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# THE SCHOOL BUGLE

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STOCKTON HIGH SCHOOL  
STOCKTON, MARYLAND  
CLASS OF 1931



Back Row, left to right—John Matthews, Charles Taylor, Fulton Pilchard, Paul Parsons, Avery Ingersoll.

Front Row, left to right—Mabel Taylor, Joyce Townsend, Lucile Hancock, Mary Ward, Laura Merritt.



## Class Roll

### Lucile Hancock—"Reddy"—Academic.

Editor-in-chief (4); President of class (1 - 2 - 3 - 4); President of Glee Club (4); President of French Club (4); Secretary of Glee Club (2); Secretary of Athletic Association (1 - 2); Manager Field Ball Team (4); Wharton Contest (3 - 4); Glee Club 1 - 2 - 3 - 4; French Club (3 - 4); History Club (4); Cashier Class (3); Run and Catch Relay (1 - 2 - 3 - 4); Hit Ball (1 - 2 - 3 - 4); Potato Race (3); Field Ball (4).

"Oh, For Cat's Sake".

Here is one of our most popular seniors! A girl always wearing a smile. "Reddy" is the leader of our class and one whom every one admires. She is one of our most congenial class mates, always ready and willing to do her part of anything. Lucile has been an Honor Roll student all during her high school course. She has shown her ability as a leader by always bringing you over to her side—and always gaining her point in the end. She has also been one of our leading athletes, always participating in some activity. We hope, and what's more we know that she will make good in her life's work. Anyway, here's wishing you success, "Reddy"!

### Joyce Townsend—"Joy"—Academic.

French Club (3 - 4); Hit Ball (1 - 2 - 3); Glee Club (4); Literary Editor Bugle (4); Run Catch Relay (3 - 4); Potato Race (3).

"For Heaven's Sake".

Here is one of our outstanding students! There is an immeasurable amount of knowledge stored in her little blonde head. On the brighter side of school life, Joyce is always ready with a joke, and if you don't laugh at it—well, you just can't be human, that's all. "Joy" has a part in the cast of the senior class play, which suits her perfectly—the ironical Mrs. Linder, which she interprets wonderfully. Here's wishing you success "Joy"—and we know you'll find it.

### Charles Taylor—"Blake"—Academic.

Soccer (3 - 4); Baseball (3 - 4); Glee Club (3 - 4).

We find in "Blake" an ideal class-mate, one in whom we can believe. Although he is rather serious at times, he also has his gay moods. He has taken part in athletics all during high school. He has also been in Glee Club for the past two years, and we are wondering who will take his place when he is gone. We wish him the greatest success.

### Mabel Taylor—"Runt"—Academic.

Glee Club (1 - 2 - 3 - 4); Class Treasurer (1 - 2 - 3 - 4); French Club (3 - 4); French Club Secretary (4); History Club (4); Business Manager of School Bugle (4); Run

and Catch Relay (1 - 2 - 3 - 4); Hit Ball (1 - 2 - 3 - 4); Wharton Contest (2 - 3 - 4); Field Ball (4); Cheer Leader (3 - 4); Potato Race (3); Cashier of Class (2); Librarian (3 - 4).

"Wow"!

The smallest of our class, but this doesn't necessarily mean that she has the least energy. "Runt," the nickname so commonly applied to her much to her disgust by the boys around school is the song-bird of our class. "Runt" has also demonstrated her athletic ability on the ball field by acting as catcher on the Hit Ball Team and playing on our Field Ball Team last fall. Her one weakness we all agree, lies in her strongness for a certain little blonde boy, a departed member of the Junior Class. Here's hoping she'll find success in her life's work and we're sure she will.

### Fulton Pilchard—"Flip"—Academic.

Baseball (4); Soccer Ball (3 - 4); Glee Club (3 - 4); Humorous Editor of "School Bugle" (4).

"Well, I'll be doggoned".

"Flip" has proven himself to be a worthwhile pupil in the class room as well as on the athletic field. He has been a member of the Glee Club for the past two years. He took a part in the operetta, "Carrie Comes to College", in his Freshman Year, and showed us he had some talent along that line. This year, he was our outstanding hero in our class play, "Tea for Tom." He has been faithful in soccer; was one of the forward line for two years. This year he made the base ball team, and was one of the nine essential players. Here's wishing you success, "Flip."

### Laura Elizabeth Merritt—"Lauree"—

Academic.

Field Ball (1 - 4); Touchdown Pass (1); Volley Ball (2 - 3); Hit Ball (4); Wharton Contest (3 - 4); Alumni Editor of Bugle (4).

