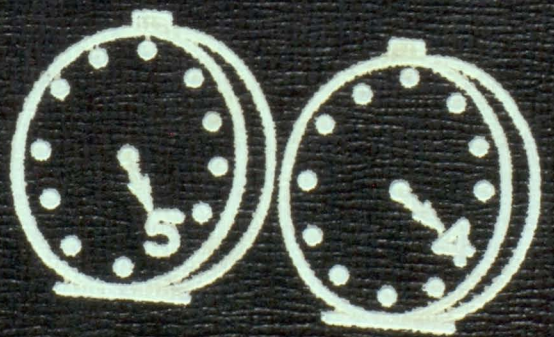
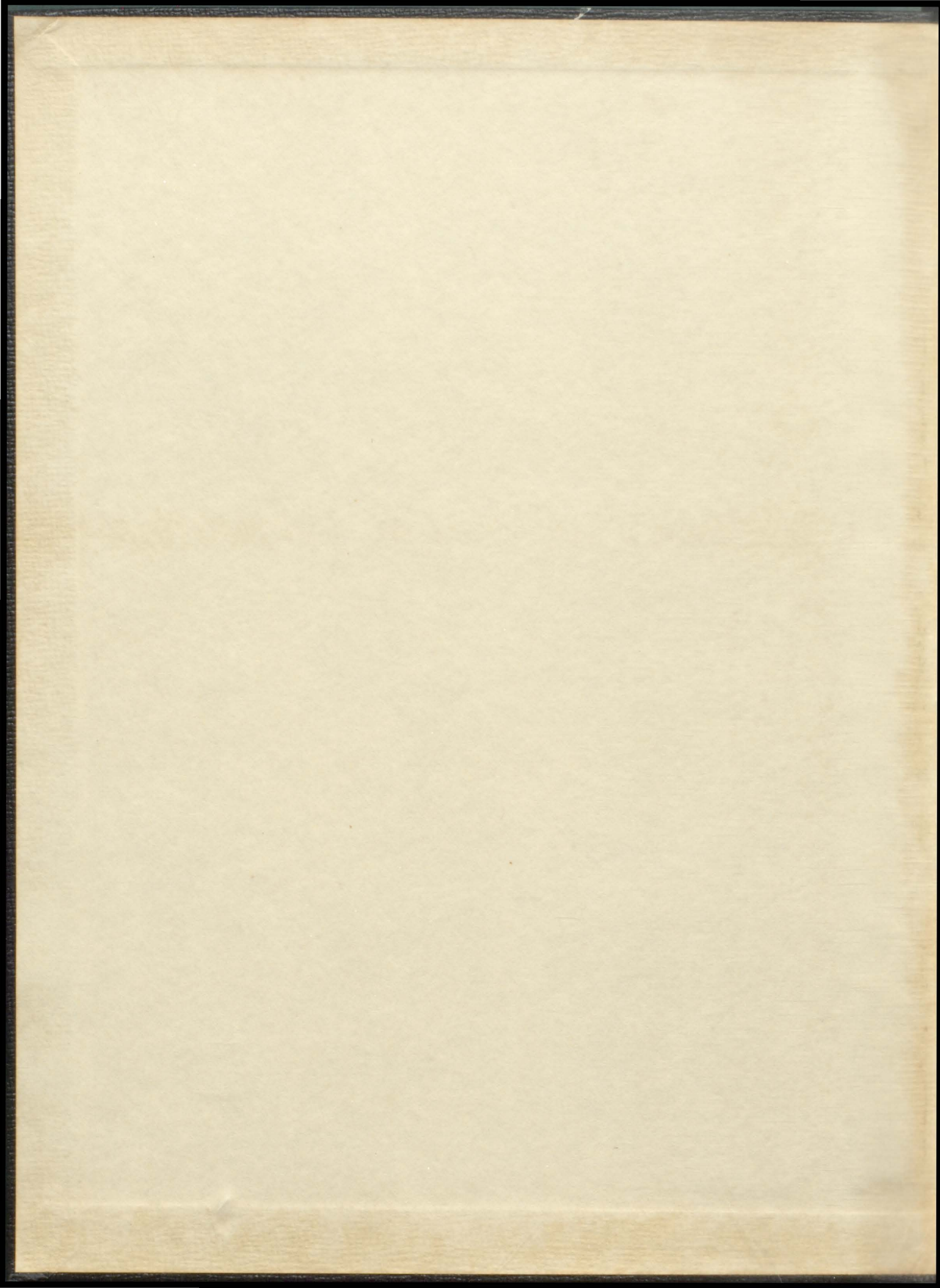
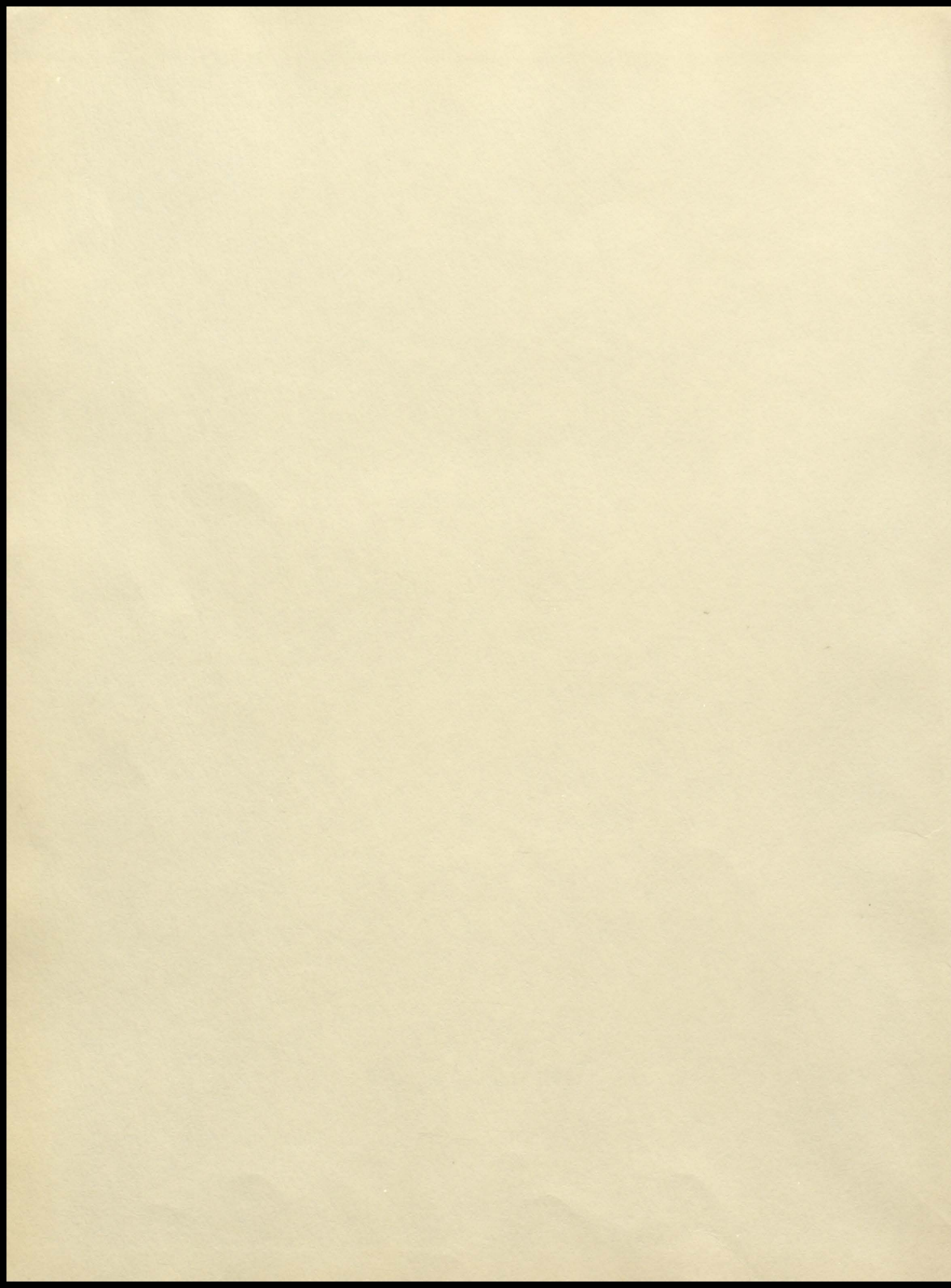


