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Class Prophecy

BERNARD SIEGAL

Time - June 4, 1944.

Place — At home, before a fireside.

Hello, Johnny and Mary. What's on your minds this evening. Oh, you want me to tell you a story about the funny men in the 1934 year book of M. S. O. All right, get the book, and come here onto my lap, and I'll begin.

Do you remember, I took a trip to Boston a few months ago? Well, I went to the optometry convention. Of course, a great many of my school mates were there. One of the first I met was Joe Monkarsh. No Johnny, he's not trying to imitate Chaplin. He says the moustache gives him sex appeal. Joe is at present, "Chief assumer" for one of the big optical houses. His job is to decide what to do, assuming the customers do not pay. They call him "assumer" because he always sends bills stamped "Kindly remit assume as possible."

Of course, at a convention, the best place to find all your friends is at a hotel bar and that is where I went. Sure enough, there was Mills, Brucker and Rowan exhorting Reilly — who was sipping a raspberry soda — to forsake the evils of drink. McCabe was behind the bar preparing strawberry sundaes.

Inasmuch as it was too early for any excitement, I decided to walk around town. At the first turn to the right I saw a large neon sign, proclaiming, "Lichtenstein and Gribbin, optometrists extraordinary.". I decided to say "hello," and dropped in. They were not busy, so we talked. Suddenly Oscar said, "No, prove it, that's not so, prove it, wrong." With that he rushed out. I looked at Gribbin and asked him if Oscar was sick. He said, "No, Oscar is taking a course at Harvard and is practicing for class."

I left and headed for the convention again. Arriving, I found in front of the C. and C. exhibit, Collins and Clements, owners of the C. and C. optical company. This company is now famous because Collins invented that long looked for machine, where you turn a few handles and the R comes out. Clements is business manager and treasurer. He takes care of the money, because the sight of greenbacks, makes Collins talk with a brogue, and this is bad business since Muddy Kaplow is his biggest customer.

Collins informed me Joe Cohn, has made N. J. eye conscious, and has glasses for every conceivable purpose, from protecting eyes from grapefruit to magnifying key-holes for columnists.

I met Kornetsky. He told me he has an office on the boardwalk at Revere. Outside is a large sign saying, "Don't let those ultra-violet rays get you. Colored lenses sold inside."

On entering the lecture hall, I heard Dr. Chaitin giving a long discourse on his new theory. This is his picture. Don't laugh so much, Johnny. No, Mary, his ears don't lift him off the ground when he runs. As I was saying, he was explaining his new theory of correcting hyperopia with minus lenses, by producing a cramp of the ciliary great enough to take care of the error.

I also met these three chaps, Gulezian, Goldfarb and Soutra. They are state board members now. Goldfarb gives the Pathology exams of which one question always is, "If you did not recognize a disease, what would you do?" The answer, "Dig into your Parsons," is known by every optometrist in Mass.

Now Johnny, if you will get me my scrap book, I will tell you what happened to other members of the class.

This first picture is good old Seale. Seale, Helman and Tieri enjoy one of the finest practices in Boston. They have, as an office, a suite at the Statler and wear morning frock coats while refracting. Seale takes the history, Helman gives the best subjective, and Tieri theorizes on the cxam.

These two pictures are Bonaventura and Cowin. This clipping insists they are political bosses of Boston, Bonaventura being manager and Cowin candidate, at all times. In school Bonny was the quietest member of the class and Cowin probably the noisiest. But time changes man and now Bonny talks for hours about the fighting, and I don't mean maybe, champion of the people, while Cowin quietly buys, I mean, gets the votes.

And this picture is Katz. Katz's story is a sad one. He used to enjoy a fine practice until he started to sing during refractions. In fact, since this tragedy happened, they can't rent a store in the entire neighborhood.

This clipping is from a Lynn newspaper. It says, "See Parrott, about your eyes. A bird of an eye man."

