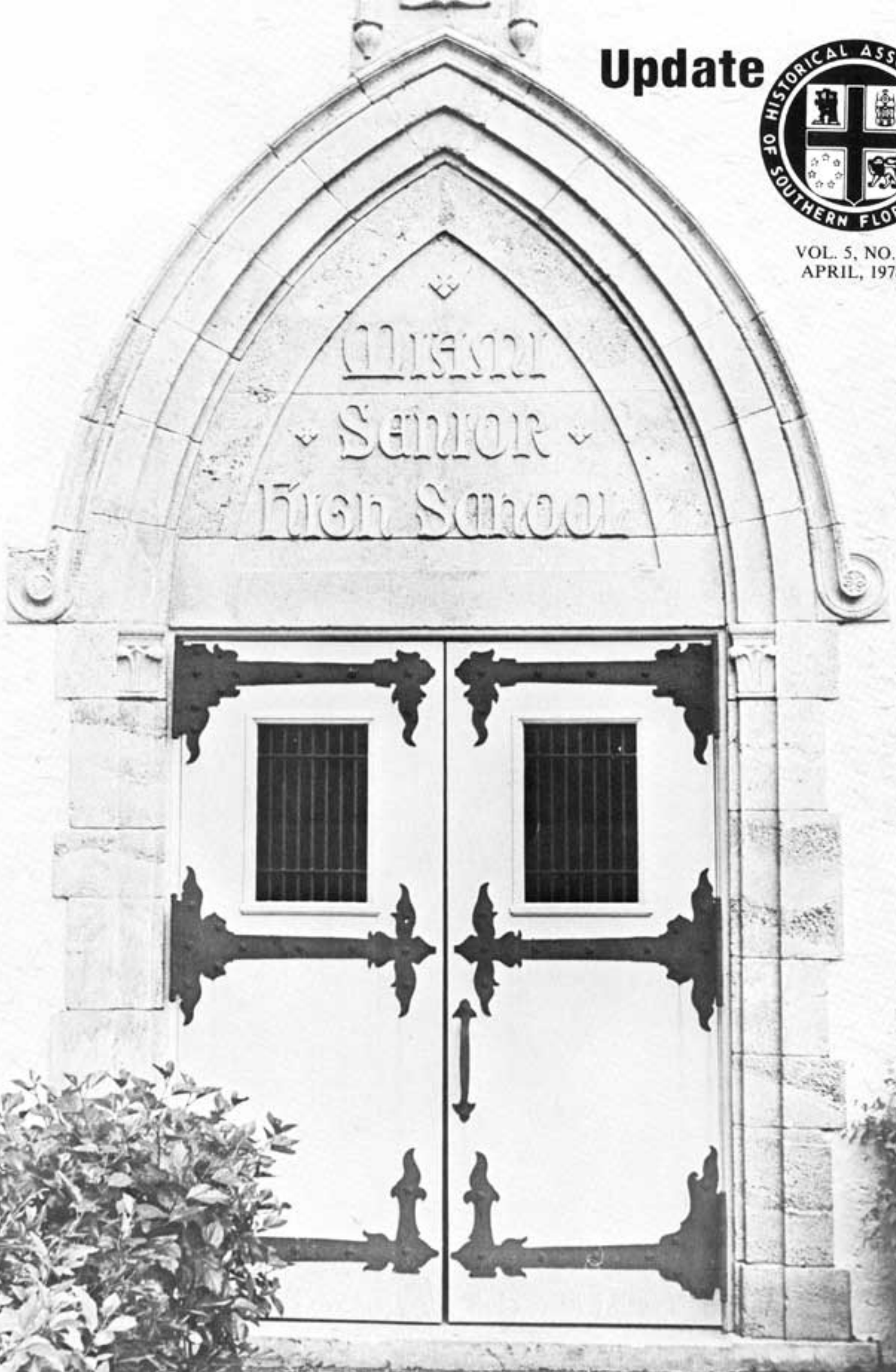


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PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

The Association is pleased to devote this issue of *Update* to Miami Senior High School. Old buildings and places have little historical significance in and of themselves. They are made significant by the people and events which have occurred there. Dr. Jackson's medical office, which is now being restored by the Dade Heritage Trust, is significant to our community, not because it is an old building, but because it was the professional home of a medical pioneer who contributed so much to this community's early life.

Similarly, Miami High School, while interesting from an architectural standpoint, is significant in the history of this community for the contribution of those who have been a

part of it. While I spent my high school days on the opposite side of the stadium from the Stingarees, my father was a 1922 graduate and my great aunt, LuBelle Hodgman, taught for many years at Miami Senior. Most Miamians, whether pioneers or here for only a short time, have been touched by the influence of Miami High through friends, relatives, business contacts or public servants.

Miami High has been a significant part of our community for the past 75 years, changing and evolving along with our community itself. To that spirit and to that contribution, this edition of *Update* is dedicated.

R. LAYTON MANK
 President

KUDOS: Many people, many memories and much work have gone into this issue of *Update*. It is more than a monumental task to chronicle 75 years of a vibrant, active institution. Special thanks must go to a few who were never too busy to give of themselves and their resources and to "talk Miami High"—Mary Stanley, Billie Wills, Edyth Shepard, Annie Leigh Rollins, Helen Keeler Spach, Ione Wright and of course those alumni who wrote for this issue of *Update*. Those of us who are not Miami High graduates have caught the infectious Stingaree spirit and join with the 39,731 MHS alumni in celebrating this special 75th Anniversary.

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COVER: A patio entrance to Miami Senior High School. (Photo courtesy of The Miami News.)

MIAHI HIGHLIGHTS MIAMI HIGH

by Zee Shipley

1914

First edition of *Miahi* dedicated to Walter B. Owen, Jr., Principal . . . Four classes: Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior with students separated into Classical Department or two year commercial course . . . April Fool's Day Seniors skipped in secret with principal's permission and no demerits . . . Christmas Spread held on day before vacation . . . Colonial Reception costume party with powdered wigs and George and Martha Washington elected . . .

1915

Miahi dedicated to John H. Workman, Principal, and Faculty . . . Only two teachers remained from 1914 faculty . . . April Fool's Day Seniors skipped and received three weeks' detention and 10 demerits . . . Home economics was made compulsory . . . Christmas Spread discontinued, but Seniors held it secretly . . . First dance after a basketball game entertained Palm Beach team and dates . . . First Junior Senior Prom held at Miami Beach Casino . . . Sophomores had a straw ride without teachers as chaperones . . . Each class must sit in a separate room for Assembly . . . No talking permitted in the halls (penalty: 45 minutes in detention) . . . Principal tried to suspend the majority of the sophomore girls for being late to class, but the Superintendent said "these girls belong to the best families in Miami and there must be a mistake somewhere." . . .

1916

Miahi dedicated to Mr. William Renn Thomas, Assistant Principal . . . Florence Wharton, class of 1917, was the first graduate of MHS who was born in Miami . . . New high school building opened and was dubbed "the factory" . . .

1917

Miahi dedicated to Gladys Beckwith . . . Freshman day held at Hardie's Casino—over and back . . .

This chronology, based on past issues of Miahi was compiled by Zee Shipley of the Update Board.

by boat . . . Seniors went to their picnic on Miami Beach by autos via the Collins Bridge . . . Seniors had a measles outbreak . . . William Jennings Bryan addressed students on public speaking . . . Junior-Senior Banquet and Prom held at the New Urmev Hotel . . .

1918

Miahi dedicated to John H. Workman, Principal . . . Roll of Honor listed those from Miami High who had answered the call of their country including one girl . . . Prom was given up for the benefit of the Red Cross . . . Military training began: High School Volunteers of the U.S. . . . Food conservation pledges were distributed by MHS students . . .