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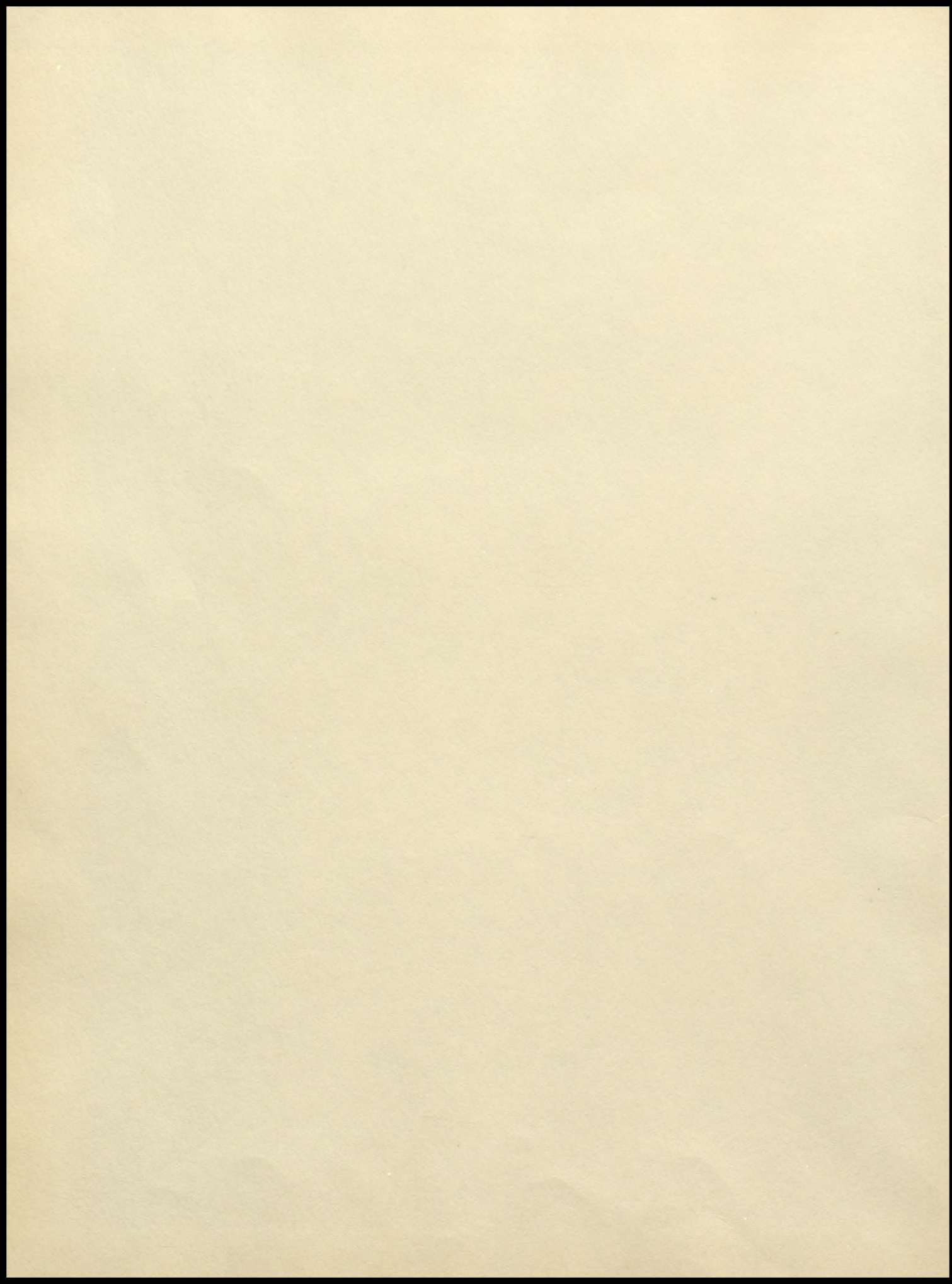






