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NORTH COVENTRY
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POTTSTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA



THIS
ISSUE
IS

DEDICATED

TO

MRS.
CLARK





The CLASS SONG

Twelve years of our school lives have come to a close,
With only a feeling a graduate knows.
Through fun and through frolic, through sadness and tears,
We've gained many friends through the years.
Dear classmates in sports and in class work we've been,
Shoulder to shoulder striving to win.
It's taught us that team work and sportsmanship, too,
Are needed, whatever we do.

We thank you, dear Norco, and bid fond farewell,
The guidance we've found here forever will tell.
We venture into life, to us strange and new,
Courageous and confident, too.
Thanking our teachers, we want you to know
Your teachings will guide us wherever we go.
To you, Alma Mater, we'll ever be true;
We bid you this one last Adieu.

Words--Nancy Whiteco

Melody--Nancy Whiteco
Jean Belman



Senior News



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Class Flower: Gardenia



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Ella Thompson
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Louise Weiss
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George Yost

CLASS POEM

Now we have come upon our goal
Which we set four years ago--
To continue our education and not fall,
To battle for success against every foe.

Memories of Norco will bring to mind
Remembrance of our happy years.
We think of the teachers who have helped us find
The road to success, conquering all fears.

Four years passed swiftly, never to return.
As Freshmen and Sophomores we chose our life's
 occupation.
As Juniors the future seemed of no concern,
But as Seniors we glimpsed the future after
 graduation.

Our lessons have given us a background
For future plans and careers.
Through sports, plays, and clubs, we have found
A full and happy life in our high school years.

Now we shall go our separate ways,
Each to make his place in the world.
We'll keep Norco's ideals with us all our days
And carry them before us as a banner unfurled.

Let us remember at this Commencement time
That trust in God will sustain our soul,
And may we cherish our class motto so fine:
"DO NOT TURN BACK WHEN YOU ARE JUST AT THE GOAL".

Eleanor Brower



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

For some years I have been reading and rereading a small volume called "I Dare You", the inspirational work of William H. Danford. As a graduation message I would like to share with you some thoughts of his. At no time in the world's history did we face greater challenges than the present. H. G. Wells has said, "that the only true measure of success is the ratio between what we might have done and what we might have been on the one hand, and the thing we have made and the thing we have made of ourselves on the other hand." So I want you to start a crusade in your life--to dare to be better than you think you are. New forces will take shape within you. New powers will harness themselves for your service. Here are four dares we will give you.

We dare you to be physically strong.

We dare you to think creatively.

We dare you to develop a magnetic personality.

We dare you to build a Christian character.

Your class motto, "Do not turn back when you are just at the goal", fits into this program that I have just outlined for you. Will you accept the dare?

For the faculty and for myself we wish you every success and God speed.

Sincerely yours,

Paul H. Sum



CLASS



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ETTA MAE BAKER

BOOKKEEPING

ETTA

Glee Club 9, 10, 11; Dancing Club 10; Assistant Librarian 12.

Curly, black hair...hard worker...sophisticated...takes things as they come...likes her soldier...a good friend of Ella and Eleanor...faithful commercial worker...expects to be a bookkeeper.

HAROLD K. BEAN

VOCATIONAL

"BEANIE"

Football 9, 10, 11, 12; Varsity Club 10, 11, 12; Dancing Club 10; F. F. A. 10, 11, 12.

Known by his curly hair...husky...enjoys an evening with Mary...usually seen driving a blue Chrysler with Swavely and McElroy as companions...always a gentlemen...can offer much advice on industrial plants in Pottstown...intends to become a dairy farmer.

MYRTLE K. BEAN

SECRETARIAL

MYRTLE

Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; "Norco News" 12; Class Play 11; Class Secretary 10, 11, 12; Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12; Dancing Club 10; Softball 10.

Medium height...blonde...pretty hazel eyes...friendly to everyone...conscientious worker...fond of Daniel...very neat dresser...faithful class secretary...always glad to help class or school...will continue to work at Ramble Inn.

JUNE E. BECHTEL

SECRETARIAL

JUNE

Glee Club 9; Dancing Club 10; Camera Club 11.

Long brown hair...neat as a pin...an expert at setting up teacher's bulletins...one of the senior engaged girls...always with Marian...photography is her hobby...can bake delicious pastry...plans to get married after she leaves school.





