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RUSSELL MARKS ITS 50th YEAR OF

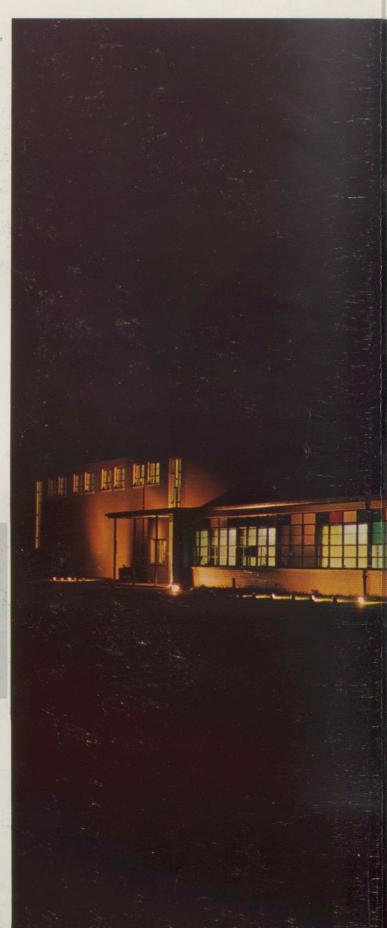


The original Russell High School, built in 1915, adequately served the community until other buildings replaced it. It was torn down in 1949.

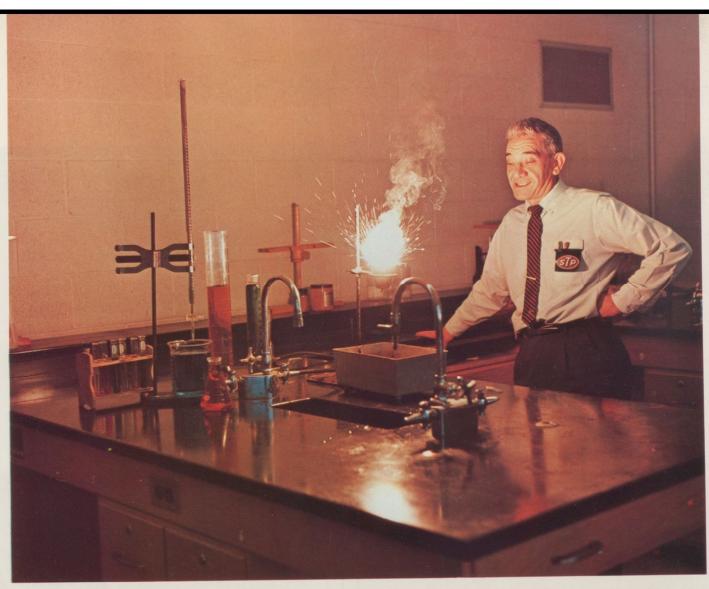
The new high school, shown bathed in light, stands as a symbol of the progress achieved by the Russell Independent School District.

For four years we have been studying the philosophy of true living. What we have gained can never be taken from us. We have a knowledge that shall make all life sweeter and deeper and will enable us to be the men and women we hope to be, to develop the character each one has, that underlying human nature modified by birth, environment, upbringing, and education.

-- 1921 Yearbook



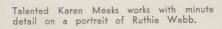
IMPROVEMENT AND ADVANCEMENT



Mr. Blankenship recoils quickly after testing a reaction that is planned for his chemistry classes.

"We wish to express our thanks to our Superintendent and Faculty for their aid and help during the past year. We feel that without their help and guidance we could never have succeeded."

—1927 Yearbook





Seniors Chuck Lowery and Rodney Harris admire a cap and gown shown to them by Mr. Taylor. Receiving caps and gowns is more than a casual occurence for seniors, it is the awakening to the reality of their final moments at Russell.



STUDENTS AND TEACHERS PREPARE FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES



Martha Endler prepares for her Future Homemakers of America test by sweeping trash in the Student Union. It is doubtful that such a menial task was included on her test.

Cheerleaders Sharon Sparks, Mary Jane Reed, Sherri Fultz, Gayla Hoy, Sondra Abbott, and Libby Conley prepare for the "Big Game".



MANY STUDENTS FULFILL THE ROLE OF "RED DEVIL" SPECTATOR

"Not only do these cheerleaders spur our Devils on to victory—but they distract our opponents."

-1944 Yearbook

A group of spirited Red Devil fans display the name of their school at the Regional Basketball Tournament.

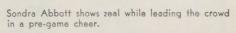


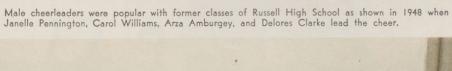






The Homecoming bonfire glows brightly to symbolize the pride felt in outstanding athletic endeavors.



