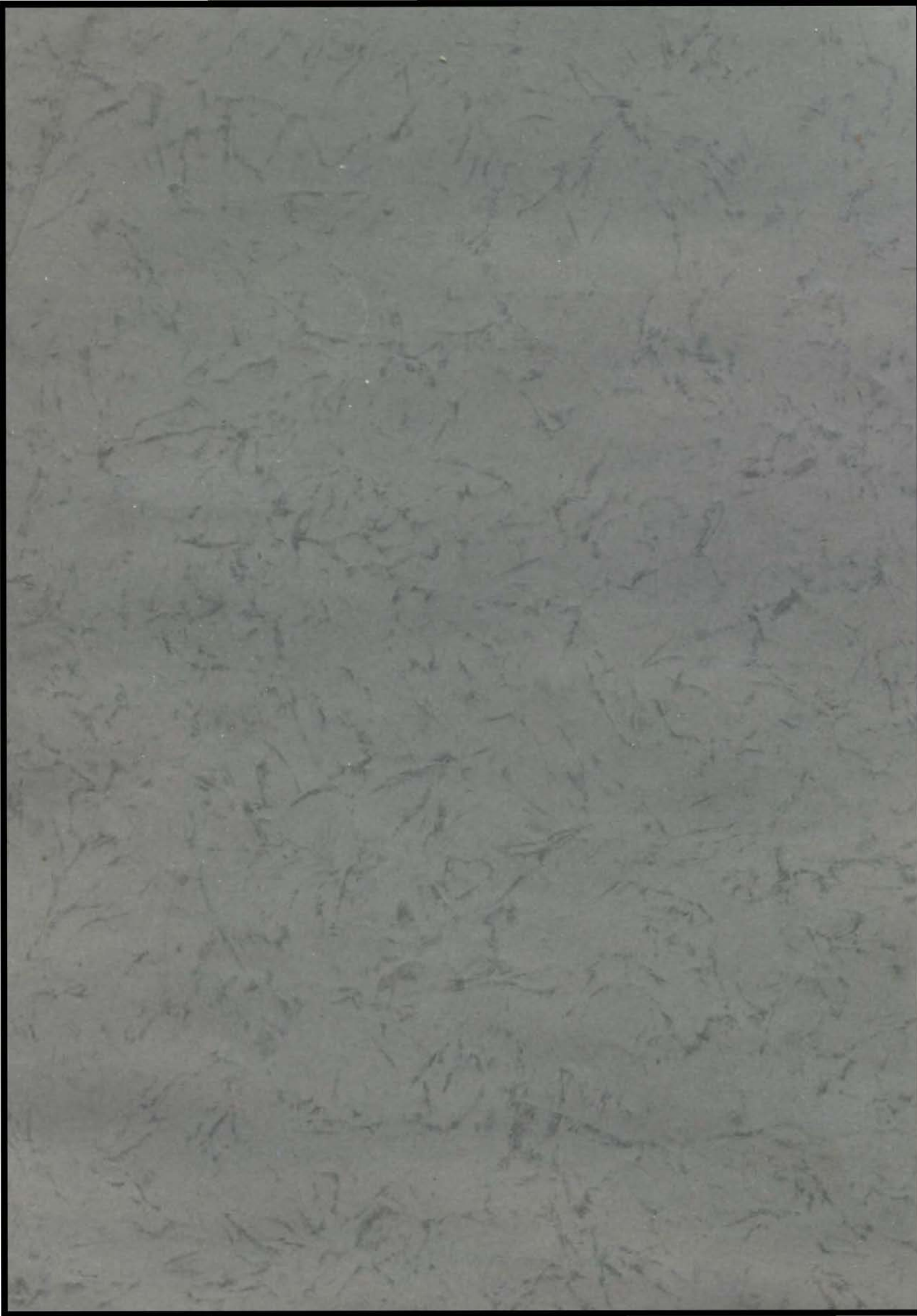


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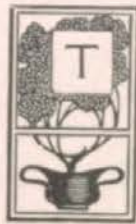
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To that everlasting spirit which has always advanced Sumner High School to higher Ideals and greater achievements, we dedicate the 1925 Sumnerian.

We thank the public and contributors who have helped make this book possible. May it be an inspiration and an example to the future classes of this school.

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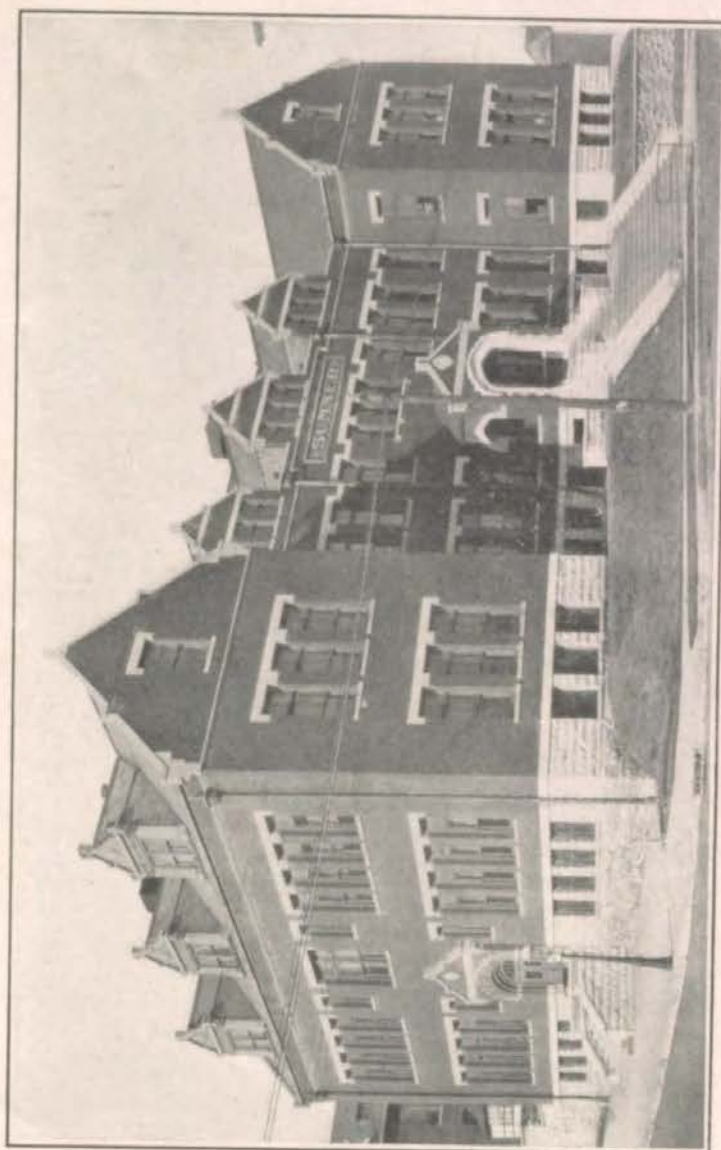
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Harold Thatcher  
Thelma Henderson





FRANCES ADDISON

*Thinking is but an idle waste of time.*

EWELL JAMES AUSTIN

*Success is a big factor in his life. Orchestra '25, Junior College Basketball '25, "Daddy-Long-Legs" '25.*

ELEESE BUIE

*Too much study is a weary to the flesh.*

OLIVER MORRIS BARBOUR

*He likes the fun and so goes the sun. Class Basketball Track Team '25.*

RUBY CHAPPELLE BEATTY

*Merry, cheerful and gay in every way. "Daddy Long Legs" '25, Treasurer of Freshman Class '22, Annual Staff '25.*

EMMETT BOWLES

*He goes about undisturbed by anyone. His grin is as constant as the river ripples.*

LUCY BRANHAM

*Better late than never.*

HARRY BROWNE

*It is not what he has, nor even what he does which expresses the worth of a man, but what he is. President Senior Class '25, Junior College Basketball team '25, Pres. Freshman Class '22.*

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MAIDEE CAMPBELL

*A handful of common sense is worth a bushel of learning.*



ARVELLER CARROLL

*So timid and meek and light on her feet. Student Council '25.*



DOWDAL CARROLL

*Ambitious is he to be popular among all his friends. Football '24, Capt. '25 Basketball '24, Annual Staff '25, Glee Club '25.*



