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*In Dedication:*

To a Christian gentleman. . . . To a kind, understanding, and sympathetic friend of youth. . . . To a faithful and devoted worker who has given unsparingly of his richly endowed life to champion the highest interests of the Cause he loved. . . . To an energetic, aggressive administrator who, during eight years as chairman of our Academy Board, has visioned and worked to enrich the cultural atmosphere and to enlarge the educational facilities of our beloved alma mater . . . we, the Seniors of '42, respectfully dedicate this volume of the **Shenandoah** to **Elder John W. MacNeil**.



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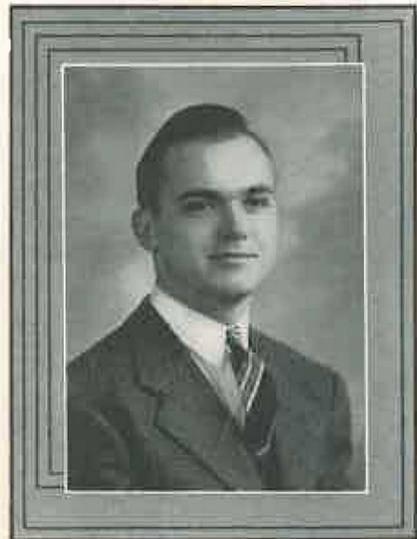
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CLASSES

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# Senior Class of 1942



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AIM—Respect rather than popularity.

## President's Address

Members of the faculty, parents, fellow students, and friends; on behalf of the senior class of '42 I bid you a most hearty welcome. Throughout our academic years we have appreciated the helpful deeds you have performed for us and the kind words of encouragement you have spoken. All of you have had a part in helping us realize one of our cherished aims. Tonight ends for us a happy academic experience.

Tomorrow begins for us a rougher and more rugged road of life. Tomorrow we shall no longer be known as students of this institution, but as alumni. Yes, it is right for our fellow students and friends to ask how it feels to be a senior just about to graduate. We feel happy at the thought of reaching our final academic goal. We can look forward to new and distant aims, higher achievements. Things that are noble and brave, these we must do. We are not satisfied with the marks we have reached today. We shall, under the guidance of God, strive on to new heights of attainment. The bottom of the ladder of success is thronged with those who have reached their prime goal, and have been satisfied. At the top, however, there is always room for those who are willing to serve mankind valiantly, for those whose motto is "Sacrifice, Vision, Achievement." The world needs men and women of strong character. Surely if we remember our aim, "Serving Valiantly Always," and our motto, we can fill responsible and trustworthy places. Yes, all these thoughts of the goals we have already reached, and those we are working for make us happy.

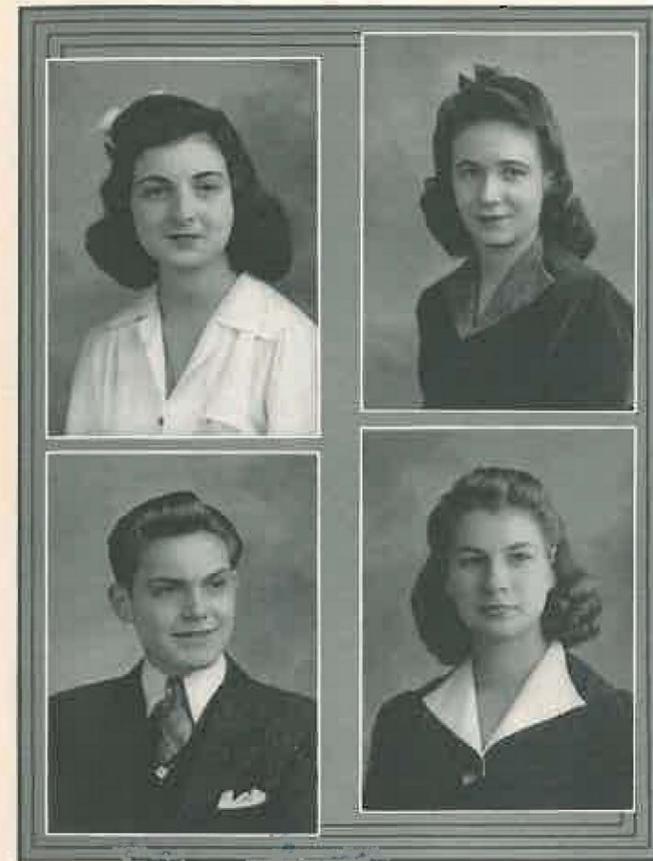
There is another feeling, one that tends to sadden our hearts. For as we leave our alma mater we leave many cherished realities, and they become only cherished memories. Most of all we leave our friends whom we love so much. This is what brings the greatest pain, the thought that perhaps we'll never see them again, or for a long time. Fellow students, we wish to convey our sincere thanks for your many kindnesses to us. You ask if we'll miss you? Yes, indeed. We shall always remember your excellencies. Perhaps we shall recall some of your misgivings with a chuckle or a smile. No, we shall never forget. You have taught us some lessons our textbooks never did or could.

