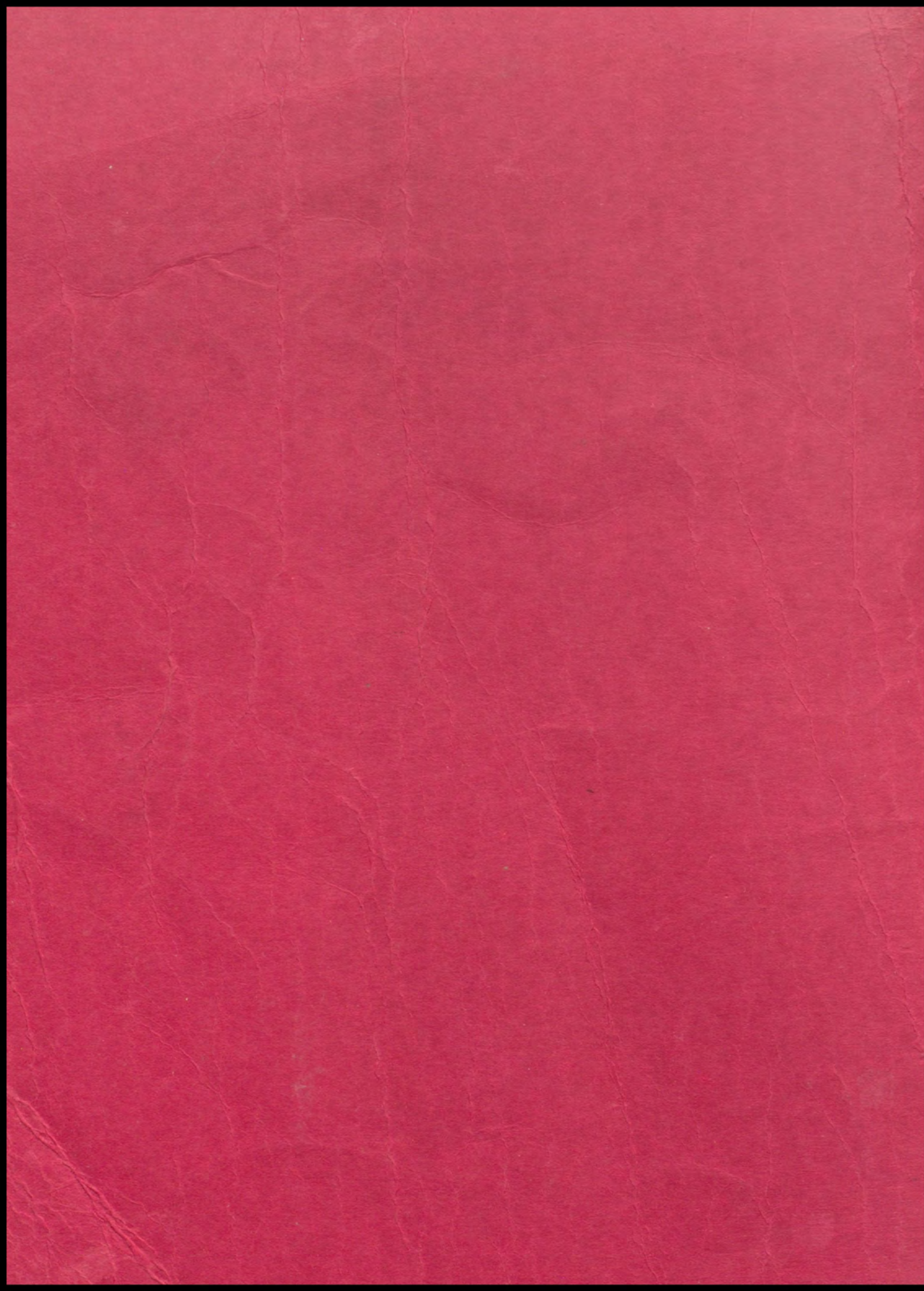
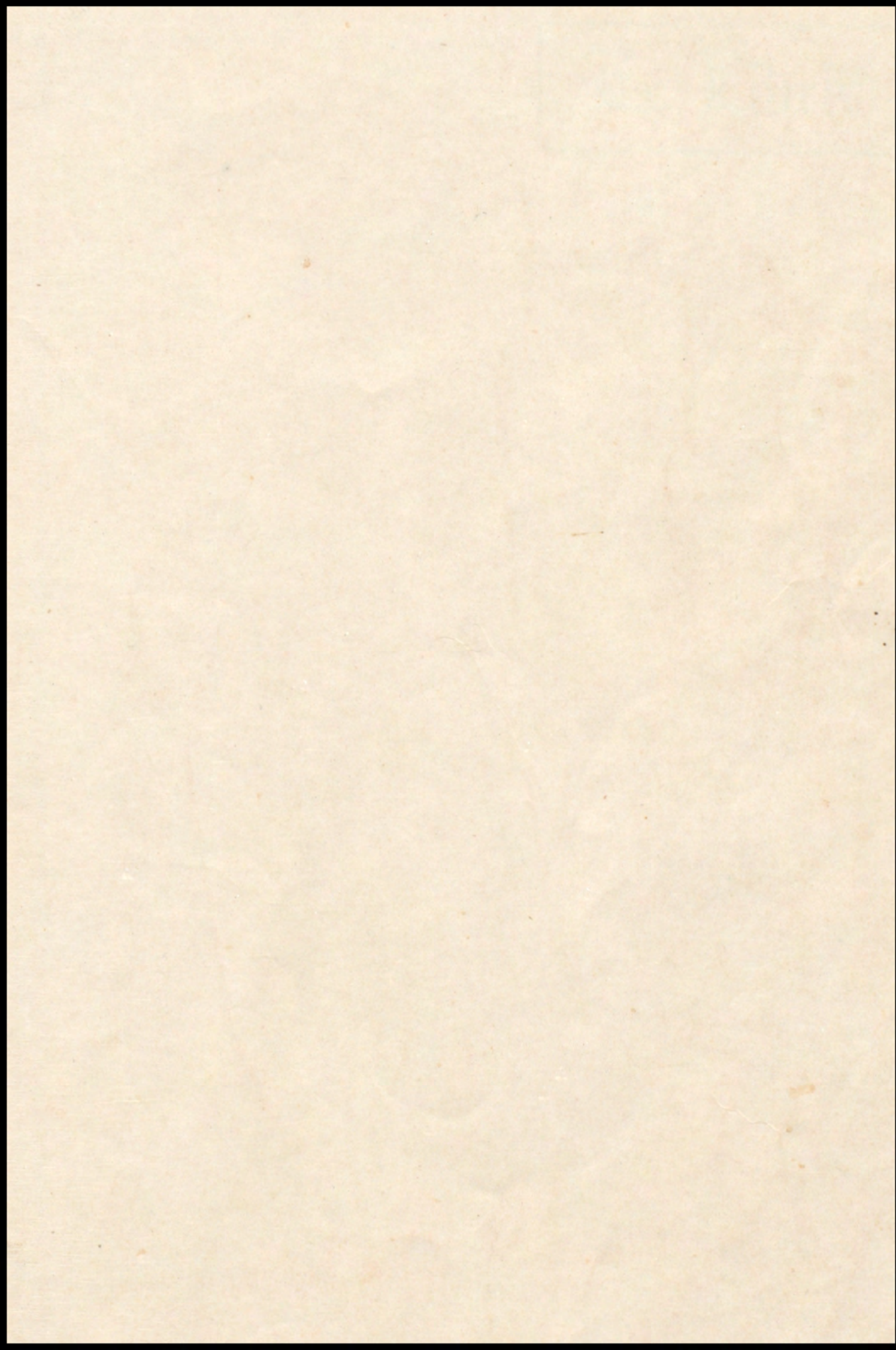
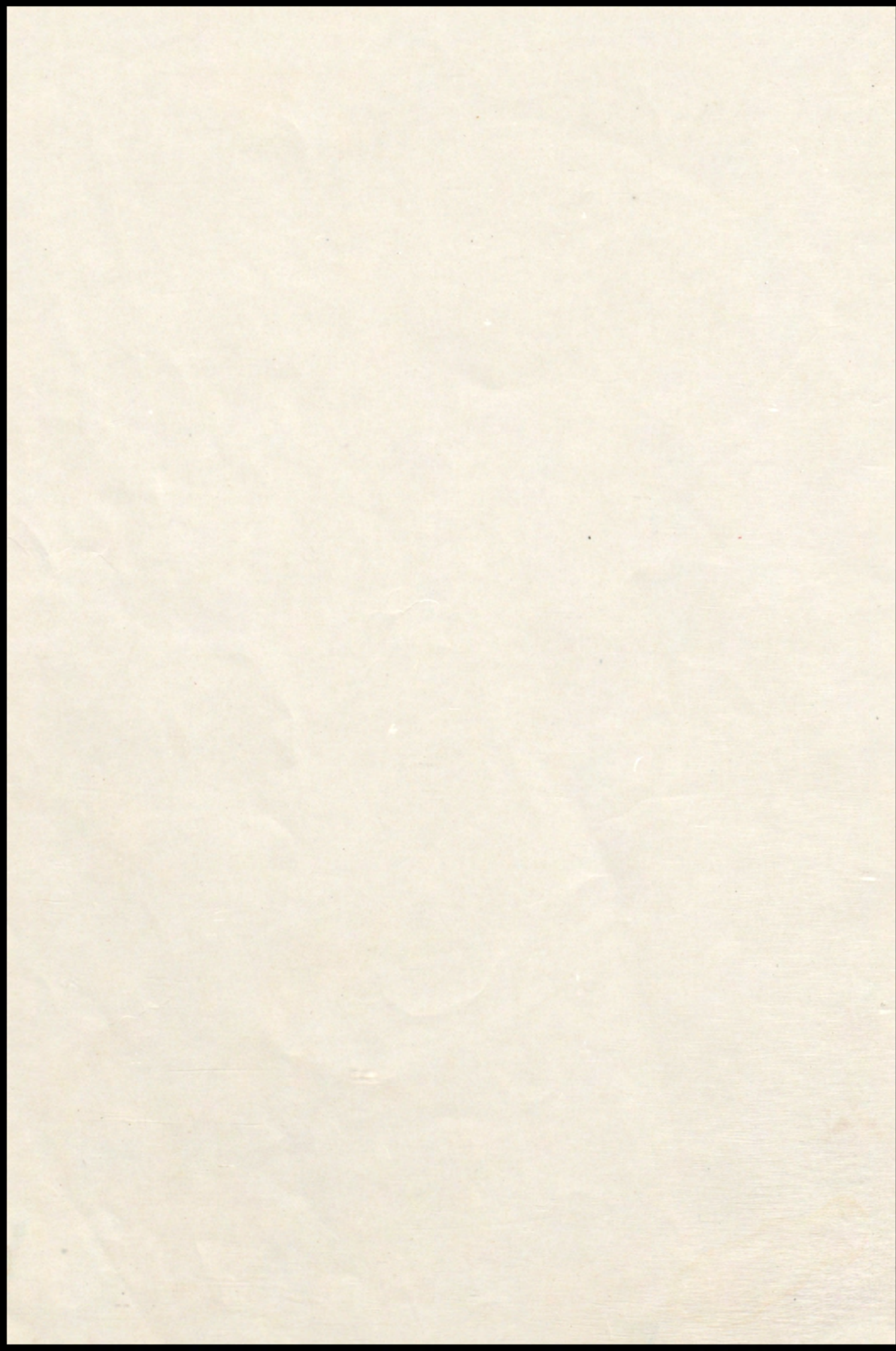