ELMER IOLA CLINCH

*A friend in need is a friend indeed.*



NELLIE LEE COOK

*She is a plump little girl and a dandy good pal.*



WILLA MAE COWAN

*She is very prompt and seldom late with anything.*



DAISY LEE CUMMINGS

*As merry as the day is long.*



VERDIE CUNNINGHAM

*Never misunderstood because she gets things right.*

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JUANITA DAVIS

*Good natured and fun-loving; a credit to our school. "Anti-Aunts" '25.*



JAMES DAVIS

*A deep thinker is he who concentrates. Editor-in-Chief, Sumner Courier '25.*



EALTA MAE DE VAN

*She does the little things that most of us leave undone.*



RALPH DAVIS

*He enjoys chatting with his boy friends.*



ELIZABETH ELMORE

*Work conquers everything.*



FREDDIE FRANKLIN

*Dignified manners are often spoiled by big talk. Annual Staff '25, "Daddy Long Legs" '25, Treasurer Class '24, Class Reporter '25, "Anti-Aunts" '25.*



ROBERT GREENE

*His hands are trained as well as his mind. Annual Staff '25, Glee Club '25, Football '24, '25.*



JOHN B. GEHRING

*Very tall and vigorous is he and very friendly he likes to be.*



ELVIRA GWENDOLYN HARDY

*She is one of those quiet folks, who delight in telling the best of jokes. "Daddy Long Legs" '25.*

THEODORE JAMES HARRIS

*There is no game too funny for him to play it. Glee Club '25.*

EDWARD HOPKINS

*Independent and good natured. Glee Club '25.*

THELMA HENDERSON

*It is the wise head that makes a still tongue. French III '24.*

JAMES HOPKINS

*Thoughts unexpressed mean nothing to him. Vice-Pres. Class Bank.*

HETTIE HARRIS

*Pleasant smiles are worth while. Student Council '25, "Daddy Long Legs" '25.*

CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS HOUSE

*Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm. Editor-in-Chief of Sumnerian '25, Orchestra '25, Junior College Basketball '25, French III '24, "Anti-Aunts" '25.*

THELMA WILLETA ISH

*She is the girl who at most times can put her thoughts right into rhymes.*

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ROBERT G. JACKSON

*He likes a good time and is very well known as Social King. Glee Club '25.*



BERNICE JACKSON

*It's a worry to recite but I don't mind it at times.*



VENITA JACKSON

*She is not afraid of work but not in sympathy with it.*



HERMAN JONES

*Here we measure genius by quality not quantity. Vice-Pres. Classes '22, '23. Annual Staff '25, Student Council '25. Glee Club '25, Student manager '25. "Daddy Long Legs" '25, "Anti-Aunts" '25.*



EVELYN JONES

*She can rate, orate and debate and in all three she is great. Secretary of Senior Class '25. "Daddy Long Legs" '25, Glee Club '25.*



OSCAR EDWARD JONES

*The last word must be his without a doubt, for fear this is the best way out. Football '24, '25. "Daddy Long Legs" '25, Track Team '25.*



LUCILLE ELAINE KING

*I believe I could live the live long day and never run out of something to say. Treas. Sophomore Class '23. Annual Staff '25, Glee Club '25. "Daddy Long Legs" '25, "Anti-Aunts" '25.*



CORINE KIRKWOOD

*No one knows how much she knows.*

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### LOUISE BERTHA LaCOUR

*She is a real French shark; she speaks it and makes the highest mark. "Daddy Long Legs" '25, French III '24.*

### WILLIAM JOSEPH LANE

*Bill likes to work for the benefit of others but never forgets himself.*

### WILMA ELIZABETH LEACH

*Noted for her wit and ready smiles. "Daddy Long Legs" '25, "Anti-Aunts" '25, Glee Club '25.*

### JOHN LUCAS

*Mischief is his middle name; although with a basketball he has won fame. Football '24, Basketball '24, '25.*

### ALLENA RUTH McNAIR

*Never bothers anyone with her troubles but works them out for herself. Treasurer Senior Class '25, Secretary Sophomore Class '23, Annual Staff '25.*

### JOHNETTA MINOR

*Dainty, dignified and adorable.*

### ESTELLA MAE NELSON

*A little vamping now and then is relished by the best of them. Annual Staff '25, Glee Club '25.*

### ULYSSES PLUMMER

*To tease the girls is his greatest joy. Class Basketball Team '25, Glee Club '25, Cheer Leader '22, '23, Track Team '25.*

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ADABOOTH ELNORA PENN

*To be admired needs only to be seen.  
"Anti-Aunts" '25.*



WILLIAM POSEY

*His love for the school is displayed at  
all times; our most consistent Football  
player. Glee Club '25, Football '23,  
'24, Track Team '25.*



CORELIA RAY

*She is gentle, she is shy, but there's  
mischievous in her eye. Class Day Queen  
'25.*



HENRIETTA RICHARDSON

*She always has a smile for everyone.  
Glee Club '25.*



MABEL YVONNE ROBERTS

*It is the quiet people who most surprise  
us by their deeds.*



ALBERTA ROSS

*She doesn't mind doing what she is  
asked; even if it is a difficult task.  
"Daddy Long Legs" '25.*



LOLABELLE CASSIE SHELTON

*I like fun and I like jokes about as  
well as most folks. Glee Club '25.*



LEWIS SEWING

*Life is a serious proposition to me.  
Glee Club '25.*

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DOROTHY LOUISE SPENSER

*Common sense is the work of wisdom.*



BLANCHE STEVENS

*When study interferes with a good time cut out the study.*



STELLA MAE STOKES

*She says what she thinks and gets away with it.*



HAROLD THATCHER

*A modest gentleman with all his friends. Vice-Pres. Classes '24, '25, Football '24, Basketball '24, "Daddy Long Legs" '25, Glee Club '25, Annual Staff '25.*



ANDREW THOMAS

*Sleeping is his favorite occupation. Basketball '25, Football '24.*



JAMES HARRISON THOMAS

*A future Roland Hayes. - Glee Club '25.*



VIRGIL EDWARD TOPP

*To be lively is to be misunderstood. Secretary of Class '22, '24, Track Team '25.*



HAROLD LORENZA WALKER

*Proud of his talent "A musician." Orchestra '24, '25.*





CHAS. PETERSON WASHINGTON  
*You just can't help but like him. Annual Staff '25.*



RONALD BROOKS WASHINGTON  
*Smallness is greatness to him even with the girls. Basketball '25, "Daddy Long Legs" '25, Orchestra '21, '22, '23, Student Council '25.*



THEDONIA WATERS  
*Always friendly, always the same, always square in life's old game.*



ELBERTA WEBB  
*I don't care what happens just so it doesn't happen to me.*



EUGENE WILSON  
*Has a habit of doing things when least expected. Glee Club '25.*



DOCIA LAFORNIA YOUNG  
*I am as big for me as you are for you. "Daddy Long Legs" '25, Glee Club '25.*



IRENE YOUNG  
*What is life without its pleasures.*



RUSSELL YOUNG  
*He expresses all he knows about any subject. Football '23, '24, Orchestra '23, '24, Glee Club '25.*

## Class Achievements '25

The record of the class of 1925 is an outstanding one in the history of the school. The Class of '25 has not been idle one minute during its four years at Sumner because it has been busy piling up records which have never before been made at Sumner High School.

As Freshmen the class organized and took an active part in the school activities. As Freshmen they were honored with a special day in assembly and gave one among the best plays ever given by Freshmen. The play was titled "The Ladies' Football Benefit Society."

As Sophomores, the Class of '25 again distinguished itself by giving a special assembly and presented to the principal of the School, Mr. Hodge, a Red Letter Book, a book which showed the achievements of the Negroes in Kansas City, Kansas. This was the first time in the school that students ever attempted to put into book form the achievements of the Negroes of this city.

In its Junior year the Juniors entertained the Seniors of the Class of '24 with one of the best annual banquets ever given by a Junior Class. The Juniors were also well represented in athletics. Some of the best football players on the squad that year were Purcell Parker, William Posey and Robert Green.

The cantata, "In India," given by the Girls' Glee Club, was composed largely of Juniors.

The class as Seniors made some records that were indeed worthy of fame and praise. It composed nearly the entire football squad and the basketball team. The basketball team won the M. V. I. A. A. basketball trophy.

The Seniors gave as their Annual Senior Play "Daddy Long Legs," which was a great success. The play was very pleasing to the public. Harold Thatcher, a senior, took first place in the Oratorical Contest on Eminent Negroes, a contest which was sponsored by the Book Lover's Club of Kansas City, Missouri. Thatcher, in winning the first place, won for himself a twenty dollar check and silver trophy for the school. His subject was Booker T. Washington.

Evelyn Jones, a member of the Class of '25 took second place in the District Elimination of the Star's National Oratorical Contest on the Constitution. Miss Jones had as her subject, Jefferson and the Constitution.

The Seniors gave a rip roaring carnival, called the King Kole Karnival, in the old cafeteria. The carnival had every feature that goes to make a successful one.

