

Class Presidents At Dixie Heights

Gary Petty, sophomore; Tom Cimann, junior; Glenn Coyle, freshman; and Mike Ryan, senior; are shown here with the principal Arthur J. Walsh, (third from left), and assistant principal, Harold B. Williams.

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Our school is often referred to as the melting pot of Northern Kentucky because its student body comes from everywhere in this area.

Atop a hill overlooking Dixie Highway, Dixie had its beginning 28 years ago. Originally, while the school was being built, the board of education had given it the name of Roosevelt High in honor of the then living President, Franklin D. Roosevelt. But because of a law which had been passed prohibiting the naming of public buildings after living Presidents, the name was changed to Dixie Heights High School after the Dixie Highway, "the roadway to the South." The school was opened in 1937. During that year the enrollment was a little more than 400, with only 15 teachers. Twenty-eight years later, under the guidance of principal Arthur J. Walsh and assistant principal Harold B. Williams, the enrolment has swelled to 1083 with a faculty of 47.

In keeping up with the recent population boom in Northern Kentucky, two annexes were added in the past eight years, the first being in 1957. Realizing the

inadequacy of the lunchroom and the shortage of class rooms, a second annex was built in 1964. This made possible the construction of a large and well