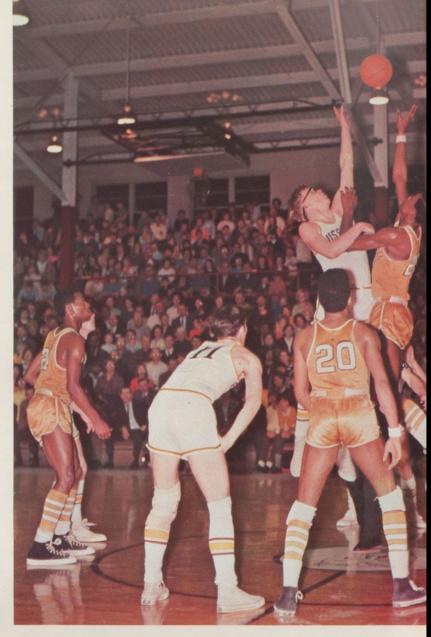






... BUT SOME RUSSELL STUDENTS PARTICIPATE AND COMPETE





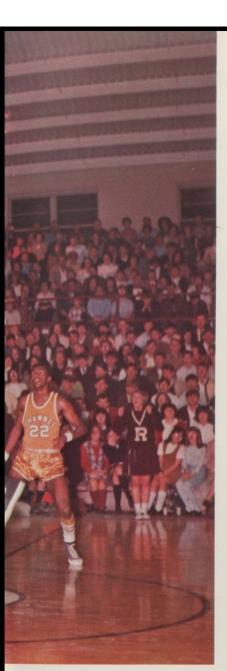
Russell's own Marta Perry, center, holds her runnerup trophy in the Kentucky Correct Posture Pageant. Russell's beauty has always fared well in area and state competition.

"Our first football team, composed of inexperienced players and with no coach, made a poor record this year. Four games were played and as many lost."

-1923 Yearbook

1925 FOOTBALL TEAM (Row I) Buster Burton, Augustus Wilson, Charles Gilley, Billy Joe Brown, (Row 2) Arthur Bolton, Paul Vaughn, Ray Stanbaugh, Paul Patton, (Row 3) Edmund Kidd, Jess Walker, Alfred Ward, Captain Wright, Claris Starke, and Mr. Shepherd.





Tom Roberts and Louisville Shawnee's Thomas Paine prove to be an even match in the opening tip-off as their teammates look on.

With sober expressions Frank Blevins, Donna Clark, Fred Mayne, Connie Little, David King, Angela Brelsford, and Don Flue present the finale of their award winning skit "Miss Liberty Sits Down."





Steve Lewis, Robbie Tanner, Steve Hoertz, and Bill Caldwell show their "true form" as cheerleaders at the Jr. Co-Ed-Y powder puff football game.

... SOME PEOPLE ARE CHOSEN TO BE



With thousands of eyes focused on him, Joe Kleykamp stands at perfect attention while signaling the beginning of a band performance. Leadership sometimes is colorful, as in the case of a band field commander.

"What we lack in quantity we make up in quality" was the unofficial motto of the Junior Class of 1921 because their class numbered only two. They each unanimously voted each other two class offices—Jack Hackworth as the President and Vice-President, Elsie Dudley as Secretary and Treasurer.

Authority ... Responsibility ... Sound Judgement ... Sacrifice ... Dedication—leadership requires all of these. But too many times these qualities go unnoticed. Even with all the personal contact involved with positions of authority, it is still a very lonely job.



LEADERS - A VERY LONELY JOB





Meditation and contemplation are requirements that all good leaders must possess. David Cleaver, Junior Class President, silently reviews the plans for the 1968 prom and wonders about its outcome.

Competitive elections are instrumental in selecting competent leaders. Mark Heaberle presides over the Beta Convention held in Louisville in 1960 to become the second Russell student to be chosen to hold that high state-wide office.

... I TRAVEL THIS WAY BUT ONCE ... WHERE WILL IT ALL LEAD?

