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## The Echo



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## Dedication

The most important people to us, the students of Vassar High School, are our parents. They are to us honest and true companions. With them we can discuss our problems and our joys. Never a day goes by that we are not influenced by their good judgement.

Each of us needs friends such as they who will aid us in reaching our ultimate goal. Always our parents consider our needs before their own. It is the result of their endless planning and assistance, their patience and hard work that this year, fifty-eight more young people are ready and able to meet the problems of the world.

Therefore in recognition of their aid and encouragement in our quest for an education, we the Annual Staff of Vassar High, dedicate this annual of nineteen hundred and fifty to those sincere friends and counselors, our beloved parents.

## Our School

The high school of the city of Vassar is located on the edge of the Cass River Valley. The building which now houses some 500 students was erected after fire had destroyed its predecessor. The new building, consisting of the Gym, Locker Rooms, Home Economic Room, and the Administrative offices was constructed in 1937 because of an expansion program. The Vassar High School has continually grown, and we anticipate its continued growth in the future school years. A total of 869 students were enrolled in the year 1949 , representing an increase of 66 students over the previous enrollment. There are 28 faculty members, including Mr. Thomas, our Principal, and Mr. Bush, our Superintendent, who are engaged in the profession of educating the students of our school.

The academic program is organized to meet both College Preparatory and Vocational needs. Within the College Preparatory Division such subject matter as is recommended by the North Central Association of Accredited High Schools
is taught. The vocational division is organized to include the following: A Commercial, Manual Arts, Home Economics and Agriculture Course.

The townspeople are becoming increasingly aware of the improvements which have taken place in our system. Our athletic plant has grown to include: the tennis courts, the new service building, the bleachers, the sidewalks, and the concession and broadcasting stand. Our playground space became increased with the acquisition of an adjacent lot of property. With the growing school, of course, there will have to be a growing transportation system, and so a new school bus was purchased. The phys. education program and an expanded music program are, however, the new features of our school system. The phys. ed. program is in the process of adjustment, and it is expected that it will become greater magnitude in the coming years.

May these few words aid in reminding you that our school is a living monument, representing the cooperation of us all.


## Board of Education

H. D. GULLIVER . . . . President EDGAR ERB . . . . . . Secretary GORDON GLAZIER. . . . Treasurer

Throughout the past year the Board of Education has been faithfully determining and carrying out the policies of the school and in every way using their abilities and skill to the advantage of the students of our school. The success of their untiring efforts could be seen throughout our school year.

ELMER HAINES . . . . . Trustee FREDERICK BROWN . . . Trustee THELMA WILSON. . . . . Trustee

There are six members on the board. They each hold office for three years. Each year two members are elected at the annual meeting held in July.

We of the student body wish to extend our deepest appreciation to the Board of Education for their time and effort spent in the service of this school.


MR. CHARLES H. BUSH HAS BEEN OUR SUPER INTENDENT FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS. HE IS A PROVEN LEADER. HE IS ACTIVE IN A NUMBER OF LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ALSO GIVES TIME AND EFFORT FOR COMMITTEES WHICH WILL BENEFIT BOTH SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY.

BEFORE TAKING HIS POSITION HERE IN THE FALL OF 1946, HE SERVED WITH THE ARMY AIR FORCE FOR THREE YEARS WHICH TOOK HIM TO WILLOW RUN, SAO PAULO, BRAZIL, and seattle, Washington. He received his A.B. degree FROM CENTRAL MICHIGAN COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AT MT. Pleasant, and from the University of Michigan he RECEIVED HIS M.A. DEGREE.

MR. WM. J. THOMAS CAME TO VASSAR IN THE FALL OF 1946 WITH THE HIGHEST OF RECOMMENDATIONS. DURING THE PAST FOUR YEARS HE HAS ABLY SHOWN HIMSELF TO BE OUTSTANDING AMONG HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS.

PREVIOUS TO HIS POSITION AS PRINCIPAL OF VASSAR HIGH SCHOOL, HE SERVED FOR THIRTY-FIVE MONTHS AS A SUPPLY officer in the United States Navy. Before that, he had HELD THE POSITION OF PRINCIPAL AT ST. JOHNS JUNIOR HIGH School, St. Johns, Michigan. He received his A.B. degree at Northern Michigan College of Education at Marquette, AND HIS M.A. DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

MR. THOMAS HAS BEEN A PRINCIPAL WHOSE FIRST CONSIDERATION HAS ALWAYS BEEN FOR THE GENERAL WELFARE OF ALL THE STUDENTS. HIS SENSE OF DUTY HAS ADMITTED NO LIMIT TO THE TIME AND ENERGY DEVOTED TO US. WE WISH HIM MANY MORE SUCCESSFUL YEARS AS PRINCIPAL OF VASSAR HIGH SCHOOL.




LORNE ADAMS
B.S., MASter of Science; Degree from UniverSITY OF MICHIGAN; PHYSICS, CHEMISTRY, BIOLOGY, General Science, Camera Club advisor, Junior CLASS ADVISOR.

## SIGNE ATKINS

B.S. Northern Michigan College of Education; ENGLISH 7,8, CHEERLEADING SUPERVISOR, SEVENTH GRADE ADVISOR.

## MARGUERITE DAHMER

B.S. In Home economics; West Virginia University; Smith Hughes Certificate; Home Making I, ||, |||, SENIOR CLASS ADVISOR, SUPERVISOR OF HOT Lunch Program.

RAYMOND HACKETT
B.S. Bowling Green State University; Shop I, II, III, Veterans Institute, Freshman Class AdvISOR.


DURELL EMLING
B. A. Central Michigan College of education; PHYS. ED., FOOTBALL, BASEBALL, TRACK.


## EDNA HATH

A.B. University of Michigan; Social Studies 7. READING 7, ENGLISH 10.

## EUGENE HEFFELFINGER

B.M. University of Michigan; Private Lessons, Dance Band, Music, Sea Scouts.


