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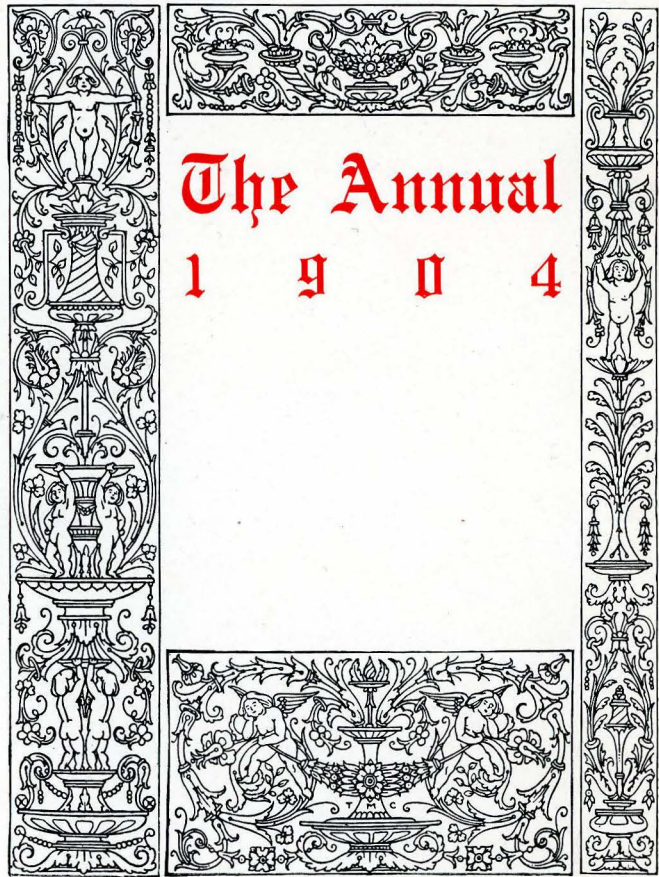
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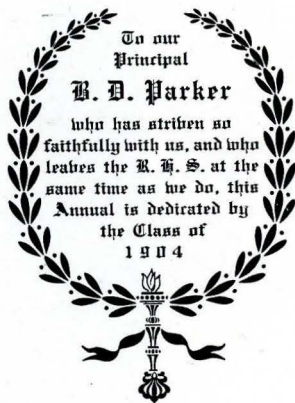


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Senior Class
Rockford High School
Rockford, Illinois





To our
Principal

B. D. Parker

who has striven so
faithfully with us, and who
leaves the R. H. S. at the
same time as we do, this
Annual is dedicated by
the Class of
1904



B D Parker

R . H . S . Y E L L

Rah-rah, Rah-rah, Rah-rah, Rah-rah!

R-o, c-k, f-o, r-d!