"That's not the half of it."

We find Laura a classmate upon whom we can depend and who is always willing to help others. She is full of fun and laughter and always makes our cloudy days change to sunshine. Laura takes great interest in her work and usually accomplishes what she undertakes. She has proven herself to be one of the best athletes in our class, taking part in all the sports. We are sure that with her ambition she will find success.

### John William Matthews—"Pus"—General.

"Gosh, hang it."

We find "Pus" a congenial class mate. He has always been willing to take part in any plans suggested by the class and is ready to do his share. He is showing his ability as an actor in our class play, in which he takes the part of Pete.

### Avery Ingersoll—"Ingersoll"—General

"Goofie-Feathers."

We welcomed "Ingersoll", a husky boy,

to our class in October 1930. Since then he has been our official typist, working each time, when our "School Bugles" had to be written. Although you leave us, "Ingersoll," we'll always associate you with pleasant memories of good old Stockton High School.

### Mary Ward—"Physics"—Academic.

History Club (4); Treasurer French Club (4); Alumni Editor Bugle (4); French Club (3 - 4); Run and Catch Relay (4).

"Mr. Belote said."

"Physics" is the most serious one in our class. When one gets a smile from her one knows it's well earned. Her seriousness has asserted itself by her always having her lessons prepared—especially Physics. She has an interesting part in our class play "Tea for Tom" in which she takes the part of a bride of a few months. We hope Mary will take a science course in one of our leading colleges in which we know she will be successful.

### Paul E. Parsons—"Jake"—General.

Soccer team (3 - 4); Baseball team (3 - 4); Vice-President of Athletic Association (3); President of Athletic Association (4).

"Well, what of it?"

"Jake"—the little boy who grew up so quickly. It seemed almost overnight from the time he would blush every time a girl looked at him 'til now—when he realizes what a heart breaker he is. Paul proved his popularity by being elected president of the Athletic Association. This position, he enjoys very much, especially, when he makes his inspiring speeches in assembly. Paul's business ability has asserted itself in his assistance in Brimer's store and it would not be at all surprising to find him "holding down" an executive position some day.

## COMMENCEMENT ACTIVITIES

On Tuesday evening May 26, the Seniors presented "Tea For Tom" A three act comedy, in the school auditorium. The characters are named below in the order of their appearance:

Mrs. Linder—Proprietress of the Pine Crest Hotel ----- Joyce Townsend

Pete Kirby—A bachelor who wants to be a benedict----- John Matthews

Alice Covington—Who rebels at having her husband chosen for her by others ----- Mabel Taylor

Ruth Arnold—Alice's chum ----- Lucille Hancock

Mrs. Rose Covington—Who revels in "family" ----- Laura Merritt

Hugh Covington—A "yes" man ----- Charles Taylor



Tom Boxwell—Stanley Johnson's convenient friend — Fulton Pilchard  
Stanley Johnson—Who usually gets what he wants — Paul Parsons  
Thelma Oaks—A bride of a few months — Mary Ward  
Lester Brown—Who has been told he is a detective — Avery Ingersoll

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On Friday evening, May 29, the school faculty entertained the Seniors at an operetta "Rings in the Sawdust" in the Pocomoke auditorium.

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On Sunday morning, May 31, Rev. D. B. Prettyman preached the sermon to the graduates in the school auditorium.

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Joyce Townsend entertained her class mates, the class of 1931, at an oyster roast given at her home, on Wednesday night. After enjoying the oysters and "things that go with them, cards and dancing furnished amusement for her guests until a late hour, when she was wished "A happy good night and pleasant dreams."

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The Seniors were guests of honor at a delightful party given by the Juniors on June 2. The party was an enjoyable affair. Everyone had a good time. Juniors—we, Seniors, dislike to think the time has come for us to say farewell to you. But don't you forget that we shall never forget you and your party.

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On Wednesday evening, June 3, the seventh grade presented "In the Princess' Garden," an operetta.

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Thursday evening, June 4, was our big night. Dr. Wm. J. Holloway delivered our graduating address, and we were presented our diplomas.

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Boy (driving Swell car): "Hello, girls! tired of walking?"

Geraldine and Dorothy (expectantly:) "yes."

Boy: well, why don't you sit down and rest?"

