

THE SENIOR PLAY

JENNIE GREENOUGH

FOR many years the Senior Classes have given plays, but none so successful as that given by the Seniors of 1916 on February eighteenth. It was fine in every detail and they showed the excellent talent, we all thought such dignitaries must possess, but we were not sure until that glorious night when they presented the play, "The Masonic Ring."

For three weeks they had put forth all their powers and energies toward the preparation of the play; while former Senior classes had spent twice the time in practice in order to present a similar entertainment to the public. So we are convinced of what the present Senior class can do once they get started.

They have paved the way for the following classes, for when there is mention of a Senior play the public will respond gladly, and fill the Opera House to the utmost.

It would be impossible to single out any individual to say that he or she did better than the others, because the work was so well balanced and each had his part perfected.

Adah Akins, who played the role of Flossie, a college bride of three weeks, and around whom centered all interest, took her part very naturally and gracefully. Nina Schupbach, who played the part of Ethel Wynn, the college chum of Flossie, won the admiration of all. The part of Ethel's lover, Fred Hall, was taken by Clinton Mott; of course, this came very natural to him so he performed his part especially well. Who would have thought that Jean Butcher could portray so comically the deaf old lady, Madame Delancy Jones? She handled her ear trumpet so well that it brought many laughs to the audience; especially when Tildie McCormick would yell at the top of her voice and Delancy Jones would pretend she didn't hear. Tildie with her kitten, pleased the little children especially. Of course, any one could surmise that Tildie was Oneta Currie. The part of Roderick York, the husband of Flossie, was taken very well by Myron Turner. Mrs. York, the sweet old lady, who talked so slowly, was Helen Shaw. The part of Peace York was particularly suited to Ida Lovejoy. The detective, Bartholomew Farebrother, was Robert Chadwick. He, too, brought forth generous applause from the audience. The whole play was filled with humorous situations and worked out to a natural and pleasing climax.

The play was a grand success. This book is partly due to the financial success of the play, but better than that was the assurance to the Seniors that their audience was well pleased with their performance.



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THE JUNIOR PLAY

HAZEL FRISBIE

FOR some time past it has been customary for both the Senior and Junior classes to give a play. The Juniors gave theirs later than the Seniors this year and it may safely be said that it was the greatest success of the year. The play selected was difficult for amateurs to present, but the result was that the audience left wondering how such young people could do so well.

The various parts of wealthy society ladies, street waifs, English dandies and butlers, common servants and lawyers were taken equally well.

The play was just about long enough for the audience to be well satisfied. It was lively and had plenty of action all the way through, so the thread of the story could not be lost, until the title, "All On Account of Polly," was fully explained. Certainly the Juniors had cause to be proud of their production.