1919

Miahi was not published because of the War . . . P.E.P. Club and Hi-Y Clubs founded . . .

1920

Miahi dedicated to Mary B. Merritt . . . The James Whitcomb Riley Literary Society presented "Living Pictures" to raise money to buy pictures for the halls. The pictures depicted were "The Angelus," "The Age of Innocence," "The Song of the Lark," and "Whistler's Mother" . . . National "Better Speech" week was observed at MHS climaxed with a trial of the Verbs Do, Be, Go and See for an atrocious attack on Miss Mother Tongue . . . 500 students registered including 175 freshmen . . . Armistice Day, 1919, was a school holiday and the whole town celebrated . . . Students petitioned the School Board for two weeks Christmas vacation and won . . . Letters were presented to basketball team after state championship win . . . Everyone was asked to bring ukeleles to the Sophomore-Senior Boat Trip to Cape Florida on a moonlight night . . .

1921

Miahi dedicated to Lillian McGahey . . . A.C. Alleshouse became principal . . . Junior Prom held at the Haleyon Ballroom . . . Student Council organized . . . James Whitcomb Riley Literary Society speakers included F.B. Stoneman, Marjorie Stoneman Douglas, and William Jennings

Bryan . . . Debating Club subject: Resolved that all immigration should be prohibited for the present . . . Palm Fete held December 6, 1920 through December 11 . . . Senior Banquet held at Wayside Inn in spite of the failure of the bank where class money was on deposit . . . Triple Debate: MHS won over Palm Beach and Fort Lauderdale . . .

1922

Miahi dedicated to A.C. Alleshouse, Principal . . . Among clubs organized in 1921 were Dramateurs, Barrymore, Demosthenian Debating Society, The Senate, a rival debating club, Romance Language Club with French and Spanish divisions, Latin Club, Science Club, and Chess Club . . . Orchestra organized by Madame Vilona-Hall and Chorus organized by Mrs. Iva Sproule-Baker. Both were voluntary . . . First football team organized by students with no financial support by the School Board and uniforms catch as catch can . . . Triangular Debate Topic: That the Commission-Manager form of City Government is preferable to any other form of City Government. MHS won over Palm Beach and Fort Lauderdale . . . Senior straw ride to Rubye Douglass' Arch Creek Home . . . Armistice Day holiday celebrated all over the city . . .

1923

Miahi dedicated to Miss Sara H. Bayne . . . Flag Rush in April: each class attempted to put up its own colors and keep them up . . . Junior-Senior Prom held at Miami Country Club . . . Romance Language Clubs became Le Cerele de San Souci and El Circulo Hispanico . . . Football players received sweaters and promptly gave them to their girl friends . . .

1924

Miahi dedicated to Margaret Agnew Welsh . . . Freshmen formed Rat Book Club . . . MHS Athletic Association admitted girls . . . Football team beat Gainesville 16-13 to avenge last year's drubbing . . . *Stingaree* bi-weekly newspaper published for the first time on Oct. 31, 1923 . . . Last year of the four year school—last freshman class (Class of '27) was

the largest to enter MHS . . . Graduation at Mahi Shrine Temple . . . Bryan Debating Club is formed. William Jennings Bryan was an honorary member and members are called "commoners." . . . Industrial Arts Department expanded to include art, printing, architecture and mechanical drawing . . .

1925

Miahi dedicated to Nancey Rickard . . . MHS won Triangular Debate again . . . Ernie Seiler coached MHS to State Basketball Championship . . . MHS Band organized . . . The Little Theatre performed 53 plays . . . Home Economics reorganized . . . Carnivals by the Class of 1925 made it possible for the Seniors to deposit \$5,000 in bank at 8% interest to fund two college scholarships for a Senior boy and girl . . . New electric clock, gift of class of '24, installed . . .

1926

Miahi dedicated to Louise Cunningham . . . Junior Class Carnival netted \$2,000 in two nights . . . 1400 students enrolled at opening of school, 1810 in spring semester—largest to date. All 48 states were represented and many foreign countries, as students moved down from the north . . . Dominant Key Music Club gave school an orthophonic victrola . . . Mr. W.R. Thomas named principal. He had been assistant principal since 1912 . . . School clubs began to hold meetings on school time . . . Student Council participated in the laying of the cornerstone for the University of Miami and established a Student Court to handle cases of cheating, skipping, gambling and smoking . . . Nov. 30, 1925, school flooded . . . Senior party held at the Biltmore . . .

1927

Miahi dedicated to Miss Verna Kimler . . . New high school building to be ready in 1928 . . . Oct. 4, 1926, school opening delayed two weeks due to hurricane . . . Robert E. Lee and Shenandoah Junior Highs joined in Junior Carnival . . . Oct. 20, 1926, school dismissed because of hurricane warnings . . . "M" Club

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established for athletes . . . Quill and Scroll charter granted MHS—a first in the state . . . Spanish play was presented: El Castillo de los Torres Nobles . . . March 18, 1927, ground-breaking for the new Miami High School . . . MHS state swimming and track champions . . . Noel Roberts, Senior Class President, went before School Board to get permission for dancing at school . . .

1928

Miami dedicated to Mr. W.R. Thomas, Principal . . . Track and tennis teams state champions . . . Beginning of Big Sisters to welcome new girls to MHS . . . Jan. 3 through Jan. 9, school was dismissed because of extremely cold weather . . . Feb. 13 last day of school in the old building . . . *Stingaree*, now a weekly, voted best high school paper in the state and won 2nd prize in Columbia Scholastic Press Association Competition (200 papers entered) . . . Commencement exercises held in the auditorium . . . Student Council opened school supply store and Lost and Found . . . Orchestra played at Coliseum before 5000 who came to hear Will Rogers . . .

1929

Dedicated to the Mothers of the Senior Class. The *Miami* was almost dropped because of lack of funds but the Mothers of the Seniors rallied and saved the annual . . . *Stingaree* won its first championship in the Columbia Scholastic Awards Competition . . . National Honor Society granted charter April 14, 1928 . . . Tennis team state champions for the third consecutive year . . . Baseball team had an 11 game winning streak going for a perfect season . . . Feb. 5 school let out to see President Herbert Hoover . . . Senior girls were invited to tea at the University of Miami, while Senior boys were invited to a stag party at the U of M . . . First Miami High School Pageant . . . First winner of the Sigma Nu Trophy honoring the most outstanding athlete was Fred Frink . . . First Father and Son Banquet . . .

1930

The first Jamboree, a minstrel show, was sponsored by Hi-Y . . . Bleachers were erected behind the school for the football games . . .

1931

Miami dedicated to Coach Don

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THE EARLY YEARS

by Thelma Peters, '22

A railroad, a city charter, and a public school—Miami got them all in one momentous year, 1896. But it was not until fall registration 1902, that Miami had a high school.

"Bulging at the seams" is a perennial description of Dade County schools and it was never more true than on that October day in 1902, when 264 pupils showed up at the little two-story frame building with bell tower which was located where the Miami post office now stands. Desks had to be shared, and benches called into service. The fifteen high schoolers were gathered at one end of the upper corridor until the principal, Willis W. Hall, could find a room for them. A building was hurriedly erected on the back of the school lot, a frame building looking much like a standard portable except it had two rooms and a porch along one side. This was Miami High School for at least a decade. ("We had to go to the main building to the bathroom," reports Leonore DesRochers, Class of 1913. An ice wagon delivered ice each morning for the water cooler.)