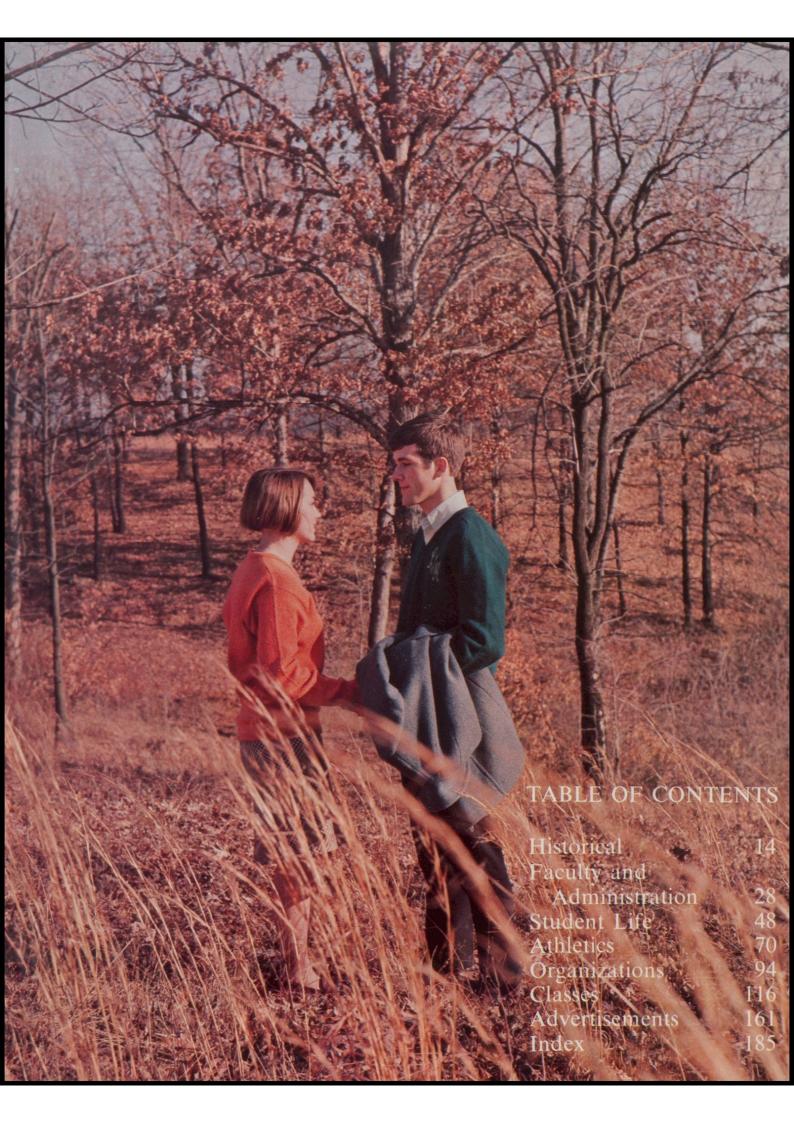


Caught with a far-away look on her face, Jill Wells contemplates her future.

A rainy day ... a far away look ... young love ... wondering what the rest of the world is like ... the planning of life ... ambition ... faith ... All these are the somber and important thoughts that travel through the minds of youth. But the most reoccurring wonder comes when each one asks: "What will I do with my life?"



Sandy Algeo ponders an unknown thought as she peers out a rain drenched window.









HISTORICAL

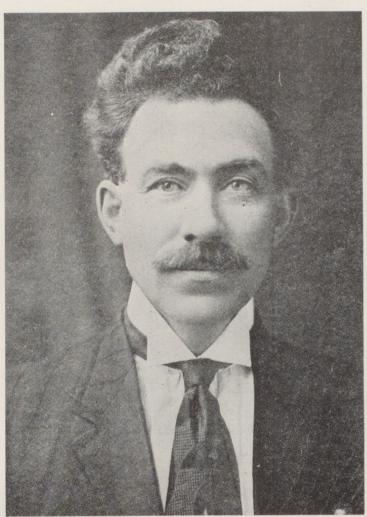


FIRST GRADUATING CLASS, Above—(Row I) Marguerite Rece, Margaret Williams, Margaret Meek, Elmer Lacey, Bertha Osborn, Georgia Patterson, Myrtle England (Row 2) Carrie Rece, Lizzie Olive Turo, Inez Sutton, Esther Smith, Essie Smith, Ada Rece.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY SHOWS HAL

1968 marks a great milestone in the history of Russell High School because this year is its 50th anniversary. The first graduating class, consisting of 14 members, held a very simple yet impressive commencement program on May 29, 1918. It is somewhat ironical that the 1918 class graduated while World War I was in progress and the 1968 Class, during the Vietnam conflict and race riots. Despite the chaotic atmosphere of war, great strides have been made in the field of education. This is especially true of the Russell Independent School District. We are proud of the citizens of our community who have always given the educational welfare of children first place.

Russell's first graduating class of 14 members is of special significance to the history of Russell High School. The twelve young ladies dressed in crisp white middy blouses with tie and long skirts, the one boy in a stiffly starched shirt and Sunday suit, probably never realized that they were pioneers of a high school which is so highly respected in the state.