And now, as we are to be saying soon, farewell, we ask Him who cares for the sparrows' lonely flight to watch over you all, bless you, and keep you.

"Go thou thy way, and I go mine,  
Apart, yet not afar;  
Only a thin veil hangs between  
The pathway where we are,  
And God keep watch 'tween thee and me—  
This is my prayer."

—George Ferguson

1942



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*Dear  
Best of  
Luck to you,  
Trecie*



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AIM—To live day by day for my Master.



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AIM—To be strengthened by every fall.





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AIM—On to success.

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AIM—To follow  
He leads.

WILLIAM H. BERGHERM  
MARYLAND  
AIM—Strive on.



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AIM—Excelsior.



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PENNSYLVANIA  
AIM—Today we follow; tomorrow we lead.



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NEW JERSEY  
AIM—On to victory.



CHARLOTTE POKORNY  
NEW YORK  
AIM—To make others  
happy.



ELWOOD BURKHOLDER  
VIRGINIA  
AIM—Onward ever; backward never.





## Class Will

We, the senior class of 1942, being of unsound mind and generous disposition, do hereby solemnly bequeath our possessions real and imaginary to the following:

We relinquish to the junior class the last three rows of chapel seats, with the specific understanding that they be used only in the very quiet and dignified way to which they have been accustomed.

To the sophomore class we give our aptitude to do correspondence work.

We bequeath to the freshman class our faithfulness in class attendance for the past four years.

The foregoing are made in general. The following are made in particular.

George Joseph Ferguson does hereby solemnly bequeath to Mack Hedrick the authority, majesty, dignity, and grief of his presidential office.

Patricia Florence Pontiere graciously passes on her talent for interior decorating to Elizabeth Lahakara Fasanko. With this talent go one hall tree, one door knocker, and a reservation for room number 115 in its presently furnished condition.

Nancy Jean Fasanko wills to Kathryn Bartlett her complete academic wardrobe. She maintains custody of all garment hangers.

John Morrison Cooksey gives his sergeant chevrons to Harold Joseph, with the sincere desire that "Shorty" shall soon be promoted to the rank of full general.

Marcus Payne bequeaths to Gerald Cullum his Ford V-8 in the interest of a more speedy mail service. Marcus retains the right to the sole possession of the tires in order that he will have an ample supply of rubber to retread his basketball shoes.

Trecie Lee gives to Frieda Liers her native ability to wash, peel, and cut up onions.

Jeanne Parmentier relinquishes her boisterous and rowdy ways to Millicent Goode in the hope that they will overcome the latter's natural diffidence.

Janet Marie Parker wills her excess avoirdupois to be equally divided between Jane Wine and Norine Benz.

Edgar Cunningham gives his clarinet and extra reeds to Robert Widmer.

Alice June Coodyear gives her perfect attendance record to Betty Jane Redmond.

Doris Helen Herrmann bequeaths her lofty stature to Betsey Joseph.