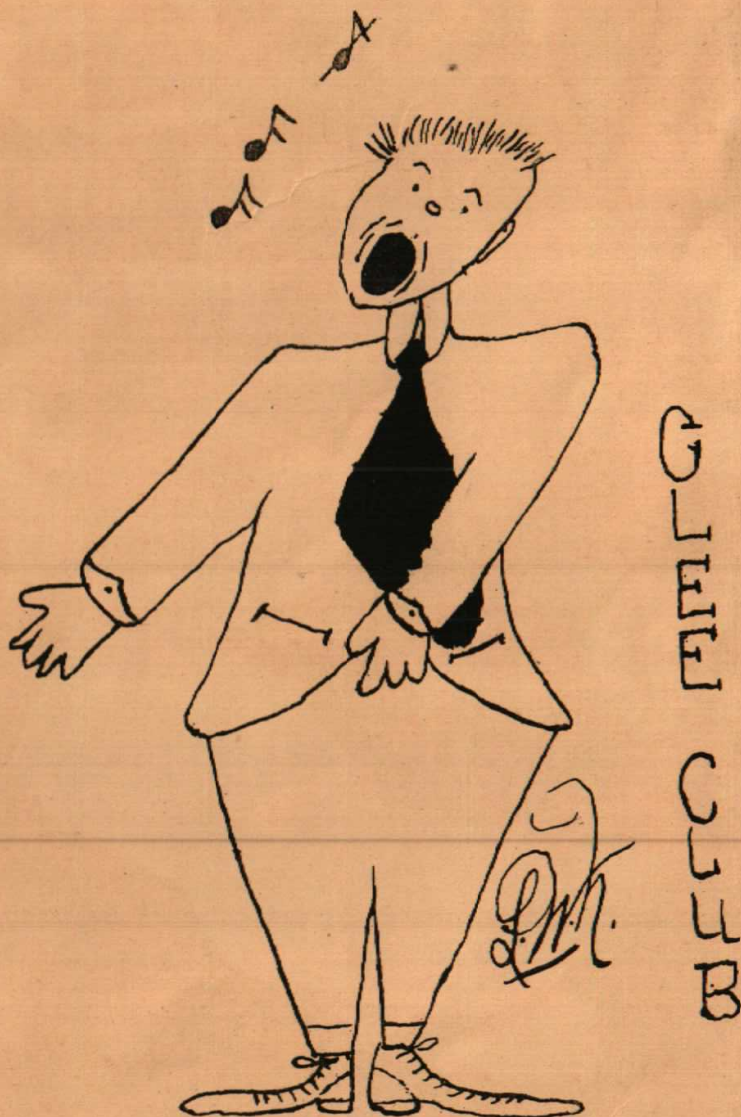


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GLEE CLUB

NINA SCHUPBACH

THE Glee Club was organized the first of the year under the direction of our music teacher, Miss Peterson. At first the boys were sadly in the minority owing to the football season. Later the boys joined and we had a fairly good organization. The Club made its first public appearance Commencement night and met with a most cordial reception from the appreciative audience.





GLEE CLUB

THE V. H. S. ORCHESTRA

JAMES DANIELS

THE Orchestra has stood out as a prominent feature in the picture of progress, which the High School has made this year. They started by playing at chapel Monday mornings. Later they played at the Senior Play, where they gained the favor of the public and largely helped to make the night a successful one. The people of our town showed their appreciation by attending the different entertainments at which they played and by their hearty response to the numbers given. They played at the Junior Play where they again won praise for themselves and helped to make the night successful. When bills of an entertainment were posted and among the other things people saw: "Music by the V. H. S. Orchestra," they took notice and planned to attend.

The Orchestra has become so prominent that they receive outside engagements. They have been in such a demand that they have not had time to prepare all new music. Nevertheless, they have never failed to please the public, because their music has always been such that it bears repetition with a pleasing result.

Clinton Mott—First Cornet.

Leon Nicholson—Second Cornet.

James Daniels—Second Cornet.

Mead Wellemeyere—Trombone.

Harold Hemmingway—First Violin.

Shirley Pierce—First Violin.

Lawrence Simpson—Second Violin.

Lavon Robinson—Mandolin.

Leperta Ball—Pianist.

Miss Peterson—Director.