JEAN E. BELMAN

"JEANIE"

ACADEMIC

Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; Hockey 10, 11, 12; Softball 12; Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Class Treasurer 11; Vice-President 9; "Norco News" 9, 10, 11, 12; Class Play 11, 12; Typing Club 11; Senior Issue 12.

Very sweet...pretty long hair...baby face...good pianist...kind words for everyone...usually talking about Donald...takes things to heart...often found helping trig students...most photogenic girl...displays surprising art talent...puts in time at the New York Store...will attend business school.

M. ELEANOR BROWER

ELEANOR

BOOKKEEPING

"Norco News" 9, 10, 11, 12; Class Poet 12.

Lovely, brown, naturally curly hair...cute nose...patient and hardworking...chatters about the latest boy friend...likes poetry...loves her mischievous brother...studious...library her favorite haunt...plans to study journalism.

MARION E. CAMAHO

"CAMAHO"

VOCATIONAL

Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Home Economics Club 10.

Dark hair...friendly, smiling face...conscientious student...considerate of others...does her work well...sports do not appeal to her...quiet...good home ec student...enjoys baking...hopes to be a beautician.

M. RODNEY CANNELL

"MARCUS"

GENERAL

Patrol 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9, 10, 11; Captain 12; Football 9, 10, 11, 12; Baseball 11, 12; Track 10; Varsity Club 10, 11, 12; Class President 12; Rifle Club 11; A. A. 12.

One of South Pottstown's contributions to Norco sports...fun-loving...likes to argue...good in math...especially "cute" when he blushes...visits Kenilworth frequently...seen in company of Dorothy...would like to further his sports training.





LUKE J. CISARIK

GENERAL

"BABE"

Football 11, 12; Baseball 11, 12; Track 10; Rifle Club 11;
Quoit Club 10.

Neat dresser...Jake's companion...the "Cassanova" of our class
...the great baseball hero...blond, wavy hair...on the Acme pay-roll
...will let the future take care of itself.

FRANKLIN I. CLOUSER

ACADEMIC-GENERAL

"OSCAR"

Rifle Club 11; Dancing Club 10; Ping Pong Club 11.

Tall...dark hair...fond of teasing any girl he possibly can...
lots of fun...full of jokes...Kulptown's gift to Norco...thinks 70
miles an hour is slow...couldn't get lost at Hopewell...would like
to travel about the U. S. before settling down.

RAYMOND H. COLE

GENERAL

"COLIE"

Ping Pong Club 10; Shop Club 11, 12.

Quiet and well-mannered...always neatly dressed...hails from
Monocacy...expert shop worker...most often seen with Franklin
Clouser...faithful passenger on "Monocacy Limited"...may some day
own a fleet of trucks.

MARIAN E. COLLINS

SECRETARIAL

"COLLINS"

Hockey 10, 11, 12; Glee Club 9, 10; Softball 10, 12; Ping Pong
Club 11; Senior Issue 12.

Small, slender brunette...likes to draw...an accomplished organ-
ist and pianist...friendly and fun-loving...favorite pastime is long
walks with Vinco...a speedy right wing on the hockey field...a depend-
able catcher for our softball team...will soon be managing a home
of her own.





NOEL E. DAVIDHEISER

GENERAL

"DAVIE"

Camera Club 11; Patrol 10, 11, 12; Rifle Club 11; "Norco News" 10; Senior Issue 12; Class Play 11, 12.

Tall...likes skiing...ultra-violet suntan...photos are a hobby...A&P is his second home...Fred's side kick...a swell brother...enjoys a good show at the Rajah...expects to become an engineer.

DOROTHY L. EVANS

SECRETARIAL

"DOT"

Cheerleading 9, 10, 11, 12; Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; "Norco News" 12; Basketball 12; Class Treasurer 12; Home Economics Club 10; Class Play 11, 12; Senior Issue 12.

Nicely dressed...always trim and neat...Kenilworth's gift to Norco...thinks only of Rodney...sense of humor...dreamy...Betty Jane's and Joan's side kick...dependable...characteristic way of walking...wants to be a secretary.

JAMES H. EVANS

VOCATIONAL

"JIM"

Football 9, 10, 11, Co-captain 12; Basketball 11, 12; Patrol 9, 10, 11, 12; F. F. A. 9, 10, 11; President 12; Varsity Club 10, 11, 12; Rifle Club 11.