Alfred Marcussen gives his handsome physiognomy to Roger Wood.

Thomas Schutte wills to Harold Joseph all the coal which should have been used in the dormitory furnace. He is solemnly charged to use this coal in the new boiler.

Raymond Van Cleve bequeaths his favorite book which has been his constant companion throughout his academic training, "How to Win Friends and Influence People," to Russell Schaeffer, with the hope that it will enhance his social standing with his feathered friends.

Clyde Newmyer donates his position in the pitcher's box to Thomas Joyce.

Phyllis Druscilla Layman gives her abundance of empty pop bottles to Dorothy Honicker.

Hilton Suddarth gives his sturdy bones to George Akers.

Hildegard Rühling wills her baton and conducting experience to Gordon Krenrich.

Charlotte Ruth Pokorny relinquishes her gold tooth to Jane Härter.

Marjorie Fonda bequeaths her coquettishness to Lois Paden, who is not blessed with such an outstanding talent.

William Howard Bergherm gives his straight lags as a replacement service to Philip Palm.

Dubois Fonda wills to Richard Leshar her place as senior orator, which will aid him in his soapbox dissertations.

Lorean Shelton graciously bestows upon Frances Hare the art of playing the piano.

John Gandy bequeaths his "last call for the girls' laundry" to Robert Dauns.

Elwood Burkholder wills to Robert Hand his paper customers with the promise that he will be paid once a year.

Violet Sickler gives to Jane Herrmann her ability to learn French.

Lenora Vonhof relinquishes her valedictory to Robert Patton.

We of the senior class have tried to be very generous with our fellow students, and we hope that each and all of you will derive the fullest benefit from these gratuities and will receive them in the same spirit with which they were given.

1942



## Valedictorian's Address

The time has come when we, the senior class of 1942, must leave our alma mater. From our first day in school, when we first began to learn our A.B.C.'s, we have looked forward to the day when we should graduate. The years have passed swiftly. The completion of elementary school brought with it not only satisfaction but also a new determination. We resolved to continue our education, for already there appeared before us a place of service for each of us in life. To accomplish this purpose it was necessary to gain an academic training. It has been, as it were, a long, hard climb. This mountainous pathway has not always been smooth and easy. Many obstacles have confronted us, but these have not hindered us in our purpose. We have studied, worked, played, and learned to meet life with courage and the wit to win.

There's a mountaintop awaiting,  
Where 'tis fresh, invigorating,  
And the cooler breath of morning fans the cheek;  
Worth all the effort to attain it,  
Worth quite all the price to gain it;  
There's a mountaintop of splendor if you seek.

The mountaintop has been achieved. We have reached the peak, our graduation. Now that we have arrived at the first goal of our endeavor, we find that the peak upon which we rest briefly gives us a grand view of what lies beyond. Suddenly we realize that we have only begun to know and experience what life holds for us. We determine to make the best of the new opportunities just come in view.

Each new height reveals another,  
Far surpassing every other,  
And a further realm to conquer when it's gained;  
On to higher peaks and pleasant,  
Nor content with just the present,  
Ever upward and to heights not yet attained.

Some of us will go on to another mountaintop of education, college. We hope that peak will be as pleasant to scale as the one we have just finished. Others will choose mountains of various endeavors. Some will go into the business world. Some will be nurses, doctors, ministers, farmers, teachers, or mechanics. For every one there is a place where he may serve humanity to the best of his ability. Now, we must choose in what sphere we may best serve.

From the vantage point of our present achievement we see stretching before us two ways. The one road is well paved, brightly lighted, much traveled. There seems to be an abundance of merriment along the way. The signposts point to enjoyable positions, short working hours, good pay, and social prestige. We turn to view the alternative way. We find the road more steep than that which we have already climbed. It seems more rugged. The signposts are few. Travelers on this road appear very occupied with helping others on the same journey. Satisfaction beams from their weary yet happy faces. The end of this road is more difficult to reach than the other, but it reveals new and untold beauties and experiences.