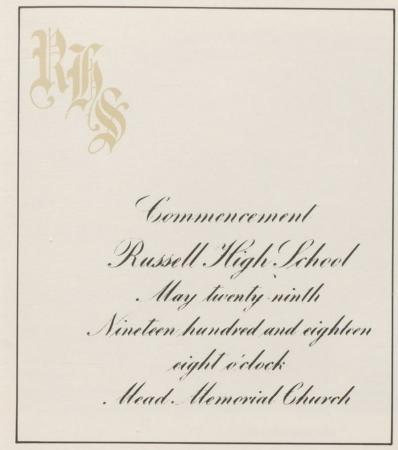


Professor B. F. Kidwell, Russell School District's first superintendent, as he appeared in the 1918 high school yearbook.

Russell School pupils photographed in 1911. Professor Webb is shown in the background. Many of the names are familiar to local residents, namely, Bill Rice, Fred Williams, Jim Smith, Minnerx Chinn, Cecil Burgess, Ora Smith, Helen Smith, Mildred Trent, Elizabeth Arnett, Carrie Rece, Georgia Patterson, Hermene Hoffman, Gertie Archie, Lena Sutton, Zelia Stevens, Hazel Lynd, Gertrude Fields, Nora Scott, and Pauline Rice.



CENTURY OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRESS



Clifford Collins was the pride of Russell High School in 1918 when he enlisted in World War I just as soon as he reached the required age. Clifford was unable to take part in the first commencement.



The school, in the late 1880's, was becoming too large to be taught by one teacher, and the leading citizens began to demand a longer school term and more efficient teaching; so a petition was signed by the required number of voters to form the Russell Independent Graded School District, and to erect a new four-room grade school building. So it was, in July of 1891, when the voters of Russell voted to form an independent school district; that the foundation work for the present city system of Russell began to manifest itself.

The first real school building was then opened in January of 1892 with two female teachers to teach. It may be of some interest to some people that these first two teachers were employed to teach, sweep the floors, and to build the fire in the morning



Gerald Callihan and Carrie Rece McWhorter as they appeared in "Old Maids Convention" play in 1916.

The history of Russell High School cannot be told without giving the complete story of Russell City Schools. The first organized school, taught within the present limits of Russell, was a private one taught by Miss Alice Carner in about 1870. This school was first taught in a recreation house which stood in "Carner's Grove."

Soon after a school building was erected near the junction of the present Kenwood Drive and Route 23. Money for the construction of this building was obtained through a loan made by Mr. A. W. Carner to the district, and later repaid by the district.

for a monthly salary of \$30.

The quality and size of the school improved slowly but steadily until Mr. O. A. Laubish decided that high school courses should be taught. So in 1913, he boasted of having thirteen students taking high school courses. The school grew rapidly in those few years so more room was needed. The voters of Russell again agreed to a bond issue to finance the building of an additional four rooms to the already existing four rooms.

The rapid progress of Russell schools can be marked by the election of Supt. B. F. Kidwell (often called "the Professor"). He also served as the high school teacher in the first few years of the high school. The elementary and high school in 1915, when Mr. Kidwell came, had six teachers and an enrollment of 340.

JULY, 1891, CITIZENS OF RUSSELL VOTED

"We are glad that the class of '23 is fortunate in having a new high school building ... This building is something of which the town should be proud and for which we are grateful to our honorable board and esteemed superintendent.

-1923 Yearbook



1922 Russell High School

By 1921, it was seen that the high school should be separated from the grades and a bond issue was voted. This carried unanimously, and two stories of the old high school building (the present Russell Central Elementary) were erected in 1922.

In 1922, a two-room building was erected at West Russell to serve as an elementary school. In 1925, six rooms were added. This school was vacated and sold in the early 1960's, and the students transported elsewhere in the district.

In 1921, the Bellefonte Rural School District and a portion of the Chinnville (Raceland) Graded School District petitioned to be added to the Russell School District and was accepted. In 1926, it became necessary to enlarge the high school and to furnish a new building to the Bellefonte section. To do this, another bond issue was passed by a wide margin. With this money, six rooms were added to the high school; and the present Bellefonte Grade School was erected.

In 1927, the junior high (seventh and eighth grades) was crowding the high school building; so a building joining the high school was erected at the cost of \$30,000. The funds for this building were taken from the school treasury.

In April of 1929, after much controversy and extended debates, the Advance Grade School District merged with the Russell District and thus almost doubled the size of the district.

The Russell Schools continued to improve during the depression

years, but experienced a small drop in enrollment as all schools experienced. During this time, the school struggled but still continued to give the best possible education to its students.

The high school again needed more room, so a new gym was built to the high school; and the old gym converted to an auditorium. In the same year, 1937, a small frame house was purchased to house the Home Economics Department.

Mr. B. F. Coffman became the Russell system's second superintendent in 1941, after the resignation of Professor Kidwell. These were the war years, and proved trying to school officials. Many courses were added concerning patriotism and the war effort.