Husky...dark, curly hair...bashful...quiet...blushes furiously...handsome, smiling face...sporty dresser...football and basketball star...usually seen with Gordon and Moxie...drives a '35 Plymouth...admired by everyone...enjoys life in the hills of Shenkel...may some day be a farmer.

DORIS L. FISHER

SECRETARIAL

"FISH"

Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Hockey 11, 12; Dancing Club 10.

Short and sturdy...a warm smile...neat in appearance...always willing to do a favor...usually seen with Maude...fond of hockey...can take a great deal of teasing from her classmates...intends to start in the field of hairdressing.





ANNA MAE GIVIN

SECRETARIAL

"GIVIN"

Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Dancing Club 10; Cheerleading 11, 12; Class Play 11, 12; Class Treasurer 9, 10; Senior Issue 12.

Short and vivacious...full of fun...known by her unmistakable sneeze...lovely soprano voice...Harry occupies most of her thoughts...one of the engaged trio...best friend is Von...would like to be a successful secretary and a wonderful wife to Harry.

WALTER HOHL

GENERAL

"HERKY"

Assistant Football Manager 11, 12.

Happy-go-lucky...usually quiet, with occasional outbursts of noise...one of Mr. DeVincentis' faithful helpers...expert stage hand...willing to do shop work for the school...Binder's reliable soda "jerk"...service with a smile...would like to own a restaurant.

JOAN M. HOPPER

ACADEMIC

"JOANIE"

Glee Club 10, 11, 12; Dancing Club 10; "Norco News" 12; Hockey 12; Basketball 12; Ping Pong Club 11; Senior Issue 12.

Has a pretty smile...good sense of humor...has style...overjoyed at sight of '47 grey Plymouth...listening to popular recordings is her favorite pastime...loves the sea shore...expects to go to Junior College.

PAUL R. KULP

ACADEMIC

"PORKY"

Glee Club 9; Patrol 9, 10, 11, 12; Class Play 12; Ping Pong Club 11; Dancing Club 10; Football 12; Rifle Club 11; Senior Issue 12.

Short...farmer's stride...class milk-man...ten o'clock scholar...studious...tells one good joke a year...catches up on his sleep in physics class...beset by difficulties with math...will still be doing trig five years from now...will consider any career except that of a math teacher.





YVONNE A. KUNTZLEMAN

VOCATIONAL

"YON"

Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Dancing Club 10; Cheerleading 12; Senior Issue 12.

Fair complexion...twinkling eyes...always giggling...full of jokes...carefree...pleasant...at home in a bathing suit...never seen without Givin...always neatly dressed...a morale builder for Bob...is interested in hairdressing.

JAMES O. MAUGER

VOCATIONAL

"MOXIE"

F. F. A. 9, 10, 11, 12; Varsity Club 10, 11, 12; Rifle Club 11; Football 9, 10, 11; Basketball 11; Coach Junior High Football 12.

Goes by name of Moxie...has a weakness for a junior...happy-go-lucky...usually seen with Nairn or Evans...well-liked...willing to help a friend...thinks he is in a roller coaster when behind the wheel of a car...intends to be a farmer.

WILLIAM D. MAUGER

GENERAL

"WILLIE"

Ping Pong Club 11; Baseball 12.

One of the famous Maugers...school is a bore...hates sight of a comb...likeable...good sense of humor...never worries about girls...will always do you a favor...intends to be a carpenter.

FRANKLIN METZLER, JR.

GENERAL

"JUNIOR"

Football 9, 10, 11, 12; Track 10; Basketball 11; Patrol 11, 12.

Tall and strong...favorite hobby is eating...often seen with "Crow"...excellent weight lifter...proud of his muscles...enjoys light physical work...prefers New Jersey proms...refuses to let his hair grow...is studying to be a masseur.





BETTY JANE MILLER

ACADEMIC

"HECKY"

Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; "Norco News" 9, 10, 11; Co-editor 12; Typing Club 11; Basketball 12; Class Play 11, 12; Senior Issue 12.

Good-natured...shows her tonsils every time she laughs...loves a good joke...flirtatious...likes to drive her station wagon...hopes to be a history teacher.

MAUDE H. MOURAR

SECRETARIAL

MAUDE

Glee Club 9, 10; Dancing Club 10.

Short...meek but sweet...knows a wide variety of boys...without a worry...likes to "kibitz"...enjoys her daily trip from Stowe...likes to chat with Von, Givin, Fish, and Moyer...looks forward to working as a secretary.