## JOSEPH KELLY

B.S. from River falls teachers College, Wisconsin; Geometry, Algebra I, II, COMMERCIAL Arithmetic, Arithmetic 7, Safety Patrol, Year Book SPONSOR.

## LEWISE KEELER

B.S. Central Michigan College of education; TYPING I, OFFICE PRACTICE, JUNIOR BUSINESS, BOOKKEEPING, SHORTHAND I, JUNIOR CLASS ADVISOR.

## RICHARD KIRCH

B.S. in Agriculture Michigan State College; Veterans Institute Instructor.


## Faculty

LOYD MILLER
B.S. Michigan State Normal College; Arithmetic 7,8, History 8, Eighth Grade AdVisor, Track.

WILLIAM SMALL
B. S. Central Michigan College of education; WORLD HISTORY, AMERICAN HISTORY, CIVICS, SOPHOMORE CLASS ADVISOR, FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL.

FRANCIS SULLIVAN
B. A. Central Michigan College of Education; Latin I, il, English 10, Speech, freshman Class ADVISOR, JUNIOR CLASS PLAY.

## WILLIAM TULLOCH

B.S. from Michigan state College, college Life and Smith-Hughes certificates, Agriculture I, II, III.

HOPE WELLEMEYER
A.B. Michigan State Normal College; English 9. AMERICAN LIT, ENGLISH LIT, LIBRARY, SENIOR Class Play, Servis Club Sponsor.




Secretaries

Office Girls

BACK ROW, LEFt to Right: Margaret. Hecht, Donna Gruber, Clara Snider. Front ROW, Left to Right: Gloria Farnum, Barbara Matthews, Jean Servis, Janet HEINRICH, GLADYS LOESEL.



EDITORS AND ADVISORS
back row, left to Right: Rudolf Petzold--Associate Editor; Mr. Kelly, Miss Wellemeyer, MRS. ATKINS--ADVISORS; DICK SWANSON--PHOTOGRAPHY. FRONT ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: PAT POP-KINS--ART EDITOR; DOLORES FREELAND--BUSINESS MANAGER; JEAN TOEPHER--LITERARY EDITOR; ARDETH SHURLOW--EDITOR-IN-CHIEF.

Once again Vassar High School has an annual. This year we hope to set a precident for years to come by having it an all school project.

Cooperation between advisors and staff members has produced a yearbook
which may in our future serve as a treasure chest of high school memories.

We wish to thank every one who has contributed to the success of this annual.

## Annual Staff

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

back row: Margaret hecht, Marilyn wellemeyer, Joann hartz, Sally wellemeyer, donna Gruber, Leland service, Clara Snider, Aaron Blossom, Mary rief, Russell Brown, Charles Wells. Middle row: Nancy Beecher, Edna Clark, Marilynn Lovejoy, ann Gunnell, Lora Ann Stacer, Nancy Gohs, Barbara Atkins, Maryann Boelter. front ROW: Kathleen Briggs, Mercedies Revesz, Joanne Sutherland, Gladys Loesel, Jean Servis, Gretchen gugel.




BARBARA ANDREWS (BARB)
"How AM I DOING?"
Glee Club 1,2,3; Choir 4; Service Club 3,4; Library 1,2; Senior Play Com.

BARBARA ANN ATKINS (BARB)
"In CONSTANT FEAR OF THE UNKNOWN!"
Glee Club 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Operetta 1; Echo Staff; Intramural I; Junior Play Com.; Senior Play; Service Club 4.

## RAY ERNEST ATKINSON (BUSTER)

"Hard work never did agree with me."
FOOTBALL 1,2,3,4; CAPT. 4; BASEBALL 3; TRACK 2, 3; Camera Club 1,2,3,4; Junior Play; Senior Play Com.

## REINHOLD AUERNHAMMER (REINY)

" 1 WAIT FOR NO MAN, BUT WOMEN --."
FOOTBALL 3,4; BASKETBALL 2; BASEBALL 2,3,4; Track 2,4; Student COUNCIL 3; Choir 3; SERVICE ClUB 3,4; Volleyball 2; Senior Play Com.; VicePRESIDENT 4.

## CARL EARL BAUER (BUCK)

"YOU SHOULD TRY MY DIET!"
CHOIR 3,4; CAMERA CLUB 1,2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3; Senior Play Com.; Echo Staff.


## Seniors... 1950

ARNOLD BEKEMEIER

"The chaplain at Jackson prison." BASKETBALL 4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4.

## FRED BEKEMEIER (FRITZ)

"SAY, THE PRICE OF CORN WENT UP TODAY!"
F.F.A. $1,2,3,4$.

## WALLACE BIERLEIN (WALLY)

"BASHFUL!" WHO, ME?"
Basketball 4; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Track 4; Volleyball 2 ; Service Club 3,4; Choir 3; SENior Play Com.

PHYLLIS BLACKMORE (PHIL)

"OH, BEANS!"
Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Band 3,4; Choir 1,4.

## AARON BLOSSOM

"I SAY 'CHEERIO, OLD CHAP!"
Band 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 3; Choir 1,2,3; Operetta 1; Class President 4; Camera Club I; Junior Play; Senior Play; Echo Staff.


## Seniors - . 1950

## MARYANN BOELTER (MARY)

"TALK! WHO ME?"
Glee Club 1,2; Band $1,2,3,4$; Choir 3; Echo StafF; Operetta 1; Intramural 1; Cheerleading 1,2,3; Vice President 2; Bowling 3; Senior Play Com.

## NAOMI ANN BRIGGS

"Speech is great, silence greater."

## CHARLES RONALD CASHIER (RON)

"Greater men have lived than i? I doubt it."
Football 2; Basketball 2; Baseball 1,2; Intramural 1,2; Volleyball 2; Junior Play.

EDNA ADELINE CLARK (EDDIE)
"OH, GOOD NITE!"
Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Choir 4; Operetta 1; Echo Staff.

