

### New Trier—1901

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(N. T.—'03)

We have been attending Evanston High school for half a year; New Trier is being built, you know. "We" is just a handful of students, to be sure, but it seems like quite a group. There's Ben McAllister and Maud McBroom, Roger Morrison, Allen Hyde, Frank Paul, Henry Gage and dozens more.

And then the "Board" announces that New Trier is built—New Trier with its one wonderful building, which will be large enough to accommodate the township for years to come. And those of us who live on the east side of Winnetka start to make a path through the woods from Willow street south to the school, for houses are unknown in all that territory.

And what a building it is to be sure! We are almost lost in that vast assembly room, there are class rooms to spare and what if there is no gymnasium—who ever heard of a real gymnasium in connection with a high school? Time enough for that at college.

#### Had Sports, Too

But, we must have sports. And so we will start basketball on the third floor where the rafters and uprights interfere and bruise the head now and then. And someone suggests boxing and for that we will use the little conference room next to the principal's office and get Mr. Powell (bless his old bald head) to give us some of the fine points in that manly art. The vacant lot on the west side is fine for football and baseball; what more could be desired?

And there's Miss Packer with her "amo's" and the rest of Caesar, Cicero, Inc. And Miss Grover, Mr. Sharpe and two or three principals in two or three years, (remember Mr. Manley, folks?). Of course we didn't go in for much besides the usual classics; not much in the way of domestic science, forestry, clay models or what have you. But we did have a band and I'll leave it to Miss Packer if it wasn't just about as good as the one we heard in 1926.

Somebody had to graduate each year, of course. Only two the first year and four or five the second. But then came our class, 1903, breaking all records. Must have been nearly fifteen in that class and three of us (or perhaps four) were the first New Trier students to go to the great State university at Urbana.

Those were great days; just a little family with the usual family troubles. And now look at the place; two or three battalions march in every morning. If you want to talk from the gymnasium to the assembly room, you put in a long distance call in the morning and hope to goodness it gets through before school is dismissed in the afternoon. It won't be long before the senior playing guard on the football team will be saying to the senior playing tackle, "Your face is familiar but I don't seem to place you."

My but I'm glad I went to New Trier in 1901.

#### Radio Club Is Popular with Scores of Pupils

The Radio club is one of New Trier high school's finest organizations. Any student of the school, interested in radio is eligible to associate membership. To become an active member, of which there are only fifteen, a student must be nominated by the associate members, elected by the active members, and must pass an examination on the subject of radio. The active members have access to the radio room and permission to use the amateur sending set under supervision of the operator.

#### Orchestral Work Plays Important Part at N. T.

The New Trier High school orchestra has had a busy year playing for all the operas and plays produced at the school, as well as giving several concerts. It is an organization to which are admitted players on the standard

symphonic orchestral instruments. The policy of the leading high schools of the country is to own many of these instruments and to lend them to the pupils who wish to make a serious study of them. Among the instruments which New Trier owns are a violin, viola, two 'cellos, four double basses, two clarinets, an oboe, two bassoons,

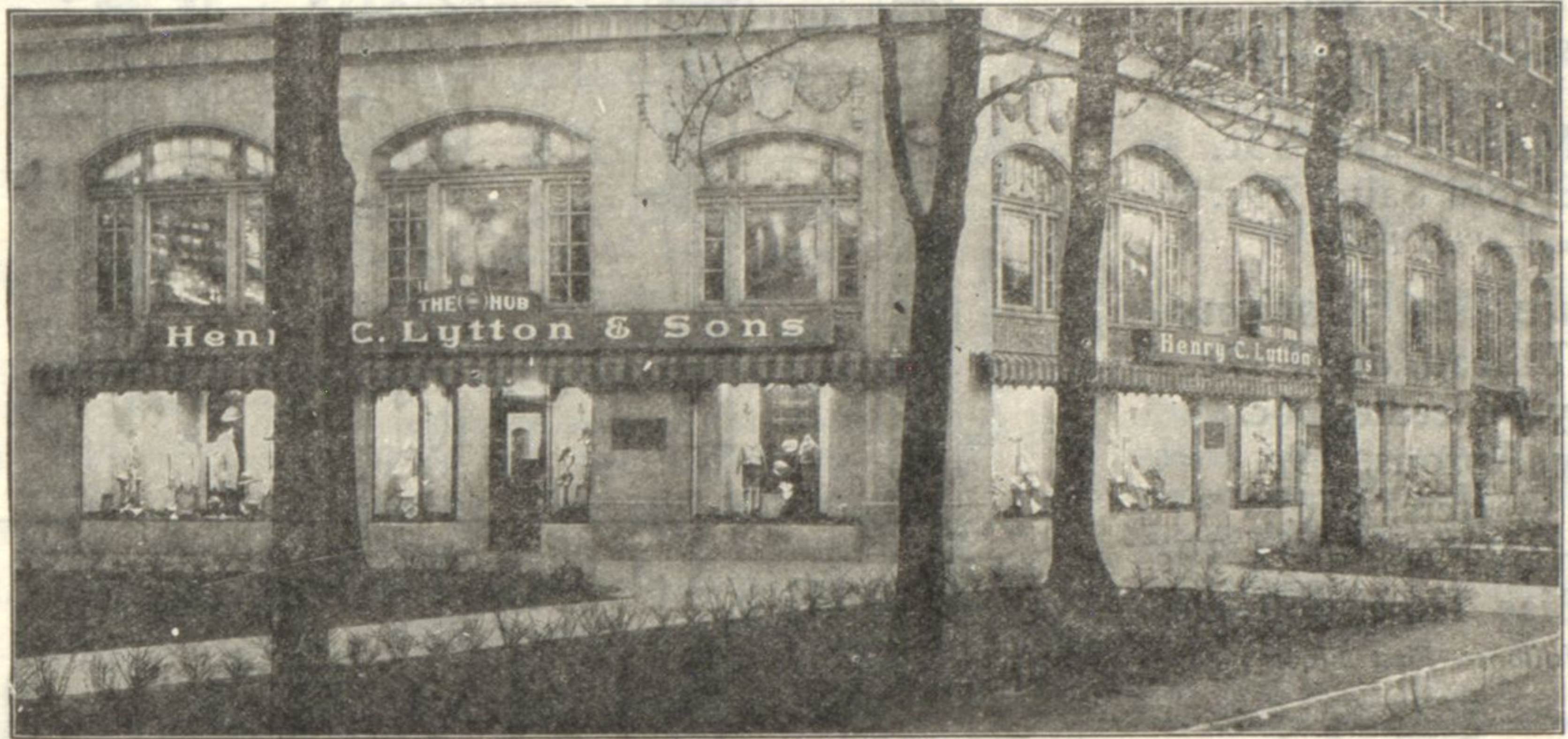
three melaphones, two trombones and tympani.

A unique and original piece of work is that of Miss Mary P. Fogg, director of physical training for girls at the high school, who arranged and coached the dances for the anniversary pageant.

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