## Class History 1931

In the autumn of 1927, seventeen timid little boys and girls had the thrill of entering high school. How glad we were to think that we were actually freshmen. Ah! little did we know of the embarrassing moments we would experience that is, not until Mr. Dryden had teased some shrinking frosh, who blushed with discomfort. All we knew was that we were expected to laugh at all the teachers' jokes—and this we did with undue hilarity. We gained a little more confidence after we had chosen a leader, Lucile Hancock, whom we elected for president, and who has been every year since. We were very proud when six members of our class were selected for the Glee Club. Mabel Taylor, Clara Tull, Lucile Hancock, Woodrow Jester, Bill Payton and Carl Adkins were the song birds. These six pupils with Joyce Townsend and Fulton Pilchard represented our class in the operetta "Carrie Come to College." Bill, Carl, and Laura were the star athletes of the class.

Our class was diminishing rapidly, it seemed, for before we were long sophomores we lost Helen Wilkerson, Ellen Payne, Lester Lang, Marie Jones, and Woodrow Jester. In our soph year, Paul, Bill, and Clara took courage to leave their mothers and go on the Washington trip. We had the honor of being the first sophs to entertain the seniors. We showed them a fine time at a card party at Lucile's.

Early in our junior year we elected class officers—Lucile Hancock, President; Paul Parsons, Vice-president; Charles Taylor, Secretary; Mabel Taylor, Treasurer; Lucile, Cashier; Clara Tull, Class reporter. A little later we selected our class rings. When Mr. Dryden asked each class to contribute to the library, we astounded him by raising nearly twice as much money as the other classes from candy sales, hot lunches, and a card

party. This year Bill, Carl and Paul won letters. Mabel, Joyce, Clara and Lucile played on the Hit Ball Team and Laura, on the Volley Ball Team, at Field Day. We gave the seniors a theatre party, which was enjoyed greatly. After this, work began in earnest on the minstrel "Jokers' Jubilee."

After a most enjoyable summer, we settled down to the pleasant business of becoming seniors. And how we do enjoy being such privileged characters—yet how sad to think it will soon be over! We kept our same class officers with the exception of cashier, which Joyce became. We were sorry to lose Clara Tull, who decided she knew too much for us and left for Linden Hall. However, we've been a very companionable bunch from our smallest member, Mabel, to our largest Avery (who we forgot to mention rolled in from S. H. H. S.) He is a very convenient addition, especially because of the efficient typist he makes for our School Bugle.

We are all busy now working on our class play "Tea for Tom"—waiting for that eventful night when Fulton impatiently will brush his hair from his forehead, thrust his hands in his pockets and manfully go forth to the laborious task of making love to Lucile. Ah! how my sympathy goes out to him.

And so falls the curtain on the "finis" of the class of 1931 with three cheers for dear old S. H. S. !!

Lucile Hancock '31

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Paul: This is a beautiful picture of the mountains.

Jo: Why, that's an X-ray photo of papa's teeth.

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"Rastus, you-all cain't go out with mah gal. I'll have you know she am a lady ob rank."

Dat ain't nuthin' niggah. I'se just as rank as she am."

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Father: I can see right through that chorus girl's intrigue.

Lovesick John: I know, dad, but they all dress that way nowadays.



## Class Prophecy

The other evening, when I had nothing else to do, I was looking through my memory box, and happened to spy my little black diary book. I picked it up, turned it over and over in my hands and tried to remember what I had written in it. Finally, surprised that I couldn't remember a thing, I opened it. I looked through it, and found that I had written, on the last day of school, June 5, 1931, just what everyone wanted to become. So naturally I was anxious to see how many had come true.

There was Mary Ward. How well I remember her! Her one desire was to become an accurate and swift typist. She entered Beacom College after finishing High School, and her dream was realized. She stayed with her first employer for a very long time, and would not consent, at first, to put Love ahead of Duty to her employer. But her husband just would not hear of her continuing to work, so she had to give it up. She is extremely happy now.

Next on the page, I saw John Matthews name. I can well recall him in dairying classes; how he worked so diligently to become his teacher's star pupil. He believed in scientific dairying, and he has tried to carry out "Air Castles" he made when just a boy. I well remember the last time I saw him which was about a year ago.. He has been as successful as most people. He has a large dairy, with many fat, sleek, healthy cows, and he has almost a monopoly in his business in his section of the country. Of course, he is not without his helper. You know what I mean!

Then there was Joyce Townsend. One could not forget her easily! She was planning to go to New York with her sister who had done well in an office. In the summer after she graduated, she was given a trip there, and liked so well that she remained. She now has a clerical position in one of

the largest firms in New York. She went to night school, and has reaped great benefits from it. Everyone wishes her continued success.