LEE HENRY ESCKELSON (ESCKY)
"teachers in heaven? Then let me stay here." baseball 1,2,3,4; Intramural 1,2; F.F.A. 1,2,3; Volleyball 1.


## Seniors... 1950

DOLORES FREELAND (FRENCHY)
"Small? But 1 make myself heard."
Bowling 3.4; Glee Club 1,2; Operetta 1; Service Club $1,2,3,4$; Junior Play Com.; Senior Play; Student Council 1; band 1,2,3,4 (sec. 1, Pres. 3); drum Majorette $1,2,3,4$; Echo Staff; Cholr $1,2,4$.

BARBARA J. GERMAN (BOBBIE)
"OH, NUTS!"
Office Staff 3 ; Senior Play Com.

NANCY ELIZABETH GOHS (Spook)
"HAVE YOU KIDS GOT YOUR WORK DONE?"
Bowling 3; Glee Club 1,2; Band 1,2,3,4; Echo Staff; Senior Play; Operetta 1; Intramural 1,3; Cheerleading 1,2,3,4; Capt. 3,4; Junior Play Com.

CHARLES GOHSMAN (Chuck)
"SCHOOL? TODAY?"
baseball 4; Track 1,2,4; Volleyball 1; Junior Play Com.; Senior Play.

PATRICIA GUGEL (PAT)
"SHE'S A HOME GIRL."



## Seniors ... 1950

DONNA LOU GRUBER
"There's nothing like working in the office." Office Staff 3,4; Band $1,2,3,4$ (Treas. 3); Operetta 1,4; Dance Band 1,2,4; Bowling 3,4; Service Club 2,3,4; Intramural 1; Student Council 1,4 (VicePres. 4); Junior Play Com.; Senior Play Com.; Echo Staff.

## JOANNE HELEN HARTZ (Josie)

"PARDON ME FOR LIVING!"
Glee club $2,3,4$; Choir 3,4 ; Operetta 4; Band 3,4 (Treas. 4); LIbrary 3,4; Junior Play Com.; Senior Play; Echo Staff; Service Club 4.

HELEN FRANCES HAUGER (HAUNEN)
"OH, NO!"
Glee Club 1,2,4; Choir 3,4; Operetta 1,4; Intramural I; Senior Play; Class Vice-pres. 4.

## LORRAINE HAUGER

"BEHOLD! A WOMAN OF FEW WORDS."
BoWLING 4.

## JANET LOUISE HEINRICH (JAN)

"I ALMOST FLIPPED!"
Glee Club $1,2,3,4$; Office Staff 3,4 ; Cholr 3,4 ; Service Club 4; Operetta I; Junior Play Com.; Senior Play Com.


## Seniors... 1950

GLADYS LOESEL

"Efficiency in person."
Office Staff 4; Bowling 3,4; Service Club 2,3,4; library 1,2; Junior Play Com.; Senior Play Com.; Echo Staff.

## NORENE A. MALLORY (MOUSEY)

"Do YOU THINK IT WILL WORK?" Glee Club 4; Band 1; Choir 4; 4-H 1.
barbara lee mathews (barbie)
"YA!"
Bowling 3,4; Intramural 4; Service Club 4.

GALE WESLEY MILLER (Gus)
"There's nothing like Gulf gas."
Football 2,3,4; Mgr. 2; Camera Club 1,2,3,4; Junior Play Com.; Service Club 4; Echo Staff.

## ELAINE ROSENCRANTS MILLER (ROSIE)

"Harry'll be home Friday!"
Bowling 3; Glee Club 1,2,3; band 1,2,3; Choir 1,2; Operetta 1; Junior Play; Class Pres. 3.



## Seniors - - 1950

## CLARE EUGENE MILLIKEN (FAT)

"Studying ruins my eyes."
Baseball 1,2,3; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Class Treas. 1.

MARY KAY MONROE (DYNAMITE)
"Holy Cow!"
Glee Club 4; Choir 4; Band 2,3,4; Senior Play Com.

RAMONA PENN (DOT)
"Always good-natured."

## KATHLEEN PIERCE (KATHIE)

"Makes me quite perturbed."
Band 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3, 4; Operetta 1,4; Library 1,2,3,4; Junior Play; Senior Play.

## PATRICIA ANN POPKINS (PAT)

"I'VE JOINED THE PARATROOPERS."
Glee Club I.2; Operetta I; Intramural I; Echo Staff.


## Seniors . . 1950

## JAMES REIF (JIM)

"BAY-BEE"


FOOTBALL 1,2,3,4; BASEBALL 1,2,3,4; ChOIR 3,4; Class Treas. 2; Class Vice-pres. 3; Service Club 2,3,4 (Pres. 4); Camera Club 1,2,3; Junior Play; SENIOR Play Com.

EARL ANDY ROBERTS (STILTS)
"TALL OAKS FROM LITTLE ACORNS."
Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1; Football 3; Band 1,2,4; Volleyball 1,2; Junior Play Com.; Choir 1,2,4; Service Club 1,2,3,4 (Bus. Mgr. 4); Student Council 1; SENIOR PLAY COM.

MARIE KATHRYN SCHAFNITZ
"It's a secret."

## MARILYN MARJORIE SCOTT (MOUSE)

"WHY SHOULD I?"
Bowling 3; Glee Club 1,2; Class sec. 4; Intramural I; Junior Play Com.; Echo Staff; Senior Play COM.

## DONALD EARL SCRIBNER (DON)

"GEE WAS THAT TEST HARD."
Football 3,4; Baseball 1,3,4; Volleyball 1,2; SERVice Club 4.


## Seniors . . 1950

## ELINOR JEAN SERVIS (JEAN)

" I'm gonna build my house on a hill."
Bowling 3; Glee Club 1,2; Cheerleading 1; Echo Staff; Senior Play Comm.; Service Club 1,2,3,4 (Sec. 4); Library 1,2,3; Intramural 1; Class Sec. 1,2.

