



THE DICKINSON HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING CLASS OF 1938. THE HIGH SCHOOL WAS LOCATED ON HIGHWAY 3 WHERE THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING IS PRESENTLY HOUSED.

Looking back to the year 1938, Mr. E. Martin Belcher was the Dickinson superintendent of schools. Mr. Belcher wrote the following message for the year book, LES MEMOIRS, first volume, for the Class of 1938:

"It has always been my belief that a person could get anything he wanted if he were willing to pay the price. Success in any line comes as a result of systematic and consistent work. If you wish to succeed in any of the professions, you must decide now to give up some of the pleasures enjoyed by the masses and spend that time in study and preparation. The loafer is satisfied with a half job and enough salary to get by on. He does not care to make something of himself.

Work alone is not enough. One must have interest in the task he has undertaken and he must have enough courage to go through with the job. All about us are living examples of half finished undertakings. Someone has a desire but not enough determination.

My thoughts are with you, the students of Dickinson High School. I cherish your friendship and loyalty, and I should like to see each of you decide now, upon a worthwhile life's work. After deciding, do not stop until you have accomplished your goal. Please remember that the world wants people who can do the job well, and that the world has much more respect for an excellent mechanic

or laborer than for a mediocre practitioner in any of the professions. Signed, Your friend and teacher, E. Martin Belcher."

The Dickinson school song at that time was called

DICKINSON FOREVER, and the words were :

With school days behind us, To the work assigned us,  
Go the Class of '38!

With our Youth and vigor, Better things and bigger,  
For the Class of '38!

Forward! Forward! With our hearts aflame! Onward!  
Onward! Life's vict'ry is our aim!

Dickinson forever, We'll forget you never, Nor the  
Class of '38! The motto for the senior class was: Let  
the greatest achievement of yesterday be the starting  
point of today.

The year 1938 saw 26 students graduate from Dickinson High School.

The LES MEMOIRS Staff in 1938 was responsible for the first publication of the school annual. In the words of the staff, "It is that body which tries to catch and preserve in an interesting manner the events of the school year." It was the wish of the staff that the foundation book would be a motivating factor in the preparation of bigger and better annuals in future year.