In this building many of the community and business leaders of Miami received their education. More high standards of scholarship and discipline were set, standards that were to foster a record of achievement for Miami High School reaching to the present.

To this school from Coconut Grove came Miss Hattie Carpenter who acted as

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principal of the high school and from Allapattah Miss Lillian McGahey who was to teach math to several generations of Miamians. Miss Carpenter rode a bicycle; Miss McGahey a horse. It was while biking home through Brickell Hammock one afternoon with

with dues at \$1 a year. The treasurer was William M. Burdine, founder of Burdine's Department Store. The librarian soon had 375 books.

In the fall of 1903, Mr. Hall, the principal, wrote a two-column plea for school attendance which was printed



The 1906 graduation class of Miami High school, left to right, Mildred Taylor, Alice Ellis, Estelle DesRochers, Lottie Maynard. Estelle DesRochers (Mrs. Frank Zumwalt) now 91 supplied the photo.



School "bus" from Little River and Lemon City to Miami High School about 1910. The photo is from the album of Marian Swain Carlin whose sister, Martha Swain, is standing at the right of the photo.

a beefsteak in the basket that Miss Carpenter was stalked by a panther. She outran him and saved the steak. Pupils from Little River, Lemon City and Buena Vista came by "bus" to Miami High, a bus pulled by two mules who were soon as familiar with every stop as was their driver.

In the spring of 1903, the faculty and patrons of the school formed the Public School Library Association

in the Miami Metropolis (September 13), in which he said, "Our course of study consists of 12 years of work and is free to all white children ages six to twenty-one." He spoke of the 3 R's and the 3 H's (Head, Hand and Heart) and urged parents to take an interest in their children.

In the spring of 1904, Miami High graduated its first class, three students, Florence Stephens, Grace Rader and

Ralph Rader. There were no graduates in 1905, but in 1906, there were four, all girls: Mildred Taylor and Lottie Maynard of Miami, Alice Ellis of Coconut Grove and Estelle DesRochers of Lemon City. Only Estelle DesRochers Zumwalt is still living, age 91. She remembers that she spent the night of graduation in town with the John Frohocks who lived near the school. Her mother, Mrs. Henry Des-

but the cheap wooden addition did not please parents who felt, with increasing alarm, that the building was a fire trap. In 1911, the wooden building was replaced by a fine large three-story cement-and-stucco building on the same site, that is, N.E. First Avenue between 3rd and 4th Streets. The old "fire trap" became the Frances Hotel at 19 N.E. 3rd Street. The new school was named Central School. It had imposing

and moved to its own building at 275 N.W. 2nd Street. There are some who claim the little two-roomer was not abandoned but was moved to Southside School and today is still near Southside School, though privately owned and considerably altered. Its location is 79 S.W. 12th Street. Across N.E. 3rd Avenue from the block-long new high school was Lummus Park, then a battery of tennis courts. The new building had a large study hall, locker rooms, chemistry lab, library and a small stand-up lunch room where a hamburger or a new-fangled ice cream, Eskimo Pie, was a dime.

In the early years of the new high school Shakespeare was required reading, Latin was popular and Greek was offered as an elective. Football was played in Royal Palm Park near the bay and Miami's famous tourist hotel, the Royal Palm - today the site of the Dupont Plaza parking lots. The fact that palm trees grew in the playing field added a new dimension to football, especially for visiting teams untrained in tree-dodging. The coach was Ernie Seiler. Basketball was played at the downtown Y.M.C.A.

My class was that of 1922. By that time the new high school was "bulging at the seams." Some classes were held in the church across the street. Soon large wings were added to the building but even that was not enough. The Boom had hit Miami. In the fall of 1921, the school went double session; upper classes in the morning, freshmen in the afternoon. We were 108 graduates in 1922. We had our prom in the ballroom of the Halcyon Hotel. The girls wore pastel organdie dresses for Baccalaureate at the White Temple Methodist Church and frilly white dresses with arm bouquets of red roses for graduation held in the Central School auditorium. Music for

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McAllister...Miami High *Times* (formerly *Stingaree*) won Columbia first prize for the third time . . . Proceeds from Hi-Y Minstrel and Review went toward landscaping the patio . . . Football team's winning streak extended to 22 for a perfect season . . . Track team state champions . . . Orchestra and Boys and Girls Glee Club place first in Florida Federated Music Club contest . . . Band marched in Pan American Parade . . . Tennis team captained by Gardner Mulloy . . .

1932

Miami dedicated to Horace E. Richey . . . 1931 First game with Edison (formerly Dade County Agricultural High School) 19-0. Edison teams were called Cardinals in the early years . . . Pep club members wore blue and gold pajamas to games . . . "Twelfth Night" presented . . . Graduation held at Bayfront Park for 362 students . . . Senior Prom given at the Biltmore Country Club . . . First Mother and Daughter Banquet . . .

1933

Miami dedicated to Miss Sadie O. Minor and Mr. Oliver Hoover . . . *Times* won fifth Columbia first prize . . . Junior Pan American League formed at the request of former President Herbert Hoover . . . Edison lost 12-0 . . . Boys and girls tennis teams won Eighth District Championships . . . Senior girls voted to forego the traditional organdy dresses for Class Day. Banquet was held in the cafeteria with dancing on the patio after cornmeal was sprinkled on the floor . . . PIA held a benefit swimming party at the Pelican to raise money for sidewalks . . . Former MHS Coach McAllister brought Waite High to beat the Stings 13-7 in the after-Christmas game . . .

1934

Miami dedicated to Louise L. Warren . . . Sixth *Times* Columbia first prize . . . Student Council began first Courtesy Week . . . Orchestra and Girls Glee Club each won first place in the Class A division in state . . . Band played for the All American Air Races, all four days . . . PIA purchased land for park facing the school . . . Miami 6 Edison 0 . . . Boys swimming team state champions . . . Honor Society held initiation on board the "Biscayne" . . . Hi-Y



The graduating class of 1909 in front of the two-room high school building with two of their teachers: Miss Hattie Carpenter, center front row, and Miss Sara Bain, second from right rear. Photo by Katie McLendon (HAST)



Miami High school at 275 N.W. 2nd Street, built in 1915, added wings in 1922 because of Boom-time overcrowding. By that time, classes were on double session and some were even held in the church across the street. (Claude Mathack photo, HAST)

Rochers, could not attend the ceremony for she was home giving birth to her ninth child. Estelle received so many flowers that she had to keep them in the Frohock bathtub. Among her prized possessions today is a gold medal presented her at graduation by E.G. Sewell for the "best in literature."

The original bell-towered school doubled in size to accommodate the lower grades

columns at the entrance and a fine auditorium which served both community and school for concerts, plays and school entertainments. In 1913, there were 196 pupils in the high school part of Central School and some of the classes were held in the new building because the little two-roomer was totally outgrown.

Then in 1915, the high school, the top four grades, separated from Central School

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presented seventh annual musical review, "Anchors Aweigh," with 35 acts of singing, dancing and skits . . . Class Day—Seniors could skip. In the afternoon the girls once again wore long pastel organdy dresses and the boys white flannels and dark coats . . . Mid-term graduates were first to wear caps and gowns . . .

1935

Class rings were sold \$8.50 for boys and \$7.50 for girls.

1936

Miami dedicated to James D. Teller . . . Orchestra placed first in state competition . . . Driver education classes started, but not for credit . . .

1937

Miami dedicated to W.R. Thomas, Principal . . . Key Club organized . . . Girls Athletic Association formed . . .

