

Waggener High School



# Waggener High School History & Photos, 1954 to 1957, 2nd. Edition

This is one of many sections that contain information, photos, newspaper articles, internet items, etc. of the St. Matthews area and especially of Waggener High School. Many of the items came from Al Ring's personal collections but many people have helped and I have tried to give credit where I can.

The purpose of this "collection" was to create the history of Waggener and the students and teachers who were there during my time. Being retired I now have time to do many of the things I have always wanted, this project is just one of them. The collection is continuing today, so if you should have old or new information on the St. Matthews area from 1950 to 1962 or Waggener High, please contact Al Ring.

All graphics have been improved to make the resolution as good as possible, but the reader should remember that many came from copies of old newspaper articles and photos. Credit to the source of the photos, etc. is provided whenever it was available. We realize that many items are not identified and regret that we weren't able to provide this information. As far as the newspaper articles that are not identified, 99% of them would have to be from one of three possible sources. *The Courier-Journal, The Louisville Times* or one of the *Voice* publications. Books that we have used for some information include, *Randy, Cactus, Uncle, Ed and the Golden age of Louisville Television, Waggener High School Alumni Directory 1996, Waggener Traditional High School Alumni Directory 2007, Memories of Fontaine Ferry Park, St. Matthews The Crossroads of Beargrass by Samuel W. Thomas, St. Matthews, 25 Years a City Two Centuries a Community, St. Matthews 1960-1995, Waggener Lair's 1958 to 1962, The Holy Warrior, Muhammad Ali, Louisville's Own (An Illustrated Encyclopedia Of Louisville Area Recorded Pop Music From 1953 to 1983).* 

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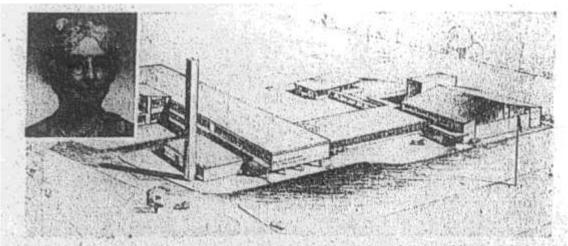
This section is on the history of Waggener High School. Several alumni have helped by providing information for this section along with many articles from *The Voice Of St. Matthews*. We appreciate everyone's contributions. Also, much of the information is from editions of the Waggener Year books, the *Lair*.

### HELP NEEDED

If you have additional information, photos, etc. please get them to Al Ring so they may be shared with the Alumni of Waggener and friends. Your help is appreciated and needed.

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Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, October 1, 1953 and December 24, 1953:



The new junior high school planned for St. Matthews, pictured here in an architect's drawing, has been named after Mrs. Mayme S. Waggener, inset, former principal of Greatheuse School, who died at the beginning of this year. Mrs. Waggener, during her 30-year tenure at Greatituse (28 years as principal) was among the pioneers in recognizing the needs of teen-agers, and over objections, began organizing teen-age gatherings at the school building. She was active in effecting closer relations between parents and teachers until her retirement in 1946. The worthy projects she sponsored at Greath, use included the starting of the school boy patrol, the drum and bugle corps, attendance at Louisville Orchestra concerts, blennial trips to Frankfort for seventh and eighth graders, and the school carnivals. Construction on the school will begin shortly. Bids have been opened and approved by the County Board of Education. The building, which will be located between Browns Lane and Hubbards Lane south of Shelhyville Read, will cost about \$939,465. The architeets are Hartstern, Louis and Henry.

# Eastern Loses John Lowe And Earl Duncan

Eastern High School will lose its popular assistant principal, John Lowe, and its successful basketball coach, Earl Duncan, after this year.

In a move that surprised nobody, Mr. Lowe on Saturday was named 'principal of the Mayme S. Waggener Junior High School now under construction on Hubbards Lane. Mr. Duncan was named dean of boys. Mrs. Alice Dawson, a teacher at Fern Creek High, was named dean of girls. John Trapp, Eastern atheltic director, will replace Mr. Lowe as assistant to Jack Dawson, Eastern principal. No successor has been named for Mr. Duncan, though his assistant, Roy Adams, is considered the outstanding candidate for his job. The County Board of Education announced the appointments, along with those for five other new County schools, after school had been dismissed for the Christmas holidays. The changes are effective at the beginning of the next school year in September.

Mr. Lowe has been assistant principal at Eastern since the school opened in 1950.

Mr. Duncan, Eastern's first and only basketball coach, has consistently turned out winning teams. The team finished with a 15 and six record for the 1950-51 season. The year after, it won 12 and lost seven. Last year, the record was 12 and six. The Eagles this year have won six in a row, including a big one over Atherton, its arch-rival, without a loss.

Mr. Duncan's record thus far is 45 wins, 19 losses.

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**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 

#### **January 28, 1954**

#### Lowe At Waggener Will Help Eastern-Dawson

Having John B. Lowe as principal at Waggener Junior High School will be a "real asset" in the community and to Eastern High School, said Jack Dawson, Eastern's principal, last week.

He said he disliked losing him but that Mr. Lowe, his assistant principal, was going to the new school next fall "with my blessing because it's important to Eastern that we have an out standing man at the junior high who has our philosophy of education and administration, and who can ease the transition for students from junior high to high school. He'll be a real asset to us over there."

Mr. Lowe said he liked Eastern, which he helped organize, and he didn't think his promotion would mean exactly that he was leaving. "After all, I'll still be working in the same community," he said. He said he was "pleased and honored" that he'd been named principal of the new school. The announcement was made during the Christmas holidays by the County Board of Education.

Waggener Junior High, now under construction on Browns Lane, will be one of the best schools in Kentucky, he said. He considers the St. Matthews area one of the best for high schools, for St. Matthews people are average or above, he said, and will support their junior high.

Mr. Lowe went to Eastern in 1949 when it had only seventh and eighth grades. When it opened as a high school the following year, he became assistant principal under Mr. Dawson.

Waggener School he expects to open in September with about 800 seventh, eight, and ninth grade students from Eastern, Stivers and Greathouse, which will relieve crowding at those schools. Eastern will keep seventh, eight and ninth grades from all or part of Ballard, Lyndon, Eastwood, Jeffersontown, and Worthington. It will offer the same type of curriculum as the other junior highs in Jefferson County.

Mr. Lowe, 39, has spent practically all his adult life in education. He was born in Inez, Kentucky, and went to Pikeville Junior College two years. He graduated from Eastern State Teachers College in Richmond in 1940, and got his master's at the University of Kentucky in 1950. His major was educational administration and supervision.

He was principal of Warfield Elementary School in Warfield, Kentucky, in 1937 and 1938. He coached basketball there in 1939 and 1940. He went into the Navy as an Ensign in 1941 and was discharged in 1945. His rank is now Lt. Commander in the Naval Reserve.

From 1945 to 1947 he was teacher and basketball coach at Lenow High in Mingo County, W. VA. In 1948, he was named principal of Bowman Field Elementary School. From there he went to Eastern.

He is a member of the Lyndon Baptist Church, and chairman of the International Youth Program of Middletown Rotary Club. He is a member of the Masonic Lodge of Kermit, W. Va. and of the

American Legion's Anchorage Post. He also belongs in the Jefferson County Education Association, the Kentucky Education Association, and the National Education Association.

He lives at 117 Marquette Drive, Lyndon. He wife, the former Fannie Middleton of Harlan, Kentucky, teachers fifth grade at Lyndon School. He has one stepdaughter, Vivian, 18.

He will be succeeded at Eastern by John Trapp, present athletic director.



JOHN B. LOWE

#### 1954

Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:

#### February 11, 1954

#### **Duncan's Cage Record Will Be Hard To Match**

When 33-year-old Earl Duncan becomes dean of boys at Waggener Junior High school in St. Matthews next fall, he will be leaving behind at Eastern High a basketball record his successor will be hard pressed to match.

Under Mr. Duncan's firm hand the Eagles to date have won 48 games and lost 22, including tournament matches. To make this record even more imposing, he and his teams have accomplished this despite the fact that the Eagles are the only first-rate basketball club in Kentucky without a gym of their own in which to practice.

Basketball, and physical education in general, at Eastern faces a problem which borders on the ridiculous. Here is one of the state's greatest high school ball clubs, year in and year out, driven from one gym to another, begging time to practice.

Last week, for instance, the Eagles on Monday went to Anchorage gym for practice. They were informed the gym would be in use the rest of the week. So on Tuesday, they had to scrimmage with Masonic Home to get in some basket time. On Wednesday and Thursday they were allowed inside the Fern Creek Gym at 5:30 for an hour and a half of practice. For most of the squad it meant a 45-minute drive each way.

And yet they win. Their first season's record, (that was 1950-51), was 15 and 6. the following year it was 12 and 7. Last year it was 13 and 8. This year, so far, it is 11 and 1. And these records were compiled in contests with teams like Valley, Atherton, Manual, Male and St. X., though, naturally, the Eagles, like all top teams, take on the unusual number of pushovers each year.

Mr. Duncan has no set method for coaching. "I don't make the boys fit the pattern," he said. "I make the pattern fit the boys." If a boy like John Brewer, last year's star, can hit 45% of his shots, "then I let him shoot all he wants." If the boys are all about equal in shooting ability, then all of them shoot. "Nobody develops a shooter," he said. "They just have it."

This year's team, which has surprised everyone with its record, has no outstanding scorer, in addition, the boys are not a speedy as past Eagle teams Duncan has overcome these defeats by giving, more attention to defense. He has modified his usual loose combination of zone and man to man defense by keeping his players closer to the enemy basket and crowding the man who gets in close with the ball. This forces the opponent to rely on long shots.

Male exposed the big defeat in the defense when Stahl and Kuhn began pushing them in from long range and beat the Eagles. But no other team this year has been able to do it.

Mr. Duncan is a basketball man from way back. With Oxford High in 1939, he made first string on the *Courier-Journal's* All-State team. In his two years of varsity play there, he was on the All-County, All-District, and All Regional teams both years.

At Morehead State Teachers College, where he played three years of varsity ball, he mad the All-K.I.A.C. team one year as forward and the next as center. One year, he made the All-K.I.A.C. team. During his Morehead tenure, he averaged 20 points a game over the three years, a record which stood until three or four years ago, when teams who used to average 40 points a game suddenly zoomed to 60 and 70.

The development of the one-handed shot he credits for changing basketball from a defensive to offensive game. "It used to be a coach would bench a player who tried a one-hand shot more than eight feet from the basket," he said. "Now they hit them from 20 and 30 feet out. There's no defense against it." Then, too, today's officiating gives offense the breaks.

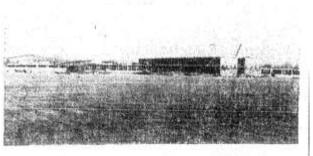
He hates to give up basketball, but the new job in a new school has, he feels, more possibilities and more challenge. But his principal-to-be, John Lowe, thinks Earl might get tired of administrative work when he sees the beautiful new gym the Waggener School will have. And, says Mr. Lowe, if Mr. Duncan wants to switch back over, it's okay with him. Waggener will be a senior high school by 1956 or 1957, and it'll be needing a good coach.

Earl Duncan's a good one, one of the best. In his last year at Jeffersontown, 1949-50, the school won the district championship for the first and only time in its history. And Eastern is headed for the County championship.

Mr. Duncan got his master's from Indian University in 1951. He lives at Anchorage. He was born in Georgetown, Ky. He is married to the former Gladys Price of Cynthiana. They have three children, Larry, 5, Bobby, 3, and Rita, six weeks. He is a member of the Middletown Christian Church.

Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:

#### April 8, 1954



A worm's eye view of the new Waggener School under construction. The roof is up and so is all the steel. Now the brick and stone walls are going up. At left is the north wing, all class rooms. The large dome in the center is the roof of the gym. At right will be the home economics rooms and the administrative offices.

#### Waggener Construction Reaches Half Way Mark

Work on the new, \$1 million Mayme Waggener Junior High School on Hubbards Lane reached the midway point this week, as construction crews put the finishing touches on the steel framework and the roof, and the brick and grey stone walls began to go up.

The contract stipulates that construction must be finished by the time school opens next September.

The school will open with 800 seventh, eight and ninth graders. By the time it becomes a full-fledged senior high school (in three or four years) it will have about 1,500 students.

The school is being build on the same order as Eastern High school in Middletown, with one big exception. It will have a large gymnasium, which will eventually seat 2,000 persons. It will be big enough for all Waggener home basketball games. Eastern High has no gym at all, and probably won't for several years.

The giant Waggener School will ease the overcrowding at Greathouse and Stivers schools in St. Matthews and at Eastern High. Another grade school planned by the County Board of Education on Brownsboro Road will also help relieve overcrowding.

John Lowe, assistant principal at Eastern, will be Waggener's first principal. Mrs. Alice Dawson, Fern Creek High science teacher, will be dean of girls, Earl Duncan, eastern cage coach, will be dean of boys.

The Waggener School, it is generally considered, will be the County's finest school to date. Besides a gym, it will contain a music building and rehearsal hall, and a shop room.

Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:



Portrait by Frederic Beck MRS. DAWSON

# P.T.A. At Waggener School To Be Organized Tonight

Organization of the Waggener Junior High School, now under construction, will begin tonight.

John Lowe, principal-elect, an-nounced this week the P.-T.A. officers will be elected at the Greathouse School cafeteria at 7:30 p.m.

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The Waggener School, now un-Hubbards der construction on Lane, will open for the fall term.

Mr. Lowe said it was a standing custom in County schools to get the P.-T.A. organized as soon as possible to help open the school. With P.-T.A.'s committee system set up and functioning, the school will be able to open with far less difficulty, he said.

Mrs. Clay Morris have drawn up mates of the first year's atten-a state of officers for the P.-T.A. dance range from 750 to 800. However, nominations may be Officers elected tonight will be made from the floor, said Mr. sworn in by Mrs. Marshall Krieger, Lowe. member of the Fifth District P.-Parents of all children who will T.A. Council.

attend Waggener next year are urged to attend tonight's meeting. Mr. Lowe said this would include parents of sixth, seventh, and eighth grade pupils now at Great-house, Stivers, Clifton Heights and that portion of Ballard pupils living west of Blankenbaker Lane including both sides of Blankenbaker.

It would also include parents of Lyndon pupils living west of Ormsby Lane, and including both sides, with an imaginary line run-ning to Hurstbourne Lane. This would include all Measure would include all Moorgate.

Waggener will be able to accom-Mr. Lowe, Mrs. Karl Straub, and modate about 850 pupils, but esti-

## Mrs. Dawson To **Be Dean Of Girls** At Waggener High

Mrs. Alice Dawson will be dean of girls at the Mayme Waggener Junior High School, now under construction in St. Matthews. The school will open in the fall.

Mrs. Dawson is the wife of Jack Dawson, principal of Eastern High

She has been science teacher at Fern Creek High School 21 years. Before that, she taught at the old Eastern Junior High School in

She is a native of Louisville and graduated from Atherton High School. He got a bachelor of arts degree in English from the Unlversity of Louisville. Se did some graduate work at Northwestern, and got her master's from U. of L. in education.

John Lowe, assistant principal at Eastern, will be principal at Wag-Eastern basketball coach gener. Earl Duncan will be dean of boys.

Mrs. Dawson is a member of the Bucchel Woman's Club. She also belongs to the Kentucky Education Association, the National Education Association, the Jefferson County Classroom Teachers' Association, and the American Association of University Women.

She also belongs to the Jefferson County Education Association and the Education Club at the University of Louisville.

She and Mr. Dawson were married in 1933. They live in Buechel.

May 13, 1954

April 22, 1954

**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 

James Sublett Estimates:

# Waggener Won't Be High School For Six Years

#### Misunderstanding Slows Up Eastern \$150,000 Drive

Waggener Junior High will not be a full senior high school for at least six years in all prob-ability, according to James L. Sublett, assistant superintendent of Jefferson County Board of Education.

His announcement came as good news to the Eastern High Improvement Association, which has run into some resistance in its drive for \$150,000. Some par-ents have been reluctant to doents have been reinking their children could enter Waggener next year and stay there all the way through high school.

need, he said. Once Waggener begins adding grades, however, it will do so one at a time, he predicted. So if a tenth grade doesn't go weather tennis courts, complete-senior high, he said. "We of course plan to make all junior high schools full six-year high schools," he said. (Mr. Isaaes announced after an open house at Eastern Tues-

The Eastern High Improvement Association, headed by Ralph Logan, started its drive last week in earnest to get enough money to develop the school's 54 acres for playground facilities.

38 Harwood Norman Isaacs, next year and stay there all the way through high school. Mr. Sublett told The Voice Tuesday that Waggener, which opens in the fall, will start out that much within 30 to 60 days with seventh, eighth and ninth so the field would be ready by grades. He said a tenth grade would not be added for at least three years in all probability. Beyond that, he couldn't say. It

all depends on the increase in and ready and the school al- He said an additional \$25,000 population in St. Matthews, and ready had 2,000 seats. It would "would put us in a position to how much relief Eastern will be completely equipped with start work on a swimming pool." need, he said. be completely equipped with lights, fences, goal posts, and would even have a cinder track for the school's track team.

(Mr. Isaacs announced after an open house at Eastern Tues-day that students and the school by band weuld stage a parade Sat-ive urday through the Middletown-the Anchorage St. Matthews area to advertise the drive. The parade will leave the school around 9:20. 9:30.

(He hald \$700 was collected at the open house by the school's football and tennis players and

\$40,000. He said he had reason to believe that the pool, an out-door affair, would be made available to the community, if the community will provide life guards and otherwise ass responsibility. He emphasized that 10 assume

cent of all money collected will be used for Eastern's band, or chestra, glec club and other musical activities.

He announced one individual He announced one individual donor had already given \$600. Another gave \$100. Altogether about \$1,000 had been collected, plus what was donated Tuesday. "We've already put two baseball fields in operation, and these will be used for girl's hockey in the fall," he said. All donations are tax deduct-

the open noise by the states in the said. All donations are tax deduct-ible, he said, and there will be (Mrs. Carl Gayhart has been named co-chairman of the drive costs, "100 cents on every dollar in charge of the Anchorage goes into the fund," he said. Middletown area. Other chair-men will be named probably basis." he added, "Donors can" pay over a period of two years."

#### Both May 6, 1954

#### With the P.T.A.'s, Waggener Elects, Greathouse and Stivers Install:

Local P.T.A.'s last week were holding their final meetings of the school year, except Waggener which was just getting started.

About 250 parents Thursday evening crowded into the Greathouse School cafeteria and elected Mrs. Tom Underwood the first president of the P.T.A. of Waggener Junior High School, which opens in the fall.

All five school districts from which Waggener will draw its pupils were represented on this slate of officers elected.

Mrs. Underwood is from the Lyndon District. Mrs. J. Pryor Wise, first vice president, and Paul Keith, treasurer, are from the Stivers district.

Mrs. Thurston Cooke, second vice president, is from Ballard, and Mrs. David Brewer, recording secretary, from Clifton Heights.

Mrs. Sherman Lodewick, our responding secretary, and Mrs. Dave Lawrence, historian, are from Greathouse.

Principal John Lowe announced an executive board will be appointed by the P.T.A. president and himself, and will include all P.T.A. officers. The board will set up committees during the summer to help Waggener get off to a flying start when it first opens in September with an enrollment of about 600 seventh, eight, and ninth graders.

Mr. Lowe announced County Judge Burke would be asked to build sidewalks on Hubbards Lane and Browns Lane for the safety of Waggener children.

Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, August 26, 1954:

#### St. Matthews Schools Will Be Full But Not Crowded, Says Official Greathouse Load Heavy; Trouble Is Predicted After Next Year

County schools serving St. Matthews "will be full, but not crowded I believe," according to John L. Ramsey, director of instruction for Jefferson County Schools.

Greathouse, Stivers and Eastern High will get some relief from the two new schools here, Waggener Junior High on Hubbards Lane, which will open on time, and Chenoweth Elementary on Brownsboro Road , which won't.

(Beechwood Village children transferring from Lyndon to Stivers School will not get school bus service, he said, in line with the County's policy of not providing this service to children living within a mile of the school. Most of the children live within a mile of Stivers, he said, and there are sidewalks on Westport Road and part of Hubbards Lane.)

Taken altogether, the picture outlined is not a bright one, however. He predicted the County school system would be in trouble after next year, unless more money is forthcoming.

He said the County, which has grown in population far more than expected, will have as many students next year as was anticipated by 1960. St. Matthews needs more relief, he said, and another school will probably be built for this area next year.

He said the special 20-year 50-cent tax approved by the voters in 1952 allowed the County to open one new school last year, 10 this year, and perhaps nine next year. This will use up all the money, he said. Further expansion can come only from raising the \$1.50 general purpose school tax, he said. This would require a vote of the people.

Chenoweth School will be delayed from 10 days to two weeks in opening, he said. Parents will be notified by newspaper and radio when to bring pupils for registration, he said. He added that school officials had given up the idea of sending pupils to Clifton Heights until Chenoweth was ready.

Mr. Ramsey also said: Other elementary schools will register September 7 in the morning. This will be a half day of school. September 8 will be the first full day.

Registration at Waggener will be held September 7 at 8:30 a.m. for the ninth grade only. Seventh and eighth graders will register September 8. The first full day of school will be September 9.

Formal dedication of Waggener and open house will be held October 26. Richard VanHoose, superintendent of County schools, announced this week.

Eastern students will register September 7, 8, and 9. The first day of school will be September 10.

Greathouse will be worse off than the other schools. It will have about 900 students, as compared with 946 last year. It was designed for 740. In all probability, the auditorium, library, and visual aid rooms will have to used for classrooms again.

Stivers, built for 480, had an enrolment of 675 last year. This is expected to drop to 650 this year. Four extra rooms were built onto the school this year, so crowding will be at a minimum.

Eastern High, built for 1,500, had 1,642 last year. This year, it will have about \$1,600. Chenoweth was designed for 512. Enrollment is uncertain. Waggener, designed for 850, will have about 780 this year.

Stivers and Greathouse will not have seventh and eight grades this year. These children have been shifted to Waggener and will register there.

Also going to Waggener are seventh and eighth graders from Clifton Heights: that part of Ballard west of Blankenbaker Lane, and Lyndon seventh and eight graders west of Ormsby Lane including both sides, with an imaginary line running to Hurstbourne.

Chenoweth School will handle students from Clifton Heights, and from parts of the Stivers and Ballard districts. About 200 students from Stivers have been transferred to Chenoweth. This includes roughly all those living west of St. Matthews Avenue.

Those from Beechwood Village subdivision have been transferred out of Lyndon to Stivers School.

All junior high students from St. Matthews who have been attending Eastern High will go to Waggener, which will have seventh, eight and ninth grades to begin with. (Plans call for conversion in a few years of Waggener to a high school, one grade at a time.)

The eight grade at Jeffersontown School will transfer to Eastern. Anchorage School is continuing through the ninth grade. Seventh and eighth graders from Lyndon school living east of Hurstbourne Lane will go to Eastern.

Waggener was named after Mayme S. Waggener, teacher and principal at Greathouse for 30 years. Chenoweth was named after Dr. John Henry Chenoweth, who served St. Matthews 60 years. He died in 1905.

Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, August 26, 1954:

# Chenoweth, Waggener Teaching Staffs Named

#### Changes Made At Greathouse, Stivers And Eastern But Numbers Are Same

Teaching statfs for the two new schools here, Chenoweth Rementary and Waggener Junior High, were announced this week y John L. Ramsey, director of instruction for Jefferson County chools.

> He also announced changes in -laff at Greathouse, Stivers and Eastern

Chenoweth will have a staff of 19 teachers, plus the prin-cipal, Miss Marguerite Lewis, who taught last year at Mill Creek.

The list follows, telling which school they transferred from, Those with no school after their names are new to the Jefferson County School system:

First grade - Mrs. Lila Me-Carroll; Mrs. Martha Jordan, Mrs. Elizabeth Blalock, and Mrs. Name Arterburn; second grade — Mrs. Mary Mix, Clifton Heights, Miss Meda Elder, Sti-vers, Miss Ethel Sams, Mill Creek, and Mrs. Christine God-

Creek, and Mrs. Christine God-sey, Clifton Heights. Third grade — Mrs. Esther Hginfield (back from a leave of abselfrc); Mrs. May Sawyer, Clifton Heights, and Miss Al-lene Back; third and fourth grade combination — Mrs. Cath-cing Bellion Middleour

grade combination — Mrs. Cath-crine Rollins, Middletown. Fourth grade — Mrs. Clara Sweet and Miss Anna Caree; fifth grade — Mrs. Florence Sanger and Miss Allee Long (back from oversens as an ex-change leacher); and sixth grade —Mrs. Ruth Ruter, Mill Creek, Mrs. Martha Redden, and Mrs. Incz Gohcen (returning after several years out of leaching).

John Lowe, former assistant (Continued on Page 6)

# Waggener Chenoweth

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principal at Eastern High, is principal at Waggener. Earl Duncan, former Eastern basket-ball coach, is dean of boys. Mrs. Alice Dawson, foacher at Fern Creek last year, is dean of girls. (Mr. Dawson is principal at Fostere) Eastern).

There will be 28 on the teach-ing staff:

Vocal music, Julian Dorsey, Eastern, band director, Carl Markert, who taught in Louisville last year; librarian, Miss Sadie Stinson, Eastern; art, Mrs. Caroline Browning; home economics, Mrs. Helen Rouse and Miss Anna Helen Rouse and Miss Anna Hale; industrial arts, Fred Buch-aus, Masonic High, and Robert Bauer, Fern Creek; physical ed-ucation, Mrs. Jacquelyn Planck and Andrew Diersing.

Seventh grade core positions-Sidney Baxter, Arthur Draut, Eastern, Mrs. Mildred Cobb, Eastern, Mrs. Mildred Cobb, Stivers, Mrs. Beulah Fontaine, Stivers, Prestonia, Mrs. Betran Pontane, Prestonia, Mrs. Gladys Goodell, Prestonia, Mrs. Zera Baird, Southern High, Mrs. Ann Bax-ter, Mrs. Patricia Snowden and Mrs. Sara Raymond.

Eighth grade core positions-Stanley Nielson, Stivers, Mrs. Katherine Kirwan, Stivers, Mrs. Annie Jenkins, Southern High, Glen Edelen, Greathouse, Mrs. Hazel Hays, Mrs. Louise Smith, Fern Creek, William Detherage, and Edward Simpson.

Teaching mathematics will be Mrs. Ruth Dinning, a transfer from Fern Creek. Seventh and eighth grade core teachers will be teachers will also teach the ninth grade.

With their seventh and eighth grades gone, Stivers and Great-house will have more teachers in the lower grades. However, there will be no staff increases, Stivers will have 20 teachers and Greathere 20

staff increases. Slivers will have 20 teachers and Greathouse 28, the same as last year. New members of the Great-house faculty are Barbara J. Edwards and Mabel D. Mills, first grade, and Tyler D. Tavlor fourth and fifth grade. New teachers at Slivers are Nancy L. Camobell and Mary Ann Wack-er, first grade: Lois Short and Joyce Miles, second grade: and Gay Elliott, third and fourth grade.

grade. Eastern High School will have 67 teachers, the same as last 67 teachers, the same as last vear. Roy Adams succeeds Earle Duncan as basketball coach. John Trann, former athletic di-rector, will be assistant prin-cipal. Charles Ruter, former basketball coach at Fern Creek, will be athletic director. Hal Tayles has been been succeeded as a succeed Taylor has been named assistant foothall coach, and he will also teach.

James Matthews of Corning, James Matthews of Corning, Ohio, will teach science. Huston Binning, formerly with Louis-ville, will teach general science. Mrs. Betty McMullin, who 'aught for the County arevious-ly, will teach general science and math. Mrs. Betty Stull from Versailles High School, will teach speech and dramatics.

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#### Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, September 2, 1954:

#### Waggener—\$1 Million In Modern Architecture, Equipment—Is Ready

Junior High Opens Next Week, Will One Day Be \$2 Million High school

"Waggener Junior High School will open for business," next week, formal dedication and open house will not be held until October 26.

Principal John Lowe said the County Board of Education has requested parents not to visit the school for inspection until that date. Otherwise, it will distract from dedication ceremonies, he said.

Workman were putting finishing touches on the modern rambling structure at the corner of Hubbards Lane and Alton Road this week. When fully equipped and ready, it will cost about \$1 million.

When the second phase of building is completed and it is a full fledged high school, this figure will be closer to \$2 million, according to Board of Education estimates.

However, nobody can predict when that will happen. It may take as much as five years.

The present structure is designed for easy, relatively inexpensive future expansion. It will accommodate about 850 students now and about 1,350 when expanded. First year enrollment will be about 780.

Registration will be held for the ninth grade September 7 at 8:30 a.m., and for seventh and eighth graders the following day. September 9 will be the first full day of school.

The building has one big feature conspicuously lacking at Eastern High-a gym, which will also serve as an auditorium. The gym is about 110 feet by 100, with a stage, set in one wall, about 32 feet by 23. Folding bleachers along the opposite wall will hold about 700 adults.

A special tiered band room is set off in a building by itself, so as not to disturb other classes. It is about 40 feet by 60.

There is a shower room for boys and another for girls, with ample locker space. The school is equipped with modern light, colored desks, and 785 lockers for students. The walls are bright-colored. Each room has a built-in-clock controlled by a self-adjusting master clock. Each room has a speaker for announcements. The building, sitting on 10 acres, is fireproof.

There are two chorus rooms, one art room, one mechanical drawing room, two teachers lounges, a book store, a home economic suite (including kitchen, living and sewing rooms), two shop rooms, one visual aid room, library with reading room and study hall, a conference room, 18 general purpose classrooms, cafeteria and kitchen with two serving lines, sound room, lostand-found room, first aid suite, reception area, storage rooms, maid lobby and four offices.

Two huge coal systemss will be used alternately to heat the building.

Mr. Lowe said he hopes to start night classes for adults in shop work, but details have not yet been worked out. Also in the wind is a recreation program to be prepared in conjunction with the County Boad of Education.

Waggener will serve the St. Matthews, Lyndon, Moorgate, Indian Hills, River Road and Clifton Heights area.

# School Registration Is Lighter Than Expected

Registrations at County Schools in St. Matthews through Monday were a hit below estimates.

The County Board of Education had estimated that 4,506 would attend Greathouse, Stivers, and Chenoweth Elementary Schools, Waggener Junior High, and Eastern High. By Monday, only 4,305 had registered.

weth registrations were above estimates. However, registrations are still trickling in and should eventually come nearer to estimates, according to John L. Ramsey, director of instruc-

tion. Waggener, beginning its first

### Van Hoose Will **Present Waggener Teachers** Tonight

Teachers at Mayme Waggener Junior High School will be in-troduced to the parents tonight at 7:30 at the school's first P.T.A. meeting. It will be held in the lunchroom.

Introductions will be made by Richard Van Hoose, superintenof Jefferson County dent Schools.

P.T.A. The had originally planned to conduct tours through the school at tonight's meeting, according to Mrs. Tom Undecwood, president. The tours have been postponed until after the school is formally dedicated on

October 26. When the P.T.A. was organized in May, 141 parents joined. Many more are expected to join tonight.

Only Waggener and Cheno-year, is almost filled to capacity. Predicted enrolbment was 780. By Monday, 837 had registered. The school was designed for 850.

Chenoweth, also in its first year, expected 579 pupils, Registration by Monday was 590. The school was designed for 612.

Eastern High has had the best luck. Anticipating an enrollment of 1,586, the school only had 1,427 signed up by the end of last week. It was designed for 1,500.

Greathouse signed up 857 through Monday, as compared with an anticipated 901. It had 946 last year, and was original-ly designed for 740,

Stivers by Mondav had registered 594. About 660 were expected. Last year, the school had 675. It was built for 480, but four extra rooms were added during the summer.