We ponder the situation. We remember that we not only have the vigor and daring of youth, but we also recall our consecrations to our Saviour whom we have learned to love and follow, and we make our decision. We will take the narrow way—the way of service—the way of eternal success!

This is our vow tonight as we pause on this first peak of achievement in our lives. Many pleasant experiences and associations have been ours on this first climb. We should like to think of them briefly ere we leave this lovely spot.

Our parents have ever been beside us, encouraging us, counseling us, guiding us, lifting us up when we slipped and fell on the pathway. We know a part of the struggle which you have experienced; but you, beloved parents, know it all. Never will we be able to repay the millions of sacrifices you have made for us. It has been a thing wrought of love and self-denial. We shall not fail you.

Our appreciation for you, benevolent teachers, can never be fully expressed. You have labored untiringly with us, inspired us to do the right, and were ever present when we needed help. We shall continue to strive to meet the goals which you have set for us.

Classmates, the friendships we have valued together will never pass from our memories for

When we leave our dear school here,  
To work in fields away,  
We may never meet again on this earth,  
But in our heavenly home some day,  
We shall roam on the banks of the river of peace,  
And dwell on its crystal shore,  
And one of the joys of heaven will be  
Meeting S. V. A. friends once more.

—Lenora Vonhof

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*Class Poem*

We entered school as freshmen,  
And now after our sophomore year  
We've become upper classmen,  
But we're not stopping here,  
Yes, we're the Juniors of '42  
We're pushing to the top,  
And we'll get there before we're through  
Because we will not stop.

Whatever be our duty  
To it we will be true;  
The blue is for our loyalty,  
We'll prove that we're true blue.  
Our worth in life is shown  
By the gold we here display,  
And doubts will all have flown  
Forever and a day.

By might and by right we'll reach our goal  
For by pluck is the way we'll get there,  
Luck is for the sluggard and dole  
So we're going to do and dare.  
We want to find a place in this world  
But before this we must prepare  
For the tempest into which we'll be hurled  
When it comes time greater burdens to bear.

Now this is our intention,  
And more than that—our vow,  
And it's not just a supposition  
As skeptics might allow.  
And to show how we're progressing,  
Next year 'tis true we'll be,  
After many years of longing,  
The Seniors of '43.

—Richard Leshner

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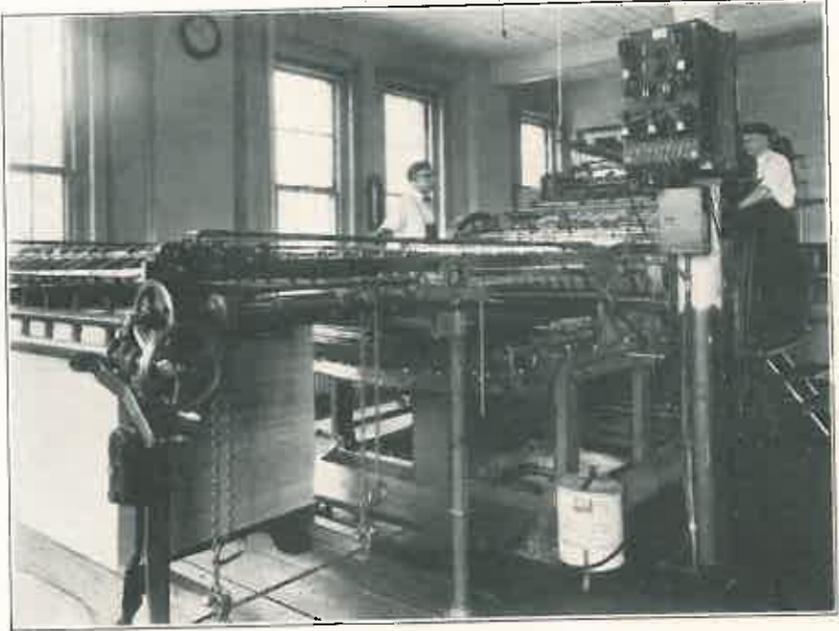
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