1954

On March 17, 1954, a meeting of the officers of the Hastings High School Alumni was held at the home of Plynn Matthews. Mrs. Florence Cooke of Ely's resignation from the Board was brought to the notice of the officers and the Constitution is to be looked into regarding this matter before the next meeting. The Banquet will be held the Saturday after graduation, June 12. The following Committee chairmen were appointed:

Tickets: Mrs. Marguerite Stauffer
Publicity: March Cook
Decoration: Horatius Lowell
Food: Earl Katchel
Program: Winston Merrick

The next Board meeting to be held at Plynn Matthews' home, Monday, March 29.

Sincerely,
Jean Myers

On April 12, there was a meeting of the Board of Directors at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Plynn Matthews. The following matters were reported and discussed:

1. Mr. H. R. Ritchie, class of 25, will be Toastmaster.
2. The theme of the banquet will be "Ye Old School Days."
3. Mr. Katchel reported the banquet will be held at the Ely's ball with the Rebecca's serving two or three menus will be presented at the next meeting for selection of the meal.
4. Mr. Morris McPharlin will respond for the class of '29.
5. People living out of town will be asked to contact persons living in their respective cities.
A painted portrait of Mr. William F. Wallace, to be placed in the new library Reading Room as a memorial from the Alumni Association was suggested. Expense and other possibilities will be looked into.

Cards will be printed for distribution. The next meeting will be at eight o’clock on May 6 at the home of Mrs. Marquise Mauffe.

There was a meeting May 6 at Marquise Mauffe’s home.

The following were discussed:
1. The menu was presented to the Board and accepted.
2. Mary Ellen Deeth will give the response for $7.
3. Reservations are to be in by the 5th. Tickets were given out.
4. Maurice Ingram will give the memoriam to Mr. Wallace, or else P. A. VanBussel.
5. Mr. Lamb and Mr. Till will be given complimentary tickets.
6. Board members were to be given notice of the banquet.

The next meeting will be June 3 at 8:00 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Chase.
There was a meeting June 3 at Kitte Chase's home. Tickets and money were turned into Mrs. Marguerite Stauffer. An approximate guess for 250 to attend the banquet was made. The nominating committee chose members for next year's Board to be presented at the banquet.

The program was drawn up.

The banquet will be a week from Saturday.

Sincerely,

Jean Myers
June 12, 1954

The 67th Alumni Banquet and Reunion of The Hastings High School Alumni Association was held at the 9:00 F Hall on Saturday evening, June 12, 1954. 230 members and guests were present.

An excellent menu was served by the Rebecca Ladies. Music was furnished by Mary Ellis on the piano.

Richard Feldmann, class of 47, led the group in singing three numbers.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Glynn Matthews. Carleton Kaechele, chairman of the nominating committee, submitted the following list to replace departing board members: for 3 years, Harry Young; Melba Field and Charlotte Heath; for 2 years, Fred Bloomer; and for 1 year, Larry Moore. It was moved and seconded that this report be accepted; motion carried. The secretary's report was read and accepted. The treasurer's report with a balance of $159.95 in the treasurer as of June 1, 1954 was read and accepted.

At the total $1.50 price of the ticket was given to the Rebecca Ladies for serving the meal, a collection was taken in place of dues. $78.20 was collected.

The three generations of the Heath family were asked to stand as were the four members of the Bock family that were present.

Mr. Matthews thanked all those who had helped to make the banquet a success, especially Thirza Merrick for all her efforts and her success as program chairman and Elsie Bloomer and Wilma Matthews for their very fine decorations.
Dr. Frank Ritchie, '25, acted as toastmaster for the evening and did a very capable job. After welcoming the class of '54, Mary Ellen Heath did her class credit with her response. Robert Stauffer, class of '48, rendered a solo.

D. A. VanBuren gave the Memorial of William T. Wallace, beloved teacher and friend of many, who passed away this past year. After a moment of silence, Keith Chase, told of the portrait of Miss Wallace, Miss Kate Heath Cinquimani is doing which will be hung in the adult reading room of the William T. Wallace Memorial Library upon completion. Miss Cinquimani is contributing her skill and ability and asking the Alumni Association to pay for only the canvases and frame. Harvey Burgess, president of the Library Board, accepted this portrait which will be completed in the early part of the summer.

The Class of '29, the 25th anniversary group, was well represented with 25 members present. A tea party had been held in the afternoon at the high school for the group. Urice McPhailin responded for the class with Florence Diamond Jones responding for the class of '05.

Mrs. Mildred Smith spoke briefly of the progress on the new school and invited the Alumni Association to use the facility in the future. Former faculty members were introduced.

The program ended with an earnest wish to see all those present next year and many more.

Signed Jean Ann Myers
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Members of the Alumni Association Board of Directors met at the Banquet for the purpose of electing the new officers: President, Alvin H. Merrell; Vice President, Charlotte Rush; Secretary, Larry Moore; Treasurer, Treasurer, Tony McGraw. Other members present included Glynn McDaniel, Carl Keshel, Jim Ann Myers, Ted Lucas.