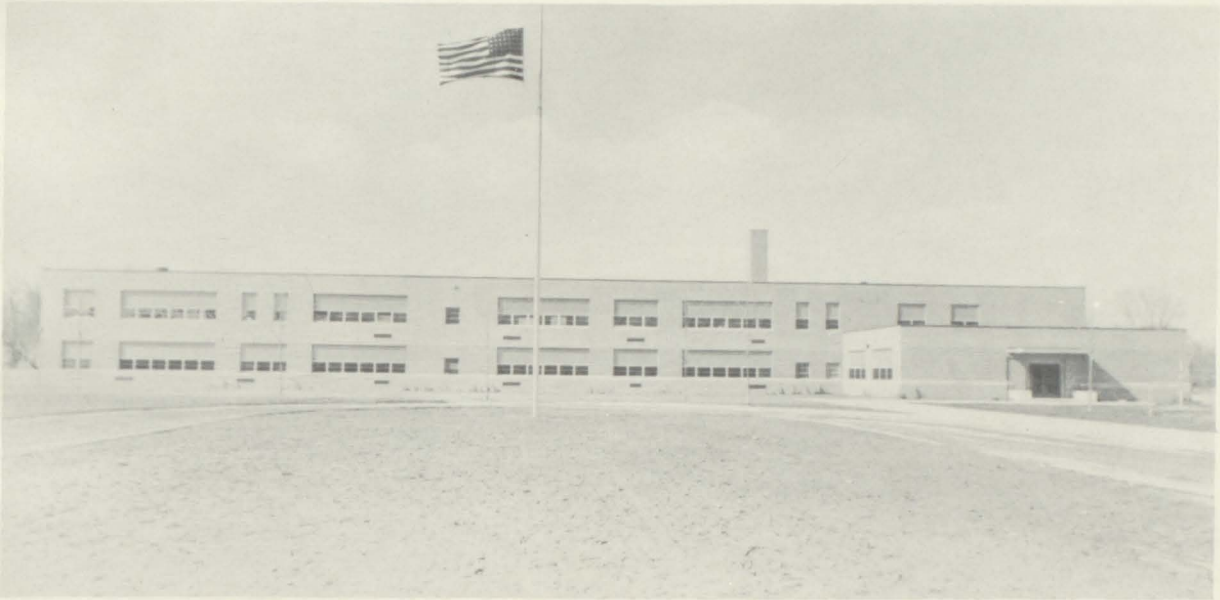








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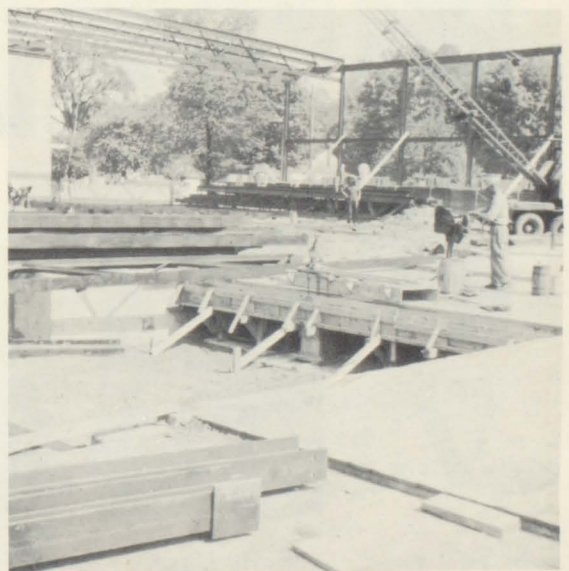
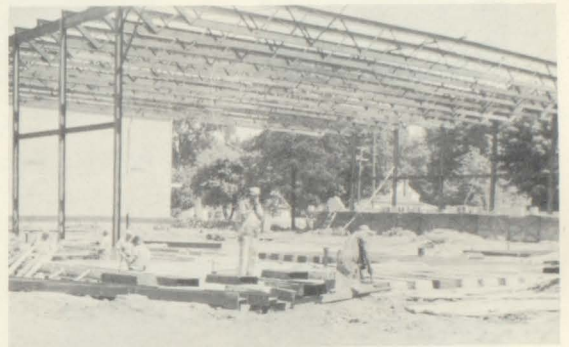
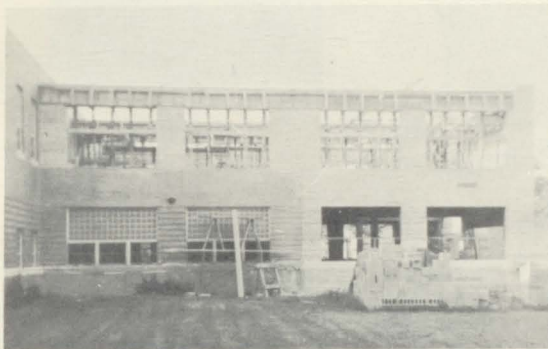
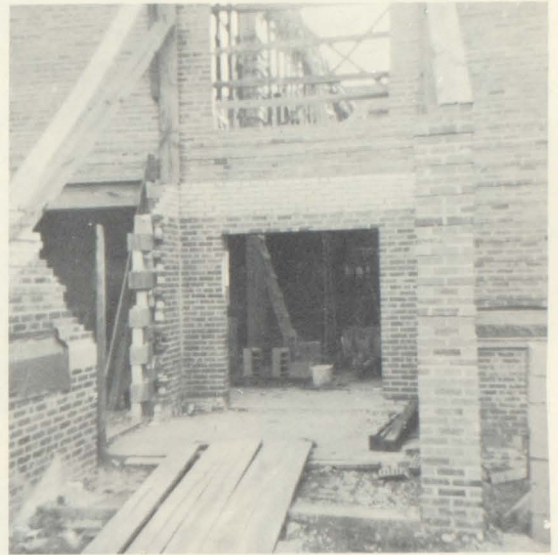
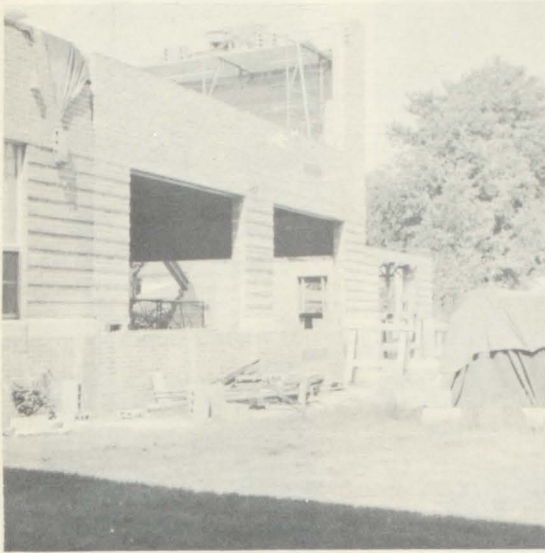
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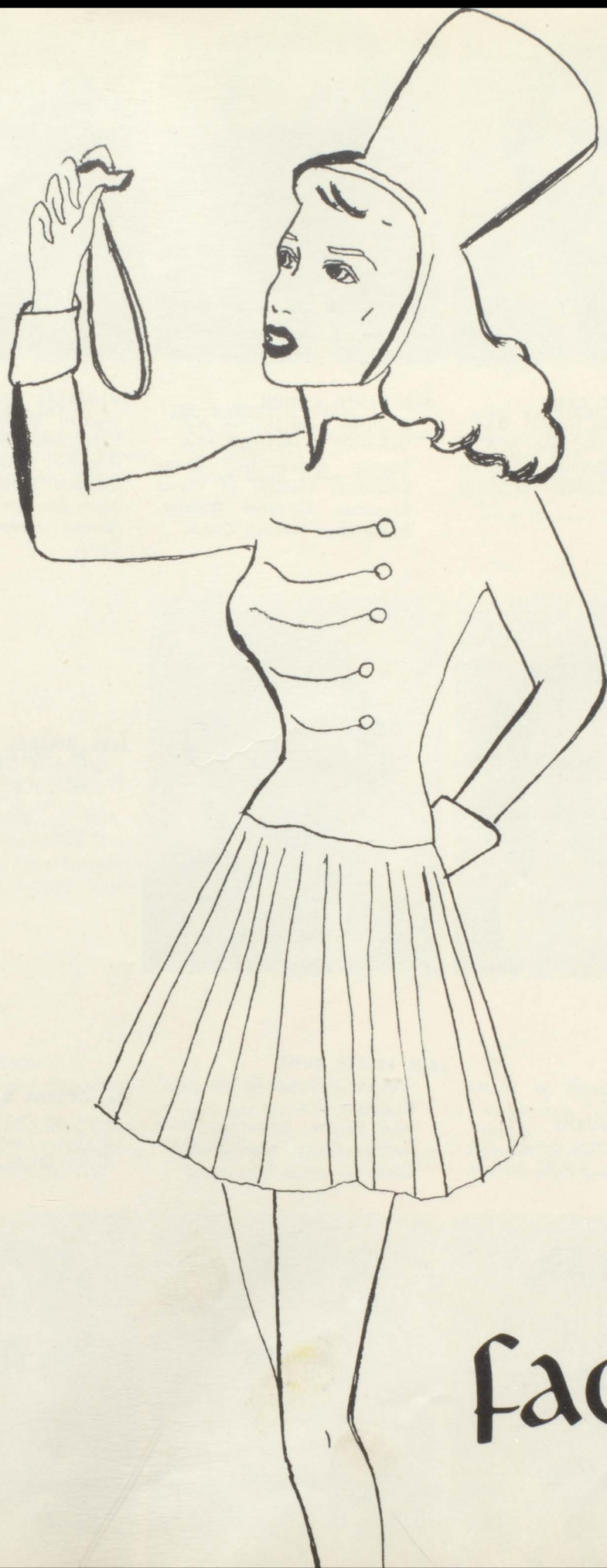


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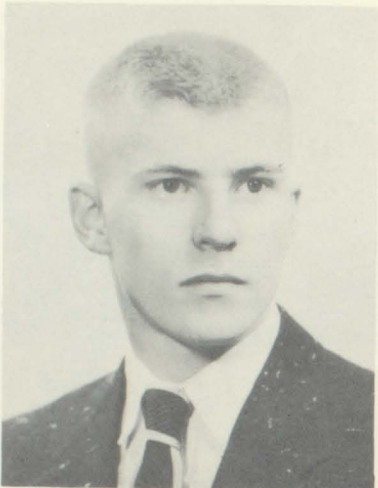


