

HOROSCOPE '37-'38

October 22—"You have the gift of singing. Do not hesitate to share your talent with others."

On this day Mrs. E. S. Byron organized a glee club with a membership of 35 girls and 22 boys.

January 19—"You will profit, today, if you accept any offers or gifts."

After reading the prophecy the journalism class lost no time in accepting the press offer of critical service of their "sheet."

January 26—"Today you will be rewarded for past labors."

The American Legion honored the football team with a banquet at the high school cafeteria. During the course of the dinner 20 letters were awarded for the 1938 season, and Judd Alexander was elected captain for the following year.

February 26—"Do not fail to use your dramatic talent to the best of your ability."

Thus inspired the juniors presented the hilarious comedy "Going On Seventeen." Miss Waldrop directed the cast among whom were Gerald Bryan, Sarah Webster Alexander, Valentine Haslett and Evelyn Murray.

March 4—"You are a leader and will be called upon to represent your fellowmen."

The students of Lake Wales High School considered carefully the prophecy of the day and elected Paul Corey president of the first Student Government.



Graduates of '39

'38-'39

The school year of '38-'39 began uneventfully except for the "Campus Cutie" candidates sponsored by the O & B. Freshman, Kathrine Jackson; sophomore, Mary Vogt; junior, Mary Nelson; senior, Evelyn Murray. In November however, things started rolling. The seniors chose their class play, "The Eyes of Tlalock." The journalists sent Eddie Kelley, Warren Horton, Richard Conlee, and Ace Clark as representatives with Mrs. H. B. Alexander to the N. S. P. A. convention in Indianapolis, Indiana.

December started with a bang as Evelyn Murray was announced the winner of the "Campus Cutie" contest, and on top of that the Lake Wales Highlanders won the title of Ridge Champions under Coach Collins Fenton and their able captain, Judd Alexander.

Everyone rested in January after the Christmas holidays but started to work again in February when Miss Florence Walde coached local debaters in a statewide contest. "Pinkie" Zipprer walked away with the tennis championship on the 17th of this month. A new hair style called "Nctch Cut" was popular among the boys. It was originated by James Hendrix.

March passed by with no excitement, but April was full of activities. The Royal king and queen of May were Tom Bennett and Alys Yager. The school paper came out second in the state contest and the journalists went to Gainesville for a press conference. To end the month in a grand way the Lake Wales boys won the track meet.



Ridge Champions

'39-'40

The school year of 1939-40 passed with much excitement and many interesting events. Like all years it was highlighted in the memories of the students by these especially important dates.

October 6—The Honor Society elected its officers for first semester. Donna Spence, President; Harry Fewox, vice-president.

October 13—The Spanish Club received a charter permitting the organization of "Sociedad Internacional de Estudiantes."

October 20—For the first time in its history Lake Wales High School had a uniformed band led by Majorettes Mary Vogt and Annette Edwards.

December 1—The Lake Wales Band entertained the Haines City Band at a picnic in Crystal Park.

December 15—Sam Pugh, as outstanding back, was sent to the Orange Bowl by the Orlando Morning Sentinel. Four Lake Wales boys made All-Ridge.

February 16—Mrs. I. C. Boucher gave a piano for the gym and Mr. W. C. Pedersen gave posts for the school fence.

February 23—Seniors presented class play, "Fixing Aunt Fanny."

March 8—Sam Pugh made All-Ridge as basketball forward.

April 5—Seniors "skipped" to Tampa with their sponsor, Miss June Dixon.

April 12—Neil Sims won first division on his clarinet in Miami.

April 26—Joe Pennington broke the jumping record in St. Petersburg.

May 10—Miss Johnsie Elliot and Burnell Caldwell were chosen to reign over May. Mavadel Hall and Sam Pugh; Mary Vogt and Harold Phillips; Clara Jo Warner and Louie Lamb; Joyce Bentcn and Bobby Metzker were in the court.



Scene of First Registration,
October 16, 1940

HIT PARADE '40-'41

No. 3—"School Days," Mrs. W. C. Futch became our permanent "Math" teacher.

