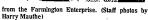


Trena Catherman takes a look back to her high school days with the help of a 25-year-old clipping









Class of '20s takes a fond look at old times, good companions



By LOUISE OKRUTSKY
Fifty years ago, Farmington was a quiet farming village where some chidren graduated from a one-room school house to attend high school with few more than 20 others in their class.
Those were the years when Nancy Walion taught English at Farmington High School. Only slightly older than ber sudends. Side relied on a strict the street of the stree

at a 50-year reunion.
"WE ALWAYS ENJOYED every-

body," said Margaret Kreager Smith, class of 1824, who now resides in Arizona. "We always had a good time. Football was more than interesting. We would stand on the sidelines."
One of the young men she cheered the playing field eventually asked "Things turned out the way thought they would," Mrs. Smith said with a smile.
One of her teachers. Nancy Walton Tangers, now of Plymouth, was at the reunion to share a few hours with the students that once were not that much older than their young English teacher.
"I had to be strict. The boys were almost as old as I was. It was my first there are abiding," she said of the class of "24.
Farmington has changed she taught there everyone knew everyone." I said Searnington changed and broad ened its horizons, so did Mrs. Tangers. The Plymouth School District named a school after her. Madonna College.

where she was a faculty member. also, none of a scholarstip in her calso, none, and a scholarstip in her parany places to homebound tourists. AnOTHER TEACHER. Doris of Trank, added Rye to her name in 1925, when Wilbert Rye persuaded her to law the students that marry him. "She lived at Mrs. Pigranded her to law the person and the person and the person and the students with the students that once were not that much learn that the girl was tall and land, with the proper strict and the stand that the girl was tall and land, with the proper strict and the standard the strict and the str

was Russel Catherman, of the class of 1922. He went on to be inducted into the Coaches' Hall of Fame, to receive recognition from his aima mater. Alma College and have Dearborn's Fordson High School's athletic complex named after him.

I'VE BEEN LUCKY: he said.

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the family while his father recuper-ated.

At 19, he was older than some of the students in his graduating class. That helped on the playing field, he was a quarterback in football, a guard in basketball and a pitcher in baseball. His age gave him an advantage when after appearing in a school musi-cal, he took a fancy to the young music teacher Edythe Collister.

Miss Collister quit teaching in 1923 when they were married. Her stay at Farmington High was quite the sensa-tion. She introduced musicals to the school and produced the Mikudo, Miss Cherryblossom and the Cypsy Rover.



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Dining with old classmates was part of the evening's festivities as Farmington High School grads talked over their school days.

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