1938

Miami dedicated to Peace . . . Student Council bought 27 benches for the patio and American and school flags for the auditorium . . . Demosthenian Debate Club organized . . . Hawks Aero Club organized with Charles Lasher as president . . . Student Council sponsored dances on the patio. "The Big Apple" was the dance . . . Student Council proposed to close the street in front of MHS to make it a campus . . .

1939

Miami dedicated to O.F. Steinmetz . . . Hey Day began. Students could introduce themselves to anyone without a formal invitation . . . National Honor Society sponsored dances, boat rides, etc., to raise money for \$100 scholarship . . . Jitterbug was the dance . . . Edison 6 Miami 6. Playoff for city championship—Miami 7 Edison 6 . . . *Times* changed size, type, masthead and won five outstanding honors: First place in Columbia contest; All American rating in the National Scholastic Press Association Conference; international honors in Quill and Scroll, first place in Group A of the state contest; and first place trophy as the best paper in the southeast in the Emory-Atlanta *Journal* contest . . . Girls track team won Dade County championship . . . Hall monitors were instituted and students had to

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MIAMI HIGH SPORTS

by Howard Kleinberg, '51

It was said that the putting on of the navy blue and gold uniform was good for one touchdown in football and about two field goals in basketball. It is no longer true today, but those of us who attended Miami High during

in town, the newspaper article called it the "local high school team."

Of insignificant—but interesting—note was an admonishment of the American Legion team by the reporter that day for *The*

high school on Nov. 2 that year, meeting St. Augustine School for the Deaf and Dumb; won by MHS, 52-0.

The Miami Metropolis, forerunner to *The Miami News*, commented on that game in this manner:



The 1928 Stings (above) are a sharp contrast to this past season's Miami High football team (right). In more than 50 years of gridiron competition, MHS has won 23 state and 3 national titles. The record shows more than 468 games, 358 wins, 9,469 points and 6 undefeated seasons. Opposing teams have been held to 3,386 points and 180 scoreless games. (Photos Courtesy of Miami Senior High School)

its prime sports years swear by it.

The Stingarees not only had a superiority on the playing field but a mystique about them; a Miami High uniform had to do with a tradition of greatness. In these days, it is referred to as "psyching out" one's opponent.

From the day the first Miami High football team stepped onto the playing field on Dec. 3, 1921, the Stingarees had not known a losing football season until the late 1960s. That 1921 game was the only one they played that year, a 12-6 victory over the local American Legion Post.

It was interesting to note in the story covering this contest that there was no reference to Miami High as such. Since there was only one high school

Howard Kleinberg, '51, began his journalistic career as Sports Editor of The Times. He is at present the Editor of The Miami News.

Miami Herald. "If the Legion team expects to make a success of the game," he wrote, "they must remember that some of the language that a couple of the players used is out of place when ladies are present. They also must stop the roughhouse play that one or two thought was the proper style to put into the game. Football is rough enough without trying to inject strangle holds and tripping."

Be that as it may, Miami High was on its way to football greatness, although there are indications that this 1921 game was more of a pickup contest than a planned event.

What was to be an earnest football program began in 1922 when Miami High played a seven game schedule and actually went to the state championship game, only to be drubbed, 58-0, by Gainesville High School.

As an historical footnote, it should be mentioned that the Stingarees played their first home game against another

"A goodly crowd lined the gridiron on all sides, while the high school contingent lustily cheered their heroes under frantic yell leaders.

"For an hour after the game, traffic on Flagler Street was tied up while the jubilant high schoolers, full of enthusiasm for their team, performed a snake dance in and around automobiles and even up onto the steps of the city hall where they called for the mayor."

To get to the city hall, which is where the Federal Building is now located at West Flagler, a conga line paraded out of Royal Palm Park, pranced down the aisles of the Fairfax Theater (later the Paramount and, now, a collection of shops) and up to the city hall.

There was no mention of the crowd size that day, but Miami High football was on its way to playing before fans numbering better than 40,000 for key games.

And as the superiority in football began early (what

team ever went to a state championship in its first full football season?) so did it in basketball.

Under the wing of Ernie Seiler, the Stingaree basketball team won its first state championship in 1925. Seiler's success in basketball, of course, is lost in his fame as Impresario of the Orange Bowl Festival and his one year

High national prominence...a veritable Notre Dame of high school football. Six undefeated seasons, 23 state championships. In one period (1941-1943) Miami High went undefeated three successive years while playing a national schedule.

A routine Miami High season included as opponents teams from Georgia, North

rivalry was established.

Year after year, the Red Raiders of Edison knocked at the door in football, but always were frustrated. It wasn't until 1952 that Edison was able to defeat them, 20-7. For years, the Red Raider faithful had taken out a parade permit, in the event they beat the Stingarees. But they didn't get their chance to parade until



as coach of the MHS football team (1924, 5-2-0) plus the attendant stories of how he used a coconut tree, which intruded onto the playing field, for several unusual scoring plays.

The tradition of Miami High greatness in basketball, however, falls on the broad shoulders of Vince Schaeffer, who has been coaching the Stingarees for 32 years, winning the state title five times. His record over that period is 640 victories against 174 losses; a classic career.

But back to football.

From the day the first Miami High pickup team stepped onto the playing field in 1921 until a day late in the 1951 season when Miami Jackson took the Stingarees, 14-7, no school in Dade County had ever beaten them...a streak of 30 years!

A succession of great high school football coaches—including Jesse Yarborough, Tom Moore, George Trogdon, Charlie Tate and Ottis Mooney—brought to Miami

Carolina, Virginia, Maryland and Tennessee. The folks back home just didn't want to play them; they were too good.

The number of Stingarees who went on to college All-America teams are too many to mention. Arnold Tucker, the great quarterback for the Blanchard-Davis years at West Point, Joe Caldwell, who also won All-America at West Point, only to die in an auto accident at the age of 27 while serving as a captain, Jim Dooley, who went on to All-America at U-Miami, then to the Chicago Bears as a player and, later, head coach of that team. They were but a few.

And always in that dreaded uniform of navy blue shirts and pants with the gold trim, and the navy blue helmets.

Of all the relationships in sports, that which was with Miami Edison High School was the most significant. Greater arch-rivals never existed. From the day Miami High first took the measure of Lemon City High (which was to become Edison) in 1925, the

Thanksgiving night of 1952. And what a parade it was. They tore the steel goalposts out of the Orange Bowl stadium, where a crowd of 31,391 had witnessed the historic game, marched them down Flagler Street to Bayfront Park where they were dumped into the city flower bed.

Ed "Pop" Parnell, who had been coaching Edison on and off since 1932, finally achieved what he had been after. As he met a disconsolate Miami High coach Charlie Tate at midfield following the game, he said, "Charlie, it's been a long spell."

"I'm happy for you, Pop," came the choked response.

In the years which followed, the Stingarees retained their greatness despite the Edison defeat. Under the coaching of Ottis Mooney, from 1956 through 1962, the Stingarees won 53, lost six and tied eight.

As the older community moved into the suburbs and the vicinity around Miami High became more populated by Latins, the Stingarees' fortunes

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have a permit to be out of the room

1940

No dedication... MHS was the only school in the state to receive first division honors in all major music events—at state contests... Times won Columbia Award... At the end of the football season, MHS had set an all-time undefeated record of 18 consecutive wins. They scored 220 points this year and only four times was their goal crossed. But Dec. 26 Garfield, N.J., defeated the Stingarees 16-13, winning in the last two minutes with a field goal... Gardner Mulloy and U of M men's tennis team coached girls' tennis in a special class... Swimming team used Hunter Lyon pool in Hialeah... First ice skating club...