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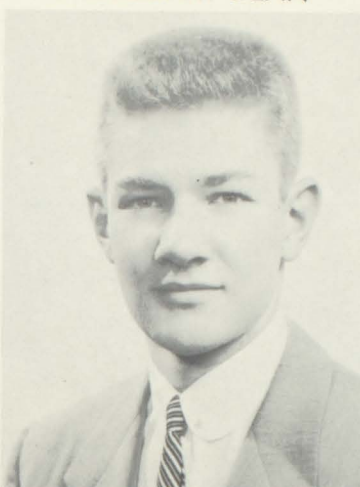
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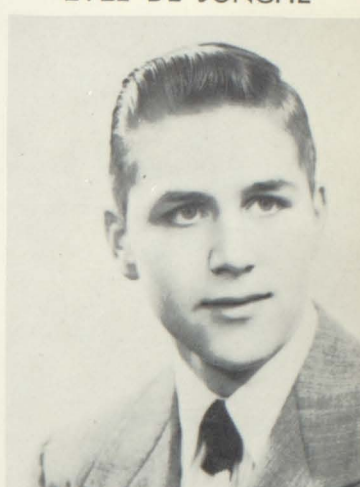
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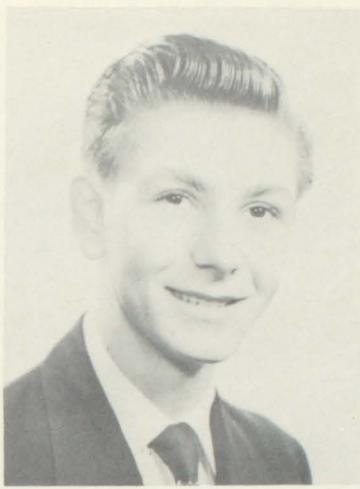
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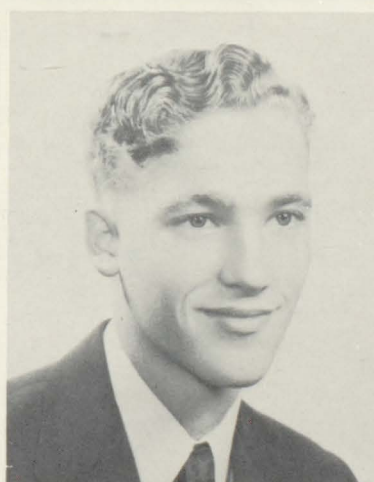
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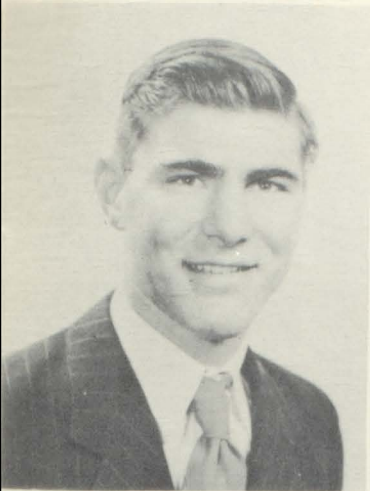
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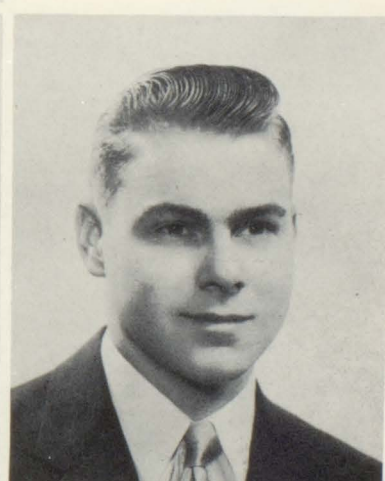
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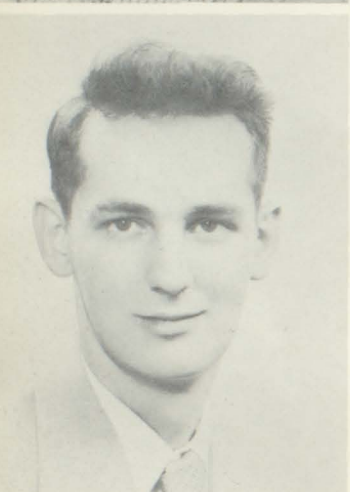
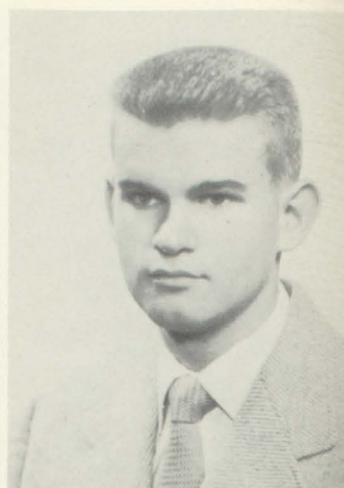
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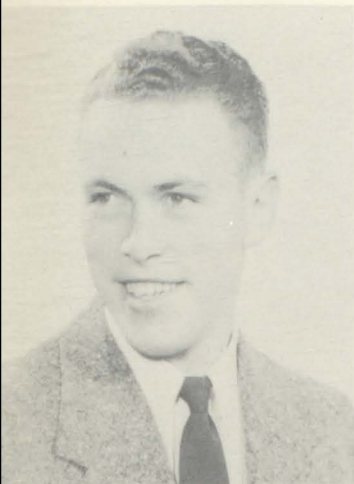
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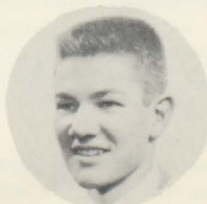
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PATSY PURCELL

Tonight is a memorable night for each of us, for we are realizing one of our greatest ambitions. As we receive our diplomas, the thought suddenly comes to us that after summer vacation is over, we will not return to Tecumseh High School. Our high school days are over, but they will never really be gone. These last twelve years have become a vital part of our lives, and we hope to express our sincere appreciation to those who have helped us by living up to the standards set before us by our parents and teachers.

As we go forth tonight, we are no longer school children; we are men and women. Therefore, we must meet our own challenges and shoulder our own responsibilities without the help of others. If each day of our school life can burn itself indelibly into our memories, we shall be able to do this more effectively and with greater assurance and confidence.

Although our future is uncertain, one thing is sure: each of us has a definite place in life to fill. Our Creator has endowed us with talents which are to be used for a purpose. As we graduate tonight, we may not know His plan, but before much time elapses our path will be before us, beckoning onward to a goal in life. If the goal is high and the cost is great, we should never give up, for the easy way is the weak way. Only in hearing the call and in climbing the peak can we ever hope to find and fulfill our position in life.

We, of the class of 1954, welcome you to this important night in our lives. Although we shall never be able to repay you, our parents, for your unselfish sacrifices and guidance; you, our teachers, for the long hours that you have spent with us; and you, our friends, for your kindness and advice, so that we might graduate tonight, we wish to express our appreciation.

This evening brings to a close our four years of high school education, and we now leave to enter many fields of endeavor. Whether or not we continue our formal education, we shall frequently use the things that we have learned in the last thirteen years, and will further educate ourselves by the day-to-day experiences of life.

We are now taking a step farther into a world that will present many problems to us in the coming years. At the present time, the greatest of these seems to be Communism, which finds its nucleus in ignorance. The task of abolishing ignorance and Communism in the world rests squarely on our shoulders. As long as we retain our ability to think for ourselves, and to express our thoughts in a democratic manner, we shall never voluntarily give up our rights of freedom for a dictator. And so, although Communism may continue to be a threat, we have faith that we shall find a way to cope with this problem. There will also be many personal problems that will be much more important to each of us individually, but with the help of our education, we shall attempt to solve them.

We leave you tonight with a promise to do our best to improve the world for future generations as we remember our motto:

"A man without knowledge, A world without lights."

## salutatorians



MARIE BOYCE

It is my privilege to welcome you to our group this evening and to extend to you the greetings of the Senior class.

Quite naturally, we Seniors have anticipated this evening of Commencement, just as any one anticipates the successful fulfillment of a task and prospect of meeting a new and greater challenge. But, as Emerson said, "For everything you gain, you lose something." At this time we hope that we have gained enough knowledge from our education to be prepared to meet the demands of our future. To balance the scale, we lose the intimate associations with you, our parents, teachers, and friends. You have told us that life abounds in mixed emotion — both joys and sorrows. You have prepared us to meet these situations, and for that we are exceedingly grateful. Now our independent lives are actually beginning. With you and your teachings behind us, we shall strive to apply our knowledge and to perpetuate a world with "light".

As my father said on the night of his Commencement:

"It is now time for us to depart. Although we hate to say good-bye, and in some cases it may be forever, we will enter life with a firm purpose to conquer everything before us, to push upward and onward. It is with these words that we leave old Tecumseh High School behind, with its unflinching honor, fighting spirit, and staunch friends. To the Juniors we give the honored name of Seniors; may you cherish and protect it as we have done during the previous year. With these words, we bid friends, teachers, schoolmates, farewell."