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**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 

Wonderin Around Waggener With CAROLYN KRAFT

# Packed Gym Welcomes Waggener Sock Hop

#### Hello again!

Did I miss you in that packed gym last Saturday night? What gym last Saturday night? What a crowd! The County Youth Rec-reation Association was quite surprised when we showed up in such large numbers. I'm re-ferring to their new Saturday night series of sockhops to be held at the Waggener Junior High this year. The juke box music was enjoyed by all and the dancing was really fun! An-other musical addition was the Hopscotchers, a plano, bass, and guitar group. guitar group.

guitar group. The Lam family, Louise, Jer-ry, and Bobby, plus Teny Vest and Billy Neel know how to give with the jive and hillbilly rhythms. Martha Slaan sang "Little Things Mean a Lot", and it was fun watching the male Wildcats become klittens under her spell.

An announcement was made covering these points:

Admission is to be by mem-bership card.

The age group is limited to hoys and girls 13-19. No smoking is to be allowed.

School property must be respected.

The boys and girls are to act and speak in a ladylike and gentlemanly manner. Next week there will be a wider range of sectors will be a

wider range of equipment, ping; pong, etc.

Who was that squiring Shirley Boehl around the dance floor David O'Brian seemed to enjoy dancing with Barbara Caswell, And did you see Jim Burton monopolizing Susle Boynton? She certainly looked pretty in that aqua jersey!

Speaking of outfits, Carley Revell looked like a dream in Reveil looked like a dream in her deep beige sweater and skirt. Judy Nealon's gray cord-uroy suit, trimmed with red and yellow felt, sure looked cute. Ann LaCrosse's blond hair al-ways looks like a million when she wears blue as she did last Saturday. I believe Becky Arn-ett and Suzanne Simms had a conference with the box before conference with the boys before they selected their ensembles. they selected their ensembles. They wore pink shirts and dark skirts. A lot of the boys were outfitted in black levies and pink shirts, too. Linda Lowe, with her striped purple dress. was the belle of the ball. She danced steadily with Jack Mill-er, Bill Mowry, and George Bo-eart gart.

Auditions are being held this week for the Waggener Car-nival's Variety Show, Accord-ing to Mr. Dorsey, who is in

charge, every type of talent will be represented. Tell the younger set that there will be ponies and a merry-go-round

for them. By the way, if you have any more than a second s this column, let me know. Re-member, I'm YOUR reporter and YOU are the news.

**October 14, 1954** 

# Waggener Junior High To Be Dedicated Tuesday

#### By CAROLYN KRAFT

The two most important events on Waggener Junior High's calendar are coming next week. The first of these is Tuesday, Oct. 26, the day our wonderful new school is being dedicated.

As you make this tour, be sure to visit the now complete-ly-furnished Home Economits Suite, it's beautiful! And be sure to step across the breezeway to the Music Building. The formal dedication program will-take place in the gymnasium from 7:45 to 8:30 p.m.

Richard Van Hoose, superin-tendent of County schools, is to be the master of ceremonies. He will introduce By Frank Dickey, Dean of the COUFT of Education at the University of Kentucky, who will be the speaker on this memorable occasion.

memorable occasion. Mr. Lowe will accept an oil portrait of Mrs. Manie & Weg-gener, the well known and be-loved Jefferson County teacher and principal, for whom the school was named. Her son, Robert Waggener of Nashville, will present this gift to the school. Following this, the plat-form guests will be introduced. These include the members of the County Board of Education and the officers of the P.T.A. Refreshments will be served

Refreshments will be served by the P.T.A. Hospitality Committee after the program is com-

26, the day our wonderful new school is being ucutated. Beginning at 6:30 p.m. open pleted. The school will remain house is to be held. This will open until 9:30 to afford an op-portunity for late arrivals to visitors a chance to see the school. As you make this tour, be sure to visit the now complete-ly-furnished Home Economics Suite, it's beautifull And be sure to siep across the breezeway to the Music Building. The formal

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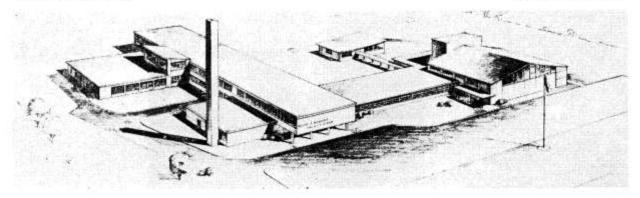
Waggener High School History & Photos: Courtesy Jefferson County Public Schools, Archives: **October 26, 1954** 

Dedication and Open House

MAYME S. WAGGENER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL October 26, 1954

6:30 P.M. - 9:30 P.M.

7:45 P.M. Dedication



Master of Ceremonies RICHARD VANHOOSE, Superintendent, Jefferson County Schools Speaker DR. FRANK DICKEY, Dean, College of Education, University of Kentucky Invocation REVERIND CARROLL HUBBARD, Pastor, St. Matthews Baptist Church

The Jefferson County Board of Education is proud to dedicate this building to the memory of Mrs. Mayme S. Waggener, for her years of service to the citizens of this area.

MAYME SWEET was born in Lexington, Kentucky on February 3, 1876. The family moved to Louisville while she was a small child and settled in the west end. She attended Louisville Public Schools and the Louisville Normal School and upon graduation from this institution taught two years in the Louisville Public Schools.

On July 5, 1900, she married John M. Waggener of St. Matthews.

In 1914, Mrs. Waggener returned to teaching, substituting for two years in the Louisville Schools. In 1916, she began teaching at Greathouse School and was appointed principal in 1918, a position which she held until her retirement in 1946. After her retirement Mrs. Waggener continued her residence in Louisville until shortly before her death on January 2, 1953.

Her thirty years of unselfish service to the children of St. Matthews has endeared her memory to everyone in this area.

October 26, 1954

**Courtesy Jefferson County Public Schools, Archives:** 

MAYME S. WAGGENER Junior High School represents another "first" in Jefferson County's rapidly expanding educational system. It is the first completely separate junior high school erected in the history of Jefferson County education. It also represents yet another attempt by the Jefferson County Board of Education to "bring the schools back into the community."

Many things could be said about this fine new plant. Everything possible, within the limits of available revenue, has been done to provide a facility that will meet the needs of *all* the boys and girls making up the student body. However, it will suffice to say that, in this building staffed with competent teachers we visualize the development of many generations of well-educated, competent citizens.

Jefferson County Board of Education

PAXTON WILT, Chairman

THOMAS H. DOSS, Vice-Chairman

Albert E. Bowen

ARLIS COOK

W E ARE PROUD OF THE Mayme S. Waggener Junior High School, proud of the building, of the administration and teachers and of the pupils. We are also proud to have played a small part in making this building a reality.

Modern education like modern living, becomes increasingly complex. The old concept of the Three "R's" and the "little red school house" is not adequate to meet the demands placed on young people in an ever changing world. Here we have attempted to provide facilities to meet all the needs of all young people. How well this attempt succeeds only time will tell, but we urge every citizen of this community to make every effort to achieve the goal.

Administrative Staff

RICHARD VANHOOSE, Superintendent

JAMES L. SUBLETT Assistant Superintendent SAMUEL ALEXANDER Secretary-Treasurer

JOHN L. RAMSEY Director of Instruction H. B. SLAUGHTER Director of Business Affairs

#### **Courtesy Jefferson County Public Schools, Archives:**

M AYME S. WAGGENER Junior High School is a fireproof building located on a 20 acre site and containing 17 general purpose class rooms and 15 special purpose rooms for Domestic Science, Mechanical Drawing, Choral Music, Shops, Visual Aid and Band Building. In addition to these units there is provided a Kitchen, Cafeteria, Library and Reading Room, Gymnasium and Auditorium with Boys' and Girls' Locker Rooms. Also provided are Teachers' Lounges, Boys' and Girls' Rest Rooms and Administrative Office Suite.

Exterior walls are of concrete, masonry block, brick and glass. Interior walls are generally masonry block with glazed tile in the kitchen, cafeteria and toilet rooms. Floors in the toilets, cafeteria, and kitchen are ceramic and quarry tile, all others have asphalt tile over concrete.

Ceilings throughout the building are acoustical tile. Fluorescent lighting is provided in all special and general purpose class rooms. Forced hot water is used for the heating system.

Total Cost of Waggener Junior High School \*

General Construction	578,912.73
Plumbing and Heating	130,471.25
Electrical	58,924.68
Site Improvement	73,956.92
Equipment	129,893.23
Architect & Engineer Fees	44,256.95
Contingencies	6,970.60
TOTAL	1,023,386.36
COST PER PUPIL	1,203.99

\*Exclusive of Site Purchase Cost

HARTSTERN, LOUIS & HENRY, Architects

Philosophy

E HERE AT WAGGENER are striving to build, organize and administer a program of education that will be flexible enough to meet the individual needs of every student.

We feel the curriculum is of such offering that it provides a well rounded course of study for all concerned.

We are attempting to develop in each student skills that will help them develop independent thought which will direct their actions toward acceptable goals.

After spending a few years in this environment under well qualified teachers, and in a physical plant that has all the modern advantages for instruction, we hope they will be able to choose a vocation wisely, be able to contribute toward the social, intellectual, moral and economic progress in the communities in which they choose to live, and that they will achieve satisfaction and happiness for themselves.

#### FACULTY

#### John M. Lowe, Principal

Earl Duncan	Dean of Boys	Alice Dawson	Dean of Girls
	Shop	Zera Baird	
		Ann Baxter	
	Art	Fred Buchaus	Shop
		Delores Croker	
Andrew Diersing		Ruth Dinning	
Iulian Dorsey		Glenn Edelen	
Beulah Fontaine		Gladys Goodell	
Anne Hale		Hazel Hays	
	8th Core	Katherine Kirwan	8th Core
Elizabeth Lapsley		Carl Markett	Instrumental Music
	8th Core	Stanley Nielsen	
Jacquie Planck	Physical Education	Sara Raymond	
	Home Economics	Edward Simpson	
Louise Smith		Patricia Snowden	
	Sadie Stinson	Librarian	

#### **October 26, 1954**

**Courtesy Jefferson County Public Schools, Archives:** 

E, the students of Waggener Junior High School are proud and happy to have this modern new building in which to learn and live. Our school has the facilities to help us in developing mentally, socially and physically.

We know the students of this fine school will work to make this an outstanding school now and in the future.

On behalf of the students of Waggener, we extend our thanks to all of those who have helped in making the school of our dreams a reality.

Student Committee

JUDY TERRY

SUSIE BOYNTON

TOMMY ENDICOTT

EMIL STARK

TOMMY HOUSEKEEPER

LYNNE BROI

LYNNE BROECKER

JACK HANCOCK

Engineer E. R. RONALD AND ASSOCIATES

General Construction F. W. OWENS Plumbing and Heating JAMES E. SMITH

Electrical Work THIRLWELL-MCCRORY ELECTRIC CO. Landscaping LEEMING NURSERY

Site Improvement SKILTON ENGINEERING CORP.

#### EQUIPMENT

Kitchen Equipment LEWIS METALS Refrigerators FETZER REFRIGERATOR CO.

Sound System TECHNICAL SERVICE CORP.

Steel Lockers & Locker Room Equipment LYONS METAL PRODUCTS CORP. Stage Curtain KENTUCKIANA EQUIPMENT CO.

> Scoreboard and Timers CHAS. H. BUNCH CO.

Built-in Equipment, Classroom Furniture & Gymnasium Seats CENTRAL SCHOOL SUPPLY COMPANY

**Courtesy Jefferson County Public Schools, Archives:** 

#### WAGGENER HIGH SCHOOL

ORIGINAL BUILDING (One and Two Story)

The original building was financed by the February 1, 1954 Bond Issue. It begins at a point approx. 214'-7" from the Hubbards Lane property line and extends westwardly 340'-2", terminating approx. 554'-9" from the Hubbards Lane property line.

The building, irregular in plan, contains 17 general purpose class rooms and 10 special rooms for Home Economics, Cooking, General Science, Sewing, Art, Mechanical Drawing, Music, Visual Aids and Band. In addition to these units, there is provided a Kitchen, Cafeteria, Library, Reading Room, Study Hall, Gymnasium and Auditorium, Boys' and Girls' Locker Rooms, Teachers' Lounge, 3 Boys' Rest Rooms and 3 Girls' Rest Rooms, Administrative Offices and Boiler Room.

1957 ADDITION (Three Stories)

This Addition was financed by the May 1, 1957 Bond Issue. It is an L-shaped structure and it was constructed on the west wing of the original building beginning at a point approx. 554'-9" from the Hubbards Lane property line and extending westwardly 122'-55", then turns and extends northwardly 190'-10-1/8".

The Addition contains 20 general purpose class rooms and 9 special rooms for Sewing, Cooking, Visual Aids, Biology, General Science and Chemistry. Also provided are 3 Boys' Rest Rooms and 3 Girls' Rest Rooms.

1958 ADDITION (Three Stories)

This Addition was financed from the current funds of the School Board. It was constructed on the west wing of the building adjacent to the west side of the 1957 Addition, beginning at a point approx.677'-2½" from the Hubbards Lane property line and extending westwardly 70'-4".

The Addition contains 5 general purpose class rooms and 7 special rooms for General Science, Biology, Physics, Type-writing, Shorthand, Bookkeeping and T. V. Assembly Room. Also provided under this phase of the program is a Shop Building which is located approximately 55' south of the 1958 Addition.

THE PROPOSED 1959 ADDITION

(a) Three Story Academic\_Addition

This portion of the Addition is to be constructed on the west side of the 1958 Addition and to extend westwardly 70'-52''.

This Addition contains 9 general purpose class rooms and 7 special rooms for Mechanical Drawing, Art, Music, Bookkeeping, Shorthand and 2 Typewriting Rooms.

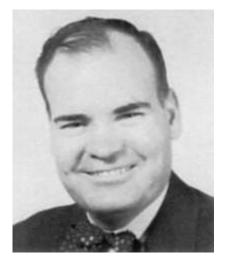
#### (b) T. V. Assembly Room (One Story)

The T. V. Assembly Room is to be constructed on the east side of the 1957 Addition. The dimensions are 62'-6" east and west and 65'-8" north and south.

### Mayme S. Waggener And Principles of Waggener High School



Mayne Sweet Waggener



John B. Lowe 1954-59



Earl S. Duncan 1959-68



Arthur K. Draut 1968-83



Donna R. Ludwig 1983-90



N. Kathryn Hopper 1990-95



Lohelen B. Hambrick 1995-2000



Candi Conway 2000-Present

Photos courtesy of *The Voice of St. Matthews*, July 22, 1954.



The Waggener Junior High School on Hubbards Lane will be ready for the fall semester.



#### Waggener's First 10 Years

#### 1963-1964

This year was Waggener's largest class.

Our athletic program has been outstanding with our football team becoming runner-up in the state.

WHS students were hosts to foreign exchange students who were touring the USA, thus

developing the bond of friendship between students around the world.

Developed from a May 21, 1961 article in the Chit-Chat by Betty Baxter and Susan Hunter, and other articles.

May 26, 1960 Chit-Chat

## FLASHBACKS - TO 1954

By Susie Touroff and Phyllis Curtis

Looking back through Waggener's first era the year '54-'55 first flashes by. This was the foundation year for Waggener's first senior class. During this year many traditions were formed. The school colors were established as red and gray, although pink and black was a close second. The Student Faculty Game found its beginning here when the students beat the faculty 44-35. Core classes formed the major part of the seventh grader's school life. They reported such happenings as "loaded cookies served by our own Betty Crocker, Richard Stokes." The Core Basketball Tournament highlighted this year.

In the eighth grade the first social event of the season was a carnival where each homeroom sponsored a booth. Many of the seniors held offices in this year. Marie Van Hoose was the treasurer of the Audio Visual Club, while Lucille Lapsley served as judge in Mrs. Kirwan's core class. Ann Bell was president of the Art Club.

#### **First Addition Begun**

The ninth grade brought forth the unofficial---now official--school song. The construction of a new addition was underway. Diane Nunn was predicted by the crystal ball of the future to be a Rockette in New York and Jimmy Chiles was predicted to still be arguing with teachers. (And he still is.)

The year '57-58 was a year of many firsts. Another new wing was completed, the first Student Council was established with Bobby Sexton at the head; the school directory, The Wildcat Book, was printed, the orchestra made its deput; the Beta Club was installed; new report cards were adopted; Judy Vail was elected the first football queen and Carol Ploetner was basketball queen and the Lair staff put out its first annual. This was the first year in which the '60 class was organized. Charlie Brown was elected president.

#### "Bono" Appears

It was this year that the Science Club took a trip to Oak Ridge and established quite a reputation. Mr. Simpson acquired a new student, "BONO", a skeleton. The Beta Club sponsored a boat ride on the Steamer Avalon, and the cafeteria was the scene of the "Jukebox Jumble". Predictions were made for the year 1968. A few of them were David White's graduating from Waggener; Carol Miller's becoming a fan dancer at the Savoy; Jimmy Walker's running the mile in 3:51.1. At this time there were three dismissal bells. We weren't as efficient as we are now.

The year '58-'59 (11th grade) brought many new experiences. A Quill and Scroll Charter was granted; Waggener was first represented in Youth Speaks by Bob Wood; Ted Frith and Raymey Simpton wore seen around in their new Perry Como sweaters and the school was hit by the hula hoop fad. Bob Sexton was re-elected tudent council president and Perry Wood was elected to lead the Janior Class. Pam Ferguson was crowned football queen and Carol Watford basketball queen.

The National Honor Society was installed. The juniors were measured for senior rings and the Carnegie scholarships were first won. Sock Hops were a regular after-game occurrence. The studentficulty game brought many laughs; the Waggener Development Association sponsored a car wash which was profit making as well as fun. The junior class had a picnic after school hours which was sponsored by the parents of the junior class; the Student Council sponsored a Derby Dance; Dan Schmitz and Kathy Buffington won the first prize in the Comic Strip Dance.

The senior class has been a very active one. At the beginning of the year they received their rings. Perry Wood was elected as class president and Bobby Sexton was elected to his third term as president of the Student Council. The stadium was completed and dedicated; the seniors presented a very successful senior play with the help of Miss Crockett; the Thespians were installed; the Drill Corps made their debut; Judy Wylie was elected football queen; Waggener added to their publications with a literary magazine called **latrospect**, sponsored by Mrs. McGuire; Gayle Reichmuth was elected besketball queen; senior vaudeville brought many laughs and lots of fun.

Through the past years the first graduating class has forged ahead establishing many traditions which have formed the foundations to be used by all future graduating classes at Waggener.

#### 1954

#### Waggener's First 10 Years

#### 1954-1955

School opened with seventh, eight, and ninth grades only. Red and gray chosen as school colors. Students won the Student-Faculty game and the core Basketball Tournament. John B. Lowe was the principal.

#### 1955-1956

Sophomores went to Eastern.

#### 1956-1957

The school song was written. The first freshman class started journey to become first senior class. First television classes were begun.

#### 1957-1958

Many of our organized clubs were started this year, and the orchestra made its debut. The student council was established.

Beta Club was installed.

The first Lair was published, and the first student directory.

The Wildcat Book, was printed.

The journalism classes published the first printed issues of the Chit-Chat.

The first class of Waggener was officially organized. The first basketball and football queens were crowned.

The new wing was completed. (3 stories)

#### 1958-1959

October 16, 1958, Dedication of Wagener Stadium.

This year brought other honorary organizations to WHS, with the Quill and Scroll Charter granted and 24 juniors tapped for the national Honor society. The Wildcats participated in varsity spots for the first time.

The Development Association helped dedicate the new football field.

The G.A.A. was organized to promote more athletics for the girls.

#### 1959-1960

Earl Duncan became principal.

Further scholastic honors were received by WHS as several students attended U. of L. as

Carnegie Scholars and the announcement of 14 National Merit Semi-finalists was made. The football team, only in its second year of varsity competition was the unofficial county champion, the basketball team won the Jefferson County Invitational Tournament and was recognized as the County Champion, and the swim team claimed second place in the State Meet.

Waggener added to the publications their literary magazine, the introspect.

#### 1960-1961

Second senior class continued to gain honors with Richard Long becoming Waggener's first Merit Scholar.

The Alma Mater was officially selected and a new tradition was started with the girls' seniorjunior football game, in which the seniors were victorious.

The Thespians came home with two First Place trophies at the State Drama Festival.

#### 1961-1962

19 National Merit semi-finalists from WHS set a new school record, and the Chit-Chat won the Gallup award from Quill and Scroll.

#### 1962-1963

The junior high was split from the senior high student body.

Waggener was host to its first foreign exchange student, Masako Sato, from Japan.

Waggener held its first homecoming with the crowning of the queen highlighting the dance.

The faculty reversed the tradition by defeating the seniors in the Student-Faculty game.

#### **School History**

#### Courtesy The Courier-Journal, January 3, 1932 & Kentucky School Journal:

# Mrs. Waggener, Ex-Principal, Dies

### Headed Greathouse School 28 Years During Growth From 4 Rooms to 16

Mrs. Mayme Sweet Waggener, principal of Greathouse School for 28 years until her retirement in 1946, died at 12:03 p.m. yesterday at Morehead, Ky. She was 76.

Mrs. Waggener had been staying with a daughter, Mrs. Creston Mayhall, Morehead, since becoming ill with a virus

infection last June. She made her home here at 2754 Graham Court. Mrs. Waggener became principal of Greathouse School, Grandview

of Greathouse School, Grandview and Fairfax Avenues, St. Matthews, in 1918 after teaching there two years.

Got Lunchroom Established

While she was principal the school grew from a four-room, three-teacher structure to a \$75,000, 16-room building housing more than 600 students. Under her direction the Parent-

Under her direction the Parent-Teacher Association established a lunchroom at the school in 1931, one of the first in the county. The lunchroom now is manned by P.T.A. volunteers.

P.T.A. volunteers. Mrs. Waggener also organized the first schoolboy patrol in the St. Matthews area.

Mrs. Waggener was a member of the Louisville, Kentucky, and National Education Associations. She was a member and former program chairman and progress leader of Delta Kappa Gamma, a national honorary society for outstanding women leaders in education.

Was Baptist 'Member

After retirement, she continued to attend educational meetings, working for a goal she called "the best possible education for all Kentucky children, especially at Greathouse."

Mrs. Waggener was a charter member of Crescent Hill Woman's Club, and belonged to the Filson Club and the Louisville Philharmonic Society. She was a member of Crescent Hill Baptist Church. She was a graduate of Louisville

She was a graduate of Louisville Girls High School and the old Louisville Normal School. She



MRS. MAYME WAGGENER

also attended Western Teachers College, Bowling Green; the University of Louisville, and the old Louisville Conservatory of Musica

Mrs. Waggener taught two years in Louisville public schools before her marriage to the late John M. Waggener, auditor of the Bourbon Stock Yards. She came to Greathouse during the teacher shortage of World War 1. She was a native of Lexington.

Besides Mrs. Mayhall, survivors are a son, Robert G. Waggener, Nashville; a sister, Mrs. George Evans; four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. The funeral will be at 2 p.m.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Pearson's, 1210 /S. Third. Burial will be in Cave Hill Cemetery.

#### Tribute To Mrs. Mayme S. Waggener

Ruth H. Osborne, Principal Orville J. Stivers School, Jefferson County

With the passing of Mrs. Mayme S. Waggener, one of the foremost educators and public -minded women of her times, the community of St. Matthews, Jefferson County, and the state of Kentucky have suffered a great loss.

Mrs. Waggener possessed many qualities which fitted her for leadership. She had abounding health, a sympathetic understanding, an enthusiastic outlook on life, an intense interest in her fellow man, and was fearless in pioneering for any cause that she felt made for the betterment of others.

Long before other civic-minded people were aware of the needs of teenagers, Mrs. Waggener was sponsoring their cause by organizing group gatherings at the school building. Many people frowned upon the usage of the school building for this purpose, but the wisdom of these activities has been proven by the success of teen-age clubs and church organizations that we have today.

Early in her teaching career Mrs. Waggener felt the need of closer unity between teacher and parent and encouraged parent participation in school life. She also reached out into the community, seeking the advice and help of the business people. School equipment, such as the first school victrola, radio, etc., was obtained through cooperation of St. Matthews merchants. This interest and cooperation on the part of parents and community leaders have helped advance the educational opportunities of St. Matthews which in turn has played its part in the unusual growth of the community. Modern educators agree that the better school of today is the one in which teachers and parents work in close harmony with one another.

Mrs. Waggener began her teaching at Greathouse in 1916, became principal in 1918 and retired in 1946, making a total of thirty

years of service to this district. She was born Mayme Sweet in Lexington, Ken-tucky, February 8, 1876. Her family moved to the west end of Louisville when she was very small. She was educated in the Portland Elementary School, the Louisville Female High School, and the Louisville Normal School, 'graduating from the latter in 1898. She taught two years in the Louisville public schools before she married John Morrison Waggener of St. Matthews on July 5, 1900. She had two children, Robert C. Waggener, now of Nashville, and Lucile Waggener, now Mrs. C. C. Mayhall of

#### **School History**

#### Courtesy The Courier-Journal, January 3, 1932 & Kentucky School Journal:

#### Tribute To Mrs. Mayme S. Waggener

Morehead, Kentucky. She has four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Mrs. Waggener's husband died on July 22, 1942.

After her retirement, Mrs. Waggener continued to live an interesting life, going to concerts and attending meetings of the Filson Club and other organizations to which she belonged. She enjoyed shopping and having luncheons, and dinners with her many friends. She was a charter member of the Crescent Hill Woman's Club, a member of the Filson Club for thirty years, honorary member of the St. Matthews Woman's Club, and a member of the Cres-cent Hill Baptist Church, as well as of Delta Kappa Gamma, a sorority of outstanding women in education.

It would be hard to enumerate all the worthy projects she promoted in school during her principalship. Among these were: the starting of the first lunchroom, the schoolboy patrol, and the drum and bugle corps; milk-drinking contests; the Damrosch music listening programs in the 1930's; attendance at the Louisville Orchestra concerts in later years; the biennial trips to Frankfort, Kentucky, for the seventh and eighth grades; the school carnivals; and numerous other activities. Upon her retirement the school paper published a poem including the lines:

She taught readin', writin', and 'rithmetic, Without the aid of a hickory stick.

We who were fortunate to come under her influence feel we are better for having had this association. Students through the years' have tried to define the something about Greathouse School that has endeared it to everyone. The writer feels that that indefinable something is the personality of Mrs. Wag-gener, and though she is gone from us now, her spirit will remain down through the ages.

**Courtesy Pamela L. Flack Key (62):** 



#### **School History**

#### Courtesy of Waggener Traditional High School Library, Kristen K. Heckel.

#### Mayme Sweet Waggener

On January 3, 1959, *The Louisville Times* published a headline which read, "St. Matthews Area Mourns Mrs. Waggener." Recalling the fact that this suburb of Louisville, Kentucky is in itself a city of considerable size, this seems a broad statement. Yet none but a rank outsider in that city would not have known of her influence there, for she had built Greathouse School, located at Grandview and Fairfax Avenues, from a four-room, three-teacher institution to a \$75,000, sixteen-room building housing more than six hundred pupils. She became principal in 1918, after having taught there two years, and began her long series of improvements and innovations, Listing all these worthy projects would be difficult, but a few of them may be described briefly.

Long before other civic-minded people saw the need for teen-age organizations, Mrs. Mayme Sweet Waggener was sponsoring them, educating the community to accept the use of the school building for this purpose.

Under her supervision, St. Matthews had the state's first schoolboy patrol.

In the 1930's, she originated the Damrosch music listening programs, and in later years, encouraged school-group attendance at the concerts given by the Louisville Orchestra.

She organized a drum and bugle corps and various contests for pupils.

For the seventh and eight grades, she instituted the biennial trip to Frankfort, Kentucky that they might see state government at its source.

By act of the Kentucky Legislature of 1940, time was released for a weekly forty-five minute period for Bible study in public schools. Greathouse School was the first in Greater Louisville to take advantage of this act. The moral instruction was given by ministers of the local churches. This program was continued until the act was nullified, nine years later, by a court decision.

She was active, also, in encouraging dramatics in every form and fashion.

Mrs. Waggener established the first kindergarten ever connected with any school in that county, and it is still in operation (1953).

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Mrs. Waggener was equally successful in integrating the school and the adult life of the community. Adults responded to her foresight and initiative as did the children under her direct supervision. Community activities carried on under her direction were both serious and entertaining.

Early in her teaching career, Mrs. Waggener felt the need of closer unison between teacher and parents and encouraged parent participation in school life. She also reached out into the community seeking the advice of business people. This interest and cooperation on the part of parents and community leaders have helped advance the educational opportunities of St. Matthews which in turn has played its part in the unusual growth of the community.

The above was written by Mrs. Ruth Osborne, who taught under Mrs. Waggener for fifteen years, for publication in the newspaper, *The Voice of St. Matthews*, on January 8, 1953.

Mayme Sweet Waggener believed that good health was basic to a good community. One of her fist health projects was a milk-drinking contest. In the early days at Greathouse, she established a hotlunch program. The hot food was prepared at home by curious mothers and delivered to the school at lunch time. Through the Parent-Teacher Association, a lunchroom was provided in the building in 1931-one of the first in the county. In 1939, with the erection of the new building, a modem cafeteria staffed by PTA volunteers went into operation.

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Inspired by Mrs. Waggener's enthusiasm the Parent-Teacher Association held an annual carnival at which they cleared an average of \$3,000 or more per year.

School equipment, such as the first school phonograph, the first radio, etc, was obtained through the cooperation of the merchants of St. Matthews.

That community spirit could be developed through fun as well as through work, Mrs. Waggener was aware. There were many social activities at Greathouse School for the parents. Some of the most interesting were the fonnal dances for the community at which the Kentucky Military Institute band, and others, played. And Mayme was always the "aristocrat of the ball," dressed in a velvet formal gown with her pearls and snow-white hair. She was an accomplished pianist and often stole the show by responding to requests for a "few selections." She played selections ranging from "Turkey in the Straw" to the classics.

At the time of her retirement the general attitude of the community of St. Matthews toward this beloved teacher was summed up by a first-grader who told her, "I love you so. I don't want you to go." The fact that Mayme Waggener did not consider retirement a time for sitting at home and reminiscing was proved by her continued attendance at meetings of educational groups, always working for the best possible education for all Kentucky children. She also continued to go to concerts, and to attend meetings of the Filson Club and other organizations to which she belonged. She was a charter member of the Crescent Hill Woman's Club, a member of the Crescent Hill Baptist Church, and also held membership in the Alpha Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma.

Mayme Sweet was born in Lexington, Kentucky, on February 3, 1876. When she was five years old, her family moved to Louisville. She was educated in the Portland Elementary School, the Louisville Female High School, and the Louisville Normal School, graduating from the latter in 1898. She also attended Western Kentucky State Normal School at Bowling Green, the University of Louisville, and the Louisville Conservatory of Music.

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Mrs. Ruth Osborne in the tribute mentioned above adeptly summarized the qualities of character which fitted Mrs. Waggener for leadership: "She had abounding health, a sympathetic understanding, an enthusiastic outlook on life, an intense interest in her fellowman, and was fearless in pioneering for any cause that she felt made for the betterment of others."

The Mayme S. Waggener Junior High School in St. Matthews was dedicated in October 1953. Miss Elizabeth Bennett replied on behalf of the teachers. The school stands as a lasting monument to the influence of one woman teacher on the life of a city community.

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Waggener High School, circa 1967-68.