No. 2—"Our Boys Will Shine," "Happy" Lawrence became the assistant football coach.

No. 9—"All or Nothing At All," the junior high elected Wanda Davis as first class citizen.

No. 5—"Bells of St. Mary," Major H. M. Nornabell invited the students to Bok Tower. Lucky Strike Extra—"Dance With a Dollie," football boys and dates had a dance in the gym.

No. 7—"You'll Never Know," said the seniors after their play "Look Who's Here" how frightening it is until you once try it.

No. 10—"It's Been a Long, Long Time" since the seniors have gone to San-Lando Springs on a skip day.

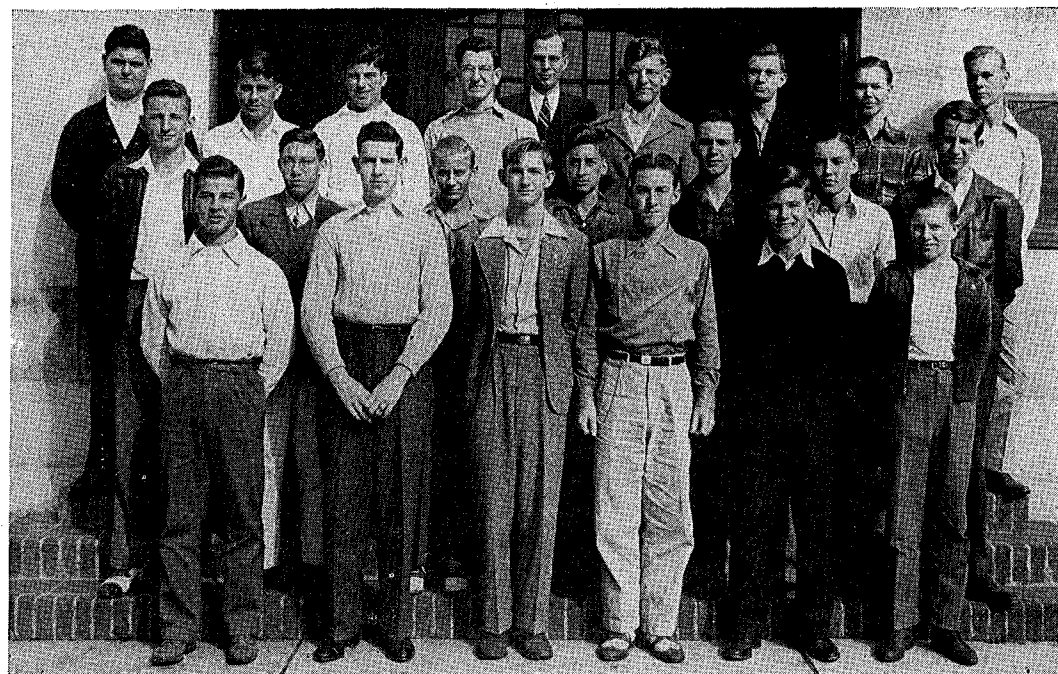
No. 6—"Who," O & B started the Who's Who contest.

No. 4—"Always" a May Day and this year Mary Vogt and Harold Phillips reigned over the court.

No. 8—"Night in June," senior theme song on graduation night.

Lucky Strike Extra—"This Is the Army"—October 16, 1940, Lake Wales had its first registration for the draft.

No. 1—"Hail To Our Alma Mater" was composed by Harry Grant, band director, and the words were written by Mollie Mae Albritton and Tom Nelson.



A Key Club is organized in L. W. H. S.

'41-'42

Nineteen hundred and forty-one was the year that brought the beginning of the Key Club, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club with Mr. A. N. Garrison as adviser. On November 7, Lindsey Acuff was installed as president and Neil Sims as vice-president.

One month later on that fateful afternoon of December 7, bombs rained down on Pearl Harbor marking the beginning of war between the United States and Japan. December 8, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt announced the declaration of war on the Axis Powers.

