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1917

CENTRAL HIGH
SCHOOL
SAINT JOSEPH
MISSOURI

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THE SENIOR CLASS

W.C.

To

That grand old spirit reborn
at Central in the fall of 1916
and continuing unabated
thruout the past school year
this book is fondly dedicated

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FOREWORD

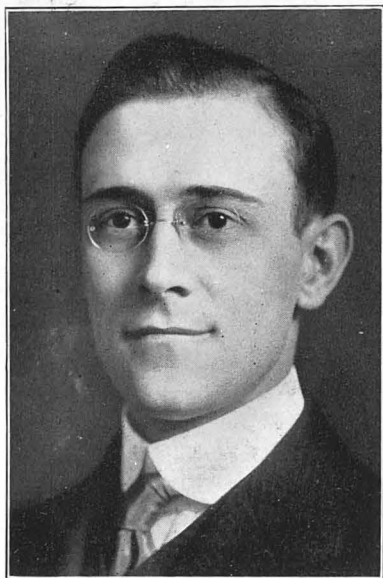
The old order changeth
-a new spirit prevails-
combined with an impetus
resulting from loyalty and
co-ordination-guided by a
master mind-our school-
dear old Central-in her
golden anniversary year
has leaped forward with
mighty strides-We, the class
of 1917, know that future
years will bring still greater
advancement.



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Graduates

ONE STEP HIGHER!

David
P. H. H. H.



Bonnie Cotteral

"Methinks you are my glass,
and not my sister,
I see by you, I am a sweet
faced youth."

Bonnie is one of the favorites of the Junior College Class of '17. Bon is not a one-sided person, in that she believes in the physical development, as well as the mental. If you do not believe it, just watch her play basketball. She says that if she continues her college work it will be at the New Haven Normal School of Gymnasium (along with Donnie).

Zeta Gamma Scientific Society.
Y.W.C.A. Junior College Club.
Vice-Pres. Y. W. C. A. Club.

Donnie Cotteral

"And I was ta'en for her, and
she for me."

Donnie is also a favorite of our class. Of course, it would be just as hard to think of a moonlight marine scene with either the moon or the water missing, as it would to speak of Donnie and not think of Bonnie. Bon and Don are so much alike in every respect that they have derived a great deal of fun from teachers as well as classmates.

Zeta Gamma Scientific Society.
Y.W.C.A. Junior College Club.
Class Secretary.

David Raffelock

The honest opinion of one of Dave's closest friends is that without further effort on his part, without adding a single cubit to his mental, physical, or moral height, he has planted his foot within the boundaries of his purpose in life: "Being a man in the broad sense of the word." The writer will never forget his first intimate talk with Dave, its originality, its moral cleanness, and spiritual richness — there! I've unconsciously uncovered the plan on which he is built—originality, moral cleanness, spiritual richness.

To him we owe much of the interest of our college life, especially the following activities: We find him as Gerald Williams in "How the Vote Was Won," as Lew Ellinger in "The Witching Hour," as Chairman of the Class Executive Committee, as Editor of the Junior College Annual, Manager "The Witching Hour," Editor of "The Central High School News," and as Relentless Rudolph in "Relentless Rudolph Repaid," a burlesque motion picture written by himself. He was also on the college athletic teams. He has been greatly gifted by nature, especially along literary and artistic lines—but were he to lose all these, his industry would draw him to the top. It is his hope to be an author and journalist with a few moments to spare for art and lecture work.

Alma Paralee Dehler

"To her charm may be added a
sweet disposition."

Alma is one of our most popular girls, being vice-president of our class. She is also a "Math. shark," but her scholarship in all her subjects is high. All who saw her as Mrs. Alice Campbell in the "Witching Hour," will testify to her dramatic ability. Alma's early ambition was to attend college, and we hope she can go to M. U. and also Columbia U. to continue her studies.

Zeta Gamma Scientific Society.
Y.W.C.A. Junior College Club.
Vice-President of Class.

Jeancy Graham

"Those that know thee not, no
words can paint,

Those that know thee, know
that words are faint."

"Buttons," as she is sometimes called, has a charm which few girls possess, as we may know by the staunch friends she has made during her course at Central. She says her favorite pastime is laughing, and those who know her feel sure she can do her share of it. She intends to become a teacher of history after finishing her course at the University of Missouri.

Zeta Gamma Scientific Society.



Audrey A. Linn

"Nothing great was ever obtained without enthusiasm."

We feel somewhat indebted to Audrey for our Junior College, as she was the first to enroll in it. We are mighty glad to have her in our class, too, for she is most cheerful and enthusiastic. Zeta Gamma feels indebted to her for its programs this term. Audrey is an excellent musician too, and we are sure she will find many ways "to serve whenever needed," which, she says, is her purpose in life.

Lily in "How the Vote Was Won."

Asst. Sec.-Treas. Zeta Gamma. Y.W.C.A. Junior College Club. Camerardine in "Relentless Rudolph Repaid."

Mary Etta Nash

"One who to herself is true, And therefore will be so to you."