MARIAN L. MOYER

SECRETARIAL

"MOYER"

"Norco News" 9, 10, 11, 12; Hockey 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9, 10; Art Club 10; Camera Club 11; Softball 10; Dancing Club 10; Senior Issue 12.

Pretty blue eyes...a 9:05 scholar...often seen yawning...class artist...at home on the hockey field...variety is the spice of her life..."Hey, Givin!"...flirtatious...a thread and needle gal...lives near school...dashes into building as classes pass...hopes to be an efficient secretary.

E. JANE MURRAY

SECRETARIAL

"JANIE"

Dancing Club 10.

Pretty wavy hair...very slender and graceful...quiet and reserved...always seen with Ella and Eleanor...not an out-door gal...constant visitor in Norristown...hard-working...would like to be a hairdresser.





GORDON A. HAIRN

VOCATIONAL

"TICK"

Patrol 9, 10, 11, 12; F. F. A. 9, 10, 11, 12; Football 12; Rifle Club 11.

Handsome farmer boy...blond...brown eyes...goes by name of "Tick" ...blushes a vivid pink...loves to sleep...teachers' problem... good dresser...quiet around girls...liked by all classmates..."cow-boys" a Mercury...keeps his mother busy defending his rights at school...would like to become a big-time dairy farmer.

FRANCIS S. NOBLE

VOCATIONAL

"PUNKIE"

F. F. A. 9, 10, 11, 12; Band 9, 10.

Known by his red hair and freckles...often seen in Kenilworth ...Rip Van Winkle's rival...neat dresser...friendly...chews gum in classes...never worries about studies...intends to be a dairy farmer.

WILLIAM F. RICHARDS

VOCATIONAL

"LONGIE"

Patrol 9, 10, 11, 12; F. F. A. 9, 10, 11, 12; Rifle Club 11; Basketball 9, 12.

Tall and good-looking...pinball machine addict...conscientious worker...thinks a lot of one sophomore girl...drives an old Overland...always at the "Red Corner"...needs a compass to find his way home...will be a dairy farmer.

JEANE A. SCHURR

SECRETARIAL

"JEANIE"

Basketball 10, 11; Captain 12; Cheerleading 9, 10, 11,; Co-captain 12; Camera Club 11; Class Play 11, 12; Softball 12; Home Economics Club 10; Class President 10, 11; "Norco News" 11, 12; Senior Issue Co-editor 12.

Expert cheerleader...has a soft spot in her heart for "Shada"... well-dressed...personality plus...characteristic giggle...Johnny-on-the-Spot in a basketball game...loves a short, quick dip at Hopewell ...milkshakes her specialty...definitely a varsity girl...a secretarial career for her.





SHIRLEY A. SCHURR

SECRETARIAL

SHIRLEY

Basketball 10, 11, 12; "Norco News" 10, 11; Co-editor 12; Camera Club 11; Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Class Play 11, 12; Hockey Manager 11; Softball 12; Class Secretary 9; Class Treasurer 12; Senior Issue Co-editor 12.

Tall and attractive...very dependable...pretty blue eyes...a sure shot on the basketball court...proud of the diamond on her left hand...chic wardrobe...an excellent treasurer...a valuable alto in the sextet...has a good reason for following the career of one of the St. Louis Cardinals...will be her father's secretary.

R. DAVID STAVEROSKY

ACADEMIC

"DAVE"

Patrol 9, 10, 11, 12; "Norco News" 9, 10; Football 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 9, 10, 11, 12; Baseball 11, 12; Varsity Club 10, 11.

A mind of his own...woman hater(?)...lover of sports...making french fries is his specialty...always ready with an original idea...enjoys a hot argument...beginning to show signs of wolfishness at this advanced age...wants to take a long rest before considering a career.

STEVE A. STAVROU

GENERAL

"CROW"

Football 9, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 10, 11; Baseball 11; Varsity Club 10, 11, 12; Treasurer 11, 12; Class Vice-President 10, 11; Track Manager 10; Class Play 11, 12; Senior Issue 12.

Proud of being the only Greek senior...lover of sports...likes to disagree...usually seen with "Junior"...a headache for the teachers...likes to dance...big "Wolf"...frequently exercises his vocal cords...plans to attend college.

ELLA I. THOMPSON

BOOKKEEPING

ELLA

Glee Club 11, 12; Play Prompter 11.

