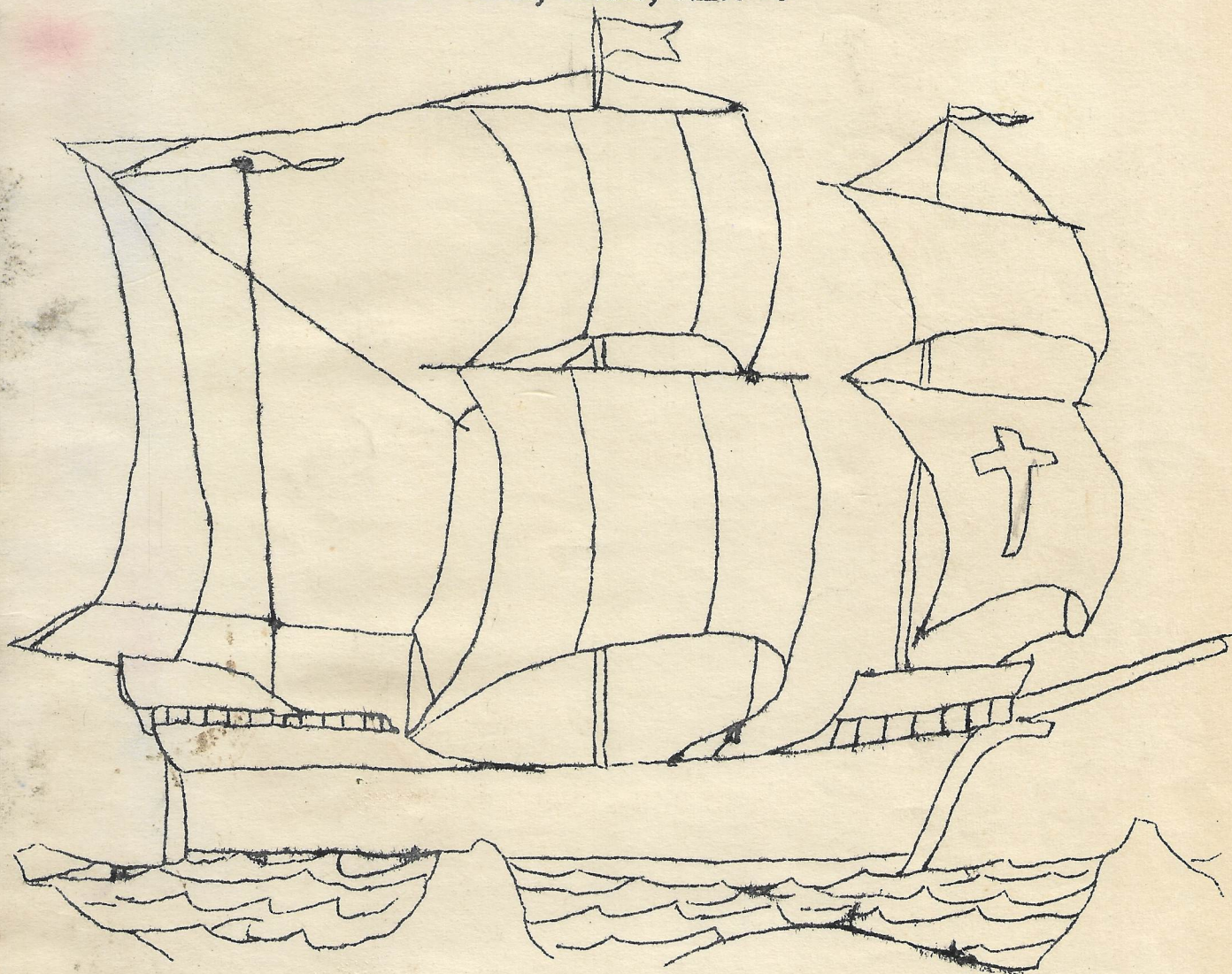


DEDICATED TO THE

Class of '55

Trinity Lutheran School, Cole Camp, Missouri

Motto: "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me"