## MARIE SHAW (RICKY)

"NOW WHAT."

## ARDETH SHURLOW

"Warning to the Metropolitan Opera House."
Glee Club $1,2,4$; Band $1,2,3,4$ (Pres. 4); Choir 1,2,3,4; Class Vice-pres. 1; Class Pres. 2; Class Treas. 3; Operetta 1,4; Service Club 1,2,3,4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Echo Staff.

## CLARS S. SNIDER

"LET'S SKIP SChOOL."
Bowling 3; Glee Club 1,2; Office Staff 4; Choir 1.3; Operetta 1; Intramural 1; Echo Staff.

## SHIRLEY SOHN "CRICKETS"

Bowling 3,4 ; Intramural $1,2,4$.

## LORA ANN STACER (STACY)

"Oh, DON'T FEED ME That LINE!"
Bowling 3,4; Glee Club $1,2,4$; band 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,4; Class Pres. I; Senior Play com.; Student Council 3; operetta 1; Service Club 1,2,3,4, SEC. 2,3; JUNIOR PLAY COM.



## Seniors - . 1950

NORMA STREETER (STREET)
"WHAT AM I GONNA DO NOW!"


CHARLOTTE ANN TANSKY (CHUCK)
"HEAVEN FORBID!"
Intramural 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Majorette 1,2,3,4.

## NORMA JEAN THURSTON

"I'VE GOT TO STUDY."
Bowling 3,4 (Sec. 3); Office Staff 3,4; Class Treas. 4; Service Club 3,4; Junior Play Com. Senior Play COM.; ECHO STAFF.

## JEAN CATHRYN TOEPFER (JEANNIE)

"College is out this weekend."
CHOIR 3,4; Intramural 3; CheERLEADING 3,4; GLEE
 Club 4; Junior Play; Senior Play Com.; Echo Staff; Service club 4.

## KATHRYN TOYZAN (KATHIE)

"You Gorp!"
Intramural 3.

## RUTH MARIE TURNER

"GOLLY, I DIDN ${ }^{\prime}$ T KNOW THAT!"
GLee Club 1,2,3,4; Band 2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Service Club 4; Operetta 1,4; Intramural 1,3,4; Junior Play Com.; Senior Play.



MARILYN WELLEMEYER
"There's a woman at the beginning of all great things."
band 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 1,2,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Operetta 1,4; Junior Play Com.; Senior Play Com.; Bowling 3; Service Club 4; Intramural 3; Echo Staff.

WILTHA JOANNE WESCOAT (RED)
"RED HAIR HAS NEVER HURT ANYONE YET!"
Bowling 3,4; Glee Club 1,2; Intramural 3; Service clue 4 .

WILLIAM WITHERS (BILL)
"WHO'S GOT A PENCIL?"
Football 1,2,3; Basketball 3; Baseball 1,2,3; band 4; Junior Play Com.; Service club 4.

## VIVIAN ELAINE WOLFORD (VICKIE)

"I think I'll go make some allyl isothiocranate." Glee Club 1,2,4; Operetta I; Choir 4.

ROBERT H. WOOD (BOB)
"YES, YOU WILL!"
basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Choir 2,4; Volleyball 1,2; Senior Play; Student Council 2.

## SALLY LOU BUCHMAN

"Have you seen Paul?"
Glee Club $1,2,3,4$; Operetta 1; Cheerleading 1 , 2.3,4; Junior Play; Senior Play; Class Secretary 3.


## "THE HEART OF A HIGH SCHOOL CLASS"

This is the cry of a heart.
The heart of a high school class, A class that no longer belongs, But into the future must pass.

A cry because it is leaving All that it's ever known. High School was more than a part of us, It was our world, our home.

In all the years to come Where ever we may be, High School will live within us As our most cherished memory.

Our classes and class rooms will live, No matter how the years have gone by. The teachers and friends we knew In our hearts can never die.

But no matter how we may long, Or how deeply we cry,
We can never come back and live as we did In dear old Vassar High.

We must turn our faces to the future, And apply all we have learned.
A wonderful chapter in our lives
Has lifted its page and to a new one turned.
Yes, this is the cry of a heart, The heart of a high school class, Our class that no longer belongs, But into the future has passed.

Sally Buchman


Troubles?


Always Eating


Half an inch, half an inch,

> Half an inch onward,

Through the halls of our dear school Trod the four hundred.


Big Dates.



What is it?

Forward, the "passing bell!"
Charge from your chairs!, he said:
Into the halls of our dear school
Plod the four hundred.


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Juniors
Marovich, Steve Martin, Beverly Millikan, Dick Milliken, Donna

Moffat, James Newton, Dale Orr, Allen Petzold, Rudolph

Pierce, Philip Pritchard, Howard Reithmeier, Jean Revest, Frank

Robinson, Dale
Robinson, Willard Salsbury, Lyle Sargent, Jack

Schemm, Betty Schmidt, Donald Schoenow, Henry Smith, Nancy

Stevens, Wendell
Swanson, Dick
Szagesh, Mike
Szagesh, Joyce

Temple, Kay Toyzan, Mike Viele, Coral Walworth, Connie Young, Lawrence


Young, Lawrence


## S ophomores

Achtabowski, Jack Adams, Louis Allen, Orlin Anthony, Patricia Armour, Lawrence

Atkins, Jeanette Atkins, Robert Auernhammer, Alvin Aulbert, John Bauer, Edwina

Blasius, Carolyn Bogert, Robert Brown, Russell Buchinger, Don Buchinger, Joann

Buckle, Rosalie Campbell, Thomas Coats, Walter Cobb, Raymond Colman, Rex

Craig, Joyce Craig, Leora Davis, Joanne Diebold, James Doering, John

Doren, Milly Doud, Kenneth Earls, Robert Enos, Wala Beth Fent, Lewis

Finta, Vincent
Freeland, JoAnn
Freeland, Lou Ann
Gawne, Bernice
Germain, Betty
Gonda, Anna
Gruber, James
Gugel, Gretchen
Haines, Sue
Hammond, George
Hauger, Jane
Hauger, Joanne
Hecht, Lucy
Kern, Mary