Mary Etta is always true to her friends, a quality we all admire so much. Her favorite study is French and we can all testify to her ability along that line. If she attends college it will be at Washington, D. C., and we hope her dream may come true. Mary Etta will certainly fulfill her purpose in life, which is "To be kind and good to all I meet, in wood or lane or crowded street."

George McIninch

George is one of the really dependable members of the class—and when you consider that he is finishing his college course at the age of 18—you realize that there is a lot of brain behind his slow smile with which to re-enforce his dependability. We've never seen George lose his temper, although we've often been present on occasions when we felt, were we in his place, we'd make the fur fly. Although George is strongly interested in athletics, playing on the college athletic teams, he took a little dip into dramatics as Justice Henderson in "The Witching Hour"—all of which has no connection with greenhouse vegetable raising, which is to be his future occupation. Now we can sit back and wait for that self-irrigating potato, which, being crossed with the Bermuda onion, draws water from its own eyes.

Beulah A. Barnes

"She looks as clear As morning roses, newly washed with dew."

The '17 Junior College class is certainly fond of Beulah. It is through her sunny disposition that she has won many a friend. She believes she preters tennis to reading, although she is very fond of the latter. Last year she played the leading role admirably in "How the Vote Was Won," and she did equally as well as Miss Viola Campbell in "The Witching Hour." Beulah is very fond of any language—Latin, Greek, French or German. She intends to become a teacher of ancient language after getting her degree at M. U. We know that her success is assured by her past record, especially in Greek.

Zeta Gamma Scientific Society. Y.W.C.A. Junior College Club. Dramatics.

Katherine E. Cole

"In thy face I see the work of honor, truth and loyalty."

Katherine says that her purpose in life is "to make other people happy and be happy myself," and we think she has made a good beginning, for she is one of the best natured girls in our class. She expects to attend M. U. next year and specialize in Math. From her good work in the Calculus class we are sure she will be successful.

Zeta Gamma Scientific Society.



The Pioneers—A Parting Word

SEVERAL milestones are past; many more are to be reached. But always there is the everlasting, beckoning ideal that every true student is striving for—successful attainment and service. We Junior College graduates have been inculcated with this ideal; we feel the call and force of it and we shall continue our crusade in search of it. Its rays are never dimming and they shall always illumine our lives, no matter how dark and dreary our abiding place may be.

It was the conception of this ideal, the desire to get a clearer idea, a clearer vision of it, that spurred the present dozen graduates to embark the frail, untried vessel—the Junior College—sailing uncharted seas, for a known port, but over an unknown course. The graduates of this first Junior College class are truly pioneers. With no assurance whatever that the college would turn out to be more than a flimsy bubble, the several students, eager for an education, were willing to blaze the trail—lead where it might. They were worthy workers, as all pioneers should be; they strived and met difficulties, such as lack of laboratory equipment, text books and reference books, but they met them all and succeeded. These graduates like Central High School—yes, more than like it, for the school has been a home, almost, for many years. The college was in the school and they owed it to Central to make good and add laurels and honor to the Central High School Junior College. The graduates feel they have done this.

Through an attainment of real fellowship between the students of the college and a progressive spirit, coupled with a never ending desire to work, much has been accomplished in this small, embryonic college that could not have been attained elsewhere. What the students may have missed in the way of college life and college professors, has been more than overbalanced by the splendid co-operation between teachers and pupils; by the close friendships and by a permeating feeling of the earnestness and worth of a college education. Junior College graduates will be heard of in connection with honors at larger schools and in life. They have had a training that has prepared them for this.

The congenial family—the college students—have done more than work only. The first year of the college saw the pioneers getting acquainted with their fellow blazers of the trail. They had none to look back to for aid; no precedents or customs to follow—they were making traditions—and they united in fellowship and worked and played together. The first year many social events were given, comprising several parties and a great annual picnic. A short play numbered the only other diversion. The next year found the promising bud a full grown flower. Never letting down on school work the students—now back by a first year class—found opportunity for many events. Many parties, real, glorious affairs, were given; football and basketball games played; hikes made and various other pleasurable events participated in. Two successes crowned the class a peer: The capable presentation of "The Witching Hour," and the defeat of the Holton, Kansas, Junior College debating team.

The good name and honor of the St. Joseph Junior College is growing, as it cannot help but grow. As long as the ideals of the pioneer class are kept sacred, as long as the traditions of old Central are honored, then as long as the stars sparkle and God smiles happily behind them, will the Junior College rise higher and higher to the heights of unblemished success.

Were this a story of real pioneers, settling a freshly opened, prosperous country, and were Miss Calla Varner the guiding hand in it as she is in the Junior College, the worthy men of that group would erect an indestructible commemoration—a worthy symbol of work well done—to Miss Varner. She has done more than she need to make the college a success and her efforts are cherished and respected.

Well, folks, we are preparing for real life now—some of us will go there immediately after commencement—think of us sometimes and wish us well; we want to make Central proud of us; we want to carry on the ideals we have found there; we want—well, we are going to do our best and work—here is our hand on that!