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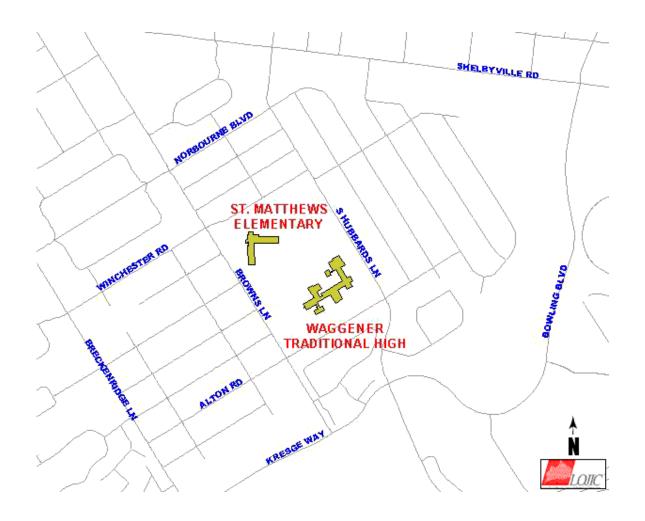
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WAGGENER TRADITIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, 330 South Hubbards Lane, 40207; 485-8340



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Currently there are 61 full-time teachers, two itinerant teachers as well as two business support staff persons. The administrative staff includes one principal, two assistant principals, two full-time counselors and a part-time counselor/teacher.

Waggener has a PTSA as welt as 36 extracurricular clubs, activities and sports. Six businesses in the community have formally established school! business partnerships with Waggener Traditional. Ongoing articulation agreements have been established with Bellarmine College, Kentucky Tech, Sullivan College and Jefferson Community College. Mentoring programs with G. E., Courtyard Marriott, University of Louisville and the Kentucky Department of Science and Technology Council promote hands-on learning.

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Waggener Traditional High School continues to provide excellence in educational opportunities. In its quest to provide learning opportunities for a broad spectrum of students, Waggener programs have expanded to include classes for ECE, high-risk and comprehensive students, as well as honors and advance. Every student can experience success in a program tailored to their specific needs. The mission of preparing graduates for life in the 21st century remains the constant challenge of your alma mater.

More:

In 1958, the newly formed Future Homemakers of America Club had nine members; each young lady held an office in the organization. Their motto was 'Toward New Horizons."

Waggener's High Patrol were seen each day assisting with traffic control. The boys wore official uniforms which consisted of badges and safety helmets.

The very first *Lair* rolled off the presses with a fierce looking Wildcat mascot announcing its claim to dominance over all other contenders.

In came the 1960's and a brand new sound in music. Waggenerites could be found at the local V.F.W. Zachary Taylor Post dancing the night away under the melodious strains of the local bands; The Rugbys, The Renowns and The Falcons. Bermuda shorts, madras shirts, bouffant hairdos and Weejuns were a sign of the times. "Cruisin" became a popular pastime at Frisch's and Burger Chef after the weekly sock-hops.

School life held many opportunities to showcase the budding talents of the ever growing student body. The award winning *Chit-Chat Newspaper* and *introspect Literary Magazine* became the focus of the Waggener writers. The annual Quill and Scroll Writing Contest provided an avenue for publishing the works of countless students dreaming to become the next Hemingway. Members of the newly organized Thespians won at regional competition. Business and academic clubs sprang up and membership multiplied with each new year. Their charters outlined the mission of preparing students for the world.

To broaden their horizons beyond the St. Matthews area, Waggener students began to participate in the foreign exchange program sponsored by Dr. George Brodschi, at the University of Louisville. The Student Council sponsored foreign exchange students who were quick to make Waggener their home away from home. Wildcats boarded planes for studies overseas to sample new languages and cultures.

Those desiring a treat a little closer to home, and far less costly, could be found any night of the week munching on hand-dipped ice cream cones at Ehrler's Dairy. Paying for a prom dress from Greenups or renting a tuxedo was high finance, so part-time jobs occupied students' evenings and weekends.

The first Red and Gray Day was ushered into tradition in 1965 as the pep club went into action after hours of painting the finishing touches on the banners that festooned the bleachers. Bon fires, car rallies and pep assemblies provided a respite from the rigors of preparing for the ACT and SAT tests. Waggener began the tradition of academic excellence as the school led the entire state in National Merit Scholarship Finalists.

The tumultuous 1960's touched the lives of a generation of Waggener Wildcats. The football team had worked long and hard to advance to the play-offs. Waggener was going head-to-head against

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Male High School for the city championship. The atmosphere, around the "Cat's Den" was intense with anticipation of a major win. Talk of victory spread though the halls like wildfire. Everyone made plans to attend the big game. Suddenly, out of nowhere, the world was stilled by an assassin's bullet in Dallas, The game was postponed while the country mourned the loss of a president.

Later in the decade, the stark reality of death hit closer to home when five graduates were killed in Vietnam. These five young men gave their lives on foreign soil for the principles of patriotism and service instilled during their years at Waggener.

Powder-puff football, vaudeville, senior plays, she-male contests and senior beanies ushered in the 1970's. The Electronics Club and the Caduceans (for those interested in pursuing a career in medicine) were born. The Pep Club swung into high gear as they issued membership cards and painted the faces of willing members prior to games. Homecoming marked a new addition at the front of the cafeteria: the Pep Club display. You could eat lunch under the watchful gaze of the paper mache life -size Wildcat. "Bring on the Eagles" became the battle cry!

*The News Report* was the communication link with the students as they learned of future events. National award winning *Chit-Chats* were distributed during homeroom every other week and kept students informed on issue of relevance to them. The headlines read—"Waggener Debaters Win State!"

The Student Council produced the first school calendar which featured 12 calendar girls. Yearbook pictures recorded for posterity the latest fashions which included: Afro haircuts, miniskirts, silver and turquoise jewelry, spoon rings and bell bottoms. For the first time ever, girls could wear slacks in class at Waggener. Some students were seen in the halls wearing clothing with Greek letter announcing their membership in the popular high school social clubs.

Saturday nights were the time to forget about homework, term papers and tardy bells. Wildcats danced the night away at Harlow's and Babe's. Disco was sweeping the nation, and Waggenerites were on board. Popular dances were the Busstop, the Hustle and the Swing. The Vogue Theater was a popular gathering spot when WLRS radio station sponsored midnight movies Waggener students, dressed for the costume competition, poured into the theater in droves for each performance of "The Rocky Horror Picture Show."

Bussing for desegregation turned Waggener into a school with two attendance areas. Students were transported according the first letter of their last names to cluster schools. Lessons in cultural diversity were being learned first hand.

Waggener began offering classes in the district's new Elective Quarter Plan. TV classes of 200 students meant you were a number, e.g. B-3-6, which corresponded to section, row and seat. Sixth period study hall and early dismissal were the goals of every senior.

The annual girls' Junior-Senior football game took on a new element with the addition of an all-male football court. Waggener was on fire with sports fever. When a point system was used to break a four-team tie for the football playoffs, Waggener earned the title as co-champion, but Westport was selected to represent the district in the playoffs. Revenge was sweet when the Waggener Wrestlers won the state championship.

The 1980's brought a change of the guard. The Vietnam War Memorial was established in the library to pay tribute to fallen graduates. A new generation with renewed social consciousness was beginning to emerge. The seniors took the lead by examining the past and building the future upon the time honored traditions.

The Lip Sync Competition was born when heavy metal, the Village People and the Supremes all converged in the gym for an afternoon of fun. Spirit Week became bigger and better with each day's activities building to a hectic frenzy, culminating in football and basketball Homecomings. Underclass students pined for the day when they could take their rightful place as seniors and wrap themselves in toga bed sheets for the day.

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The rising costs of prom, graduation honors night and the recently instituted academic award ceremony, created a new fund-raising venue — the penny collection cans in homeroom. Holidays were celebrated with Valentine flowers, Turkey Grams or St. Patty Shamrock treats delivered to your favorite person during class. Game days were especially memorable to the varsity football squad when cheerleaders decorated their lockers and baked chocolate chip cookies to help sustain the team during those grueling practice sessions.

With the 1980's came a renewed desire for a return to a more formal era. Dances were elaborate events held off campus.

Students began the evening with the obligatory pictures in front of the fireplace at home, then proceeded to a full course dinner at The Terrace or Hasenour's. Chauffeur driven limousines would queue up to the portico of the Sheraton, and Wildcats would emerge looking quite different from their appearance in first period the previous day.

The ring ceremony, ushering the seniors into upper-class status, was held at night, thus taking on a more solemn air. Waggener Wildcats earned new respect on the playing field as the school reached the playoffs in football.

In 1987, Waggener joined the Coalition of Essential Schools. Teaching practices began to focus on principles which placed the educator in a role as coach. Students began to assume added responsibilities for learning. Problem solving took on new dimensions as the computer and in-depth research became a mainstay in classroom assignments.

In the 1990's Waggener continued the quest as a forerunner forging the path for others to follow. As one of the first high schools in the county to embrace Participatory Management, Waggener made inroads with shared decision making, prior to the Kentucky Educational Reform Act. In 1991, Waggener became the first school in Jefferson County to become approved by the state for school-based management. Waggener was one of only two schools in Kentucky to have a state approved alternate model for the composition of its School Based Decision Making Council. Student and clerical staff representatives were elected members on the Waggener School Council. The council tackled the weighty issues of curriculum, personnel, scheduling, budget and policy making, thus acting upon decisions which would impact the direction of the school in the 21st century.

Waggener, ever changing to meet the needs of the community, was designated a Magnet Career Academy with increased curricular offerings to include engineering and hospitality. Students could focus on a comprehensive course of study in electrical, chemical or mechanical engineering. A stateof-the-art communications studio provided the electronic communications capabilities that would catapult Waggener students into the information age.

As the recipient of the highly coveted Hospitality Program, Waggener was selected to develop and house one of the district's magnet programs, featuring areas of child care, culinary arts, construction technology and building maintenance. Students from all over the county applied for admission into these newly developed programs. Magnet Career Academy was added to the name of Waggener High School, thus formally ushering in a new era for the school.

By 1994, the push for traditional school status mounted to a full scale campaign. The school based decision making council, under the leadership of the principal, began collecting data to present to the Jefferson County School Board to begin the process of including Waggener as a district traditional school.

In November of 1994, the Jefferson County School Board voted to officially change the name of Mayme S. Waggener High School Magnet Career Academy to Waggener Traditional High School to reflect its commitment to academic excellence, citizenship, community and patriotism. Later in the year, the Kentucky State Department of Education announced Waggener was one of only three high schools in the district to receive funds as a KERA Rewards School.

The reputation of Waggener has been widespread and long-lasting because of its high academic standards. The school has become the hub of the St. Matthews community with the residents and businesses demonstrating their support. Many Waggener alumni are now parents of students currently attending the school. For generations to come the ideals of hard work, scholastic achievement, and community service will live on through the impact of its graduates, for Waggener Wildcat Country is the best place to be this side of heaven.

#### Waggener High School History & Photos: Fight Song & Alma Marer

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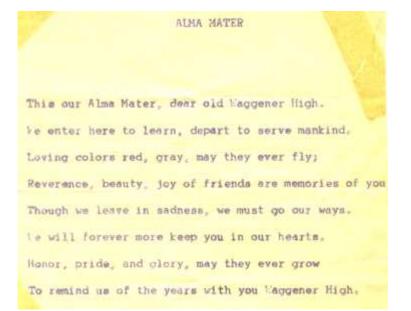
### Fight Song

On Ye Wildcats On ye Wildcats, On ye Wildcats, Fight for Victory! Red and grey Our colors dear Will lead the way Through all our years We'll be faithful to our school and never let it die We dedicate this song to Waggener High!

### Alma Mater

This our Alma Mater, Dear Ole Waggener High. We enter here to learn, depart to serve mankind.

Loving colors red, grey, may they ever fly. Reverence, beauty, joy of friends are memories of you. Though we leave in sadness, we must go our ways. We will forever keep you in our hearts. Honor, pride and glory, May they ever grow. To remind us of the years with you, Waggener High.



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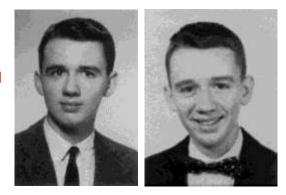
#### **Courtesy of Marilyn Gordon McCarthy Brunnhoeffer.**



Jeanette Caswell and Bobby Lam graduated from Waggener High in 1960, members of the first graduating class at Waggener High School.



Jeanette Caswell & Bobby Lam



#### **Early Waggener**

Courtesy of Richard "Dick" Bedwell.



Not sure of date, but this we think is Edith (Abigail Hoertz, now Gail Johnson (61) and Barbara Stoops (61).



Lula Freeman and unknown friends

Early Waggener, unknown date, from Larry Myers, (60)



Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, October 28, 1954:

# **Tomorrow Night Comes** The Waggener Carnival

#### By CAROLYN KRAFT

week, the dedication of the new sure to buy balloons for them, Waggener Junior High School, too. Mrs. Fontaine is in charge is over. On to the next big of this project. thrill!

Friday night, Oct. 29, is the day to which we have been looking forward. That's the night of the Waggener Carnival. Come one, come all! There'll be fun and games for the entire family. Serving of the turkey and fish dinners (as you prefer) will began at 5 p.m. Adult tickets are one dollar and for children un-der 12 the price is 75 cents per ticket. There'll be two stupeadous talent shows, produced by Mr. Markert and Mr. Dorsey to be held in the gym. The first is at 7 p.m. and the second at 8. Admission price is 25 cents.

Kids, here's the chance you've been waiting for! You can sock Principal John Lowe as often as you want. (He'll be painted on a sheet of course!) Mr. May and Mr. Simpson are sponsoring this booth. There will be lots of good things to eat and drink. Mrs. Planck and (Mrs. Lane's home rooms are in charge of cookies and candics, Mrs. Jenkins' room has cake, Mrs. Goodell has soft drinks, Mrs. Baxter has popcorn, Miss Raymond is selling ice cream, and Mrs. Kirwan will, be busy in the hot dog stand! The little ones will have a wonderful time, too. The merrygo-round, sponsored by Mrs. Smith, the fish pond with Mr. Drought, and the ponies should

The first big event of this please each tot. You parents be

Games under the direction of Mr. Nielsen and Mr. Edelen will really be fun!

Mrs. Dinning and Mr. Diersing's home rooms are in charge of the flower booth, and Mrs. Hale has a clothing booth.

A white elephant with Mrs. Hayes, country store with Mrs. Lapsley, bazaar booth with Mrs. Rouse, novelties with Mr Baxter and movies by Mrs. Cobb, are things you'll want to be sure to see.

Here is one thing I'm sure everybody. will want! Mrs. Browning's room is drawing portraits for a special attraction, and everyone will want to have their future foretold by our fortune teller.

The P.T.A. is out to make a lot of money for school supplies and have a lot of fun, so see you there!

Don't forget! There will be a sockhop for the teen-agers in the gym after the Carnival.

Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, October 28, 1954:



### Waggener Adult Wood Shop Class **Opens November 9**

The County Recreation Board this week announced the opening of a wood shop recreation program at Waggener Junior High School.

This recreation is open to both men and women.

The activity, beginning November 9, at 7 p.m., will be held each Tuesday night for a three hour period.

Roy Buchus will be the instructor in charge of the program and all adults interested in this form of recreation should be present and register at the first meeting. A small breakage fee will be charged, but there will be no instructional fee since the County Recreation **Board takes care of this expense.** 

Hand tools and power tools will be available to those taking part, but the materials to be used will have to be furnished by the individual. This and other information will be explained to the group at the first meeting on November 9. The group must average 15 members in order to justify the expense involved. Therefore, the Recreation Board is asking that all those interested be present, if possible, and sign up with Mr. Buchus.

For information call the Jefferson county Playground and Recreation Board in the armory Building, CL 6671.

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is a dangerous but wonderful future ahead,

About 400 people attended the ceremony in the school's spacious gym, About 1,000 altogether walk-

gym, About 1,000 altogether walk-ed through the colorfully-decorat-ed school, visiting the roams and impecting the facilities. Also among those present were Poxton Wilt, chairman of the County Board of Education; Mrs, George Evans, nister of Mrs, Wog-sener: Was Tom Underwood P.T. gener; Mrs. Tom Underwood, P.T. A. president; Mrs. Ruth Osborne, principal of Stivers School and former teacher under Mrs. Wag-

Sublette, assured gener; James L. Subletta, assist-ont superintendent of County Schools; John Ramsey, director of instruction; Charles Blake, head of secondary schools; Ruth Dunne, head of elementary schools; Dr. Carroli Hubbard, pastor of St. Matthews Baptist Church; and Rev. Charles Motfet, minister at the East Presbyterian Chapel.

## Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, November 11 & 18, 1954:

## Waggener—How St. Matthews Churches Help Their Youth, by Carolyn Kraft

Last week the president of International Rotary said the juvenal delinquency problems are being really decreased by the miracle of interest in church activities among the youth of America. I thought that this week I would wander away from Waggener with some of the Wildcats and see some of the youth activities which take place in the churches of St. Matthews area.

**The St, Matthews Methodist Church** has four purposes: To develop its youth physically, spiritually, socially, and to teach them to work. The Methodist Youth Forum, or the M.Y.F. as it is more commonly called, has its meetings on Sunday evenings. On Monday a workshop for social work is held. The Intermediate Groups are level is 12-14; the Senior, 15-20. Refreshments are served and games are enjoyed by all.

Baseball teams are organized each summer, and picnics are held on the church grounds. Alice Miller, Judy Terry, Judy Lawrence, Sally Carmichael, Mary Louise Bridges, Linda Engle, Jim Koons, Danny Chitwood, Roger Patterson, Susan Boynton, and Janice Livesay, are some of the members of the M.V.F.

**Beargrass Christian Church** has Christian Youth Fellowship. The high school club is called Chirho. At 5 p.m. on Sundays a snack supper is served and devotions, movies, ping-pong, and dances are held. A spring and fall Roundup are held in Middletown. Suzanne Keeling, Judy Reeder, Linda McConnel, Bill Fru, and Darlene Scheibel are C.Y.F. members.

**Harvey Browne Presbyterian Church** has a large following of Waggener students in the youth choir: Bobby Mann, Margaret White, Mary Ann Powell, Lynn Brocker, Nancy Lodewick, Ruth Whittaker, Bobby Stickway, Hallie Dumke, Irene Baker, Sally Thorne, Sue Abbott, Gerri Ashton, sally Mencke, and Barbara Caswell. Sunday evening after practice supper is served by the patents. Worship services are followed by a recreation period. The junior high organization is called the Pioneers. Rallies are held with other church clubs.

**Our Lady of Lourdes** holds the Chilalo Teen Club for high school age students every Sunday night from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30. Other dances and picnics are enjoyed, and a boy scout troop is also sponsored by the church. Joe Schildt, Anne Ratterman, Dave Settle, Mary Carmel, Frank Westfall, Barr Schulte, and Deanna Rosa are some of the members.

Kathy Huber tells me that the **Holy Trinity Teen Club** is held on Monday night from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Dancing and pingpong are a regular part of their program,. There is an annual outing which was held last year at Spring Mill, Indiana.

### Waggener—Visiting Teen Groups At St. Mathews Churches, by Carolyn Kraft

Last week we visited the St. Matthews Methodist, Harvey Browne Presbyterian, Our Lady of Lourdes, Beargrass Christian, and Holy Trinity Churches with some of the teen-agers from Waggener. This week we shall continue our trip.

**The St. Matthews Baptist Church** has one of the most active church youth groups in the St. Matthews area. They have the Baptist Training Union, or B.T.U. as it is called. The programs are planned and presented by the youngsters themselves. Their purpose is to teach the principles of the Baptist Church. There are choirs for all ages. Every Sunday, choir practice is held, followed by a supper; then evening church services and fellowship follow. Carole Straub, Judy Surber, Peggy Johnson, Carolyn Jones, Margaret Mitchell, Mary Beth Carr, Eddie Owens, Alan Pezold, Jim Nall, Beverly Samson, Judy Tankersley, Kevin Hall, Charles Dale, Charles Oldham, and Joy Ellis are members of this group.

**The St. Matthews Episcopal Church** has a Sunday night meeting from 6 to 8 p.m. for its young people. There are two groups, one for junior high students, the other for senior high students. Business meetings, topics, and recreation are enjoyed by all. Hayrides and parties are planned by the members. Ann L Crosse, Connie Carter, Susan Gowdy, Betty Dietrich, Patsy Harvath, Sally Marmion, and Warren Smalley belong to his organization.

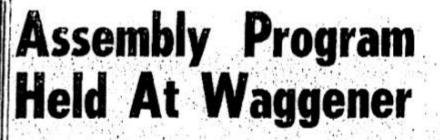
**Bethel Evangelical and Reformed Church** holds its meetings every other Sunday night at the church. A leader from the Presbyterian Seminary conducts these sessions. Topics, worship, and refreshments are a regular part of the program. Bobby What, Harold Haeberlin, Jean Brahnam, and Sandra Saam are members of the group.

**St. John Lutheran Church** has three active groups which serve its young people. The Junior Luther League is for children in the third to fifth grades; the Intermediate league is for sixth to eight grades. The Senior league is composed of high school students. Luther League Rallies are held with the other Luther Leagues of all the other Lutheran Churches of Louisville. A topic, a dinner served by the parents, worship service, and business meetings are included at each gathering. The interesting discussion which follows the topics encourages personal opinions and ideas. Parties and all other activates are planned by the members. Ronnie Harding, Carol Isham, Jim Painter, Judy Nelson, Judy Davis, Gary Paxton, Connie Cottier, Richard Stokes, and Carolyn Kraft are members who go to Waggener.

**The Broadway Baptist Church** has both a junior and senior high group that meet separately every Sunday night at 6 o'clock. They have a study program. They join each other at 7 o'clock for a community supper. Each group has its own social gatherings, usually once a month. The junior high students enjoy parties, while early morning breakfasts have more appeal for the senior high age. Hamilton Cook, Frank Gay, Alan Jure, Barbara Williams, Marie VanHoose, Carley Sue Revell, Linda Lowe, Sue Ann Flint, Patsy Dowden, Joyce Nathan, Marshelle Hardesty, and Kay Shipman are members of this organization.

By the way, speaking of ten are groups, the sock hop at Waggener last Saturday was a lot of fun. I learned how to do the Camel Walk! A little more complicated that the Bunny Hop perhaps, but fun! I hope I haven't skipped anybody as we visited your various church. If I have, please forgive you reporter, it wasn't intentional. Be reading me next week.

Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, November 25, 1954



# By CAROLYN KRAFT

attorney, and partner in the compose the group. Stites, Wood, Helm, and Taylor Law Firm, gave a wonderful tall: on American freedoms. Mr. Helm is the first of a series of Civic League speakers. He compared our life in an American state to people who live in a Communist country. 'He toid about a court room in America, where a man is innocent untilproven, guilty; then of a court room where brain - washings, drugs, and other such tactics are used to prove a person guilty, 1 think it made us all realize just how lucky we are to live in a country where our freedoms are respected.

The Waggener Jr. High Or-chestra played several selections for us. Among them were: "Home on the Range", "Autumn", "Our School March", and "Danse Macabre". Earlier in the semester 1 promised to tell you who the members are, so here I go! Judy Lawrence, Phil Noer, Jerry Scekamp, Bobby Lam, Judy Tankersley, Sharron Me-Donald, Kathy Cline, Merrill Sweet, Joe Williams, Rosemary Lynn, Mabel Cummins, Mary Lynn, Mabel Cummins, Mary Ann Smith, Sandy Miller, Nancy Taylor, Charles Molfett, Julia Harlow, Betty Dietrich, Ken An-derson, Marcella Diekerson, Margaret Swan, Tommy Bed-well, Carolyn Kraft, Ruth Ann Rose, Margaret Mitchell, Joyce Orbrie, Sally Mereke, Peggy Hayes, Frank Gay, Richard Young, Kay Cassidy, Rodney Giersdorf, Phil Wilson, Richard Tompert, David Westerfield, Westerfield, now. David Tompert,

Thursday, November 16th, we Ronnie Thorp, Ronnie Mattlock, had a very interesting assembly Gary Bokhorst, Bob Strain, Ken-program at Waggener. Mr. T. neth McGlon, Billy Fuller, Bhur-Kennedy Helm, Jr., Louisville rell Stevens, and Thomas Tyler

> For the past several weeks we have been visiting the various youth organizations in the St. Matthews Churches, Last Thursday night, Dr. Walter E. Lawrenson, pastor of the Beargrass Christian Church, spoke at the school P.T.A. Meeting on "The Citizen Child, His Destiny, a Free World", His concept was that the church and school are not responsible for the development of eltizenship in the student, but that this responsibility begins in the home with the parents. A safety film on teen-age driving was shown by Mr. Ed Bailey and was enjoyed by those who saw it.

The Parent Education Group of the Waggener P.-T.A. met Thursday morning in the Home Economics suite, Teen-age problems was the topic for discussion. Dr. Wyman, Director of the Central State Hospital, gave a talk on child development from birth through the teen-age years. His main points were: that the child must find emotional security; Iry to fit comfortably into the community; he should be led to develop his talents and ablittes to his best advantage. The Teen-ager is an interesting subject. It seems the greatest difficulty in the home are the parents who are not interested enough, or take time enough to delve into the teen-agers' problems.

More news next week. Byc

## **First Waggener Monthly Is Due Out December 17**

A monthly newspaper is being organized at Waggener Junior High School, and the first edition is due to be published December 17.

The name has not yet been picked.

Under the supervision of Glen Edelen, eighth core and science teacher, the paper's staff has been named. Plans call for the mimeographing of the first edition, but the remaining editions will be printed, four to six pages each.

The staff's leaders are all ninth graders. Phoebe Keith and Connie Carter are co-editors. Steve Sales is business manager. Judy Tunkersley is news and features editor; Margaret White, sports editor; and Mary Ann Powell, advertising director.

The staff will attempt to finance this paper through paper sales and advertising.

Miss Carter, 14, worked as a gossip columnist on the Greathouse School paper last year. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. Carter, 1016 Old Cannons Lane. She belongs to St. Matthews Episcopal Church, the Music Club at Waggener, and the Kappa Chi social club.

Her co-editor Miss Keith, 14, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Keith, Jr. 612 Rudy Lane. Mr. Keith is Mayor of the City of Windy Hills. Last year, Phoebe was a reporter on the Stivers school paper, "The Inkwell."

She attends St. Francis-in-the-Fields Church, and belongs to the Jeraygro Club. She is president of the Art Club at Waggener, and a senior scout in Troop 12 at Harvey Browne Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Sales, 14, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Sales, 134 Bow Lane. An Eastern High student last year, he was editor of his camp paper last summer. He attends Adath Israel church.

Vice president of the science Club at Waggener, he belongs to the AZA 107, a social club, and to the St. Matthews Tropical Fish Club. A scout, he is in Troop 215 at Broadway Baptist Church.

Miss Tankersley, 13, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Tank-ersley, 123 Bonner Avenue. She worked last year on Eastern High's eighth grade paper. Secretary of the dramatis Club, she also belongs to the Fi social club. She attends the Highland and St. Matthews Baptist Churches.

Miss White, 13, was also a member of the Greathouse paper staff last year. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Galen White, 3428 Hycliffe. She belongs to Harvey Browne church, the LTL social club, and the Future Teachers of America at Waggener.

Miss Powell, 14, was activity editor of the Greathouse paper last year. A member of the Foreign Language Club at school and of Harvey Browne church. She works after school at the Swiss Cleaners in Fairmeade. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rankin Powell, 108 Hemingway.

Mr. Edelen, 23, is in the second year as a teacher. He was at Greathouse last year, and faculty advisor for the paper there. Born in Taylorsville, he got his AB and MA in education at Western. He is married to the former Lucille Snider of Jeffersontown. They live at 1034 Lotus way and attend East Audubon Baptist Church.

Faculty advisor Glen Edelen briefs his Waggener newspa-per staff in preparation for the first edition, due out Decem-ber 17. Scated are Sieve Sales,

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Phuche Keich, Mr. Edelen, and Canade Carter. Standing are Judy Tankersley, Margaret White and Mary Ann Pewell,



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Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews: December 9, 1954

# Waggener

# **Christmas Program Will** Include Pageant, Music

### Carolyn Kraft

important productions of the in the William S. Taylor Build-year at Waggener Junior High ing. Our state efficers are presiwill take place. The big Christmas program is the special event. Dramatics Club is presenting a pageant of Christmas customs and the brautiful Nativity scene. The choir will be under the direction of Mr. Julian Dorsey, and the band and orchestra will perform under the guidance of Mr. Carl Markert, Mrs. Kirwan, Mrs. Jonkins, and Miss Crocker are the sponsors of the Dramatics Club and are conducting rehearsals for the play. The whole idea of the program was conceived by Mr. Maricert.

I promised to tell you about he tourth annual workshop of the Future Teachers of America which was held at the Univerity of Kentucky in Lexington. Its theme was "F.T.A. a Profes-sional Organization." Registra-

Wednesday, Dec. 22, one of the tion and all meetings were held dent, Bruce DeBruhl, Beres College; vice-president, Eleanou Shelton, University of Kentucky, secretary, Jane Collier, Transylvania College; treasurer, Carolyn High. Parrol, Campbellsville School; historian, Dorothy Walter, Morehead State College; and parliamentariaa, Julianne Conway, Ashuty College.

General sessions, panels, speakers, and discussion groups were regular parts of the program. A welcome was given by Dr. Frank G. Dickey, Dean of the College of Education at the University of Kentucky, Dr. Corma Mowrey and Dr. Lynnan V. Ginger gave addresses concerning teaching in Kentucky. The officers of the F.T.A. Club at Waggener Junior High who attended the workshop were Kathy Franck, Lynne Broecker, Sandra Saam, Pal Humbert, and Carolyn Kraft. We were accompanied by Mrs. William Goodell, a teacher at Waggener.

We stayed at Kimball House, | a motel in Lexington. We ate most of our meals in the Student Union Building, a beautiful structure right in the heart of the campus. The meals they served were delicious. The night I ordered mast heef, I was served close to halt a steer! The last evening we were there, we ate dinner in the Lafayette Hotel Dining Room. The dining room. with its paintings on the walls is really lovely. An organist played while we were eating, and everyone treated us like royalty. The girls you see on campus wear skirts, sweaters, boby-sox, and loaters. The boys wear slacks, sport shirts, sport shoes, and argyle; Everyone you see wears a look of happiness and fun!

The first evening we were there, we saw several girls dressed in formals headed toward the Memorial Hall. They told us that they were going to Pledge Presentation. - 101

Several of us made a tour of the University the following day. and looked at the sorority and fraternity houses, and the main buildings on campus. The build-ings are red brick and are constructed m the Georgian Colonial style

The trip was a wonderful experience, and we all enjoyed it very much.

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Hrs. Carolyn W. Drowning is Head of the Art Department. She has an A.B. degree with a major in Art from Georgetown College. She attended Evening College of the University of Cincinnati 1952-1953, studying painting with Reginald Grooms and attended the Art Academy of Cincinnati on scholarship, summer 1953, studying drawing and painting with Arthur Helwig and Paul Chidlaw.

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# March, 1955

# Courtesy Maggie Huber Westland the Chit Chat and The Voice Of St. Matthews:



## THESE ARE CHEERLEADERS?

Pictured at the left are the Waggener Faculty Cheerleaders who took part in the Student-Faculty basketball game which was won by the students 44-35.