1941

No dedication... Fire in the auditorium resulted in no assemblies and moved pep rallies to the athletic field... Three o'clock retreat; at two minutes before 3:00, drums called students to attention and buglers sounded the retreat... Times won Medalist Award from Columbia Scholastic Press for second time... Christmas night Stingarees blank Fenger High of Chicago at Burdine's Stadium... Public address system installed... Student Council sponsored dances every Friday after school... 3,000 keys were among the metal collected during scrap drive...

1942

No dedication... Friday afternoon dances became Defense dances and collections were taken to buy bonds in the name of Miami High... Physical education became compulsory... Honor code established... Aviation Mechanics introduced for senior boys... War Council formed to coordinate defense efforts of students. Paper sales money went to equip the MHS first aid room... National High School Debate topic: Resolved, that every able bodied male citizen between the ages of 18 and 21 should have at least one year of military training... After several years of striving, the Times succeeded in getting a student parking lot... Paper won Pacemaker Award and Medalist again... Honor Society, formed in 1928 with 28 charter members, now had 118 members... Miami beats Edison 26-13 in final three

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minutes. Team is undefeated, one tie . . . Track and field team won state crown . . .

1943

Miami dedicated to MHS boys in the armed services . . . "Bring the Scrap to Slap a Jap," led by Key Club, netted 459,260 pounds of metal, rubber and rags, and \$100.00 prize for MHS . . . Student Council's Stingaree Jeep cost \$900.00. Funds raised by donations, and a Jeep Dance in the east patio. Each homeroom had a goal of \$13.25 for their share of the Jeep . . . Nov. 6 no school because a hurricane was predicted . . . Student Council sponsored service flag for lobby and United Nations flag . . . Girls' Council took charge of Red Cross room . . . National Honor Society sold \$140 worth of War Bonds and Stamps at MHS . . . Miami High Swing Band organized . . . Band often appeared at Saturday bond drives downtown . . . Henry Fillmore, President of the National Bandmaster Association, led the band in two of his famous marches . . . Miami 40 Edison 6 . . .

1944

Miami dedicated to the Miami High Gold Star boys who gave their lives for their country . . . Through purchase of bonds and stamps, students bought three jeeps . . . Key Club Varga Calendar presented again at Jamboree . . . *Times* won Medalist again, and the advertising section won top honors with the All-Columbia Award, the only paper in the country to win this honor. *Times* sold for 5c . . . Dramatics Club Victory Players presented a play for soldiers at the Miami Biltmore Army Hospital . . . TAC—teen age center; 2217 SW 8th Street, sponsored by the YMCA, organized by 20 students. Membership 3 months for \$1.00 . . . Football: Stingarees won Southern Championship for second consecutive year. In the Dec. 3 game against Boys' High, two outstanding Stings (Williams and Jones) switched jerseys to confuse the opposition . . . Basketball team State Champions . . .

1945

Miami dedicated to the Stingarees who gave their lives for world peace . . . Cora Page, English teacher, wrote words for *Alma Mater* . . . Shortage of chewing gum resulted in students chewing Orbit, Teaberry and Grapevine,

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MEMORABLE TEACHERS

by Lamar Louise Curry

By the chemistry of memory, respect becomes love. As the years pass, the clearer we see the imprint made by our teachers upon our lives, the more we realize that our respect of yesteryear has become love and appreciation. In this diamond anniversary of Miami High School, so many former teachers, though now gone, have become sparkling diamonds in the memory of those whose lives they touched.

When Miami High School began, the village of Miami was only seven years old. The succession of its principals, so few for so many years of its existence, each with just the right quality of spirit for his time, gave it stability. Willis W. Hall was truly the pioneer in secondary education in Dade County. His spirit, coupled with Miss Hattie Carpenter's vivacity made Miami High the nucleus of education and culture in the already burgeoning community. W.B. Owen, Jr., whose contributions to the young school in the young community were recognized by the Class of 1914, with the dedication of its very impressive year book, the *MIAMI*, to him. John H. Workman served as its principal through the period of World War I, supplying the firm hand needed during such exciting yet saddening experiences as war brings to the high school age group.

The gentlemanly dignity of A.C. Alleshouse was there until 1925, when he was succeeded by W.R. Thomas, the one who has been behind the door marked PRINCIPAL longer

Lamar Louise Curry graduated with the Class of 1923. She later served on the Miami High faculty for over 30 years teaching social studies.

than any. Beloved and respected by four decades of MHS students as Latin teacher, assistant principal and principal, his mark on the students, the school and the community was immeasurable even before he served as County Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Although Olin C. Webb's contributions to MHS were cut short by his untimely death in 1961, he is remembered by students and faculty for his sincere personal interest in and affection for people. Only two people now living can claim the honor of Principal of Miami Senior High School: Hal N. Black, and the present one, Curtis M. Knowles.

Speak to the grads of the young Miami High and immediately they mention the good teaching of Miss Hattie Carpenter. They remember Miss Lillian McGahey riding her horse from "way out in Allapattah" to teach math in the little school building behind old Central School located on the site of Miami's present post office. They speak with impressive sincerity of the teaching of history by Mrs. Gladys Beckwith Tyler, of the thoroughness in grammar by Miss Sarah H. Bain, of the fresh approach to the classics by Mrs. Margaret Welsh Singleton and Mrs. Clea Cleveland.

Love of literature was created by Miss Mary B. Merritt, who later served for many years as dean of women at the University of Miami. So many of her students later became English teachers in the local schools and even in far-away colleges. All her pupils seemed to gain a wider outlook, doubtless because of her active interest in so many phases of community life.

Gentle Miss Thomas M. Abernathy, who taught Latin and German through part of five decades, passed away only last December. The young E.E. McCarty who married the young art teacher, Mary Taylor, later became head of Merrick Demonstration School, which was the joint pride of Dade's Public School System and the University of Miami.

Miss Julia S. Tanner, in her presentation of American history and government inspired scores of future lawyers and government officials. Miss Carrie Deen and later, Miss Edith Phelps kept many a girl's nose into textbooks in study hall—that was just that: **study** hall. No boy can forget, in fact, they **want** to talk about their experiences in Miss Chloe Mersen's study hall. Some will even admit that during the lean years of the Great Depression they were able to attend school only because Miss Mersen made it possible for them to have "presentable" shirt and pants. The discipline of that study hall made many a young man learn to respect himself and the rights of others. That and the sympathetic understanding of Miss Cora Page and later, Oliver Hoover as dean of boys, made many realize that, though easy to skip school, it was almost impossible to explain why! Another dean of boys, Lorin Coppock charmed both boys and girls with his friendly camaraderie and his versatility on the piano.

Untold businessmen have Miss Betty Weeks and Miss Marguerite Clark to thank for the thorough training in the commercial subjects given to their later employees.

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Because development in the modern world has been so dependent upon advancement in math and science, the training by Miami High teachers in those fields has contributed more than their share of training to our country's scientific "achievers". Mrs. Grace Taylor Waite and later, Mrs. Gladys Avery Peirce as head of the math Department, and Mrs. Nancy Rickard and Catherine Carlin of the science department held high the standard of quality education. So thorough was the training in higher math by Miss Verna Kimler that her recommendation was tantamount to one's acceptance into any of the great scientific institutions of higher learning. Mr. John Garris held many an insecure pupil to the basics of math until daylight dawned. Miss Lena Banks had many "carry your little finger to the board and point out" angles that ultimately widened into the universe of geometric understanding.

All of us have some favorite teacher enshrined in our hearts.