This handsome brute is Goldberg, prexy of our class. He owns a chain of theatres and has all his ushers use Calobar lenses so that they do not need to use flashlights to see in the dark, thus cutting down expenses. All the actors in pictures shown at his theatres must wear glasses, and he even has lenses on Leo the lion.

Paster is out West selling magnifying glass to the farmers to make their tall corn look taller.

And here, dear children, is Rubin. He was quite a man. This letter is dated way back in 1936, when he announced the arrival cf twins. He says, quoting Rubin, "I call them Eso and Exo, because I could never understand how these two conditions came about, and the same holds for the twins."

This distinguished man named Lipsky is joke editor for Judge. No Johnny, he wasn't made joke editor because of his face.

Clark owns a chain of 5 & 10 cent Jewelry stores. They all have optical departments. He uses a series of poker hands for test charts, and if the patient picks out the best hand, he says they see enough, and gives them that \(\begin{align*}{c} \end{align*} \)

These two pictures are Schwartz and Sunshine. Here is a clipping from Winchell's column about them. "Flash — — Schwartz of the firm of Schwartz and Sunshine, optometrists, of Los Angeles, is said to be that way about Marie Dressler."

Hoping this little story makes you two feel that way about bed, I am saying "goodnight," and I hope the pictures do not give you night-mares.





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Senior Class History

By Marcus S. Soutra

As we now complete our course at the Mass. School of Optometry, thus passing one more milestene in our preparation for a career, in what to us is one of the most fascinating of all sciences, we find ourselves looking back with some surprise to realize that it was actually two years ago that we, the largest class in the history of the school entered the mysterious realms of Optometry.

In September 1932 this group of fifty-two men met to organize, selecting as its officers: President, Arthur Collins; Vice-President, Milton Lebson; Treasurer, Frederick T. Mills and for Secretary our one and only Co-ed, Evelyn Hollander.

This first year the class sponsored two well attended dances, and through the efforts of Dr. Svendson we enjoyed several lectures by Dr. H. William Bencker.

The annual visit to the American Optical plant in Southbridge, in May, was constructive as well as interesting and afforded an excellent climax to our social year.

When we returned, in the fall of 1933, we were pleasantly surprised to find that the school authorities had chosen new quarters which were much more spacious and pleasant than the former location. With larger rooms, more clinic booths and added equipment we were ready to start a bigger and better year.

At our first organized meeting the new officers elected were: President, Manuel Goldberg; Vice-President, Lester Thomas; Secretary, Daniel Kornetsky; Treasurer, Ralph Clements and Sergeant-at-Arms, Ira Schwartz.

We were fortunate this year in having added to our already efficient teaching staff, Dr. Paul S. Cline for Theoretic and Physiologic Optics and John Reilly for Psychology to whom we offer our sincere congratulations for the way in which they have presented their respective courses.

We have had the distinct advantage of a larger, more efficient and instructive Clinic under the direction of Dr. Svendson to whom we extend our deepest appreciation for her untiring efforts in making this a tremendous success. Also, under her direction, the Clinic sponsored an exceptionally successful bridge-whist for the benefit of the newsboys from the Burroughs foundation.

The Senior banquet, held at the Mylcs Standish Hotel, marked the final social function of this class. The guest speaker, Dr. Harry Messinger extended very useful hints on the detection of Simple Glaucoma and Simple Cyclitis. Dr. Klein and other members of our faculty offered words of advice and their best wishes to the graduating class.

It is with deepest regret that we bring to a close our associations of the past two years.



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Pi Omicron Sigma



THE Fraternity of the school enjoyed a very successful year in point of entertainment and education. A well arranged program, introduced at the start of the year, provided a full schedule of activities for the brothers.

Membership was swelled beyond former years by the influx of the new Frosh class which exposed its nether parts to the paddles of the very active members at Ye Lantern Hall in Arlington.

A dinner dance "way up on the tiptop of the Bradford" was well attended by members and alumni.

Appreciation is due to the executive committee that so ably placed the Fraternity on a sound financial basis and provided many commendable precedents for procedure.