From Left to Right: Mrs. Lane, Miss Croker, Mrs. Cobb, Mrs. Hays, and Mrs. Kirwin,

Photo Courtesy, VOICE of St. Matthews



Pictured dancing at Ann Henderson's 13th birthday party December 30 at the River Road Country Club are Miss Henderson, left, with Brent & bbins, Sharon Twyman and John Brooks, and Carol

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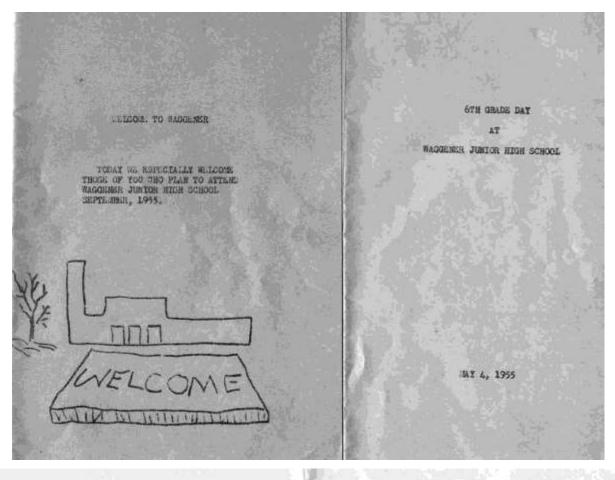
MEMBERS of seventh grade class at Waggener who worked on mural are shown standing in front of central dcsign. From left: Gay Manville, Juanita McDonald. Jan Dee Broida, Ann Bell. Sue Evans. Peggy Calhoun, Bonnie Davis and Merill Lee Sweet. In foreground: Larry Myers and Bobby Lam.



SEVENTH GRADE at Waggener is momentarily distracted from displays depicting American history by having this picture taken. Full view of mural is in background.

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# **Courtesy Maggie Huber Westland:**



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# Preliminary Concert 8:40 A.il.-- 9:00 A.il.

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### Explanation Of The Core Program

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The Core program is designed to bridge this gap by a combination of the two jac-Brans.

All the reading aubjects (litersture, grammar, science, health, history, and spelling) are taught in a three hour period under one teacher. With the teachers supervision the mucils are encouraged to develop their ideas and initiative through group and consittee work. It has been yound that pupils learn the fundamentals better if they learn self-direction through sustained guidance,

A pupil receives one grade for all of the subjects included in the Core. The core grade may be lower than the pupil would earn in one subject he especially liker, but it represents his level of achievement and his general working habits.

The other subjects; mathematics, home economics, shop, sumin, art, and band are taught by special teachers of the subjects. In these classes the papil receives a separate grade in each subjec'.

# May 4, 1955

# **Courtesy Maggie Huber Westland:**

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A Festival of Music

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Instrumental pupils from the elementary schools

of

LYNDON MIDDLETOWN GREATHOUSE STIVERS BALLARD CHENOWETH

DIRECTOR Mrs. Eleanor R. Ritchie

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Mayme S. Waggener Junior High School Friday evening, May 13, 1955 at 7:45 p.m.

## Program

### INTERMEDIATE BAND

### STRING ORCHESTRA

Little Brown Jug.	American Folk Tuna
Valse Elaine.	Maurice Stine
Tay Soldiers	Joan Taylor

### ADVANCED ORCHESTRA

March from Symphony No. 1	J. Brahms
Three Little Pigs	
Narrator-David Osbourne,	Middletown
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### SPECIAL NUMBERS

Ballet Music from "Rosannunde"......Schubert Clarinet tria, Frank Grubbs, Kathryn Mayland, Maunt Davis, Stivers

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### ORCHESTRA

Dear Lord and Father of Monkind	
While Strolling Through the Park Special group Greathouse, G Directed by Mrs. Ethella Si	irade 1
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Directed by Mr. Carl Mark	ert
March—Stepping Onward	Keller-Taylor

Accompanist	
Decorations	Eddie Morris
Stage arrangements under d	irection of Mr. C. O. Markert
Stage helpers:	Ushers:
John Sokol	Ting Rogers
Gene Martin	Elaine Turley
Stinson McCrosky	Betsey Wade
Bob Horvey	Julia Ann Groot
Russell Smoot	Sandra Hash
Tammy Ogle	Boverly O'Nam

We wish to thank Mr. Lawe for the use of Waggener School, Mr. Markert for his help with the program, and Stinson McCrosky for his help with our drum section,

1955

**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 

# 10 By CAROLYN KRAFT Waggener **Orchestra To Perform** In U. Of L. String Clinic

With the Christmas holidays over, Waggener Junior High students have hit the books once more! Holidays are swell every-body agreed, but it was nice to see friends and teachers again. On Monday, Jan. 3, the first day of school, everyone was showing his presents, the girls with new blouses and skirls, and the boys with handsome sweaters, shirts, and such. Sandy Beal and Steve Simp-son were proudly displaying hever he source was the owner of one, also Becky Arnett was wearing a pretty apricot colored sweater, and Anna La Crosse, with her newly cut hairdo, had on a luscious stripped blouse. Alt the girls who attended dances and teas during the holi-days were buzzing away, and the whole group was tabling

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dances and teas during the holi-days were buzzing away, and the whole group was talking about the formals and the dresses they wore. The County Youth Recrea-tion Association started off the year with its weekly sockhop on New Years Day, Ricky Daw-son and Mary Louise Bridges danced steadily together, and Connie Cottler and Henry Stig-ers were also a dancing two-some. some.

The String Clinic for Louis-ville schools will be held at the University of Louisville on Jan-University of Louisville on Jan-uary 14. Waggener Junior High's string 'ensemble will perform at this clinic. They have planned several selections which include "Hungarian Dance No. 5", "Tam-boran Dance", "Andante Canta-bile", "The Scarf Dance", "The Andante from the Surprise Sym-chem" American Dance phony", and an "American Dance Medicy."

That's all the news for this week. Bye now.

### **Educator To Address** Waggener P.T.A. Tonight

Dr. Sam Peazy, professor of secondary education at the Uni-versity of Louisville, will discuss what parents should want their children to get from secondary schools in preparation for col-lege, at the Waggener P.T.A. meeting tonight at 7:30.

Dr. Penzy got his Master's from Harvard and his doctorate from Columbia University. He is consultant to the Louisville school system on secondary education.

**January 20, 1955** 

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Tuesday, Dec. 14, was an Important day in Waggener Junior High history, The Eachary Taylor American Legion Post of St, Matthews prescuted American flags to the 20 home rooms at Waggener. Several of the Louisville Legion Posts were rep-resented at this school assembly program. In the absence of Judge Lather Roberts, principal John Il, Lowe gave a talk on Americanhum

The hand, above, under the direction of Carl Markert, played several selections which included "The Star-Spangled Hummer", "America", and "America the Reautiful?, Then each home room sent a representative to receive their flag. After the pro-gram in the gen was completed, "Old Glory' was raised outside the school,

# Waggener **U-L** Professor **Speaks; Election Of Cheerleaders**

Dr. Sam Pence of the Univer-sity of Louisville spoke at the Waggener Junior High Parent-Teachers Association meeting Thursday, His tople, "What See-ondary Schools Should do in Preparing Children for College," was very interesting and infor-mative. 'n. en. st. 1. sf it. s' mative. 11

His main points were: d.

(1. Education costs money and the child should realize it. U.

(2. It should be discovered whether or not the desire for a e college education is genuine.

(3. Courses to prepare for college should be carefully chosen. He also said:

(a) The communicative skills - thinking, writing, listening, talking, and reading - are ex-tremely important.

(b) Teachers should explain reasons why certain courses are necessary.

(c) The average child of high school age needs more genuine guidance in the selection of his course of study.

Statistics show that 50% of those who graduate from high rebool go to college, According to Dr. Peavy, 61% of this num-ber will make average grades.

Lost Salurday night, a inlent now look place at the County routh Recreation Association Sockhop. The first prize was won by Gary Moneypenny and Larry Wilson who did "The Bop", a new dance number. The prize was the honor of enter-thining at the Fairdale Pinytorium.

An election of cheerleaders was held at Waggener recently. The sludent body voted on many names and chose the following:

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Regulars, eighth grade, Sue Abbolt, Suzanne Pitzer, and Cloude Nutt.

Ninth grade, Darlene Schei-bel, Carley Sue Devell, Susan Boynton, and Irene Baker.

Substitutes, clabth grade, Nan-cyanna Walker, Kathy Cline, and Pat Humberl,

Ninth grade, Shirley Boehl, Connie Carter, Judy Lewrence, and Harlene Clark.

Report cards ending the semester came out this week. I wonder what percentage of Wag-gener's students came through with average grades? Hope yours was a good one! Here's wishing you good luck as we begin the new semester.

# **Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:**

# WAGGENER PAPER STARTS WELL

## An Editorial

Congratulations to editors Phoebe Keith and Connie Carter and staff on the first edition of their school newspaper, The Waggener Chit-Chat,

The little eight-page paper has everything — ads, edi-torials, good features, carbons, pictures, poetry, a gossip column, and plenty of interesting news about the school.

If you haven't read your copy yet, don't miss the "Per-sonality Couple" feature. The one on Danny Frazier, in six short seniences, combines all the qualities that make a good newspaper feature. It has brevity, humor and a "personality." We quote:

"Danny Frazier was born April 21, 1942, in Pittsburgh, Pa. He is quite the boy around Waggener. He is 5' 5" and weighs 135 pounds. Danny's pet peeve is girls who say he flirts. He likes to eat beans Danny understands people and would like to be a psychiatrist."

We challenge any writer on any newspaper or maga-zine in the United States to match that feature in 50 words. If the first issue is a sample of what we can expect in the future, the success of The Waggner Chit-Chat is assured.

### March 24, 1955

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# Waggener P.-T.A. To Hear Panel, Elect Officers

Waggener P.T.A. officers will. be elected tonight at 7:30 at the school. Afterwards a panel disschool. Alterwards a panel of cussion on "Our Responsibilities To Our Teenagers" will be held. Mrs. James S. Pate will be moderator. She is organizer and director of the annual Youth Speaks program. Speaks program.

Panel members and their top-ies will be Mrs. Thomas A. Bal-tantine, "What Parents Can Do To Shape Children's Future"; Miss Margaret Clayton, junior high school supervisor for Coun-ty schools, "What Schools Can Do to Shape Children's Future"; and Charles C. Dibowski, chief probation officer of juvenile court, "What the Community Can Do to Shape Children's Future."

### March 31.1955

# Modern Children Called Smartest And Best Ever

Our children are "the smartest and best" this country has ever produced, the chief probation officer of juvenile court told the Waggener P.T.A. Thursday.

children to church and Sunday School. They learn more by ex-ample, he suid. Here's what marks a good community, he said:

community, he said: Henest, intelligent police en-forcement, a good court system that can deal with individual children; news medias with an objective, constructive approach to the news and relatively un-sensational; good political part-les that produce candidates of a "high moral level"; good bousing and cultural opportun-ties so "children can express themselves in creative living."

Mr. Dibowski was a member of a panel moderated by Mrs James Tate, an organizer of Youth Speaks, Other member were Mrs. Thomas Ballantine and James Subletie, assistant superintendent of County schools, Mrs. J. Rankin Powell was in charger of the program. The name! arrend that one of The panel agreed that one of the prime needs of a teen age was a safe way "to blow off steam" generated by the great physical and emotional change taking place at that stage of development.

Mr. Dibowski called it "one of the crimes of our day" that mass spectator activities had re-

mass spectator activities had re-placed individual participation in sports and other social activitier. Mr. Sublette said the County school system was alterapting to do four things in educating chidren

1) Teach them healthy living 2) Infroduce them to their vocational choices. 2) Justill in them a sense of 15

their democratic heritage. 4) Teach them to live with their fellow man.

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Wagpoort P.T.A, ufficers elected Thursday were, standing, Mrs. Ten Underwood, president; Mes. 3. Pryor Whe, first vice predicted; Mrs. C. W. Greegolosai, recording accretisty; Mrs. Sherman Lodwick, processioning servicing; and Mrs. J. D. Neukaner, Bishering and, seaded, Mrs. Thurstein Cacher, annual vice president, Binry on election is in accident free.

April 7, 1955

gener, under the direction of Mr. Markert and Mr. Dorsey, is busy practicing away for the big music night April 29. The or-chestra, band, and chorus will give a performance. Admission will be 50 cents. While we're on the subject of

music, our concert master, Phil Noer, and concert mistress, Judy Lawrence, have had the honor of being chosen to play with the All State Orchestra. The orchestra will appear before the

**Big Music Night** 

Planned April 29

By CAROLYN KRAFT The music department at Wag-

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Kentucky Education Association, The Waggener Junior High Baskethall Tournaments are all over now, Mr. Simpson's eighth grade homeroom won the championship of the school, These were the two starting teams:

Mrs. Hale's ninth grade --Jolmny Libby, Jack Ruck, Har-old Haeberlin, Tom Easterly, and Edwin Ferris.

Mr. Simpson's room - Evans McCandless, Charlie Long, Larry Coleman, and Jack Hancock.

These tournaments have been of great interest to the students and teachers. They have proved to be a nice addition to the athletic program.

March 31, 1955

# **Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:**



# Waggener P.T.A. Elects Officers

Waggener P.T.A. officers reclected Thursday evening were Mrs. Tom Underwood, 123 Chadwick, president; Mrs. J. Pryor Wise, 136 Brown Ave., first vice president; Mrs. Thurston Cooke, West Wind Road, second vice president; and Mrs. Sherman Lodewick, 3809 St. Germaine, corresponding secretary.

New officers elected were Mrs. C. W. Georgehead, 4035 Gilman, recording secretary, succeeding Mrs. David Brewer; James Warren, treasurer, succeeding Paul Keith; and Mrs. J. D. Neuhauer, 3919 Brockfield, historian, succeeding Mrs. David Lawrence.

### April 7, 1955

# Waggener

### By CAROLYN KRAFT

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Last Monday there were quite a few confused expressions on the faces of a group of freshmeat at Waggener. If you wonder why, Mr. Shields and Mrs. Locker of Eastern came to Waggener to tell us about registering for our sophomore classes. The reason for the confused faces was that most everyone was racking his brain, trying to decide what to sign up for! Would it be this or final? The how's, where's, when's and why's about various classes were asked. I think by now, though, everyone is profit sure of binself and his schedinte.

We were very fortunate last week to be visited by the Eastern High Band. We were all impressed by the fine slections they played for ur. There were sever al "pop" tune, rousing marches, and longer pieces of music. It was quite a good program.

Monday, April 11, the Waggener Orchestra played at Stivers and Chenoweth Elementary Schools. These programs contained entirely different music than the concert that will be presented April 29 in the Waggener Gym. It was good practice 5 for our special music night. We hope you'll circle the 29th pa your calendar and attend "Our First Spring Concert". The admission fer will be 50 cents and the proceeds will go to the Waggener Music Fund. **Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 

# Local Youngsters Go To Washington, New York

The Eastern High School P.T.A. put 53 happy school chila train for New York and Washington April 13.

April 14, 1955

The lucky youngsters were due to spend a day in Washington, dren and six chaperones aboard which included lunch with the Supreme Court, and two days in New York City. They returned Sunday. The Eastern P.T.A, ar-anges the tour annually, to broaden the outlook of the children, and give them a chance to see new and interesting sights.

> Twenty of the children were 'rom Durrett Junior High and Prestonia Schools. The rest were from Waggener Junior High, Chenoweth, and Greathouse. One, Sarah Little, was from Anchorage.

> Henry Wilson was official chaperone from the C & O Rail-:bco:

> Mrs. Rebecca Chandler was chaperone for the Greathouse group, which included Margaret Mitchell, Diane Taylor, Norman McEachron, Bert Pence, Doug Vallerton, Garry Brickson, Chuck Friedman, Henry Conner, and Jerry Bizer. Mr. and Mrs. John Redden and

Mrs. Songa were chaperones for the group from Chenoweth which included:

Carolyn Harrington, Lynn Huss, Preston Ormsby, Bryon Pfingst, Linda Miller, Steve Mc-Creary, Mickey Maguire, Barrie Lewers, Marilyn Gordon, Martin Novak, Pamela Stephens, Jonathan Lick, Deborah Dorsey, Gene King, Betty Eagles, and Henry i Mashburn, Jr. Mrs. Jackie Flack chaperoned the Waggener group of Linda . Engle, Deane Cubine, Ellen Thurman, Patsy Harbeth, Kathy Lewis, Peggy Slocum, Mary Ann Powell, and Leslie Hulett.

**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 

# Waggener Band To Give Waggener School **First Spring Concert**

### By CAROLYN KRAFT

Over the K.E.A. holiday, the Waggener P.T.A, were busy. They helped register the guests and gave out booklets at the Kentucky Hotel where the Kentucky Education Association - "The Churcoal Man", "Skip Convention was held, Lynn to my Lou", and "No Man is an Broceker, Sandy Saam, and Pat Humbert were there Wednesday afternoon. Linda Challis and Carolyn Kraft worked Thursday morning, and Kathy Franck and Rita Locsser were there Thursday afternoon.

April 29 is the important date! "Our First Spring Concert" is ker). the big occasion: I thought that Not to be outdone by the chor-this week I'd list the program. us, the band will play "Skip to It will feature the orchestra, my Lou". They will take you on chorus, and the two hands. Intermediate Band — "Our would sound in a Junior Band March", "Shadow Land Waltz", and "Carnival King Overture", Band — "Our would sound in a "Shadow Mrs. Eleanor Rid been a musical cor

Chorus — An Easter hynn — "Welcome Haopy Morning", "Our Master Hath a Garden",

nnd "A May Day Carol", partment has Waggener Junior High Orch-estra — Moszkowski's "Spanish sure to come!

Dance", "Scene and Dance" from the Swan Lake Ballet, "Ay, Ay, Ay, Ay!", Richard, Tompert-Trumpet Solo -- "Still As the Night", "Sailor's Horapipe" a novelty number, and "Ciribiribin"

Chorus -- Mexican Folk Song Island".

Waggener Junior High Hand "Hello March", Two Chorals - "Let All Men Praise the Lord" and "Tell Us of the Night", "Gypsy Festival Over-ture", and "Idle Fancy" (featuring ninth grade baritone players Shirley Bochl and Kenneth Wal-

a tour and show you how it "Our would sound in other countries

Mrs. Eleanor Ritchie, who has been a musical conductor in Jefferson County for nine years, will be the guest conductor.

- As you can see, the music de-partment has quite a program prepared for the music night. Be

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# Vandals Break In **Over Weekend**

A vandal or vandals broke into Waggener Junior High School over the weekend, ransacking, breaking into machines and get-ting out the money, and generally doing damage,

Principal John Lowe said they broke in Saturday or Sunday. They pushed a window open and climbed into the science room. They went to the custodian's office and got pliers and a glass cutter, and a towel from the shower room, Cutting a circle in the glass of the book store door, they broke in and stole about five dollars from the apple machine, and took about six dollars worth of candy.

They pried off the locks of the three machines in the girls' rest room and took about \$10. Then they took a fire extinguisher off the wall and sprayed an upstairs hallway.

Moving to the music building, they broke a window, and ransacked the room. They didn't bother the musical instruments, but they went through the desk drawers of band director Carl Markert, Nothing was missing.

There must have been more than one, but Mr. Lowe could not say how many. He said County detective Albert Oschsner said the break-in was typical of cases in other County schools.

The vandals seemed to be familiar with the building, said Mr. Lowe. It was the first break-in at Waggener in its first year of operation, "I thought we were going ; to get through the whole year free," said Mr. Lowe, "but they got to us,

May 12, 1955

**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 



# WAGGENER Over 400 Attend School Band's Spring Concert

By CAROLIN KRAFT

Last Friday night, the Waggener Music Department held "Our First Spring Concert". It was a rousing success everyone has agreed. Over 400 people altended and \$186 profit was made on the sale of tickets. The audience which was quiet and attentive.

Mrs. Eleanor Ritchie, the guest conductor, directed several numbers, and Mr. Carl Markert, instrumental music, and Mr. Julian Dorsey, general music, directed the rest of the program.

Some of the students at Waggener had the honor of being chosen to usher at the Louisville Children's Theater. They were Bill Frew, Bobby Black, Gary Paxton, Molly Morris, Darlene Schelbel, Suzanne Keeling, Kalberine Dailey, Kenneth Mc-Gion, Judy Lawrence, Irene Baker, Sally Merke, Janet Hertzier, Nancy Merholf, Kate Johnson, Betty Dietrich, Peter Shroder, and Marla Brandon.

Next Tuesday, which is the last club meeting day at Waggener, the Thespian Club of Eastern is coming to give a program for the Dramatic Club. They will present their prize-winning play, "The Heiress": ---photo by Basil Willis THE WAGGENER CHORUS DIRECTED BY JULIAN DORSEY

May 4 was sixth grade day at at Waggener next September, Waggener, This special day was The same people who were for the boys and girls who will guides on E.L.B. Day toured the be enrolling as seventh graders guests around the building.

May 5, 1955

Woggener P.T.A: To Hold Last Meeting Of Year The Waggener P.T.A. holds its last meeting of the current school year tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the school. The speaker will he John Ramsey, director of instruction for the Jeffersor. County Board of Education.

Officers for next year will be installed.

May 19, 1955

## **Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:**

### Waggener—Club Gives Pantomimes And Skits, by Carolyn Kraft—May 12, 1955

programs we've had this year. They showed us the The Dramatic Club Thursday at Waggener gave one of the most way they started last fall with pantomimes and worked up to compete plays.

The last pantomime on the program was the "Melodrama" staring Martha Stent, Bill Frew, Betty Dietrich, sherry Laffoon, Suzanne Simms, and ?????? Livesay.

The next presentation was "A Soldier, Soldier, Won't You Mary Me!" with Gary Paxton and Carley Revell.

Then came several shot skits. The first one featured Nancy Herhoff, Judy Lawrence, and Judy Tankersley. The next featured Ellen Thurman, D. Cline, Margle Hopams, Susan Gowdy, Henrietta Bennett, and Becky Arnett.

Then came a one act play called "Marco, Goes A Courting,." It starred Sue Abot, Sally Merke, Sally Thorn, Lucy Woodward, Sharon Seabolt, and Jan Hurtzler. Mrs. Katherine Kirwan, Mrs. AAnne Jenkins, and Mrs. Delores Croker are the sponsors.

Starting June 1 and ending July 10 summer band and orchestra rehearsals will be held in the Waggener Music Building. The session will be held for six weeks. Mrs. Eleanor Ritchie and Mr. carl Markert will rehearse them all together. They will have two concerts and will play interesting worth while music. For more information call Mrs. Ritchie at -

Next paragraph to bad to decipher.

Tonight at 7:30 the Waggener Talent Show will be presented in the school's gym. This should be a very good show, and we hope you'll attend. The admission fee is 35 cents for adults and 25 cents for children of school age.

# New Schools, Additions Planned For This Area A \$0490,000 addition to Waggener High for 418 pupils and a \$125,000 physical citucation building and facilities for 125 pupils for Eastern High by 1956. A \$1850,000 new elementary school for Lyndon for 5064 -one each for Jeffersontown and Lyndon -by 1958. These are part of the plans for the County School scho

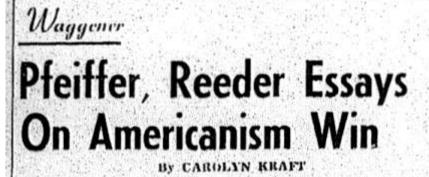
Two Represent Waggener At F.H.A. Convention

The Waggener School chapter of the Future Homemakers of are representing Waggener as America has two representatives al the 10th annual State meeting held at Morchead State College; June 7-9.

Beverly Curry and Penny Smith regular delegates to the convention, Advisor will be Mrs. Anne Lain Hale, who will also attend,

June 9, 1955

**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 



Last Thursday, May 12, a Tal- final assembly program of the ent Show was presented at Wag- year. Principal John Lowe gave gener. I'm happy to say that it a brief talk on the past year and gener. I'm happy to say that it a brief talk on the past year and was a fremendous success. I be-lieve the program had a little of the American Legion Ameri-bit of everything. It featured canism Essay contest. The win-several pantomimes, songs, ners of the contest were Richard dances, readings, and even an Pieiffer and Judy Reeder, both old - fashioned "Melodrama"! students in Mrs, Katherine Kir-The show was put on for the wan's English classes, where the benefit of the Parent Teachers willing was done. Association. All proceeds made Then we were royally enter-from the sale of tickets, \$150, tained by "The Silver Knights." will go into the P.T.A. treasury. a student band under the direc-Everyone seemed to enjoy the tion of Steve Sales, a ninth-show, spectators and partici- grader at Waggener. They've show, spectators and participants alike.

This past Tuesday, we had our

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been organized since the middle of December and play together very well.

These are the members and the instruments they play; tenor the instruments they play; tenoi sax. Gary Bockhorst and Phil Wilson; clarinets, Frank Gay, Arthur Graham, and Billy May-rose; trombone, John Close and Bob Strain; trumpets, Steve Sales, Richard Tompert, and Ronnie Tharp; saxaphone, Ken-McGlon; and drums, Steve Huss. .....

This coming Tuesday, a semiformal graduation dance is be-ing held in the school gym for ninth graders. This dance is not open to the public; it is for Waggner freshmen alone.

It seems impossible that the school year is almost over. I've enjoyed writing this column for you so much. I hope its helped to keep you informed as to what goes on al Waggener Junior High. Hope you have a wonderful summer! Good-bye.

# CONCERT SET AT WAGGENER

The Waggener Junior High School Summer Bands and Or-chestras, under the direction of Carl O. Markert and Mrs. Eleanor Ritchie, will present a con-cert on the loading dock at the school at 7:30 p.m., Friday, June 24.

The one - hour program will open with selections by th Junior High Orchestra of 40 players. Following will be num-bers by the 20 members of the String Orchestra and the 32-plece Elementary Band. It will close with a variety of tunes by the Junior High School Band, which has 85 players.

There will be no charge for admission, and the public is cordially invited to attend. Plenty of chairs and parking space are available. In the event of rain the school auditorium will be used.

June 23, 1955

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**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 

# Preregistration **Of New Waggener 9th Graders Set**

Ninth-graders who have moved into the Waggener Junior im 641 215 High School district since school was out in May are requested to 7e go to the school any day next ve week for pre-registration. Principal John Lowe said they

Ip should come between 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. so that the school may work out these rupils' schedules in advance.

Registration for all other in. ninth graders will be held at the school September 6. All seventh and eighth graders will register 30 September 7. The first full day 11 of school will be September 6. Mr. Lowe announced that Waggener's bus schedule this H: year will remain virtually the 35 1 made will be announced soon, N, be said. 6

August 25, 1955

# 120 1-7 7p Waggener Junior High To Be Packed This Year 391

Waggener Junior High School, making ready for its second year of operations, will be packed to the rofters this year. About 125 of its students will be taught at St. Matthews Elementary part of the time. . . .

Enrollment, only 100 last year,

John Lowe said the school staff. 32 last year, has been increased to 40 this year.

This includes himself, and Mrs. Alice Dawson, dean of girls, Earl Duncan, dean of boys, and Miss Sadie Stinson, librariun.

Four seventh grade core and math classes will have to be held at. St. Matthews Elementary, across the field from Waggener, because of crowded conditions. shid Mr. Lowe. These students will return to Waggener" each day at 1 p.m. for shop classes for the boys and home economics classes for the girls, and for physical education and other courses.

Youngsters in these classes will be those who are coming to Waggener from Greathouse Elementary, he said He em-phasized that while they will spend much of their school time of SI. Matthews Elementary and will eat Junch there, they are still Waggener pupils.

Two leachers, one for seventh grade and English, and the other for eighth grade and math, have mental; Robert Bauer, eighth not been named yet. New teachers appointed are:

Seventh grade — Boyre Clay-ton, Spanish, of Benton, Ky,: Mrs. Anna S. Swan, general science, of Anchorage: John Cassuday, who will also teach ninth grade health, of Bellevue, Ky, Mary Ellen Thomas, English, of physical education, sevenin, Greenville, S. C.; Mrs, Mary eighth and ninth; Mrs, Ruth Mathes, Greathouse teacher last Dinning, algebra, ninth; Mrs, year; Miss Nectar Kazanjian, Helen Rouse, home ce seventh and ninth; and Mrs, Zera Baird, home and English, ninth. ty Jo Wells, math, of Shelby- Latin and English, ninth.

ville.

Eighth grade - Mrs. Clarence is expected to increase to be- Evans, English, former teacher tween 1,000 and 1,100. Principal at Madisonville and Paducah: Mrs. Betty Jo Dawkins, math: Mrs. Sara Wing, math, of Wav-erly, Obto: and Miss Janet Insko, home economics, a graduate of Western.

Mrs. Belly McMullen, who was at Eastern High last year, will teach algebra and general math.

Teachers returning are:

Seventh grade - Mrs. Mildred: Cobb, math, and visual aid diector: Arthur Draut, director of the book store and text book ustodian: Mrs. Elizabeth Lapsley, civies: Mrs. Beulah Fontaine, math: and Mrs. Gladys ( Goodell, math.,

Eighth grade - Stanley Nellsen, physical education: Mys. Katherine Kirwan, English: Wil-hum May, civies; Glen Edelen, general science: Mrs. Hazel Hays, math: Mrs. Anna Jenkins, English; Sidney Baxter, math. Also returning are Edward Simpson, general science and ninth grade teacher: Julian Dorcy, general music and chorus: Carl Markert, band and instrugrade shop; Roy Buchaus, seventh grade shop and mechanical drawing; and

Mrs. Carolyn Browning, art, seventh, eighth and ninth: Andrew Diersing, boys physical education, seventh, eighth and ainth: Mrs. Jackie Planck, girls

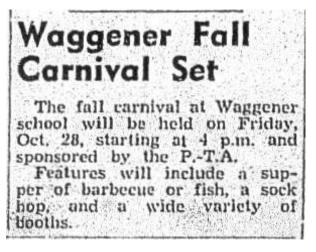
September 1, 1955

# Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:



All the leading officials at Waggener Junior High School pitched in to help students register last week and this. Dean of boys Earl Duncan, left, seems to have the floor as he helps register seventh grader Clay Morris, Jr., and ninth grader Judy Thomas. Center is Clay's mother, Mrs. Clay Morris, Norwood Drive. Also helping were prinelpal John Lowe, right, and Mrs. Allee Dawson, dean of girls.

### **September 15, 1955**



## **October 20, 1955**

# Waggener PTA Asks Extra Auto Entrance

The biggest storm of the season didn't keep 300 parents from attending the PTA meeting Friday night at Waggener Junior high school to hear. Maurice Bement speak on the results of educational conferences.

A request for a second auto entrance or exit to eliminate the present confusion and danger in the Waggener parking lot was embodied in a letter read to the audience and sent to the Jefferson County Board of Education. The PTA budget for the year was also approved.

Mrs. J. D. Neubauer was installed as historian, and Mr. James Warren as treasurer by Mrs. Marshall Krieger.

**October 6, 1955** 

# Music Pageants, Parties Set For Waggener Xmas

Waggener, School, will, have a Christmas assembly on December 23 for the entire school. Prior to the program, the classes will have their Christmas parties with the exchange of gifts.

The program will be music and pageants. Mrs. Anna L. Jenkins and Mrs. Kathering Kirwan will be in charge of the pageants.

The choral music for the program will be under the direction of Mr. Julian Dorsey; instrumental music will be under the direction of Carl O, Markert.

Decorations for the stage and Christmas tree will be under the supervision of Miss Carolyn Browning.

Approximately 200 pupils will participate in the program. John Lowe is principal of the school. At 2 p.m. of December 23, the

Waggener basketball boys will play the Eastern freshmen. Admission will be 10 cents, with the proceeds used to sponsor the Monday night basketball league that meets at Waggener School.