Class Flower: Pink Carnation

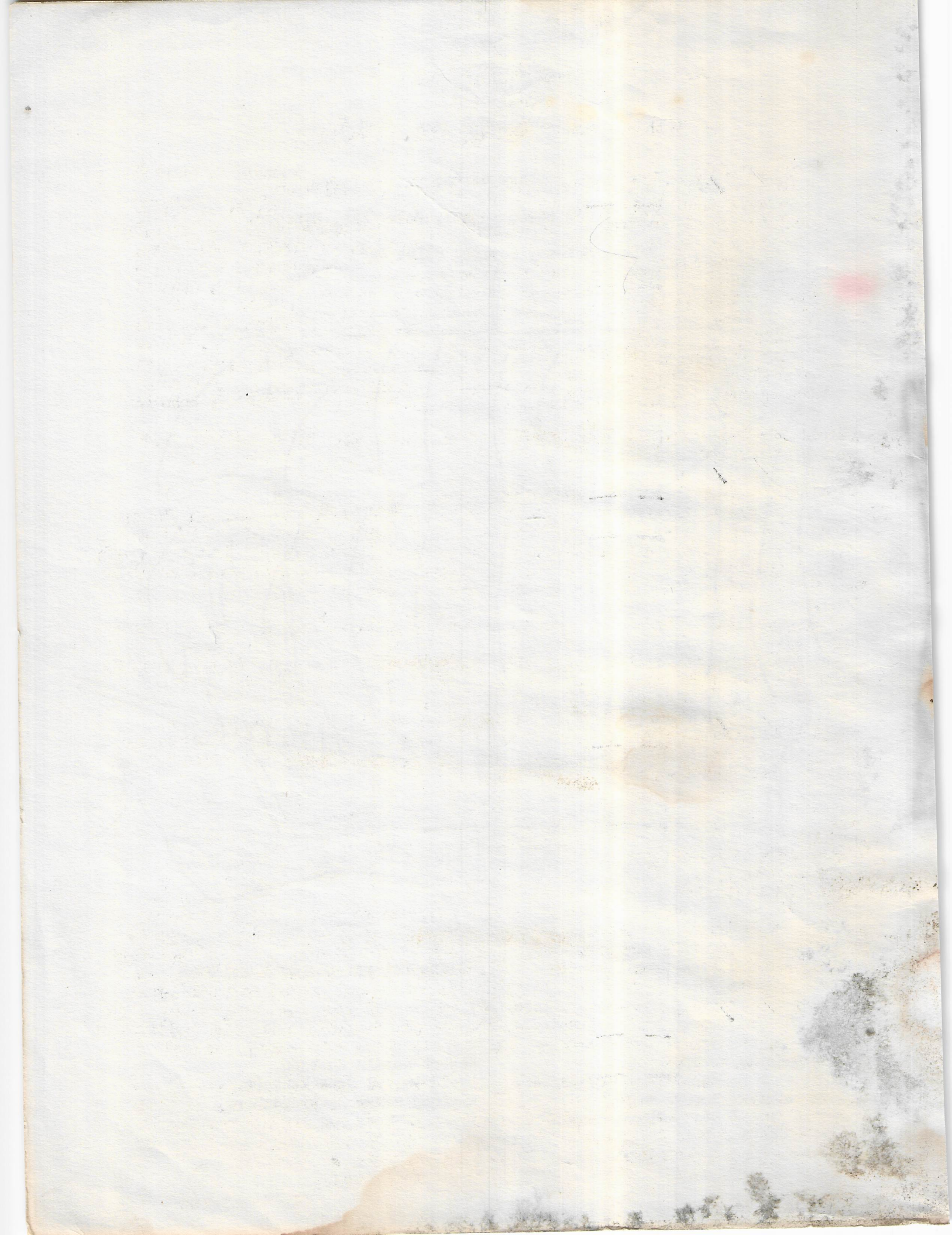
Class Colors: Charcoal and Pink

Class Roll

Lois Annette Harms
Carol Dean Holtzen
Georgie Wayne Karman

Barbara Ann Tucker

Robert Norman Luetjen
David Darryl Schnakenberg
Raymond Henry Schnackenberg



PROGRAM OF COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Trinity Lutheran Church, May 13, 1955, 8: P. M.