The officers elected for 1934-1935 are:

Chancellor — Theodore Burke.

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The fraternity banquet held at the well known American House was the best ever and furnished a notable goal for future affairs of its kind.

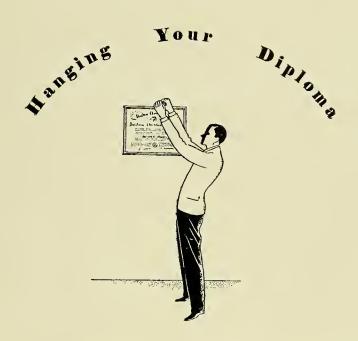


Reminiscence



Oldtimers of the class of 1934 will probably recall the merry faces pictured above. The setting is Massachusetts Avenue, former location of our dear Alma Mater. In front of the boys you will note the massive antique timbers which went by the quaint name of "desks." Themas Young discovered these when he was looking for astigmatism. The compact formation of the group is due to the demands of the photographer and his tripod which supported the birdie box. Dr. Theodore Klein, though not apparant, is standing by to protect Mr. Tintype from spitballs and subjectives; this accounts for the more or less solemn appearance of the then Junior Class.

A beautiful replica of this fresco will be furnished on request and for the nominal payment of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). Obviously, the addition of this photographic frenzy to your office wall will place you foremost among the Rotarians in your community.

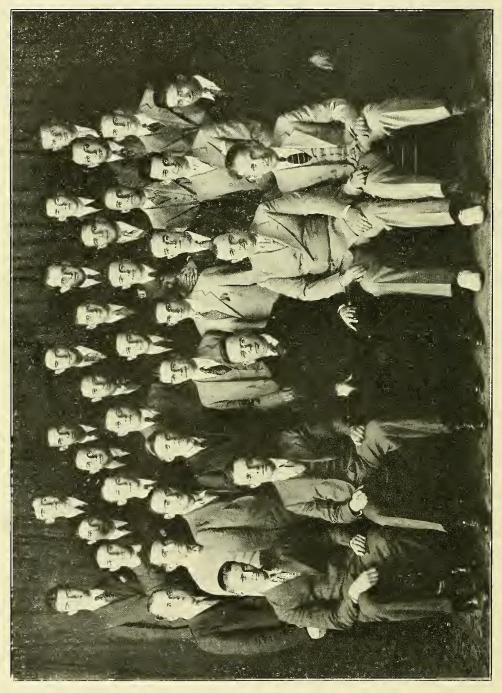


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BASKETBALL TEAM



Athletics, born through the faithful efforts of midwife Doc Green, fought through the usual cholic and children's maladies of the first year. Occasional approaches to victory cheered on the newborn sport to additional exertions. Complete triumph ever eluded the team's best work, but the pure fun of the game fully repaid the contestants for their expression of love to Mrs. Alma M. and her young prodigal, Theoretic Optometry Jr.



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THE OPTOMETRY CLUB



The Optcmetry Club had its inception at the instigation of Dr. Paul S. Cline who saw the need of a Scholarship Society. The members were drafted from the upper strata of the Senior Class and at the end of the year the cream of Freshmen acumen was added to the ranks. Most of the work accomplished was preparatory to future years and the mechanics of operation. A few lectures were held, however, which proved quite interesting to the club Solons.



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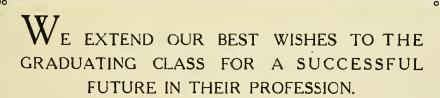
This society arose during the late prohibition era along with other fly by night concerns. One evening during a deep slumber, encoutered during the process of dreaming of likely numbers for the nigger pool, our own Dr. Green conceived the idea of an experimental club. Dr. Green had for a long while felt the crying need for a club for the boys and this was it. One meeting was held.

The Women's Optometric Club

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The ladies' auxiliary chapter to the Mass. School of Optometry's club life pursued a profitable and enjoyable year. It was largely through their efforts that the clinic for the Burrough's Newsboy's Foundation was so well endowed this year.

The officers were as follows:—
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