The names Charles Taylor and Fulton Pilchard met my eye next. They surely were two amiable classmates! It would be impossible to forget them for long! They both entered the Coyne Electrical School in Chicago, after graduating from High School, and became the best pupils in their class. They are now distinguished radio experts, with very attractive salaries. The letter I received from Fulton the other day, tells me that in a few more years, both will have saved enough to retire. Fulton also tells me of his engagement to one of Chicago's debutantes.

Next I found Laura Merritt's name. I remembered her as being one of our sweetest-tempered girls. She is the one who could always smile. She wanted to do nothing but nurse. For two years, after she graduated, she attended Blue Ridge College. Here she took a pre-medical course. After graduating from this college, she gained admittance to the Johns Hopkins Hospital, where she received praise from her class-mates, doctors, and graduate nurses. At present, she is the favorite nurse in the hospital, and the most difficult-to-manage patients are put in her care. Her dreams have come true, and more than that!

Paul Parsons caught my eye next. He will always be remembered as our "Sheik" — well-dressed. During his vacations and spare time while in school, he often worked in a restaurant and store. He has now, one of the best cafe's in one of our smaller cities, and no wonder! His early experience taught him how to deal with customers. At first he didn't do so well, but everything is "coming his way" now, and his patrons appreciate such an excellent man to deal with. His dinners are noted to be among the best served in many miles.

Our class president, Lucile Hancock, came next on the page. She was our popular Editor-in-chief of our "School Bugle" back in 1931. Her editorials helped her in the work she is engaged in now. How well I re-

member the many books she used to read about journalism, in which she did so well that she was highly recommended by her professors and was assured of a permanent position from the first. She has tasted of success often.

I remembered the next one on the list, Avery Ingersoll, as one of our star Physics pupils, and no wonder! He used to work in his father's garage, and knew more than the rest of us, about the transmissions, carburetor, etc. Avery was a very likable boy, who could always make one laugh. Another characteristic of him was his great strength. He didn't attend our school until his Senior year. Now, he is a noted mechanic with a garage of his own, which takes many assistants to help him.

And finally, I have come to my own name. I hardly know what to say. I suppose you would call me a success. After graduating from school, I took a two year Secretarial course at Beacom. I am now private secretary to Lew Ayres, and how I enjoy handling his fan mail!

It is surprising to see how our dreams have come true!

Mabel Taylor '31

## WORCESTER COUNTY DECLAMATION CONTEST

The county contest was held this year at Buckingham High School in Berlin with representatives from the five high schools. The contestants and their selections were as follows:

"Strongheart"

Mary Ann Parsons—P. H. S.

"River of Stars"

Marguerite Ringler—B. H. S.

"The Colors"

Robert Cropper—O. C. H. S.

"Yellow Butterflies"

George Lee Barnes—S. H. H. S.

"The Colors"

Dorothy Brandon—S. H. S.

George Lee Barnes and Marguerite Ringler were awarded first and second places respectively.



# THE STAFF

Editor-in-chief .....Lucile Hancock  
 Literary Editor .....Joyce Hancock  
 Athletic Editor .....Bill Payton  
 Humorous Editor .....Fulton Pilchard  
 Art Editor .....Carl Adkins  
 Alumni Editor .....Laura Merritt  
 Business Manager .....Mabel Taylor  
 Typist .....Avery Ingersoll  
 Faculty Advisor .....Mr. Belote  
 Senior Reporter .....Mary Ward  
 Junior Reporter .....Geraldine Sharpley  
 Sophomore Reporter .....Grace Cherrix  
 Freshman Reporter .....Edward Coleburn

## HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY

G. E. Dryden, Principal.....Math. Latin  
 Mary N. Hyland .....English, French  
 Francis Belote .....History, Science  
 Mabel Jones .....Music, Home Economics  
 Paul S. Frank .....Agriculture

## EDITORIAL

### GOING TO COLLEGE

On the eve of commencement, the thought often comes to the graduate, "Shall I go to college?" Before answering this question, why not look over your qualifications? You are investing the most valuable thing in the world; a life full of wonderful possibilities—enough reason to give the matter serious concentration.

Contrary to common belief there are some few individuals whom it would not be wise to advise to attend college. Many go who are unsuited and who would be much better off working with tools. A great number go because it is the popular thing to do. But if you have an alert keen mind, and if your scholarship is high by all means—go to college. Not only will you be benefitted intellectually, but socially. A successful business man declared he would not give the greatest part of his wealth for the invaluable friendships formed in college. And you will have gained not only intellectually and socially but financially also, which is shown by statistics.

Don't be in too big a hurry to start in as a wage earner. The "Soup Line" is far too long, now. Spend your youth in preparing for your life's work.