Next to the final event was a May Fete in the new gymnasium, which constituted the Class Day Program.

The final event for the Seniors was commencement along with which came the usual activities that made graduation "Senior Paradise."

Such is the history that the Seniors of '25 leave behind them. It is with much regret that we leave these dear old beloved walls of Sumner, for our days spent within them have been happy ones. Yet we rejoice that all those left behind will receive and enjoy all that we have found in dear old Sumner High.

EVELYN JONES '25.



THE SENIOR CLASS AS FRESHMEN IN 1922.



## Senior Wish

We, the Senior Class of nineteen hundred and twenty-five, of Sumner High School, Kansas City, Wyandotte County, State of Kansas, joined in our hearts and minds for success of Sumner High School and for our successors in its scholastic walls, do sincerely wish:

That the standard set by this class may not fall but be increased, if possible, by the future classes of this school.

The best of success for all members of our class of nineteen hundred and twenty-five.

Success to the Principal and faculty of Sumner High School.

That better appreciation be shown of the new gym and cafeteria.

That better support be given to the school athletics.

That tardiness in the school be decreased.

That better respect to the teachers be given by all the students.

That the assemblies may continue to improve in interest.

That the student body may co-operate better with the faculty in carrying out the rules of the school.

That the standard of this school be upheld by all teachers and students.

That the Sumner spirit may forever exist throughout this school.





III.

The following are names of the students who enrolled in Sumner Junior College in 1923-1924 and 1924-1925:

1923-1924.

Leota Tribue  
 Helna Shelton  
 Elias Douglas  
 William Morgan  
 Dalhia Thompson  
 Clifford Esthers  
 Emerson Shannon  
 Laverne Worden  
 King Spencer  
 Minnie Cooper  
 Gladys Davis  
 Stella Harrison  
 Florence Jackson  
 Helen Seals  
 Ethelee Smith  
 Thelma Gwens  
 Ethel Howard  
 Ozella Henderson  
 Paul Rhodman  
 Gertrude Langford  
 Mabelle Reynolds

1924-1925.

Ione Cole  
 Bennie Bozeman  
 Mabelle Reynolds  
 Robert Ross  
 Charles Davis  
 Elijah Washington  
 Elnor Clinch  
 Dalhia Thompson  
 Leota Tribue  
 Dorthula Bougess  
 King Spencer  
 Howard Parks  
 Cozzetta Kingsberry Seals  
 Columbus House  
 Ewell Austin  
 Harold Thatcher  
 Harry Browne

Among the students who have taken advantage of the Sumner Junior College are: Students who are working for a teacher's life certificate; students who are working for a degree; and, others who are working for various certificates.

Of the 1923-1924 class:

Miss Langford is now employed as teacher in the public school system of Kansas City, Mo.

## Historical Sketch of Sumner Junior College

COZZETA KINGSBERRY SEALS

The proposition having been voted upon by the people in the spring of 1923, the Board of Education decided to establish the Junior College course in the Central High School, Ninth St. and Minnesota Ave., and at Sumner High School.

Any resident of Kansas City, Kansas, who has finished a four-year High School course in any city offering the equivalent of our High School course is eligible for the Junior College course, without payment of tuition. This fact alone is worthy of consideration because the cost of one year's College training away from home is never less than \$500.

The advantages claimed for the Junior College organized in the home town of the pupils, as reported by various school officials, are:

1. The Junior College is more economical for the student.
2. The classes are smaller.
3. The students remain under the home influence longer.
4. The students receive more personal attention from teachers.
5. The teaching methods are better adapted to adolescents.
6. Higher education is brought within reach of more people.
7. A greater number are encouraged to complete the college course in a University.
8. The everyday life of the pupil in the home town Junior College is more normal than in a big University.
9. The opportunity for the development of leadership is greater in the Junior College.
10. The young man or woman remains more in touch with the community life, than he or she would where all would be university life.

Then, too, credits earned in the Junior College are accepted by the University of Kansas, or other state Colleges, on the same basis as if the work had been pursued there. This makes it possible for High School graduates to do the first two years of College work at home. If such students enter the State University late it will be possible for them to graduate in two years.



# JUNIORS



JUNIOR CLASS.



## Achievements of Junior Class

As Freshmen we entered Sumner High with the school spirit. David Henderson won the Chamber of Commerce essay contest, and a cup for the school. The class presented two one-act plays in assembly to the student body. Our Freshman year was one of success.

In 1923 we entered Sumner as Sophomores with the aim of doing greater things. The Courier staff was composed largely of Sophomores. The class was represented in basketball and tennis.

Our Junior year was one of many achievements. Juanita Washington won an essay contest sponsored by Mr. Hodge. The class team tied with the Senior team for the championship in the inter-class basketball tournament. Juanita Washington won second prize in the Book Lover's Club Oratorical Contest.

Isabel M. Thompson won second place in the Star's Oratorical Contest in the elimination held in the school.

The Junior track team won the inter-class track meet. The class had two representatives on the varsity team which won the M. V. I. A. A. championship. The Juniors presented the annual Junior Play, "Miss Somebody Else," to the public.

### JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Maeday Gayden.....	President
Mandell Hickman.....	Vice-President
Bernice Wilson.....	Secretary
Lee Jackson.....	Treasurer

JUANITA WASHINGTON '26.



## Just Imagine

If Miss Daniel should use slang,  
And Mr. Mowbray the door should bang;  
If Mr. Lewis should ever be late,  
And Mr. Buster should gain in weight;  
If Miss Pendleton chewed Fan Tan gum,  
And Mr. Reynolds would ragtime hum;  
If Mr. Williams should forget to give a test,  
And Miss Davis from poems would give a rest;  
If Mr. Curry would smile all day,  
And Miss Kealing a cross word would say;  
If Mr. Taylor should be heard to swear,  
And Miss Burke a calico dress would wear;  
Wouldn't you expect the skies to fall,  
Or the world receive the judgment call?

ALBERTA ROSS '25.



Hope, like the gleaming taper's light  
Adorns and cheers our way;  
And, still, as darker grows the night  
Emits a brighter ray.

—Goldsmith.

How strong and sweet is Sumner's care,  
That round about us like the air,  
Is with us always, everywhere;  
She cares for us in despair.

Thus at the flaming forge of life  
Our fortunes must be wrought,  
Thus on its sounding anvil shaped  
Each burning deed and thought.

—Longfellow.

Some boys have gotten an education  
without going to school; many boys have  
gone to school without getting an edu-  
cation; but the best way to get an educa-  
tion is to go to school.

—Lyman Abbott.

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SOPHOMORE

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SOPHOMORE CLASS.

## Achievements of Sophomores

The Sophomore class has been exceedingly progressive during its time in the Senior High School. The Sophomore class has been well represented in all activities because of its ability.

The following officers were elected to lead the Sophomore class of 1925: Earl Caruthers, president; Odie Bronson, vice-president; Ina Moore, secretary; Eyra Fields, treasurer.

Manuel Jackson and Joseph Lowe, Sophomore members of the school team, received the letter "S" in basketball. The girls were not in the league this year, but a number of them were active in basketball. We are proud to say that Earl Caruthers, Frank Stewart, Percy Hickman, James Feeves, George Clinch, Herbert Moore, Santos Swancy, Edward Flower, Adolph Ballew, George Kitchen, John C. Williams, Oliver Riley and Frank Chambers participated in inter-class track meets.

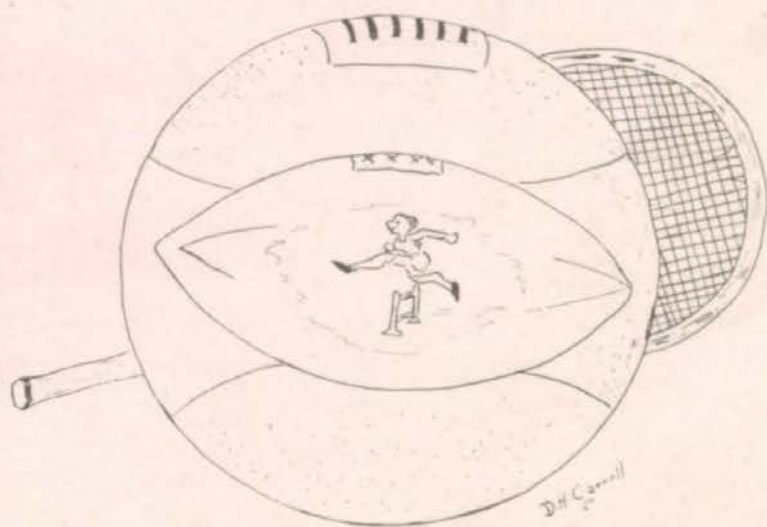
In the Girls' Glee Club eighteen girls were active; in Boys' Glee Club sixteen boys took parts. The Sophomores were represented by six members in the orchestra.