Mary Jones, Secretary.
AGRICULTURE
Adelbert Clare Bassett
Richard Wayne Bateman
Norman D. Bird
Gordon D. Cronk
Clair Eugene Fassett
Wayne Robert Gray
Perry M. James
James Le Roy King
Shannon Leroy Lydy
Darryl Miller McLeod
Marvin Earl Peake
Robert Duane Russell
John B. Smith
John Stamm, Jr.
Carl L. Tobias
Charles P. Williams
James Wilson

COLLEGE
Barbara Jean Annable
Beverly Jane Annable
Bruce Erwin Banghart
Helen Jeanette Birke
Isabel Ann Birke
Nelson Clair Birman
Barbara J. Bowman
Rodney L. Boyes
Diana Joan Boyne
Lawrence Edward Curtiss
David Charles Faul
Edward Emmett Frederick
Patrick M. Gallagher
Richard Leo Hammond
Michael Joseph Hawthorne
Mary Ellen Heath
William Anthony Hoffman
Cortland William Howe
Loretta Gail Howell
Gerald Kay Karcher
Jack Leslie Kelley
Richard C. Kenfield
Robert C. Mackinder
Janet Katherine Maurer
Joy Christine McGlocklin
Richard Michael McGuire
Richard L. Myers
Nancy Josephine Nielsen
Philip E. Palmatier
Wilanore Janet Payne
Jerry Duane Pierce
Marlene Estelle Ragla
Marilyn Sue Richardson
Frederick Louis Roush
Phylis Jeanne Scobey
Frances J. Shaffer
Albert Joseph James Shaver, Jr.
Gordon Dean Sheldon
Elaine V. Stanton
Charlene Anne Tolles
David Henry Vahlsing
Barbara Elaine Waldron
Gary Hugh Wallace
Victor Hugo Izaak Walton
Beverly Rose Weiler
Michael B. West
Jane Alice Whitmore
Darrell Gilbert Ziegler

COMMERCIAL
Marilee Ann Becker
Ann Louise Chadwick
Jacquelin Ann Coleman
Mary Louise Grovenor
Shirley Rae Hammond
Suzann Agusta Holmes
Shirley Anne Miller
Doreen Myrle Mix
Joyce Eileen Myers
Ann Marie Rowley
Beatrice J. Smith
Sandra Dean Todd
JoAnne Travis
Marjorie E. Tuttle
Marguerite Alta Wilson

CO-OPERATIVE TRAINING
Robert Leon Anderson
Joanne Louise Barry
Charles Erwin Chrispell
Walt S. Chrysler
JoAnne E. Clouse
Robert William Davis
Shirley Ann Jones
Darlene Joy Pickard
Alice L. Rine
Gus E. Ruschewski
Shirley Ann Scott
Jack E. Sheler
Leon W. Smith
Jasper F. Travis

GENERAL
Beverly June Adams
Norma J. Bernard
Roger Roy Brown
Jack David Chadwick
Cheryl Elaine Chambers
Philip A. Cotant
Jack Forrest Coykendall
Sandra Marguerite Cramer
Jess Richard Crofoot
Joyce Ann Curtis
Jack H. Denby
Clark Milton Gable
Mary Ann Guthrie
Paul M. Helm
James Arthur Hoos
Katherine Mary Hughes
Jay C. Kidder
Warren Alfred Kiddery
Allen L. Lancaster
Duane William Lewis
Robert John McDonald
Anna Louise Powers
Joyce Nadene Richardson
Duane William Shriber
Geraldine E. Sinclair
Sally Elaine Smith
James Russell Swanson
Yvonne Marie Tift
Pauline Alice Tobias
Eleanor Pearl Vanderbrook
Betty L. Walton
Clair White, Jr.
John Woodmansee
Norman Frederick Zerbel

SPECIAL
Vera Doonan Platt
Ronald J. Martin
SIXTY-SEVENTH
ANNUAL REUNION
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SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 1954
ODD FELLOWS HALL 6:30 P. M.
IN MEMORIAM
WILLIAM T. WALLACE
PROGRAM

Invocation ................................................. Allen Lancaster '54

Dinner

Music by Mary Ellis

Group Singing ........................................... Richard Feldpausch '47

Business Meeting and
Roll Call of Classes ................................. Plynn Mathews '21

Toastmaster and
Welcome to 1954 Class ................................. H. Frank Ritchie '25

Response for '54 ......................................... Mary Ellen Heath '54

Solo ....................................................... Robert Stauffer '48

In Memoriam to William T. Wallace
.................................................. D. A. Van Buskirk

Presentation of Memorial .............................. Keith Chase '22

Acceptance ............................................. Harvey Burgess

President of Library Board

Response for 25th Anniversary Class
Vincent McPharlin '29

Response for 50th Anniversary Class
Florence Diamond Jones '05

Response for Board of Education
Mildred Smith '22