Processional	Leonard C. Schnell
Hymn by Assembly 631: "Savior, Who Thy Flock Art Feeding"	
Scripture Reading and Prayer	Rev. H. J. Gerike
Song by School Children	"Jesus Shepherd of the Sheep."
Commencement Address	Rev. Edward C. Pardieck, Kansas City.
Song by Graduates	"Jesus Lead Thou On."
Presentation of Class	Leonard C. Schnell
Presentation of Diplomas	Henry C. Lange
Valedictory	David Schnakenberg
Remarks	Rev. H. J. Gerike
Prayer and Lord's Prayer and Benediction	Rev. H. J. Gerike
"God Bless Our Native Land"	Assembly
Recessional	Leonard C. Schnell

(David Schnakenberg: Valedictorian; Honorable Mention: Carol Holtzen, Raymond Schnakenberg and Barbara Ann Tucker)

Valedictory--Dear Christian Parents and Friends:

We appreciate it very much to have so many present at our graduation. We are especially happy to have Pastor Pardieck, Second Vice-President of our Western District, to be our speaker. I would like to thank him for his wonderful message, and the inspiration he has given us. It is our hope that we will always remember the school as the foundation of our Christian Training in cooperation with the home.

We enjoyed our work and play with our friends which we have made these past eight years.

We pray that with God's help we will always remember our motto "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" during the rest of our lives. If we stay steadfast in His Word and Faith until our end He will pilot us to Heaven.

We will remember our Pastor, Teacher, and our School in our prayers. A final farewell to classmates and friends and although we will not always be together, may the bonds of friendship unite our hearts and may our motto, "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me" always be true.

By David Schnakenberg

A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR:-

Honored Graduates:-

As you are about to leave Trinity Lutheran School in which you have been taught the fundamentals of spiritual and secular knowledge, it is my sincere prayer that you will always remember those who have been your teachers, and particularly your chosen motto: "Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me." Nothing in life is so important as to have a safe and reliable leader and guide. Whatever your tasks or work may be, let Jesus be your pilot. Let Him lead you safely through all the difficulties that may confront you, and let the remembrance of His humility keep you humble in all the successes that you may gain. Make your Class Motto your own daily prayer.

I, as your pastor, congratulate you on your graduation day. May the Lord's blessing accompany you as you enter High School or College. It is my hope and prayer that some of you will enter the work of our beloved Church. True, it doesn't pay off in material wealth or glory, but the heavenly values are inestimable. God bless all of you. Yours in the service of Christ,

Your Pastor,

Henry J. Gerike

BIOGRAPHIES OF EIGHTH GRADE

- Lois Harms: Born in Greenridge, Missouri, on March 20, 1941. Parents are Harry and Bertha Harms. Baptized by the Rev. Carl Nierman. Attended Trinity Lutheran School at Alma, for a half year. Lake Creek Lutheran School about two years. Trinity Lutheran School at Cole Camp, five and one half years. Confirmed by Pastor H. J. Gerike.
- Carol Dean Holtzen: Born in the Lake Creek community. Parents are Vera and Paul Holtzen. Baptized by Rev. Walter Schroeder. Attended the Cole Camp Public School for one year and Trinity Lutheran School for seven years and was confirmed there by the Rev. H. J. Gerike.
- Georgie Wayne Karman: Born near Stover, Missouri. Parents are Ellen and George Karman. Baptized by Rev. D. J. O. Loesch. Attended the Big Buffalo School for the first five years and one year at Walnut Valley School and two years at Trinity Lutheran School. He was confirmed at Cole Camp, Missouri by the Rev. H. J. Gerike.
- Robery Norman Luetjen: Born in the Cole Camp community. Parents are Opal and Awalt Luetjen. Baptized by the Rev. O. C. Jagels. Attended the Hink School for six years and Trinity Lutheran School for two years, and was confirmed there by the Rev. H. J. Gerike.
- David Darryl Schnakenberg: Born in the Cole Camp community on Feb. 4, 1941. Parents are Lola and Ervin Schnakenberg. Attended Cole Camp Public School two years, and Trinity Lutheran School for six years. Baptized by Rev. Karl Niermann, and confirmed by the Rev. H. J. Gerike.
- Raymond Schnakenberg: Born in Birmingham, Alabama, on Nov. 9, 1940. Moved to Cole Camp in 1943. Parents are Irene and Oral Schnakenberg. Attended Public School one year and Trinity Lutheran School seven years. He was confirmed by the Rev. H. J. Gerike.
- Barbara Ann Tucker: Born Oct. 31, 1940 at Sedalia, Missouri. Baptized Nov. 28, 1940 at St. Paul Lutheran Church by the Rev. H. H. Heidbrader. Parent Mrs. Frieda (Harms) Tucker. Attended Cole Camp Public School two years and Trinity Lutheran School six years. Confirmed by the Rev. H. J. Gerike.