The music room, shop room, and the cafeteria were added to the high school in 1951. But that year also ended an era because the original Russell school house, which was built in 1891, was torn down.

In 1950 the new Russell Elementary School was built in downtown Russell. Three years later Henry R. Evans became the third and present school superintendent. The growth since 1953 has been phenomenal.

In rapid succession, the Bellefonte Elementary and Adavnce Elementary Schools were remodeled and enlarged. In 1956 the present McDowell Junior High School was built, and it was enlarged in 1958 and 1960.

TO FORM AN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT



"In volume one, we noticed that Editor Lacey was pleading for a gymnasium in behalf of the high school. We are sure the high school would derive much pleasure from it but we consider that a library is needed much more than the gymnasium."

-1921 Yearbook

1962 Russell High School

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

Mr. O. A. Laubish 1913-1914 (not official principal—taught high school classes) Miss Jenny Williams 1914-1915 (not official principal—taught high school classes) Mr. B. F. Kidwell 1915-1921 Miss Lyle Hutchinson 1921-1925 Miss Catherine Bailey 1925-1927 Mr. C. D. Taylor 1927-1930 Mr. J. H. Bradshaw 1930-1941 Mr. Harry Sparks 1941-1944 Mr. Henry R. Evans 1944-1952 Mr. Fred W. Billups 1952-1953 Mr. Fred Johnson 1953-1955 Mr. Frank V. Firestine 1955-



MISS MABEL OSENTON High School Teacher and "The Faculty" in 1918 plus Professor Kidwell



LYLE HUTCHINSON—PRINCIPAL Teacher's Course State College, Lexington, Ky. 1921 Faculty



S. T. ISON Clintwood Normal College, Clintwood, Virginia. 1921 Faculty

RUSSELL DISTRICT SHOWED PHENOMENAL GROWTH



1902 RUSSELL GRADE SCHOOL PUPILS We are indebted to Mrs. June Cook for the oldest known picture of students attending grade school at Russell. Mrs. May Stewart was the school mistress.



Former Russell teachers serving over 25 years: Miss Edyth Yoak LATIN Mrs. Pauline Wade COMMERCE Miss Rebecca Angel MATHEMATICS





The 1933 High School Faculty as it appeared in the yearbook. Four of the eleven shown are still with the school district. Miss Numia Lee Fouts—Librarian, Miss Mary Washington—Math, Sara Hendricks—Secretary to the Supt., and Miss Edith Fuller (now Mrs. Callihan)—Vocal Director.



DURING 1920's OLD HIGH SCHOOL, BELLEFONTE, AND WEST RUSSELL SCHOOLS ERECTED







MR. C. D. TAYLOR Principal 1927-1930



MR. J. H. BRADSHAW Principal 1930-1941

"I wish to thank those unsung martyrs of Education: the high school teachers. The next time, if you feel prone to criticize, just remember that the teachers went to school once themselves and are preparing us to take the harder bumps ahead. They know what they are doing; they must take the raw clay and, like the master potter, fuse it into a more desirable article for the good of civilization.

-Lee Thompson (President) 1940 Sr. Class

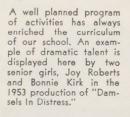
1926 SOPHOMORE CLASS (Row 1) Jean Burton, Jesse Walker, Ruby Fowler, Hilda Franz, Monnie Maggard (Row 2) Dalton Fouts, Brown Mahle, Garret Wright, Georgia Scott, George Jacobs, Alma Hanks, Madeline Robertson, Shirley Steele (Row 3) Byrne Nixon, Cecil Butler, John Kamey, Leslie Craft, Virginia Richards, Alma Bowling, Hallie Mullarkey, Mary Bolton, Anne Rowland, Alice Carmen, Gladys Ramey (Row 4) Arlyn Neal, Arthur Bolton, Richard Hendricks, Alice Sprouse, Irene Ward (Row 5) Kenneth Herron, Edward Wilholt, Miss Lyons, Edith McKnight, Evelyn McKenna



EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES HAVE ALWAYS

The extra-curricular program at Russell High School has always sparked the academic schedule. While it is secondary, the organizations and clubs have allowed students to participate in areas of their artistic talents or special interests. We believe that many students have been given an outlet for expression which has greatly enriched their total learning experience. Learning to work and to get along with others is one of the main objectives of education.









Russell Betas received state-wide recognition for their prize winning skit "We Believe" in 1954. They presented it at an E.K.E.A. meeting at Morehead, at KEA and before numer-



High stepping baton-twirling trio in 1941 were: Edith Adkins, Edward Crosby, and Mary Jane Woolery.