Rationing of commodities followed with coffee and sugar first on the list. Early in '42, school children were given a holiday while teachers were in the gymnasium "signing up."

Seniors presented their class play "Spring Fever" in January. It was a three act comedy with Louie Lamb, Ruth Sprott and Rebecca Smith in the leads.

Ruth Sprott and Louie Lamb reigned over the gala May festival that year. Julia Ann Smith and Burton Ashley were selected as senior maid of honor and escort. Juniors picked Esther Ashley and Douglas Dickson as their representatives. From the sophomore group were Anne Cody and Eugene Hudson, and the freshmen decided on Betty Jo Johnson and Fred Petrey.

The Orange and Black staff of '42 headed by Tom Nelson, Jr., with Miss Ellen Alexander as adviser, won the First Class award in the National Scholastic Press Association.



The Seniors with Miss June Dixon, sponsor

'42-'43

With a score of 19-6 the Kissimmee Kowboys defeated the locals in October of '42. Despite the hard luck, students enjoyed a dance sponsored by the journalism class at the gymnasium after the game. A blackout theme was used by putting signs on the walls pertaining to a blackout. A floor show was put on by Mrs. Lee Wheeler's "Merry Maids." Betty Buchanan, Molly Craig, Jessie Sprott, Betty Jean Giberson and Betty Jean Linderman gave a group of Hawaiian songs and dances.

In November, seniors were given a day off to register the Lake Wales community for fuel oil. Over 1,000 people arrived at the gym for registration.

Winter Haven Blue Devils were greatly surprised when the Highlanders walked off with a score of 9-0 at the Lake Wales Homecoming game. Esther Ashley, and Joan Kingsbury were selected as sponsors with Douglas Dickson and Ronald Corey as escorts.

On March 26, the junior play brought out the dramatic ability of Earl McClure and Margaret Baggett as they played the leading roles in "Showdown at Sawtooth." Others in the play were Paul Metzker, Edward Bryant, Harold Stanford, Arthur Gardner, Doris Martin, Mary Jane Lassiter, and Alice Bucher.



Lake Wales Woman's Club was the scene of this Junior-Senior

'43-'44

Time: All Year Setting: Same Old Place Cast: Seniors

ACT I

The night of February 25th proved to be an eventful and historical one for the class of '44 when their box office receipts of "Lay Down; You're Dead!" broke all former records in Lake Wales High.

Heading the cast was Jerry Bailey as Miss Frankenstein, Jr., who, with her commando tactics, caused quite a stir in the Burrow family. Paul Metzker and Betty Jean Linderman were Mr. and Mrs. Burrow while Arthur Gardner played the role of their poetry-loving son, and Lorna Story was the kid sister.