MY FAVORITE

Lois

Like: Music
 Dislike: Spelling
 Ambition: Secretary
 Favorite food; Escalloped Potatoes
 Best Subject: Science
 Hobby: Collecting Pictures
 Song: "Rusty Ol' Hallow"
 Color: Yellow
 Hymn: "In the Hour of Trial"
 Actor: Audy Murphy
 Actress: Jane Russell
 Nickname: Nettie
 Will: I, Lois Harms, will my freckles to James Schnakenberg.

Carol Dean

Like: Fishing
 Dislike: Language
 Ambition: Television Engineer
 Favorite Food: Apple Pie ala Mode
 Best Subject: Arithmetic
 Hobby: Baseball
 Song: "Davy Crockett"
 Color: Green
 Hymn: "Beautiful Savior"
 Actor: Audie Murphy
 Actress: Grace Kelly
 Will: I, Carol Dean Holtzen, will my ping pong ability to Orlyn Helmsoth.

My Favorite (Cont'd)

Georgie Wayne

Like: Hunting
Dislike: Spelling
Ambition: Machanic
Favorite Food: Cake
Best Subject: Arithmetic
Hobby: Foot-ball
Song: "In the Jail-house Now"
Color: Blue
Hymn: "Jesus, Savior Pilot Me."
Actor: Clark Gable
Will: I, Wayne Karman, will my height to David Denker.

Robert

Like: Fishing
Dislike: Studying
Ambition: Mechanic
Favorite Food: Ice cream
Best Subject: English
Hobby: Foot-ball
Song: "Courtin' In The Rain"
Color: Red
Hymn: "Rock of Ages"
Actor: Audie Murphy
Actress: Grace Kelly
Nickname: Bob
Will: I, Robert Luetjen, will my height to Nadyne Eckhoff.

David

Like: Anything Sweet (?)
Dislike: Spinach
Ambition: Millionair
Favorite Food: Strawberry Shortcake
Best Subject: Agriculture
Hobby: Reading Sports Magazines
Song: "Twedle lee dee"
Hymn: "Beautiful Savior"
Color: Green
Actor: Rock Hudson
Actress: Kim Novak
Favorite Baseball Player: Bill Virdon
Nickname: Snock
Will: I, David Schnakenberg, will my haircut to Robert Lange.

Raymond

Like: Hunting
Dislike: Spelling
Ambition: Electrical Engineer
Favorite Food: Strawberries and ice-cream.
Best Subject: Arithmetic
Hobby: Baseball
Song: "Davy Crockett"
Color: Blue
Hymn: "What a Friend We Have In Jesus"
Actor: Audie Murphy
Actress: Jane Russell
Nickname: Ray
Will: I, Raymond Schnakenberg, will my low voice to Ruth Harms.

Babara Ann

Like: Music
Dislike: Cabbage
Ambition: Secretary
Favorite Food: Meat Loaf
Best Subject: English
Hobby: Sewing
Song: "Unchained Melody"
Hymn: "Be Still, My Soul"
Color: Blue
Actor: Jeff Chandler
Actress: Piper Laurie
Nickname: Babs
Will: I, Barbara Ann Tucker, will my sunburn, gotten on Field Day, to Wesley Borchers.