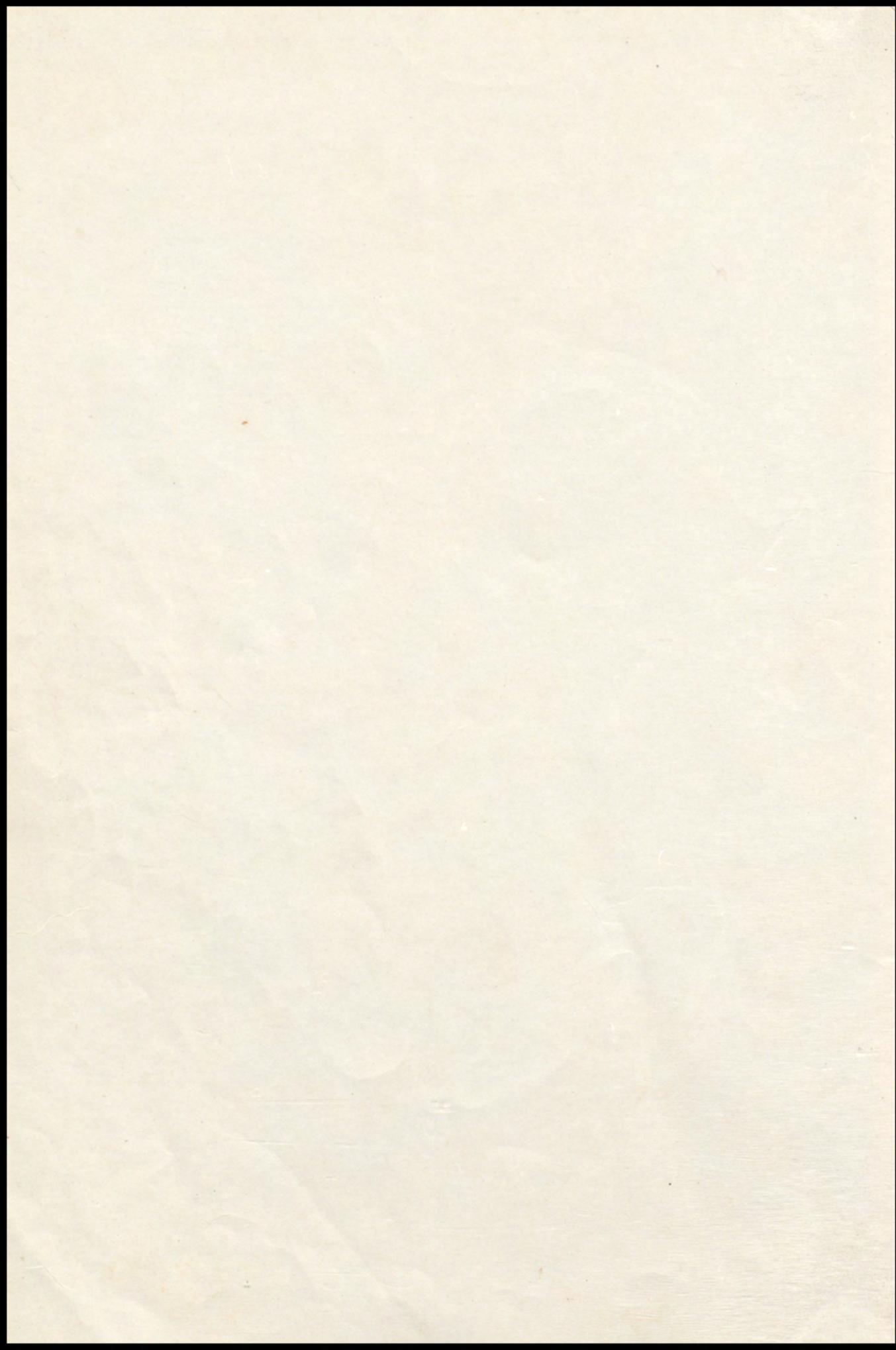
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Foreward

In giving this volume to the public, we realize its many imperfections. If it meets the approval of those who may read it, the fondest hopes of the authors will be fulfilled.