ACT II

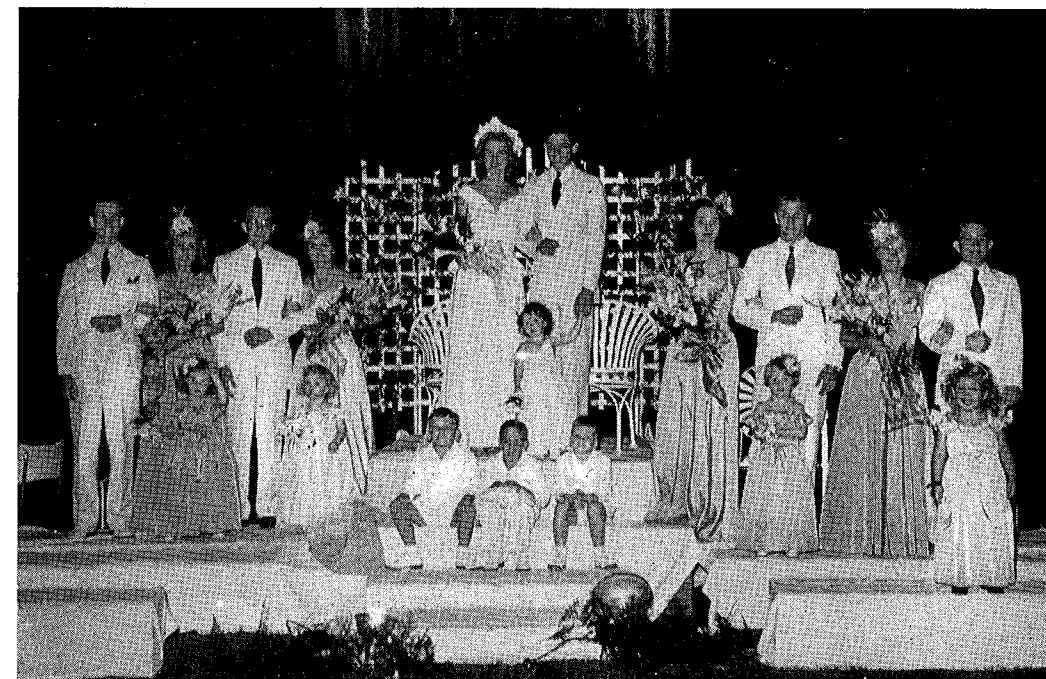
Never can it be said that the class of '44 has not traveled widely. Overcoming any obstacles which may have been in the way, the seniors on the 31st day of March skipped school. (It was legal). They carried a big lunch and spent the day at West Palm Beach. At six they went to Morrison's Cafeteria for dinner and returned via the Seaboard early the next morning.

ACT III

"Cannibal Isle" was the theme of the Junior-Senior Banquet which was held at the Woman's Club May 12. Fred Petrey, class president, gave the opening address "Cannibal King." Marian DeLacure gave a toast "The Big Stew Pot" to which Mary Jane Lassiter, senior president, responded.

Mary Jean Howell then gave a toast, "The Medicine Man and His Helpers," responded to by Mr. Mac's "Voodoo Magic." Charlie Thullbery spoke of the faculty as "The Head Hunters" after which Mrs. T. D. Hayes responded with "Preparing the Skulls."

Music was furnished by the Bombing Range Orchestra from Avon Park. The banquet was followed by a dance which lasted until 12:00.



Queen Craig, King Dickman and Court

THANKS FOR THE MEMORY OF '44-'45

Seems like only yesterday, doesn't it, that green freshies, silly sophs, jolly juniors, and sophisticated seniors launched into the '44, '45 school year. Can it be that Molly Craig's giggles and Jessie Sprott's mad dashes to classes are only memories in the halls of Lake Wales High? That year was packed full of laughs, excitement and fun. But in case you've forgotten, let's reminisce.

REMEMBER WHEN—Jean Blanchard and Marion Matthews were elected sponsors of the exciting Lake Wales-Bartow football game? The Highlanders defeated the Yellow Jackets for the first time since 1936.

REMEMBER WHEN—Tommy Hudson, Preston Bradley, Tiny Pennington, and Joe Torbert did a hilarious hula dance at the annual football banquet? Stratton Story acted as toastmaster and introduced the after dinner speaker All-American Bill Daly.

REMEMBER WHEN—The seniors under the direction of Mrs. Elspeth Smith, presented their class play, "Her Emergency Husband"? Fred Petrey as the wild man had every one in hysterics as he searched for "raw meat."

REMEMBER WHEN—The juniors gave an elaborate banquet for the seniors at the Woman's Club? The theme was a southern garden and on the stage a southern mansion was erected, complete with white columns. Clever favors of negro mammy dolls and corn cob pipes were given.

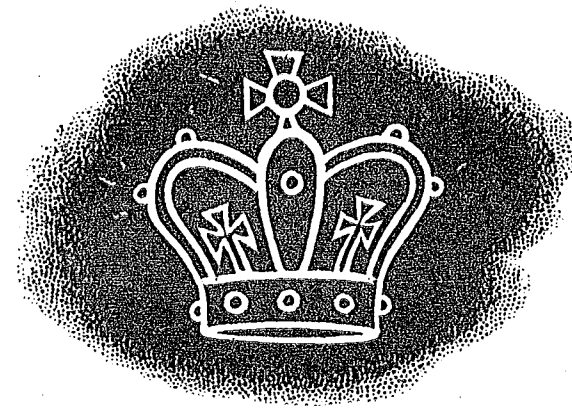
REMEMBER WHEN—The Spanish Club and their sponsor, Mrs. Hugh Alexander, spent a gala evening at the Columbia in Tampa having their banquet? This industrious group worked for weeks editing "The Highlanders," a senior edition.