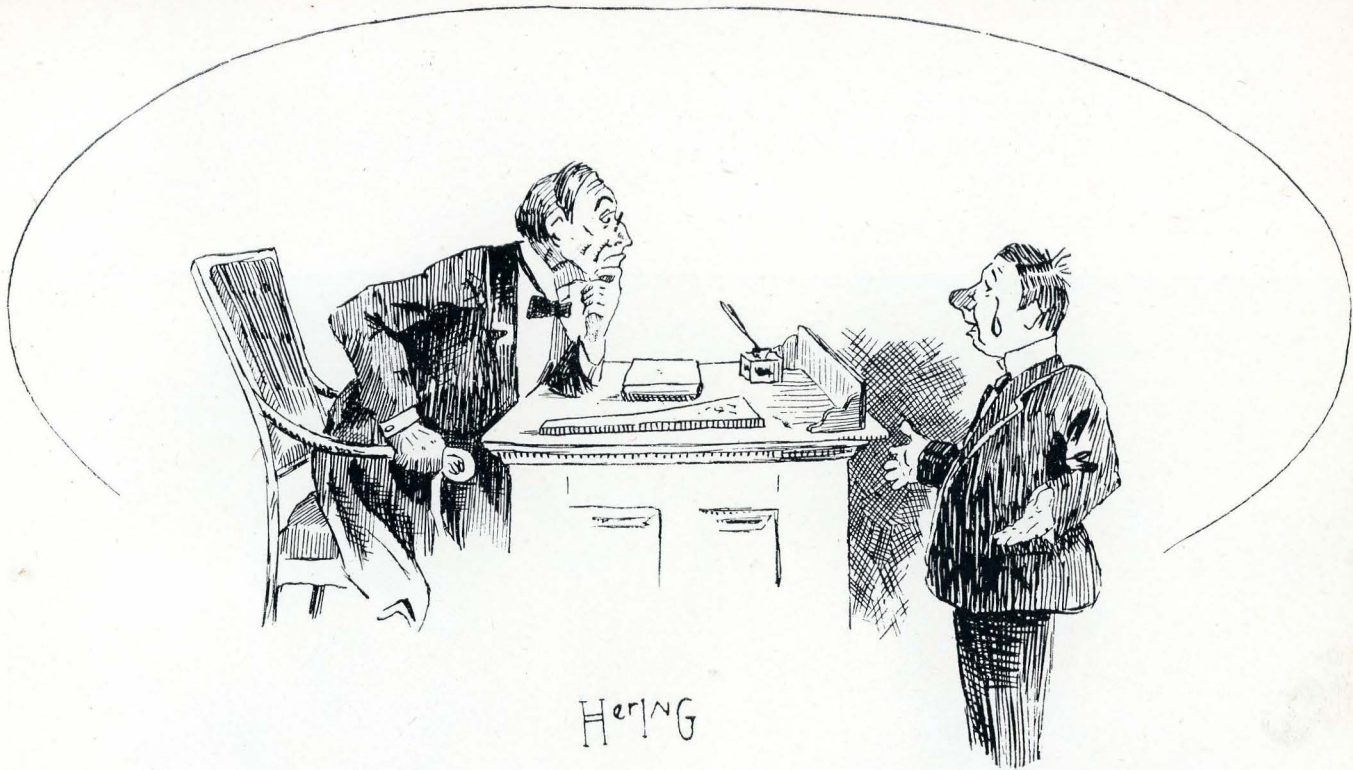
R-o, c-k, f-o, r-d!

Rah! Rah! Rah! Rah!

R o c k f o r d !