Likes to read...quiet...co-operative...courteous...brown hair...drives a '32 Buick...one of Mrs. Clark's helpers...hails from Douglassville...usually seen with Etta, Jane, and Eleanor...wants to become a telephone operator.





ESTHER TYSON

VOCATIONAL

ESTHER

Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Typing Club 10.

Tallest girl of the class...senior's own "Timid Soul"...usually seen with Louise...interested only in one boy...beneath that quietness there's a mind of her own...resident of East Coventry Township...intends to become a piano teacher.

LOUISE S. WEISS

SECRETARIAL

LOUISE

Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Dancing Club 10; "Norco News" 12; Class Play 11.

Black, curly hair...always willing to help...considerate of everyone...dresses neatly...known by her laugh...has a secret love...enjoys playing tennis...delighted by a good argument...expects to be an office worker.

NANCY S. WHITECO

ACADEMIC

"NANCE"

Basketball 10, 11, 12; Cheerleading 9, 10, 11; Co-captain 12; Glee Club 9, 10, 11, 12; Dancing Club 10; Typing Club 11; Softball 12; Class Play 11, 12; Chairman A. A. 12; Class Vice-President 12; Senior Issue 12.

Interested in the school's welfare...sweet brunette...second Lily Pons...all-around athlete...constant giggler...likes to dance...aims to become a music teacher.

C. FREDERIC WILSON

GENERAL

"FREDDIE"

Patrol 9, 10, 11, 12; Class Play 11, 12; Rifle Club 11.

Tall, blond, and handsome...has developed a ludicrous gait...a genuine wolf-on-loose since he left Jeanette...knows a wide variety of jokes...boosts sales at A&P Super Market...attracted by fire engines!...plans to become a draftsman.





GEORGE E. YOST

VOCATIONAL

"YOSTIE"

F. F. A. 9, 10, 11, 12; Vice-President 11; Basketball 10, 11, 12; Football 11; Rifle Club 11; Poster Club 10; Senior Issue 12.

Black, wavy hair...original laugh...always ready to joke... knows all the news...has memories of his English workbook...often seen at the "Nook"...great lover...enjoys teasing girls...expects to go into the poultry business.

CLASS OF 1947 PRESENTS CAMERAS TO SCHOOL

We, the class of 1947, present to the North Coventry High School photography equipment, which consists of one Argus C3 35 mm. camera with flash attachment and a filter for taking special pictures. This camera takes 2 x 2 slides, in color and black and white. This will make it possible to photograph the various activities and show them on the screen. There is also an Argoflex with flash and portrait attachments. This will be used for year-book work and also for taking individual pictures of the pupils of the school. Included in this equipment are two flood lights together with tripods to set them on.

Norco has been dreaming of this sort of equipment for years and now it has become a reality. The School Board, Mr. Paul H. Grim, supervising principal, and the faculty, together with the student body, have expressed their appreciation to the class for this very fine gift.

Next year there will be a Camera Club organized. Several interested pupils from grades nine to twelve will be given the opportunity to use these cameras and will be taught the fundamentals of photography under the direction of Mr. Alvin S. Alderfer. We are looking forward to some unusual, interesting pictures from this group.





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FRESHMAN TRIBE

Four wise squaws of the Tribe of '47 have carefully kept records of this group's activities. In a solemn council of the assembled tribe they presented the following interesting facts:

In September 1943, it was announced to Big Chief Mr. Grim that 75 young warriors were stranded on his shore. They wanted to search for knowledge on his hunting ground. After sending his representative to investigate the invaders on his territory they reported that each young warrior brought a trophy of the past chase in the form of a "promotion card" which would make them satisfactory additions to the tribe. They were told that they might set up their wigwams and search for game they desired.

It was a rugged country in which this new tribe found themselves. They became discouraged and wished that they had never come. There were too many tangled trails to blaze and too many wild animals to tame. On the whole the outlook was gloomy.

Big Chief Grim said that this tribe must be named. After much deliberation they were called "Freshmen" which being interpreted means, "new and green".

Their unfamiliarity with the strange country caused the Freshmen tribe to make many mistakes and to lose their way through the grounds. They were often late for their classes, which caused their chieftains great concern lest they had accepted a tribe too wild to train. However, they soon began to understand their position and gain a more firm foothold.