The Sophomores do not lead, but they make such good followers that soon they will have the front place. Furthermore, since the Sophomores buy and use more books than the other classes they must have the advantage of knowledge gained. They pay more street-car fares, wear more shoes, go to more movies and read more newspapers than any other class. They also eat more than the others—sleep more. Why is all this true? The answer is simple.

LEAH C. WILSON '27.







# ACTIVITIES

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## SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

Harry Browne.....	President
Harold Thatcher.....	Vice-President
Evelyn Jones.....	Secretary
Allena McNair.....	Treasurer

## CLASS MOTTO

*"Non Palma Sine Labore"—No Victory Without Labor.*

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- Top right: ROBERT GREEN (tilted)
- Middle left: E.M. NELSON (rectangular)
- Middle center: LUCILLE KING (rectangular)
- Middle right: RUBY BEATTY (rectangular)
- Bottom left: H.W. HATCHER (tilted)
- Bottom center: D.H. CARROLL (rectangular)
- Bottom right: F.L. FRANKLIN (tilted)
- Bottom center: ALLENA MENAIE (rectangular)

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## B. B. CHAMPIONS

**SUMNER TEAM IS DECLARED CHAMPIONS OF MISSOURI VALLEY A. ASSOCIATION FOR 1925**

The Sumner High School basketball team, which won the 1925 championship of the Missouri Valley A. Association, held their victory parade in the gymnasium on Thursday night. The team, which defeated the Kansas City team in the final game, was led by Coach J. W. Pearson. The team's record for the season was 12 wins and 2 losses.

## THE FASTEST FINGERS

The fastest fingers in the city were competing in the annual "Finger Race" held in the gymnasium on Wednesday. The race was won by a student from the Sumner High School. The race was held to raise money for the school's athletic equipment.

## SUPT. PEARSON TO FACULTY

Superintendent Pearson addressed the faculty members of Sumner High School on Thursday. He discussed the school's progress and the challenges ahead. He emphasized the importance of high standards and the need for continuous improvement.

## OKLAHOMA GAMES

**OUR BOYS LOSE ONE AND WIN ONE IN OKLAHOMA COURTS AND ACCEPT DEFEAT AT FORT SCOTT**

The basketball team from Sumner High School played two games in Oklahoma on their recent trip. They lost to the team from Tulsa and won against the team from Fort Scott. The team's performance was praised by the fans and the coaching staff.

## OUR PARENTS MEET

A Boy and a Girl Win Prizes in Contest To Secure Most Parents

## VISITORS GIVE ADVICE

Dr. W. W. Lewis Gives Message and Mrs. Farmer Teacher Tells Us How To Choose a Job



The principal of the school was the guest of honor at the meeting. He discussed the school's progress and the challenges ahead. He emphasized the importance of high standards and the need for continuous improvement.

## IN W. U. ASSEMBLY

Eighty-seven members of the W. U. Assembly met on Thursday. The assembly discussed the school's progress and the challenges ahead. They voted on several resolutions and elected new officers for the coming year.

Dr. Lewis gave a message to the assembly, emphasizing the importance of high standards and the need for continuous improvement. Mrs. Farmer also gave a message, discussing the importance of choosing a good job.

## MR. HONNELL SHOWERED

The pupils of Miss Denny's English class were treated to a shower by Mr. Honnell. The shower was held in the gymnasium and was a great success. The pupils enjoyed the gifts and the attention.

## STUNTS TO GET FIRST AWARDS

Three pupils have won the first prizes in the stunts contest. They performed a variety of stunts and were well-received by the audience. The contest was held in the gymnasium and was a great success.

## HIG TURN OUT FOR TRACK

Last Friday's track meet was a great success. The turnout was the highest in the school's history. The students enjoyed the races and the activities. The meet was held in the gymnasium and was a great success.

## TO GIVE PLAYLET

Mr. Lewis has chosen the play "The Quiet Family" to be given in the assembly. The play is a comedy and is expected to be a great success. The assembly will be held in the gymnasium and will be a great success.

## LEARNING TO SERVE

Last Friday the fourth-year students were given a lesson in learning to serve. They were given a chance to help the younger students and to learn the importance of service. The lesson was held in the gymnasium and was a great success.

## HONESTY EXEMPLIFIED

The boy who has the courage to be honest in the presence of his own group, was the winner of the honesty contest. He was well-received by the audience and his honesty was praised by the judges.

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## The Sumner Courier

As a country without a creed, a nation without a hymn, so a school without a paper is devoid of that mutual and sympathetic feeling that should exist between its constituents. A school publication not only promotes a better understanding between pupil and pupil, and pupil and teacher, but it keeps both keyed up to a high degree of school pride and love that cannot be attained otherwise; and it keeps the pupil awake to the numerous activities in the school. Above all it creates a desire for the higher principles of life.

Hidden talents of pupils have cropped out in original poems and stories in a friendly spirit of emulation. Editorials, which give the faculty an opportunity to see problems from a student's viewpoint; athletics, always an interesting phase of the paper; business talks, valuable especially to those who intended to branch out in that field; record of assemblies which keep fresh in the minds of the students the aspects most beneficial; the proverbs of Solomon, with their splendid advice; the chips, which tell of interesting incidents that might otherwise pass unnoticed; and other miscellaneous articles—these are the features that make our paper a little scout worthy of recognition.

The members of the staff, with Miss Andrews as sponsor, have indeed derived a deal of pleasure and inspiration from their work and anticipate higher goals next year to keep Sumner on the map.

*The Courier is a joy forever,  
Its usefulness increases.  
It will never pass into nothingness  
But still will keep a memory quiet for us,  
And a sleep  
Full of sweet dreams, and health and quiet breathing.  
Therefore in every issue we are wreathing  
An endless chain to bind us to our school.*



## The Summerian



The members of the orchestra are as follows:

Ethel Fitchue.....	Piano
Alice Tolliver.....	Violin
Meredith Penn.....	Violin
William Frelain.....	Violin
Avalee Roland.....	Violin
Harold Walker.....	Clarinet
Columbus House.....	Clarinet
Ewell Austin.....	Saxophone
Earl Caruthers.....	Saxophone
Hortest Rolen.....	Saxophone
Edward Lewis.....	Drum and Baritone
Edward Flowers (Temporary).....	Cornet
Robert Cotton (Temporary).....	Violin

Edward Flowers and Robert Cotton were not regular members of the orchestra, but played with them on several occasions. Three members of the orchestra will graduate this year. They are Ewell Austin, Columbus House, and Harold Walker.

## L'Orchestre

The orchestra at Sumner this year, although very small in number, rendered great service to the school. At the opening of school in September, 1924, the orchestra assembled for its first practice with all new members except two, Alice Tolliver and Harold Walker.

All instruments were tuned to the piano and each member was assigned a seat according to the regular arrangement of the orchestra.

Most of the members at the beginning seemed to think that the orchestra period was one of recreation, but they were soon convinced at the close of the first six-weeks' period when their reports were issued to them.

Since there were many new members in the orchestra, several weeks passed before they played for the assembly. On many occasions during the year we had great speakers visit our school and speak in the assemblies. It was at these times that the orchestra played some very classical pieces, which were very highly complimented by the different speakers.

The first service the orchestra rendered outside of the school was its playing for the Senior play, "Daddy Long Legs," which was given at the Kansas City, Kansas, High School.

It was next called upon to render music for a play in which a few members of our faculty took parts. The play was "Happiness," given by a local sorority.

At a meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Association of our school the orchestra played several numbers and received much applause. On Sunday, April 19, 1925, the orchestra rendered music for a program given at the Citizen's Forum at Metropolitan Baptist Church, of our city.

The school term was drawing near a close when the Juniors of our school had the Junior play, "Miss Somebody Else," ready to present to the public. The orchestra rendered music for the occasion and was again highly complimented for its playing.

It was now spring time and the orchestra was spending most of its time practicing music for Commencement night.

COLUMBUS HOUSE '25.