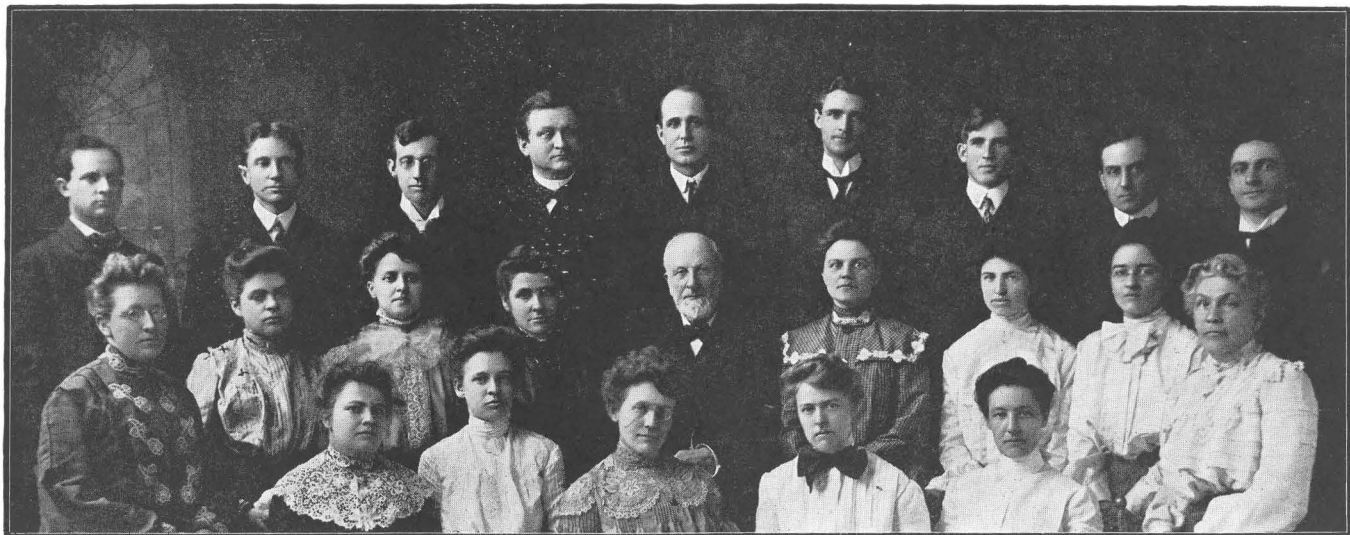
C o l o r s

Crimson and Black



Hering

Facility



T h e F a c u l t y

PROF. P. R. WALKER—Superintendent of Schools.

PROF. B. D. PARKER—Principal, is a graduate of the Illinois State Normal University and of the University of Pennsylvania.

MISS HARRIETT MORSE—teacher of higher mathematics, is a graduate of the Illinois State Normal University. Before coming to Rockford High School, Miss Morse was principal of Oregon High School.

MISS JENNIE WALDO—head of the scientific department, has studied in Welsley College, Chicago University and Woods Hall. Miss Waldo came here direct from college.

MISS AGNES BROWN—teacher of Botany and Physical Geography, is a graduate of Lake Forest, and has taken post graduate work at Chicago University.

MISS LILLIAN SMITH—teacher of mathematics is a graduate of Welsley College.

MISS MABEL DOBSON—teacher of Latin and Greek is a graduate of Rockford College, and has taken a post graduate course in Chicago University.

MISS MAY DOBSON—teacher of Latin, is a graduate of Rockford College.

MISS ISABELLE DUFFY—teacher of English, is a graduate of Rockford College.

MR. ROBERT A. GRANT—head of Commercial Department, graduate from Winona Commercial College and Tri-State Normal College, also studied at Ann Arbor.

MR. HENRY W. DARR—teacher of bookkeeping and shorthand, is a graduate of Gem City Business College. Mr. Darr before coming to this city was a teacher in Storm Lake, Iowa, High School.

MR. ZORA M. SMITH—teacher of Senior and Junior English, is a graduate of DePauw University and has taken post graduate in Chicago University. Mr. Smith before coming here was principal of Kempton, Ind. High School.

MR. ARTHUR NORRIS—teacher of Physics and Chemistry, is a graduate of Oberlin. Before coming here Mr. Norris taught in Green Bay, Wis.

MRS. NELLIE STEVENS—teacher of English, is a graduate of Knox College, and has studied in Boston.

MISS MARY WINTER—teacher of English, is a graduate of Chicago University.

MISS ETTA BROWN—teacher of mathematics, is a graduate of Ann Arbor.

MISS HARRIETT VINCENT—teacher of mathematics, is a graduate of Rockford College, and has taken post graduate work at Chicago University.

MR. MICHAEL W. WALKER—teacher of Civics and History, is a graduate of Knox College. He is also Director of Athletics.

