

THE EDITOR RIDES

This year, 1958, is the year when those of us, "little brats," who were born, for the most part, before November, 1943, will pass from the immortal portals of junior high school into big senior high.

This time of year always comes with some feelings of nostalgia. Mothers for some strange reason always weep at their daughter's wedding. Some high school and college graduates' eyes also get a little misty at commencement.

Here at Roosevelt we don't have any official graduation exercises, but some "graduates" just break down and bawl. Maybe they're thinking of a boy or girl friend whom they won't see all summer. They may even be crying for sheer joy that these three years are ended! I think though that most of the tears are because they really deep down are sad to go. Many remember a happy experience here. But enough of this!

I know that most of us will be sad to go and yet we are all looking forward to high school. Of course some of us are looking forward to it more than others! These three years are ones we will never forget and the next three will find us, as the old saying goes, "going on to bigger and better things."

May I speak for the whole ninth grade in saying that we are sorry to go, and to you new eighth and ninth graders, goodbye, good luck, and we hope that you will uphold the fine traditions which have been handed down to you by past classes here at Roosevelt.

Ninth Grade Personalities

- Most Popular: Jim Brooke
Most Musical: Don Addison
Best Athlete: John Jost
Friendliest: Mike Mathews
Brainiest: Tom Duncan
Best Sense of Humor: Ty Campbell
Wittiest: Pat Wood
Most Bashful: Jim Hargreaves
Most Likely to Succeed: Dodd Fischer
Always in a Daze: Mike McCracken
Most Vivacious: Rick Stuart
Best Figure and Physique: Bill Rhoda
Most Conscientious: Steve Merrill
Neatest: George Rush
Winning Smile: Steve Procter
Talks Most and Says Least: Carol Willis
Talks Least and Says Most: Penny Fischer
Best Artist: Robert Hamill
Best Dancer: Judy Read

AWARDS (CONTINUED)

Honorable mention is given to a boy and girl in the ninth grade, in addition to awards, and to a boy and girl in the eighth grade and seventh grade, who in the opinion of the committee have earned honorable mention.

In addition a special award is given to a ninth grade boy and girl, who in the opinion of Mr. Nelson Mr. Ackerman and faculty members, have been outstanding in service to our school.

The Willamette Post #161 of the American Legion awards a medal to an outstanding boy and girl from the ninth grade at the final assembly of the year. Their names appear on the plaque, which is kept with our other trophies and may be seen at any time by interested students or patrons of our school.

Each student has an opportunity to win one of the awards which is as follows: Citizenship, Activities, Athletics, Special Award, and the American Legion Award. An honest effort on the part of any student could earn one of these coveted awards.

Ray Ackerman Vice-Principal



FACULTY HIT PARADE

One of the least obnoxious habits of teenagers is record collecting. This has led us to view our life in general from the disc-jockey angle, even up to and including our beloved faculty. The following top tunes are high on our personal hit parade:

- "Witch Doctor" (He told me what to do over and over and over and...) cut by Mr. Bell ** "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" cut by Mr. Ackerman ** "Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf" (I am because of what I just said) cut by Mr. Hamill ** "When Irish Eyes Are Smilin'" (Well, when are they?) cut by Mr. Mullaley ** "Wonderful Time Up There" cut by Mr. Nelson ** "I'm Learning My Latin (Believe it or not!)" cut by Miss Gray ** "You'd Be Surprised" (I did learn something) cut by Miss Hettinger ** "I Cried You a River" (But you still said those algebra papers were due) cut by Miss Mattley ** "Anchors Aweigh" (Join the Navy and stay out of the Army - incidentally, see the world) cut by Mr. Edwards ** "Wonderful, Wonderful" cut by Mrs. S... ** "Kewpie Doll" (a real doll) cut by Mrs. Mayer ** "Magic Moments" (cut in the hall, or course) cut by Miss Lettow ** "I'm Counting on You" (on my fingers, of course) cut by Miss Groves ** "I Was a Big Man Yesterday" (and today, too) cut by Mr. Ward ** "Please, Please Believe Me" (I tried) cut by Miss Hughes ** "Dinner at Drac's" cut by the cooks.

Seriously, these discs are and always will be a part of our album of all-time favorites. Sorry that we did not have the pleasure of adding the entire faculty to the album instead of the few that we know personally.