As time marches on, to 1944-1945 we can only say "Thanks for the Memory."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

'45-'46

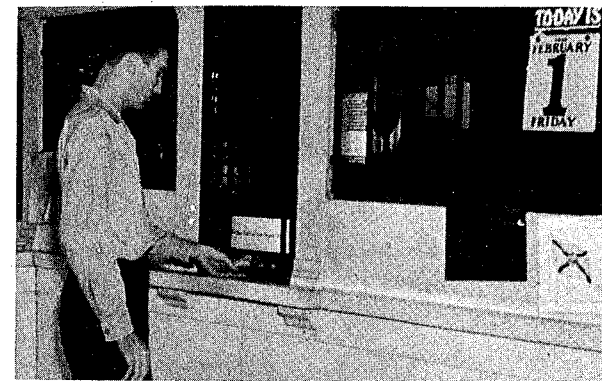
- September 7—School opened.
- September 18—Class officers elected.
- October 3—Installation of eleven members to the Honor Society.
- October 4—Key Club invited fifteen members into their organization.
- October 8—Two Red Cross Christmas boxes were filled by each class.
- October 18—Grand opening of "Stagger Inn" from 1:30 to 5:30 P. M.
- October 31—Senior Class voted unanimously to give \$150 for a "juke" for the school.
- November 1—Students vote to pay \$3.00 for annuals.
- November 9—Eleven of the football boys went to Jax. to see the Florida-Georgia game.
- November 13—Class voted to pay \$150 towards the annual. Football team voted for sponsors.
- November 22—School out for Thanksgiving holidays.
- November 29—Seniors select invitations and cards.
- December 3—Great rejoicing! Senior class rings arrive.
- December 14—Annual Christmas Concert by the Band and Glee Club. School out for Christmas holidays.
- December 17—Key Club sponsors Football Banquet at Seminole with Dennis DeLacure acting as toastmaster.
- December 21—Big party at "Stagger Inn" with all members invited.
- January 21—Senior Who's Who election held by Juniors and Seniors.
- January 21, 22, 23—First semester exams.
- January 31—Fourteen awards for the "Know Your City" contest presented in chapel. Franklyn Futch won first place.
- February 6—Tower Day observed in grades 7-12. Seniors permitted to go up in the tower.
- March 5—Rotary Luncheon attended by Seniors.
- March 8—Juniors presented "Campus Quarantine."
- March 14—Southern College entertained Seniors at dinner.
- March 29—Senior Skip Day.
- April 4, 5, 6—St. Pete Band Festival.
- May 1—May Day Program.
- May 3—Key Club Minstrel.
- May 10—Junior-Senior Banquet.
- May 26—Baccalaureate.
- May 28—Senior Class Play.
- May 31—Commencement.