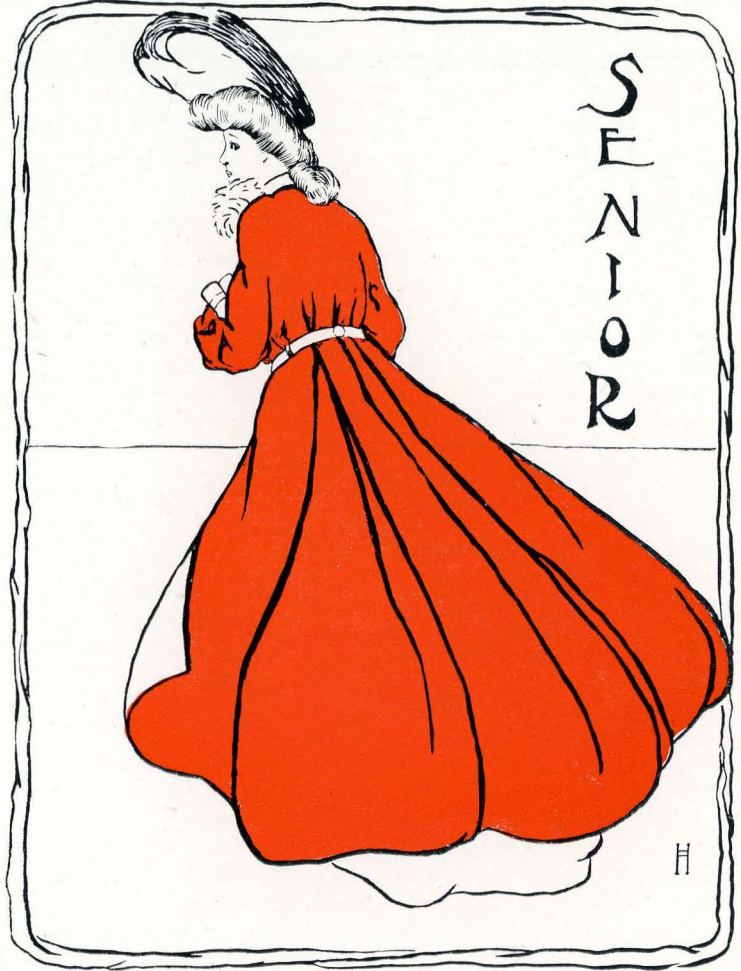
MR. BENJAMIN F. COEN—teacher of History, is a graduate of University of Wisconsin. Mr. Coen came here from Rensselaer, Indiana, one year ago.

HERR STEDINGER—teacher of German, came from Hanover, Germany, where he studied.

MISS GRACE BRANTINGHAM—teacher of art, is a graduate of Art Institute, Chicago.

MR. HARVEY HATCH—teacher of Manual Training, is a graduate of Lloyd School, Boston, and of Rhode Island School of Design.

MISS FLORENCE FOSTER—Librarian, is a graduate of our school.



SENIOR

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Class of 1904

SENIORS

1st Semester		2nd Semester
ROBERT ASH	President	CARL SMITH
HUGH PARSONS	Vice-President	FRED TRANER
MARGARET PARR	Sec'y and Treas.	Beverly Angove

COLORS

Purple and White

YELL

Rah-rah! Rah-rah!
Rah-rah some more!
For Rockford High School
1904.

History of Class of 1904

WITH a clatter of stout sticks upon Freshman backs, and the beat of our feet as we danced the Highland Fling, we entered the majestic portals of the R. H. S. That we keenly appreciated our warm reception is evidenced by the zeal with which we have assisted at all subsequent affairs of the kind. Our entrance, even our manner of receiving the extravagant demonstrations of joy made by the upper classmen, was very similar to that of many other classes, but unlike others, we did not figure prominently in the stirring events of the first week and then sink into comparative oblivion. No indeed, ours is a class of infinite resource as well as of spirit. We furnished from our ranks stars for the foot-ball team, and better still, turned out in force to see their prowess. We joined the Sophs in a Literary Society, and in its meetings our efforts in debate, oratory and that art which charms the savage ear, were certainly astounding. We greatly augmented and enlivened all Yates turnouts by our presence, and no circus parade went through the streets of Rockford without our assistance.

Then it seemed but an instant and we were Sophomores, had reached that goal of every timid, shrinking Freshie. Still, after all, the height upon which we stood was not so great that it produced a dizzying or stupifying effect upon us. On the contrary we went at our work with a better spirit than ever before. For when we worked we worked hard and when we played we played with a vigor that set the hearts of our chaperons a beating double time.

With another added year came maturer brains and

greater strength and we soon proved to our rivals, the class of '03, that we were adversaries to be feared. Class feeling ran high, and although at a disadvantage in point of numbers, we made up for our lack in this respect by our spirit, and energetically contested every affair that sprang up during the year. In the Field Meet, the Seniors fear of a disgraceful defeat nerved them to one last supreme effort, and they succeeded in defeating us for the first time since we had entered the High School. Their great celebration over this event proved how very eager had been their desire to beat us and how evenly the contest had been fought. And in truth we turned the tables on them nicely, when, in the picnic which we gave in their honor a month later, we for the moment forgot our role of host and defeated our guests in every event of the day, base ball game, races, etc.

