

GHS 1915-16 Yearbook Information

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Recently, I wrote an article about the Glasgow Kittens and the 1915-16 Glasgow Yearbook. That yearbook was the first yearbook published by GHS and the student staff were quite proud of it. This is more information from that yearbook.

The previous article focused on the sports teams who were called the Kittens. This time, we look at other information in the yearbook including the faculty. We take a closer look at the course of study in the school and the faculty who taught those students 111 years ago.

The high school enrollment was a bit less than 40. The school curriculum offered classes in English, mathematics, history, science, music, Latin, German, manual training, stenography & typewriting, mechanical drawing, agriculture, and pedagogy. Sixteen units were required for graduation including at least 3 units of English and 2 in each of mathematics, history, and science. Math at GHS included algebra, geometry, and physics.

So, who taught all these classes? Superintendent Barker may have taught some classes and certainly helped with the newly formed Student Council.



EMORY L. GOOCH
Principal of Glasgow High School,
Instructor in Science and
Mathematics.

Emory L. Gooch served as Principal and taught the math and science classes.

M. Nell Mauden taught English and history.



M. NELL MAUDEN
Instructor in English and History.



BURNEY RICE
Instructor in German and Latin.

Burney Rice taught German and Latin.

The faculty page also listed Bertha Reich as the junior high teacher. In the Junior High section of the yearbook, a poem has this reference to Bertha Reich:

“Miss Bertha is patient and willing.
Tho we’re hard on her nerves I agree”

In their two yers of Junior High, the students studied Grammar, reading, arithmetic, geography, spelling, music, physiology, and history. Both classes shared one room and one teacher. Miss Bertha obviously needed to be patient and willing!



BERTHA REICH
Instructor of Junior High School.

The yearbook has a photo of the Kindergarden class, but there are no names of the students or the teacher.



THE KINDERGARTEN CLASS

GHS had several things to be proud of in 195. The first school yearbook was published, the school was named as a "First Class Missouri High School", several new student groups were formed; including student Council, Literary Society.

The Amihila Campfire Girls were active as well. These girls wore "Indian" outfits and were focused on service. Teacher, Burney Rice was one of the Campfire Girls.. Their Guardian or Sponsor was Miss Myra Wengler.



Campfire Girls were originally designed as a "companion" to the Boy Scout program. The yearbook has a graphic that mentions Boy Scouts, but no photo or other mention.

Campfire Girls are still a national organization today as Campfire Boys and Girls. Boy Scouts are also still active both nationally and locally. The program is now called Scouting USA and is open to both boys and girls in separate units.



JOSEPHINE N. REICH
Class President,
Captain of Basket Ball Team,
"Rule or Ruin,"

The yearbook also states that football, basketball, and baseball teams won championships. There were both boys and girls basketball teams. Senior Josephine Reich was the class President and Captain of the girls basketball team.

GHS students performed several plays during the school year. One of these was "Dot, The Miner's Daughter". This was a four act play written in 1888. It was performed by many groups during the early 1900s.

As is still the case for most high school yearbooks, the students of 1915-16 sold advertising in their yearbook to help defray their costs. Local supporters purchased 38 ads for the yearbook. Of these advertisers, two are still in business. They are The Glasgow Missourian Newspaper and Henderson's Drug Store. The Glasgow Missourian printed the yearbooks.