Just what does the modern college offer? First—health. Today the up-to-date college has its health program, just as much as its science, language or arts program. Next, it offers instruction with the demand that the

student get down to the facts. Although the primary work of college is instruction, it also plans to meet the social needs of the students. They have every opportunity to practice co-operation on the athletic field as well as in the social functions of college life.

Last, but not least the modern college reckons with the students in religion. In the past few years there have been many beautiful chapels erected on our American campuses and there has also been an increase in the number of religious workers.

Since the modern college offers you these essentials of a well-rounded life, do not overlook them in choosing your career.

Lucile Hancock '31

## WHARTON DECLAMA-

### TION CONTEST

The Wharton Declamation Contest of 1931 was held Thursday evening, April 30, in our school auditorium. This contest was reported to have been the most interesting one ever held and drew the largest audience ever known.

There was eight contestants, the first being Fulton Pilchard, who proclaimed his ability as an orator with the selection "The Friend," Marie Coulbourne gave us full instructions for dining at a cafeteria in her humorous reading "In the Cafeteria." "Laughter of Leen" was admirably given by Mabel Taylor. Eunice Pettit gave us a true lesson in benevolence on the part of the rich in her selection "Gold, Frankincense, and Myrrh." Mary Paradee, then very nicely presented "Patient in Room L" after which Dorothy Brandon rendered us the patriotic selection "The Colors." Lucile Hancock told us the story of two young musicians in her "Humereske." Lastly, Laura Merritt gave the reading "The Child."

The judges, Mrs. Ben Dryden, and Miss Wright of Pocomoke, and Miss Hyland of Stockton, awarded the first place to Dorothy Brandon and second, to Lucile Hancock.

Lucile Hancock '31

## THE HISTORY CLUB

The History Club of Stockton High School was organized last October under the direction of Mr. F. A. Belote for the purpose of promoting a greater interest and understanding of American History. The membership was restricted to those members of the Junior and Senior classes who were interested in carrying out the above aim.

At first the club held its regular meetings in the homes of various members but after soccer season, the club met during activity periods at school.

At one of the earlier meetings it was suggested that a constitution be drawn up for the club. Accordingly a committee was appointed and as a result of their efforts the club is now incorporated under a constitution which we hope will serve to guide future members.

I think much has been accomplished by the meetings, the purpose of which has been to throw more light on prominent men and events of history, as well as that of entertainment. In order to create variety, appropriate music and other entertainment features have been included in the program.

On March 27, a special public meeting was held in the School auditorium when Mr. B. H. Phillips, Jr., of Salisbury gave the club and its visitors a highly instructive and entertaining lecture on the Civil War. Appropriate music for the occasion was rendered by the glee clubs.

It is generally the impression with the members that the club has made considerable progress during the year and I think that each of them have reaped great benefits.

E. V. Pettit

Mabel: I just adore Lindbergh.

Charles: Somehow, I never cared for cheese.

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Lucile: You never spent a nickel in your life, you niggard.

Bill: Be careful what you call me! I'm just as white as you are.



## Class Will

We, the Class of 1931 of the Stockton High School of the city of Stockton, do hereby and with our own hands make this our last will and testament.

To our school we leave our illustrious reputation.

To the Junior Class, the privilege of becoming Seniors.

To Mr. Dryden, a new wig as his is getting threadbare.

To Miss Hyland, our class treasury.

To Miss Jones, we offer some students who will begin and end a song on pitch.

To Mr. Belote, a muffler for his voice.

To the members of the Junior Class we give and bequeath the following:

To Hettie Taylor, Lucile's wavy hair.

To Dorothy Brandon, a clothes pin to put on her nose to make it Grecian.

To Mary Paradee, Mary's "rep" as being the quietest one in class.

To Eunice Petitt, a new laugh.

To Marie Coulbourne, Laura's good disposition.

To Eunice Baylis, Joyce's good Complexion.

To Geraldine Sharpley, a permanent wave.

To Marie Jones, Mabel's ability to run.

To Sherrard Aydelotte, some growing mash.

To Alvin Hickman, Charles' truthfulness.

To Preston Payne, some laughing gas.

To David Hancock, a pair of stilts.

To Clay Mason, a new false face.

To Elwin Pilchard, Paul Parson's ability to blush when talking to a girl.

All the remainder of our property, we leave to those who can profitably use it.

We hereby declare this our last will and testament, revoking all other wills and codicils made by us.

In witness whereof, we hereunto set our hands and seal this fifth day



Our school enjoyed a most successful soccer season last fall. Our boys won the Worcester County Championship. With a small squad, Mr. Belote accomplished something we are unaccustomed to. He seemed to instill a fighting spirit in the boys that had telling results. We wish to congratulate the team upon its accomplishment.