The purpose of this book is to perpetuate the glorious memories, and traditions associated with our High School career. If this is achieved then success is ours.

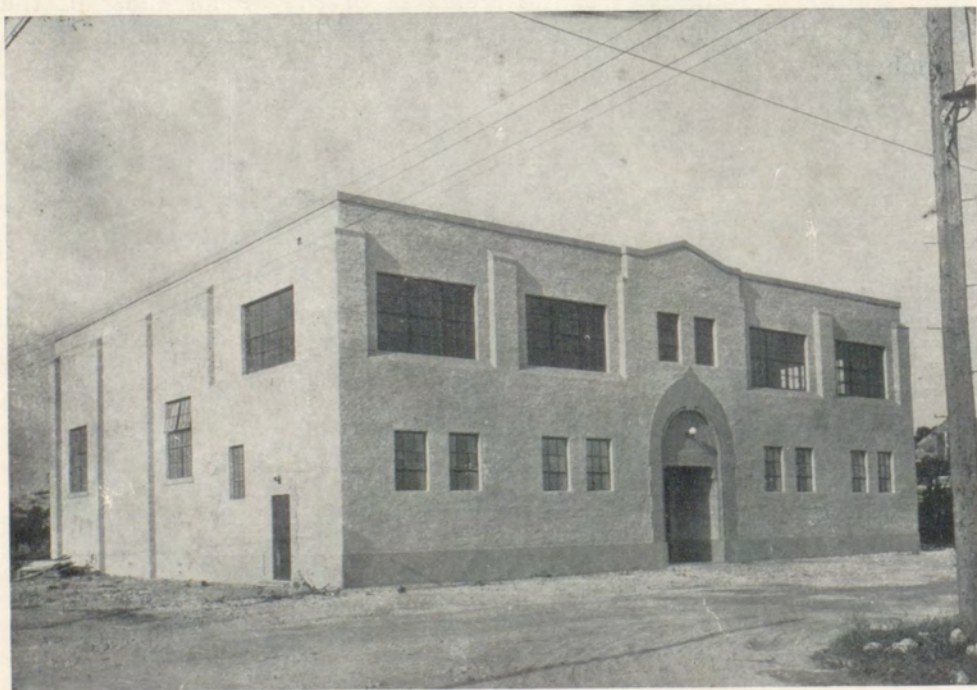
“When all these shining leaves are filled
How will the owner’s heart be thrilled,
On every opening leaf to find
Some tribute of affection kind,
Some token, some memories dear
Of each loved friend concentrated here;
And when those friends are far away,
Still here their semblance to survey,
And mark the image of each mind
In living colors well defined.”



Dedication

TO OUR PARENTS AND SPONSOR

In appreciation to our mothers and fathers whose unfaltering love and sacrifices have been our inspiration, and to our beloved sponsor, Mrs. Addah J. Ramsey, we, the members of the Senior Class of the Key West High School, respectfully dedicate this third volume of the Conch.



Above—View of our school. Below—The gymnasium.



Our School System

These three buildings constitute the Key West Junior-Senior High School, and the Gymnasium. The seniors of nineteen hundred twenty-nine are proud of the privilege of attending such a school and enjoying the high school activities which have been afforded them in the past four years. They urge the classmates they are leaving in school to take advantage of the wonderful opportunities before them.

In nineteen twenty-six the graduating class consisted of twenty-four members, in twenty-seven, twenty-six, and in twenty-eight, fifty-one graduates. This year there are sixty-three students leaving this institution of learning to take up higher education or position in life. This shows the interest the young people are taking in education through which they may acquire higher and more honorable occupations.

Every year there are more different subjects of importance included in the curriculum. This term among the subjects added to the courses are Chemistry, which has proved to be a very interesting course because of the competent teacher, and well equipped laboratory. Another new subject is that of Commercial Law. This subject will no doubt prove useful to the students who have taken it in the Commercial world. Caesar and Cicero, two subjects which have been eliminated for the past several years have also been revived. There are other subjects which have been added to the school courses which we have not mentioned.



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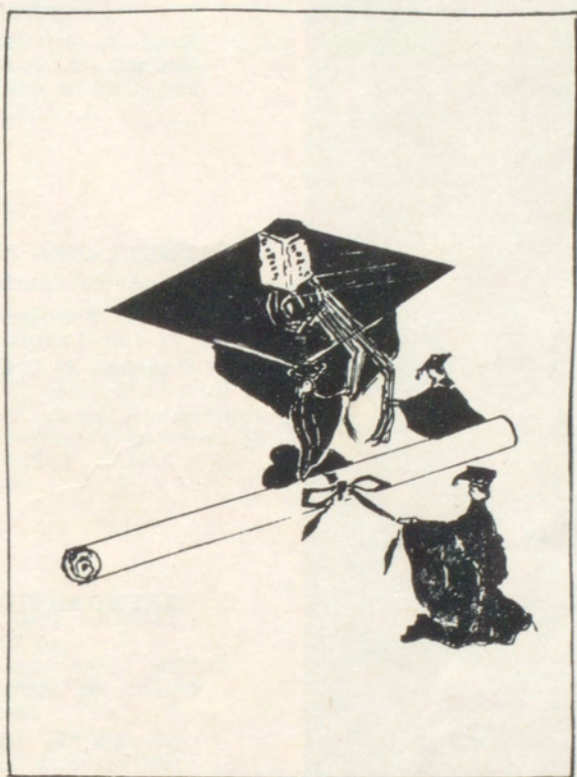
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Seniors



KIMBALL DEMERITT CURTIS
(Ardle)

"A straight-forward, open-hearted youth, capable to manage his own concerns."

Band 3, 4; Class President 4; Orchestra 3, 4; President of Band and Orchestra 4. K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

ANNIE LAURA PINDER
(Annie Laurie)

"The reward of duty is the power to fulfill another."

Class President 1, 2, 3; Secretary 4; Student Council 3; Music Club 4; Reading Club 3; Dramatic Club 3; Secretary-Treasurer. K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

RAYMOND GEORGE CURRY
(Beryl)

"His joys are deep as the ocean; his cares as light as the foam."

Orchestra 2; Debating Club 3; Vice-President of Class 3, 4; Basketball Manager Boys' Team 4. K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

ANNIE LOIS HICKS
(Specs)

"A maiden blithe and debonair—
With shining eyes and curly hair."