GRACE MOORE



# class night program

(Wednesday, June 2, 1954)

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**MOTTO**

"A man without knowledge;  
a world without lights"

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**COLORS**

Blue and White

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**FLOWER**

White Carnation

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PRESENTATION OF KEY.....	Tom Baldwin
ACCEPTANCE OF KEY.....	Barbara Ousterhout
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PROPHECY.....	Bill Dean, Ruth Titley, Sylvia Golat, Bill Benham
CLASS POEM.....	Janis Boltz
GIFTATORY.....	Marilou Burleson, Erwin Pennington, Alroy Vanderpool, Nancy Randall
CLASS WILL.....	Dale Tingley, Sharon Townsend, Loretta Blanchard
PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.....	Tom Baldwin
CLASS SONG.....	Mary Nixon

## president's address

**Tom Baldwin**

CLASSMATES AND FRIENDS,

Tonight is one of the last times that the class of '54 will meet. During these thirteen years together, each one of us has built a foundation upon which our future goals rest. Also, through our contacts in the classroom and our various social and extra-curricular activities, we have developed a firm and lasting friendship. As we worked on committees, rehearsed for plays, held dances and hayrides, built concessions for carnivals, took part in games and sports, and in many other ways learned to co-operate with each other, we became better acquainted and made friends whom we shall hate to leave.

To our parents and teachers we express our sincere gratitude for their help and guidance during these years.

Being President of this class has been an honor and a pleasure. To you, my classmates, I wish success and happiness in the future years.

THANK YOU

# class history

## Ardyth Eaton and Roger Butler DESTINATION — GRADUATION

For four years our train has made its way along the track, pushing and pulling to prepare us for graduation. As we started out, the trip seemed a long tiresome journey, but now it seems all too short.

In September 1950, a new group of one hundred and five passengers started out on a journey after choosing as Engineer of our train — Albert Hart. His assistants were: Vice-President, Joe Gregory; Secretary, Judy Sisson; Treasurer, Alroy Vanderpool. We chose Grace Moore, Dale Tingley, and Bill Benham as our Council Conductors, and selected Mr. Standen and Miss Cauffiel as our Firemen. Our first big stop was for the Christmas Dance, and later for the May Dance, with our candidates Joan Pafford and Alroy Vanderpool for King and queen. By this time we were well down the tracks toward our destination.

In our Sophomore year, with ten less passengers, we again boarded the train, and once more elected Albert Hart as our engineer. His helpers were: Vice-President, Russell McKenzie; Secretary, Judy Sisson; and Treasurer, Dave Frederick. Our Council Conductors this time were Janis Boltz, Paul Graham, and Patsy Purcell. Mr. Standen continued as our Fireman. The carnival which was given this year was the first one in which we had had a part. Our concessions consisted of comic book sale, bake sale, white elephant stand, and ping-pong throw. The main attraction at Christmas time was the arrival of our new class rings. During the traditional Sponge Week, the tables were reversed, and the girls did the treating. This the boys enjoyed to the utmost. To end this year off with a "bang" we were privileged to have our candidates, Joan Pafford and Bill Benham, crowned king and queen of the May Dance. We had an inside view of the feast which we would be attending the next year by serving at the Junior-Senior Reception. This whistle-stop tour completed our year's activities. At the conclusion of this year we lost our loyal Fireman, Mr. Standen.

Now in the fall of 1952, we were ready to begin our third year with only eighty passengers. This year as our Chief engineer we elected Earl Kruger, with Janis Boltz as his assistant. Our Secretary was Nancy Randall and the Treasurer was Mary Nixon. Our head Councilmen were Patsy Purcell, Paul Graham, and Alroy Vanderpool. Our new Fireman was Mr. Brazee.

Our class was honored to have our candidate, Doris Tressler, crowned as queen of the Homecoming event. The first mishap of our four year journey was the derailing of our train on April Fools Day, due to two of our chemists who were experimenting with butanoic acid. Our two passengers were unable to return to the train for a few days. Our presentation of "Jenny Kissed Me" was a smash hit. Our first big formal dance of the year was the May Dance with our candidates, Lorene Mack and Tom Baldwin representing us. We finally realized that our funds were low for the Junior-Senior reception so we got to work on fund raising ideas. Our Junior year was climaxed with the Junior-Senior reception held at the Tecumseh Country Club.

In this the final run of our journey, our passenger list numbered eighty-three. As our engineer we elected Tom Baldwin and Alroy Vanderpool as his assistant. Nancy Randall and Mary Nixon again took over their jobs as Secretary and Treasurer, respectively. Janis Boltz, Dale Tingley, and Alroy Vanderpool ably represented us at the Council meetings. Mr. Brazee and Miss Schell were our Firemen. The first big event of our Senior year was Homecoming Week. We chose Louise Duckworth for our candidate for queen. We were honored to have our float place second with the slogan, "We're expecting T'win." This year we presented another dramatic hit, "The Miser." Again we attended the Christmas Dance and next was the traditional Sponge Week. In May, we embarked on our Senior trip to New York City for five joyous days. After seeing many of the sights of the big city, we returned to Tecumseh, still too excited to be tired, to find ourselves preparing for the formal May Dance and the Junior-Senior Reception.

Then for the first time we began to realize that graduation was coming up fast and that we would soon be separated from our many friends and classmates. Our Baccalaureate exercises are now over and Commencement is only a few hours away. Our four-year journey is practically ended and we have reached our destination — graduation. We shall sincerely strive in the future to prove that A MAN WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE—A WORLD WITHOUT LIGHTS.



# class poem

## ALMA MATER

Janis Boltz

How dear to our hearts are the scenes of Tecumseh,  
When fond recollections presents them to view!  
The Freshmen, the Sophomore, the Junior, the Senior,  
And every loved class which our schooldays once knew;  
The gym which we used for the games and for parties,  
The classrooms and halls which we trod every day;  
The desk of the teacher with seats all around it;  
The fun we had waiting for that big dance in May;  
Our old Alma Mater, our dear Alma Mater;  
Tecumseh, the high school where we were so gay.

The old Central building we hail as a treasure;  
For often, at noon, when returning to class,  
We ganged in the hallways and bunched on the stairsteps,  
With wisecracks and jokes 'tween each lad and each lass.  
How much we enjoyed it with eyes that were glowing,  
How precious the mem'ry when we're far away!  
And then, in our new school, so fair and so fine,  
With pursuit of knowledge we filled each new day.  
Our old Alma Mater, our dear Alma Mater;  
Tecumseh, the high school where we were so gay.

What wonderful friendships we formed in those schooldays,  
The full cup of living was poised at our lips!  
We worked and we played with a happy communion,  
And blessed the inventor of all Senior trips;  
And now, far removed from that loved situation,  
A tear of regret we cannot gainsay.  
We think of the future that opens before us,  
And know there are great debts of honor to pay.  
Our old Alma Mater, our dear Alma Mater;  
Tecumseh, the high school where we were so gay.

(With apologies to  
Samuel Woodworth)

# class song

(Tune: April Showers)

Mary Nixon

Those precious memories of days gone by  
Will always linger, Tecumseh High.  
All of your parties and games and plays  
Are all a part of us, as we recall those bright and happy days.  
The many friendships that we made here  
Seem to grow dearer with every year.  
Here's to our teachers who guided us and helped us through each day.  
Tecumseh High, you lit for us the way.

Now as we walk on down life's long road,  
It will be our turn to bear the load.  
All of the trials that come in life  
We'll be prepared to face and overcome with great and endless strife.  
And as we part now and go our way,  
We will be busy with each new day.  
So now we leave all of our good friends at dear Tecumseh High,  
As the class of Fifty-four says good-bye.

# class will

DALE TINGLEY

LORETTA BLANCHARD

SHARON TOWNSEND

We, the Senior Class of 1954, being of somewhat sound mind, and an assortment of bodies, and being the most outstanding, intelligent, and good looking class ever to attempt to graduate, do declare this to be our last will and testament:

ARTICLE I, Section I: To the Juniors we leave our ability to ruin home rooms, run down a teacher, and get kicked out of class.