**December 15, 1955** 

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# Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, November 10, 1955:



Editor Tom Bedwell, sealed center, goes over the "Waggener Chit-Chat" with his staff, Mary Ann Smith, scaled left, Pergy Steinau, scaled right, and, slanding, George Martin, left, Hallie Dumke, and Carol Sacager.

and interesting news stories, columns, editorials and pictures in the eight-page paper, edited by Tom Bedwell, . . .

Tom, a 14-year-old eighth grader was elected editor by the school's Newspaper Club, Never having worked on a paper be-fore, he could not think why he got elected. "Twe always wanted to be a doctor or an architect, he said,

One of his colleagues thinks Tom was elected "because he's the best typist," but there was no unanimity of decision among the staff.

Tom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Bedwell, 141 Chenoweth, and attends St. Matthews Metho-dist Church.

He said he and his staff "will The said he and his statt with try to come out once a month" with the paper. Costs will be met by selling ads and by selling the paper for five cents a copy. The first issue, he printed 1,450 copies. This is the paper's second year of publication.

Other staff officials are: Sports editor, George Martin, 14, of the ninth grade, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Martin, Sr., 214 Staebler.

14, of the ninth grade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Saenger, 226 Billomore.

226 Billomore. Society editor, Hallie Dumke, 14, of the ninth grade, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. James Dumke, 208 Tyne Road. Associate editor, Peggy Stein-au, 14, of the ninth grade, daugh-er of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Steinau, 4226 Alton Road.

Business manager, Mary Ann Smith, 14, of the ninth grude, daughter of Mr. and Mrss. Aus-tin L. Smith, 3540 Dayton.

Advertising manager, Mike Shutkun, 14, of the ninth grade, son of Sen. and Mrs. Leon Shal-kun, 3917 Napanee.

Pictures and a story about a "Personality Couple" were run. This provides the information that the girl. Nancy Anna Wal-ker, "loves to 13k on the phone and doesn't particularly like to be teased about her flirting." As for the boy of the Couple, Jack Hancock, he "is very pop-plar with both boys and girls ular with both boys and girls, and so far he doesn't have any ambition."

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for all occasions."

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**Courtesy of Al Ring:** 

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**Courtesy Josephine "Jo" Crume Miles:** 

# CRYA

CRYA stands for County Recreation Youth Association.

A number will be issued for all teen age club meetings and all county-wide teen age meetings. This card must be punched for attendance on the specified number. THIS CARD IS ISSUED TO AND IS NOT TRANSFERABLE.

MEMBERSHIP CARD issued to who is hereby entitled to attend all C.R.Y.A. club meetings, dances, special programs and to participate in all county-wide events sponsored by the C.R.Y.A

Jefferson County Recreation Youth Association Signed Charlie Spears Date sponsored by the Jefferson County Playground and Recreation Board, 450 Armory Place, Louisville 2, Ky.

### NOT TRANSFERABLE

The other side of the card says:

IMPORTANT TO YOU—This card is your ticket of admission to Jefferson County Teen Age Clubs, and both the local and county-wide dances and other programs held exclusively for members of the C.R.Y.A. and their guests.

This card is not transferable. If presented by anyone other than the person named on the reverse of this card, admission will be denied and the card destroyed.

Please note that this admission ticket may be punched only once for any specific admission. It may not be used as a "return Check" at any C.R.Y.A. program.

Guests will be admitted to C.R.Y.A. dances or other "open" programs only when accompanied by their host or hostess who must be a member of C.R.Y.A. All guests must present "Guest Tickets" for admission to C.R.Y.A. functions.

## "THE TEEN COMMANDMENTS"

- Members shall at all times conduct themselves as ladies and gentlemen. 1
- 2. There shall be no drinking of alcoholic beverages at the club and no member shall be admitted to the club who has recently been drinking elsewhere.
- There shall be no gambling of any description.
   Club members who destroy, break or mutilate any furniture, or any equipment shall immediately replace same or pay for it.
   Club members shall not permit non-members to use their cards.
- 6. There shall be no profanity or vulgar language.
- There shall be no disorderly conduct.
- 8. Each club member shall immediately and without protest respect the wish and instructions of the adult person or member officers in charge.
- 9. The members shall take turns in the use of the facilities of the club if they are limited.
- 10. The violation of any rule shall be punishable by the forfeiture of membership cards and rights of membership in the club.

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**Courtesy of Maren J. Heuser Smith (61):** 



Back Row: Lula Freeman, Zara Knopf, Mrs. Goodell, Sandy Hash, Claudette Ray Front Row: Peggy Carman, Gail Hoertz, Barbara Stoops



**Clayton Watkins** 





Front Row: Robin Meeker, James Chaney, Steve McCreary, Rudy Miller, Billy Link Back Row: Dickey Bedwell, Danny Dierking



Back Row: Karalee Goranflo, Paula Hunter Front Row: Sidney Wardle, Sue Miller



Lula Freeman, Jan Coates



Mrs. Cabb, math teacher, Barbara Stoops

**Courtesy of Maren J. Heuser Smith (61):** 



Back Row: Robin Meeker, Steve McCreary, Tom Walsh Front Row: Keith Crume, Joey Carlton, Jerry Warren



**Gail Heortz & Barbara Stoops** 



**Bev Eastes & Betty Talbott** 



Pam McGrath 1957, Karen's pony, Merry Christmas



Pam McGrath & Thelma Tate, school, 1959

**Courtesy of Larry Myers (60):** 



Mrs. Hays 8th grade core, Joni Wells—-Nelson Lamkin, ????, Jim Hunter, Ron Hammerle, Spring of 1956



Rodney Smith, Bob Sexton, Jill Hancock, Terry ????, Susan Fix, Bert Pence, Joe Wilson Spring of 1956



Field trip to Frankfort, February 1956 ?????, Nancy Davis, Elaine Gutwein



Field trip to Frankfort, February 1956 Tom Bedwell



Teacher (parent ???) skit, Waggener Jr. High School, March 1956

# **Courtesy Pam Flack (62)**

I remember this picture very well, it appeared in the Courier Journal. It was taken sometime prior to 1957 (I think 1956) as we moved from Chenoweth Lane in '57. I can't recall why Pam and I were selected for the honor because we were just neighbors and friends, we never really dated.

Pam found the picture and sent it to me, I had totally forgotten about it, but I sure remember it now. So, for what it's worth, I thought I'd share it with the group. (I wish I could read those record labels, most likely Elvis records)

### Dick Bedwell '61



Dicky Bedwell, 141 Chenoweth, and Pam Flack, 145 Chenoweth Lane, find that mutual interest in phonograph records can make for a pleasant home date.

**Courtesy** *The Voice Of St. Matthews*:

# Waggener P.T.A. Meets January 19

The regular meeting of the Waggener School P.T.A. will be held Thursday, Jan. 19, at 7:30 p.m.

There will be a business meeting in the cafeteria followed by a program led by principal John Lowe, All parents are requested to attend and their children's schedule along with the teachers's names and room numbers.

Parents of seventh grade core students do not have to go to the annex, but are requested to report to the auditorium, where they'll get instructions.

### January 12, 1956



Royce Jackson, right, a Waggner Junior High seventh grader, won the 550 drawing of the St. Matthews Business Association Saturday, Kentucky Model Shop proprietor Hunter Look presented him with the cherk, J. W. McKnight, left. drew Royce's name out of the basket.

# Masonic Home Boy Wins <sup>s</sup>50 Prize Money

Ten minutes before the second weekly drawing Saturday for \$50 in the St. Matthews Business Association's Easter giveaway, 12-yearold Royce Jackson of Masonic Home dropped his registration in the big basket at the Kentucky Model Shop.

Proprietor Hunter Look turned the wheel, and then had another Masonic Home boy, J. W. McKnight, turned his head and pull out one of the registrations.

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Mr. Look stared at the slip of paper, "What's your name?" he asked.

### "Royre," said the boy.

- "Royce what?"
- "Royce Jackson."
- Mr. Look smiled. "You've just won 50 dollars."

The startled boy's face turned white. He looked frantically at all the smiling faces around hin. Then he dug his face into the cost of a man nearby and started crying.

After he calmed down, his cager eyes began running over the mountain of toys in the store, as though he was wondering if Mr. Look would let him have the whole store in exchange for the check for \$50.

Mrs. Look smiled: "Just seeing him so happy was worth every penny the giveaway is costing."

The \$50 dollar drawing will be held this Saturday at 3 p.m. at King's Men's and Boys' Wear at 3 p.m. Altogether, the local merchanis are giving away \$1,400, with the grand prize of \$1,000 to be given March 31.

**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 



kum, seated, and, standing, Norma Helck, left, Beverly Brooks, and Mrl Borland,

### March 1, 1956

Watkener teacher Mrs. Carolyn Browning goes over an ari lesson with her prize-winning pupils. Pirtured are Ralph Yoa-

# **Five Waggener Students** Win In Art Competition

Competition.

There were two Key awards (firsts); one to Kay Schickli, 15. of 212 Bramton Road, and one to Ralph Yoakum, 12, of 3426 Hychife.

Kay's painting is a still life painting in watercolor and ink. Ralph's is a tempera painting of an imaginery Halloween cat. These two pieces of work will be sent to Pittsburgh to compete in the National competition with other key award winners from all over the United regions States.

There were three second place Art Museum School. awards; one to Beverly Brooks. 13. of Whipps Mill Road, for her cut-paper poster on Paris, one to Norma Heick, 12, of 319 North Hubbard Lane, for a tempera her supervision.

Waggener Junior High School painting entitled, My Locker, and has just received five honors in one to Melvin Borland, 12, of 111 the annual Scholastic Art Awards Stivers Road, for a tempera painting of an attic.

The exhibit is held at Stew-art's Dry Goods Company from February 25 to March 10. This competition is State-wide. Onehundred key award pieces and 200 place award pieces were selected from approximately 2,500 entries.

The judges for this exhibit were Mrs. Nelle Peterson, teacher at the Art Center Association School, 2111 So. First St., Lester Pross, professor of art at Berea College, and Joseph V. Canzani, instructor at the Columbus, Ohio

Mrs. Carolyn W. Browning is art teacher at Waggener School. All these pieces of art work from Waggener were executed under

**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 



Week in Kentucky.

Programs have been plan- There is one junior high. Of these six schools, only ned by the P.T.A.'s of the Waggener, with 1,006 pupils Greath-use was in existence public schools in SL Matthews to honor the teachers. There are four County Elementary Schools in St. Mat-

Governor Chandler has de- thews - Stivers, Greathouse, town is the high school for clared March 25 through Chenoweth, and St. Matthews this area, with 1,550 pupils, April I Teacher-Appreciation - with 2,165 pupils and 72 65 teachers, two deans, two teachers exclusive of the librarians, a principal and an principa's.

> and 37 teachers, plus two six years ago, testifying to deans, a principal and a li- the rapid rate of population prarian.

Eastern High at Midle- area.

assistant principal.

growth in the St. Matthews

In recognizing the principals of our schools in this issue, we are expressing the appreciation of this newspaper and of the people of St. dinner and serve it in the library. Matthews for the services rendered to the community by the nearly 200 public school teachers at the six schools.

The various P.T.A.'s, meanwhile, are making plans of their own to honor the teachers.



John B. Lowe, 41-year-old principal at Waggener Junior High, is one of the best-known and most popular educators in the St. Matthews area.

The PT.A. at Stivers is having teachers. Mrs. Willard . a special fried chicken dinner for the school's staff at 12:15 Tuesday, March 27.

The mothers will cook the which will be especially decorated for the event.

So that all the teachers can She said the P.T.A. has just nave the lunch together and in spent \$175 furnishing and decopeace, the mothers will take care rating the lounges. of the school children. The P.T.A. is also giving two record players ning programs but did not wish to the school in honor of the to announce them in advance.

. .1 15 president of the Stivers P.T.A.

At Waggener, the P.T.A. during the week will keep flowers in the women teachers' lounge and candy in the men teachers' lounge, according to Mrs. Thomas Underwooo, president,

Other P.T.A.'s are also plan-

At Eastern High, he was principal Jack Dawson's assistant and runt-hand man for five years, and Mr. Dawson gave Mr. Lowe a large share of the credit for the brilliant job of organizing the great high school. When the County Board of Education an-nounced that Waggener would be opened in the fall of 1954, Mr. Lowe was the natural choice for principal

Waggener this year is crowded, with 1,006 pupils, 37 teachers, two deans, one librarian, and the principal.

A nauve of Inez, Ky, and a former basketball player, Mr. Lowe is a graduate of Eastern State Teachers College and got his master's at the University of Kentucky For nearly 20 years now, he has been, variously, a teacher, principal and basketball coach. A Navy veteran, with four years' service during World War II, he is a lieutenant commander in the Naval Reserve.

He is married, and has one step-daughter, and lives in St. Matthews

March 22, 1956

## **Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:**

The new president of the Waggener Junior High P.T.A., Mrs. Henry Hoenig, center, of Indian Hills Trail, is pictured with the outgoing presi-dent, Mrs. Tom Underwood, second from right. Also pictured are Mrs. C. W. Georgehead, left, re-elected recording secretary, James C. Warren, re-elected treasurer, and Mrs. J. D. Neubauer, right, respected biotecian reelected historian.

Other officers elected were Mrs. James W. May, first vice president, succeeding Mrs. J. Pry-or Wise; Mrs. Howard Clay, second vice president, succeeding Mrs. Thurston Cooke; and Mrs. G. D. Caywood, corresponding secretary, succeeding Mrs. Sherman Lodewick. Elections were held Thursday at the school. In-talisticary will be in May

stallations will be in May.

March 22. 1956 Above



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Waggener P.T.A. Elects Officers

# Waggener Students To Give 3 One-Act Plays

Three one-act plays will be staged by the students of Waggener School in a "Night of Plays" program sponsored by the Dramatics Club, on Friday, April 6, at 7:30 p.m.

The Dramatic Clubs of the seventh, eighth and ninth grades each will give one play. Admis-sion is 30 cents for students and 50 cents for adults. Music will be by the Waggner Orchestra, di-

rected by Carl Markert. The seventh grade v The seventh grade will do "Shock of His Life," by Donald Payton. In the cast will be Andy Dixon, Jane Eklund, Nancy Schuse, Larry Timberlake, John Bush, and Sidney Wardle.

Stage committee chairman is Hugh Behle, and ushers are Mary Ann Huff, Suzanne Snyder, and Nancye Gibbs. Sponsors are Mrs. Mary Helen Spalding and Miss Neclar Kazanjian.

The eighth grade will do "The Ghost Wore White," by Le Roma. In the cast are Sharon Twyman, Jeannette Caswell, Harriet Micou, Roger Black, Scotty Tichen-or, Ann Walker, and Barbara Wilson.

Backstage committee members and Ann are Ann Henderson, Sophie Sherry Furlong, Sally Thorn, Harned, Beverly Brooks, Margie Judy Thomas and Betty Bennett. Goerner, and Caroline Taylor. All lighting will be handled by Ushers are Jeanne Cline, Judy Tommy Rouse.

Walker, and Carolyn Kinker. On the ticket committee are Eliza-beth Hall, Nancy Marrillia, and Carolyn Kinker.

Posters are by Anita Pierce, Ann Henderson, Sophie Harned, Beverly Brooks, Marie Van Hoose, Alberta Hardy, Sharon Stark, Margie Goerner, Jean Miller, Betty Brown and Pam Insko. Sponsor is Mrs. Katherine Kirwan.

The ninth grade will do "Love Hit Wilbur," also by Donald Payton.

The cast includes Claude Nutt, Janet Green, Nancyanna Walk-er, Donna Wilcox, Janet Hertz-Jer, and David Semonin. Student director is Sue Abbott. Sponsor is Mrs. Annie Jenkins. Prompters are Judy Brandt and Barbara Wellmitz.

In the stage crew are Babs Underwood, Melinda Semonin and Ann Bartee. Ushers are

April 5, 1956

**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 

# Ninth Grade Does Best In Three Waggener Plays

### By CYNTHIA SMITH

Three one-act plays by the Seventh, Eighth, and Ninth Grade Dramatic, Clubs, were presented at Waggener Junior High School's Play Night, April 6.

Coming in on the last 10 min-utes of the Seventh Grade's "Shock of His Life" hardly qualifies any assessement of the total production. However, the acting was earnest,

The age of the participants versus the supposed ages of the cast created some discrepancies. Members of the cast were: Andy Dixon as Wilbur Maxwell, a teenon as Wilbur Maxwell, a teen-ager; Jane Eklund as Mrs. Max-well; Larry Timberlake as Mr. Maxwell; Nancy Schuss as Betty Lou, Wilbur's younger sister; played earnestly by Scotty Tic Sidney Wardle as Connie Max-well, an older sister, and John Bush as Hercules, Wilbur's friend and nast Mrs. Mason, who had wor for the original owner of and partner in crime,

As near as I could figure out, shostly "Lady in White." the plot revolves around Mr. Maxwell, who, thanks to two "Love Hits Wilbur," a comedy jumbled messages taken by Wil- by the same author, Donald Paybur from the butcher and the doctor which mention "heart" and "stop at 7.30," is convinced that Death is imminent. This mosconception, coupled with glimpses of what appears to be the Devil (Wilbur and Hercules) with masks constitute the play.

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dently acoustics had been stres-sed, as the actors appeared to be straining to project their voices. They were successful in this but as a result lost a good deal of expression in the lines.

Mrs. Conwell, three children, and a colored maid come to in-pect the house they have inherited, intending to live there. The

April 12, 1956

rumor that the house is haunted soon appears to be a fact as a ghost is seen by several members of the family. The younger daughter, Jennie, aided by the terror-stricken Mandy and Junior, soon unmask the culprit.

The unquestioned star of the production was Minnie Marie Wade as Mandy, the frightened, excitable maid. Padded, rear and aft, and aptly made up, she was delightful in her actions and lines.

Sharon Twyman was consistent in her role as Edna Conwell. Charlotte, her elder daughter, was well-played by Jeanette Cas-well, Harriett Micou and Roger Black were enthustastic and nor-

Mr. Reynolds, the lawyer, was played carnestly by Scotty Tichenor. Barbara Wilson was effective as Mrs. Mason, who had worked for the original owner of the house. Ann Walker played the ghostly "Lady in White."

ton, and involving the same fam-ily as "Shock of His Life," was the Ninth Grade presentation. This was the most entertaining play of the evening and also, probably by virtue of the age groups, the best acted.

It seems that Wilbur, at 14, is quite a problem to his mother, be-cause of his indifference, amountfamiliar thriller, "The Ghost the Wore White," as their produc-tion. The blue lighting produced an cerie effect and the cast seemed to be on their toes. Evi-dently acoustics had been store matter of minutes, becomes the admiring swain and Beau Brummel.

> Claude Nutt gave an outstanding performance as Wilbur, If his portrait of the adolescent was exaggerated it was also tantalizingly typical. Janet Green and Donna Wilcox gave good performances as his sister, and Nancyanna Walker was pert and attractive as the "object of his affections." David Semonin was amusing as Wilbur's father and Janei Hertzler was competent as his long-suffering mother.

> The props, essentially the same for all three productions, were livingroom furniture. Between the acts the Waggener Orchestra, under the direction of Carl Markert, played several selections, which added to the enjoyment of the evening.

# Waggener Band To Hold **Concert Tomorrow Nite**

The Waggener Junior High chorus and Carl Markert will di-School Band will present its an-rect the instrumentals. Some of the features will be a trondome solo by Bob Strain en-trondome sol

the intermediate class and the the proceeds will ge unto the pur-rencert class. Julian Dorsey will direct the be used in the auditoritam.

April 26, 1956

# **More Winners** At Waggener

The Waggener Junior High School placed two winners in the recent National Safety Poster Contest sponsored by the American Automobile Association .

Kate Johnson, 14, of 103 Blankenbaker Lane, won second prize for grades seven to nine, and Lucy Woodward, 14, of 200 Travois, made honorable mention, Both girls are ninth graders at Waggener. The titles for their posters were "Play Away From Traffic,"

The posters were made under the guidance of Mrs. Carolyn W. Browning, the art instructor at Waggener, Mrs. Browning has recently been selected for a graduate scholarship in Creative Art at the University of Louisville,

May 3, 1956

Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, May 3, 1956:



Watching their prize-winning, water-purification exhibit working are Waggener students Curiis Wise, Jeft, Garnett Queshnherry, Dean Springer, Mike Shaikun, and Billy Earley, and their science teacher, Ed Simpson,

# Waggener Students Win Science Prize

Junior High School won first thing tank is covered with gravel which forces the water out of prize for a group project at which filters the water as it pass- a tube at the top of the jar in the Kentucky State Junior es through.) Science Fair held at Richmond on April 7.

water purification plant entered in the Physical Division of the fair as a group project. The plant was constructed by Michael Shaikun, Billy Earley, Dean Springer, Garnett Quesinberry and Curtis Wise.

The project showed, step by step, the process of water purification beginning with the waler entering the reservoir from the river to its consumption by the public from a water fountain. First, the water enters a settling tank in the reservoir where many of the larger particles of dirt set-

Students from Waggener the out. The bottom of the set- the jar creating air pressure

Next, the water enters a small chemical plant where chemicals evolution of houses and landare added to aid in the settling scapes through the last 100 years, . The prize was for a model process and to soften the wat- was also entered by the Waggeer. Then it enters another settl- ner students. It consisted of a ing where it fremains until it house of the 1856 era and one becomes clear. From there, if from circa 1956, illustrating the passes on to the aerator where it great scientific advancement duris sprayed into the air, releas- ing that time. The project was ing objectionable gases.

> large chemical plant where purl- Bob Wilson, Claudia Litkenhous tying agents, chlorine and amon- and Lucy Woodward. is, are added. The water is then ready to drink.

> the project which won the boys from Waggener are all members. the prize, however, was the appli- They are in Edward Simpson's cation of a pressure jar to pump ninth grade science classes at water. The air is pumped into Waggener,

any given direction.

Another project depicting the constructed by Sylvia Wilson, Finally, the water passes into a Martin Wheeler, Bobbie Strause.

The fair was sponsored by the Kentucky Junior Academy of The scientific principle behind Science, of which the participants

Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:

# Waggener Student, 13, Wins National Art Award

A young artist from Waggener Junior High School brought honor to his school recently when he won a "place" award in the 1956 National Scholastic Art Exhibition at Pittsburgh, Pa

lie is 13.year.old Ralph Yoa. kum, a seventh grader at the Waggener School, who was awarded a Certificate of Merit for his entry, a tempera painting of an imaginary Haloween cat,

Ralph's painting had earlier won a first prize award in the Kentucky Scholastic Art competition. His was one of the 100 paintings that were submitted to the National Exhibit from Kentucky.

Since there were about 175,000 entries submitted from high school and junior high school students to the national exhibition this year, Ralph's award is considered quite an achievement. Orginally, Ralph's painting was done as a class room assignment. He is in his first year of scholastic art at Waggener, a course that is part of the regular school curriculum, taught by Mrs. Carolyn W. Browning.

Carolyn W. Browning. This is the only formal art crurse Ralph has ever taken, although he has been drawing "ever since he was old enough to hold a pencil." He is not sure, though, if this will be his life's work just yet.

Ralph is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Yoakum, Sr., of 3426 Hycliffe Avenue.

May 17, 1956

# Raymond McBride Wins 2nd Prize

Raymond B. McBride, 13, won second prize in the science division for boys 13 and 14 at the Youth Talent Exhibit last week at the Armory. He was awarded a red ribbon.

Raymond, the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. McBride, 212 Bonner Avenue, won the prize for a radio transceiver he built. It will transmit and receive radio messages on a two-meter band.

He was the only entrant from Waggener' Junior High School, and just finished the eighth grade there.

May 31, 1956

# 1956

# Silver Candlesticks For Mrs. Underwood

Mrs. Tom Underwood, retiring president, was presented with a set of silver candlesticks at the business meeting of the Waggener P.T.A. Monday

The P.T.A. will hold its last meeting of the year tonight at 7:45. New officers will be installed, There will be an open house with exhibits from all grades.

### May 17, 1956

# Summer Bands Set At Waggener

For six weeks, beginning May 28, and ending July 6, Mrs. Eleanor Ritchie and Mr. Carl O. Markert, teachers in the Jefferson County Schools, will run three orchestras in the Music Building of Waggener Junior High School at 330 S. Hubbard Lane, These organizations will rehearse as follows:

Junior High Orchestra, Tues, and Thurs. 8:40 to 9:40 a.m. Elementary Orchestra, Tues.

and Thurs, 10:20 to 11:15 a.m. Beginning String Class, Tues.

and Thurs., 11:15 to 12 noon. Junior High Band, Wed, and

Fri., 8:30 to 9:40 a.m. -Elementary Band, Wed. and

Fri., 10:20 to 11:15 a.m. Beginning Band Class, Wed., 1

and Fri., 11:15 to 12 noon,

The six weeks will cost each pupil \$8. All enrollment tees will be paid to the Jefferson County Schools

A number of school instruments are available and can be rented for \$2,50

Approximately 150 children of Junior High and Elementary ages | are expected to take part in these activities.

May 24, 1956

**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 

# Waggener To Be High School In 1959

Waggener Junior ligh scheduled to be a fullfledged high school in 1959.

That was the word from the County Iloard of Education which last week releaced a ten tative building program for the next three years, Estimated cost of the entire program, to house 17,000 additional county school

pupils, is \$20 million, "This tentative building pro-gram is based on known facts and trends as of June, 1956," cording to the release, "Subse-quent large residential developments may mak revisions necessary.

The program calls for an add tion to Waggener School by 1957. to accomodate grades seven to 10. ٠ .

Also for 1957 it calls for:

An elementary school on Herr Lang to relieve Ballard, Stivers, Worthington, and Lyndon Schools,

A physical education plant and eight-room addition at Eastern High School

An elementary school on Browns Lane near Lowe Road to relieve Melbourne Heights.

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A	Greathouse	720	437	580	
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June 28, 1956

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Expansion of Waggener to a senior high schiol,

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County school superintendent Richard Van Hoose emphasized that the program is only lentative. He said these additions and expansions would be curtailed for lack of funds, unless the pro-posed occupational tax of half of one percent is approved by the voters July 7.

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Adding onto Waggener and making it a high school holds special significance for the St. Matthews area. It means relief for Eastern High, which has a capacity of only 1,500 pupils, but had an enrollment of 1,525 for 1955-56. The estimated enrollment for the 1957-58 year is 1,-957.

Waggener was built for a ca-pacity of 850 students. Its enroll-ment the past year was 1,011. Crowding was so had, some Wag-gener classes had to be taught at the nearby St. Matthews Elementary School.

Waggener's estimated enroli-ment for 1957.58 is 1,437.

# Some Pupils Must **Register Monday** At Waggener

New pupils at Waggener Junior High School this year should come to the school Monday, Aug. 27, and register, prin-cipal John Lowe announced this week.

That does not mean those seventh grade pupils who are coming to Waggener after finishing elementary school at one of the local County schools, he said. It means only those pupils who have moved into the Waggener school district since last school term, he said. They may register at the school anytime between 8:30 and 11:30 a.m., and from 1 to 3 p.m.

All other students will register on the first day of school, September 4. "And tell them we will have a ninth grade this year," said Mr. Lowe, He was joshing The Voice for a typo-graphical error last week which made it seem that Waggener would not have a ninth grade. There will be no school busses running until September 4, said Mr. Lowe, and the first day of school will be a full school day. The busses will follow the same routes as last year, he said.

August 23, 1956

Waggener PTA Holds Summer Board Meeting

Mrs. Henry Hoening, presi-dent, presided over the summer board meeting of the Waggener P.T.A. Monday evening al the school. Plans for the October 5 carnival were discussed, and it was decided to print the year book presented by Mrs. James May May. Committee chairman of the P.T.A. announced: Art. Mrs. Hubert Durbin; character and spiritual educa-tion, Mrs. F. Woodward; Citi-zen's Commission, Mrs. Ben zen's Commission, Mrs. Ben Cooper; civil defense, Mrs. Ed Ochrle; health, Mrs. W. T. Por-ter; hospitality, Mrs. Dan Gray; Jegislative, Mrs. Leon Hirsch; li-brary, Mrs. Robert Schuss. Lunchroom, Mrs. L. Orr; mus-ic, Mrs. Ansel Rogers; parent education, Mrs. W. Cunningham; procedure and by-laws, Mrs. George Simpson; publications, Mrs. Carl Graef; telephone, Mrs. Harry Pfingst. Harry Plingst. Transportation, Mrs. G. Trib-ble; parliamentarian, Mrs. Mar-shall Krieger; ways and means, Mrs. Clay Morris; and the following grade representatives: Seventh grade, Mrs. Elliott Morris; eighth grade, Mrs. Cec-il Stokes; ninth grade, Mrs. Thomas St. Clair.

Meetings for the coming year will he held at 8 p.m. on the following Thursdays September 20, November 15, January 17, March 21 and May 10.

### August 23, 1956

## Don Bale To Speak At Waggener PTA

Don C. Bale, newly appointed head of Bureau of Instruction of the Department of Education, will be the principal speaker at the first meeting of the Waggener P.T.A. on Thursday, Sept. 20 at 8 p.m.

Mr. Bale, a former teacher, coach, and principal, will speak on "The Minimum Foundation."

Miss Margaret Clayton, County high school supervisor, will speak on "Core Curriculum."

The five candidates from District 1 running for the County Board of Education will also be introduced. They are:

Rucker Todd, J. Pryor Wise, Dr. Bernard Schneider, Mortimer Goldsmith, and Charles C. Meyer,

**September 20, 1956** 

# Library Program Set At Waggener

The role of the library in the school will be explained to the Waggener P.T.A. meeting Nov. 15 at 8 p.m. by Miss Sadie Stinson, school librarian.

Kenneth Meeker, who conducts the "Lure of the Library" telecast, will show slides of famous horse farms, with commentary on tape. Mr. Meeker is a Waggener parent.

gener parent. Miss Florrine Kammerer and Mrs. W. W. Shuman, of the Louisville Free Public Library, will have a display for the parents. They will show records, films and oil paintings that a person can borrow from the library.

They will take applications for permanent library cards, and issue temporary cards on the spot.

The school will be open to the parents prior to the meeting. The P.T.A. has slated a board

meeting at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the school.

November 8, 1956

# Waggener To Have Grade 10 By September

The Jefferson County Board of Education this week approved an addition to Waggener Junior High School which will accommodate a 10th grade.

The Board approved preliminary-cost estimates of \$529,124 for the addition, which will also cover expected expansions in the present seventh, eighth, and ninth grades.

Superintendent Richard Van Hoose said the additions will be ready for the school year starting next September. Further additions, costing about the same as those planned this week, will enable the school to house all six high-school grades by 1959-60, Mr. Van Hoose said.

He predicted that by 1959-60 the fully developed Waggener school will have an enrollment of 2,418. Present enrollment is 846.

#### **October 25, 1956**

# Waggener To Double Size Next Year

Waggener Junior High School will just about double in size next year, The Voice learned this week.

The school, which now has 850 students in grades six through nine, is expected to enroll 1,510 students in September, 1957, when it adds a 10th grade. It will have about 28 addition-

It will have about 28 additional rooms, including two visual aid and two home economics rooms. About 23 staff members will be added. The present staff is 37.

is 37. The new wing, now being prepared by the architects, will be on the Browns Lane side of the present building. It will be three story and L-shaped. In 1958, 14 classrooms will be

In 1958, 14 classrooms will be added. The size of the lunchroom will be doubled. An 11th grade will be added. There will be rooms for shorthand, typing, physics, biology and chemistry. In 1959, Waggener will become will become

In 1939, waggener will become a full-fledged high school, with grades six through 12. The total enrollment is expected to be about 2,400.

about 2,400. Bids will soon be let for the 1957 addition. The Board of Education hopes to have it up by next September.