MIAMI HIGH SPORTS

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dissipated because Latin youth were not raised on football or basketball. As the years pass, however, the signs are positive, and more Latins are becoming proficient in those sports. The last MHS basketball season ended with a 25-4 record and a division title, while the football team broke even at 5-5, the first time in many years that they didn't lose more than they won.

To those of us who graduated that remarkable school before the 30-year streak was broken, when state championships in football, basketball and baseball were routine, the memories are great. And despite our age now, the died-in-the-wool Stingaree fans look forward to the day when the Blue and Gold again will be the invincible power of high school sports.

This shrine was built because some teacher gave us friendship, or needed additional help, or sympathetic understanding, or a widened mental or spiritual horizon. Too numerous to mention are all those still living, so many dead, whose intangible, though most valuable contributions, have left their influence upon us. They do not need to be mentioned. In these seventy-five years of Miami High School history myriads of such shrines are still lovingly tended.

MHS ALMA MATER

*Where the royal palms stand proudly
Underneath the summer sky,
Where the tropic sun shines golden
Stands our proud Miami High.*

*Fair blue skies and golden sunshine
Lift our colors, Gold and Blue,
As we lift our voices singing,
Hail! Miami High to you!*

*Loyal hearts, Miami High School
Hail your name in joy and pride.
Alma Mater, our devotion
Praises you as honored guide.*

*Years will crowd through time, but always
Shall they add to your fair fame;
And our hearts, Miami High School,
Ever sing to your dear name.*

THE EARLY YEARS

marching was by Madame Vilona Hall's orchestra and Ione Stuessy (Dr. Wright) gave the valedictory.

In 1928, the high school moved again, to the handsome Mediterranean building it occupies today. Eventually the freshman class was dropped and the school became Miami Senior High School.

Miami High School, now seventy-five years old, was Miami's first high school. Its high standards of scholarship and its prowess in athletics have set an example for other

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high schools. Its distinguished graduates are numbered in the hundreds. The city of Miami and the citizens of Miami have been enriched through the years by this great school. Architecturally it is the most beautiful school building in Miami, the one most worthy of a place on the National Register. Though the school has reflected the many changes in Miami and in the American lifestyle one constant remains—an abiding loyalty toward alma mater on the part of hundreds of teachers and thousands of students.

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and less smoke in the boys' bathroom . . . Recruiting officers appears on campus; Navy promises more pay, Army better uniforms, Marines promise girls . . . War jobs from two until four had five advantages: money, no-homework excuses, money, permission to sleep in study hall, and money . . . Teachers had only one half hour pupil-free: at lunch . . . School day ended at 3:30 . . . School dances and other events had to end at 12:30 a.m. . . . Students adopted a British War Orphan through Foster Parents Plan for War Children . . . Key Club Formal Dance, sponsored by Kiwanis, brought name band, Johnny Long, to Princess Park, April 23 . . . First girl, Pat Dillard, elected president of the National Honor Society . . . Demosthenian Society became National Forensic League . . . Miami High reached its war stamp and bond quote of \$40,000 half way through school year and ultimately raised \$83,767.95 . . . Friday afternoon dances resumed . . . Gene Strul, *Times* spring editor and first boy in four years to be editor, wrote a fiery piece on the state anti-fraternity law which resulted in court hearings . . . Latin Club admitted to membership in the Junior Classical League . . .

1946

Miami dedicated to W.R. Thomas, Principal . . . Chewing gum, Hershey bars and jalopies were back . . . Sweaters, single strand of graduated pearls, saddle shoes and moccasins were the rage . . . Three hospital units at \$3,000 each were purchased by MHS through bond and stamp sales . . . Key Club "Bunny Hop" had nylon stockings for door prizes . . . Pen and Sable, Art Honorary, organized . . . 6th annual Jamboree sponsored by Hi-Y . . . At the All American Air Races, a plane crashed beside the band "and the band played on." . . . Electric fans were installed in both study halls . . . Pan American Club had to close its membership at 55 . . . The Conga was out of style in South America so the members learned the Rumba and the Samba . . . George Trogdon, new football coach, introduced the "T" formation . . . Miami 26 Edison 7 (23rd win) . . . Vincent Schaefer returned to coach basketball after three years with the Navy . . . National Forensic League debate topic: Every able bodied male citizen of the U.S. should have one

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year of full-time compulsory military training before age 24. Winners of the debate went to Cuba as guests of the Cuban government . . . 1945 Hurricane delayed the first issue of the *Times*. Each issue sold over 1800 copies . . .

1947

Miami dedicated to Miss Nancye Richard . . . First College Entrance Exams taken . . . Winners of the *Herald* essay contest won \$25.00 Savings Bond and seats on the 50 yard line at the Orange Bowl . . . Some students part of nationwide experimental classes in "Preparation for Marriage" . . . Football team first in city to fly to a game . . . Skip Day at Greynolds Park via bikes . . . Band, Orchestra and Majorettes went to Fort Myers for the Thomas Edison "Festival of Lights" and to St. Petersburg for Festival of States. They were also hosts to 2300 student musicians at the Seventh Annual State Band Contest . . . Chess Club won first county championship with no losses . . . *Times* went from 5c to 10c, enabling staff photographers' pictures to be used instead of relying on *Herald* and *News* . . . Student Council bought new scoreboard for gym . . . PTA installed water coolers in corridors . . . Beta and Junior Debs were organized . . .

1948

Miami dedicated to Frances Bergh . . . Etude, honorary for band, orchestra and majorettes, took over sponsorship of selection of Sweetheart of Miami High . . . MHS gave Edison 39-0 licking, and lost only to Robert E. Lee, Jacksonville . . . Jim Dooley on team, Charlie Tate backfield coach, Jarrin' John Koesy named to All City, All State and All Southern football teams, and won the John Mobley WBAY Sports Trophy . . . Basketball team state champions "the Character Kids" so-called because Coach Schaefer remarked after two early losses, "Well, I guess we'll learn a lot of character this year." First championship since 1944 . . . Track team won state meet for the first time since 1942 . . . Girl Reserves became Y Teens . . . Band and Orchestra made a clean first division sweep at the state contest again . . . Eddie Gong became President of MHS Student Body, President of Boys State and Boy President of the U.S. at Boys Nation in Washington, D.C. . . . Etiquette Book for Miami High boys and girls compiled by Girls'

Council . . . Key Club once again sets out to clean Colombia park . . . Wheel Club organized . . .

1949

Miami dedicated to Anna H. Momand . . . The graduation class was so large that Class Day was held twice with half of the 650 graduates attending one day and the balance another . . . Basketball team state champions again, giving MHS a 40 game winning streak . . . Latin American Club organized to help Latin American students become acclimated to their new school and community. 51 members from 5 different countries meet every Thursday afternoon . . . Band began giving a concert every other week at the Bayfront Park Bandshell . . . Key Club kept on cleaning Colombia park every afternoon . . . Homecoming Dance replaced Senior Prom and former MHS graduates joined seniors . . . Commencement at Dinner Key Auditorium . . .

1950

Miami dedicated to Chloe Merson . . . Public address system began operating . . . Staggered lunch periods were instituted . . . Hi-Y continued to give the Sadie Hawkins Day Dance . . . The new band room was completed and dedicated to Mr. Thomas, Principal, and called Thomas Hall . . . The state band contest was held at Miami High and MHS won first division in every contest . . . A bronze plaque, a memorial to the Gold Star alumni of Miami High, was completed by the National Honor Society and placed in the main lobby . . . The Jamboree played to three capacity audiences . . . The Glee Club sang Christmas carols at the Roney Plaza which were broadcast over NBC nationally, immediately following the President's lighting of the Christmas tree in Washington . . .