ARTICLE I, Section II: To the faculty we leave our thanks and appreciation for all their well-earned efforts in trying to give us an education.

ARTICLE II, Section I: To the members of the student body we individually wish to make the following bequests:

1. Lynn Aluk wills a lock of hair to any Junior who'd like it—not for use on school property, however.
2. Tom Baldwin leaves his quiet manners to all the Junior boys who need them.
3. Bill Benham leaves to his brother Bob his ability to get along with all the women.
4. Janis Boltz leaves her nick-name of "Bubbles" to her sister Merene.
5. Marie Boyce wishes she could just leave her brains to the poor unfortunate souls that need them.
6. Marilou Burleson leaves Mr. Brazee in peace (one piece).
7. Roger Butler leaves the D&C Store to Ruth Ann Coates.
8. Albert Comfort bequeaths a hot rod Chevy to someone who wants a space ship.
9. Lyle DeJonghe just wants to leave—period!
10. Chuck DesErmia leaves to Val Spangler his ability to pass a test without studying.
11. Garnet Drouillard leaves her "Diamond Lil" technique to her sister.
12. Louise Duckworth leaves—what will become of Mr. Greene?????
13. Donna Fish bequeaths her ability to get her man to Mary Louise Kotts.
14. Barbara Folk leaves her ability to become a housewife to her sister Mary Ellen, who has a pretty good start.
15. Richard Gardner leaves his ability to sleep while sitting up to Dale Daniels.
16. Paul Graham wills his ability to "cook up a stink" to anyone who doesn't like school.
17. Joe Gregory leaves **all** his **JUNIOR GIRL** friends to Tom Neitling.
18. Albert Hart leaves a lock of his naturally straight red hair to the Junior girls; don't fight, girls!
19. James Hartsell leaves a slightly battered '40 FORD to Jack Purcell, who needs one that will run.
20. Bruce Hoekstra leaves his "starey" eyes to Betty Green.
21. Bud Hoffman bequeaths the Presidency of the "CAT MAN CLUB" to Buzz Betzoldt.
22. Doug Hooton leaves his racing technique to JANE SMITH.
23. Cathy Howell leaves a slightly used "Doodle Bug" to her sister Mary.
24. Dick Hubbard leaves us to join up with the "Buzz Boys."
25. Russell Hyatt wills his wit and humor to Bruce McDowell, who really has plenty now.
26. Earl Kruger leaves a lock of his curly black hair to a certain Freshman girl called Suzie Hite.
27. Max McLaury leaves an opening at the A&P, first come, first served.
28. Kenneth Mangus leaves his sideburns to Dennis Farley. (Try them, Dennis, they might improve your looks.)
29. Shirley Meads leaves her musical talents to Mr. Brack.
30. Geraldine Miller would like to give away the Rexall Store, if it were at all possible.
31. Grace Moore leaves her height to Sonya Arft, who could stand a little more. (HA)
32. James Nichols bequeaths his ability to sell anything, any size, to anybody to Johnny Naser.
33. Mary Nixon leaves her "Two wittle pennies" to Barbara Ousterhout.
34. Duane Oswald leaves a year's subscription to the **Herald** to J. J. Walper for \$2.50, that is.
35. Charles Owens leaves his ability in history to Franklin Smith who could use a little.
36. Bruce Packard wills his arguments with Mr. Peck to next year's drummers.
37. Charles Phillips leaves his "little red scooter" to Ritchie Davis, who is really in need of one.
38. Patsy Purcell wills her studious efforts to those few who are so unfortunate as to lack this.
39. Nancy Randall leaves her talent for dancing to none other than William Scutt.
40. Peter Rhein leaves a crystal set to any young adventurous Sophomore boy.
41. Bob Roe leaves his taxicab service to a Junior boy with a car.
42. Evelyn Schebella leaves her "lingo" to all the Junior Girls.
43. Alroy Vanderpool doesn't want to leave; Linda is still here.
44. Louis Vargo leaves a set of used golf clubs to Mr. Murdoch.
45. Diane Whitecotton leaves her Southern boy friends to the Junior girls.

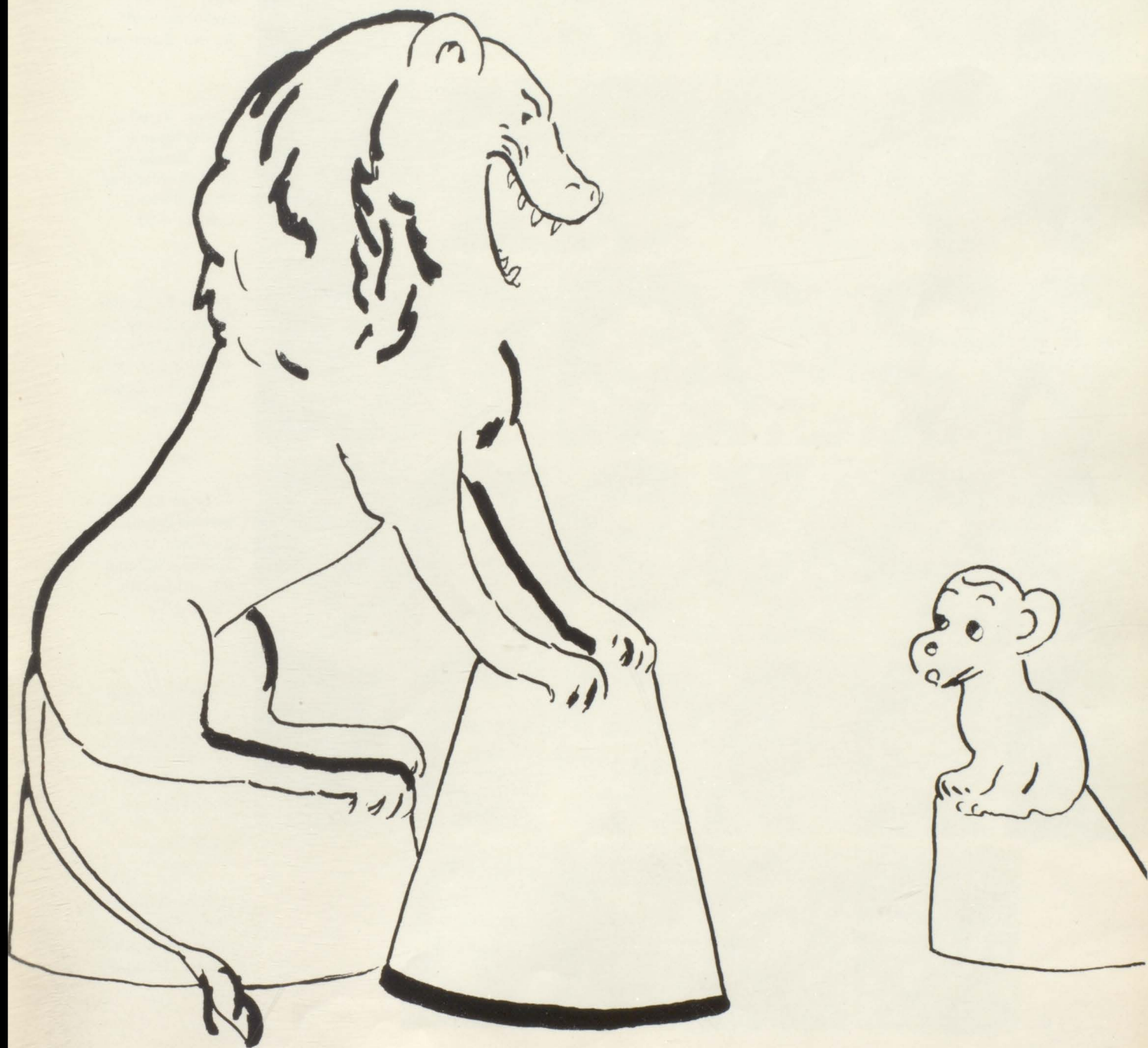
We hereby nominate and appoint Mr. Don "Babe" Brazee to be the executor of this, our last will and testament — Class of 1954.