In 1932-33 the students were enthusiastic about their school paper, the Revil. Staff members were: Walter Ailstock, Mildred Ballengee, Mary Armstrong, EDITOR, Della Sweet, Naomi Foster,

Helen Herndon, Harriet Holland, Gene Harris, Grayson Cox, Edmund Burton, and Otewaugh Fouts.

ENRICHED PERSONALITIES OF RUSSELL STUDENTS



ous civic groups. The Betas have set an enviable record. To date, they have won 12 out of 15 skits. Numia Lee Fouts is sponsor.



Queen Mary Lou Wallace reigned over the gala oriental Junior Prom in 1955. The Junior Prom is a lovely tradition at Russell and the hi-light of the Junior Class' endeavors.

The Student Council has always been an important organization at Russell High School. The 1934 Student Council was an industrious group headed by Thomas Havens Jr. president. Faculty advisors were: Edmond Kidd, Lloyd Patterson, and Alfred Ward. Senior members were: Athel Wyant and Thomas Vallence. Juniors: Wilson Shelton, Helen Perry. Sophomores: Robert Cooper, Easter Callihan. Freshmen: Roberta Riggs and Lovell LeRoy.

Organizations were considered vital to the school program early in the history of Russell High School. The Girl Reserves, the first known club, was organized in 1922 with Miss Lyle Hutchinson as advisor.

Next, the Boys Betterment Club and the Hi-Y Club in 1923. Other early clubs with outstanding records were the Debating Team—1926, Science Club—1927, the Zeta Society—1927, the Kappa Literary Society—1927, Honor Club—1928, and the Home Ec. Club in 1929. Truly, clubs and organizations here at Russell have enriched the personalities and character of high school students.



Our very first Miss Revilonian was chosen in 1946. She was Miss Betty Renfro. This is still considered one of the highest honors bestowed upon a senior. She is selected on the basis of personality, leadership, cooperation, and scholarship. In 1954, the Mr. Revilonian honor was added and this first title was bestowed upon Bob Arthur.



FROM THE BEGINNING, RUSSELL HAD ENTHUSIASTIC

Scores of games can sometimes be very interesting. Our greatest loss in basketball was in 1948 to Ashland 16-75 and our greatest win was last year over Louisa 131-68. Our greatest loss in football was to Ashland 0-71 in 1942 and our greatest win in 1954 over Fort Gay, W. Va. 78-0.

1923 BASKETBALL TEAM (Seated) Oscar Justice, Joe Fisher, Coach Flick Johnson, Rowland Patterson, Foster Gayheart, (Standing) Charles Ensor, James Fisher, James York, Robert Walker. The identification under this picture in the 1923 Yearbook was; "the boys worked hard and persistently, but met defeat on every floor except at Louisa, Kentucky. The score there was 18-13 in our favor. Looking forward to a gymnasium for next year, the boys are hopeful of many victories."



1954 FOOTBALL TEAM (Row I) Don Harris, J. C. May, Managers; Charles Scaggs, Gary Burgess, Arnie Sparks, Deward Davis, (Row 2) Roger Pemberton, Larry McKenzie, Gary Huddleston, Ray Phelps, Ray McKenzie, David Duke, John Gorrell, Donnie



1942 FOOTBALL TEAM (Row 1) Paul Franz, Eddie Burgess, Jack Lynch, Jennings Hurt, Dick Ratliff, Ray Willis, Willis Potter, Bubby Jones. (Row 2) Bethel Ruggles, Jack Worley, Scrappy Glenn, Wayne Porter, Earl Windell, Bernard Ward, Clyde Blanton, Raymond Wray. (Row 3) Coach Taylor, Coach Patterson, Harry Perry, Jack Burgess, Gene Franz, Elmer Petry, Bob Hackworth, Calvin Taylor, Claude Wright, Mgr. Aubrey Sutton, Coach Marvin Anderson.



RED DEVIL SPIRIT WITH EMPHASIS ON CLEAN SPORTSMANSHIP

1938 16th REGION CHAMPION BASKETBALL TEAM (Seated) Bill Blackburn, Orin Hinton, Charles Chattin, Bob Hilton, Ransford Potter, (Standing) Coach Patterson, Francis Lambert, Frank Chattin, Bill Franz, John Joe Willis, J. G. Webb, Jack Chattin, Manager.





Coach Lloyd Patterson was the veteran Head Athletic Coach of Russell High School for many years. He led the Russel Red Devils to numerous thrilling victories including the 1936 and 1938 State Basketball Tournaments. Coach Patterson is at present the Superintendent of City Schools at Richmond, Kentucky.

Williams, Coach Cilo, (Row 3) C. B. Ison, Bob Lanham, Jack son, Jim Conley, Dan Chinn, Bill Williams, Charles Sparks, J. R. Harris, David Darby, Donald Davidson.