## Sophomores

Kriseler, Bonnie Krumnauer, Alfred Lambert, Gloria Landskroner, Marilyn Landskroner, Marlene

Lawrence, Thelma Lewis, Darell Mallory, Nancy McClelland, Robert McCormick, Jennet

Mc Taggart, Marie Miller, Arlene Miller, Maurice Muehefeld, Myra Mueller, Donna

Newton, Kathryn Osgerby, Joan Posh, Pauline Reif, Mary Reithemeier, LeRoy

Rickwalt, Martha Rose, James
Rutherford, Donald Schluckbier, Janet Scott, Virginia

Servis, Betty Jo Sevener, Larry Shall, Betty Shaw, Margeret Smith, Glenor

Smith, Pauline Sutherland, JoAnn Taylor, Anna Jean Tedford, Harley Tinglan, Donald

Toyzan, Steven
Tusciuk, Charles Volz, Gary Walker, Leo
Weber, Ruth
Wills, Chuck
Wilson, Janet Withers, Pauline



## Freshmen

Ackerman, Margaret
Adams, Clyde
Auernhamer, Floyd
Barkly, Silas
Barnes, Vern

Bauer, Gordon Beecher, Nancy Bierlein, Ronald Bissell, Norman Blackmore, Clinton

Bradley, David
Briggs, Kathleen Briggs, Marilyn Briggs, Marlene Burza, Joanne

Clouse, Johnny
Coats, Leona Cobb, Jerry Davidson, Patricia DeCou, Sharon

Diebold, Tom
Dittmar, Marion Doren, Beth

Durbin, Carol

Englehart, Ervin Enos, Patricia Erickson, Darlene Erickson, Robert

Eskelson, Dick
Ferguson, Delores
Force, Betty
Glynn, Velva
Gray, George
Green, Mary
Greenwood, Hallie
Hacker, Sally

Keller, Dick
Kirkpatrick, Jane
Kovacs, Betty
Kribs, Don

## 7 resh reshmen

Kribs, Ruth
Krumnauer, Helen Lee, Iris Leonard, Maxine Marsh, Barbara

Mc Taggert, Barbara Mead, Ken Milledge, Dorothy Milledge, Leona Milledge, Walter

Miller, Nancy
Osgerby, June
Pierce, Janet
Revesz, Mercedes
Roth, Georgia
Rupprecht, Eugene Schafsnitz Carol Schnell, Eugene Schuyler, Joanne

Service, Leland Servis, Ann
Smith, Bunker
Sohn, Norah

Streeter, Lanora
Stevens, Donna
Stuart, Harry
Swanson, Margery
Sylvester, Thomas
Szagesh, Mary
Taylor, Nita
Temple, Shirley
Thompson, Javene Toepfer, Bob
Wescoat, Bill
Weber, Ruth

Wellemeyer, Sally
Wesley, Kent
Whaley, Jeanette Wojtalik, Bonnie




EIGHTH GRADE

## Junior High

SEVENTH GRADE


## Calendar

| Sept. | 6 | Teachers' Meeting |  | 13 | Basketball, Caro, here |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 7 | Freshmen, grades enroll |  | 20 | Basketball, Cass City, there |
|  |  | 1:00 P.M. |  |  | End of 3rd Marking Period |
|  | 8 | Classes begin |  | 24 | Semester Exams |
|  | 16 | Class Elections |  | 25 | Semester Exams |
|  |  | Football, Millington, here |  | 27 | Basketball, Bad Axe, here |
|  | 23 | Football, at Harbor Beach |  | 31 | Assembly - Quartette |
|  | 30 | Football, Caro, here | Feb. | 3 | Basketball, Harbor Beach, |
| Oct. | 7 | Football, Sebewaing, here |  |  | there . |
|  | 13 | M. E. A. Flint |  | 10 | Basketball, Elkton, here |
|  | 14 | M. E. A. Flint |  | 14 | Basketball, Sebewaing, there |
|  |  | Football, Elkton, there |  | 17 | Basketball, Caro, there |
|  |  | End of first marking period |  | 21 | Basketball, Cass City, here |
|  | 18 | Alfred Cavalieri - Music |  | 24 | Basketball, Bad Axe, there |
|  |  | Assembly - 2:00 P.M. |  |  |  |
|  | 21 | Pied Piper Puppets | Mar. | 1 | Basketball Tournament |
|  |  | Football, Bad Axe, there |  | 2 | Basketball Tournament |
|  | 27 | Preview of Progress - 10:45 |  | 3 | Basketball Tournament |
|  |  | A.M. |  | 4 | Basketball Tournament |
|  | 28 | Football, Pigeon, here |  | 10 | End of 4th Marking Period |
|  | 31 | Halloween Party |  | 27 | Assembly - Lt. James C. Whittaker |
| Nov. | 4 | Football, Cass City, there | Apr. |  |  |
|  | 9 | Parents' Night |  | 7-10 | Easter Vacation |
|  | 17 | Senior Class Play |  | 19 | Assembly Srampoline |
|  | 18 | Senior Class Play |  | 20 | Junior Play |
|  | 23 | End 2nd Marking Period |  | 21 | Junior Play |
|  | 24 | Thanksgiving Vacation |  |  | End of 5th Marking Period |
|  | 25 | Thanksgiving Vacation |  | 28 | Freshman Party |
| Dec. | 2 | Junior Class Party | May | 6 | Central Michigan Relays |
|  | 6 | Basketball, Mayville, here |  | 9 | Assembly-Williams Sisters |
|  | 9 | Basketball, Pigeon, here |  | 10 | Upper Thumb Track Meet |
|  | 13 | Junior High Party |  | 20 | Regional Track Meet |
|  | 16 | Basketball, Harbor Beach, here |  | 26 | Junior \& Senior Prom |
|  | 23 | Christmas Vacation |  | 27 | State Track Meet |
|  |  |  |  | 28 | Baccalaureate |
| Jan. | 6 | Basketball, Elkton, there |  |  |  |
|  | 10 | Basketball, Sebewaing, here | June | 2 | End of 6th Marking Period |
|  |  |  |  |  | Commencement |

Personnel Of The Hot Lunch Program


Nancy beecher, BONNIE WOJTALIK, MRS. Wruck, Mrs. WILbur, Jane KirkpatRICK, VIVIAN WILFORD, BARBARA ANDREWS.