Big Chief Grim realized that this newly invaded tribe needed a wise counsellor, so he placed them into the custody of Mrs. Arnold, Mrs. Burbank, and Miss Bell, who immediately helped them organize their class with the following officers: president, Robert Miller; vice president, Jean Belman; secretary, Shirley Schurr; treasurer, Anna Mae Givin.

By this time the class was acquiring more bravery and was spending more time hunting and fishing for knowledge. I note that 9 casualties occurred during this year. There was a battle with the Sophomore Tribe in which some Freshmen were so badly injured they had to drop out. On the whole they were victorious in this affray.

The class learned to play some new and interesting games-- football, baseball, basketball, and others, which added to your physical and mental development.





The social life of the tribe was most interesting. The annual Freshman Dance was held with much success. The dance was colorfully decorated in the Hallowe'en fashion. As was the custom, the Tribe also held several roller skating parties. These parties were hilarious affairs and gave the young Indians a chance to sport and frolic with one another, as well as to improve their sense of balance. It was discovered that some of them were useful as floor mops.

To top our social affairs we had a delightful hay ride. The young warriors seemed very much pleased with themselves after teasing the young squaws through the whole affair.

As new comers in the hunting grounds, the tribe was allowed only these few activities.

At the end of the Freshman year a terrible massacre took place. Some strange creatures called Latin, Algebra, English, History, and Science Examinations confronted the tribe. They had to be conquered in order that the class might go into the next hunting ground. A fierce battle ensued, at which time a few members of the tribe were injured; but the larger majority were successful in marching bravely into the Sophomore hunting ground.

SOPHOMORE TRIBE

September, 1944, brought the class further into the hunting ground. In the preceding year, they had just invaded the borderland. Having been so successful in battle with the Freshman Exams, they were braver than ever before. Big Chief Grim realized that they could no longer be called Freshman so the name Sophomore was selected, which means "Promoted to the second section of the Hunting Ground."

In assuming new responsibilities, it was necessary for our tribe to be organized. In due form the following officers were selected: Jean Schurr, president; Steve Stavrou, vice president; Myrtle Bean, secretary; Anna Mae Givin, treasurer. The counselors were Mrs. McDermott and Mrs. Burbank, who were a great help in advising and leading the groups on its hunts and chases. The gardenia was chosen as the class flower and green and white as class colors. The tribal motto is "Do not turn back when you are just at the goal." This thought has been in your minds for the past three years. It has helped to gain your goal in life. As you were advancing further into the thicket of the forest, and the paths were becoming more and more rugged, you began to assume a more serious attitude. Even though your paths through the Sophomore forest were dense and many knotty problems in algebra had





to be solved, you found some social life that was interesting. The annual Sophomore Hop was the outstanding social event of the year. The brave members of your tribe joined with others in staging this important event and you were happy because it was a huge success. Other forms of entertainment were hay rides, and skating parties and dances.

At the end of the year you had gained many valuable trophies and were fully prepared to march bravely into the Junior Hunting Ground. Outstanding students in athletics were Rodney Cannell, Dave Staverosky, and James Evans. Myrtle Bean, Nancy Whiteco, Shirley Schurr, Jean Schurr, and Marian Collins won fame among the girls on the athletic field. They aided in winning many a game for their Alma Mater.

JUNIOR TRIBE

September, 1945, found 49 warriors lined up ready to invade a new hunting-ground. With the name of Juniors bestowed upon them, they entered with all the self-confidence and pride the name implies. In checking over the warriors it was found that nine of our warriors had dropped out of the class. You welcomed to your ranks Ella Thompson and Francis Noble who were noted for strength and bravery. The noted chieftains who guided you were Mr. Alderfer, Miss Beers and Miss Reigel. The officers of the class were president, Jean Schurr; vice president, Steve Stavrou; secretary, Myrtle Bean; and treasurer, Jean Belman.

There seemed to be much contention among the class for prominence in various activities such as athletics and dramatic contests. This spirit of rivalry caused the warriors to put forth a greater fight than ever, thus adding strength to the class.

The most outstanding warriors on the athletic field were David Staverosky, Rodney Cannell, Steve Stavrou and Frank Metzler, who brought renown to the class because of their might and muscle. In dramatics Steve Stavrou, Shirley Schurr, and Francis Noble won a coveted place in the hearts of those who saw them in the play "The Fighting Littles" in April of 1946. Others of worthy mention were Jean Belman and Anna Mae Givin in Music.