Then at last we returned to the old school to take our place as Seniors. "Could we maintain its high standard in scholarship, in athletics, and in school spirit" asked our friends of '03 insolently. Our first answer to this question was the organization of a foot-ball team that proved to be the toughest proposition any of its opponents had ever happened to come up against. Our victories were only limited by the length of the season, and when finally the last game had been won, the last song had been sung and the last yell had been given for dear old Rockford, the number of scalps at our belt proclaimed us champions of Northern and Central Illinois, excluding Chicago.

Foot-ball over, we returned to our work with a will and established a record of scholarship that will be hard for



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future classes to live up to. We gave our reception without running one cent into debt and supported the Owl both by our money and the product of our gray matter. As to the sleigh-rides, dances and general good times enjoyed by us, I dare not go into detail for fear of inculcating harmful ideas into the heads of the innocent youths and maidens who are faithfully trying to follow in our foot-steps.

Now as, our battles all won, our colors flying high, we are about to leave the High School, the largest class but one in the history of Rockford, let us give three cheers for the Owl, protected school; three cheers for the principal who has helped us all these years and three long cheers for the purple and white. May all its wearers live long and prosper.

A. L. B. '04



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TUNE: "My Own United States."

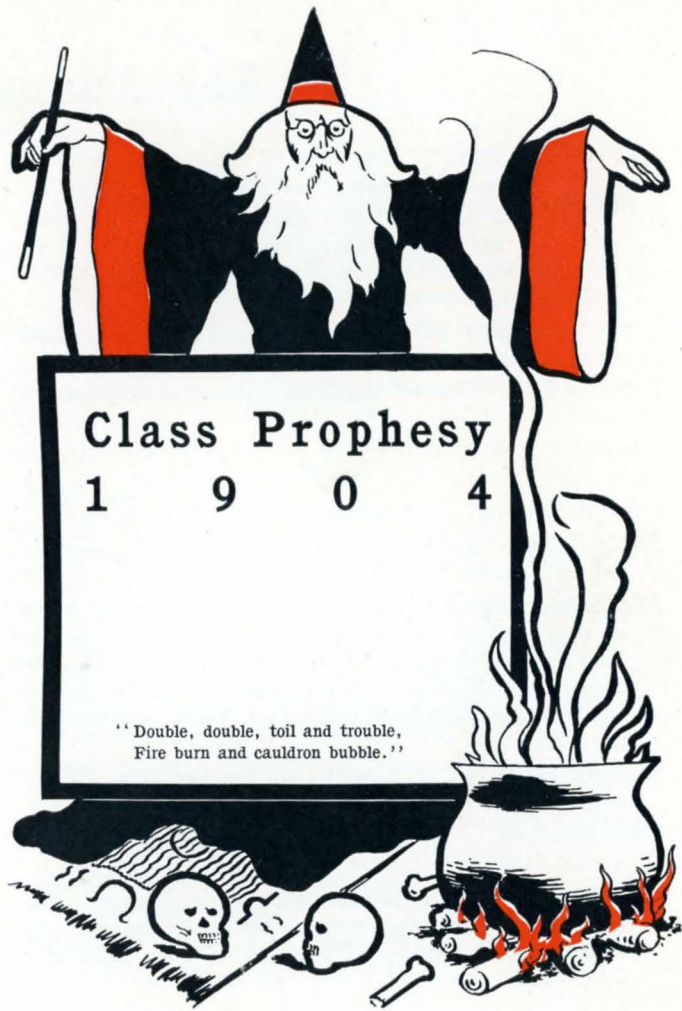
THE time has come when friends must part,
When we must say good-by
To studies, friends and faculty
And to dear old Rockford High.
For four long years we have labored hard,
As others have before;
Let us acclaim the one we name,
The class of 1904.