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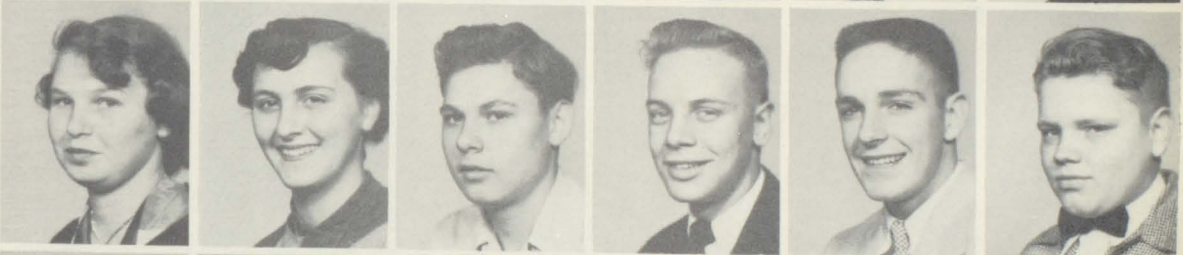
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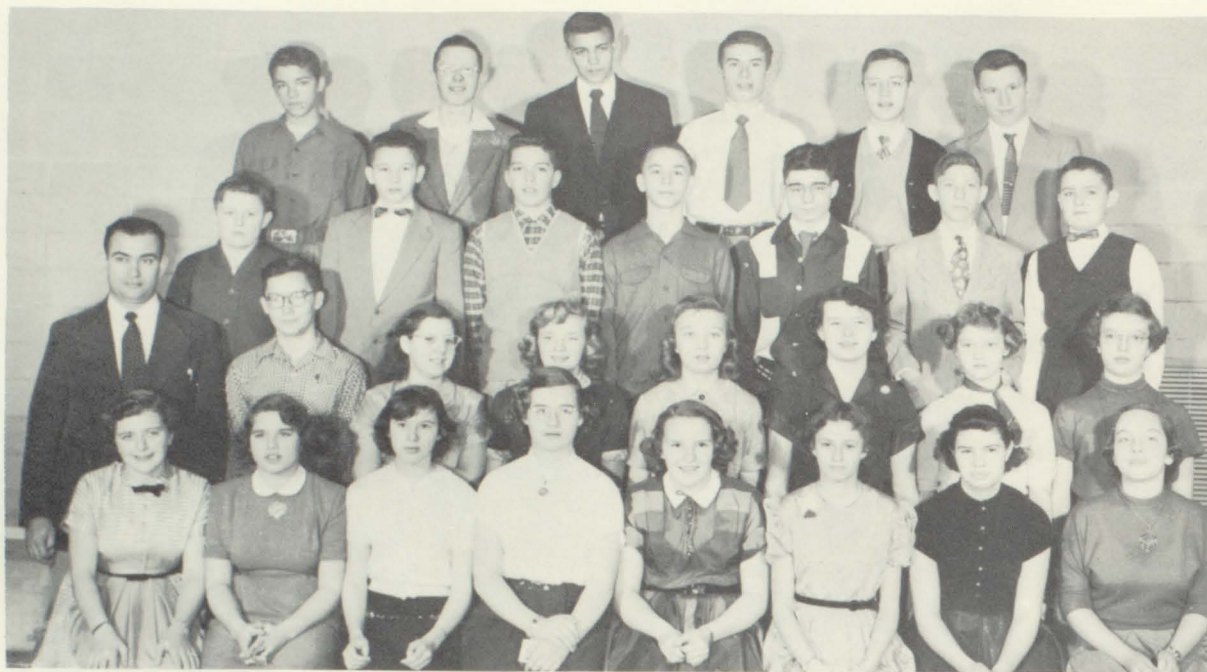


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# eighth grade



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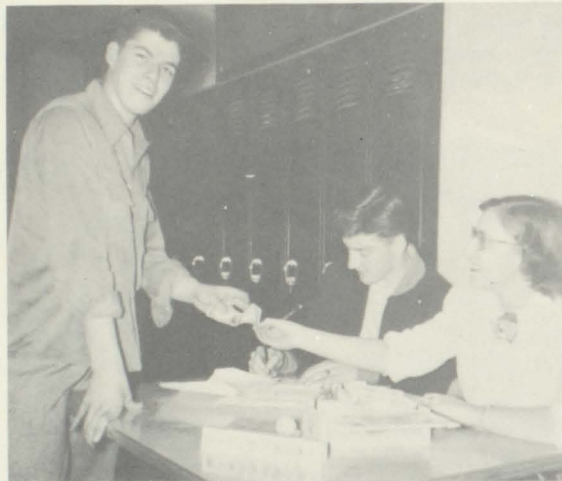
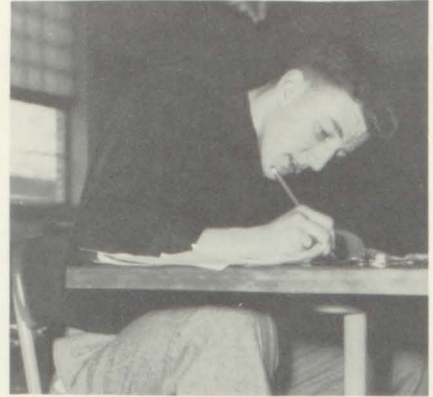
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# miscellaneous







Looks like trouble!



Mrs. Carswell



Meow!



We like fresh——men!



Always willing  
to help.



Ants?



If you knew Susie——



Jane



Joyce

Where are your Tom-Toms?



Happy Birthday, Bob!



She's got freckles on her——lap!



"Les Inseparables."