Of social importance during the year I have recorded the Hallowe'en Party where all of the warriors and squaws went through a haunted house located in the halls of Norco High. The skating party was next. This was held at Ringing Rocks Park. It was known the next morning that a number of the warriors were not able to sit down. The climax of the social season was the Junior-Senior Prom. All the young squaws and braves put on their ceremonial robes and





war paint and performed the tribal dances to the tuneful music of Chief Bob Hartman and his band. The theme of the decorations was "A Night In April." The dancers and on-lookers were delighted by the spring gardens bright with April flowers. At a late hour these members of the tribes retired to their tents, satisfied that this was the "Big Night" of the year.

"To the victor belong the spoils." Your success in conquering the final examinations gave you full admittance into the last section of Big Chief's hunting ground which is called Senior.

SENIOR TRIBE

As full-fledged Seniors you entered the new territory with self-assurance. On your shields the motto "Do not Turn Back When You Are Just At the Goal" was emblazoned in shining letters of steel. As you marched forward to invade and conquer the last section of the Hunting Ground, your days of training were nearing an end. The lower tribes were impressed by your wisdom and bravery. The chieftains who guided you were Miss Delp, Mrs. Clark, and Mr. Alderfer, all of whom were proud of their subjects. Much care and thought were exerted in the selection of class officers for this final conquest of graduation. You selected for president, Rodney Cannell; vice president Nancy Whiteco; secretary, Myrtle Bean; and treasurers, Shirley Schurr and Dorothy Evans.

Not only were you trained in methods of modern warfare, but in business as well. The "Norco News", Glee Club, Athletic Association, and many other organizations called for leaders from this group.

Early in the year you looked forward to going on a long march together to the Great Happy Hunting Ground of all Indians--a place called Washington. To achieve this aim, the young warriors were kept busy trading vanilla, emulsions, cards, and wrappings for shining coins and crisp green paper.

In October came the ne'er-to-be forgotten Hallowe'en party at Gordon Nairn's wigwam. Here there was mad frolic through the long hours of the night. The climax of the party was a hayride, on which you thoroughly explored some unknown sections of your hunting ground. Many Indians were so exhausted by the nights activities that they couldn't arise the next morning.

In the last moon of the year, some members of the tribe gave on two nights a great dramatic performance, "Ring Around Elizabeth." Visiting Indians from near and far praised the talents of such actors as Jean Bolman, Betty Jane Miller, Paul Kulp and Anna Mae Givin.





The young squaws and warriors gave a senior ceremonial dance in February, in which the other North Coventry tribes joined you. This, too, added to your store of coins.

In the spring, the Junior Tribe invited you to be their guests in the greatest dance of the year. And so the Pipe of Peace passed between these tribes and on that night all danced happily together, as chief Nichols and his musical warriors beat out the measures of the war dances.

In May you found that you had accumulated enough wampum for the Great March. The tribe left North Coventry for three days to visit the Camping Ground of the great counsellors of all the tribes. In this new territory, you were very much excited at the thought of visiting the Great Chief's White Wigwam. The braves were amazed when they climbed 898 steps to the top of the Washington Tepee. Mount Vernon, the home of one of your greatest chieftains, was a place of beauty as well as a sacred shrine.

You were lodged in comfortable wigwams, but some of your braves felt that their tents should be kept in a damp condition most of the time. Those three happy days rushed by all too fast, and soon you were in the home wigwams, enjoying Mother's cooking again.

Back at the old hunting ground you found the tribes busily preparing for the final ordeals of the year. With tests over, they decked themselves in the gayest of war paint and ceremonial robes and celebrated the end of the year with a Commencement Dance.

Early in the year plans for a great celebration, called commencement, were being laid. This was to be the crowning event of the four years in the Hunting Ground. Speeches were to be made, plays given, and other forms of festivities enjoyed. All trophies of the chase were to be gathered together and those offering the most worthy were to receive a reward in the form of a certain type of sheep skin called "Diploma".

Now this great occasion has come and you can step forth into the great Hunting Ground of life, equipped with the lore and wisdom that the wise counsellors of the tribe have given to you. Meet life courageously and you will bring home success and happiness as trophies of the chase.

Thus the Tribe of '47
Ended four long years of warfare,
Conquered foes of every species,
Brought home glory, fame, and honor
To its Alma Mater, Norco.