Secretary 1; Treasurer 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Glee Club 4; Basketball Club 3; Dramatic Club 3; Editor of Tattler 4. K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.



RALPH KIRKLAND JOHNSON

(Cap)

"Ever loyal, ever true,
To the task he had to do."

President of Class 1, 2; Orchestra
1; Band 1, 2; Editor in Chief of
"Conch" 4. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.

MARY LOUISE McNAMARA

(Irish)

"Sweet thoughts are mirrored in
her face,

Every motion is one of grace."
Biology Club 2; Glee Club 1, 4;
Reporter for Tattler 4; Assistant
Editor "Conch" 4; Class Play 4;
Spanish Club 1. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.

CHARLES JOSEPH ALBURY

(Pettalanger)

"What should a man do but be
merry?"

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 1, 2, 3,
4; Advertising Manager "Conch"
4. K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

SYBIL GWENDOLYN ROBERTS

(Curly)

"She's ready to help us whenever
we call,
She is one of the sweetest girls
of all."

Dramatic Club 3; Glee Club 4;
Etiquette Club 3; Business Man-
ager "Conch" 4. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.





ALPHONSINE DOUTHIT
CLEARE

(Al)

"Look me over for you never see
the like every day."

Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Basketball Club
3; Young Sport Club 3; Assistant
Business Manager "Conch" 4;
Winner Music Memory Contest 2.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

IVAN EMERSON FELTON

(Abbie)

"A man severe was he, and stern
to view."

Spanish Club 1; Social Science
Club 2; Football 3; Debating Team
3; Football Club 3; Assistant
President Class 3; Assistant Ad-
vertising Manager "Conch" 4.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

IZETT ELIZABETH DEMERRITT

(Frenchy)

"Sweetness and goodness reigned
throughout her person."

Sewing Club 3; Dramatic Club 3;
Art Editor "Conch" 4. K. W. H.
S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

AARON DARNELL PINDER

(Steel Wool)

"Happy-go-lucky, handsome and
free,

Nothing ever bothers me."

Science Club 3; Radio Club 3;
Music Club 4; Glee Club 4; Class
Play 4; "Conch" Circulation Man-
ager 4. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.



JOSEPH LIVINGSTON CATES
(Joe)

"A voice he had belonging to him-
self—

A voice indeed
When his heart passed his words
to his lips in song."

Band 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4;
Orchestra 2, 3, 4; Music Club 3, 4;
Vice-President Student Council 3;
Class Play 4. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.

FAYE JOSEPHINE SPENCER
(Joe)

"A friend, steady and sure,
A sweet girl who will always
endure."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Basketball Club
3; Cooking Club 3; Tattler Re-
porter 4; Class Play 4; "Conch"
Assistant Circulation Manager 4.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

PALACIOS THOMPSON
(Ussian)

"To hurry and worry is not my
creed,
Things will happen, so what's the
need?"

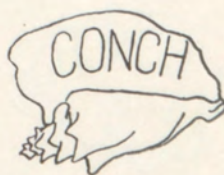
Radio Club 3; Science Club 3.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

FLORA ELIZABETH RUSSELL
(Flo)

"Modest and pensive, tender and
true
And while by her side one never
gets blue."

Glee Club 1; Biology Club 2;
Basketball Club 3; Sewing Club 3;
Tattler Reporter 4; Art Editor
"Conch" 4. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.





CARLTON JACKSON ROBERTS
(Bow)

"He is very ready at that sort of discourse with which men usually entertain women."

President 2; Sports Editor Tattler 1; Glee Club 1, 2; Football 1, 2, 3; "M" Club 3; K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

LOIS ROSEMARY CURRY

"Youth is full of sport."

Music Memory Contest 2; Basketball Club 3; Young Sports Club 3; Girls' Basketball Manager 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4. K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

EDWARD RAYMOND JOHNSON
(Egg-word)

"The deed I intend is great, but what, as yet I know not."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 2, 3. K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

HARRIET JEROME BROWNE
(Brownie)

"She is pretty to walk with And witty to talk with."

Entered Key West Hi 4; Joke Editor "Conch" 4. K. W. H. S. A. A. 4.



GRACE ELIZABETH HIGGS

(Springs)

"Here's to a real girl, she's worth
while,
Even Adam would be tempted by
her smile."

Glee Club 2; Dramatic Club 3;
Basketball Club 3. K. W. H. S.
A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

GEORGE GERALD GOMEZ

(Keterson)

"A man after his own heart."

Science Club 3; Debating Club 3.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

ANNA BELLE HILL

(Giggles)

"The gold of her hair and the blue
of her eyes,

Are blends of the western skies."
Fancy Work Club 3; Bible Club 3;
Glee Club 4. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.

FRED HOWARD MATTHEWS

(Skipper)

"Good nature, muscle and grit, all
combined."

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Debating Club
3; Science Club 3; Journalism
Club 3. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.





DOLLIE AGNES WOODRUFF

(Miss Yentie)

"Dainty, smiling, kind,
In the latest styles you'll find her
primed."

Young Sports Club 3; Basketball
Club 3. K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

CHILTON KNOWLES

(Lord Andrew)

"A proper man as any one shall
see on a summer's day."

Baseball 3; Basketball 3, 4; Class
Play 4. K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

LILY DEANA SCHULSINGER

(Paluka)

"More active than the restless
sea."

Basketball Club 3; Young Sports
Club 3. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.

REGINALD COURTNEY
TREVOR

(Reggie)

"Too much study is a weariment
of life."

Football 1, 2, 3; M. Club 3.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.



FLORENCE CLOVER NILES

(Bunnie)

"As free as the leaves of
Autumn."

President Young Sports Club 3;
Basketball Club 3. K. W. H. S.
A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

ALIBEY OLIVER ARMAYOR

(Speed King)

"Why should I worry, I'll get
there anyway."

Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 3, 4;
Band 2, 3, 4; Music Club 2, 3, 4;
Varsity Basketball 3, 4. K. W.
H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

EMILY LOUISE CALE

(Pinkie May)

"And Mistress of herself, though
China fall."

Front Page Editor Tattler 4; Presi-
dent Class 1; Dramatic Club 3;
Basketball Club 3; Sewing Club 3.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

OCTAVIO AUGUSTUS RECIO

(Poorhouse)

"Learn to hold thy tongue." "Five
words cast Zacharias forty weeks
silence."

Football Club 3. K. W. H. S.
A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.





MARY HELEN HOLLERICH
(Oochipap)

"A cheery, gay air with a touch
of don't care and a loyalty that
will ever hold true."

Basketball Club 3; Young Sports
Club 3; First Prize City and State
W. C. T. U. Contest 2. K. W.
H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

CHARLES G. DAVIS
(Hinkey Dooley)

"A good heart is better than all
the heads in the world."

Band 3, 4; Orchestra 3, 4; Glee
Club 3. K. W. H. S. A. A. 3, 4.

IOLA MYRTLE EDEN
(Manola)

"My lady, here, is fond of fun."
Basketball Club 3; Young Sports
Club 3. K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

BRYAN RICHARDSON
(Lord Byron)

"Knowledge he sought and so soon
caught,
As if for him knowledge had
rather sought."

Dramatic Club 3; Reading Club 3.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.



AGNES MAE AND FLORENCE
ISABELLE WALKER

(Twins)

"In form and limb, face and
feature

I grew so like my sister,
That folks got taking me for her
And each for one another."