## Who's Who in Class of '25

The Charleston King.....	H. J.
Champion Eater.....	E. B.
Social Butterfly.....	A. P.
P. C.....	H. T.
Popular Girl.....	L. K.
Quietest.....	E. D.
Smiling Beauty.....	W. L.
President of 6-hr. class.....	O. B.
Ivory Tickler.....	C. W.
Cartoonist.....	H. B.
Social King.....	E. A.
Sweetest Girl.....	G. C.
Wittiest.....	F. F.
Neatest.....	R. G.
Pep Generator.....	C. H.
Giant.....	J. G.
Midget.....	D. Y.
Cry Baby.....	S. S.
Bashful Boy.....	V. T.
Cleopatra.....	J. D.
Fashion Plate.....	C. R.
Modest.....	H. R.
"Merchandiser".....	R. G. J.
Best Natured.....	A. M.
Confidence-man.....	J. H.
Scribe.....	B. S.
Speculator.....	W. L.
Athlete.....	J. L.
Musicians.....	R. W. and H. W.
Class Orator.....	E. J.
Class Poet.....	J. D.





GIRLS AND BOYS GLEE CLUBS.

## Growing Interest of French in the School

The first French class at Sumner was started in 1919 as an outgrowth of the popularity of the French language during the war. As it seemed likely at that time that the boys would enter service, it was decided that little knowledge of French would be an advantage to them. This class was very small, and being largely composed of seniors, did not grow into a French II class the following year. It was not until the class of '25 that the quality of material in sufficient number was secured, to justify the continuance of the French course.

The study of French afforded much pleasure for us and more for the teacher in our freshman year. Out of the class of '25, three followed the course three consecutive years. During the first year we used Frasier and Squair grammar and translated many poems, stories and extracts from speeches. In addition we presented, in the assembly, the play entitled "L'homme et L'an, in French. Even though our audience was not all French and the words were recognized only here and there, the play was enjoyed by everyone.

Interest was so high at the end of the first year that at the beginning of the second year there were nineteen students enrolled in the French class. We first translated "La Tour de La France," which increased both our knowledge of France and our vocabulary. A study of the few new words made it possible for our translation to be very accurate for second year students. We next translated two plays, "La Poudre Aux Yeux" and "La Medicin Malgre Lui." As a result Miss Kealing decided to let us present the latter in the assembly. This time the play was given in English and was well received.

To keep up the interest we subscribed to the French paper, "Le Petit Journal," which is published in America with direct communication from the French press. French students appreciate the advantage gained.

We learned that there is no greater courtesy in letters than that which is shown in letters from French students. There was probably no more interesting results from our third year's work than direct communication with French students—a direct exchange of letters, cards, and photographs. The French students wrote parts of their letters in French and part in English, and we responded in like fashion. This method enabled us to read correct French composition and to have our errors corrected; at the same time perfecting the English of the French-speaking students.

You can readily see that we do not hesitate to say that our class gave impetus to the next classes. Now there are more than seventy-five pupils studying French. We shall never forget the three years we spent in the French class. Although we are leaving, we are hoping that we have formed the engine, by the result of our three years' study, that will draw the French classes through the years.

LOUISE B. LACOUR '25.

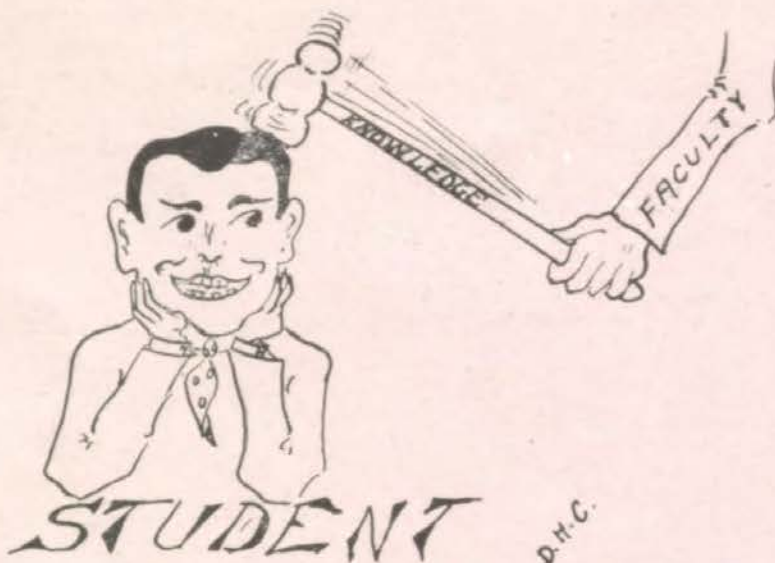




THE SENIOR PLAY CAST.



A SCENE AT THE CLOSE OF "DADDY LONG LEGS" SENIOR PLAY.



**NOT A FIRE IT'S  
LUNCH**



SOCIOLOGY CLASS BANK.

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Claude Clendenan.....	President
James Hopkins.....	Vice-President
Henrietta Richardson.....	Cashier
Evelyn Jones.....	Assistant Cashier
Elmer Clinch.....	Bookkeeper

The Sociology class, early in the year, organized a class bank, this organization has in a great measure helped many of Sumner's scholars, and the students received much practical experience as officers and directors.

The bank loaned money to many students of the school at many times to save them of making trips home, especially when they needed money immediately.



## Our Assemblies

The old rhyme about every day being Sunday, if Sumner High School students were arranging the schedule, would be paraphrased into every day will be assembly day by and by. Fortunately, for our education, but unfortunately, from the students point of view, it is customary to set aside one day for an assembly, unless a distinguished visitor happens to look in upon us, when a special assembly is called.

The original purpose of an assembly is to furnish stimulating food for the mind, as well as to offer an opportunity for relaxation in the regular routine. The class of '25 has been especially fortunate in having had assembly speakers of a very high character, whose messages will live with us long after school experience has passed away.

Early in the school year, we were favored with a series of programs sponsored by the Redpath-Honer Lyceum Bureau; of which the Dumonde Male Quartet, Mr. Packard, the cartoonist, and Mr. Hilton Ira Jones were the outstanding figures.

Mr. Perry, of Atlanta, Georgia, made quite an interesting appeal to the student body. He assured us that the business world of today is looking and searching for men and women, boys and girls, who can be instrumental in society rather than ornamental.

We are always proud to have in our midst such race men as Dr. Haysen, who was presented to us in one of our assemblies by our own Rev. Bronson, of Metropolitan Baptist Temple. Dr. Haysen is a poet, minister and musician of London, England. Dr. Haysen spoke to us on a subject entitled "The History of the Future Negro Race." He said that the American Negro considers himself a down trodden race with a glorious past, a gloomy present, and a still gloomier future. However, science, through the law of cyclical evolution, has proven that every race has its gloomy period and its brilliant epochs, but power much change hands, for "no kingdom, reared by man, can stand forever."

Frederick Douglass and Booker T. Washington were cited as examples to be emulated by other Negroes in order, that when the perior of our ascendancy over the nations of the world arrives, it will be ushered in by intelligence and broad mindedness and not ignorance and superstition. Dr. Haysen spoke to us in such an impressive manner that his speech will long be remembered in our after life.

Sumner is always proud to welcome back her former students. Mrs. Frances Watson, who received a vision to answer duty's call in the halls and school rooms of Sumner years ago, paid us a visit after her return from Africa. She gave us a splendid view of African curios, which she had collected. We were especially proud to hear Mrs. Watson, and hope that the class of '25 is now preparing to answer duty's call.

Life seems to be just a smile at Sumner, for seemingly all the blessings of youth are bestowed upon us at Sumner.

Chaplain Carter was too a pleasant visitor and entertainer at Sumner. Mrs. Ida Wells-Barnett as no other speaker has urged us as young people to catch the vision and take on more race pride for our future race betterment.

Two of the most impressive addresses were those of Judge Harrison of Chicago and Rev. Brown of West Virginia. The subject of Judge Harrison's address was "Making the Right Kind of Foundation in Youth." Rev. Brown's address was entitled, "What Kind of Impressions Are You Now Giving the World?" I am sure that if we would mold our lives from these two address we will make the men and women of tomorrow of which our race will feel proud.