1930 GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM (Seated) Georia Pierce, Estelle Preston, Reba Robertson, Gertie Jackson, Gladys Caldwell (Kneeling) Verona Howell, Helen Franz, June Smith, Lorena Scaggs, Alice Wimmer, Coach Glenn Presnell.

LAST TWO DECADES OF RUSSELL SCHOOLS' PROGRESS



Mr. B. F. Coffman, Russell's Superintendent of Schools from 1940-1953, and Miss Sarah Hendricks work busily in this picture taken in 1951.



MR. HARRY SPARKS Principal—1941-1944

Mr. Sparks has made quite a name for himself since his departure from Russell. During the last State Administration, he was the Kentucky Superintendent of Public Instruction and he is now serving as the President of Murray State University.



During the war years, Russell High School produced about 250 willing soldiers to battle against America's foes. In fact, 10 of this number lost their lives in the pursuit of peace. Cecil Butler, Willard Chapman, Fred Dellahunt, Clyde Fannin, Edgar Miller, Edward Rayburn, Donald Ward, J. G. Webb, Marvin Young, and Paul Duncan are listed as war dead on the World War II service plaque which hangs proudly in the hall of the former high school building.

HELD MANY GOLDEN MEMORIES WHICH GLITTER STILL

1937 SENIOR CLASS stand in front of the high school. This is the only available picture concerning the 1936-1937 school year because all records and yearbook material were destroyed by the Great Flood of that year.



Total of 3202 graduates have enjoyed the fun, fellowship, and learning experiences at Russell High School from 1918-1968. Senior trips and class projects have always given a feeling of togetherness to each succeeding Senior Class. The smallest Senior Class was in 1922 with only two students, while the largest was in 1966, consisting of 172 graduates. Although the 1937 Senior Class was unable to have a trip or to publish a yearbook, the 1937 Ohio River Flood gave them many unforgettable incidents which make Russell High School just a little dearer to them.



1960 SENIOR TRIP to Washington, D. C. The first Senior Class Trip was made in 1948. The traditional trip has been made by every graduating class from that time until now.









FACULTY AND ADMINISTRATION



Board of Education members proudly watch on February 22, 1961 as Joe Stephens (President of the Board) turns the first shovel of soil to start construction on our present high school. Those Board members watching are Mr. Sterling Norris, Supt. Evans, Mr. Tom Wilson, Mr. Tim Herron, Mr. William L. Smith.



BOARD OF EDUCATION: J. J. Stephens—Board President, Henry R. Evans—Superintendent, Sterling Norris, Glenn Deidrich, Thomas Wilson, H. K. Herron, Logan Perry—Assistant Superintendent.

TO THESE MEN - OUR SINCERE GRATITUDE

Throughout the school's 50 year history, the Russell Board of Education has worked diligently for the advancement of the Russell Independent School District and especially Russell High School. These men do not receive anything for their valuable guidance except the self-satisfaction of seeing the eyes of countless Kentuckians looking up to our progressing and advancing school system. The members of the 1968 Board of Education are the same ones who ushered in a new era of education to the Russell area a few years back. They planned and erected the new high school in 1963 which assured us a place in education circles never before held by our district. In the last year, these same men saw to it that bond issue came to the voters to build a new \$1,000,000 junior high school. This recent building program has kept ahead of the 120% increase in students over the previous decade. A good example of the phenomenal growth is the increase in the high school enrollment. This year the high school has a student body of 850 but next year it will be over 1,000. But even with this increase, the school board expected this need and met it beforehand.

Members of the Russell Board of Education are: Mr. Henry R. Evans, Superintendent, Mr. Logan Perry, Assistant Superintendent, Mr. J. J. Stephens, President of the Board, Mr. Sterling Norris, Mr. Glenn Deidrich, Mr. Thomas Wilson, and Mr. H. K. Herron. Few schools have such far-sighted and capable Boards of Education. The entire community feels that these men are unparalleled in their abilities of guiding a school system.

"To these men and their predecessors, who inspired by their love for children and their interest in the community, have unstintingly given of their time and thought, we offer our sincere and lasting gratitude.

-1932 Yearbook

SUPERINTENDENT-MR. HENRY R. EVANS

Henry Evans Superintendent Morehead, B.S. U. of K., M.S.



Logan Perry Assistant Superintendent Marshall, A.B., M.A.

OUR ADMINISTRATORS ARE UNEXCELLED

Russell High School, through its fifty years of existence, has gained state wide respect because of its exceptional administration. Mr. Evans became the systems' third superintendent in 1953 and he has truly shown himself to be a capable leader.