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Mrs. Bradley



Mr. Smith

Hall monitor


Service Club Initiation



Sophomore Class Float

Cheerleading Tryouts



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The physical education program is provided for all students from the kindergarten to the twelfth grade. It is co-educational only to the grades below the seventh grade. The recreation in the phys. ed. programconsists of boxing, mat work, volleyball, badminton, all sports, and many games. It is expected that it will be of great recreational value in ourschool.

The need of additional features in school recreation for girls led to the origin of a girls bowling league in the spring of 1949. Since then its popularity has grown steadily. Plans provide for the awarding of a trophy at the end of each season for the highest qualified team.



The tennis courts were finished in the summer of 1949. These four courts have greatly been used and will continue to be effective throughout the years to come, because of their adaptability during the seasons. An ice skating rink is made possible in the winter. Tournaments will be played on them and the tennis courts will play a great part in the Summer Recreational program.

The Home Economics Department is directed under the guidance of Mrs. Dahmer, and it is very active in all the school suppers during the year. Three courses are given and these are Home Ec. 1, 11, 111. New appliances have been added for more convenience and this department is of very great importance.


The veterans' institute consists of thirty veterans who either won or are renting a farm. Mr. Tulloch, Mr. Kirsch, and Mr. Hackett are the instructors and this program is part of the Government program which the Veterans are entitled to.

Since 1941, the Vassar High School has acquired three busses which transport 120 students from points throughout Tuscola County. Also, the entire athletic teams are transported to their away games. There are five bus drivers and Mr . Wall keeps up the maintenance on the busses. This is just another convenience which our school offers us.



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## Cheerfeaders



THIRD ROW: JOYCE SZAGESH, LOIS BENDER. SECOND ROW: JEAN TOEPFER, alane Surgent. first row: nancy Gohs, sally buchman.

The cheerleaders this year have been a great help in the success of our football and basketball teams. The first team of cheerleaders are in charge of all the reserve cheerleaders, and coach them in the art of cheerleading. The first team consists of three Seniors and three Juniors. Congratulations for work well done!

THIRD ROW: VIRGINIA SCOTT, ANN SERVIS, PAT ENOS. SECOND ROW: DONNA MUELLER, JANET SCHLUCKBIER. FIRST


Left to Right: Nancy beecher, Barbara mctaggart,


This is the third team or sub-cheerleaders, who have charge of all the "Pep" assemblies, They work up the spirit of the students, and prepare them for the game. They have done fine work in organizing the assemblies and creating a great deal of enthusiasm for our game.

## Concert Band



The High School Concert Band had a very successful season in 1949-50. They took part in the County and District band festivals, presented a Variety Show and a Spring Concert, and sponsored a formal dance at Christmas.

This year, the Band was run on a merit system with points being received for
solo work, practicing, and working in the Band-sponsored activities. Members who made the required number of points received letters.

The Band Booster's Club, composed of mothers of the Band members, was very active and helpful in raising money for new risers and also new instruments.

## Marching Band

The Marching Band, under the leadership of Mr. Hefflefinger, had a very successful season in 1949-50. The band performed at all the football games, present-
ing many attractive formations. Something new this year was the use of moving formations, including a bicycle and a swinging trapeze.



The Mixed Chorus, under the direction of Mr. Hefflefinger and accompanied by Dolores Freeland had a very busy and successful year. The Chorus presented the

Christmas Concert, and took part in many other activities including singing for graduation.

## Ciutb Glee Club

The Girls Glee Club had a busy year, singing at such activities as the Christmas Concert, the Parents Night, and the Spring Concert. Directed by Mr. Hefflefinger and accompanied by Dolores Freeland, the Glee Club is becoming a more popular activity every year.



The Boys Glee club made few PUBLIC APPEARANCES, BUT WAS VERY USEFUL IN TRAINING MEMBERS FOR the mixed Chorus. Many Boys had THEIR FIRST MUSIC TRAINING IN THIS GROUP.

THE SENIOR OCTETTE IS ANOTHER OF THE TRADITIONAL ACTIVITIES OF THE GRADUATING CLASS. THIS YEAR, IT WAS COMPOSED OF Ardeth shurlow, Kathleen pierce, janet Heinrich, Joanne Hartz, Jim Reif, aaron BLOSSOM, BOB WOOD, AND EARL ROBERTS. THE PRINCIPAL FUNCTION OF THE OCTETTE IS TO SING AT GRADUATION.


THE GIRLS 1 SEXTETTE, COMPOSED of Joanne Hauger, Gretchen Gugel, Milly doren, sue Haines, Mary REIF, JOANNE OSGERBY, IS ACCOMPaNiEd by DOLORES FREELAND. THIS IS A NEW GROUP WHICH WILL DOUBT LESS BE QUITE POPULAR. THEY PRESENTED SEVERAL NUMBERS AT THE CHRISTMAS AND SPRING CONCERTS.


Fifty-five boys responded to Coach "Dud" Emling's first call to footballtraining in late August. Having lost eleven lettermen, via graduation, he started with a green and inexperienced, but "highspirited" squad.