We only wish that we could have cut a better record here at Roosevelt ourselves - we didn't mean to be "nothin' but a houn dawg!"

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continued throughout the year to pour their time and effort into the paper.

Many students worked only periodically on the staff; a limited number have worked continually throughout the year. To both groups of staff members the student body owes a big vote of thanks. Co-editors Gretchen and Mike deserve a special commendation for the burden of the leadership of the paper which they have carried.

To all of you who put up with and produced in spite of the impertness of your faculty advisor, I offer my personal, heart-felt thanks

Robert Hamill



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OPINION POLL

(Editors' comments: We sent our ace reporter, Pat Wood, out into the field to try to evaluate the educational impact of Roosevelt on the ninth graders. Reporter Wood posed this question to a great number of ninth graders. "What do you like most about your three years at RJH?" The following comments are a sampling of his returns.)

- Art Bish -- All the girls
Sharon Fandrey - Friendliness of the students.
Jim Hargreaves - Carol
Nancy Gilbert - Algebra
Marsh - Latin
Eve Proctor - Like? What's that?
Jean Adams - Julie
Jan Aalbuue - Bo
Shorty Blair - Jan
Larry Bruton - Summer vacations
Judy Carpenter - Long, dark halls
Sue Larson - Wonderful lunches
Carol Willis - Mr. Bell's corny jokes.
Jinny Blenkinsop - Wonderful teachers
Pat Wood - School spirit (lack of)
Barbara Horton - Apple sales
Bill Rhoda - Latin (?)
Byron Bassett - Excellent Science equipment.
Mary Ann Wilson - Can't think right now, but something.
Merv Vater - Hard home work (?)
Jim White - Jinny says its baseball
Carolann Alldritt - Jim
Janet Garrison - Bo and Jan
Jon Sundquist - Guess!

MR. HAMILL SPEAKS

With the publication of our last issue of the Rough Rider for this year, I want to extend my thanks and congratulations to all of the students who worked to get each issue printed. Those who did the most for the paper are also the ones most aware of our shortcomings this year. They have also been aware of the fact that there has been a great deal more criticism than aid from members of the student body. Despite this atmosphere and obvious organizational disadvantages they have

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TEACHERS RETIRE



Two of our teachers retire at the end of this school year after many years of fine service to the field of education and more particularly to the educational record of Roosevelt. Miss Groves' teaching has brought the grade average up in math for the whole school. Her value to the school is beyond estimation.

Under the direction of Miss Nimmo, our library has become one of the finest junior high school libraries in the state surpassing most of the high school libraries in Oregon. Those who appreciate the library and its contribution to our school will miss her a great deal in the years to come.

AWARDS TO BE GIVEN



Merit Awards are presented annually to ninth grade students who in the estimation of the Merit Committee have been outstanding during the three years they have attended Roosevelt. In some cases the awards are given to students who have been there only two years because of outstanding service.

The merit committee selects the names for the awards, gets faculty approval of those selected, and then votes to see who is to get the award.

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I wish to congratulate you on completing the ninth grade here at Roosevelt. Your teachers, Mr. Ackerman, and I have tried to give you a good educational background for your high school work and hope that you will succeed in your future schooling.

Not many years ago, it was an honor to complete grade school work and be graduated from the 8th grade. Today we do not consider a ninth grade education adequate to cope with our ever expanding and advancing complex society so we expect all of you to at least complete high school work and hope you will further your education by learning a trade or studying for some occupation or profession.

The completion of the ninth grade should be only the beginning of your education. I hope that you will continue your good work or even do better in high school.

Always treat your school work as a serious business. It is not easy and one doesn't always like school, but it is good for you. Your school job is as important to you and our country as any adult's job.

You have been an excellent ninth grade class, and we have been proud of you with your high scholastic standings and your highly successful activities. Best wishes for a good summer vacation and a happy prosperous future.

Your principal, Mr. Nelson

Roosevelt Yellows

Roosevelt would like to congratulate the girls who will be our rally squad and song leaders for next year. These are the girls that were chosen by a committee of student body officers and faculty members: Rally Squad - Sue Brogdon, captain; Carlene Wiley, Harlene Bissell, Sue Sprague, Shirley Lindberg. Song Leaders - Shirley Mahar, captain; Peggy Price, Carol Mulligan, Dorla Wilcox, Susan Stuart.

We wish you the best of success and hope that you will be as peppy as our former members.

Rogue's Gallery
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