Science Club 3; Needlework Club
3. K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

GILBERT BENJAMIN
THOMPSON

(Odom)

"Whatever skeptic would inquire
for,
For every why, he had a where-
fore."

Mathematics Club 3; Football 2;
Class Play 4. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.

MARY LOUISE ROBERTS

(Buddie)

"It's the little things in life that
count."

Staff Coconut Special 3; Drama-
tic Club 3; Sewing Club 3.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOHN VINCENT ARCHER

(Products)

"If the tongue is mightier than
the word, then indeed I am
strong."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 3, 4;
Glee Club 2, 4; Music Club 3, 4;
Class Play 4. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.



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Buddie Jan 1
31*



DOROTHY LOUISE KEY
(Milton)

"A face with gladness ever
spread,
Soft smiles by human kindness
bred."

Glee Club 1; Sewing Club 3; Em-
broidery Club 3. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.

ROBERT WOOD PINDER, JR.
(Bob)

"For e'en tho' vanquished, he
would argue on."

Radio Club 3; Science Club 3;
"M" Club 2; Class Play 4.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOSEPHINE VIAL KNIGHT
(Question Mark)

"I think of her gently and hu-
manely."

Sewing Club 3; Biology Club 2;
Embroidery Club 3. K. W. H. S.
A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

NESTOR CARLOS RECIO
(Fity Cents)

"Downy sleep—death's counter-
feit."

Football 2; Debating Club 3;
Dramatic Club 3. K. W. H. S.
A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.



MARGARET JANE CAREY
(Mardie)

"Friendly, generous and good
natured."

Biology Club 2; Dramatic Club 3;
Bible Club 3; Class Play 4.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

DANIEL MURRAY BARKER
(Muck)

"To books I bade good-morrow."

Football 2; Football Club 3;
Science Club 3. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.

LINTON JOSEPHINE VITTE
(Lin)

"A teacher's dream of perfection."

Bible Club 3; Fancy Work Club 3.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOHN JOSEPH CLEARE
(Joe)

"I am not in the roll of common
men."

Football 2, 3.; Football Club 3.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.





CELIA PEREZ DE GUZMAN
(St. Cecelia)

"Her voice was ever soft, gentle and low, an excellent thing in woman."

Biology Club 2; Dramatic Club 3;
Reading Club 3. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.

JOHN WILLIAM LOWE
(Johnny)

"A carefree nature plus an active brain, equals a spontaneous combustion."

Reading Club 3; Dramatic Club 3.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

FLORENCE LOUISE ALBURY
(Flo)

"Her voice was ever pleasant
Her manner ever sunny."

Dramatic Club 3; Reading Club 3;
Glee Club 3. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.

FLORENCE ISABELLE
BETANCOURT
(Flo)

"Her smile is sweetened by her gravity."

Dramatic Club 3; Reading Club 3;
Glee Club 3. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.



CORALIE ELIZABETH GIBSON

(Hoot Gibson)

"Her life was busy and earnest."

O'Henry Reading Club 3; Busy
Bee Club 3; Music Club 3. K. W.

H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

OSCAR NEWTON NORMAN

(Fat)

"I am glad that from books I'll
soon be free,
For these obstinate teachers never
agree with me."

Radio Club 3; Science Club 3;

"M" Club 3; Glee Club 4. K. W.

H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

MARY JOSEPHINE McMAHON

"She a musician, a popular girl
in our class."

Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club
3; Outing Club 3; Orchestra 4.

K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

JOSEPH FOGARTY JAYCOCKS

(Modestine)

"On their own merits, modest men
are dumb."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Orchestra 3;
Music Club 3. K. W. H. S. A. A.

1, 2, 3, 4.





EVA MAY KETCHUM

(Skinny)

"Not too melancholy, not too gay,
But a real good pal in every way."

Treasurer 1; Glee Club 1, 2; President
Cooking Club 3; Basketball Club 3;
Music Club 3; Varsity Basketball 3,
4. K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

GILBERT UNDERWOOD

DEMERRITT

(Gibbie)

"Life is just a jest and all things
show it;
I thought so once, and now I
know it."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Football 2, 3;
Basketball 3, 4; Science Club 3;
Radio Club 3; Detail Editor
"Conch" 4. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.

DOROTHY RUTH SPENCER

(Blondie)

"With eyes that dance
And lips that smile."

Basketball Club 3; Young Sports
Club 3; Biology Club 2. K. W.
H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

VIOLET ACHISON KEMP

(Vi)

"Her ways are ways of pleasant-
ness and her paths are peace."

Sewing Club 3; Embroidery Club 3.
K. W. H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.



Class Poem

(By ANNIE L. PINDER)

The sun shone down from up above,
As every one exchanged their love
To each member of the class
When we met, just four years past.

Our class numbered quite a few
But had its mind made up to do
Everything that makes success,
And this required just the best.

The classes who had gone before
Told us of the great school law,
They said the stairs were just four flights
But hard work would obtain their heights.

We then began to think and know
The way to knowledge must be slow.
But we made up our minds to gain
The road to success and fame.

So here we are upon the top
Finished school but must not stop.
No, higher stairs of learning will
Our road to destination fill.

We hope that when we pass on,
And from the school have departed long,
That we in memory will still bear
The picture of our school days dear.

We have enjoyed our time with thee,
And wish no better years to see.
Our only sorrow, Dear School, so true
Is when we say "Goodbye to you."

Ah! My classmates, this is sad,
And each one wishes that he had
A thousand years to live among
The many hearts which he has won.



Dear teachers, it is with heartaches,
That we now this pleasure take
To thank you each and every one
For our battle fought and won.

We hate to leave, but there's our call
We now must bid goodbye to all.
But from our minds we'll not erase
The memories of this dear old place.

ELLIS ROBERT ENGLAND

(Gruber II)

"Measures, not women, have al-
ways been my mark."

Secretary Class 1, 2, 3, 4. K. W.
H. S. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4.

CLIFTON GEORGE BAILEY, JR.

(Willie)

"O, mischief thou art so swift
To enter the thoughts of idle
children."

Basketball 2; Glee Club 2; Base-
ball 1, 2, 3. K. W. H. S. A. A.
1, 2, 3, 4.



Prophecy of the Class of '29

(By FLORA E. RUSSELL)

As I stand gazing
Into this crystal clear,
I see it cloud
Familiar faces appear!
The Class of '29 pass in brief review,
The ones we knew and loved
We now present to you.

Here is a motion picture lot,
Excitement in galore
Grace is Greta Nissen
Murray—Wesley Barrymore.

The next is a martial married act,
The players Lois and Kim
Why in the world all this
When she'd promised to obey him?

Mistress Emmie Cale
Rebel of the class
Is in the House of Representatives
And all that is past.

Next is a college campus
Teeming with Co-Eds fair
Alphonsine and Eva Mae
Are our representatives there.

Here comes a chorus of steppers
Dollie, Lily, Bunnie—I vow!
I mean to tell you they're peppers
They're great, you'll allow!

Circus life is great they say,
And likewise just the thing,
Mary Roberts a bareback queen,
Charles Davis the circus king.

Ruth and Flora aviatrixes,
Now isn't that a scream?
Gee! I thought they'd be married
Raising a football team.

An orchestra is softly playing,
Charles Albury is wielding his baton,
Butterflies, Sybil and Harriette are swaying
One—two—three and still the dance goes on.