1951

Miami dedicated to LuBelle Hodgman, head of English Department, teacher for 36 years, and founder of the National Honor Society . . . *Times* wins Medalist again as well as best high school paper in the state . . . Band and orchestra rated all first divisions in district and state . . . Junior Senior Prom held at U of M Student Club . . . George Trogdon resigns as football coach. Charlie Tate takes over and Trogdon goes to U of M as Freshman Coach . . . President Truman passed by MHS on his way to the Legion

Convention . . . Pay telephones installed in the halls . . . Grading changed from 70 to 100 to A, B, C, D, F . . .

1952

Miami dedicated to Miami High boys fighting in Korea . . . Mr. Thomas left MHS to become Superintendent of Schools . . . Girls' Council selling potato chips every Friday . . . Pan American Club presented cup after each grading period to English speaking student making most progress in Spanish and to Spanish speaking student making most progress in English . . . The Year of Weeks: Safety, Courtesy, Honesty, Better Citizenship, Friendship, Individual Responsibility, Loyalty, Character, Reverence, and Don't Butt Into Cafeteria Line . . . Gems put on Mardi Gras costume ball . . . Honor Council paid for new piano for the Little Theater by selling fudge on the honor system . . . Diversified Cooperative Training expanded to two sections . . . Miami High state football champions despite loss to Jackson (first intra-city defeat in 27 years) . . . Coach Tate wore Trogdon's yellow shirt as voo-doo on Edison 20-7 . . . Physical education became elective for seniors . . . First street dance and pep rally before Thanksgiving game . . . Miami bus strike puts kids on the thumb . . . *Times* has first male editor since 1946, wins Medalist and All American ratings again . . . Chorus continued to sing at Christmas and Easter over national hook-up, and took over Penthouse when Band Room was completed . . . Band one of three chosen nationwide to play for Midwest Band Clinic in Chicago and appeared on Don MacNeil's Breakfast Club . . .

1953

Miami dedicated to Olin C. Webb, new Principal . . . 50th Anniversary of MHS . . . Student Activity Patio completed in April with barbecue pit, tables and dance floor . . . Miami High Show WQAM at 4:00 p.m. . . . Diversified Cooperative Training Course students won the Jamboree Trophy . . . Key Club took care of Driver Training Car and kept on keeping Colombia Park clean . . . *Times* won 15th Medalist Award and Best Headlines. The first issue of 1952 sold more copies than any other edition in the 30 year history of the *Times* . . . Sock Hop continued by GAA . . . Glee Club reached 375 members, sang on TV . . . Band invited by UNESCO to

represent the U.S. at the International Music Festival in Belgium . . . Stomp after basketball games . . . Students watched Eisenhower's inauguration on TV in English class . . . Coach Tate on THE GAME: "When you're out hit, you get beat! That's it." Edison 21 Miami 7 . . . Co-ed dancing classes began teaching waltzes, tango and jitterbug . . .

1954

Miami dedicated to Dean Howard and Dean Crabtree . . . Coach Schaefer's team won state basketball championship for the 8th time . . . Math Club became Engineering Club . . . Latin Club changed name to Junior Classical League . . . Pen and Sable, Art Honorary, prepared the Alma Mater reproductions presented to the homerooms by the Student Council . . . Miss Barbara Garfunkel, *Times* Advisor, received the Gold Key Award from Columbia Scholastic Press Association for her outstanding contribution to the school press field. *Times* wins Medalist for the 16th time . . . Buildings got radiators for heat . . . Thespians put on "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay," "Nine Girls," and "My Little Margie." Good Samaritans changed their name to Anchor Club . . . *Silhouette*, a new literary magazine, began publication . . . Etude opened school supply store . . . The Wheel Bake Sale featured home-made gingerbread boys . . . Stings were undefeated in city football competition . . .

1955

Miami dedicated to Edith Phelps . . . "Barretts of Wimpole Street" presented by Dramatics Club . . . Thespians won the Jamboree Cup . . . Million Dollar Band sailed to Cuba in Cuban gunboats from Key West for the Festival of Havana with the new Music Director, Otto Kraushaar . . . Miami High's first homecoming game in the Orange Bowl . . . Wheel Club continued to supply soap for boys' gym and sold gingerbread football players . . . Little Women identified and labeled the trees in Colombia Park with the help of Pen and Sable and Mrs. Spach . . . Key Club still tried to keep Colombia Park clean . . . Still only one driver training car . . . "Don't gum up the works" campaign by Anchor Club to keep gum out of water fountains . . . Beta Club organized and offered Beta Bars for sale on Wednesdays . . . Future Writers Club formed to publish *Silhouette*, begun in 1954 . . .

1956

Miami dedicated to Cora Lee Page, 32 years at MHS and author of words to *Ajma Mater* . . . First attempt to convert Colombia Park into parking lot voted down 5-1 . . . Bouffant skirts and ballet slippers were "the" uniform . . . Student Council chartered busses to out of town games . . . Student handbook explained new point system . . . Spanish National Honor Society held first formal initiation . . . *Times* gave all dimes collected from sale of one issue to the March of Dimes . . . Chorus "Best of Broadway" featured "Brigadoon," "Pajama Game," and "Showboat." Over 50 sets of kilts were made for "Brigadoon" . . . Measles epidemic hit MHS . . . Charlie Tate left MHS for U of Fla. after three State Championships . . . Miami 14 Edison 6 . . . Basketball team won third consecutive State Championship . . .

1957

Miami dedicated to Verna Kilmer, 34 years at Miami High . . . 3100 students enrolled at MHS . . . Physical education required for sophomores and juniors but not for seniors . . . Loafers and white socks and crew neck sweaters were "in" . . . New section added to gym at cost of \$100,000 . . . National Honor Society members chosen by faculty only . . . Thespians make downpayment on Hammond organ for the auditorium . . . Student Council President Claude Moorman met Vice President Nixon at the Shrine Charity game . . . Gabby Hayes gave advanced speech classes information on acting careers . . . New shop and west wing added . . . Homecoming 1956-Miami 25 Edison 6. Victory Breakfast at Crandon Park after game . . . Million Dollar Band in million dollar movie: "Mr. B. Natural," an instructional movie to be shown on television and in schools and colleges . . . "It won't hurt a bit." Future Nurses convince Stings that polio shots were necessary . . . New gymnasium scene of Bermuda Sock Hop—Bermuda shorts and crazy socks . . . *Miami* won the All-American rating in the National Scholastic Press Association contest . . .

1958

Miami dedicated to Isabel Becker . . . *Entre Nous* went to Haiti . . . Honoria continued le Christmas postal service . . . Crescent Club provided records for PTA juke box in East Patio . . .

Junior Class magazine subscription drive netted \$2,000 for band uniforms and Junior Senior Prom . . . Edison 20 Miami 7 . . . TV classes held in auditorium . . . Colombia Park became a parking lot . . .

1959

Miami dedicated to Ele Turner . . . Jr. Debs presented blue and gold seal to MHS . . . 8 Silver Knight and 4 National Merit Scholarship Winners in Class of '59 . . . First color picture in *Miami Times* published twice monthly and cost a dime . . . Miami 13 Edison 7 (broke Edison's 18 game winning streak) . . . Stings City and State Football Champions . . . Vince Schaefer named "Coach of the Year" . . . 3300 students made MHS the largest school in Florida . . . X-Club's new cannon boomed after each touchdown . . .