A word from the teachers:

Another school year has come to a close. Like all others, it had its highlights and few reverses. The enrollment has been the highest in recent years, at the close of school, sixty-two. We wish all pupils a happy summer vacation and God-willing, a grand opening in September with an equal spirit and eagerness for further training in God's Word. To the members of the graduating class we would like to say, "May God's richest blessings rest on your efforts in the future"

SCHOOL PROJECTS

STAMP DAYS: Stamp Day was held every Tuesday from the beginning of the term. A number of the pupils finished their books and converted into bonds. About \$450 worth of stamps were sold during the term. Those who bought stamps were given a special treat by the committee of the American Legion Auxiliary.

MILK PROGRAM: For the benefit of the children the Federal Milk Program was sponsored by the P.T.A. the past year. This project was started in February, and by the end of the term 145 gallons had been consumed. The milk was furnished by the Sunny Ozark Dairy. The majority of the pupils took part in this program, since it was very cheap, being only 2¢ a cup. Pupils would purchase a card for a dollar which was punched regularly. At the close of the term the unused amount was to be returned. We hope to enlarge this program in fall to include lunches.

POLIO DRIVE: This free-will contribution amounted to \$26.60. We feel that this shows generosity and kindness for such a worthy cause. We have been very fortunate that no one in our school has been afflicted with this dreaded disease. Most pupils of the first and second grade have received the initial inoculation in the Government's program.

CHURCH OFFERING: The "Building for Christ" program was met with a fine response. The total offering of the School and Sunday School was about \$52.00. We know that this \$5,000,000 Offering was to help five important institutions not directly in Synods budget.

P.T.A. SOCIAL: Shortly after Christmas a P.T.A. Social was sponsored. The outstanding of this event was the overwhelming attendance. The basement was barely large enough for all pupils, parents and friends and all who attended. It started with a covered dish supper and was followed with entertainment by the school children. The entertainment consisted of several school plays and performance of a rhythm band.

The P.T.A. has also had a bake sale and has resolved to furnish playground equipment plus building up the library. They are also busy with other projects.

A FREE DAY FOR PUPILS

On April 15th. the Sedalia Zone of the Woman's Missionary League met in Cole Camp. Since there was not enough room in the school for the ladies and the pupils it was decided to drop school on that day. The teachers and Frederick Hesse and Robert Lange spend visiting Trinity Lutheran School at Alma, Missouri. The boys observed one interesting procedure in the school during the Religion period. The children would rise to answer the questions. If they could not answer correctly they remained standing for a short period. At noon we received a free lunch. In the afternoon a motion picture was shown. Since school was dropped on this day the teachers did not attend the conference in Kansas City.

VISIT TO THE COLE CAMP HIGH SCHOOL

As in other years the eighth grade pupils of this area visited Cole Camp High School this spring. We were divided into four groups and instructed by Mr. Ragland on our program for the day. At noon we were served a delicious lunch in the lunchroom. In the afternoon a music festival was conducted and anyone who was interested could attend.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

For about seven months the seventh and eighth grade pupils received confirmation instruction from Pastor Gerike. There was a total of seventeen pupils receiving instruction. Nine of these were confirmed.

FUN DAYS

All children like to celebrate the important days of the year.

Christmas is perhaps one of the happiest holidays of the year. This is the day of the birth of our Savior. In addition to the childrens Christmas Program, we carry out other things. We show our love to others with gifts, Christmas cards and visits. As usual we drew names for exchanging small gifts and took part in a sale of Christmas cards.

On Valentine Day each room had its box. Everybody had a good time receiving valentines. Although most of these were comical, there were also some which expressed a more sincere love.

The Halloween Party was enjoyed by everyone present. Everyone was dressed in the oddest clothing. It was impossible to recognize most of them.

Hay Ride. The four upper grades enjoyed the annual hay ride. Walter Harms offered his tractor and himself as driver. Everyone explored the countryside. Wieners were roasted over a fire and washed into the stomach with pop. One disappointment happened when Shirley Brunjes and got a severe cut on her hand.

SPORTS AND RECREATION

FIELD DAY: On May 4, of this year our school had a track meet with Stover. The events started at 10:00 and lasted till 3:30. In most of the events our school won more ribbons. For first place five points were awarded, second, three, and third, one. Our school was high with 217 points and Stover had 149 points. This year the winner received a trophy. To keep the trophy, the school has to win three times in a row. The refreshments could be bought. The Sunny Ozark Dairy donated the orange drinks and ice cream. We thank them very heartily.