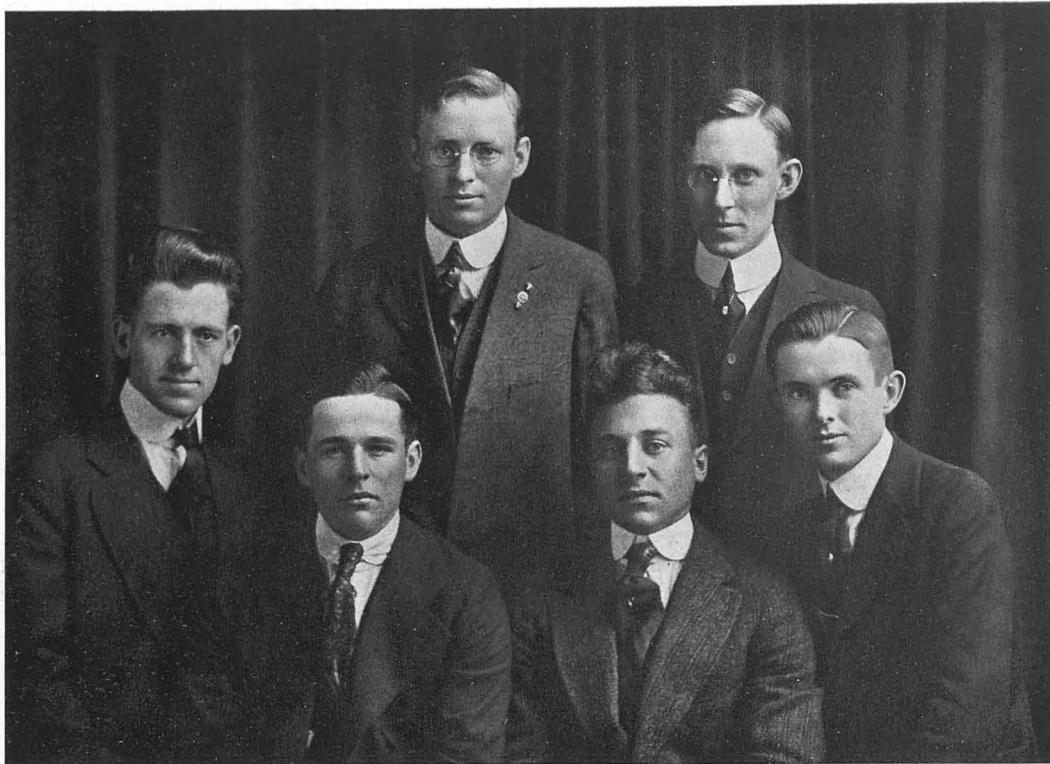
—David Raffelock.



President..... Francis McGrath
 Vice-President..... Alma Dehler
 Secretary..... Bonnie Cotteral
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 David Raffelock

Statistics of Senior Class of Junior College

STATISTICS of the Junior College people show many interesting facts. Five-sixths of the graduates want to be teachers. All of them believe their purpose in life is to be good or to help others to be good. The students—all of them—are busy, talented, good natured and friendly. It was difficult for any one to win the vote for any position, as the qualities are so evenly distributed. There was a pretty general concensus of opinion that Francis McGrath was the most talented; David Raffelock, busiest, and Audrey Linn, the wittiest. Five people received votes as the best natured, with Billy Colt leading, receiving seven votes; Audrey Linn pushed hard with five votes. It was a hot race for most capable, and Beulah Barnes crossed the tape first with one vote ahead. Martin Thomas and Francis McGrath tied for second, made the race a close one. There are many dependable members of the class. Alma Dehler managed to get on top with five votes, but she was closely followed by Marietta Nash and David Raffelock with three votes each, and by Francis McGrath, Walter Pinger and Bonnie and Donnie Cotteral with two votes each. Miles Hale and Billy Colt, determined not to be left out, earned one each. All the pupils are good friends, but Audrey Linn is such a good friend to all she received a majority of votes, thus proclaiming her the best friend in a class of real friends.



Second Year Class of Junior College

William Colt
Miles Hale

Ned Hill
Walter Pinger

Francis McGrath
Martin Thomas

THE six young men—the second year class—who do not graduate from the Junior College, are not representatives of failure, nor do they prove that girls are better students than boys. Most of the youths, four to be exact, started with the original graduating members and worked just as industriously and are just as competent as those graduating. For various worthy reasons the several boys were not able to complete their college course in two years.

The boys of the second year class represent the highest type of American youth and have done much to make Central proud of them. Francis McGrath has been a leader in many affairs and his gentlemanly qualities are respected by all. But recently he and Walter Pinger, another very well liked member of the class left for Fort Riley to become officers. Everybody knows Bill Colt and admires his good fellowship and friendship. Reliant and willing to work is Martin Thomas, and his rugged frankness is a pleasing characteristic. Ned Hill and Miles Hale are two students who have been in the college but a short while, but have made many real friends.