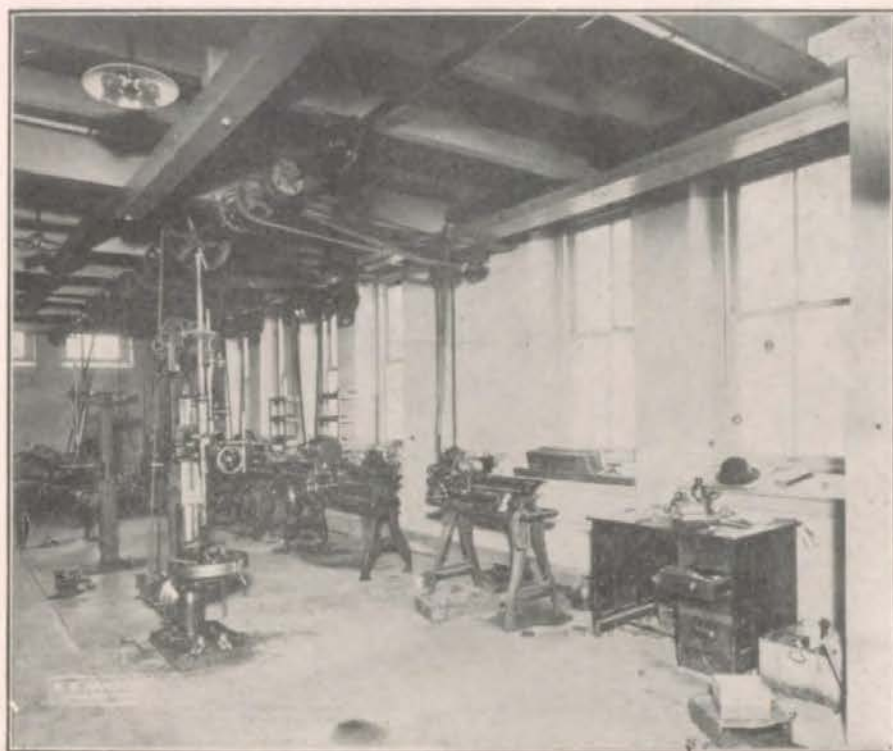
ELIZABETH ELMORE '25.

## 1905-1925

Time brings its changes, and the watchword is "Progress." In 1905, Sumner was a small, new-born school, fighting for its right to live. Its only legitimate claim to life was in the bright, eager faces of the few earnest boys and girls who came and went, but who also *tarried* to drink at the fountain of knowledge. Four teachers, sixty-five pupils; five graduates, all girls. That was Sumner in 1905! Presto change! Now look at Sumner. A senior high school, recognized far and wide as a Class A school. Sixteen teachers, three hundred sixty pupils and eighty graduates grace her class rooms now.

Three cheers for Sumner!

G. B. BUSTER.



THE MACHINE SHOP.  
(Mr. Mowbray's Favorite Room.)

## L'Historie Importante

October 24, 1924, Sumner engaged in its hardest and feature football game of the season. This game was played with Linclon, which was Sumner's hardest rival of the season. It was the most interesting game witnessed for many years by the enthusiastic Sumnerites. Our boys played a good game both on the defense and the offense, but came out on the short end of a 15-12 score. The game ended in a mist of darkness.

Robert Greene, being chosen as the manual artist of the class of '25, taught manual training in a grade school of this city one hour of each week for the Board of Education.

Columbus House and Herman Jones were the first representatives of any annual staff of this school to attend the Editorial-Business Conference held at Kansas University, Lawrence, Kansas.

The Senior class of '25 initiated Sumner's new gymnasium in May, 1925, with their Junior-Senior reception. It was the best reception ever given by any Junior class at Sumner. Hurrah! The Seniors of '25.

Columbus House, Ewell Austin, Harry Browne and Harold Thatcher studied in the Junior College of Sumner, along with their high school work, during their Senior year. These were the first Seniors to make use of this opportunity.

Elizabeth Elmore won second prize in the Kansas State Chemical Essay Contest 1925.

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### THE CLASS MOTTO

*Non Palma Sine Lobore—No Victory Without Labor*





OUR CAFETERIA.

Sumner has, for a long time, desired and needed a gymnasium. The desire has finally been accomplished, and it is appreciated very much by the school. The gym was completed in 1924 and was ready for use at the opening of school in September, 1924. The Seniors of '25 were the first Senior class to make use of the gym.

The gymnasium was built at a cost of \$50,000. The building includes, on the second floor, the basketball court and balcony; on the first floor, separate shower rooms for both girls and boys, a domestic science room, and cafeteria. The cafeteria is the lightest, largest, and most up-to-date in the city among the high schools.



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### CLASS POEM

There was a class of Freshmen  
That four long years ago  
Entered Sumner to find out just what  
They did not know.

Bright were their eyes as twinkling stars,  
Their faces like the dawn of day,  
And their hopes and ambitions were high  
As the birds that fly in May.

Some, the young and weak, who were  
Unprepared for one year's strife,  
In Algebra and English perished, unable  
To solve the problems of school life.

Then appeared a smart senior, who said  
As many other bores,  
Our trouble had not begun until  
We were sophomores.

In the sophomore class we quit all  
Our foolishness and our play,  
And the problems that perplexed us  
Vanished quite away.

We would sit until midnight,  
And through the gathering shade,  
Study the books piled round us  
While the geometry and Caesar played.

Being sophomores too long we tired;  
With high ambitions and uplifted eyes,  
We saw fame and honor  
And a path to higher destinies.

The solving of the hardest problems in each day's routine,  
That with the hours began and ended  
Were but steps leading to the junior class  
By which we ascended.

In dear old Sumner high school  
There was a junior class;  
This was a famous group  
Who all others surpassed,  
And even the seniors, young and old,  
Took their advice and sass.

Juniors were we, wise and great,  
With the wisdom of the ages,  
And studying books as Cicero  
And physics of many pages  
We solved the hardest problems  
That baffled the ancient sages.



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For nine long months thru every day  
Stronger grew our determination,  
That we might feel as the dignified seniors  
The thrill of a graduation,  
And finally the crisis came  
With the last examination

We passed in all the examinations; our brains  
That siffered the strains  
That we might leave the senior class  
And our ranking be higher than the last  
With knowledge and wisdom more vast,  
So that after four years we could be free,  
To start our journey o'er life's unresting sea!

We became famous seniors, whom under classmen revered,  
Except the jealous juniors, who sneered;  
The famous class that will always be  
In the halls of fame of Sumner's memory,  
As the greatest and the most wisest,  
As achievers of renown and success  
Other senior classes were good; we  
Are the best.

Year after year beheld our silent plight  
That increased our knowledge and our light,  
Still, as we in dreams did frame  
Our honors, our desires, and our fame,  
Thought how even life's cruel blame  
Could be stood even by our class.  
Just to have greater problems and be  
Over the grades of the past.

Oh seniors of '25, who have lived four long years,  
Through hopes and fears,  
As our school career shall end,  
Where life's school and lessons begin,  
Shall do as well in life's school again,  
As we did do  
In dear old Sumner high school, four long years through.

Toiling—rejoicing—sorrowing  
To higher realms we go,  
Where we can reap greater success  
And higher ambitions sow,  
Where our thoughts may to higher levels rise  
And our wisdom unchecked flow.

We shall solve the greatest problems of our souls,  
As life's years do roll,  
Where greater fame we shall win  
Greater deeds and success in life again  
Then shall the everlasting rest begin  
For the famous class of '25  
Whose name and fame shall always be alive.

JAMES A. DAVIS '25.



JUNIOR PLAY CAST.



STUDENT COUNCIL.

## Catching Up With Our Heads

The process of walking is one of leaning forward until we are about to fall, then putting a foot forward to make our centers of gravity catch up with our heads. Heads are symbols of intellect; feet typify understanding; equilibrium is wisdom. Real progress is not complete when the intellect leans or reaches forward. Understanding and interpretation of facts must follow. Lastly, readjustment corresponding to understanding is made. These three steps constitute progress, and place us on higher ground.

By the time pupils graduate from high school they have usually leaned forward intellectually. They have projected their minds into various kinds of knowledge, but true equilibrium will not be established until knowledge adjusts itself to harmonious reaction with gravity or wisdom.

It is hoped, graduates, that you will weigh, estimate, test out, and assimilate what knowledge you have gathered, but most of all, we hope you will put it to practical use. Your knowledge of history and social problems should be steadied by ideals that are applied. If your study of science has not led you to a faith in an all-wise, infinite Being, then your head is too far ahead of your center of gravity. If, in your study of the world's literature you have peered behind the author's stories, dramas, and poems, into their faiths and philosophies, you have leaned forward. But, only when you make these truths, aims, and ideals function in your everyday life, are you catching up with your heads. When "men know better than they act" they are usually falling.

Sumner High School teachers have laid knowledge before you, and have tried to show you how, after grasping, to straighten up to contemplate this knowledge. When put in possession of knowledge you are taught. When correct application of knowledge has become a habit by your own choice and perseverance you are educated.

J. A. HODGE.



## Class Day Program

The class day program was held on the 26th day of May in our new gymnasium. Our program was in the form of a May fete. This form of class day program has been attempted only once in the history of the school but was attempted in vain. The success of this program was due largely to the faculty sponsors in the persons of Miss Kealing, chairman; Mr. Taylor and Miss Daniel; and the senior class committee, Harold Thatcher, Evelyn Jones, James Davis and Maidee Campbell.

The scene of the May Fete was laid on an imaginary Sumner Isle, which was about to be vacated for better lands by its individuals (the Senior class).

