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HISTORY

The Carmen Chorus came into being in January 1939. It grew from a group of about twelve to thirty in the first six months. These girls were very faithful and in a short time had completed enough selections so that it was possible for them to appear at the High School in a joint program with Eagle Plume as lecturer on March thirtieth. They presented their first formal concert on May thirty-first of that year.

Since that time the chorus has grown to a membership of about fifty and has had many public appearances. On another page the listing of these engagements is a complete picture of their musical achievements.

During pre-war times it was possible to transport the girls by cars and as a result could accept engagements in neighboring cities. Wth the coming of war their efforts have been confined to a radius of a few miles. However, at this writing, January 1944, they have seven engagements booked, which means the chorus is singing in public on an average of once a month.

Their only social function is an annual party which is held at the beginning of the year and is called "Our Birthday Party". Twice they have taken this opportunity to entertain the men of the local Coast Guard Training Station.

It is well in times as strenuous as these that an organization dedicated to music might live and flourish. It is their hope that what they give in song may be a help to those who listen, for there are many who are anxious to forget for a little while the burdens of war.