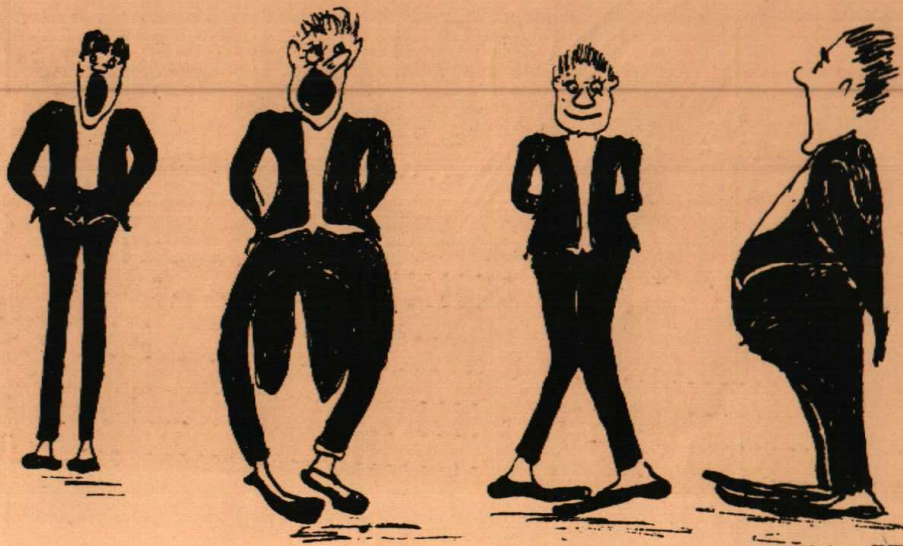
V. H. S. ORCHESTRA

THE V. H. S. QUARTETTE

LOIS TOWNE

IT WAS in the year nineteen hundred fifteen when four of Vassar High's young men ventured out upon the sea of art, in the good ship "V. H. S. Quartette." These aspiring young musical artists are: First tenor, James Daniels; second tenor, Clinton Mott; first bass, Cecil Ellison; and second bass, Myron Turner. Their first appearance was at the Christmas exercises, which were given at the school house. On this occasion they sang in a pleasing way that beautiful Christmas carol, "Holy Night." They won such high praise that they next appeared in public at the Senior play when they delighted their audience with "Sitting 'Round the Old Campfire" and "Poor Ned." "The Irish Maid" and "Mush Mush" delighted the audience at the Irish Concert held in the school building under the auspices of the Senior Class. At the Junior play the rendition of "Hie Away Home," with "Mush Mush" as an encore brought generous applause and demands for more encores. This placed the Quartette on the top round of the ladder of success in their musical achievements.

It is very evident that the people of Vassar greatly enjoy "Mush Mush" for it was again given as an encore at Johnson's Theatre when the Seniors gave their little playlet, "Shadows." Up to date their last public appearance was at the Maccabee banquet where they pleased the assembled banqueters with the sweet strains of "Bendemeer's Stream," and "Good Night, Sweet Dreams." The career of the V. H. S. Quartette has been of short duration, but under the skilful training of their leader, Miss Peterson, it has been a marked and pleasant success. We feel sure that it is the wish of all who have been charmed and delighted with their sweet harmonious music, that each life may be full of harmony and that music may continue to be a joy and a pleasure throughout the life of each member of the V. H. S. Quartette.





V. H. S. QUARTETTE

FOOT-BALL

CLINTON B. MOTT

THE first days of school found the football team hard at work, even though it was very warm. The veterans left from the year before were Captain Mott, our 1916 captain, Ellison, Chadwick, Daniels, Wellemeyere and Shaw.

Our first game of the season was with Yale on the 24th of September, and since many of us were fresh at the game it resulted in a defeat. Following this game, we decided to tackle Bay City Western and on the first of October we journeyed to Bay City. This also resulted in a defeat, but we had not yet lost courage because later in the season Bay City became the Saginaw Valley Champions.

On the following week, Caro came to Vassar and our expectations were fulfilled by a score of 19 to 14. This was the game for which we received the banquet, which was so successfully arranged by Mr. Osgerby and the Junior girls. Following this, we went to Millington and by playing a snappy game we succeeded in defeating them by a score of 27-0. On the 22nd of October, Columbiaville came here and the winning score overbalanced our other defeats.

After many unsuccessful attempts to get a game, we journeyed to North Branch, but owing to a little discussion the score was unsettled. On the following week, Millington came here and this also went down on the credit side. The following week, we took a vacation, but on the 19th of November we went to Caro. Owing to the disablement of Hammond and Daniels, and over confidence, we lost the game. This occurred on Hammond's birthday and so when the team reached home they surprised him with a party and presented him with a fountain pen.

Thanksgiving Day approached and at 10 o'clock the Alumni began to assemble for a little rehearsal. In the afternoon, Johnson's concert band escorted the teams to the field. The game went to the High School owing to their team work.

On the whole, the football season of '15 was a splendid success. The team, although light, was snappy and good ground gainers by the aerial route.