The leave taking was featured by jubilant festivities presided over by the queen of the island. Her entrance was preceded by pages and the "Dance of Flower Girls" and accompanied by ladies in waiting. Being proud of the accomplishments of the subjects the queen's first request was that their Illustrious History be reviewed as an inspiration for future work.

Although pleased with past accomplishments the perpetual Grumbler at this time addressed the Queen on the subject of the tribe's complaint against existing conditions, such as the length of lessons, the hardness of seats and the infrequency of the lunch period.

The spirit of generosity then prompted the groups to leave to the incoming race the best of their possession. The gift was made through the will.

The festivities continued through the beautiful dance of the May Pole and the intensive prophecy of the Soothsayer who aided each person to fulfill his prophecy by the donation of a suitable gift.

By this time everyone was in such a joyous mood that they burst into song. This ended the habitation of Sumner Island by the Senior Tribe of 1925.

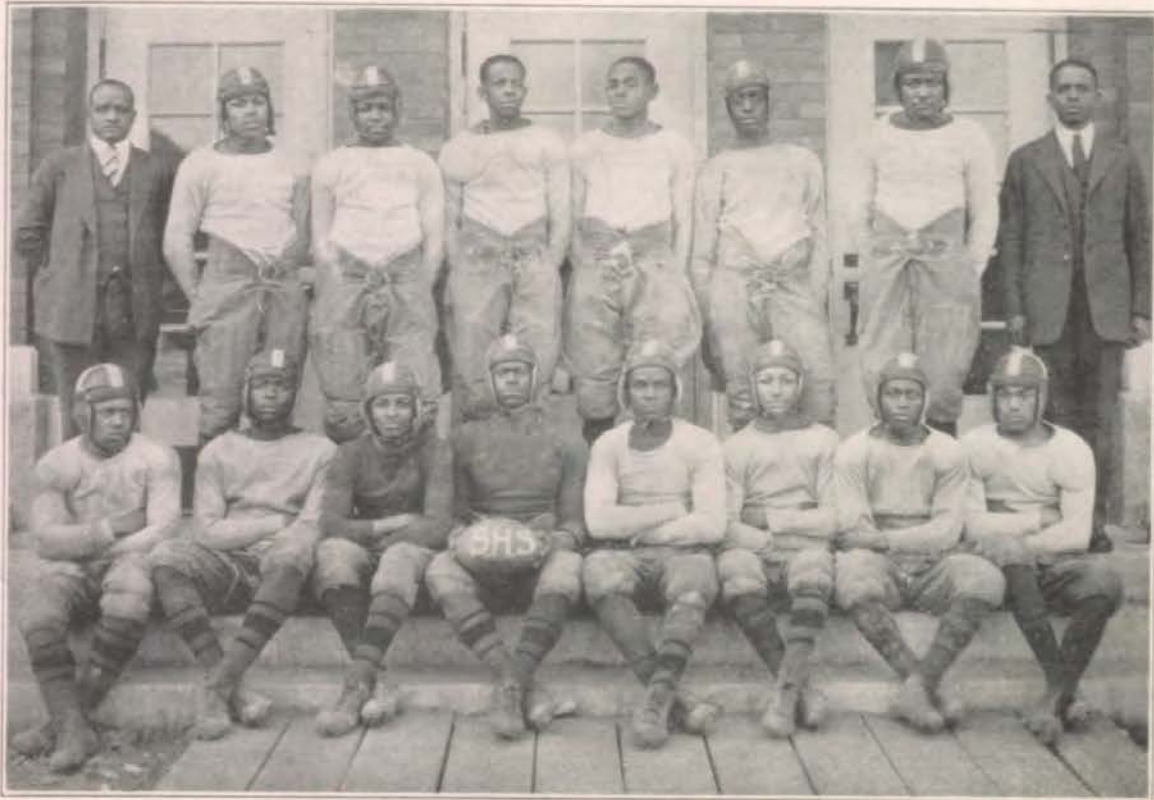
Class Will.....	Charles Washington
Class Giftorian.....	Columbus House
Class Prophecy.....	{ James Hopkins } Freddie Franklin

# ATHLETICS





OUR NEW GYMNASIUM.



OUR FOOTBALL MATERIAL

Dowdal Carroll, Robert Greene, Russell Young, William Posey, Junior Greene, Oscar Jones, Clarence Dillingham, Anderson Carey, William Cooper, John Lucas, Frank Chambers, James Gaines, Harold Thatcher, Lehman Walker and Horace Dwiggins and our coach, Mr. Edwards.

Much credit is due our coach, Mr. Edwards, for such splendid material he has prepared for Sumner's prosperity. He is very popular with his team and entire student body. He is undoubtedly the best coach for training a football squad we could have been awarded. As a result of his faithful work throughout the season along with his teachings we can look forward to many bright futures.

SUMMARY OF SCORES

I. Sumner vs. St. Joe .....	6—4
II. Sumner vs. Western University .....	0—28
III. Sumner vs. Lincoln High .....	12—15
IV. Sumner vs. Bartlett High .....	0—0



## Line-up of the Football Season

When the call for volunteers was given early in September our coach, Mr. Edwards, was greatly inspired by the squad who first presented themselves as true Sumnerites. A great improvement was made in this respect as in former years. The boys seemed greatly interested and by their go-at-it-ness and stick-to-it-ness Sumner was soon ready for the league.

Carroll, captain-elect, proved his eligibility at the first game in St. Joe. Smashing defeats for St. Joe were caused by Carroll. We are sorry to lose Carroll as he leaves in May. Jones was our big, hard hitting full-back. Jones with his drop kick brought many of his opponents to grief. His shoes are hard to fill. Jones goes out in May. Dillingham was the tall fellow who held position as right-tackle. Next year will hold its victory for Dillingham. Robert Greene, our right half-back and guard, whose place can never be filled, was one of the hardest fighters on the team. He also leaves in May.

Posey was hooked on the end position and held it throughout the season, bringing many an opponent to the ground and gaining many a yard for Sumner. He leaves in May. Young was a credit to Sumner, always fighting for a smash-up for his opponent. Young leaves in May. Thatcher, our half-back, was rounded out in splendid form this year. He was a scrapping, defensive player. His high school career ends in May.

Carey was for part of the season quarterback. By his many scrappings Sumner was saved a defeat at St. Joe. He will be eligible next year. Lucas was eligible for only the first part of the season but proved his many credits to the team. He leaves also in May. Junior Green, second to Posey, was a hard player who stopped many a play that would have won a point for his opponent.

Our closest and hardest game was with Lincoln who emerged with a victory of 15 to 12. With the many hardships our boys had to deal with they endured them all and were not at all discouraged. The prospects are bright for a good team next fall.

ESTELLA NELSON '25.





Valley Champions 1925



THE SEASON'S SCORES

Sumner .....	24	Lawrence .....	17
Sumner .....	24	Lawrence .....	13
Sumner .....	40	Western Academy .....	11
Sumner .....	25	St. Joseph .....	14
Sumner .....	17	Western Academy .....	18
Sumner .....	13	Lincoln .....	11
Sumner .....	33	Western Baptist College.....	3
Sumner .....	28	St. Joseph .....	16
Sumner .....	14	Lincoln .....	11
Sumner .....	18	Alumni .....	12
Sumner .....	11	Fort Scott .....	12
Sumner .....	9	Muskogee .....	8
Sumner .....	10	Tulsa .....	19
Sumner .....	12	Fort Scott .....	13

Much credit is due Mr. Edwards, our coach, and Mr. Williams, our athletic director, for training our championship team of 1924-1925, and to them the Senior class of 1925, dedicate the following ode:

*"Faithful to their daily trust  
Always gentle, always just."*

## Our Champions

Our basketball team of 1924-1925 won the M. V. I. A. A. championship. At the beginning of the school year, Sumner's greatest desire was to win the championship. With the very best training a group of athletes could receive, and with the Sumner fighting spirit, our boys opened the league with victories, and a desire to win the cup.

The first game of the season, with our boys, was played at Lawrence. Our boys left in a spirit as if to tell the world they were going to bring home the bacon. The game was one of unusual interest, and Sumner won by a score of 24 to 17. The following week we played Lawrence again in our own gym, and won from them our second game of the season.

Although Western was one of our hardest opponents our boys handed them a smashing defeat of 40-11. This was our first game of the season played with Western in our gym. The schedule was so arranged that the following week we played Western again. This game created more excitement and enthusiasm than any other game of the season. The game was thrilling from start to finish, but our boys came out on the short end of the score, 17-18. This was the only league game we lost during the season.