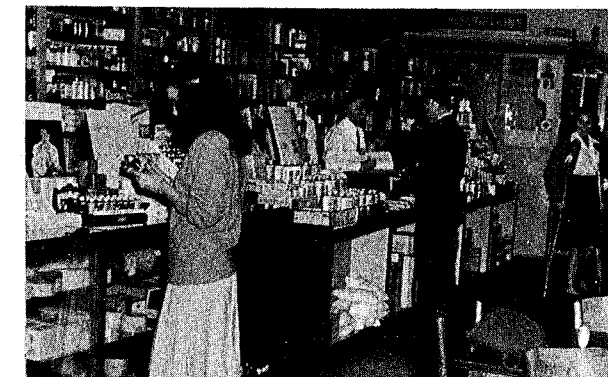
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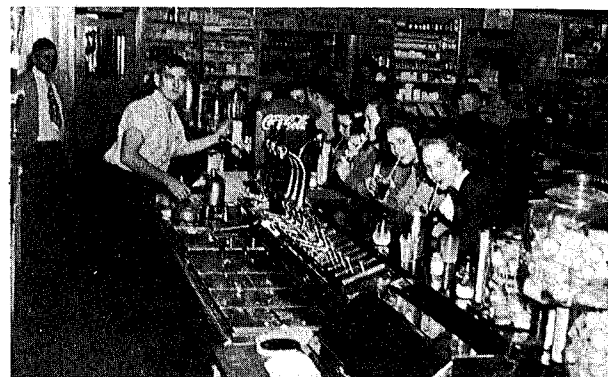
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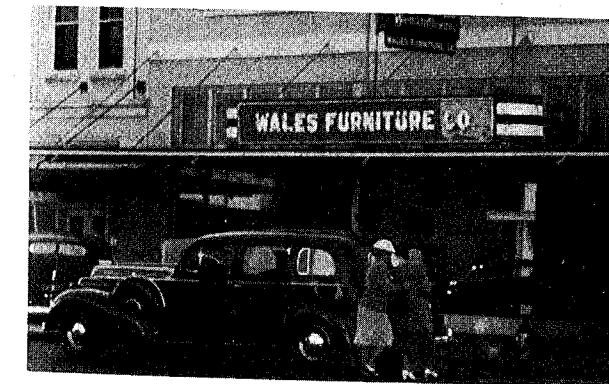
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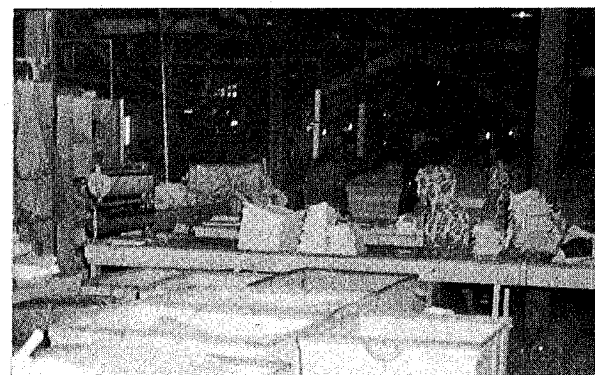
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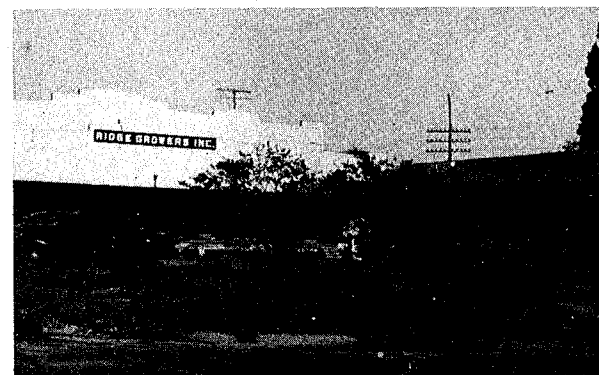
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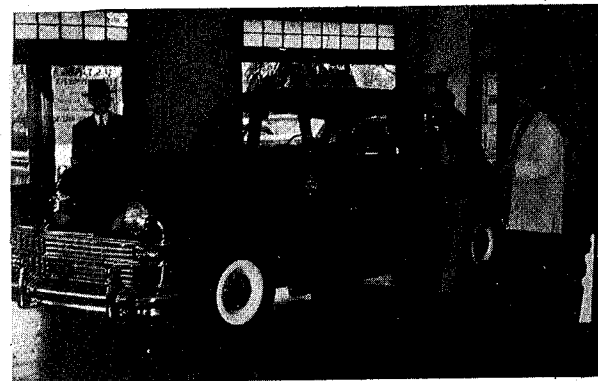