WE'VE brought to our school both pride and fame
From the gridiron and the track,
To gain new honors has been our aim
For the proud old red and black.
So we leave with the thought, that our work's well
done,
As we pass from the old school door,
Let us acclaim the one we name
The class of 1904.

CHORUS:

THEN here's to the mem'ry of days gone by,
Those days we hold so dear,
To our friends and foes, to our sorrows and woes—
For each one a parting tear;
Then three times cheer for the red and black,
For the purple and white three more,
The class that is worth all others on earth
Is the class of 1904.

C. S. '04



Class Prophecy

1 9 0 4

"Double, double, toil and trouble,
Fire burn and cauldron bubble."

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- “THE Class:”** May none of you soon be subjects for a post-mortem or graduate examination.
- “The Janitor”** will some day break his heart accommodating others, and may he then sit on the right hand of Noah, and keep the heavenly bric-a-brac clear of cobwebs.
- Verna Ades, May Fiddick:** Leaders of a modern ethical and religious reformation.
- Robert Ash:** Will teach dignity and decorum to immature seniors.
- Thomas Agnew:** Will go on the stage as whistler, his star piece being “Just One Girl.”
- Beverly Angove:** A resident of Utah—seven wives.
- Annie Bates:** Looking for an algebraic or trigonometrical problem too hard to solve.
- Alice Beal:** Her health, constitution and faculties were so deranged by the strain undergone in compiling the data and achievements of the Banner Class of '04 that a hasty trip to Elgin was necessary. Upon returning she will compile a little volume on “How to Overcome a Giggle.”
- Eugenia Boyer:** “If I can't be a teacher here, I'll go West.”
- Mary Bradley:** “I would be a shorthand shark as a special ‘Grant.’”
- Edna Brown:** Finally retires amid a blaze of glory, with the clashing of cymbals and the blaring of trumpets, to the honorable position of president of the “Mendelssohn Club.”
- Grace Bull:** Earned an enviable reputation and the blessings of numberless mothers for her instructive little book on “How to Prevent Elopements.”
- Elizabeth Bunn:** Proved the exception to the old adage, “change the name and not the letter, marry for worse and not for better.”
- Theodore Brown:** Will study to be a great ventriloquist.
- Mary Case:** Too bad a case to prophesy for.
- Elizabeth Cohoes, Gertrude Ryan:** Will issue a book on “How to Grow Tall,” and also a treatise on “The Advantages of Being Short if You Have To.”
- Alice Cotton, Grace Cotton:** Will be rivals of the “Cherry Sisters.”
- Bertha Cutting:** Will “Pierce” the rocky “Craig.”
- Kittridge Crumb:** Political leader, “mayor of Winnebago county.”
- Frances Duffey:** May sometime win an oration by a lucky draw.
- Alice Emerson:** Will remain impregnable to all jokes.
- Edith Engquist:** Will wander around looking for soft snaps.
- Agnes Fairlie:** Will change her name in such a way as to make it better.
- Bernice Ford:** Poetess—“Spring” odes a specialty.
- Pearl Freeman:** “What's the use? Just one prophecy for C. Smith and family.”
- Cornelia Giddings:** Still trying to be haughty; hasn't succeeded yet.

