

27 Class Leads All In Its Achievements

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Institutions of learning, further preparing themselves for life's battle. Others would plunge at once into the business world, continuing their education by practical experience. All would be working toward the same end—betterment of themselves.

"More Stately Mansions," an oration by Ruth Lingenfelter, painted a word picture of comparison of the human lives in the hands of the Master Builder and the structures in the hands of the builders of the earth. She spoke of stately mansions, of huge business blocks, and of the lives that parallel them, and she told of the houses at the

side of the road, of humble origin, but beautified by hospitality and friendliness.

"Only the few may afford to build the stately mansions," she said. "May they build well. Only the few can build the great business blocks. May they build thoroughly. But there are many who may build the houses by the side of the road."

Tom Jones, a February graduate, brought from law school an oratorical ability and masterful marshaling of thought for his address—"The Voice of Youth."

A crisis confronts the citizen of tomorrow in the oft-repeated meeting, with its inevitable friction, of the Occident and the Orient, he said. A situation lies in wait, the gravity of which the citizen of tomorrow does not realize. He pleads for fair play with the citizens of tomorrow, for their treatment as equals of the citizens of today. Given confidence and their rightful place in the world, the citizens of tomorrow will hand on the traditions of the world spotless to the citizens of the future, as they are handed to them and were taken by the citizens of today from the citizens of the past, he declared.

Richard Von Hagen, who delivered the last oration, spoke of "The Value of an Ideal." All that is best in life, and all worthwhile accomplishments, are the direct outgrowth of concentration upon an ideal, he declared. Lindbergh did not fly to Paris by dreaming of a trip to the Hawaiian Islands. He succeeded because he made the accomplishment of his flight his ideal, and concentrated upon it.

Applying his argument to everyday life, he pointed out that the man with an ideal and a definite purpose in life succeeds, while he without fails.

Musical numbers of the program were rendered admirably. The entire evening was a product of graduating talent.

Clifford Ruppel made the best of his opportunities in a violin solo, Kreisler's heart-stirring "Liebesfreud," and "A Brown Bird Singing" (Hayden-Wood) was admirable from the throats of a senior quartet composed of Mary Guyan, Tom Dougherty, Ruth Lingenfelter and Johnny Eiesel.

Eileen Woodburn was accompanist for both the violin solo and the quartet, and contributed an exquisite piano solo of her own—MacDowell's "Nocturne."

"Spring Dropped a Song Into My Heart," by Beatrice Penner, lent itself pleasingly to Dorothy Darling's appealing soprano. Miss Woodburn again was accompanist.

The class of 1927 as a whole opened the program with De Koven's "Recessional," and closed it with the 1927 Class Song, the words of which were written by Ruth Lingenfelter, and the music composed by Dorothy Darling. Hawley's "The Call of Spring" was sung by the combined glee clubs.

In presenting the class to Mr. Molnux for graduation, Principal Herbert S. Wood complimented the

seniors upon the outstanding excellence of their work during their school course. He pointed out that never before had so many of one graduating class evinced a desire for higher learning. Of the combined graduating class of 36, 13 either have entered advanced schools and universities, or plan to do so next year.

California Scholarship Federation pins were presented to seven Life Members by Miss Mills. The number of Life Members from the 1927 class also was unusually large. Life membership in the federation requires a high degree of scholastic excellence throughout the high school course.

Harry Phillips was eulogized by Mr. Wood, who presented him with the Ephebian Society ring. Each high school in the Los Angeles district is entitled each year to one Ephebian Society member for each 50 or fraction of 50 graduates. The members are elected by vote of the faculty and senior class, and election is based upon scholarship, leadership, and service.

Mr. Wood explained that although it had been a very difficult task, and one requiring much thought, to single out the one individual in the Torrance 1927 class deserving the highest honor the school could bestow, he and the faculty and the graduating class all were convinced that Harry Phillips richly had earned it. Phillips, in addition to being senior class president, was unusually active in school affairs, athletic, dramatic and literary.

After the awarding of diplomas the class of 1927 took its musical farewell:

"May we e'er be loyal,
Striving to be true,
One and all, toward higher goals,
True to you,
Mem'ries make us grateful children
As our pathways lead afar.
Farewell, Torrance High, farewell, farewell."

Willard Announces New Combination Radio Power Unit

The most recent addition to the Willard radio power family has just been announced by the big Cleveland storage battery manufacturer with the initial shipments of the new "A" and "B" power supply units to its branches.

This newest product is primarily a combination of the Willard "A" power and its "B" power supply, with an automatic control to change from charger to current supply and vice versa as the radio set switch is thrown on or off.

The unit itself is compactly assembled in a metal case finished in moss brown crystalline lacquer. The dimensions are such as to make the combination unit easily adaptable to any standard cabinet. It is 14 1/2 inches long, 11 1/2 inches wide, and 9 1/2 inches high.

In appearance and performance disinterested observers as well as Willard officials assert that this new unit meets every demand a radio set owner can ask in the matter of power for his set. It is convenient for its ready adaptability to any radio cabinet or to any remotely removed location from the set; simple because it is controlled automatically by means of the switch on the radio set; efficient because it is practically foolproof, operating quietly week in and week out with practically no maintenance or care necessary.

The most noteworthy feature of the new unit is the inclusion of a "super B" electrolytic rectifier that increases the plate potential to 180 volts at 40 milliamperes. Since few receivers nowadays draw more than 40 milliamperes, and most of them considerably less, this means that the power tubes of the 171 type may be operated at full efficiency. Also a 125-volt tap makes the 112 tube equally available.

Last season, it will be recalled, the Willard Storage Battery Company produced an "A" power unit and a "B" power supply. These are being continued, with a few additions and improvements.

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