say that the "butch" is the diminutive of butchered.

MAY 7, 1945: The Nazis finally gave up! The whole country was in an uproar and Rhodes High was no exception. V-E day it was called.

SEPTEMBER 6, 1945: We're back to pencils, back to books, back to . . . Oh, Well! At least we're 9A's and have somebody to look down upon.

SEPTEMBER 29, 1945: Our class was deeply impressed this afternoon, for we witnessed our first Senate football game. Even though we lost to West High, 7-0, we still thought our team was **great**.

OCTOBER 12, 1945: "Accentuate the Positive" is really "reet" and we hum it in all our classes with the exception of Miss Manning's World History class.

NOVEMBER 2, 1945: The "Smiling Irishman" had nothing on us this afternoon. We all had our pictures taken for the school records.

DECEMBER 5, 1945: The Rhodes' Bowl (otherwise known as Hancy's) is still the favorite hangout where the juke-box plays to the tune of "No Can Do" and "It's Only a Paper Moon."

DECEMBER 20, 1945: We're all looking forward to two weeks of vacation. We find Rhodes festively enlightened with Christmas trees, choral groups, and best wishes for a Merry Christmas.

JANUARY 3, 1946: We're back to school with New Year's resolutions still fresh in our minds for studying and getting good grades.

FEBRUARY 16, 1946: Some of us have started our biology studies with Miss Wilson. So far we've learned how to get noiselessly out of our seat and how to pass chalk at the blackboard.

MARCH 14, 1946: "Ring those bells, shout for joy, we were here before Kilroy." Such signs were scribbled on the booths in Standards, the walls and blackboards of Rhodes, and on the sidewalk of Cleveland.

APRIL 25, 1946: The first robin, green buds, and warm spring rain doesn't seem to help our school-work. I guess Spring fever is finally setting in.

MAY 26, 1946: "Chickery Chick", "Sentimental Journey", cape-sleeved blouses and plaid sport coats are the latest thing.

SEPTEMBER 6, 1946: It's back to school again and we're all ready to fix those new "flats". Some of us have a new biology teacher and the girls decided that dissecting worms isn't so bad with Mr. Gaiser as the instructor.

OCTOBER 10, 1946: We all came to school early this morning to take a test which would tell us the occupations for which we're best suited. We found that some of us are mechanically minded while others prefer social work.

NOVEMBER 7, 1946: Open house was held at school today. The orchestra played a few selections and our various classes displayed our projects. The teachers stood by to talk to mom and dad. Oh, unhappy day!

DECEMBER 16, 1946: The Y-Teen had their Annual Christmas Formal this evening. The club carried out the theme of White Christmas with sparkling snow dust and white stars bedecking the walls.

FEBRUARY 20, 1947: Fleet-footed members of our class are Bill Nedrich and Roy Meyer who are both found burning up the track at all speed meets. Proud, too, are we of Emil Rucky and Steve Mahoney who star in the field events.

APRIL 23, 1947: She made it and we think she's wonderful. Today, Lily Karalfa was pronounced Track Queen of the 1947 season.

APRIL 27, 1947: Recipient of this semester's gold medal for the top eleventh grade speller was Shirley Wehr. Runners up were Don Schwan and Dick Laurence who received silver and bronze medals, respectively.

MAY 2, 1947: All eyes were glued on a new addition to the faculty. Our new "music man" will be Mr. Otto Schmidt who attended West Tech High and learned his Music at Western Reserve University.

MAY 30, 1947: Many hearts were broken and many eyes downcast as the pint-sized sparkplug of all our assemblies, Mr. Seedhouse, today said farewell to Rhodes. He was replaced by Mr. Sawyer, who is all but pint-sized.

SEPTEMBER 12, 1947: We came back this semester to find some of our boys still beating the gridiron. This year, our class representatives to the football squad are Dick Fox, Emil Rucky, Dick Moranz, Ray Zavagno, and Dave Lasky.

OCTOBER 15, 1947: Mr. Petrillo's ban on records hasn't seemed to effect anyone in our class. The turn-tables keep spinnin' and the joints keep jumpin'.

OCTOBER 29, 1947: Can't we ever have a class picnic without rain?

NOVEMBER 7, 1947: Our class still seems to be tops in talent. The Melody Fair came off as a big success and at the top of the list of entertainers were Jerry Tkacyk and Bill Nedrick, who, along with another instrumentalist, took the top rating in the talent show. Second place winner was Gerry Lytle.

NOVEMBER 15, 1947: Three cheers for our own "big-little" cheer leader, Gary Jainshig, who can really "whoop-it-up" at those pigskin contests.