By the time the first game with Millington rolled around, we had a well molded team. We trounced Millington and Harbor Beach. Then came the traditional tussle with Caro, fighting to a $13-0$ halftime lead. We lost the contest 25 to 13 in the last half because of a series of costly
fumbles.
After the Caro downfall we snapped back to beat Sebewaing, Elkton, and a highly rated Bad Axe Eleven, 7 to 6. We took Pigeon and finally Cass City, to capture the class "C" title. The finish placed us one-half point behind Caro, the Upper Thumb champions.

The '49 - '50 squad was considered one of Vassar's snappiest and scrappiest; a quality which was proved by the success of the season.



1ST AND TEN


ARMOUR FOR A TOUCHDOWN
"CAPTAIN ATKINSON AND COACHES EMLING AND SMALL"
THE SEASON'S RECORD

| Millington | 0 | Vassar | 19 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Harbor Beach | 0 | $"$ | 20 |
| Caro | 25 | $"$ | 13 |
| Sebewaing | 0 | $"$ | 20 |
| Elkton | 6 | $"$ | 20 |
| Bad Axe | 6 | $"$ | 7 |
| Pigeon | 13 | $"$ | 25 |
| Cass City | 0 | $"$ | 7 |



BACK ROW: COACH EMLING, ACHTABOWSKI, WOOD, MAROVICH, ROBERTS, SALSBURY, ATKINS. FRONT ROW: FINTA, COBB, BIERLEIN, BAKEMEIER, BUCHMAN, HAINES.

After a rather provoking first half season, which consisted of several losses by two and three point margins, the squad experienced genuine success. The season ended with an average of $500 \%$. The winning streak prevailed during the District Tournament with the squad becoming the proud champions of Class "C" schools in the District. Vassar was defeated in the first round of the Regional Tournament by Flint Dye, ending further playing for the season.

Roberts in Action!


CONFERENCE RECORD

| Mayville | 35 | Vassar | 38 |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | ---: |
| Pigeon | $30-36$ | ". | $27-43$ |
| Harbor Beach | $49-44$ | ". | $40-25$ |
| Millington | 45 | ". | 42 |
| Elkton | $43-57$ | $"$ | $41-39$ |
| Sebewaing | $46-41$ | ". | $47-39$ |
| Caro | $37-40$ | ". | $39-42$ |
| Cass City | $44-54$ | ". | $31-56$ |
| Bad Axe | $34-51$ | ". | $33-59$ |

TOURNAMENT RECORD

| Mayville | 49 | Vassar | 50 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| North Branch | 25 | Vassar | 48 |
| Millington | 42 | Vassar | 49 |



TOP ROW: COACH SMALL, COBB, ATKINS, HAMMOND, SMITH, MANAGER TOYZAN. MIDDLE ROW: Kribbs, MCCLELLAND, ADAMS, SEVENER, WILLS, ARMOUR. BOTTOM ROW: CLOUSE, DIEBOLD, adams, Barnes, Walker, Diebold.

The Reserves, consisting entirely of Sophomores and Freshmen, experienced major successes during the early part of the season. A four game winning streak was the climax. The season ended with a record of six wins and nine losses.

They ganged up on me!

## THE SEASON'S RECORD

| Mayville | 34 | Vassar | 16 |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | ---: |
| Pigeon | $34-39$ | $"$ | $21-34$ |
| Harbor Beach | $31-27$ | $"$ | $33-25$ |
| Millington | 22 | $"$ | 25 |
| Elkton | $38-35$ | ". | $50-29$ |
| Sebewaing | $21-34$ | ". | $43-42$ |
| Caro | $26-36$ | " | $23-30$ |
| Cass City | $25-30$ | ". | $28-26$ |
| Bad Axe | $26-42$ | " | $34-25$ |




BACK ROW: BARNS, FINTA, COBB, ATKINS, SMITH, MAROVICH, COACH MILLER, HAMMOND, MCCLELLAND, Siebold, Volz, Wills. 2ND row: Armour, Walker, Miller, Haines, Wood, Salsburg, Keller. ist row: Kribbs, Krumanaur, Wesley, adams, Klouse, toepfer, mead, manager petzold.

County Track Meet
Twenty-five boys reported for track thịs year. Thirteen letter men from last year will be the main strength of the team, with plenty of new prospects coming up. Two men will be replaced in the Medley Relay this year. This Medley Relay Teamtied the State record of six wins and nine losses.


Medley Relay of 49


An eager squad of thirty-five boys has reported to Coach Emling, from which material for the 1950 Vassar Nine will be selected. With a returning battery of Bierlein and Cobb, supported by a complement of six lettermen, the prospect of a successful season seems bright.


Now, It's This Way!
Early Spring Training



BACK ROW, LEFT TO RIGHT: DALE NEWTON--REPORTER, ROBERT ERICKSON, JOHN DOERING, DICK ESCKELSON, GEORGE GRAY, LEE ESCKELSON, DON RUTHERFORD. THIRD ROW: LEFT TO RIGHT: ROBERT FORCE--TREASURER, LARRY SEVENER, ROBERT EARES, ROBERT BOGERT, WILBERT WIRTH, JR, --VICE-PRESIDENT, ARNOLD BEKEMEIER, FRED BEKEMEIER, WALTER COATS, JAMES DIEBOLD. SECOND ROW: LEFT TO RIGHT: FLOYD AURENHAMER, SILAS BARKLEY, GORDON BAUER, DICK FISHER, ROBERT DEPOTTEY, DAVID BRADLEY, CHARLES TUSCIUK, WENDEL STEVENS, James Rose, Pete mecell. FRONT ROW: Left to Right: Jack Sargent, Eugene Schnell, RONALD BIERLEIN, REX COLMAN--PRESIDENT, HARRY STRART, BILL WESCOAT, DON TINGLAN-SECRETARY; HARLEY TEDFORD, BRUCE FARNUM, WILLIAM TULLOCH, ADVISOR.