Our girls attempted Field Ball again last fall after a recess of three years. They made a rather remarkable showing, but were capable of winning more games than their record shows. In the words of their coach they were "to kind-hearted and generous". We are losing three members of the team by graduation. We are expecting to "strut our stuff" next October.

The County Winter Carnival for girls was held at Snow Hill on January 31. We entered many teams as our enrollment would permit. Our Dodge ball teams won their games and our relay teams took places. We stood third in the total number of points scored. Not so bad, for a small school, eh?

Our baseball season has been what we might call a disastrous one. We made preparations for a big season. Our diamond was rearranged; a new back stop was erected at a cost of much money; our club had new uniforms, bats and balls; but old lady

Hard Luck, stayed with us all spring. Charles Coulbourne, our regular shortstop of last season's team, and one of the hardest hitters on our squad, withdrew from school. His departure left us a gap we were unable to fill. Bill Payton, last year's pitcher developed a sore arm in a pre-season game and was a total loss to us. James Houston, another timely hitter, withdrew from school, leaving a hole at second, which was hard to plug. We finished our schedule against odds. We were able to beat our old rivals, Ocean City, who seemed to be a snag for the other clubs in the league. Clay Mason and Carl Adkins formed our interchangeable battery, and didn't do such a bad job of it. If their team-mates furnished them desirable support in the field and at bat, our season's record might be different. We can't expect too much of beginners. We are expecting greater things for next year.

The sixteenth annual track meet was held at Snow Hill on May 6. Stockton scored more points than ever before. The elementary school's dodge ball team won first place. Wilson Lang was the high scorer among the boys with ten points. Estel Trader was second with six points. Lang set a new record for this county with his Hop, Step and Jump event. His record is 23 ft. 8½ in.

Clay: Now teacher, mark my words—

Miss Hyland: I did and eighteen of them are spelled wrong.

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Wilson L: What caused that explosion on your farm?

Eddie F: I fed a chick some Lay or Bust feed and it turned out to be a rooster."

of June, A. D., nineteen hundred and thirty-one (1931).

In the presence of each other we have hereunto subscribed our names as attesting witnesses to said instrument.

Signed,

Senior Class '31  
V. T.



## GLEE CLUB

The Glee Club of Stockton High School, with the year 1931 successfully complete their sixth year. They are fortunate indeed to have the very capable Miss Mabel Jones as director. The club have given numerous operettas, plays and musicals besides entertaining at school activities.

The members are:

Mabel Taylor	'31
Joyce Townsend	'31
Lucile Hancock	'31
Dorothy Brandon	'32
Geraldine Sharpley	'32
Marie Coulbourne	'32
Hettie Taylor	'32
Mary Paradee	'32
Eunice Petitt	'32
Alberta Townsend	'33
Jo Houston	'33
Mary Smith	'33
Doris Taylor	'34
Rachel Bennum	'34
Charles Taylor	'31
Alvin Hickman	'32
Elwin Pilchard	'32
Carl Adkins	'32
Clay Mason	'32
Harrison Petitt	'33
Ralph Tair	'33

The Glee Club officers are:

Lucile Hancock, President;  
Mary Smith, Vice-President;  
Marie Coulbourne, Sec.-Treas.

## FRENCH CLUB

In February 1930, we organized Le Cercle Francais with the purpose of furthering our knowledge and understanding of the French people. At the close of the school year 1929-1930, the club presented the picture—Jeanne d' Arc, by Basteen Le Page.

This year nine pupils were enrolled. Our time has been spent in learning about the people of the French Provinces, their characteristics, dress, customs and folk songs. We are planning to present to our school an engraving of the famous Rheims Cathedral.

Our officers for 1930-1931 were:

Lucile Hancock.....President  
Eunice Petitt ---- Vice President

Mabel Taylor -----Secretary

Mary Ward -----Treasurer

## DR. LI LECTURES ON CHINESE CUSTOMS

Our school was favored April 10, by a humorous lecture on Chinese customs, given by Dr. Alfred C. T. Li, an authority on Far East problems. Dr. Li has received degrees from New York University, Ohio Wesleyan University, and Ohio State University therefore being well qualified to speak on this subject.

He kept his audience in a hilarious and happy mood by his witty manner and his unique method of lecturing. His talk was very interesting and the pupils thoroughly enjoyed his explanation and description of Chinese customs. Besides this, he sang us several songs in German and Chinese, among them being "Jesus, Loves Me This I Know" and "My Country 'Tis of Thee"

We feel that Dr. Li's talk is one of the best ever given in S. H. S. and are certain that the lecture was worth while and highly instructive.