A Tea Room now is quite the way
To spend your leisure hours,
So Coralie and Vial Knight
Are happy Tea Room flowers.

A lawyer, brave and bold
George Gomez proves to be
He is neither bought nor sold
And fights with great tenacity.

A secretary is Izette
At shorthand she's all right
And at typing takes the lead
For she surely has some speed.

Studios Florence Betancourt
A Librarian has proved to be
May her knowledge always increase
With as great rapidity.

A smasher of hearts,
Jack is quite the same
A bachelor playing with young
Misses and married dames.

Annie, a rambling poet
And quite a thinker too
Has made herself a name
She deserves it too.

A Physical Ad Instructor,
Annie Lois has decided to be.
Dumbbells on her shoulders
With a one—two—and three.



When aches and pains seize you,
Just send for Joe—he'll ease you
His remedy is just the thing
His praises you'll forever sing.

Chilton, an artist of fame renowned,
You remember him, I'll be bound!
His pictures of our teachers dear,
Would make us bow and cheer.

Joe Cates, "A song and dance man"
It's written on Broadway
The best in our land
Is what they say.

Celia Guzman, a business secretary
She's smart, by heck!
Always does her part
Ever captures her boss's heart.

Gilbert Demeritt, a producer,
Helen, the writer of plays
They're quite successful never losers,
Which shows talent pays.

Bryan's a casting director
Say he's strict!
Never lets them off with a thing
Not even the way they kissed.

Mary McMahon with music most inspiring
The very soul of Europe firing,
But she remains the same
In all, except her name.

Why—what's happened here?
Your car needs air?
Or something else you crave
Palacios is here courteous and brave.

Ship Ahoy! Land in sight
Cap'n Reggie all in white
Doesn't he look the part?
He could capture any maiden's heart.

Down on the farm
Say Emerson what's the charm?
A pretty clever wife?
Ah Ha! That's quite the life.

Edward Johnson has his shingle out
It's hanging on the door
As a taxidermist your work he'll mount
But it will cost you more.

Bob, Oscar and Don
Noted Scientists have become
They're bothering their heads
Over "Why girls bob their hair."

Same in size,
With some blue eyes.
As nurses sweet,
Florence and Agnes are quite polite.

Ralph—Editor in Chief,
His title isn't brief,
And his ability and spunk
Isn't all the bunk.

Raymond's a Life Guard
The life isn't hard
Rescuing wealthy damsels fair
Accepting rewards in mock despair.

June is the month of roses
Dorothy's a cunning bride,
The wedding bells are ringing
As she marches down the aisle.

Oliver's a bully contractor,
Takes right after his dad.
His work's very exciting
His temper's quite bad.

Linton, a Latin teacher,
She's a cat's meow,
Scolding and translating
All that she knows how.



Nestor, a traveling salesman,
Seller of ladies' delight,
Dealer of hugs and kisses,
Office hours—at night.

Octavio's a Diplomat
To France across the seas,
I think he's qualified
I know you'll all agree with me.

John Archer is a great Inventor
But of course he needs to be
With his incessant chatter
Here's a new way to expend his energy.

Florence, a home demonstrator,
Is quite a success you see,
She'll show you how to live right
And that is necessary.

Gilbert Thompson, a man of leisure,
An awfully lazy bum,
Always out for a good time
And fishing's lots of fun.

Ellis England, a Tennis star,
Nationally famed
Can even beat Bill Tilden
At this, his own game.

Joe Cleare, a husky retailer,
Dealer in tasty goods.
Judging from his appearance,
There's calories in his foods.

Margaret, Anna Bell, and Mary,
Kindergarten teachers have become,
Their patience sometimes vary
But they usually have lots of fun.

I see Faye and Violet
Happy housewives are,
Life is very thrilling
Married to a star.

Iola, a Vocational Directress,
She tells you what you may do,
So if in life you crave success,
Follow her theories true.

Cliff Bailey, a County Engineer,
Yes sir! He knows his stuff
When work's to be done he's there
He isn't any bluff.

Fred Mathews, Baseball King,
Beats Babe Ruth with his mighty swing.
They say he's out for Romance
Listen girls! Here's your chance.

John Lowe's the only face
That in this crystal I cannot place,
Ah! here he appears in the distance—far
He's just another movie star.

And as the clouds from the crystal disappear,
Vanished the faces that were so dear,
Our separation only time can mend
Thus our review has reached an end.



History of the Class of '29

(By EVA MAE KETCHUM)

The history of the Class of '29 is very interesting and outstanding. It is a history that will be remembered by every member in the class. In the year 1925 we entered High School each and every one ready for the great task of studies and all determined to do their best. The name "rats" was given to us and we were looked down on by our upper classmen. We paid no attention to this but showed them what "rats" could do. There were between fifty (50) and sixty (60) members in the class, and we were divided into two sections, one governed by Miss Montgomery, the other Miss Martin and all under the supervision of Mr. Odom our principal. We were enthusiastic and when the contest was open for subscriptions for the "Monroe Tattler" our class won by a great majority.

After that term of hard study we enjoyed our vacation and entered upon our second term with Mr. Mossman as principal. The two classes were united and occupied the large study hall with the teachers Mr. Millard Anderson and Mr. Clarence Anderson. At that time Charles Davis came to Key West and became one of our classmates. We accomplished a good deal that year, winning a ticket selling contest and a cup by the boys' basketball team in the class tournament. During that year the glee club went to Tallahassee with representatives from our class. Our officers were Ralph Johnson, president; Emmie Cale, vice-president, and Theo Spencer, secretary and treasurer.

Our junior year was one of the most enjoyable years we've spent. We had our same principal but our class was divided into two sections again. Mr. Carter and Miss Shockley were the teachers during the first semester and during the second semester we had Miss Lawler and Mrs. Russell.

Our champion boys won the great title again that year. Mary McNamara returned to our class after being away a year and Sybil Roberts joined us after two years of illness. We were glad to have both of them back.

On April first we received the large conch shell which has been handed down for many years. We treated the seniors very graciously on the night of May 28th by giving them a prom at the La Concha Hotel which every one said they enjoyed. We had three players on the girls' basketball team and three on the boys'.

When the band went to Tampa our class was well represented. Many things were undertaken that year under the supervision of our dear officers Joseph Cates, president; Emerson Felton, vice-president; Theo Spencer, secretary, and Annie Lois Hicks, treasurer.

Our last and most forgetful year was sad but enjoyed. Mr. Carter, our principal, helped us to undertake everything tried. Mrs. Ramsey, our year teacher and class sponsor, assisted us in every way and it was due to her faithfulness that our great undertakings were successful. One of our class teachers, Miss Lawler, left after the first semester and her place was filled by Miss Trevor. Again we had players on the girls and boys basketball teams.

A play was given by the class with the help of Miss Trevor and Mrs. Ramsey, entitled "Adam and Eva." When the Glee Club went to Tampa to enter the contest we again had members among them. The offices of secretary and treasurer of the Athletic Association were held by the classmate, Annie Pinder, during the junior and senior years. An annual was published by the class very successfully. Harriette Browne joined our class this year. Our officers Kimball Curtis, president; Raymond Curry, vice-president; Annie Lois Hicks, treasurer; Annie Pinder, secretary, and Ralph Johnson, editor-in-chief of *The Conch*.

Our class did not decrease like most classes do, but increased each year, thus making it sixty-three in number, the largest class to graduate from this school.

