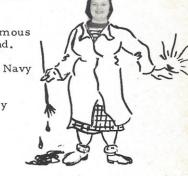


Living in a huge mansion in New York is Lucile Branham now married.

And of course there is Jane Edmunds now the most famous dress designer in New York and sporting a two carat diamond.

Last, but not least, is LeGrand Branham a Captain in the Navy still a bachelor giving all the girls a thrill.

By Louise Bradley



SENIOR CLASS HISTORY

In September 1940, we began our school life. We were twenty-three frightened boys and girls because this was something quite new to all of us, but we soon found that we had nothing to fear. That year our teacher was Miss Jean Starnes.

Our second year we were proud to have Miss Margaret Clark for our teacher. We were very glad to have Louise Bradley join our class that year.

The next year found us in Miss Marion Heins' room. Due to the illness of Miss Heins' mother, we had quite a few substitute teachers.

In the fourth grade, we were under the guidance of Miss Margaret Matthews.

Our fifth grade teachers were Miss Elsie Castles and Mrs. Nicholson. Joyce Beckham joined our class that year.

The next year we were in the sixth grade, and our teachers were Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Nicholson. Nadine Mattox joined our class that year from Charleston.

The seventh grade found us still under the guidance of Mrs. Hamilton and Mrs. Nicholson. Estelle Branham, Lucile Branham, Elizabeth Wilson, Norris Hollis, LeGrand Branham, Lavonne Dinkins, Loretta Humphries, Ronella Dinkins, Fay Branham, Evelyn Branham, Fairy Branham, Vernon Branham, Eunice Gerald, Tommy Easler, and Louise Braziel joined our class from Turner School. We were sorry to have Barbara McFadden leave us to go to Mount Zion.

How proud we all were to say that we were in the eighth grade. Our teachers were Miss Stricker and Mrs. McEachern.

At last we were in high school. We were under the leadership of Mr. Moody, Mr. Nicholson, and Miss Epting. We were sorry to have Evelyn Branham and Nancy Peeler leave us that year to launch upon the sea of matrimony.

The next year we were in the tenth grade. Our teachers were Miss Johnson, Mr. McLeod, and Mr. Nicholson. We were sorry to have Jean Guyton leave us that year to go to University High in Columbia.

Juniors at last, we had quite an eventful year. We were thrilled to receive our class rings instead of waiting until we became Seniors. The two big events of the year were our Junior Play and Junior-Senior Reception.

We are Seniors now, and though many of our classmates have left us; we are proud to say at least two members have completed the twelve years together. These two are Jane Edmunds and Jenny Wren Dixon.

Now, as the end of our school life at dear old "R H S" draws near; thirteen members are patiently waiting for the night when we shall receive our diplomas.

We shall never forget Ridgeway High School and shall ever feel indebted to our teachers for their help and kindness.