NOVEMBER 22, 1947: Damp, dark, dismal, and dreary—that was the setting of the scene for which Rhodes



- High had waited thirteen years. Our whole school jammed into the Cleveland Municipal Stadium to watch our gridiron boys battle with Cathedral Latin on the first Charity Game of Rhodes history. We lost, 12-0, but so what! We played, didn't we?
- DECEMBER 4, 1947: Today we all crowded into the auditorium to witness the induction of six members of our class into the National Honor Society. Those chosen were Evelyn Sandy, Gerry Lytle, Dorothy Kormos, Mary Lee Wittich, Don Schwan, Dick Fox, and Ken Stafford.
- JANUARY 6, 1948: Besides Bill Green, our class has contributed two more cagers to this season's basketball team—Bill Kostecki and Art Obloy.
- JANUARY 13, 1948: Ken Stafford was elected to head our class this semester. Bill Green was chosen to take over the vice-presidency and Mary Lee Wittich was elected secretary.
- FEBRUARY 23, 1948: Our boys seem to be in agreement with at least one of the school clubs. Members of the Foreman's Club are Ray Zavagno, Dick Hawkins, Emil Rucky, Dick Fox, Pete Maraldo, Roy Meyer, Bill Nedrick, Rol Wenz, Jerry Tkachyk, and Dick Moranz.
- APRIL 28, 1948: We held our informal this afternoon in the midst of black horizontal bars, long, gloomy prison benches, and heavy sets of balls and chains. However, the polkas livened it up a little.
- MAY 18, 1948: Dick Fox was our contribution to the play, "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay." With all that make-up on he looked like Fu Man Chu running wild.
- MAY 21, 1948: We also put our two cents in the Spring Carnival. Joe Babyak, Bill Nedrick and Jerry Tkachyk made up our instrumentalists, while tenor, Bob Beckstrom, sang a solo. Of course we mustn't forget those Boys Leaders who were wonderful doing the square dance. Shirley Young was our Carnival Queen candidate. Even though she didn't take first place, we still think she's great.
- JUNE 7, 1948: Our class picnic got off to a splash when two not-so-surprised ladies got a thorough dunking in the Big Creek. Mr. Hoffman was also threatened.
- SEPTEMBER 10, 1948: We came back this Fall to find that dear Miss Simpson had taken a leave of absence. I guess she needed it after trying to teach English to OUR class.
- SEPTEMBER 13, 1948: They've just begun to paint the inside of "DEAR OLD RHODES" . . . just when we're ready to leave.
- SEPTEMBER 21, 1948: Bill Green, who was vice-president of the student council last semester, heads our 12A class as president. The other officers are Dick Moranz, vice-president; Dorothy Kormos, secretary; Jack Heideloff, treasurer.
- OCTOBER 4, 1948: Everyone took time out this afternoon, including the teachers, in order to glue their ears to the PA system to hear the Cleveland Indians cinch the American League pennant, 8-3 in an extra game of the season, after sinking into a tie for the flag with the Boston Red Sox.
- OCTOBER 9, 1948: The gloom partly lifted from the faces of most of us today for the Rams finally scored a touchdown—the first of the football season for us. And even if we did only tie Lincoln, we now at least have renewed hope.
- OCTOBER 13, 1948: Neither rain, nor sleet, nor snow can halt the 12A class. We held our picnic as planned, although there was quite an excess of water vapor in the air. Football was, as usual, the highlight of the event. Slush! Slush!
- OCTOBER 19, 1948: Signs of the times: Have your pictures come back yet? Is the Prophecy finished? Puulease pay your dues!
- NOVEMBER 5, 1948: Between that ill-smelling chem lab and those "short" quizzes which last exactly 37½ minutes the chemistry students are slowly going batty.
- NOVEMBER 20, 1948: This is the night of the informal. Everyone looks happy, even though it is being held in our gym.
- DECEMBER 3, 1948: Our noses are turning up more every day. Mary Lee Wittich is head of the German Club while Jerry Tkachyk has taken over the Sr. Choir for this semester. Dick Moranz is chief of the Boy's Leaders; Don Schwan, president of the Latin Club; and Rol Meyer has become the new Citizen's Club prexy. Also, we have Gerry Lytle as chief editor and Ken Stafford as sports editor of the "Rhodes Review."
- JANUARY 15, 1949: Tonight was our prom. The night which we've looked forward to since we set foot in Rhodes High. It was here . . . and nothing more needs to be said.
- JANUARY 21, 1949: Today we dressed up in our best and strutted before the under-classmen. We scribbled this and that in each other's yearbooks and collected name cards. We said goodbye to our homeroom teachers, Hancy's room, the chem lab, Mr. Sawyer, the newly painted walls, football practices, musty underground track meets, cherry pie, the band room those sessions with Mr. Bryan and Miss Hier, and all our friends in the lower grades.
- JANUARY 25, 1949: This day will live in the memory of us all. We were excited, confused, and just a little sad that we had to leave all the good times we had. Some were planning on college, others on working, but all of us were wondering what was lying ahead for us in the future years.

The Class of January, 1949



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