#### **December 6, 1956**

## Waggener F.H.A. Initiates 25

President Sandy Ocd president on Det. 1), for the F.H.A. format initiation for 25 new members. A program of games and Christmas songs, under the direction of Sallie Kraft and Martha Brackett, was followed by refreshments of brownies and punch.

This was held in the home ec. suite at Waggener which was decorated with candles and a Christmas tree. The members collected \$10 to give Christmas food for a needy famiy.

December 13, 1956



# Waggener Cheer-Leaders

The arven new cheer-leaders elected by the atudent hody at Waggener Junior High are, in front, Pani Fergunon (left) 14, of 118 N. Hubbords Lane; Marie Van Hoose, 14, of 318 Foeburn; and Linda Miller, 13, of 18 Hidgewood Road, and, in back, Judy Wytie, 14, of 211 Heady; Sue Evans, 14 of 214 Heady; Betsy Wade, 18, of 4175 Blenheim; and Churlotte McKinstry, 14, of 310 Sage. All ore ninth-graders except Betsy and Linda, who are in the eighth grade.

November 29, 1956

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Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, December 20, 1956:



# A Waggener Christmas

The Christmas spirits on Christmas Eve rouse this lucky teen-ager from her sleep to take her on a midnight trip to see Christmas in many foreign lands.

The teen-ager is played by Jeannette Caswell. The spirits are Sandy Riehl, left, Karen Wurmser, and Joyce Shewmaker.

This is one scene from a play, "It's Christmas Everywhere," to be given at Waggener tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. for the school. Others in the cast are Sharon Twyman, Scotty Tichenor, and Larry Orr.

The show, written and directed by Mrs. Katherine Kirwan, Waggener teacher, will be narrated by Betsy Drautman, Judy Disborough, Sandy Lehman, Jean Anderson, Ginny McMichael, Paulette Blair, and Judy Foster. Costumes are by Mrs. Ann Jenkins, and properties and stage effects by Mrs. Carolyn Browning.

The show will be accompanied by the school's orchestra, band, and instrumental ensembles, directed by Karl Markert, and the school choruses, numbering 109 students, directed by Julian Dorsey.

Actually, it'll be pretty much Christmas all day at Waggener tomorrow. The home room parties begin at 12:05.

The entire school will be treated free to Waggener's basketball game against Butler Junior High in the Waggener gym at 1:30.

Then they're free until Jan. 2 when school reopens.

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Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, December 27, 1956:

#### **Christmas Present to Barry Barmore From The United States Marines**

#### Barry Barmore finally realized his ambition to become a United States Marine.

I happened Friday at the Waggener Junior High auditorium after the school's colorful Christmas pageant. Principal John Lowe stepped to the stage and asked the crowd of about 1,000 students, parents and guests to keep their seats for another program.

The crowd groaned. They wanted to get out after the hour and a half show. But Mr. Lowe announced that he had on the stage 10 United States Marines. The Marine Corps must be very popular with junior high schoolers, because they let out a rousing cheer.

Marine Major John C. Johnson stepped out and called for 14-year-old Barry, a seventh grader at Waggener, to come to the stage. Barry hobbled forward on his crutches. When he got to the stage, the curtain went back and there stood a squad of marines in their snappy dress blues.

Major Johnston revealed that Barry, of 3328 Elmwood, had written a letter to Marine Commandant Randolph Pate saying that he had always wanted to be a Marine but knew he couldn't because he was crippled by polio. He asked General Pate if he could tell him where to get a Marine outfit as he wasn't able to obtain one anywhere in Louisville.

The General ordered the Louisville-based Marines to bring to Barry an autographed photo of himself (the General), a model helicopter used by Marines for amphibious operations, a Marine emblem and a marine paper-weight.

Major Johnston gave these to Barry. Then he announced it was against the law and marine Corps policy to let anyone have a Marine uniform. But, he said, Santa Claus had been there that day, and he held a full-dress-blues U. S. Marine Corps uniform, with tech sergeants stripes of yellow and red, and with white cap. These he present to Barry.

Then the Major snapped his squad to attention, and ordered Barry to take his place in the ranks. "You are now a sergeant in the United States Marines," he said.

During the ceremony, Barry broke down and cried on a Marine sergeant's shoulder. He wasn't the only one. There was hardly a dry eye in the packed auditorium at the sight of Barry getting such a Christmas Present from the nation's toughest fighting outfit. Barry is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Barmore.



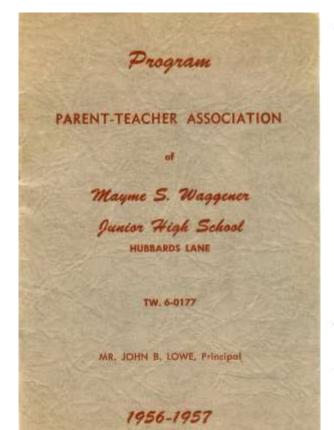
Barry takes his place in the ranks of the United States Marines.

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**Courtesy of Waggener High School Library, Kristen Heckel:** 



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#### PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 8:00 P. M. Symposium. Minimum Foundation Discussed Core Curriculum Explained. School Board Candidates Introduced. THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 8:00 P.M. Emphasis will be placed on the library at this meeting. Speaker. Special invitation to visit the library. THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 8:00 P.M. Music and Art Appreciation—its place in the Com-munity. Art Exhibit (place to be announced). Student Participation (Music). THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 8:00 P. M. "What's Your Question?" a panel of local educa-tors will handle this. Emphasis on personality problems, but others may be asked. Election of officers. THURSDAY, MAY 16, 8:00 P. M. "Vacation Time and Your Child." Speaker. Travel displays on exhibit in rooms. Installation of officers. National Theme-"The family and the Community - Ea the other - the P.T.A. serves both." Each shapes Kentucky State Theme-"Building Firm Foundations through Community action. Waggener Theme-

"A healthy personality for every child."

#### **Courtesy of Waggener High School Library, Kristen Heckel:**

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#### PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1956-1957

P.T.A. Dues	\$ 250.00
(Of 50c dues, .01½ goes to Council, .02 to District, and 20c State and National	
Band	
Visual Ald	123/00
Library	500.00
Musie	50.00
Art	100.00
Physical Education	100.00
Core (Basic Education)	300.00
Home Economics, Shop, Science (\$125 ca.)	375.00
c.s Math, English, Civies, Spanish and Latin	100.00
Clerical Help	50.00
Year Book	75.00
Miscellaneous	150.00
	\$2.475.00

MAJOR CHANGES IN OUR SCHOOL AS EFFECTED BY THE FOUNDATION PROGRAM

The big change is that money coming from the State to the County Board is now based on A.D.A. (Average Daily Attendance).

For this reason we are having two Home Rooms, One in the morning and one in the afternoon. It is necessary to keep a record of all half days school children are in attendame. Students cannot be excused from school except for sickness, death, or some other emergency.

We think maybe parents have felt a day or two absence now and then did not make any difference. It will be necessary for parents to adjust their vacation periods in order to keep their children in school. This is the major change in our school brought about by the Foundation Program.

#### SCHOOL CALENDAR 1956-1957

September 7 Education Day at State Fair
October 19B.I.E. Day
November 2
November 22 and 23 Thanksgiving Holidays
Christmas Holidays start at the close of school or December 21, 1956, and school resumes January 2, 1957.
March 13, 14, and 15Spring Vacation
April 11 and 12K.E.A
New OIL 1977

#### BELL SCHEDULE

8:20Warning Bell
8:25Tardy Bell
8:25- 8:40
8:40- 8:45 Change Classes
√8:45 9:40
9:40-9:45Change Classes
29:45-10:40Second Period
10:40-10:45 Change Classes
/10:45-11:58 Third Period
12:01-12:06Second Home Room
12:05-12:10 Change Classes
12:10-1:05Fourth Period
1:05-1:10Change Classes
1:10-2:05Fifth Period
2:05 2:10 Change Classes
12:10- 3:06Sixth Period
3:05Dismissal Bell
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P.T.A. CARNIVAL - OCTOBER STH
4:00 P. M 11:00 P. M.
TURKEY DINNER OR FISH DINNER

Served 4:30 - 8:00 P. M.

## **Courtesy of Al Ring:**







Atomic Energy Plant made by Al Ring with help of his Dad, Clinton Ring for a school project.

Back yard of family home at 501 Kinglan Road.

Class trip to Frankfort, Kentucky, just can't remember the details.



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Courtesy of The Voice of St. Matthews, August 15, 1957:

#### Special bus to take some pupils to Waggener

The Louisville Bus Co. is putting on a special bus to take care of students living in the Greathouse school district who will attend Waggener School this Fall.

Bus superintendent of schedules John S. Akers said the added service will begin Sept. 9.

School starts Sept. 3. The first week, students must catch the present bus which comes down Breckinridge Lane from Frank-tort Avenue to Springhill and up Springhill to Browns Lane. This is a regular bus run and will be continued.

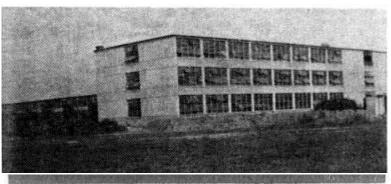
In a letter to Mrs. Nelson Lamkins and Mrs. Gilbert Armstrong, leaders of the drive to secure the bus, Mr. Akers said:

"Bus service from the Willis-Cannons Lane-Hycliffe area will be provided to Waggener School beginning Sept. 9. The bus will be marked Oak-St. Matthews-Springhill and will run over the Oak Street-Hycliffe route and the Walnut-Springhill route to Browns Lane and Springhill Road as follows:

"From Breckinridge Lane and Willis Avenue over Willis to Cannons Lane, over Cannons Lane to Hycliffe, over Hycliffe to Breckinridge Lane, over Breckinridge Lane to Springhill Road over Springhill Road to Browns Lane. Return by same route in reverse after 3 p.m.

"Bus will leave Breckinridge Lane and Willis at 7:57 am. Cannons Lane and Hycliffe at 8:05, will arrive at Browns Lane and Springhill at 8:15 am. On return trip will leave Browns Lane and Springhill at 3:08 p.m.

"Regular school fare, 20 tickets for \$1.85 without transfers or 20 for \$2.00 with transfer, will be charged to children who obtain School Permit Cards from the School Office on opening day of school which will permit purchase of school tickets at Ashbury-Berman Drug Store"



The new wing at Waggener is ready except for some electrical work.

## WAGGENER

Principal: John Lowe. Assistant Principal: Earl Duncan.

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Courtesy of Betsey (St. Clair) Skiles:



Sandy Stevens, Annette Wahl, Fidele Hinman, Betsy Skiles Note from Fidele—I'm thinking it's more like 1954 or so, we look awfully young!

# Waggener P.T.A. Meets Tonight

The P.T.A. of Waggener Junior High School will meet this evening at 8 p.m.

The program will be under the direction of Carl Markert, band teacher, Julian Dorsey, voice teacher, and Mrs. Carolyn Browning, art teacher.

Ninety-five students have volunteered to assist in a student participation program. Demonstrations in the above mentioned fields will be presented.

A map, made by the art department, will be placed in the front hall to show parents the direction to the rooms where the demonstrations are being given.

The students of the art, voice, and band departments will be on hand to give the parents an accurate picture of their work as it goes on day by day.

Mrs. Ansel Rogers is P.T.A. music chairman and Mrs. Hubert Durbin is art chairman. January 17, 1957

#### Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, January 31, 1957:

#### Waggener Enrollment Of 2,200 By '59 Seen Lowe Discusses Core System, Languages

The enrollment at Waggener Junior High school in 1959 will be abut 2,200 pupils, if present population increase trends continue, according to principal John Lowe.

But by then, Waggener will be a full-fledged, six-year high school, he indicated. Present enrollment is abut 850 pupils in grades seven through nine, he said.

He also made two other major points in a talk before 120 mothers from six Waggener "feeder" schools at Chenoweth School on Thursday.

1. The study of foreign languages is enormously popular among junior high students, but most colleges no longer require such courses for admission.

2. The Core system is used for seventh and eight grade pupils in the County school system "primarily in bridge the gap between elementary and secondary schools."

Present were mothers from Greathouse, St. Matthews, Chenoweth, Stivers, Ballard and Lyndon Elementary Schools.

It was the first joint parent-education study meeting sponsored by the P.T.A.'s at these schools. Mrs. James W. May conducted the meeting.

"In the secondary school s of Jefferson County, we offer the Core in the seventh and eight grades primarily to bridge the gap between elementary and secondary schools," said Mr. Lowe.

"In a Core set-up, the student spends three hours under one teacher...This three-hour blank of time cushions the shock of having so many teachers to adjust to during the course of a school day. It also provides a home base whereby the pupil may be able to return to this particular teacher for guidance and help."

The Core teacher instructs his pupils in social studies. English, spelling, health and science, he said.

He said that while some colleges still have foreign-language requirements for students wishing to enter, most of them do not.

"Colleges are the ones who have dropped the requirements, not the high school." he said. He added that Waggener offers courses in Latin, Spanish and French and that of 312 pupil registered for next year's ninth grade, 276 have singed up for those courses. "We would offer Russian and German, but we can't find a Russian or German teacher," he said.

He said Waggener's present enrollment of about 850 will rise to about 1,500 next school year when it adds a 10th grade.

And if present trends in population increases continue, the enrollment in 1958 will be abut 1,800, and in 1959, about 2,200.

Beginning next September, Waggener will add on a grade each year until it becomes a full-fledged high school.

The continued increase in enrollment will mean "less personal attention" for individual pupils, he said.

He said that Eastern and Waggener are the only two schools in the County giving "college board classes." These are exactly the same courses offered in other County Schools but with the pace of work "accelerated," he said.

"Ninety percent of the colleges don't require college board classes," but some, like Harvard do, he said.

Eastern and Waggener decided to offer them, because the St. Matthews area recently has been heavily populated by families from ????? Who want their children to have them, he said.

He warned that a child can got a diploma from high school and still not have fulfilled the requirements to get into college.

"Students wishing to go to college must complete 18 units of study, he said. The 11 required units are four in English, two in math, two in social studies one of which must be American history, two in science and one in health and physical education. That leaves seven electives," he said. He described a unit as a subject taught for a full school year, five days a week.

He told the mothers that "seventh and eight graders sometimes have difficulty adjusting to the additional freedom they got in junior and high schools.

"As a result we sometimes have more discipline problems," he said. "The junior and senior high student may on some days want to be treated as a child, while on other days he wants to be treated as an adult."

He noted that the two 14-year old boys sentenced January 23 to spend an indefinite period in the Tri-County Children's Home were Wagener pupil's.

The boys on January 18 had detonated a homemade bomb in the Shelbyville Plaza and seriously injured a six-year-old girl and her mother.

"That shows what can happen," he said.

# 4 Waggener Art Students Win

Waggener Junior High students have won four awards in the State scholastic art competition, sponsored annually by Scholastle magazine.

Waggener's first place or key award winners were:

Peggy Calhoun, 14, of the ninth grade, for a painting called, "My Attle."

Linda Harbison, 14, of the ninth grade, for a painting called, "My Locker."

. . . Waggener's second place winners were:

James Clay, 14, of the ninth grade, for a painting of his locker. Charlotte Hall, 14, of the ninth grade, for a picture of herself and her record player.

Of 2,500 entries, 325 were selected for exhibition. They are at Stewart's in Louisville on the first floor until March 9, Mrs. Carolyn Browning is the Waggener art teacher.

February 28, 1957

# Waggener Wants A **Marching Band Too**

A drive is underway to raise about \$5,000 to provide the Waggener School music department with uniforms for the band and orchestra, and robes for the chorus.

chairman for the school P.T.A.

The first item in the fund-raising campaign is to make the school's nunual concert, slated for April 26, a financial success. Tickets for this bers about 60. There are about 75 concert will be 50 cents.

In addition, ads will be sold to local merchants, parents and civic organizations for the concert program.

A letter went out to all parents on the subject over the names of school principal John Lowe, P.T.A. president Mrs. Henry Hoenig, and Mrs. Rogers,

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"The end result is to see Wag- high school for the St. Matthewsgener with a marching band, fully Lyndon area. Waggener now has uniformed, and a chorus, fully rob- grades six to nine. Beginning next ed," said Mrs. A. C. Rogers, music year, it will add an additional grade each year until it becomes a fullfledged high school.

> The school orchestra and band, directed by Carl Markert, now numin the chorus.

> A questionnaire was part of the letter. It was designed to find out how many parents were willing to buy or solicit ads for the program. Parents can be patrons for as llithe as one dollar each,

Mrs. Rogers said that the con-The letter reminded parents that series planned by the P.T.A. to out-Waggener will soon be the County fit the hand, orchestra and chorns.

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Waggener Parents Are Cooperating

It looks as if Waggener parents are going to cooperate in the drive to get robes for the chorus and uniforms for the band and orchestra.

Of the forms sent out to parents last week seeking information and support, about 660 or 72 per cent have been returned, said Mrs. A. C. Rogers, music chairman for the P.T.A.

She said the P.T.A. had given free ice cream to four rooms that had a 100 per cent return. These are the seventh grade rooms of Miss Nector Kazanjian and Miss Mildred Cobb, and the eighth grade rooms of Mrs. Hazel Hays and Mrs. Katherine Kirwan. March 14, 1957 both

## Panel To Answer School Questions At Waggener PTA

A panel of distinguished local and State educators will answer questions of parents at the Waggener P.T.A. meeting on Thurs-

day, March 21 at 7:45 p.m. The panel will be composed of John B. Lowe, principal of Waggener: Dr. Robert Martin, superintendent of Public Insrtuction of Kentucky; J. J. Oppenheimer. Dean of College of Arts and Science, University of Louisville: Richard Van Hoose, superintendent of Jefferson County School; Rucker Todd, Jefferson County School Board member, and Arthur K. Draut, teacher at Waggener.

Paul B. Willingter, of the City school system, and Emil M. Aun, editor of the Voice, will read the questions.

There will be P.T.A. groups from feeder schools attending and taking part at the meeting.

# Waggener PTA Board r **Comes Out For Federal Aid For Classrooms**

The executive board of the Waggener Junior High School P.T.A. has come out in favor of Federal aid for classroom construction.

by Mrs. Leon Hirsch, legislative chairman, at the P.T.A. meeting Thursday evening. She said she had wired Congressman John M. Robsion, Jr., on behalf of the executive board, urging him to support a Federal aid school bill. The P.T.A.'s president, Mrs. Henry Hoenig, told The Voice Friday that Mr. Robsion had wired back saying he approved President Eisenhower's school construction program. Mr. Robsion added that he "will continue my efforts to secure favorable consideration by the Congress" of the President's program.

Mrs. Hoenig emphasized that the executive board was speaking for itself and not for the gen-eral membership of the Waggener P.T.A. The executive board includes all P.T.A. officers and committee chairmen.

. . The President's program failed to get safely through Congress during the 1956 session, when Representative Powell of New York tacked on an amendment providing that no Federal aid should go to any school district which maintained racial segregation.

Conservative Republicans and Southern Democrats ganged up to beat the measure,

Under the President's bill, the Federal government would pro-vide \$325 million a year to guarantee the bonds issued by school districts not able to raise money at reasonable rates. The bill is expected to be presented before Congress again this year.

The State superintendent of public instruction, Robert R. Martin, spoke out in favor of the President's bill during a panel discussion at Thursday's P.T.A.

Mr. Martin said Federal aid did not necessarily mean Federal control of schools. He said .ome form of Federal aid to schools has been provided since 1860, and

The announcement was made that during the Depression, the Mrs. Leon Hirsch, legislative W.P.A. built many schools and mirman, at the P.T.A. meeting turned them over to the local school districts.

The P.T.A. was told by County School Board member Rucker Todd that County Schools face "an appalling shortage of facili-

ties" next year. He said the School Board doesn't at present have any plans for a tax referendum in the next general election, but "would consider" sponsoring a bill in the next General Assembly to raise the existing school tax limitation. He did not say whether or not he favored Federal Aid.

The panel consisted of Mr. Todd, Mr. Martin, County School superintendent Richard Van Hoose, Waggener principal John Lowe, and Waggener teacher Arthur Draut.

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They answered questions submitted in writing. The program was comparable to the local television show, "What's Your Question?"

Mr. Van Hoose, Mr. Lowe, and Mr. Draut warned against any return to the A. B. C. D method of grading pupils, or a system of grouping children in classes on the basis of aptitude tests.

It boils down to "a social thing," said Mr. Lowe, Parents won't accept it in a public school, he said. "We're fighting the public all the time. We can't convince i v some parents that the tests are d

Mr. Draut said that while he t was studying to be a teacher, he a was in favor of "homogeneous grouping." However, after some experience as a classroom teacher, he concluded it was better to mix A students with D students, especially from a social point of view, he said,

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Wr. Todd said he thought it. C ould be desirable if local it would schools borrowed some of the 1 (Continued on page 18)

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features of the European system of education, without the rigorous discipline. He said schools in Europe put a greater emphasis on "systematic instruction" in basic skills and disciplines.

Mr. Van Hoose said it would be difficult to transplant the European system in America. He said he thought that under the present system here, parents, teachers and students "get along together beautifully," and there had been no uprisings by the people against established authority as has happened in Europe. "There is something about our school system that has made a valuable contribution to the American way of life," he said.

#### EDITORIALS

## If We Won't Build Schools, Federal Government Will

The bars are breaking down on Federal aid to educa-tion. Now the Waggener P.T.A.'s executive board has come out in favor of Federal help for local classroom construction-

Thus continues the general drift of power into the hands of the Federal government-

It is our own fault. We have simply refused to face up to our local responsibilities. Twice now in two years, we have had an opportunity to raise the money ourselves for local schools. It took real determination on our parts to turn our backs on the grim facts, but with resolution, we managed it.

With the Louisville Real Estate Board cheering us on, we voted down the County School Board's effort to raise the property tax 50 cents. Then on our own, we voted down last summer an occupational tax for schools.

The County School Board is desperate. Because crowded conditions, the school superintendent has called for double sessions at Valley and Southern High Schools next year. Our own Eastern High will probably escape this situation, at least for now. A 10-room addition is planned there,

All over the country, school boards are giving up hope of getting the people to meet the needs for new school buildings. People are simply against taxes, never pausing to re-flect that when a local community refuses to live up to its responsibilities, local authorities will inevitably turn to the Federal government for relief.

That means the Federal government will do the job of tax-collecting that the local community refuses to do, with all that implies in the way of loss of local control and increased costs. And there's no arguing with the Federal tax collector-

Then people wonder why the Federal budget is up to \$72 billion.

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## Mrs. Ansel Rogers **Elected President Of Waggener PTA**

Mrs. Ansel Rogers, Windy Way, was elected president of the Waggener P.T.A. last week. She succeeds Mrs. Henry Hoenig.

Other officers elected were: Mrs. John Dobbins, 4017 Brookfield, first vice-president, succeeding Mrs. James May; Mrs. Henry Heuser, Mocking Bird Valley Road, second vice-president, succeeding Mrs. Howard Clay; Mrs. Leon Hirsch, 415 Rolling, recording secretary, succeeding Mrs. C. W. Georgehead;

Mrs. Lillian Fuller, 414 Deerfield, corresponding secretary, succeeding Mrs. Edward Sommer; Mrs. Fred L. Stephens, 403 Duff Lane, treasurer, succeeding Mr. Jim Warren, and Mrs. Leonard Breecker, Ridgeway Road, historian, succeeding Mrs. J. D. Neubauer.

Installation of officers will be held on May 16. The P.T.A. or-ganization at Vaggener now has 1,081 members.

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# Come To The Waggener **Band Concert Tonight**

The Mayme S. Waggener Junior High School Band will present its annual concert this evening at 8 o'clock. Admission is only 50 cents per person.

This year, more than ever before, the band and parents hope for a large attendance, for the proceeds will be used to purchase band, orchestra and choral uniforms. As Waggener will be a full-fledged high school in three years, a marching band in uniform is practically a must.

The uniforms will cost something like \$5,000 as there are about 255 pupils in the school's music department. If tonight's concert is a success, just about one-third of that total will have been raised. That would be a gratifying start for a fund to outfit a band that the St. Matthews community may well be proud of.

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# **214 Young Musicians**

Pictured warming up for the show next week at Waggener School are Charles Tingle on the trumpet, John Baughman on the clarinet, David Lehman on the drum, and David Kanatzar on the saxophone."

No, they're not a jazz combo, They are four of the 214 instru-mental pupils who will appear in a show at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 9, at Waggener. The pupils, all in grades four to seven, are from Silvers, Ballard, Greathouse, Chenoweth, Lyndon, Middletown and St. Matthews Elementary Schools. They will be directed by Mrs.

Roy C. Ritchie. The festival-type program will include an orchestra, a band, a Marilyn beginning orchestra, a ballet duet by Brooke Mecker and Marilyn Curtis, a piano solo by Sue Rose, a cello solo by Milton Williams, an authentic Indian Bean Dance by Cub Scouts of Pack 115, Den 3, a skit by first graders of St Matthews Elementary, and a tumbling group from Stivers.

All the numbers have been rehearsed in the individual schools, then infught together for the school school in the perform-

The publicity and the second s 404 Herr Ln., goes to Stivers. David, 10, of Lynnhurst Drive, is a student at Lyndon.

# Crowd Of 800 Hears Waggener School Concert

Some 235 members of the Waggner Junior High School Band, Orchestra, and Chorus presented their annual Spring Concert last Thursday evening in the school auditorium.

A crowd of about 800 warmed to a two-hour program of musical and vocal arrangements ranging from the serious to the delightful.

Proceeds from the concert this year will be used for the purchase of uniforms for the group, which plans to install a marching band when Waggener becomes a fullfledged high school in three years.

Although the attendance was less than anticipated, the gate plus program ads from local merchants and patrons netted \$1,600 toward the goal of \$5,000 for the uniforms.

The program was under the di-rection of Carl Markert, director of the Band and Orchestra, and Julian Dorsey, director of the Chorus. Mrs. A. C. Rogers was chairman of the drive to solicit patrons for the programs.

Both Mr. Markert and Mrs. Rogers exrpessed appreciation this week for the support given the concert by the community.

Concert successful both financilly and entertainment-wis:, said she 'expects to see the group in uniform in another year."

"I want to thank the merchants and parents from the St. Matthews and Lyndon area for their sup-port in this worthy cause," she said. "This is a fine beginning and we will continue in the fall to add to the fund in another manner.

She added that she "would match the Chorus with any in the State.

"As Waggener grows into a full high school, 1 predict they will come out on top in any contest in that capacity," she said.

"all the musicians, singers, and Jim Fuller, B-verty O'Nan, John directors in thanking the merchants and patrons who made the Concert a success.

He also had praise for the performances turned in by the Band, Orchestra, and Chorus at the Concert.

"The string group have especilly made fine progress this year and it showed up in a feature number Londonderry Air, he said.

"Londonderry Air", an old Iris) melody arranged by E. DeLamater. was played entirely with string instruments, including 20 violins, It was one of the highlights of the Concert.

Another group highlight was a "Minstrel Show", a descriptive band novelty. Jim Fuller, Jim Felts, George Richards, Sandy Richl, Larry Wheeler, Stephen Richl, Larry Wheeler, Stephen Porter, Tom Smoot, and Sandy Shewmaker made up the minstrels. One of the vocal hits of the eve-ning was "Buggy Ride", a story-

in-song of a boy and girl on a buggy ride. An unusual sound of horses hoofs hitting stone pavement was effected by the group clicking their tongues together in unision.

Individual hits were a Trombone Duct entitled "The Holy City" by David Stutzenberger and Eldon Wayne and and alto sax solo entitled "Estillian Capers" by John Burt.

## Music Awards For Waggener

Music awards for members of Mrs. Rogers, who called the the Waggener Orenestra, Band and Chorus who earned 100 points for extra practice, study, and pertormance were presented at an assembly in the school auditorium hast week.

> The award was in the form of a red felt "W" on a grey felt background with a gold lyre embossed on a block center patch.

> Those receiving the award were: Sherrin MacDonald, David Stutzenberger, Lamont Wilson. Tadd Hoon, Jerry Lynn Seekamp. John Burt, Martin Radunz, Marilyn Powers, Pamela Perry, Tony Minica. Carl Haaga, Jimmy Feits, Julia Harlow, Tommy Rause

David Love, Jim Grissom, Eldon Wayne, Ronnie Montgomery, Mer-Mr. Markert said he spoke for ril Lee Sweet, Wesley Wilkinson Abbott, Larry Wheeler, George Richards, Eddle Stopher Bert Pence, Billy Wetherton, Trent Pence, Billy Wetherton, Hutchinsen, Mary Burt McMillian, Kathryn Mayland,

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# Waggener 'Night of Plays'

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The school orchestra, under Carl Cable is store manager. Markert, will present a musical Markert, will present a musical program between each play.

The Eighth Grade Dramatic Club will open the program with "From Ten to Two."

The cast includes: Pam McGrath, Mayer, The cast includes: Pam McGrain, Bonnie Borie, Sue Miller, Sidney Wardle, Linda Borach, Joyce Diercks, Sheila Cates, Gae Min-nich, Marcella Blakeslee, Barbara Burckle, Gerry Horlander, Jo Ann Renn, Carol Tucker, and C. C. Coffee, Mrs. Pat Kirwan is the spon-BOF.

The Ninth Grade Club will present two one-act plays. The first one is, "Miss Sidney

Carton." The cast includes: Maggi

The Dramatic Clubs of Waggen-Huber, Beisey Drautman, Margie er Junior High School will present Ineir annual "Night of Plays" Fri-beth Hall, and Carolyn Woodson. day, May 10, at 8 p.m. in the school gym. Tickets are 50 cents.

The final play on the program will be "Antic Spring". The cast is as follows:

Eidon Wayne, Jeanette Caswell, Minnie Wade, Scotty Tichenor, Ronnie Montgomery and Linda

Suran Meade is student direc-for; Tim Cable, Jean Fischer and Sandy Riehl make up the back-stage crew; and Libby Blankenship is prompter. The proceeds from the annual

program will be used for dramatics next year.

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# Waggener P.T.A. To Hold Installations Tonight

The Waggener Junior High School P.T.A, will hold installations of officers at the regular meeting this evening at 8 o'clock.

Reporter Joe Creason will speak on "Vacation Time and Your Child." There will be travel displays on exhibition in the rooms. The new P.T.A. president is Mrs. A. C. Rogers, of 2510 Windy Way. She has been serving the past year

as music chairmen. As such she was in charge ut the recent Waggener concert which netted \$1,409.92 for uniforms. (Earlier, The Voice reported profits at around \$1,050. Additional expenses cut into this figure by around \$258.).

A native of Salisbury, N. C., Mrs. Rogers attended grade and high schools there. She is a graduate of

Satisbury Business College. She and her family have lived bere more than five years, Mr, Rogers is claims manager for Liberty Mutual Insurance, They have one daughter, Tina, 13, in the eighth grade at Waggener.

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MRS. A. C. ROGERS

eighth grade at Waggener. The family attends Highland by Road, second vice president; Presbyterian Church Mrs. Rogers Mrs. Leon Hirsch, 415 Holting is a new member of the St. Mat. Lane, recording secretary; Mrs. thews Woman's Club, Corresponding secretary; Mrs. Other Waggener officers are, Prederick L. Stephens, 400 Dulf Mrs. Join Dobbins, 4017 Duroh. La., treasurer; and Mrs. Leonard field, first vice president; Mrs. Henry Heuser, Mockingbird Val-torian

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Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews, May 16, 1957:

# Young, Experienced Staff For Waggener Next Year

The Dean of Boys for Waggener Junior High School, Earl Duncan, has been promoted to assistant principal, the County Board of Education announced last week.