L. C. H., '31.

## THE FISHERIES OF THE EASTERN SHORE

Of all the industries of the Eastern Shore, the fisheries is, by far, one of the most lucrative. Such towns as Crisfield and Chincoteague are well known throughout the United States because of this occupation. Eastern Shore clams, oysters and fish are found on the Menu of all the largest western and northern hotels.

When speaking of Shore fisheries, naturally we think first of the oyster industry. The popularity of the oyster as a table food is responsible for an industry of gigantic proportion. The oyster beds of the Chesapeake Bay are among the most productive in the world. In fact, the Chesapeake Bay district is the most extensive single area producing oysters. Maryland and Virginia together, produce annually nearly twelve million bushels from both public and private beds.

It is not really known just when the oyster became a domestic problem,

but as far back as we know anything about it, was in the time of Pliny the Elder, or about the beginning of the Christian Era. About this time it began to play an important role in the lives of the Romans. Even in our country today, piles of oyster shells are all that is left of ancient Indian village sites.

Just a few years ago, the oyster industry began to decline in Maryland, but fortunately, some far-sighted men had a vision of what the outcome would be. With the help of legislation the tide has turned, and the oyster industry has been restored to the authoritative position it once held.

About the middle of the nineteenth century, the industry gained a great foot-hold in Maryland and caused many cities to spring up, such as Baltimore and others, but we are not concerned with these under this topic. What we are interested in, however, are the towns on the Eastern Shore of Maryland and Virginia, since the finest oysters in the world are taken off the coast of Maryland and Virginia.

A few generations ago, a widely-known lawyer of Princess Anne, by the name of John W. Crisfield, founded a little village on the edge of Tangier Sound, and named it Crisfield, after his own name. He suspected that a port with safe harbor at this spot might develop a large commerce and important manufactures. Although this dream was not realized before his death, something more vitally important happened overnight, which was the oyster industry. If one goes to Crisfield now, one will see enormous oyster shell heaps, supposed by some to be the largest in the whole world, which is, after all, something worth knowing about our own Eastern Shore. Besides its oyster industry, the town is an outfitting place for thousands of fishing vessels. One disadvantage, however, is its difficult harbor.

It has often been said that the Chesapeake has ten thousand islands, which are very interesting and significant. The most important and interesting of all these is Chincoteague. Most of the people on this island are thought to be a bit barbaric



by the mainland people, since they have been "following the sea", so to speak, for such a long time. But this is not exactly the way to think of them. In fact, they are a very intelligent class of people in a modern town. Here, they have a local trade in fish, fresh or packed. The general prosperity of the island is due to the presence of a hardy and industrious race living amid waters rich in oysters, a great variety of fish, and crabs.

When one in Maryland or Delaware speaks of the two large bays, of course, he means the Delaware Bay and the Chesapeake Bay. Oystering is the greatest industry of the two bays, in fact, it is essential in the Delaware above all other industries in the Chesapeake and its tributaries, and in the Atlantic waters of Accomac and Northampton, especially in the shallows about Chincoteague Island.

The shad fisheries of both bays are important, as well as the herring and larger food fish. The pound nets of the Eastern Shore fishermen extend for miles along the edge of the navigable channel in the bay itself, and in its innumerable tributaries.

Drum fish, sea trout, croakers, sea bass, blue fish, and king fish are caught at Ocean City. Sinepuxent Bay, the name given to an indefinite stretch of water behind the long peninsula of Assateague bordering along the Atlantic coast from the southeastern corner of Delaware to the Virginia line, has white perch, small black bass, and a variety of other fish. Tilghman's Island and Deal's Island of the Chesapeake are famous for trout, spot, and taylor. The Pocomoke and Ocohanock rivers have excellent fish of many varieties. Berterton, on the beautiful Sassafras River of the Eastern Shore is a port easily reached by steamboat from Philadelphia, and here is excellent fishing in the Chesapeake. Grove Point, a cape just north of the Sassafras, used to be a favorite camping ground for fishermen. Eastern Shoremen care very little for fresh water fishing, but there are however, millponds in rural Delaware, some of them, to all appearances, beautiful

lakes of considerable size, that contain much bass and pike, and are much used by local fishermen.

These industries, besides yielding a vast income to citizens, have done much toward making our Eastern Shore famous and one of the most desirable places in which to live, in the whole wide world. And since it has given so many people, in the past, work for a lifetime, everyone should see to it that the oyster, especially, should be conserved, so that it may furnish people with a good occupation in the future.

