



One hundred and thirteen years ago, Woodward High School was founded by William Woodward. In the glorious history of this fine old school, the years have brought four distinct physical changes. The original building was built of brick, two stories high with two rooms on each floor, very plain and unpretentious without any particular architectural design. It was surmounted by a belfry which contained the bell, now one of our priceless treasures from the past. In the summer of 1841, a third floor was added to the building, and, for the first time in its history, girls were admitted to the school. For fourteen years, this building served the youth of the community, a symbol of educational pioneering in the realm of free education.

In 1855, a greater structure was built, purely Gothic in design, three stories in height. For more than fifty years, this building stood as the representation of high ideals of life, of loyalty to home and nation, of strong minds and great names, of concentrated teachings and high standards of scholarship.

The progress of time placed new demands on Woodward High School and made imperative the building of a larger building. In 1910, the present building was erected, glorified by the sacred tradition of the Woodwards of the past. We, the graduating class of nineteen hundred and forty-four, know and love this Woodward of today. One important change was made during our years here — Woodward's beautiful iron fence was donated to the war effort. We mourned its passing, but it was a necessary sacrifice. We hail the Woodward of today. May it carry on gloriously in the future.