Now the time has come that we must say good-bye to our alma mater and enter upon a new day with the determination to continue our education and make a great success in life.



Classes



Junior A Class Roll

Albert Carey
James Cooper
Charles Curry
Richard Curry
Ben Gardner
Ernesto Hernandez
John Kirschenbaum
Julio Lacedonia
Orion Lounders
Hulbert Lewinsky
Bower Little
Moses Mondul
Clarence Sweeting
Teddy Walterson
Henry Warren
Fred Weech
Leonard Curry
Raymond Bethel
Marjorie Bethel

Claribel Contreras
Cleora Curry
Volla Mae Dickerson
Mary Gardner
Beulah Gandolfo
Ruby Jerman
Dorothy Knowles
Nathalie Knowles
Melvie Nottage
Camille Pierce
Gladys Pinder
Alice Roberts
Barbara Roberts
Elizabeth Roberts
Elizabeth Rosam
Rionette Russell
Lauriette Roberts
Virginia Sheppard
Hazel Symonette

Annie B. Cale



Junior B Class Roll

Elizabeth Sweeting
Georgia Saunders
Roberta Sands
Evelyn Miller
Dora Lopez
Dorothy Stanley
Darnell Carey
Joe Allen
Ross Sawyer

Bert Hernandez
Norma Lowell
Marion Hudgins
Helen Herrick
Anne Breckenridge
Mary Gonzalez
Jack Johnson
Millard Johnson
Fidelio Hernandez

Joe Plummer



Sophomore A Class Roll

Robert Dopp
 Raymond Einhorn
 Murray Herrick
 Herman Holtsberg
 Robert Knowles
 Emory Pierce
 Ben Roberts
 Arthur Sheppard, Jr.
 Joe Stirrup
 Wilma Albury
 Alce Curry
 Evelyn Gardner
 Rosalind Grooms
 Valerie Malone
 Norma Yates
 Ruth Hardin

Barbara Rice
 Joe Hale
 Dorothy Hjar
 Edith Felton
 Francis Hull
 Elizabeth Johnson
 Faul Walterson
 Mary Richardson
 Jack Russell
 Elizabeth Sawyer
 Robert Bethel
 Delio Cobo
 Dario Perez
 Albert Carey
 Marjorie Lowe
 Clarence Roberts



Sophomore B Class Roll

Florence Ackerman
 Flossie Allen
 Mary Felton
 Mary Louise Gilbert
 Zina Glisson
 Grace Gonzalez
 Jennie Mae Johnson
 Marie Knowles
 Susan La Kin
 Fortune Lopez
 Precious Lopez
 Grace Olsen
 Erma Pierce
 Macie Richards
 Geraldine Steadman
 Mary Trout
 Dorothy Whal
 Dot Wilson

Gladys Russell
 Adele Baker
 Horace Aguero
 Esmond Albury
 Mario Calleja
 William Demeritt
 Delmar Eden
 Alvah Key
 Joseph Lopez
 Norman Lowe
 Arthur Lunn
 Earl Pinder
 John Rivas
 Albert Roberts
 William Russell
 Charles Sands
 Tom Warren
 Charles Yates



A.I. Cleare



Celia



Margaret



Flora



Annie



Walker Twins



E.M.K.



Joe Cleare



Ralph



Vial



"Kim"



Palacios



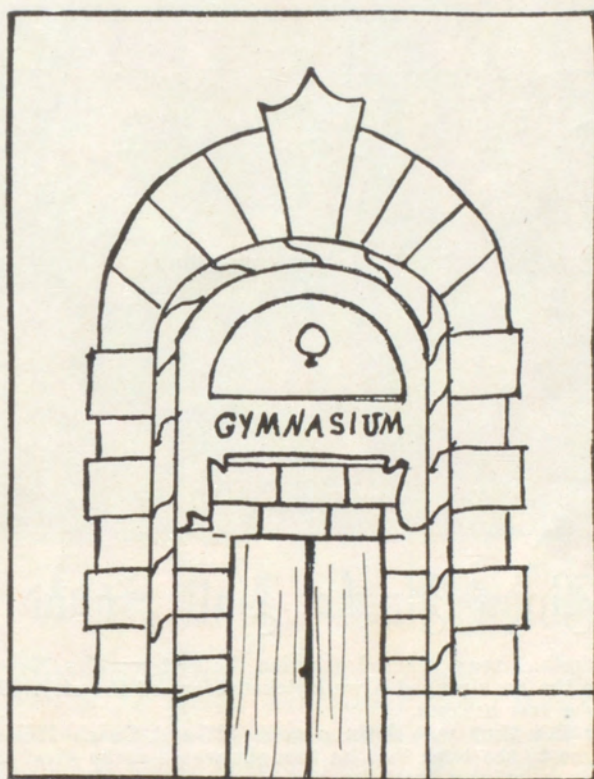
"Bunnie"



Beryl



Edward



Athletics



Boys' Basket Ball Squad

The boys' basketball team started practice the last week in November. After a few weeks practice the boys played a well picked team of the city. The High School boys beat them by a few baskets.

The squad by this time was down a good bit and Coach Millard G. Anderson could give more time to the boys that he thought would make good this season.

The boys were practicing hard for the coming of the Homestead game in this city. The Homestead High boys and girls both were defeated in a fast game with our teams the first week in January. After the game with Homestead something happened that took the vim and vigor out of the boys for the time being, Coach Anderson resigned. This left the team with no coach for a couple of weeks.

Our good friend, Mr. Butman, pastor of the First Congregational Church, came to our assistance. Coach Butman pulled the team together and got them in good shape again.

Then came the fast team from the U. S. S. Wright. We had the Wright's gang beaten until the last quarter of play when they scored a few times and beat us by two baskets when the last whistle blew.

The squad left for a trip up-state on January 22, the first team being Homestead were out for revenge because we had beaten them on our court. Both teams played hard and fair and the game ended with a few points in favor of Homestead. The team played other games of less importance in which they won and lost.

The following boys made the trip up-state and were awarded letters for their efforts on the team this year: Raymond Curry, manager; Joe Hale, Ernesto Hernandez, Charles Yates, Leonard Curry, Orion Lounders, James Cooper, Henry Warren and Oliver Armayor.



Girls' Basket Ball Squad

The girls' basketball squad this year showed splendid progress during the season. They practiced diligently for several weeks before playing their first game.

The first game was played with Homestead High. This took place on the home court. The team went to victory in their first combat. Through the excellent coaching ability of Miss Myra Burr one of the best teams in the history of the school was produced.

On January 22, the squad left on a trip up-state to play a series of three games. They played Homestead, Delray and Dania in which games they made an excellent showing.

One of the secrets of success this year was the fact that this was the second year on the squad for some of the players. Among these second year players the team will this year lose three of its best. They are Annie Lois Hicks, Eva Mae Ketchum and Lois Curry.

For the first time in the history of the Key West High School the girls were awarded sweat shirts, and letters as a symbol and token of their athletic ability. Those receiving awards were: Rionette Russell, Lois Curry, Eva Mae Ketchum, Annie Lois Hicks, Beulah Gandolfo, Lauriette Roberts, Ruby Jerman, Volla Mae Dickerson, Norma Yates and Alice Roberts.