Then came our hardest game of the season with Lincoln on her court. Every player on our team was anxious to beat Lincoln, as well as the student body, and seemed to put forth every bit of energy. The score was tied four times during the game, but with one minute to play, and the score tied, the last time, our boys made a field goal which won the game, 13-11, and brought tears to many Lincolnites.

Our next game was with Bartlett High School of St. Joseph, played there. The game was an easy victory for Sumner, the score being 28-16 in our favor.

Our boys seemed to be on a good road to the championship, and on March 7, 1925, they played Lincoln the second and last time of the season on our court. This game was the one that was to determine who would win the championship, Sumner or Lincoln. Our gym was crowded with rooters of both schools and with many Alumni students. All players and the coaches of each team were formally introduced by our student manager.

The game then started. Our boys scored first, and soon piled up a good lead which they held until the last quarter, when Lincoln pulled up and tied the score at 12-12. Rooters of both schools were then brought to their feet with yells for their players, but finally in the last two minutes to play our boys dropped in the winning goal and the score ended 14-12 in favor of Sumner.

Our last game of the season was played with Bartlett of St. Joe on our court. We won the game easily by a score of 25-14.

The Sumner basketeers, having won the M. V. I. A. A. championship, were given a trip through Oklahoma and Kansas. They played the teams of Muskogee and Tulsa in Oklahoma and Fort Scott in Kansas. The boys lost the games at Tulsa and Fort Scott, but won at Muskogee. They enjoyed the trip very much and were treated with many parties, some of which they did not attend. Fort Scott made a visit to our gym and engaged our boys in a wonderful game which they won, 12-11. This was the first and only game our boys lost on their home court.

Dowdal "Doodle" Carroll, our captain and guard on the team, is to be especially commended for his team work. Doodle fought hard to gain many side passes to his

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fellow players. Sumner is sorry to lose him this year but he is sure that there are others to take his place.

Manual "Dribbler" Jackson, our star guard, was always down the floor on the tip-off and fought hard from the start to the finish. He dribbled around his opponents like a whirlwind, and made many shots that brought sorrow to the opposing team. He was rated as the best dribbler in the league, and was selected as all-star guard on the all-valley team. He has two more years to bring many honors to Sumner.

John "Johnnie" Lucas was a forward on the team. When he played his best, Johnnie was considered our all-star forward. He was always in the game, especially when his team was behind, always working no matter how far ahead the opponents might be. He may be known as the "dodge" and "pivot" king. He always handled the ball well. Lucas' shoes will be hard to fill. He leaves in May.

Robert "Bobbie" Cotton, a forward, was one of our best scorers on the team. He kept the team fighting while he himself fought hard. "Bobbie" will be with Sumner next year.

Joseph "Joe" Lowe, our tall center, was the best center in the valley. Joe was especially good at tapping the ball in from the back board. He was selected as the all-star center on the all-valley team. Joe remains for the team for two more years.

Ronald "Jack" Washington was one of the most valuable players our team had. He played forward, and was always raring to get in the game. Jack and Cotton shared the honors for left forward, while Johnnie held right forward all for himself. Jack had quicker and better floor work than any other player on the team. Jack was the smallest player on any team in the league. He is also the smallest boy in the Senior class which graduates in May.

Andrew "A. D." Thomas was an excellent guard and our best substitute at that position. A. D. was known as smiles on the floor. He smiles all the time. A. D. graduates in May.

Horace "Hoss" Dwiggin is really know for his "Hoss-power." He proved to be an all-around substitute for any position on the team except center. He is a Junior and remains for the team next year.

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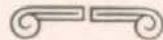




GEO. H. MOWBRAY  
*Faculty Advisor.*

George H. Mowbray, the faculty advisor to the Annual Staff, is due much credit for the splendid support he gave to make our annual a success. The Annual Staff, as well as the Senior class, thank him very much for his support and the many advices he gave to us.

The Senior class also thanks Mr. E. A. Taylor, teacher of biological sciences, for the support he gave by producing plays, composed of members of the Senior class, for the benefit of our annual. Mr. Taylor proved to be a wonderful dramatic director and is loved by all the Senior class. He was chairman of the committee which sponsored the Senior play, "Daddy Long Legs."



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*To all of those who helped, in any way, to make this book a success we dedicate this space, hoping that they will feel that their support was very much appreciated.*

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## Girls' Athletics

The girls of Sumner's basketball team were not entered in the Missouri Valley league this year. Nevertheless they played a game with one of the league teams—Western Baptist College. This game was not so thrilling as it might have been, as the Sumnerites won by the large score of 30 to 3.

The players themselves took great interest in the team and played their positions well. Bernice Wilson, captain, held her position as a forward. Because she did such exceptional work on the team all feel assured she will gain many honors for Sumner next year. Maeday Gayden was shifted from guard to forward position where she played well. Lucy Mae Redwine, little and swift, succeeded Maeday as forward and jumping-center, but when ill-health forced the latter to withdraw from the team, Octavia McReynolds, all-star forward, filled her position the remainder of the season. Arzelia "Zeck" Jones was a peppy guard. Marguerite Baylis, one of our best guards, has made her second year on the team. Grace Young, a Sophomore, completed the defense on the team. As she is a reliable player she will be eligible for the team two more years.

Next year it is hoped Sumner girls will enter the league. In that event they expect to win the loving cup.

Miss Daniel, the instructor of girls' physical culture classes, has put great interest in that phase of high school education.

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### Jokes

Teacher: What raw materials does U. S. send abroad?

Bright Student: Missionaries.

Teacher: John, does this world of ours move?

John: I should say it do!

Teacher: How do you know it moves?

John: My father is a traffic cop and he tells it to move.

Teacher of Psychology Class. When I say flood what else do I think of?

Brilliant Student: Water.

Student: What did I make in the test?

Teacher: You made zero.

Student: Well, that means nothing to me.

Student: Do you think, if air transportation was dominant, there would be any prejudice?

Teacher: Well, yes, to a certain extent.

Student: No, no, a man wanted to carry me up once, but I lacked 50 cents.

Teacher: What do quarrels and divorces usually lead to?

Student (loudly): Separation.

Teacher: What are the different ages in history?

Student: The Stone Age, Bronze Age, and Metal Age.

Teacher: In what are we living now?

Student: The hard-boiled age.

Teacher: What was invented in 1846?

Student: The Howe Sewing Machine was printed.

Prof.: What is the distance around the world five times?

Pupil: I know, but I can't express it.

Prof.: Well, send it by freight.

Why does Mr. Lewis recite so much poetry?

Making life easy for Miss Davis.

When is the Senior class happiest?

When entering.

When is it saddest?

"On leaving."

For whom should the cafeteria flunkey leave his job?

To the one who gets the pull.

Teacher: What are you thinking about?

Student: How did you know I was thinking?

Teacher: Well, I saw an unusual expression on your face.

Passenger: That's my foot!

Intruder: I don't see your name on it!

## Track

After winning the trophy in basketball and making a good showing in football, Sumner organized a well-trained track team and elected Ewell Austin captain.

Sumner had two dual track meets before the time for the Valley meet came. The first one was with Western Baptist College which she won easily. The next one was with Western University Academy, which was more evenly balanced on both sides. The meet was one of interest, and Sumner won by one point.

On May 15th the Valley meet will be held and there will be representatives from about ten schools. The boys have made a good showing up to this time and are picked by some critics to win the big meet.

The track team is composed of the following members: Ewell Austain, captain and distance runner; William Posey, 220-yard dash; Oliver Barbour, hurdler; Manual Jackson, 50-yard dash; Junior Green, dash and high jumper; William Cooper, distance runner; Theodore Williams, 100-yard dash; Virgil Topp, one-half mile runner; Reginald Jackson, distance runner; Melvin Mansfield, 440-yard dash and relay; Oscar Jones, shot put and javelin; J. C. Williams, high jump; Andrew Thomas, 440-yard dash; Harold Robbins, pole vault; Ulysses Plummer, pole vault; Russell Young broad jump, shot put and javelin; Lehman Walker, 100-yard dash, relay, and javelin; Edward Morgan, relay; Anderson Carey, 50-yard dash and 100-yard dash.

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## Tennis

The following boys went out to win places on Sumner's tennis team and have thus far made good: Ronald "Jack" Washington, Clarence House, Ulysses Plummer, William Shelton, Louis Plummer, Columbus House, Horace Dwiggins.

The girls who responded to the call for tennis candidates were: Hazel Bryant, Bernice Wilson, Era Fields, Maeday Gayden and Arzelia Jones.





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We are leaving dear old Sumner High School, some of us never to return, and—oh, how we fell at this moment! It seems to be the breaking point in our lives. We hate to say—but we must say it—adieu! adieu! dear old Sumner, adieu!

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