THE TEAM

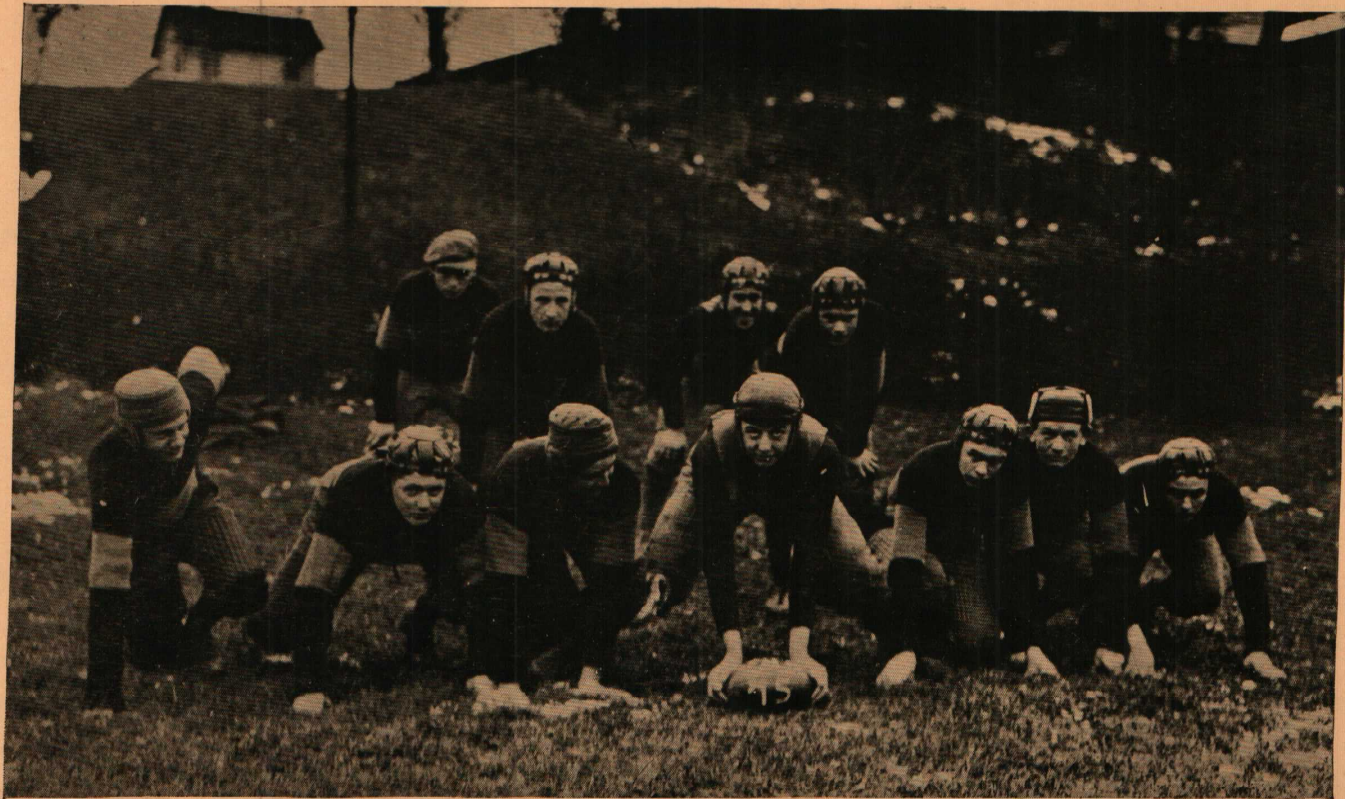
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| Hammond—Left End | Wellemeyere—Right Tackle |
| Daniels—Left Tackle | Dennis—Right End |
| Greenough—Left Guard | Ellison—Left Half |
| Hunter—Center | Shaw—Quarter |
| Stringer—Right Guard | Chadwick—Full Back |
| Mott, Captain, Right Half | |

SUBSTITUTES

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| Nickolson—Quarter | McKenzie—Guard |
| Akins—Left Guard | Atkins—Guard |
| Vasold—Right Guard | Sutherland—Guard |
| Pierce—Left Guard | Miller—Guard |

GAMES AND SCORES

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| Yale | 21-0 | Vassar |
| Bay City | 42-0 | Vassar |
| Caro | 14-19 | Vassar |
| Millington | 0-27 | Vassar |
| Columbiaville | 0-54 | Vassar |
| North Branch | 14-14 | Vassar |
| Millington | 0-49 | Vassar |
| Caro | 19-6 | Vassar |
| Alumni | 0-21 | Vassar |
| Opponents | 110-220 | Vassar |



FOOTBALL TEAM

BASEBALL

CLINTON B. MOTT

DURING the spring we succeeded in developing a fine baseball team, considering the fact that we were unable to procure any practice on a diamond, owing to the rain. We succeeded in defeating Fairgrove and holding Mayville, Cass City and Millington to a very close score.