Senior Conch Day

The seniors of '29 greatly enjoyed their annual celebration of Conch Day. It was a most unique affair. Never before have the seniors enjoyed Conch Day better than they did this year. The seniors gathered at school about 10 o'clock for an all day carousal. It is needless to say that the seniors took off their dignity for this day.

They started the day off with a program in the auditorium which was a most enjoyable one. The juniors being the victims took off their parts good naturedly.

The seniors costumed themselves in clothes representing every position in life, from overalls and knickers to convict suits. The class of '29 walked down the center aisle of the auditorium singing one of their favorite class songs, "When the Senior Class Falls In Line," to the tune of Washington and Lee Swing. When the seniors were all on the stage they sang, "Here's Welcome To All of the Juniors."

President Kimball Curtis, of the senior class, called President Henry Warren, of the junior class, on the stage. "Kim" presented the conch shell which is symbolical of the celebration. In presenting this significant trophy to the juniors, President Curtis made a most eloquent speech which is characteristic of all seniors. He summarized the high scholarly standard which the class of '29 had thus far so nobly carried out, and expressed hopes of the next class following in their footsteps.

Many jokes and tricks were pulled on the juniors, such as a marshmallow eating contest between Lauriette Roberts and Ruby Jerman. Bower Little was presented with a large brown jug, and asked to sing a solo entitled, "My Little Brown Jug How I Love Thee." He made an attempt but it was so low you could not hear it. Nestor and Volla Mae proved their ability to produce the love scene from Romeo and Juliet. Clarabelle won a beautiful vegetable bouquet for her charming and clever folk dance. Virginia was given a miniature cow to practice milking in her spare time, so she will know something concerning the art of the operation when she arrives at her proposed New Jersey home on the farm. "Uncle" and Elizabeth gave a very modern method in love making. The duet rendered by Rionette and "Athlete," was so beautiful that hardly any one would have recognized it as the favorite song, "Sweet Adeline." Annie Burns and Charles Curry gave a "hot" selection on the piano and clarinet respectively. John Kirschenbaum and James Cooper gave a very interesting debate. It has been reported since, that President Hoover has sent for them to help carry on the duties of our government. The program came to an end with a farewell song to the juniors.

The seniors went to the South Beach where they had the time of their lives. Some played tennis, some danced and the rest of the crowd went in swimming. Mrs. Ramsey, Miss Trevor and Prof. and Mrs. Carter chaperoned the affair. There was plenty of "whoopie making" all day, but what a bunch of red faces were in school Tuesday.



Music



KEY WEST HIGH SCHOOL BAND



KEY WEST HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA



GLEE CLUB

The Music Department

The music department of our school is composed of a glee club, band and orchestra, which are a great asset to the school in many ways. Miss Veronica Davis, the director of these organizations, deserves much credit for the effort she has put forth in training her pupils to the high standard of perfection they have attained.

All three organizations elected their own officers from the group of which they held membership. The officers of the band and orchestra were Kimball Curtis, president, and Joseph Cates, librarian respectively. Mary McMahon, pianist for the glee club, was also the president of that group, and Annie Lois Hicks, librarian.

The glee club this year has been the best of any in the history of our school. On April the 5th and 6th they competed in the Third Annual Music Festival at Tampa, Florida, in which they were the proud winners of first prize in class B. They sang against eighteen glee clubs from the various High Schools throughout the state. This being the first contest the glee club has entered, it was quite a surprise and honor for them to be victorious in this combat.

The band and orchestra have also improved wonderfully this year. They have both played in different public entertainments and received some very encouraging compliments in regards to their musical ability.



Senior Class Play

The play "Adam and Eva," as presented by the Senior Class under the very efficient and talented direction of Miss Mary Trevor and Mrs. Addah Ramsey, March 15th, 1929, was an unqualified success viewed from every angle. This was due, no doubt, to the wonderful aid given by these two women so well known at school. Their efforts were greatly appreciated by the members of the class. We gratefully acknowledge with thanks the help given by Raymond Curry and Charles Albury who attended to the important details of back stage affairs, such as scenery construction and shifting.

The play was well advertised and the Seniors put forth great effort in the sale of tickets. Special mention must be made of the skillful and very efficient work of Emerson Felton in regard to the preparation of advertising matter and program printing. His efforts are greatly appreciated by the entire class.

"Adam and Eva" was a very charming three-act play. The cast was well chosen from the talent of the Senior Class.

James King, a rich man, was taken to perfection by Robert Pinder. His acting as a middle aged man with a family hard to manage was excellent.

The part of Corinthia, his parlor maid, was very skillfully taken by Margaret Carey.

John Archer as Clinton De Witt, Mr. King's son-in-law, was the cause of many outbursts of laughter in the last act, in his role as a salesman of gents' clothing.

Mary McNamara, as Julie De Witt, Mr. King's elder daughter and wife of Clinton, was very charming in her part. She was very much opposed to the presence of Mr. Smith having charge of the household duties.

Eva King, the youngest daughter of the family, was very fond of her father. Annie Lois Hicks was the attractive young lady that acted so well in this part. She was very popular and was sought by many attentive suitors.

Aunt Abbey Rucker, his sister-in-law, excellently taken by Faye Spencer, was another of the family that took up her abode under his roof. We find in the end that she is wedded to a very wealthy old man.

The part of Dr. Jack Delemater, a neighbor, was well played by Darnell Pinder. He was taken into the confidence of the younger members of the family and with his diagnosis of a nervous breakdown, Mr. King went to South America for his health.

An interesting character was Horace Pilgrim, his uncle, taken by Gilbert Thompson. He was one that came to spend the week-end at the King home and remained fifteen years. In the third act he produced much amusement as a pupil in shorthand.

Adam Smith, Mr. King's business manager, took a leading role. Joseph Cates was at his best in this very suitable part. He came to Mr. King's home to take over the domestic affairs while Mr. King was away. The family was too extravagant so he very cleverly planned a way to control these reckless and thoughtless people. His theft of the young ladies' jewels and the proposed bankruptcy were the final steps needed and he was successful in his scheme. The family, at the news of the ruin, went to an old farm in New Jersey and there raised chickens and bees. The climax came when Mr. King returned after three months absence. He was then told of the ruin and after a little explanation Mr. Smith told of his gamble with the futures of the lives of the King family. During the time at the farm Eva and Adam had great affection for each other but neither knew of the other's feelings as Eva was preparing to become the bride of Lord Andrew Gordon. This love was revealed in the last few minutes of the play.

The last character, Lord Andrew Gordon, was remarkably handled by Chilton Knowles. He was interesting and pleasing as a Scotchman, and was a very attentive suitor to Miss Eva. Their engagement was announced and when they went to New Jersey, he dropped the title and established a livery stable. Their engagement was broken, however, after Corinthia told him of her belief that Adam and Eva were in love. The last step came when Eva took the side of Adam at a critical moment. Poor Andy seemed to always have gotten left out of every thing but then Eva and Adam were happy.

The plot being a most interesting one created much interest and the audience was very generous in its praise and applause. The auditorium on this occasion was filled to its capacity.



Ads and Jokes

Appreciation

The seniors of 1929 greatly appreciate the courtesy and patronage of the business firms who have contributed so willingly to this section of our book. We urge the student body, and all friends to note the advertisements placed in this section, and support these generous merchants. We wish to thank Mr. J. W. Cargile, our photographer, and The Artman Press, the printers of this volume of *The Conch*, for their courtesies and loyal support in our behalf.



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