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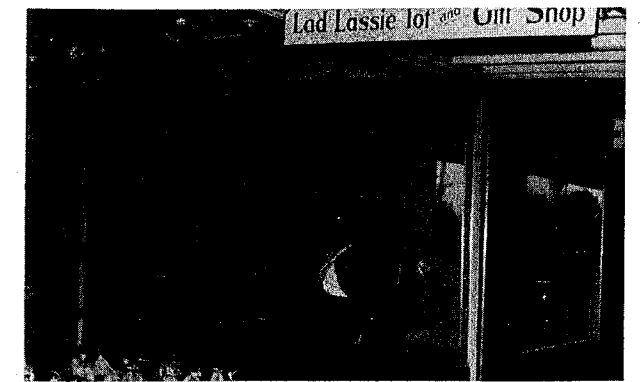
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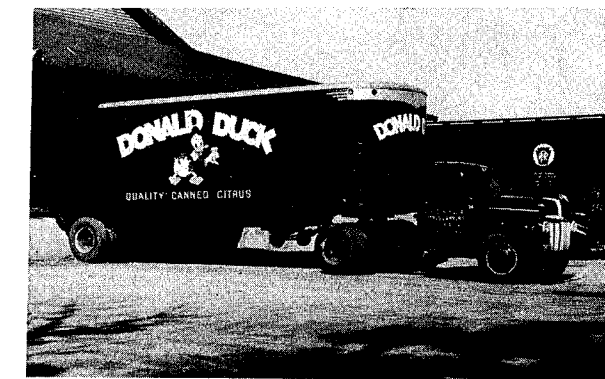
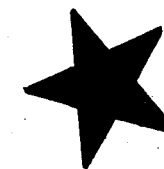
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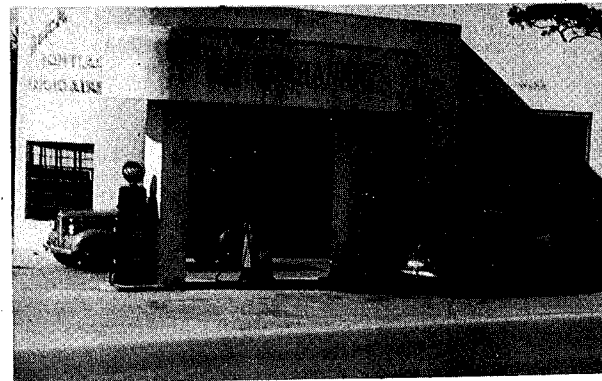
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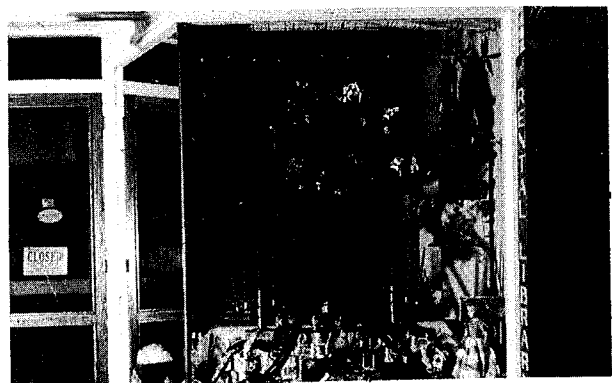
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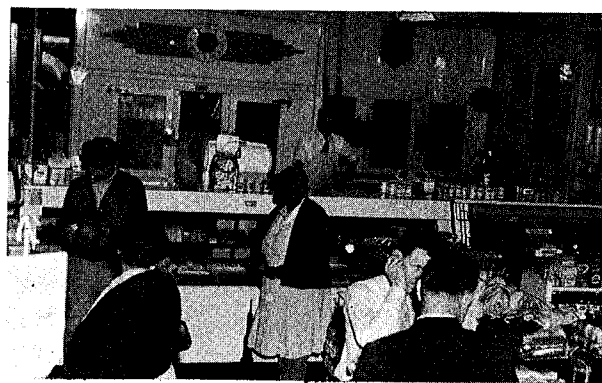
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