1960

Miami dedicated to Sallilu Crawford . . . Civinettes and Pep Club organized . . . Pavillion built . . . Senior Banquet at Everglades Hotel and Senior Prom at Bayfront Park Auditorium . . . 13 Stings on football All-City squads . . . Basketball 16-5 season and "B" squad undefeated . . . Girls added to swimming team . . . Polio serum was drunk by all students simultaneously, led by Student Council President over public address system . . . Staggered sessions began . . . Russian taught to students . . .

1961

Miami dedicated to Coach Ottis Mooney . . . Miami High served as an emergency shelter during Hurricane Donna. 700 people took shelter with Mr. Charles English in charge. One family had to be isolated because of measles. Water rose so high that Mr. English had to evacuate families from first floor to the second . . . Classes began at 7:30 . . . Students walked to school during bus strike . . . Senior Placement Tests taken in Dade County Auditorium . . . Civinettes sponsored first Derby Day . . . Football: City, Big Ten, State and National Championships . . . Bowling team organized . . . Basketball team had one point victory over Gables and overtime game with North Miami . . . Wheel Club became Interact . . . Skip Day stopped by School Board . . .

1962

Miami dedicated to Billie Wills . . . Shirtwaist dresses and peter

pan collars were the new "uniforms" . . . Everyone danced the "hully gully" . . . Hal Black became principal . . . 3653 students in day school . . . Communism taught as part of social studies curriculum . . . Driver education program introduced for Junior Class . . . Flu epidemic hit school . . . *Pulse* literary magazine made debut . . . First foreign exchange student came from Norway . . . Football: City and Big Ten Champions . . . Key Club donated billboard . . .

1963

Miami dedicated to Martha Lemons . . . "Twist" was new dance . . . School administrators became "assistant principals" . . . Classes established for all Spanish speaking students . . . Three school shifts . . . MHS celebrated 60th Birthday "Diamond Jubilee" . . . Ottis Mooney went to U of F as football coach. New coach was Harold Sawyers . . . Football Stings were Big Ten, City, State and National Champions . . . Band collected newspapers to finance trip to Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington, D.C. . . .

1964

Miami dedicated to Loleita Ransom . . . Girls' basketball team won city championship . . . Golf team started—again . . . Football team beat Edison for 36th time on Thanksgiving . . . NFL sponsored its first Calendar with a king and queen for each month . . .

1965

Miami dedicated to Gus Perry, Band Director . . . New library opened . . . Lakeland football trip . . . "Bye, Bye Birdie" presented by Chorus . . . Latin American Newspaper *El Panamericano Newspaper* began . . . LD. pictures were necessary for all school events . . . Miss Universe crowned Homecoming King and Queen . . . Honoria continued Christmas postal service . . . Exchange student from France this year . . . Edison 9 Miami 9 . . . MHS Football Gold Coast Champions . . .

1966

Miami dedicated to Coach Robert Carlton . . . Football team won District, State and National Championships for their first perfect season in 22 years . . . Vocation wing added . . . German and Marine Biology added to curriculum . . . "Betsy" with 140 mph winds provided three days

vacation from school . . . "Sneak Up On the Panthers" everyone wore sneakers, including the principals . . . "Antigone" presented in modern dress . . . Senior picnic at Crandon—an old tradition revived . . . Key Club made 12 benches for Colombia Park . . .

1967

Miami dedicated to Curtis M. Knowles, Principal . . . MHS one of only 11 schools in the nation using programmed learning in Latin I . . . Flooded streets . . . First Homecoming Parade . . . Miami 7 Edison 7 . . . Cafeteria serves 950 daily . . . Band and Majorettes performed at Dolphin-Bronco game . . . MHS host school for District VI Student Council Convention . . .

1968

4100 enrolled—most ever—MHS largest high school in the South . . . Tote board used for scheduling . . . The teachers walked out—8 day Easter vacation—but tense time for seniors . . . National Honor Society published Student Directory: "Alphabetizing 300 Gonzales can be tedious." . . . Band represented United States at International Fair in Venezuela . . . Miami 33 Edison 7 . . . Cavaliers shut out MHS 16-0 for the first time since Edison blanked Stings in 1964 . . . Senior Parking Lot . . . Air-Conditioning . . . Senior Class Presidents: first Don, then Juan . . .

1969

Miami dedicated to Eugene Marley . . . Republican National Convention and students distributed "Get Out the Vote" leaflets . . . 2.6 average kept boys out of the draft . . . Staff ponders 8 pages of flu victims . . . Night school began in 1958 with 700 and now had 4000 students; began with 27 courses and now had 64 courses . . . For the first time in 43 years, Stings had a losing football season . . . First women's varsity swimming team . . . Explorers of Black History formed . . .

1970

Soccer team ranked 1st in state . . . Football: Miami won 1 lost 9 . . . Students and faculty appeared together in "Up The Down Staircase" . . .

1971

Miami dedicated to "Mr. D." Richard DeAgüero . . . Blue jeans, mini skirts, slacks were the order of the day . . . Vince Schaefer, basketball coach for 31 years with



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1972

Miami dedicated to Coach John Schee, Gymnastics and Football . . . Student Council sponsored Greg Stead week . . . Historical Honor Society presented gifts to retiring teachers . . . "Fiesta" sponsored by Spanish National Honor Society . . . Band went to Mexico City and played at the National Soccer Championship half-time show . . . Diving Club co-sponsored County Youth Beach Clean-up Program . . .

1973

Impact of Brass played concert to benefit orchestra . . . Tri-M presented Cabaret . . . NLF

Debates: Nixon vs. McGovern . . . Manolo Reyes addressed the Pan American Assembly . . . Second tricycle race . . . Edison 35 Miami 6 . . . Basketball team regional winners for the first time since 1964 . . . Ecology Club began . . . Debate Team ranked first in nation . . .

1974

5000 students enrolled making MHS largest high school in Florida . . . Palm blight . . . Peace at last . . . Candidates for Mayor of the City of Miami came to MHS to woo 18 year old voters . . . Trapp and Boa in concert . . . Quin study abroad: Spain and Israel . . . Close-Up, 7" of snow in Washington, D.C. . . . James Parrott, Dade County Teacher of the Year . . . Junior Class sponsored George Cunningham fund raising project . . . Historical Honor Society sponsored naturalization procedure and Voter Registration Drive . . . Walt Disney World a

reality . . .

1975

Mrs. Mary Stanley, Activities Director, and Mr. James Monroe, Band Director, were featured in *Miami* . . . James Monroe named Dade County Teacher of the Year . . . To Sophomores: the elevator to the fourth floor now leads to the new swimming pool . . . "Heaven" in concert again. Some members of the rock group were Stings . . . Al Minter was guest speaker at football banquet . . . Homecoming Parade rained out . . . National Honor Society sold ads to cut cost of student directory . . . Basketball Stings #1 in county . . . Baseball team got bat girls . . . Mike McCarthy, first school mascot in 1958, was a Senior in '75 . . .

1976

Second annual Holiday Ball . . . New water fountains . . . 2 Valedictorians—59 graduated with honors . . . Soccer team won

Southern Division and GMAC Championship . . . Finally got rid of Miami High River . . . Miami 17 Gables 0 . . .

1977

Hispanic Heritage Week accompanied by fair in East Patio . . . Dolphin games meant cars parked on your lawn . . . Students got credit for time and effort in political campaign as volunteers at Ford and Carter headquarters . . . Cold winter—ice on cars—"It snowed in Miami" . . . Historical Honor Society put on County Fair . . . Vince Schaefer—2nd winningest high school basketball coach in the country—601 wins (581 at MHS) . . . Cross Country team won championship . . . Cooperative Health Occupations members volunteered to help with Swine Flu Immunization Program . . . Key Club restored fountain in East Patio . . . Student Council revived Sadie Hawkins Day . . .