

# Junior-Senior Banquets

1934

One of the most outstanding social events of the school year took place when the Junior Class entertained the Seniors at a "Flight Dinner" on March 5 in the dining room of the Northwest School. The Junior Class carried out an "Air Flight" theme.

The tables arranged in the shape of airplanes were beautifully decorated in the Senior Class colors—violet and silver—with violet candles and center bouquets of narcissus, the Senior Class flower. Streamers of violet and silver from center lights, suggestive of chandeliers, lent an air of festivity to the impressive setting. Ideas suggestive of a plane and the flight were cleverly carried out in the programs and menu.

The program, under the direction of Miss Fae Hughbanks and Miss Lydia Dahlen, Class Advisers, was as follows:

"Contact"	- - - - -	Orchestra
"Flight Commander"	-	Burnett Bergeson
"The Take Off"	- -	Laura Hanson
"The Flight"	- - -	Agatha Olson
"The Drone of the Three Impulses"	-	
- - - - -	- - - - -	Junior Trio
"The Steward"	- - -	Noel Hanson
"The Passenger"	- -	Orville Erickson
"The Scream on the Wires"	- - -	
- - - - -	- - - - -	Arthur Anderson, Clarence Skaren
"The Co-Pilot"	- - -	Frederick Reitan
"The Pilot"	- - -	Mr. J. W. Mlinar
"Air Waves"	-	Miss Katherine Hennig
"The Commander-in-Chief"	- - -	
- - - - -	- - - - -	Mr. T. M. McCall

The gymnasium with its blue sky, moon and stars formed a most appropriate "landing field" for the end of the "flight." A silver and blue fence surrounding the field with a beacon light and a replica of a hangar in which the five-piece orchestra was seated, further carried out the "flight theme."

A grand march under the direction of Miss Retta Bede opened the program dance and games at this "airport." The grand march was led by Burnett Bergeson and Laura Hanson; Noel Hanson and Joyce Starnes; Fred Reitan and Irene Holst; George Kersting and Olive Steen, officers of the Junior class. The grand march ended in the formation of the letter M with the guests singing the "Minnesota Rouser," after which the locomotive cheer was led by Burnett Bergeson and Noel Hanson.

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The annual Junior-Senior banquet and prom was held on Monday, March 4, at 6 o'clock. A Chinese theme was featured throughout the program and in the decorations. The guests were served by sixteen members of the Freshman class, the girls being dressed as Geisha girls. The dining room was attractively and effectively decorated in Chinese red and gold, with accents of lacquer black. Red tulips and black and gold candles made a colorful setting for the affair. The programs were of Chinese red with an appropriate design and with lettering done in gold.

Following the dinner, Roland Wentzel, President of the Junior Class, acting as Toastmaster, presided over a program which opened with a selection, "Coolie Dance" by the school orchestra, under the direction of Miss Lane. James Weckwerth, speaking for the Junior Class, gave a toast to the Seniors. His topic was "Coolies." A girls' trio in costume sang "Chinese Lullaby" after which James Burns responded with a toast from the Senior Class, which was represented as "Mandarins". Gilbert Gunderson, speaking for the Advanced Class, had for his subject "War Lords". A mixed quartette sang, "On a Chinese Honeymoon"; followed by Mr. Kiser, speaking humorously on the subject, "The Dragon". Miss Hennig, in full Chinese costume, next sang the Aria "One Fine Day" from Puccini's opera Madame Butterfly. Dr. Dowell, as the last speaker on the program had as his subject "The Viceroy".

At nine o'clock the guests adjourned to the gymnasium, which was colorfully decorated to represent a Chinese garden, with Chinese lanterns, parasols, and paper butterflies strung across the dance floor. Miniature pagodas of gold and blue paper were built at either end and surrounded by green potted plants. The grand march which opened the dance was led by Roland Wentzel and Ruth Lerud, with Tilford Strand and Anne Hofstad, second in the line of march. This affair was one of the most effective and unique banquets ever held at the Northwest School at which the Seniors and other guests were very pleasantly entertained.