Taking Mr. Duncan's old job. will be Arthur K. Draut, Waggener seventh-grade core and math teacher. However, next year the title Dean of Boys will be changed to Boys' Guidance counsellor, under the requirements of the Minimum Foundation.

The announcement followed on the heels of the news that Eastern's championship basketball coach, Roy Adams, was moving to Waggener next year.

That means that principal John Lowe will have an experienced, young team to help handle the shift of Waggener Irum junior high to high school status next year, Waggener will add a grade each year beginning in September until it is a full-fledged high school.

As assistant principal of Eastern gener. High School from 1950 to 1954, Mr. Lowe helped to organize that school. He was made principal of 1942, and got his Bachelor of Sci-Waggener when that school op- ence degree in Commerce from the ened in St. Matthews in 1954.

of boys. He had been basketball U. of L. coach at Eastern for four years. He started teaching at Eastern and a combined record of about Navy for two years because of the 54 wins and 25 losses.

his assistant, Roy Adams, now 45, ne returned to Eastern. He came who had three winning teams. Mr. to Waggener in September, 1954. Adams' last team was the greatest in Eastern history, winning 25 in the Navy five years. All told, games, losing only three, and com- he has 15 years' service, including ing within three points of winning seven of active duty, and is now the State championship against a lieutenant (s.g.) in the reserves. Lafayette.

Taylorsville Rd. near Jefferson- mer Patricia Epperson of Louiswent to grade and high school in Kenny, 2. and the second s

Scoll County, received his bachelor of arts degree in history and social studies at Morehead College, and received his masters degree in physical education and education from Indiana University.

Before his four years at Eastern. he coached basketball at Jeffersontown six years and Fern Creek one year. He served in the Marines a year and a half during World War II.

He and his wife, the formet Gladys Price of Cynthiana, Ey., have four children, Larry, 8, Bobby) 6, Rita, 3, and Jerry Wayne, seven weeks. He belongs to the Middletown Christian Church and the Men's Club at the St Matthews Y.M.C.A.

Mr. Draul, 32, lives in Bucchel. He has taught three years at Wag-

A native of Louisville, he gradated from duPont Manual High in University of Louisville. This year Mr. Duncan came along as dean he is working on his Masters at

His teams had four winning years in 1950, and was recalled into the Korean War. When he was dis-He was succeeded at Eastern by charged from active duty in 1953.

During World War II, he was

He is a member of the church council at Immanuel E. & R. and Mr. Duncan, 36, lives at 1007 a Mason, He and his wife the fortown. A native of Georgetown, he ville, have two boys, Andy, 4, and a 11 8 1

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#### **Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:**



Tep men at Waggener School next year will be principal John Lowe, center, assistant, principal Earl Duncan, left, and counsellor of boys Arthur Draut

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## Waggener Orientation **Program Slated Tomorrow**

An orientation program for sixth graders who will enter Waggener Junior High School next fall from "feeder schools" will be held at Waggener tomorrow.

pupils from Chenoweth, Stivers, Markert, Julian Dorsey will con-Ballard, Lyndon, St. Matthews Elementary, and Greathouse are invited. They will be accompan-grade play. Four-hundred and thirty-nine ied by their parents and teachers. . .

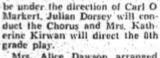
The program will begin at 8:40 a.m. with a short preliminary concert by the Beginning Band and the Seventh Grade Strings. The concert will be followed by a welcome address by John Lowe, principal at Waggener,

Nine students at Waggener will then comment on various phases of the school curriculum, including the core program, music, shop, home economics, physical education, art and activities.

Following the commentaries, the school Chorus will sing Negro spirituals and a novelty tune. A play entitled "Pokey Huntus", by the 8-B Core, will close the pro-gram of entertainment. A tour of the building will

close the orientation program.

The Band and Orchestra will



Mrs. Alice Dawson arranged the program.



# Harbison Picture **Wins Place In** National Exhibit

'An apaque water color painting entitled "My Locker" by Waggener School ninth-grader Linda Harbison won a place in the 30th National High School Art Exhibition May 10 in Pittsburg.

The picture was the regional winner Iroin Waggener School. Linda did the work under the dlrection of her. Waggener art teacher, Mrs. Comlyn Browning. Students submitted about 175,-000 entries from +48 states. Of these, 1.400 entries won places in the national show, representing 26 classifications in pictorial art, graphic ort, commercial art, design, sculpture and crafts, Linda, 15, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Harbison of

4333 Foeburn Ln.

#### **Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:**



A little punch helps at a party. Ann Henderson, of 7604 Devondale, center, is pictured pouring for rushees at right, Nancy Leason, 316 Forburn, and Linda Lamkin, 3650 Warner, at the Pi Beta Social Club rush tea Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hewitt Q. Harned, 501 Cornell. At left are hostess Phyllis Fust, 4326 Alicent, president Marie Van Hoose, 318 Forburn, and co-hostess Barbara Carrico, 55 S. Hampton. The club is for girls in grades 7 through 11 at Waggener High.

#### August 15, 1957

## Mrs. Ritchie director of Eastern, Wag'er orchestras

Mrs. Eleanor R. Rilchle will fiil the newly-created post of orchestra director for Eastern and Waggener High Schools that Fall.

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Mrs. Ritchie last year laught instrumental music at "Lyndon Middletown, Ballard, Greathouse, Stivers, Chenoweth and St, Mat-thews Elementary Schools. She has taught in the elementary schools in the St. Matthews area for nine years.

Throughout the entire country there is a recognized need for placing more emphasis on the playing of string instruments," she said.

Certainly the participation in Certainly the particulation in school concerts, community or-chestras, church programs, Sun-day School orchestras, local ra-dio and television performances, and in City-wide and State-wide music activities are valuable out-lets for interested and talented sfring players." Mere Bitchie who explored

Mrs. Ritchie, who graduated from the University of Kentucky was a string major. . .

"This year there will be more time provided at Waggener and Eastern for string players," she said. "That will make it possi-ble to have larger and better classes for beginning as well as advanced players."

She said musical instruments will be available for rental at both schools,

"Our community needs and wants the cultural assets of good orchestras as well as the fine band and choral groups we al-ready have," she said.

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MRS. RITCHIE

Mrs. Hitchie, who lives at 1918 Mrs. Michie, who lives at Jois Red Leaf Drive, was director of high schools bands in Barbour-ville, Ky., Henderson, Ky., Lysch, Ry., and Union College in Barbourville, and was direc-tor of strings in the Lexington City elementary schools.

Baptist picnic

The BEECHWOOD BAFTIST CHURCH PICNIC, sponsored by the brotherhood will be Aug. 30 at 6:15 p.m. Porticipating fami-lies are requested to bring a pic-nic basket; beverages will be furnished. furnished. The picnic will be held rain or shine.

# National recognition comes to ex-Waggener teacher

come to a former Waggener teacher only a short while after taking on added state respondhilities.

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Three weeks ago Mrs. Houlah Fontaine was employed by the Kentucky Education Association to serve as Consultant for Prolessional Services. This week Mrs. Fontaine was chosen as chairman of the National Com-mission on Teacher Education and Professional Standards. She has been a member of the Commission for three years.

In her KEA duties, Mrs. Fontaine will work closely with local teacher organizations throughout the state and serve as state advisor to Future Teacher groups in high schools and colleges. Her work with the national TEPS Commission involves attention to

Added national recognition has the improvement of standards of preparation and performance of teachers throughout the nation. This Commission is one of the important groups working with-in the framework of tht National Education Association. . .

> Mrs Fontaine, a native of Hardin County, grow up in Bul-litt County and has taught in Hardin, Bullitt and Jefferson. She attended Western State College, Louisville Normal School. and Nazareth College, where she earned the B. S. degree. Her M. A. degree was earned at the University of Louisville.

Prior to her appointment to the KEA staff. Mrs. Fontaine was teacher at Waggener Junior High School. She has been active in professional education for sevcral years, holding responsible posts at local, state and national levels.

September 5, 1957

Special bus forWaggener

Beginning Sept. 9, the Louis-ville Bus Co., will have a special bus to serve Waggener pupils. The route to school will be as follows:

From Breckinridge Lane and Willis Avenue over Willis to Cannons Lane, over Cannons Lane to Hycliffe, over Hycliffe to Breckinridge Lane, over Breck-inridge Lane to Springhill Road over Springhill Road to Browns Lane, Return by same route in

The bus will leave Breekin-ridge Lane and Willis at 7:57 a.m. Cannons Lane and Hycliffe at 8:05, will arrive at Browns Lane and Springhill at 8:15 a.m. On the return trip it will leave Browns Lane and Springhill at 3:08 p.m.

Regular school fare, 20 tickets for \$1.85 without transfer or 20 for \$2.00 with transfer, will be charged to children who obtain school Permit Cards from the School Office on opening day of school. This will permit purchase of school tickets at Ashbury-Berman Drug Store.

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# Waggener **Beta Club Organized**

#### by NICK LAMKIN

Dr. William G. Nash, Dean at meeting were: Murray State College, Murray, Ky., and representing Ken-tucky Beta Clubs, visited Waggener High School Sept. 9, for the purpose of organizing a Beta Club at Waggener. . .

The Bela Club is a national organization and membership is based upon scholarship, leadership and character.

One hundred and forty-one students are eligible for the Beta Club at Waggener. Eligi-bility is based on a scholastic average of B or better, and membership must be approved by teachers representing all departments who will observe and discusa the eligible students' records. The officers elected at the first

President, Steve Mowry; vice-president, Robert Ling; secretary, Peggy Leahy; and treasurer, Kit Georgehead,

Mrs. Mildred Cobb and Mr. Norris Merchant are the faculty sponsors of the club.

**September 12, 1957** 

# Dinner, Variety Show planned at Waggener Friday

Associa-The Parent-Teacher tion of Waggener High School is sponsoring a dinner and varlety show at the school on Friday, Nov. 8,

The fish or turkey dinner will be prepared and served by the parents, students, and teachers of the seventh and eighth grades. Tickets will be one dollar for adults, and 75 cents for students. Dinner will be served from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

The variety show, sponsored by the ninth and tenth graders, will be presented at 6 p.m. Tickets will be 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for students,

The theme for the show is "Outer Space" and the acts will consist of a boys' quartetie, a Charleston number, skits, Cavalier Dance Band, and others, Carl Markert, band director, is in charge of the show, and Julian Dorsey and Mrs. Mildred Page have been assisting him.

The art classes, under the di-rection of Mrs. Carolyn Brown-ing, are putting up a back drop of space ships, planets, consiella-tions and space men tions, and space men. All arrangements for the din-

ner and show have been handled by Mesdames D. W. Howard, chairman of the ways and means committee, Bailey Ryan, Jack Shepard, and Clay Morris,

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# Waggener P.T.A. meets Sept. 19, officers named

Thursday evening, Sept. 19, at 8 p.m. John B. Lowe, principal, will introduce the faculty and give a general overall picture of the ac-tivities concerning the High School unit and the additions to the curriculum and program of the school for the year 1057-58. Mrs. A. C. Rogers, president, will preside and introduce the members of the P. T. A. Board, Refreshments will be served by the hospitality committee at the conclusion of the meeting The Board of the Waggener P.T.A. will meet Monday morn-ing, Sept. 16, at 10 o'clock at the school. The members of the Ex-ceutive Board will meet at 9:30 a.m. The new committee mem-

follows:

Executive Board: Executive Board: Presideni, Mrs. A. C. Rogers, 2510 Windy Way; First vice pres-ident, Mrs. John Dobbins, 4017 Brookfield; Second vice presi-dent, Mrs. Henry Heuser, Mock-ingbird Valley Rond; recording secretary, Mrs. Leon Hirsch, 415 Rolling Lane; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Lillian Fuller, 414 Deerlield Lane; and treasur-er, Mrs. Frederick L. Stephens, 403 Duff Lane. Committee Chairmen:

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The first meeting of the Par-ent Teacher Association of the Mayme S. Waggener High School will be held at the school on Thuraday evening, Sept. 19, at a p.m. John B. Lowe, principal, will introduce the faculty and give a general overall picture of the ac-tivities concerning the High School unit and the additions to the school for the year 1057-54 are and introduce the members of the P. T. A. Board free Schoel for the year 1057-58 are as follows: The new committee at the cerulive Board will meet at 19:00 m. The new committee at the cerulive Board will meet at 19:00 m. The new committee at the cerulive Board will meet at 19:00 m. The new committee at the cerulive Board will meet at 19:00 m. The new committee at the cerulive Board will meet at 19:00 m. The new committee are tailows: Becoulive Board:

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## Waggener P.T.A. plans dinner, variety show

The Parent Teacher Associa-tion of the Mayme S. Waggener High School will sponsor a dim-ner and variety show at the school on Friday, Nov. 8 The fish or turkey dinner, sponsored by the seventh and eactth grades, will be served from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets for the dit-ner are \$1 for adults and 75 cents for students.

Mrs. D. W. Howard, charmon of the Ways and Means Com-mittee, and Mrs. Badey Ryan are in charge of the show, and Mrs. Jack Shepard and Mrs. Clay Morris are in charge of the arrangements for the dinner.

November 7, 1957

# Kiwanis plan scholarships at Waggener

The St. Matthews Kiwanis Club has announced that it will make available several scholarship grants to the first graduates of Waggener High School.

The school will graduate its

first class in 1960. Amounts of the scholarships have not yet been determined, but the club has tentative plans for allocating at least \$500 a year to this fund.

The Kiwanis scholarships will be outright gifts to the recipients, and not loans. A special committee from the club is now estab-lishing qualifications for the re-cipients and working out other details.

President Clarence W. Hardin said the club believes that financial aid to future graduates of Waggener would be "one of the most worthwhile projects the members could work for.'

**October 3, 1957** 

# Waggener National Beta Club installation today

A local chapter of the National Beta Club, a leadershipservice organization for high-school students of America, will be installed tuday at Waggener High School.

The National Beta Club, with about 2,409 local chapters and approximately 73,000 members in high schools of 20 States, is now

in its 25th year. Objectives of this non-secret, leadership - service organization are to encourage effort, to promote character, to slimulate achievement among its members, and to encourage and assist stu-dents to continue their education

dents to continue their education after high-school graduation, Mrs. Midred Cobb and Mr. Norris Merchant were appointed as faculty sponsors for the local chapter. chapter. Permanent officers for this year

are:

Steve Mowry, president; Rob-ert Ling, vice-president; Peggy Leaky, secretary, and Kit George-

head, treasurer. The local organization is com-posed of the following students who have fulfilled the requirements necessary for membership in the National Beta Club; Abooti, Wally Adams,

John

## **Principal Lowe** thanks all for Waggener success

Principal John P. Lowe this week thanked all the parents, friends, and students for their "fine backing and cooperation" on the dinner and variety show sponsored by the Waggener High P.T.A. Friday. A net profit of about \$1,000

was made. Mrs. D. W. Howard, chairman Mrs. D. ways and means commit-tee, expressed her "appreciation and thanks" to teachers Carl Markert, Julian Dorsey and Mrs. Mildred Page for their ward the bar vertices choice

the variety show. She also thanked Mrs. Carolyn Browning and ner arts schemer, and Mrs. Charles Bently and her helpers who worked in the kitchen. Further thanks were extended to the students and teachers.

The P.T.A. will meet Thurs-day, Nov. 21, at 8 p.m. Dr. J. S. Long, of Speed Scientific School Industrial Research will speak on "Science in Our Lives". The science department will

The science department will be open for ins accurate science teachers will be present. There will be displays of the stu-dents' work in the biology and general science roota-Chemistry is not taught in the 10th Grade but will be available next year, and this room will also be open to any who are in-terested. The Brand Meeting of the

The Board Meeting of the P.T.A. will be held Monday. Nov. 18, at the school at 10 a.m. Members of the executive board will meet at 9:30 a.m.

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> Judy Walker, Sandra Walker, Barbara Webb, Joe Wellnitz, Barbara White, Earl S. Wilson, Robert Wood, Perry Wood, Wil-liam oods, Judy Wylie, and Da-bid Zihard. vid Zibart.

Jinny McMichael's editorial on the Community Chest was judged the best in the County and she was rewarded with a trophy. Jinny, 14, wrote the prize winner for the Waggener Chit Chat, of which she is associate editor. A tenth-grad-er, she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McMichael, 334 Monohan.

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Student Council, Beta Club, talent show in the news



Steve Simpson, left, president of the Beta Club at Eastern, conducted ceremonies Thursday for establishment of a Beta chapter at Waggener High. Accepting the cer-tificate are principal John Lowe and Steve Mowry, president of the Waggener Beta Chapter

Last week three events tool abetical order, the candidates for with The National Beta Club-place at Waggener. The Student the Student Council. The can-Student council nominees were present of before the school, the Waggener's Beta the student of the Student council. The can-sponsor of Waggener's Beta the student of the student of the student of the student childs vs. Bobby Sexton for Club. Mrs. Midred Cobh and teta Club was installed, and the strating for vice-president. State Corporations. Beta Club pin. "TA sponsored a Dinner-tailer to the strategy in the state of the strategy in the strates was an among-imaking for secretary, and kit George Tuesday. Nov. 5. suits approprint upper upper upper upper upper upper upper the strategy and the strategy in the strategy and the strategy in t

other quality of a Beta Club momber. The prospective members then rose and repested the Beta Club Predge and were inducted into membership. Each member re-ceived The Beta Club pin, cer-tificate. eard and slicker signi-fying his membership. If The officers of Eastern's Beta Club then presented the officers of Waggener's Beta, Club, and explained their duties. The new-ly-elected officers are: Slave Movery, president, Rob-ert Ling, vice president, Rob-ert Ling, vice president, Rob-ert Simpson, president of Eastern's Beta Club, presented Mr. Love with a large framed certificate signifying Waggener's atlination

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Carl Markert, Julian Dorsey, and Mrs. Mildred Page, music

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teachers at Waggener, amisted in the organization, props, coaching and accompanying. Mra Delbert Hoon was music chairman. Mrt. Cartoyn Brown-ng, art and stage sets, Cliff Ush-er, lights, and Bob Wood, sound Heron, Doug Smith.

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Thanksgiving and football dance at Waggener

Waggener High will have a Thanksgiving and football dance from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 23.

The football players will be honored. Certificates will be presented to the players who have carned letters. The Cavaliers will furnish the music.

The boy and girl who are ahead in the Booster contest will receive their radios,

Tickets will be limited to 200. They will be on sale at the school Thursday and Friday

The price is one dollar per couple, and one dollar stag.

The dress will be semi-formal,

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#### by Jinny McMichael

# Sexton to head Student Council, football dance held

The red hot enumpsion for Student Council came to a clase last Tuesday, as the 24 mem-bers of the Waggener Student Council wore elected by the student body in a ballot process. Bobby Sexton was elected

president, Robert Long, vier president, Peggy Lonky, secu-tary, and Kit Georgebrad, trea-urer. All officers are sophin mores. The 12 sochomores elected as

The 12 sophomores elected an council members werr: Kei-neth Andersan, Mel Burland, Jan Dee Brointa, Sandy Carler, Perry Chick, Jaenes Chay, Dan Pratier, Lynne Lawson, Billy Mayrose, Diane Nune, Ramey Simpson and Bob Wood. The freshman elected to the council were Susie Cooke, Fred Davis, Patsy Gay, Andy Jami-son, Linda Miller, Chay Morris, Steve Porter and Warren Van Hoose.

The civics and world history classes counted the 120,130 votos and couldn't finish until early the day following the election. the day following the election. Bobby is a member of the Bets Club and hulf-back on the football team. Rabert is vice president of the Beta Club, Peg-gy is secretary of the Beta Club and Kit is treasurer of the Beta Club and co-captain of the football team. .

Red roses and a kiss from the football co-capitains were pre-sented to Judy Vall as the heu-mette sophomore was crowned Football Queen Saturday night at the gym. The co-capitains are Fred Davis and Kit George-band head.

The Queen was selected by the entire football team, as were the members of her court. Members of her court were Ann Bell, Sandy Bridges, Beverly Curry, Sharen Stark and Susan Tour-off.

The boy and girl who solicited the most money for the Booster Club nthletic fund were also recognized and received, as

their prize, a radia. The girl was Baird, Pat Baird, Jim Easterly, decorations for the dance were Nancy Davis, and the boy was Steve Minica, Frank Ensor, doie by Peggy Leaky and Woody Axion. Nancy made Steve Graef, Howie Hatton, Sandy Oed under the supervis-fill for the stilletic fund and Sonny Tribble, Eddie Bigmon, ion of Mr. Draut. Woody \$72.50. The Booster King Dan Frazier, Dennis Garber, The Sports and Recreation nod Quoon will be crowned in Norman Moher, Eddie Morris, Pebruary at the Basketball-John Abbott and Tommy Ryan. February at the Basketball-John Abbott and Tommy Ryan. The Sports and Mr. Market for their nie Gibson, George Richards and Mr. Market for their nie Gibson, George Richards and Jan Babadi Dance a succest. James Gray, assistant conch of Recent of Recent Action Special guests for Wageneer's James Gray, assistant conch of Recent Concent of Recent Special guests for Wageneer's

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Wood Axton, Sr., master of ceremonies, presents radios to his son, Wood Axton, Jr., and Nancy Davis for selling the most memberships in the Waggener Booster Drive. This pic-ture was taken at the football-Thanksgiving dance at the school Saturday night.

giving theme was brought out with large paper turkeys at either end of the stage and a large basket of fruit and vegetables in the center.



Judy Vail, 15, of 215 Sequoya, is Waggener High's football queen. A sophomore, whose hubbles are parties and dating, and whose sports are swimming and tennis, Judy hails from Long Island and has been here a year and a half. She belongs to Our Savior Lutherau Church.



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Christmas Caravan coming

The Beta Club and Student Council are to work together on the project of sponsoring this year's Christmas Caravan and baskets for needy families.

The Christmas Caravan stops t schools each year and collects from such as candy, tobacco, fruit, jewelry, and cosmetics to take to Central State Hospital. It will be at Waggener Dec. 16.

Heading the committee on gifts is Dan Frazier. Members of the Committee are Jan Dee Broida, Andy Jamieson, Lynne Lawsoo, Joe Nunnelly, and Lin-de Schnaf,

Waggener sent a small delega-tion to the State Beta Cuiwen-tion at the Kentucky Hotel in Louisville. Those representing Waggener included the officers, president Steve Mowry, vice president Robert Ling, secre-tary Peggy Leahy and treasurer Kit Georgehead.

Other Waggener Beta members present were Sandy Carter, Lucille Lapsley, Ima Lewis, Elizabeth Blankenship, Jan Dee Broida, and Jinny McMichael. Broids, and Jinny McMichael, and the sponsors, Mildred Cobb and Norris Merchant.

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# School hums with hristmas activities

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with Christmas activities and preparations. The annual Christmas program, titled "What Christ-mas 1s," is being presented tomorrow by the music and art departments combined.

The door decorations sponsored by the Student Council are in full regalia. The home room pacties and gift exchanges and the traditional Christmas dinner all mark the exciting holiday season. This year's Christmas program is based on the symbolism of Christmas, and is built around a prologue on Christmas written by Mrs. Carolyn Browning, Waggener's art instructor. It is a highly musical production with a back-ground of art. The students who will participate in the program are Minnie Wade, Charles Brown, Bobby Sexton and Arch Davis. The choruses, under the direc-

tion of Julian Dorsey and Mildred Page, the orchestra, under the direction of Elanor Ritchie, and the hand, under the direction of Carl Markert, will participate in a ma-

jor part of the program. Others helping to produce the Robert Bauer, Neetar Kazanjain and Mrs. Carl Markert. The student stage crew consists of John Blunk, chief technician, and Lquis Degever, Al Young and Marshall Davis

The program will be presented in two assembly programs, one for the seventh and eighth prades and one for the ninth and tenth grades. The program will last about an hour.

Door decorations around Wag-gener are getting a chance "to do their stuff." The Student Council is sponsoring a contest to acc which room had the best door decorations. Also in the decorating line is the trimming of Waggener's

first Christmas tree. The Student Council and Beta Club groups decorated it with or-

Waggener is really humming naments made by the geometry classes, as well as ornaments done by the home economics groups.

> Last Friday the Student Council wrapped those gifts that were unwrapped for the Christmas Caravan to Central State Hospital and the baskets for needy familles. At that same time they strung tags which say "Go Wag-gener-Beat DeSales." They will

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# Contest winners chosen

A Santa Claus on one door and caroler whose skirt and bonnet A Santa Claus on one good and a showy winter scene on the other, the lifelike crope paper figure of a caroler, and a dark winter scene trimmed with Christmas greenery, won the Door Decora-tions Contest, sponsored by the Student Council, for three diff-erent home rooms last Tuesday.

Morris Chilton's 7D homeroom, room 105, with two doors, had a Sania en one door and a painted snowy scene on the other. Be-neath the scene were Christmas figures done in snow spray, John Schelbel was the chairman of the committee and Judy Smoller and Barbara Seckamp were on the committee,

The homeroom of Norria Mer-chani, 10C, room 229, also claimed first honors with their Christ-mas scene laid against a dark background and illuminated by the stand-out street Jamps which

stood out as you looked over her shoulder. Bonnie Davis was the door decorator for 10A, William May's homeroom.

May's homeroom, Nearly every homeroom par-tleipated in this schoolwide con-test judged by Bohity Sexton, Dan Frazier, Linda Miller, Susie Cooke, Patsy Gay, and Mel Bor-land, all members of the Student Council, Each member of the win-ping home rooms was treated to ning home rooms was treated to ice cream by the Student Council, . . .

Mildred Cobb's home room, 7A, schered Cobo's home room, 7A, sent in more packages to the Christmas Cara van than any other home room and were con-sequently treated to lee cream by the Student Council and Beta Club,

mas scene laid against a dark background and illuminated by the stand-out street Jamps which appeared to shine due to the yel-low paper behind them. Gien Wagner designed it and Elaine Gutewein and Nancy Davis aided him in putting it up. 10A, room 122, also copped first place with their crepe paper

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were the talent show on Friday by Jinny McMichael night and the banquet and dance on Saturday night.

> The Waggener Beta Club plans to sell bookjackets as its project for this year. The sale will start not long after Christmas vacation.

The Student Council is plann-The Student Council is plann-officers. They are Lee Miller ing to sponsor a contest for Dean, president, Nancy Mai-thews, vice president and Judy classroom doors. We think this Buisson, secretary, Judy is from Southern High.

convention the Christmas sesson.

# \$160,000 addition set for Wad dener

# New shop, 6 classrooms to be built

Waggener High School will and six additional classrooms, with a total value of about \$160,000.

Jack Dawson, director of con-struction and inspection for the County Board of Education, said Tuesday that the contract for construction of the shop building already had been awarded to Platoff Construction Co.

Work will start next week probably, he said, and it should be finestimated at \$60,000.

Contracts will be let within the next 30 days for the six additional classrooms and the enlargement of the kitchen, he said. This will the kitchen, he said. come to about \$100,000, he said.

The shop building will be 110 by 48 feet, and will have four rooms, It will include a mechanishortly have a new shop cal drawing room, a severth and building, an enlarged kitchen eighth grade shop, and a high school shop.

Wood-working, electricity and the 1960-61 school year, sheet metal work will be taught "If we had the money, there. The school already has most of the shop equipment it needs. The present shop will be used for a lunchroom.

Principal John B, Lowe noted that Waggener places no special emphasis on shop work.

"We know that a majority of our students want college prepara-tory courses," he said, "We gear

ished within 150 days, Cost was our curriculum with that in estimated at \$60,000. mind."

The six classrooms should be ready by September. They will be average-size classrooms, 22 by 32 fect.

Waggener now has 1,417 pupils in grades seven through 10. 11th grade will be added in 1958 and a 12th grade in 1959.

Next year's enrollment is expected to be about 1,880. An enrollment of 2,650 is expected for

"If we had the money, we'd like to build another junior high school in the St. Matthews area," said Mr. Dawson. "We don't like for 1,900 pupils. We'd prefer 1,500 or 1,600."

Waggener now has 55 classrooms and a staff of 59 teachers and admin't sative personnel. An additional 18 or 12 teachers will be added to the staff next year.

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# Santa and Mrs. Claus drop in

Santa Claus and Mrs. Claus "dropped in" on Waggener last Saturday, not via the traditional sleigh and eight reindeer, but by way of a huge white "whirlybird" decorated with a picture of the Jolly Old Soul and red letters saying "Santa's Private Whirly Bird, North Pole Special, U.S.A." On either runner was a sign which said "Fight T.B. - Buy Christmas Seals."

Santa came whirling in at 3 p.m. and settled in the middle of the roped-off parking area. He and Mrs. Claus "went straight to their work" of distributing three crates of oranges and one of apples to the youngest of the huge book are a brief history of Wag-

throng that jammed the parking lots. They had planned to use the football field, but due to the snow it was too muddy.

Charlie Spears and A. K. Draul, of the County Recreation Youth Association, supervised and the Jaycees of St. Matthews directed traffic, The Waggener Band, under the direction of Carl Markert, and the Chorus, under the direction of Mildred Page, played and sang Christmas carols,

The Wildcat Book, a school directory for students published by the Music Committee of Waggener P.T.A., began sales last week The main items included in the

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gener, a brief life history of John Lowe, the principal, code of conduct, school calendar, calendar of special events, requirements for graduation, college classes, scholarships, Safety Patrol, Student Council, Beta Club, Dramatics Club, Future Homemakers of America Club, Future Teachers of America, Science Club, Newspaper staff, Annual staff, Music Department, football team, cheer leaders, cheers and the big feature with students, the student directory consisting of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of every student at Waggener. The price of the book is 50 cents.

#### **Courtesy Maggie Huber Westland:**

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#### **Courtesy Maggie Huber Westland:**

9TH GRADE DRAMATIC CLUB presents "ANTIC SPRING" By: Robert Nail

Elbert, fourteen and not too satisfied	Eldon Wayne
Ginger, seventeen and energetic	Jeanette Caswell
Blossom, fourteen and Idiotic	Minnie Wade
Robert, seventeen and poetic	Scotty Tichesor
Sam, seventeen and lovesick	Ronnie Montgomery
Gwendolyn, mixteen and vacuous	Linda Mayer
Student Director	Summ Mende
Stage Manager	Tim Cable
	Joan Fischer
	Sandy Richl
Prompter	Libby Blankenship
Sponsor	

Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French.

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#### CREDITS

The Waggener Orchestra is directed by Mr. Carl Markert,

The cover of the program was designed and executed by Barbara Scogia.

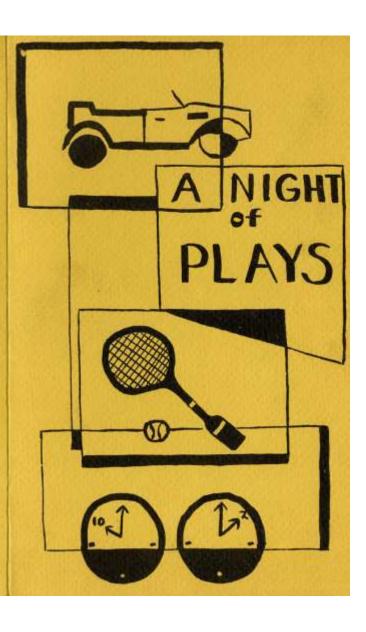
Special art work was executed by Peggy Calhoun and Sandy Lehman.

Lighting is being handled by Cliff Usher.

Backstage Director is Gene Martin.

We are grateful to Mrs. Carolyn Browning for her advice and designs for program and sets.

We thank members of our faculty and Mr. Lowe for their cooperation.



#### **Courtesy Maggie Huber Westland:**

#### THE DRAMATIC CLUBS

present

"A NIGHT OF PLAYS"

May 10, 1957-----Waggener Junior High School-----8:00 P.M.