Mabel Taylor '31

### WONDER WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF:

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Paul Parsons forgot to escort Jo Houston up town at dinner time.

Lucile Hancock forgot to dance with Bill Payton more than once at the many parties we're having.

Charles Taylor forgot to act pleasant.

Laura Merritt forgot to talk about her Sunday nite date on Monday morning.

Fulton Pilchard did not go down the hall just after Grace Cherrix.

Mary Ward forgot to do some extra work in Physics and History.

Bill Payton forgot to laugh at all of Clay Mason's antics.

Joyce Townsend forgot to pass her opinion on some one.

Carl Adkins forgot to curl his hair and rouge his cheeks.

Avery Ingersoll didn't sit in front of Mary Paradee in English class and give her something to laugh about.

John Matthews didn't drive his Chevvie sixty and come close to cutting off a telephone pole.

Mabel Taylor didn't like to see a Salisbury Pontiac rolling in at home.

Miss Jones forgot a good diet for a slim person.

Miss Hyland lost her hands so as not to be able to express things more clearly in classes.

Mr. Belote forgot to make his pupils write "I will not chew gum in school," one hundred times.

Mr. Dryden forgot to put his glasses on the end of his nose and cause some little Freshman to smile aloud.

Drug Clerk: Did you kill any moths with those moth balls I sold you?

John M: No, I tried for three hours, but I couldn't hit one.

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Dorothy: And now I suppose you'll tell every one I let you kiss me.

Fulton: Don't be alarmed. It's nothing to brag about.

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"Bill, what does this 60 mean on your report?"

"That's the temperature of the room, Mother."

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Mr. Belote: "I want you guys to get an introduction to General Physics' before the next meeting."

Clay M.: "Where's he live?"

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Mabel: "I think that I shall travel this summer; you know travel broadens one so."

Joyce: "Well, I guess I will just eat some hot fudge sundaes."

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Joyce: Bill calls his girl "Spearmint."

Mary: Why, is she Wrigley?

Joyce: No, always after meals.

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Hettie: I know a boy who swallows swords.

Laura: That's nothing. I know a boy who inhales Camels.

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Lucile: I fainted and they brought me to. So I fainted again.

Avery: Why?

Lucile: Well, then they brought me two more.

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Charles: What did your father say when first he saw you?

Fulton: He asked the doc how many more there were in the litter.

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Paul: I want to try on that suit in the window.

Salesman: Sorry, sir, but you'll have to use the dressing room.



## 100 PER CENT ATTENDANCE CLASS STOCKTON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The Class of 1934 Stockton High School had a perfect record for attendance during December



### PERCENTAGE OF ATTENDANCE FOR DECEMBER, 1930—100%

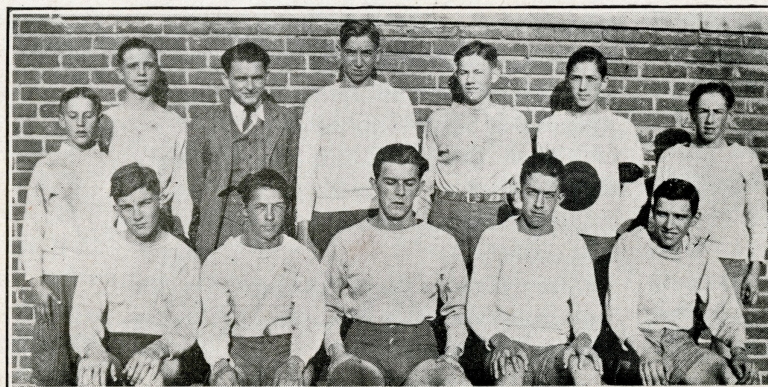
Top Row, 5 Boys—A Collins, E. Taylor, E. Foulk, W. Lang, E. Colbourn.

Second Row, 2 Girls—left to right—K. Pruitt, D. Taylor.

Third Row, 5 Girls—left to right—R. Ellis, M. Ellis, Mabel Hancock, A. Hickman, Olga Baylis.

Bottom Row (mixed)—R. Trader, R. Bennum, E. Hancock, M. Matthews, W. Tull, G. Matthews, H. Ward, E. Jones.  
Nadine Jones is also a member of the class, but was absent the day the picture was taken.

### WORCESTER'S



### CHAMPIONS, 1930

Standing, left to right—W. Lang; F. Pilchard; F. A. Belote, coach;  
C. Mason; A. Hickman; J. Houston; S. Aydelotte.  
Seated—P. Parsons; C. Coulbourne; H. Smith; C. Taylor.