SOFTBALL AND BASKETBALL GAMES: Last fall we played the Public School in basketball. We beat them 31-15. We also played them in softball. We won 11-6. We hope that we can keep winning in years to come.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT: This year we have been better equiped on our school ground. We now have a basket ball court and a volley ball court. We also have a back stop for our ball diamond. We must thank the Board of Christian Education for working towards this end and the P.T.A. for the financial aid.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

INSECT COLLECTION: One day a moth was brought to school. After looking through different books we discovered that it was a luna moth. Since then, other children have brought different kinds of butterflies and moths. Finally, we even wound up with a bird. It happened to be a good specimen of a king-bird. We are going to mount the insects and keep our collection growing.

SEDALIA PICNIC: We are planning to have our annual picnic on May 16, at Sedalia, if it doesn't rain.

TRIP TO JEFFERSON CITY: Sometime after our picnic, the eighth grade is going to Jefferson City. We are planning to go when the General Assembly is in session. We hope several cars will show up for transportation.

NOTES FROM ROOM I

NATURE ITEMS: We had many live animals and insects in Room I. The Allee children brought a horned toad. They also brought a Black Widow Spider. Annette Bruns brought two baby quail. We also had a kingbird. Geanie Brockman was surprised when a lizard crawled up her leg. We also had many different bouquets.

THE FUNNY TREE: Around Easter time Room I had a funny kind of tree. It looked as if the Easter Bunny had been here. The tree had a lot of pretty colored eggs on it. Each child brought its own egg. It had its name on it.

MRS. HESSE'S BIRTHDAY PARTY: Room I gave Mrs. Hesse a surprist birthday party. Geanie Brockman and Betty Allee each brought a cake and Carole Heimsoth brought ice cream. There was enough cake left for all the pupils in the other room. Mrs. Hesse received many nice gifts.

TEST DAYS

The eighth grade final tests were given on the first Saturday in April. After days of anxious waiting the results finally were received from Mr. Owen, County Superintendant of Schools. Although we did not break any records, except one grade, we were satisfied with the results. The tests for the United States Constitution and the Missouri Constitution were given in our school. And were they tough! It was found that the Missouri test was more difficult than the United States test. The results were fair and we found out that we know something about our government.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Those who were very fortunate this year and did not miss any school were, Shirley Brunjes, Donald Miesner, Linda Root, and Reinhold Kropp.

ROLL OF PUPILS GRADES I TO 7

Grade I
Sandra Hagenah
Mary Schnakenberg
Mona Eckhoff
Linda Root
Anna Heimsoth
Dwayne Weinberg
Dennis Denker
Dennis Harms

Grade 2
Orlyn Heimsoth
Lynn Sue Schnakenberg
Sharon Allee
Linda Schumacher
Delores Schumacher
Marcia Dieckman
Wayne Reinert

Grade 3
Sandra Holtzen
Lois Schnakenberg
Junia Mae Balke
Kenneth Fick
Idolene Muller
Rosalie Root
Carolyn Denker
Frank Tinney

Grade 4
Winston Borchers
Betty Sue Allee
David Denker
Carole Heimsoth
Carol Muller
Geannie Brockman
Ruth Harms
Reinhold Kropp

Grade 5
Nancy Brockman
Geraldine Denker
Charles Grother
Donald Miesner
James Schnakenberg
Louetta Schnakenberg

Grade 6
Shirley Brunjes
Carolyn Grother
Kenneth Harms
Melba Heimsoth
Frederick Hesse
Janet Kroenke
Robert Lange
Sharon Ondracek
Shirley Reinert

Grade 7

Charlene Ebeling
Nadyne Eckhoff
David Fick
Eileen Grother
John Douglas Granneman
Darlene Heimsoth
Robert Wilshusen
Douglas Denker

Three pupils, Donald Meier, Ronnie Bruns,
and Annette Bruns transferred to other
schools during the term.

Elmo Bruns was replaced on the Board by
G. A. Dieckman Jr. The two other members
on the Board are Henry Lange (chairman)
and Paul Holtzen.

AUTOGRAPHS