#### OVERTURE

FRANCAISE MILITAIRE ...... C.Saint-Saens MARCH from "Algerian Suite" ..... Arr. by E. De Lamater GRANDFATHER'S CLOCK ..... H. C. Work Arr. by George H. Sanders

Waggener Junior High School Orchestra

#### 8TH GRADE DRAMATIC CLUB

presents

#### "FROM TEN TO TWO"

By: Lindsey Barbee

Barbara Benedict, one of the sextette Pan McGrath
Ellen Lee, another Bonnie Borie
Natalie North, still another Sue Miller
Caroline Allen, Barbara's Aunt Sidney Wardle
Polly Porter, who wants to be an actress Linda Borsch
Edith Page, who wants to travel Joyce Diercks
Martha Proctor, a young nurse
Emily Chadwick, a reporter Gae Minnich
Rath Reid, a bride-to-be Marcella Blakeslee
Mary, wild-eyed, nervous, and erratic Barbara Burckle
Margaret, hysterical Gerry Horiander
Agatha, sly and evasive Jo Ann Renn
Jane, who sees murder everywhere Carol Tucker
Bus Driver
Scene: Living room in the Benedict summer home.
Time: A summer morning during an electrical storm.
Stage Manager C. C. Coffee

Sponsor..... Mrs. Kirwan

SERENADE ..... Franz Schubert

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Arr. by Merie J. Isaac LONDONDERRY AIR ..... An Old Irish Melody

An, by E, De Lamater

Waggener Junior High School Orchestra

#### 9TH GRADE DRAMATIC CLUB

presents

#### "MISS SIDNEY CARTON"

By: Colin Clements

Scene I: The Jones' living room, late afternoon. Scene II: The same, twenty-four hours later. Time: The Present.

01100-0018		 Linda Schaaf
Stage Manager		 Tim Cable
Sponsor		 Mrs. Dodds
	Contration and a	 Press

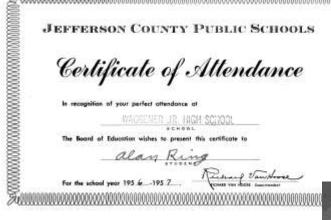
Produced by special arrangement with Samuel French.

SWEET ROSLE O'GRADY	. Maude Nugent Arr. by Forrest L. Buchtel
STILL AS THE NIGHT	. Carl Bohm Arr. by George H. Sanders
LITTLE TIN SOLDIERS	. H. G. Pieme Arr. by E. De Lamater

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## **Courtesy of Al Ring & Marie VanHoose Sayre:**



## 1956/57/58



Charles H. Brown, Jr. at his home in St. Matthews

Sandy Sue Riehl, Marie VanHoose (Chuck "dummy") & Jimmie Jordan The League of Ky Sportsmen





## **Beauty Queen Candidate**

Marie Van Hoose, left, 318 Foeburn Lane, will be one of the nine candidates for the title of Miss Kentucky Sportsman of 1957, in a contest tomorrow night at The Kentucky. Miss Van Hoose, who is to represent the Jefferson County Sportsmen's Club, is pictured with Sandy Sue Richl, 3941 Elfin Avenue, after they had chosen queen and alternate in the third district's contest. Miss Richl represented the Louisville Archery Club.





Courtesy of Waggener High School 1960-62's Alumni-http:// www.waggenerhighalum.org/

Libby Blankenship Darnell and Ima Lewis Johns 8/18/1958

Penny Shelby '61, Libby's Cousin Connie, Libby Blankenship '60, Carolyn Woodson '60 and Ima Lewis Johns '60

Courtesy of Waggener High School 1960-62's Alumnihttp://www.waggenerhighalum.org/---According to site, caption is wrong.

1956/57/58

**Courtesy of Marie VanHoose Sayre:** 



1956 or 1957 Dennis C. Garber (60)

Pi Beta Social Club Dance 1957/1958 Sharon Twyman (60, Mary Carol Coons (60), Peter ????, "Kit" Georghead (60)



Pi Beta Social Club Dance 1957/1958 Ron Ray, Naomi Brown



Pi Beta Social Club Dance 1957/1958 Bev Curry, Howard Hatton



Pi Beta Social Club Dance 1957/1958 Sharon (Saunders) Minrath (61) and ?????



Linda Louise Harbison (60) About 1958



Pi Beta Social Club Dance 1957/1958 Judy (Brooks) (61) Yancy, Vic Meadows (62)





Pi Beta Social Club Dance 1957/1958 Mike Gambill (61) Pam Oliver (61)

**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 

Waggener P.T.A. meeting set Jan. 16

The Waggever High School P.T.A. will meet Jan. 16, ut 5 p.m. The program will include a film

shown by Mrs. Mildred Cobb. The film, "A child's guide to a parent's mind," will be followed by a panel discussion on "Family counseling encourages hetter juvenile protecthen'

Refreshments will be served by the Hospitality Committee at the close of the meeting

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ice Brown, Elsa Erenberg, Sherry

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tra are:

Waggener's Orchestra, under the direction of Eleanor Ritchie, is one of five Louisville high school orchestras invited to play in the String and Orchestra Clinic at Columbia Auditorium tomor-Evans, Jane Haaga, Carol Hall, Julia Harlowe, Norman Harris, Jim Herron, Lavonne Jarvis, Penny Kesselman, John Koon, Shar-on McDonald, Mary Bert McMilhan, Gae Minnich, Jerry Lynn Seekump, Merrill Lee Sweet, Bruce Toole, Kay Twaryonas and Gerry Veatch. row, Jan. 10. Members of the String Orches-Helen Bisha, Pam Boston, Jan-

Orchestra to play at Columbia Audi

Other members of the orchestra are: Dick Bedwell, Marilyn Coi-Ins, Nancy Collins, Ted Hoon, David Hussung, Sally Kaufman, Kathryn Mayland, Ronnie Mont-gomery, Pam Oliver, Beverly O'Nan, Martin Radunz, David Stuizenberger, Eldon Wayne, Billy Wetherton, and Lamont Wilson

Last Saturday night County Recreation Youth Association members and their guests danced to the rock 'of roll tunes played by Jerry Cox's band i nihe Wag-

gener gym. The dance, which was semi-formal, was held from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

by Jinny McMichael

The gym was strung with crepe aper and floor lamps provided the lights. The dance was chap-eroned by Mr. and Mrs. Larry Orr. Arthur K. Draut. Ann Krieger, and Charlie Spears.

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Waggener by Jinny McMichael. Peanut drive set for Sat.

Against Poho Teens The Teens Against Poli-group, has recruited some 47 students to help in the sale of peanuts this Satarday. The sale will take place from 9 o'clock a.m. until 6 o'clock p.m. at Winn Dixie, Webb's Drug Store, Plehn's Bakery, Ashbury-Ber-man Drug Store, and Martin's Genere. Grocery.

One person at each place will have a big blue and white but-ton which says, "20th March of Dimes". The peanuts will be sold for as much as the patron wishes to donale, with a mini-

mum charge of ten cents. Students helping are: Carol Sturm, David Allen, Jack Hend-Storm, David Allen, Jack Hend-ren, Brent Billerman, Judy Montgomery, Sharon Brady, Jean Allen, Jane Birmingham, Nedla Barnett, Peggy Leahy, Jeanie Swann, Walter King, Larry Burnett, Gail Russell, Patsy Wood, Eleanor Potter, Jo-anna Staley, Jan Fletcher, Gary Mosley, Bruce Broecker, Ricky Acree, Sharon McGloshen, Jo Mosley, Bruce Brocker, Juny Acree, Sharon McGloshen, Jo Ann Renn, Gayle Reichmuth, Lucitle Lapsley, Karen Wurm-ser, Ann Price, Charlene Morri-son, Minnie Wade, Carol Miller, Jan Dee Broida, Peggy Calhoun, Masey Schuler, Boberta Bryson. Judy Dec Broada, Peggy Caliboun, Nancy Scheirer, Roberta Bryson, Judy Wilson, Metzie Pennia, Jimmie Harbolt, Denny Garber, Judy Foster, Janet Holt, Denny Redman, Tim Wright, Diana Dodds, Janet Pierce, Pat Grin-Morris, Ronale Montgomery and Glen Wagner.

This year's tenth grade made their tentative eleventh grade schedules and handed them in last Monday. This was done to get an idea of how many teach-ers would be needed for each subject.

offered at Waggener's curriculum are: speech and dramatics, chemisry I, accomputes, algebra II, advanced math, solid geome-try, Latin III, French III, German I, American history, driver's training, business arithme-fic, shorthand and bookkeeping. .

The Guidance Counselors at Waggener have worked out an individual guidance plan where they meet with each student, in-dividually and help him work out a program and tentative schedule of subjects best suited to his abilities, Information on any collegg is available to the student, The Guidance Counse-lors are Alice Dawson and Arthur Draut. They plan to conven-trate on tenth grades, feeling subjects to fit the students needs. This was done before the suphomores chose their eleventh grade subjects.

Bobby Secton, chairman of the Program Committee of the Beta Club, prepared a list of the 20 most popular colleges among Beta members. At the last meeting each person wrote down five and the top twenty were investigated. The Kentucky colleges named will be reported on at the next Beta Club meeting.

The top 20, in order, arc: Uni-versity of Kentucky, University of Louisville, U.C.L.A., Vander-bilt, University of Florida, Mi-ami University (Oxford, Ohio) Centre, Purdue, Western State Teachers, College, Duke, Vale This year's tenth grade made Centre, Purdue, Western State beir tentative eleventh grade Teachers College, Duke, Yale, chedules and handed them in Universiv of Chicago. Universi-ist Monday. This was done to the of Michigan, Eastern State et an idea of how many teach-rs would be needed for each M.I.T., University of California, abject. New subjects not previously State, and Indiana University. **January 23, 1958** 



by Jimp McMichell

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**Courtesy The Voice Of St. Matthews:** 

# Waggener and Wilder schools to be enlarged

Waggener High School will have a 15-room addition next year and Wilder Elementary will have four more rooms. . . .

That was the news of interest to st. Matthews coming out of the and Waggeuer. County Board of Education Expansion of Waggener is consid-

money saved on three other build-

County meeting Monday evening. Originally, waggener was sched-uled to get only six rooms, but Present enrollment is 1,417, in grades seven through 10. The school will add a grade each year until it becomes a full-fiedged high wheel

Officials say another addition can be made if necessary, but they hope it won't be. Rather than have the school get so large, they want to build another one here. Construction is expected to start about March 1. Bids will go out the middle of February.

Board of Education staff mem her John L. Ramsey said that Wilder needs four rooms hadly, be-cause the school went over its expected enrollment last Septem-ber. Present enrollment is close to 700.

. . .

One class is even being held on the school stage, he said. He said this will probably be the last addition to Wilder, unless it becomes absolutely necessary. The school has 21 classrooms now.

Waggener Waggener Mr. and Mrs. Waggener to be elected will play from 8 to 12 pm. The and Jinny McMichael, toolal TAP, would really like to see A coke party followed for the the teners taru out for fun, fes-the teners t

# A bay and gifl were nomination for Mi-and Miss Wagesner al Waggener for Mi-high The entire school will high The entire school will will appear in "The Lair", Wag-gener's anneal. A tropity will be presented by the Wagesner P.T.A. to the Si. Mathews Ministerial Association. For the tropity will be presented by the Wagesner P.T.A. to the school of the solution of the solution processing of the Boater King and Queen. Wagesner minith and teath

several designs for these were been an election of officers at desployed. The deadline for en-tering these designs was last an Bexwood Late. tering Monday.

Five designs were chosen by a committee and the one to be used on the bookjackets will be evelocied by the Beta Club at the next meeting. They will then be printed and sold as the Beta Club's maney-making project of this year.

The Beta Club also formed a He-pitality Committee which will orient new ninth and with grade students with Waggeuer.

Congratulations are in order for Carolyn Browning, Wagge-ner's art teather, who has been avarded a graduate scholarship in the University of Lonisville in complete her Master's De-gree in art. She will return next fall, better prepared, she leek, for her teaching position.

The entire rounly group of Teena Against Polio is spontor-ing a semi-format dance at the Seelbach Hotel. Chif Butter

on Boxwood Lane. Newly clorted officers are: Judy Terry, president: Martha Rodahaffer, vice president: Char-hotte McKinsty, recording asc-relary: Barbora Hampton, en-responding secretary: Jan Des Broida, trenaurer: Nancy Scheir-er, pietige chairman; Maren Heuser, chaptin; Carol Isham and Maggie Huber, sergeants-at-arms; Jimmie Puryott, historian;

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#### Waggener High School Alumni Comments:

You're right about a lot of the memories focusing on everything but Waggener High days. Along that line, I made a special trip several years ago to visit with Mrs. Katherine Kirwan at her home. She's the only teacher I've seen since 1961. She was far and away my favorite. She remembered a number of the people who are in this email group. She was annoyed at losing most of her sight because she was always an avid newspaper reader, but other than that was just as sharp as when she was teaching us English and journalism. I confessed to her that we used to call her "Katy" behind her back, with affection of course, which she chuckled at. I'm wondering if anyone has seen her recently and how she is doing.

This is Myrta Baxter Boyle from the Class of '62. It is a very hot night here in Palm Springs, Ca. but I'm having so much fun reading all the memories from the past. Now my husband really does believe there was a Sidebottom. I saw a lot of the Waggener faculty when my dad Sidney Baxter died in '89.

Two of the best teachers ever, Mrs. Kirwan and Hannah Baird, got me through Wake Forest! The Greek lit., Italian history, philosophy classes were nothing compared to what I learned in that humanities class! I was an English major and was so glad Mrs. Kirwan made us write, write.

The purging of the naked Africans (see Greathouse comments) brought to mind a Waggener librarian named Sadie Stinson who went through all the anatomy books and removed the pages from the sections on reproductive system and also blackened a few lines in the big dictionary when she found the leather jacket crowd looking up the "big words" for their scatological and sexual expletives.

Sadie Stinson later was a librarian at the U. of Louisville in the early to mid- 70s and possibly into the 80s. Saw and talked with her on several occasions in the library there. She said she remembered me from WHS (it wasn't for my academic pursuits that's for sure) and asked about various others. What struck me was she never cracked a smile during our conversations, just like at WHS!

I know you liked Grace Evans. That was because you and Phyllis sat at our table with your backs toward the front of the class and talked drill team. She was very careful not to catch you ladies. I liked Grace Evans too. The only thing bad she ever did to me was talk me into going to Murray. I didn't fit! I never had a 4H project, I had never milked a cow, and my dad never bought me my own tractor! I enjoyed Western much more. And yes, Mr. Harris did smile. This was when he was in the hall between classes and talking to Ms. Evans. I always had the feeling that he was laughing at us, however!

I think Estelle Logsdon was a former Mountain Laurel Queen. I have 70 hours of History, and she was the best looking History teacher I ever had! I also think Hufsey taught one class of American Government. Odd combination; I had him but not for Physics.

Do you remember when it was time for the student body to select school colors, we were seriously considering PINK AND BLACK? Were we dropped on our heads ?

How about these brain twisters: The Toddle House, Algonquin Gardens (Uh-oh), White Castle (still go there every time I am home), the Daniel Boone statue, Big Rock, Athenaeum parties in the park, Phyllis Fust and Betsy St. Clairs' slam books with pale yellow paper, autograph hounds...god..stop me somebody...MADRAS.....

You all have forgotten the time Bert Pence and Jim Herron were placed at the "messy eaters table." We brought a white tablecloth to WHS and candle sticks. We were then promptly thrashed, thrown out by Ned Beaty's mom and whomever the principal was and it wasn't Earl Duncan. It was the little dude who resembled Manny Moe or Jack of PEP BOYS fame. He used to say "keep your feet off the "Furn na ture." Who was that guy...WHS's first principal....Bert.

Yes, I remember the lunch room boycott. As I remember, this idea got it's start in Emory Harris' chemistry class. He spent a lot of time out of the classroom and this was one of the incidents that resulted. After chemistry class, the idea spread in the hallways like wild fire.

As for Mr. Markert, he died in the late 1980s. It was his grandson (Bert's son) who died in the reservoir. He was the announcer known as Weird Beard. I think Bert died in the early 1990s with heart problems that resulted from the rheumatic fever he had when he was at Waggener. I wish someone could tell me I was wrong about the last sentence.

#### Waggener High School Alumni Comments:

It has been a real kick reading all of the memories and updates. I guess it is time for another West Coast member to weigh in with a small contribution. In rummaging around through photos of my youth, I found a picture of Mrs. Goheen's 6th grade class at Chenoweth School (some of us didn't come from Stivers, etc.) to match against Ray photo. So now see how many of these classmates you can identify. For starters, I am second from the left, front row. Yes, Trent, I do remember the lunchroom boycott as I almost got expelled for my role in that event. I recall that Alan Z was one of the few who protested by buying a lunch - and he paid for it with a \$100.00 bill. If I recall, the going price was about \$.35 or there about's. Needless to say, they couldn't make change! Those of us who were involved in starting the boycott were then required to try and end it at a series of assemblies for the entire student body. If everyone didn't start buying lunches again, we were to be expelled. But we ended up staying in school. I guess this was an early exercise in civil disobedience! It was my first (but certainly not last) experience at being a shit disturber. Does anyone recall the golf tournament sponsored by Pat Crawford's 11th grade U.S. History class - the U.S. History Invitational Tournament (USHIT) at Seneca Golf Course - which Steve P won in supposedly his first attempt at playing the game?

I remember her well. I was on loan from the band to the orchestra two days a week. Because of being Drum Major, Mr. Markert and Mrs. Richie decided that I should spend more of my time in band than orchestra. I went to Murray because the best Drum Major in Louisville, Roger Reichmuth (Gayle's brother) was there. I stayed one year and got a music scholarship to Western. That's when I decided I was not going to teach music lessons for the rest of my life. Can you imagine teaching DRUMS! I played with some bands, but the best paying one was in Beach Bend Park every Friday and Saturday night. What Class!

After I got married in '63, Marilyn told me it was time to grow up. Coming in at 4 O'clock in the morning was not her idea of being married! I put down the drum sticks and started working on a teaching certificate. Second to Marilyn, it was the best move I ever made.

I really enjoyed my time in the orchestra and had some good friends there. Sherrin MacDonald, Kay Twaryonas (I used her head for a cymbal and later taught with her), you and Harry Herren, Martin Radunz who went big time in Las Vegas, Mount Davis (I remember when he fell out of the tree and broke his arm), and Joe Edwards, another member of that rather interesting Sunday school class. Then there was poor Pam Oliver, who had to put up with the sax crew, David, Bill and Mike, Dick Bedwell, Todd Hoon, Bryan Pfingst, David Stutzenberger and Sherry Evans, who many years later moved in the house across the street from where we live.

They just don't have orchestras like that in the school system anymore. Could it be that after us they decided it was a bad idea! The girls in the orchestra were always so serious and the guys....well.... Mrs. Richie was a great teacher, but sometimes I think we had a little more fun than she had planned.

Good hearing from you. Yes I did play baseball around St. Matthews in the summers, including at Waggener from about 1954 to 1959. I played in Little League for Showers Shop and in Babe Ruth League for the Giants. Games were at the ballpark off Shelbyville Road next to East Drive-In. Most of our practices were in Seneca Park, at Masonic Home, and out in Lyndon, but I know we had some practice games at Waggener. And I played pick-up games at Waggener often during those summers.

I played baseball two years for Waggener. Yes, I was a pitcher. You have an amazing memory. I didn't see much action for the Wildcats though. Kenny Lewis, John Thompson, and Jim Lapsley were the main stays of the pitching staff.

It was great seeing you at the Reunion and talking at the Brunch. I also enjoyed all your E-mails. I say that, it would be more accurate to say I appreciated your description of your Viet Nam duty. It made my own RVN tour pale by comparison. As I read your account, I was reminded of the feelings of admiration and inadequacy I felt standing on the runway at Travis AFB in 1973 watching our Viet Nam POWS walk off the Freedom Birds! Gordon

You know we all had some **GREAT TEACHERS at Waggener** - I think it would be appropriate to share our warm memories. Lists will differ because we all had different schedules. I will start by mentioning (in alphabetical order):

David Aspy (Counselor)... a great listener and a man that follows up. Sidney Baxter (TV History)... early experience with crowd control! Carolyn Browning (Art)... early experience in determining shadows! Mildred Cobb (Core)... a master organizer... a lady with a wanderlust much like mine.

#### Waggener High School Alumni Comments:

Alice Dawson (Counselor))... Taught me more than I can verbalize succinctly.
Anna Jenkins (English)... demanded detail...
Katherine Kirwan (English)... Taught me more than I can verbalize succinctly.
Elizabeth Lapsley (Civics)... could always present an alternative approach that demanded consideration before your final decision was made.
Estelle Logsdon (Zimlich)... Taught me more than I can verbalize succinctly.
Ruth Pardon (Math)... Brain Teasers!! (Bonnie, Warren got the math genes; but, I made it thru trigonometry!!)
Mr. Simpson (Science)... taught me to read the instructions first...
Roy Doc Adams (Driver Ed): Taught me about life and the importance of living it.
Dixie Gray... (Math) Gave me 1/2 credit in Algebra II.
Ed Simpson... (Biology ) taught me more about living things than I EVER wanted to know.
Bill Schureck... made geometry fun.
Emory Harris (Chemistry).... Threw erasers at us when we got problems wrong on the board.
Tillie Walker (P.E.)... taught me how to play golf.

WHS had many good teachers. My favorite of all was Hannah Baird who taught senior humanities. What a world she opened up. That course more than any other prepared me for college academics. Believe it or not I still have all my transcribed notes from that class.

Libby McGuire and Estelle Logsdon were close seconds.

Reaching back into junior high, I remember what a wonderful and kind person Mr. Goodell was. She probably would be fired today for quoting scripture in class. We had a great faculty all around. Trent 61

DEAR BILL..THANKS FOR YOUR KIND WORDS ABOUT MY PARENTS. YES, OUR HOUSE ON ALTON WAS A STOP-OVER FOR MOST KIDS AT WAGGENER. AT ONE POINT WE HAD SO MANY THERE, MR. LOWE USED TO CALL MOM AND ASK WHO CUT SCHOOL AND HOW MANY GUYS WERE IN OUR BASEMENT PLAYING CARDS, MOM WOULD LAUGH AND GIVE HIM NAMES OF WHO WAS THERE. AND SUMMERS .OUR FRONT YARD WAS ALWAYS FULL. I HOPE MY FUZZY MEMORIES WILL RETURN AND THE ELUSION I NOW HAVE WILL FADE. MY DAD WAS THE BEST...LOVE BETTY

For those who do not live in the Louisville area, I thought you might like to know that Waggener High School still looks pretty good. She seems to have held up well over the years.

I say that because yesterday I made a visit. I went in the main entrance which did not seem like it had changed any over the years and I went into the office which seemed like it was in the same place that it was when I was there.

The entry and the halls looked clean and bright. In fact it seemed brighter than I remember it being. Does anyone remember what color the walls were in the entrance and halls? Also, I thought the school seemed very quite for a school day. I thought that was good. I thought there might be metal detectors or locked doors or security people but there were none of these things.

Upon entry, the thing that caught my attention was the large number of trophies. I remember one or perhaps two trophy cases. Now there are many. I did not have time to look at all of them but it was interesting to me how much you can collect over 40 years.

I spoke to one on the office people and I mentioned that I had been in the second graduation class. A student who heard me seemed totally shocked. I guess she was surprised that someone from the second class could still walk and talk. We had a good time talking a about the old days.

I tried to remember the last time I was in the school and decided that it had to be the last day of school in 1961 but I could not remember the last day of school. I guess I just walked out and thought nothing about it at the time.

Anyway, I thought you might like to know that things look good at the old school.

Frank

#### Waggener High School Alumni Comments:

I was just thinking that someone might be interested to know that I spent the day teaching at Waggener. I did junior and senior English and I can assure you that I was no Ms. Kirwan.

It was my first time in a class room at Waggener in I guess 42 years or so. It had changed some but some things were very much like we left them. The lockers are now red and most of the walls are white. I could not remember what color they were but I am pretty sure the walls were not white.

I told some of my students about being a graduate of Waggener. Of course when I told them when I graduated they looked at me like they could not believe I was still walking.

I told them about how the first class had picked the colors and the school song. They were interested in the colors but did not know about the song which surprised me. I hope it is still there. I will have to check the next time I am there.

Speaking of Ms. Kirwan, I noticed in the library that there is a picture of her as a member of the Waggener Hall of Fame.

It was an interesting day and the students were very different. The school has certainly become an international school. I met students from all over the world. Frank

Lockers were institutional gray back then -- just found & threw away my combination lock last week -- couldn't remember that 3rd number (24-36-??) -- go figure!

My combination was 6-12-18. I'm convinced that all the numbers were divisible by 6.

What a neat thing to go back and teach at Waggener after all these years! I bet the school and the kids really ARE different -- but in some ways the same too. Yep, the lockers were gray, and I think the walls were too -- very "institutional" looking. I can't remember my locker combination, but I still have the lock. I used it for years for other things, but haven't in a number of years. Maybe if I put my mind to it.....nawwww. Barb

Yes it was fun and I hope to go again.

One other thought that I had when I was there was about all of the computers that are now there. There was one big room with all of these computers on the second floor. I took two of my classes there to type their papers. I was trying to remember what class room that had been but I could not figure it out. It would have been where Ms. Kirwan's room was but I could not remember if she was on the second or third floor. Can anyone help with this? Also, again I ask **where was the library?** I keep thinking about it and I cannot remember. **Help!** Frank

Well the library is no longer there. It is now on the 2nd floor but at the direct end of the hall and probably over the front office and front entrance.

Another question. Did there used to be a shop? Was it next to the cafeteria? If so it is also gone. Is the band room still there?

The band room is still there. But it's not near as noisy. The size of the band has shrunk to about 1/4 the size it was when we were there. And besides, we used to make a lot of noise to annoy poor ol' Mr. Markert, may he rest in peace. Dick

I don't remember the macaroni and cheese at Waggener as much as I do the sloppy joes -- it seems like we had those every other day. And the cartons of milk for 2 cents -- must have been a milk surplus like the macaroni and cheese.

"Waggener High School was named in honor of Mayme S. Waggener, born on February 3, 1876. Mayme graduated from Louisville Female High School in 1896. At that time she entered the Louisville Normal School, where majoring in teaching, she set the course of her life-long career in education.

On July 5, 1900, Mayme Sweet married John Morrison Waggener. After raising her children, Mrs. Waggener returned to teaching in 1914. By 1916, she had established herself at Greathouse Elementary School. From 1918 through 1946 she led the school as principal, thus beginning the tradition of excellence which bears her name today." Ray

#### Waggener High School Alumni Comments:

Mrs. Lapsley also taught 7th grade core and was a great teacher. Anyone remember the Kentucky notebook we had to make and all the rest of the geography note books. It was good training when my children had to do the latter. There was good reason to save all those national Geographic's. Estell Logsdon also taught English-I think it was ninth grade. She introduced us to the joys of term papers. A fine teacher; she gave us a good start into high school. I remember Jim Lapsley playing basketball more than anything else since I didn't know him very well otherwise. Trent 61

Mrs. Lapsley also taught "Core" for 7th or 8th grade. I was in her class one of those years. To keep me out of trouble, she sat me in the back of the room and assigned me the task of teaching Wayne Fawbush to read. I succeeded, at least up to about the 3rd grade level. Sandy '60

I had Mrs. Lapsley for CIVICS and she was still teaching me "stuff" right up thru the Clinton - Gore election. She was terrific at showing me how even a small effort made a big difference. She and Al Gore's grandmother were friends.

I think Mrs. Logsdon taught me World History. She is now Estelle L. Zimlich... I have wondered if she has e-mail... she would love all this adoration!! She lives off Lime Kiln Lane in Louisville. Marie '60

Mrs. Logsdon gave me my nickname, "nomond", that lasted through high school and most of college. During the first several weeks of class, she insisted on calling me Raymond (my name is just Ray). I would answer back - "no mond!!". So after a few weeks, she started calling me "nomond" and it stuck. Ray

I need some help, my memory isn't so good anymore. Does anyone remember how many grades there were the first year Waggener opened? As I recollect there was a class which would have been the 1959 graduating class had they stayed at Waggener, but they were moved out to Eastern after about two years at Waggener. The way I remember it, there was a 7th and 8th grade, the 7th grade being the class of 1960, then the next year, when the class of 1961 arrived at Waggener, there were three grades, 7th, 8th and 9th. Then the next year, that 9th grade class moved to Eastern and finished their 10th, 11th and 12th years at Eastern. Maybe I'm mixed up on this. Anyone remember?

Also, what was the first year Waggener had a year book? Dick '61

Katherine Kirwan was a real authority on early Waggener history. About the school colors, she told me that many students favored pink and black at first. The administration didn't go for it, and persuaded them to look at other colors. I think we can blame the pink and black on Elvis. Bill '61

Pink and black. I do remember that. Thanks, Bill. I remember an assembly in the gym/auditorium when we were presented the new song by Bobby and Jeanette. Do you remember if we actually voted for the red/gray? Todd

I don't have any memory of the song presentation or of voting for the colors. My information about that comes from a conversation I had with Mrs. Kirwan in about 1998. I was part of what someone (Ray Purdom, I think) has dubbed the SMEL (St. Matthews Elementary) group -- we were in the Waggener "annex" at St. Matthews Elementary for 7th and 8th grades because there was no room for us at Waggener yet. So maybe we weren't included in those assemblies and votes, I just can't recall.

I'm trying to picture Fred Davis in a pink-and-black football uniform. Hmmmm. Bill '61

Fred (and others) DID wear pink - a tutu for Senior Vaudeville - only difference between he & others was that he got pulled over for speeding after dress rehearsal, still wearing the tutu. Fidele '62

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Sandy, I too support the 'ol red & gray: one red car, one gray with red pinstripe (and red interior). Can't see driving a pink car 'tho, so thank goodness mature minds prevailed.

By the way, Sandy, did you ever wear pink & black? I had one charcoal suit, worn with pink shirt, pink & black tie and pink socks. And, before you start – no, I never owned a Nehru jacket!

#### Waggener High School Alumni Comments:

Bill, I think you're right on that. Another bit of history: Raymey Simpson, Frank King (plus others?) and I attended church and Sunday school at SMEL while our church constructed a new building. This was '56-'57, I believe.

We were already attending Waggener.

And special thanks for the mental image of Fred in pink & black. Wow, what could have happened! Todd

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Yes, we DID vote (& I remember voting for red & grey because they were Ohio State's colors). I was in 7th grade at the time, Waggener's first year, 1954-55. The "Myth" was that Pink & Black won the election, but we were told that red & grey did. Probably only John B. Lowe and Earl Duncan knew for certain.

2) Waggener opened with grades 7-9, and stayed 7-9 until our class became 10th graders, and then they added a grade each year for us to be the first graduating class. I cannot remember, however, when all of grades 7-9 began going to that junior high way across the field. Our first two years, as the 9th graders moved on, mostly to Eastern, we moved up and a new 7th grade was added. Chuck '60

I do remember voting for the colors and for the name of the Annual "Lair" home of the wildcat. Another bit of trivia as I recall we voted on the name for the school newspaper(I think ) and Harry Lynn' '61 designed the first book cover. I had one of those at one time but cannot find it.

Pink and black !! now picture this if you can stand it. Either in the 7th or 8th grade I showed up one day with black pants with pink piping and the same scheme for a shirt, a bolo tie with a pink and black slide, pink and black socks and ...a black fedora with a pink head band. My mother thought it was the worst outfit she had ever seen. Hmmm she was right.

I had forgotten the Fred Davis tutu. Probably better than my outfit anyway. Trent 61