Our inexperience in the pitcher's box hindered a little during the forepart of the season, but our last few games began to show up better.

We had the misfortune to have all our hard games placed at the front of our schedule and so when we lost these, it was decided to abandon that game for the rest of the year and put our entire efforts on track.

THE TEAM

Shaw—Captain

Chadwick—C. & P.

Daniels—C. & P.

Ellison—1st Base

Mott—2nd Base & P.

Shaw, Capt.—3rd Base

Hammond—S. S.

Turner—R. Field

Nickolson—C. Field

Dennis—L. Field

SUBSTITUTES

Akins

Hunter

McKenzie

Harpham

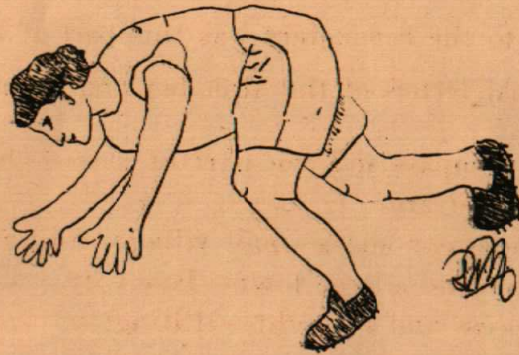
Pierce

Miller



BASEBALL TEAM

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Did you go to the field meet the ninth of June?
Well, if you did you arrived too soon,
For the meet was postponed on account of the rain,
And we all departed on the very first train.
Friday next was declared the date,
So it came too late to tell you our fate.

THE FOOT BALL BANQUET

GERTRUDE ROWLEY

AFTER a successful year on the gridiron, the football boys of 1915 were given a banquet by Mr. Osgerby on December 3rd at the Jewell House. The banquet was given the name of "Father's and Son's Banquet" because all the fathers were invited, and a good many responded to the invitation of "making good" a chance to get into closer relations with their sons and the school.

When the sixty-five guests assembled in the dining room, they found the room prettily decorated with "the orange and black," pennants and footballs on which were chalked the season's total score, both for the team and their opponents. That of the former was 220 and that of the latter 110. There were programs in the shape of footballs placed at each plate as a souvenir of the occasion.

Of great interest to the banqueters was this part of the souvenir program:

1. One of the final letters of the alphabet and an old English beverage—**Yale.**
2. A point on a compass and the part of a tree—North Branch.
3. An ancient city—Caro.
4. The gem of the ocean and a small village—Columbiaville.
5. A body of water and a large town—Bay City.
6. A farming process and a weight—Millington.

The stalwart young heroes and the guests did justice to the excellent supper which consisted of the following.

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| A good line up..... | Beef |
| A center smash..... | Mashed Potatoes |
| A scrimmage..... | Gravy |
| C ough up the fee..... | Coffee |
| A fumble..... | Salad |
| A touch back..... | Rolls |
| A tackle..... | Apple Sauce |
| A forward pass..... | Pickles |

After being well served by the Junior girls, an interesting program followed. Myron Turner acting as toastmaster, kept the audience in peals of laughter. Mr. Osgerby's subject was "Our guests" and Clinton Mott gave the response.

The great treat of the evening was the talk of Professor Pearce of the Michigan State Normal College. Professor Pearce played football when the rules were not as they are now and gave a humorous talk, but he did not neglect the serious side, that of "guarding" all along the pathways of life, with which idea he made a deep impression on the minds of his hearers.

Next, Robert Chadwick spoke on the scores of the team as "profit and loss," which was very interesting.

The evening closed with the election of Cecil Ellison as Captain for the fall of 1916 and under him the team is sure to have success as he has played in the football team for several years.

The banquet was a success throughout and one to be remembered by those who were present. It is the wish of the people that the team meet with as good success next year.