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- Carrie Godfrey:** Will usurp the position of Mark Twain as the American humorist.
- Evalyn Gregory:** Will still be popular.
- Lars Gaarn:** Still looking for a knot hole too small to crawl through.
- Reuel Grunewald:** Local Y. M. C. A. secretary.
- Norma Haegg:** Authoress of "Children Stories for Grown Folks."
- Margie Healey:** Alas! Rockford is not "deutsch genug" for Margie.
- Blanche H. Hughes:** Grass widow—authoress of "Juvenile Attempts in Matrimony."
- Gertrude Hunter:** Remains, to be seen at the morgue—some say she talked herself to death; that's a mistake.
- Hugo Herring:** When he has eliminated, Eyster will wear his "Olive" wreath straight.
- Dora Johnson:** Will be famous for her readings from the poems of Byron, Shelley and Keats.
- Lawrence Johnson:** Running a "delaquotesence" shop on Fourteenth avenue.
- Nate Kelley:** Of the "Kelley Candle Co." presents something guaranteed to work in the dark.
- Wm. Knight:** Editor of the "Sunday School Herald."
- Eleanore Lagerquist:** Still looking for someone to love.
- Jessie Linderman:** Will pass into a higher life without one stain on her fair escutcheon.
- Alma Lind:** At last we have a silent woman. Congratulations to her future husband.
- Philo Lewis:** Will hie himself to Elgin to settle his window-glass bill.
- Pearl Maguire:** Will give specific examples on "How to Tyrannize Your Better Half."
- Aleta McEvoy:** Inspired by the fiery words of Billy Sunday, will do settlement in Kalamazoo.
- Mary E. Moran:** Mary Moran,
For her, if you can,
Prophesy some bright delusion—
Down by a dell,
There she'll dwell,
Leading a life of seclusion.
- Ralph Morrison:** Will succeed to his papa's position in the vag' convicting business.
- Ruby Nelson:** Failing to find the right one here, goes to Champaign and returns without him.
- Corrinna Noel:** The fates have decreed that Corrinna Noel should elope with an interurban conductor immediately after graduation. Her mother has decreed "No!"
- Ferdinand Nelson:** Will embark in the drug business; anything selling at less than 300% profit barred out.
- David Nilson:** Will end in the penitentiary, unless he discontinues his present pace of dissipation.
- Margaret O'Brien:** Will continue to remain the United States history sphinx.
- Mary O'Connor:** Will return to teach political economy and commercial law.
- Thomas O'Neill:** Has prepared a series of illustrated lectures to prove Adam an Irishman.

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Della Palmer, Edna Hubbard: Forty years from now will be establishing a philanthropic home for "Old Maids."

Margaret Parr: May she never fall below her name value, but sell at a premium to the proper bidder.

Ida Pepper: School teacher, with disposition like her name.

Hugh Parsons: Five years from date still voting for Yates.

Fred Post: Refuses to do any more prophesy work.

Bessie Radcliffe, Glennie Reiman: Will hatch up a scheme whereby they may become sisters.

Mildred Revell: Will continue to exercise her patented laugh at the expense of her friends.

Edith Rowe: Hopes they have mirrors in heaven, so she may keep her halo on straight.

Eva Salstrom: Will sing the part of Little Eva in the new "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

Mary Saltar: Will hold the world's record in lawn tennis and inaudible talking.

Eliza Suter: There was a young dashing galcote
In love with this maiden so cute,
But she turned him down
With a cringing frown,
He wasn't a suitor to suit.

Carl Smith: Will continue to be absent minded till this affectionate affair wears off.

Sadie Snell: May some day become a shorthand shark.

Blanche Scone: Will continue to pose as the Sistine Madonna.

Erma Taylor: Will stay at home and keep her mama company.

Fred Traner: Is holding down the chair of languages in the Cherry Valley Business College.

George Truesdall: Has moved to Aurora.

Pauline van Valkenburgh: If to her share some female errors fall,
Look at her form, and you'll forget them all.

Esther West: Will form a combination.

Helen Wray: Physical expert—insubordinate husbands reduced on short notice.

Lulu Yeakle, Esther West: Will form a combination to beat Rev. Sunday at his own game.

Evan Woodward: We have plagiarized the following:
There was a young chemistry tough
Who was mixing a compound of stuff,
Dropped a match in the vial,
And after a while
They found a front tooth and a cuff.

Dayton Upson: Will be a grease spot after the fellows have heard this prophesy, and over it will be written:
"Twas he; but 'tis not he!"