These are the members of the Vassar Future Farmers of America, which is a National Organization of farm boys taking agriculture in high school. Their motto is: Learning to do, Doing to learn, Earning to live, Living to serve. Among the chapter's summer activities were the steer auction at the Centennial celebration, group and individual exhibits at the State, County and Saginaw Fairs. Dale Newton and Wilbert Wirth were delegates to the national convention at Kansas City in November, and about this time chapter
membership was increased by 16 when that many freshman boys were given the Green Hand degree. Don Tinglan developed into a fine speaker through the year, winning first place in the district FFA public speaking contests and came out second in the Regional Contests. Our annual Parent-Son Banquet took place in March, with Dale Newton as toastmaster.

Our Delegates, Rex Coleman and Donald Tinglan attended the annual State Convention held in East Lansing.


BaCK row: Auerhammer--Vice President, Bierlein, McClelland, miller, SALSBURY, MAROVICH--TREASURER, ROBERTS--BUSINESS MANAGER, ATKINS, ARMOUR, PETZOLD. FOURTH ROW: ATKINS, NEWTON, SCRIBNER, MILLER, WITHERS, CAMPBELL, barnes, finta, schmidt. Third row; Toepfer, Kribs, Orr, Haines, buchman, Reif--President, Atkins, Gruber, Thurston, Stacer. SECOND ROW: Heinrich, pierce, Servis, swanson, doren, reif, Atkins, Wellemeyer, Hartz, toepfer. Servis--secretary, loesel, hecht. first row: Servis, Viele, freeland, Milliken, gunnell, Matthews, Wescoat, turner, farnum, Andrews, freeland, Shurlow, miss Wellemeyer.

THE SERVICE CLUB, AS THE NAME SUGGESTS, RENDERS SERVICE TO THE SCHOOL. MEMBERS DIRECT THE PASSING OF STUDENTS TO AND FROM ASSEMBLIES, ACT AS HALL MONITORS, AND ASSIST VISITORS THROUGH THE BUILDING.

THE STUDENT COUNCIL IS A GROUR OF STUDENTS CONSISTING OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM BOTH JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL LEVELS. THE OBJECT OF THIS ORGANIZATION IS TO BRING ABOUT COOPERATION AND BETTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE FACULTY AND STUDENTS.

STANDING: Mr. Thomas, Walker, SZucs, Lovejoy, SWanson, Wilson, Smith. SEATED: reif--Treasurer, Haines--President, Haines--Secretary, Gruber--Vice president.

## Student Council



## Hot Lunch

the Hot lunch Program has been SUCCESSFULLY CARRIED ON UNDER THE expert direction of Mrs. Margeurite DAHMER AND HER ASSISTANTS. THE CAFETERIA IS OCCUPYING THE ROOM WHICH WAS ONCE SET ASIDE FOR A GYM. THIS PROGRAM IS CAPABLE OF SERVING MANY LUNCHES TO OUR STUdents and deserves a lot of credit. Hats off to the programl


Sibrary Staff


The Vassar High School Library IS OPERATED BY A GROUP OF STUDENT LIBRARIANS UNDER THE DIRECTION OF Miss Hope Wellemeyer. During the DAY, THE LIBRARIANS ARE BUSY CHECK ING OUT BOOKS AND MAGAZINES, FINDI NG REFERENCE MATERIAL, AND KEEPING THE LIBRARY IN GOOD CONDITION. IN THE PICTURE ABOVE, FROM LEFT TO RIGHT, BACK ROW: JOANNE HARTZ, VIRGINIA SCOTT, NANCY SMITH, AND MARTHA RICKWALD. FRONT ROW: CAROLYN BLASIUS, ANNA GONDA, JOYCE SZAGESH, AND MISS WELLEMEYER.

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Senior Class Play
WILLOUGHBY ADAMS (AARON BLOSSOM) HAS BEEN RAISED BY FROM THEN ON, MATTERS GO FROM BAD TO WORSE, WITH HIS THREE MAIDEN AUNTS, HESTER, LOUISE, AND OLGA WILLY HAVING THREE DATES FOR THE GRADUATION DANCE,
(DOLORES FREELAND, JOANNE HARTZ, AND SALLY BUCH- THE DATES BE ING NANCY GOHS, BARBARA ATKINS, AND MAN). THE POOR BOY HARDLY HAS A MIND OF HIS OWN, JEAN TOEPFER. WITH THE HELP OF INNER WILLY, WILLY WHEN SPOKEN TO. THIS UNHAPPY SITUATION IS COMPLICA- WITH HIS DREAM GIRL, HAVING FIXED DATES WITH CHARLES TED BY THE APPEARANCE OF WILLIS INNER SELF, THE
"INNER WILLY", PLAYED BY ARDETH SHURLOW. $\qquad$
Junior Class Play
AS WE GO TO PRESS THE JR. Play, "Here COME the BRIDES", IS JUST GETTING STARTED.
WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN A COMPLETELY LIKEABLE YOUNG THREE IMITATION BRIDES APPEAR --TWO OF THEM MEN DRESSED BACHELOR BY THE NAME OF JIMMY TOOK (PAUL HAINES) BENDER). BUT THIS WAS ONLY THE BEGINNING, FOR PEGGY NEEDS A WIFE IN A TERRIFIC HURRY TO PROVE TO GEN-
EROUS UNCLE DAN, (RUDY PETZOLD) THAT HIS MONTHLY CHECKS FOR THE SUPPORT OF JIMMY'S NON-EXISTENT BRIDE THIS WAS JIMMY'S PROBLEM WHEN HE, BILL THOMPSON, AND Bills aunt Ellen (Gary Buchman \& Margaret Hecht)
get Uncle dan is telegram that he and his ward, Peggy (CONNIE WALWORTH) ARE BRINGING THE MONTHLY CHECK IN PERSON, SO THAT THEY CAN MEET THE BRIDE. WHAT ELSE
HAPPENED WHEN, THROUGH JIMMY'S MISGUIDED SCHEMING, BRIDES. THE STORY ENDS, HAPPILY, WITH JIMMY FINDING

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