Mr. Logan Perry is second in command as Assistant Superintendent of Russell Schools. He came to his present position in 1963 after many years as a teacher and then principal in the system. He serves as an associate to the Superintendent in all affairs. Both of these men do a very outstanding job for the Russell Independent School District. Their sincere interest in the students and their excellent executive abilities make the Russell school system one of the best administered programs in the state.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT-MR. LOGAN PERRY



COOPERATION AND EFFICIENCY DESCRIBE THOSE WHO ASSIST ADMINISTRATION

Eliza McKnight CURRICULUM DIRECTOR



Betty Hollan SECRETARY TO PRINCIPAL





Vera Virgin
PUPIL PERSONNEL DIRECTOR



Wanda Heineman ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO PRINCIPAL



Sara Hendricks SECRETARY TO SUPERINTENDENT



Buelah Holbrook TITLE II DIRECTOR

Deloris Short ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO SUPERINTENDENT

MR. FRANK V. FIRESTINE — TRULY A MAN OF DISTINCTION

FRANK V. FIRESTINE-PRINCIPAL

To The 1968 Graduating Class

We have tried to make these past four years profitable ones for you, and at the same time happy ones. Only time will tell whether we have been successful, and only you can be the judge of that success.

You will have the privilege of living in the most exciting, stimulating, and turbulent period in man's history. But with that privilege comes the responsibility through further education, others will go directly into the economic and social life of the community. Whatever avenue you choose, strive for the fullness of life that comes with the satisfaction of a job well done.

Finally, I wish for each of you the happiness and satisfaction for which you seek.

Frank V. Firestine Principal

Mr. Firestine, in his 13th year as principal of Russell High School, is widely respected and truly devoted to the ideas of excellence. He works extremely hard to give every student a complete and well-rounded education and to prepare them to become good citizens of tomorrow.

When Mr. Firestine first came to Russell as principal, the school had an enrollment of approximately 350 students and 16 faculty members but now the student body totals over 850 with 35 faculty members. However, even with this high enrollment, Mr. Firestine takes a personal interest in each student going to Russell High School. He strives to help them in every way at his disposal.





Harold "Brutus" Branham entertains Mrs. Smith with his speech about love.



ALICE GAIL SMITH Speech U. of Ky., A.B.



CONNIE SMITH English U. of Ky., A.B.



STEVE TOWLER English Rio Grande College, B.S.



Belinda Muncy, Diane Gussler, Patty Cleaver, Evadean Ga lion, Donna Gamble, and Teresa Williams listen intently

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT STRIVES TO IMPROVE COMMUNIC

Our librarian, Miss Fouts, confers at the end of a busy day with Mrs. Bingham and Mrs. Webb about the teaching aids for the following day's classes.



NUMIA LEE FOUTS Librarian U. of Ky., A.B. U. of III., B.S. in L.S.









JAMES SHOPE English U. of Ky., A.B.

MILDRED WEBB Reading Morehead, A.B.

VIRGINIA BINGHAM English Pikeville College, A.B.

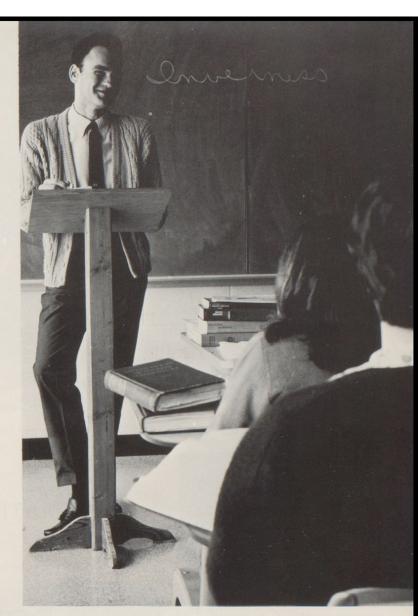


Mr. Keith explains the funeral oration of Julius Caesar.

ATIONS AND UNDERSTANDING

Randy Tarr seems interested in the lesson which Mrs. Webb is presenting on the overhead projector.





Mr. Shope, our Honors' English instructor, smiles with amusement at his fourth period English class.

English courses can no longer consist of only literature and grammar. A wide variety of English-type classes must be offered to fulfill the needs of every student. Russell tries to meet the needs of every student through its varied curriculum. Speech courses are offered to add polish to those who want to speak and communicate more effectively. Honor English classes are offered in order to give the accelerated students a taste of college-type requirements. Reading classes are offered using the most advanced techniques in audio and visual aids which bring greater understanding to those who have difficulties with the "written word." In addition, Grammar and the mechanics of English as well as appreciation of great literature are effectively presented. Complete mastery of English is the obvious goal of the Russell High School English Department.