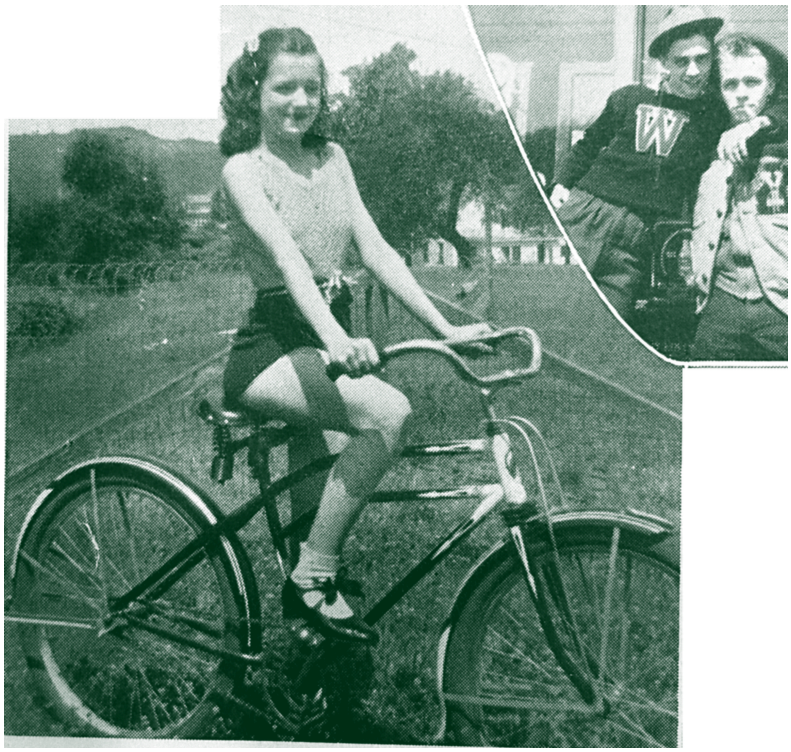
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Posing Before Social Media

A bicycle. A pose. A place in the yearbook.



Their word: “Posin’”

Her friends on the yearbook staff called it “Posin’.” The 1941 Rhododendron preserved a moment of self-presentation: a bicycle, a pose, and a look toward the camera, shared with a school audience long before social media. Her name and the photo location remain unconfirmed. [1]

A school with its own look

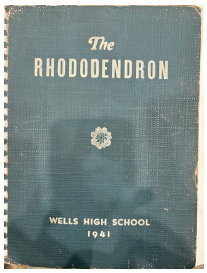
Wells changed from blue and white to green and white in 1924 because East Liverpool used the same colors. School identity had a visual language long before social media. [2]

Back in print

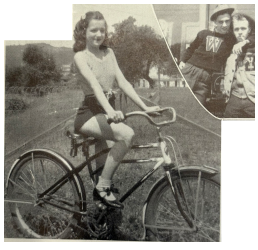
Laurel Hollow’s index records no yearbooks for 1931–1940. This 1941 volume brought the tradition back; a new gymnasium also arrived that year. [2, 3]

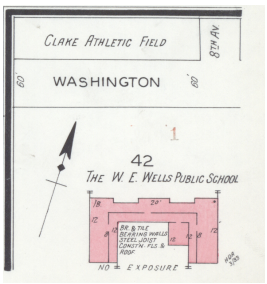
NOTES

Green-and-white duotone: conventional tonal editing only.
No generated or reconstructed photographic detail.



The 1941 cover


Original detail [1]



WELLS ON THE MAP

Wells School faces Clarke Athletic Field across Washington Street.

Newell Sanborn map, February 1933, Sheet 1 (detail). Eight years before this yearbook. [4]

1 The Rhododendron (1941), W. E. Wells High School; Terry’s photographed copy.
2 Iva Burch, “History of School” (1947), reproduced by Laurel Hollow Park.
3 Laurel Hollow Park, “Newell and Wells High Yearbooks” (publication gaps).
4 Sanborn Map Co., Newell, February 1933, Sheet 1. Library of Congress.