R o s t e r C l a s s 1 9 0 4

Ades, Verna	Boyer, Engenia	Case, Mary	Duffey, Frances
Agnew, Thomas	Bradley, Mary	Cohoes, Elizabeth	Emerson, Alice
Angove, Beverly	Brown, Edna	Cotton, Alice	Engquist, Edith
Ash, Robert	Bull, Grace	Cotton, Grace	Fairlie, Agnes
Bates, Annie	Bunn, Elizabeth	Crumb, Kittridge	Flldick, May
Beal, Alice	Brown, Theodore	Cutting, Bertha	Ford, Bernice
Freeman, Pearl	Haegg, Norma	Johnson, Dora	Lagerquist, Eleanore
Giddings, Cornelia	Healey, Margie	Johnson, Lawrence	Lewis, Philo
Godfrey, Carrie	Hubbard, Edna	Kelley, Nate	Maguire, Pearl
Gregory, Evalyn	Hughes, Blanche H.	Knight, William	McEvoy, Aleta
Grunewald, Reuel	Hunter, Gertrude	Linderman, Jessie	Moran, Mary E.
Gaarn, Lars	Hering, Hugo	Lind, Alma	Morrison, Ralph
Nelson, Ruby	O'Neill, Thomas	Radcliffe, Bessie	Saltar, Mary
Noel, Corinna	Palmer, Della	Reiman, Glennie	Scone, Blanche
Nelson, Ferdinand	Parr, Margaret	Revell, Mildred	Snell, Sadie
Nilson, David	Pepper, Ida	Rowe, Edith	Suter, Eliza
O'Brien, Margaret	Parsons, Hugh	Ryan, Gertrude	Smith, Carl
O'Connor, Mary	Post, Fred	Salstrom, Eva	Taylor, Erma
Traner, Fred	Upson, Dayton	Wray, Helen	Woodward, Evan
Truesdall, George	Van Valkenburgh, Pauline	West, Esther	

Commencement Program

Incorporation
Piano Solo
Oration
Music
Patriotic Play—Nathan Hale

Edna Brown
Wm. Knight
Orchestra

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Nathan Hale
Alice Adams
Angelica Knowlton
Lebanon
Fitzroy
Mrs. Knowlton
Widow Chic
Colonel Knowlton
Capt. Adams
Gunningham
Tom Adams
Jefferson Boy
Talbot Boy
Jasper
Hull
British Soldiers

Carl Smith
Pauline van Valkenburgh
Blanche Hughes
Lawrence Johnson
Beverly Angove
Grace Bull
Gertrude Hunter
Robert Ash
Nate Kelly
George Truesdale
Thomas O'Niell
Theodore Brown
Evan Woodward
David Nilson
Philo Lewis
Fred Traner
Ralph Morrison

Recitation
Flute Solo
Transfer of Banner
Awarding of Diplomas
Class Song



Mary Cuse
Hugo Hering
Carl Smith '04
Frances Leonard '05
Prof. B. D. Parker



Class of 1905



Class of 1905

JUNIORS

1st Semester		2nd Semester
JOHN PORTER	President	FRANCES LEONARD
FRANCES LEONARD	Vice-President	RAYMOND SHEETS
BLAKEMAN EARLY	Sec'y and Treas.	{ FLOYD HARDIN GRACE KING

COLORS

Yale blue and gold

YELL

Ratha to thrat, to thrat, to thrat!
Terra terlix, terlix, terlix!
Kick amala, kick amala!
1905! Rah! Rah! Rah!



Sophomores

Class of 1906

SOPHOMORES

1st Semester		2nd Semester
HOWARD SWITS.....	President.....	EDWARD SNYDER
MILDRED INGERSOLL.....	Vice-President.....	GERTRUDE SCHMAUSS
EDWARD SNYDER.....	Secretary.....	EDWIN KEELER
EDWIN KEELER.....	Treasurer.....	RUTH TICKNOR

COLORS

Orange and Black

YELL

Rickety! Rackety! Hullabaloo!
Zing boom! Hoop de doo!
Can they beat us! Nixey nix!
For we are the class of 1906!



Class of 1907

FRESHMEN

1st Semester		2nd Semester
CLINTON OSBORNE	President	ROY PEARCE
RAYMOND WEINGARTNER	Vice-Pres't	ARIEL SCHWEINFURTH
BERTHA HUNTER	Secretary	EDNA STANBURY
EMMA ANDERSON	Treasurer	BERTHA HUNTER

COLORS

Green and White