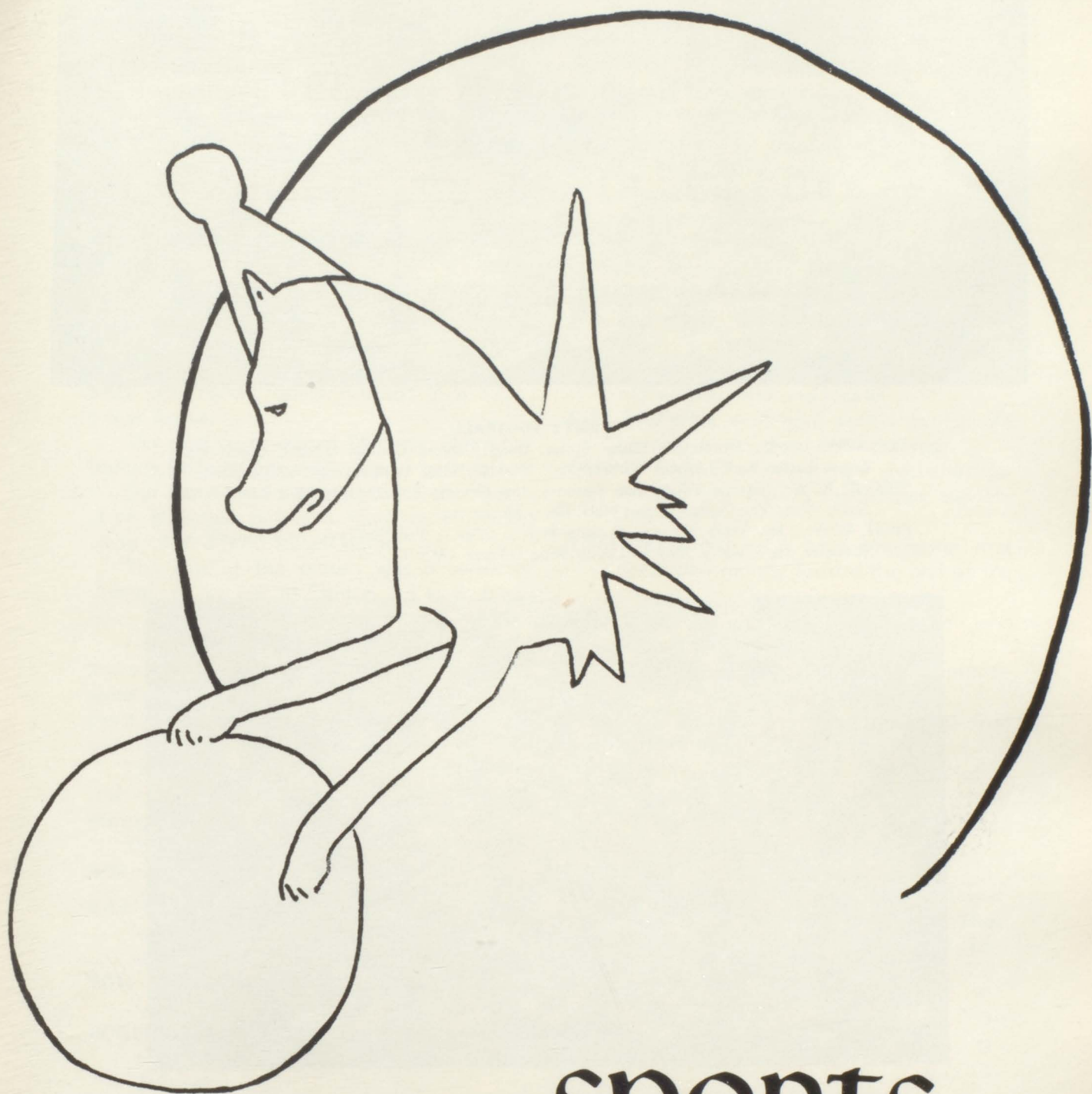


"The story of three loves."



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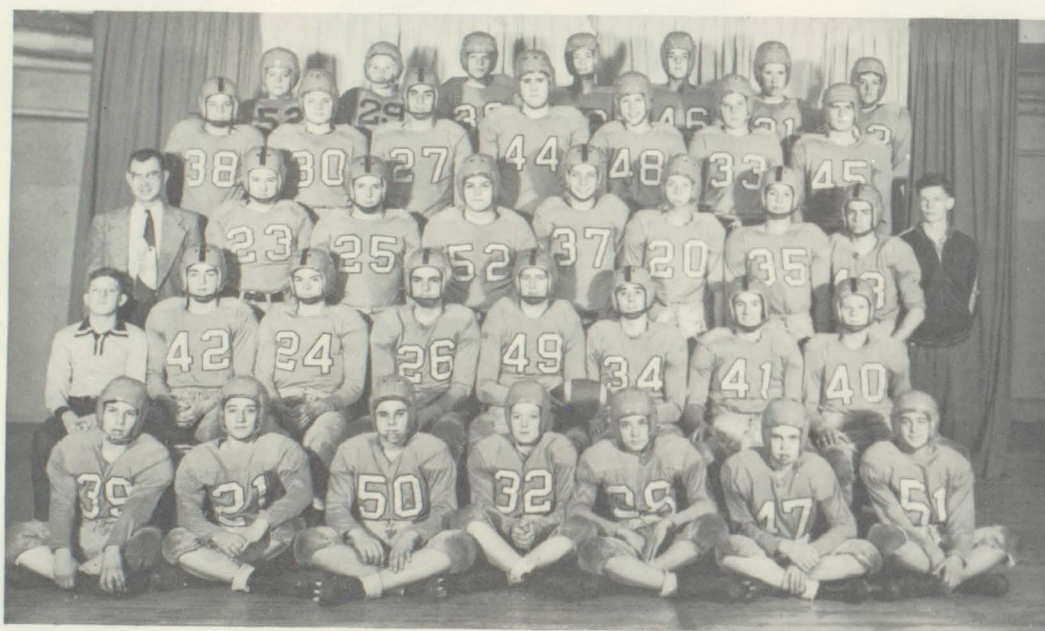


## VARSITY FOOTBALL

TOP ROW: Philip Stutesman, Roger Butler, Doug Hooton, Charles O'Neill, Coach Hale, Coach Lester Runk, Arnold Withrow, Bill Browne, Harry Withrow, Jim Whitecotton.

SECOND ROW: George Tilton, Bob Benham, Jim Bowser, Tom Neitling, Bill Benham, Bill Scutt, Alroy Vanderpool, Albert Hart, Gerry House.

FIRST ROW: Jon Smith (Mgr.), Duncan Harris (Mgr.), Tom Baldwin, Jack Purcell, Val Spangler, Joe Gregory, Max McLaury, Doug LeFevre (Mgr.).



## RESERVE FOOTBALL

TOP ROW: Gary Cameron, Fred Deaner, Barry Packard, Dean Andrews, Jim Mack, Harold Tilton, Neil O'Hara.

FOURTH ROW: Ron Gurtzweiler, Ed Covell, Jim Purkey, Tom Maupin, Don Partridge, Roger Palmer, Bill Spreeman.

THIRD ROW: Coach Brazee, Bill Every, Gary Marsh, Jim Jackson, Bob Manley, Bill Hansen, Larry Hooton, Bob Rutherford, Duncan Harris (Mgr.).

SECOND ROW: Doug LeFevre (Mgr.), John Cadmus, Glenn Haviland, Ray Larned, Jim Dewey, Ray Nichols, Ed Lewis, John Arft.

FIRST ROW: Ron Mikesell, Warren Naugle, Bill Lopshire, Ramon Aylesworth, Bill Newell, Charles Foreman, David Merillat.



# football

With the opening of the 1953 season, Coach Lester Runk started his first year as head football coach of Tecumseh High, with Mr. Hale as assistant coach.

The team opened the season at Addison, where they dropped their first non-league game by a 19 to 6 margin.

The second game was also a non-league tilt, with Tecumseh playing host to Hudson. The Indians played one of their best games of the year, with Hudson edging them out at the last minute, 14 to 13.

Our first Southeastern league game of the year was played at Tecumseh with Monroe Catholic Central. It was homecoming, and the Indians were up, but just couldn't seem to block and tackle, which resulted in a 32 to 6 loss for us.

The next game was at Morenci, where our Indians suffered a humiliating 39 to 0 defeat.

Our team lost its second conference game when Hillsdale defeated them at Hillsdale, 14 to 13 in a hard fought game.

The rest of the season was a series of defeats, as we lost to Clinton, 18 to 6, Blissfield, 33 to 0, and Bedford, 53 to 7.

Next year's team should be highly improved over this year's, because of greater experience on the part of the boys, and the constant enduring work displayed by our two coaches, Mr. Runk and Mr. Hale.

This year's Senior players would like to wish all underclassmen the best of luck throughout next year's football season.

The following Seniors received Varsity letters:

**BILL BENHAM** — A fine all-around athlete with great desire and determination. Bill was elected captain by his teammates.

**TOM BALDWIN** — A good offensive guard with lots of spirit.

**ROGER BUTLER** — A steady performer at tackle who also backed up the line on defense.

**JOE GREGORY** — Played every defensive position except tackle.

**AL HART** — A steady ball player that played both offense and defense.

**DOUG HOOTON** — A willing worker that was hampered by inexperience.

**MAX McLAURY** — A Senior with good spirit and determination.

**ALROY VANDERPOOL** — Quarterback — a good competitor. Played both offense and defense.

**JIM WHITCOTTON** — A determined ball player with a great deal of spirit.

**ARNIE WITHROW** — A hard worker that developed into a regular offensive tackle.

**HARRY WITHROW** — One of the most improved players on the squad. Tackle on offense and defense.

Varsity letters were awarded to the following underclassmen:

**BOB BENHAM** — A good steady guard as a Sophomore. Played both offense and defense.

**JIM BOWSER** — A fine team player that played both end and tackle.

**BILL BROWNE** — A hard worker that should become a very good end next year.

**DENNY FARLEY** — First year man that developed fast. Dennis should be a capable end next year.

**TOM NEITLING** — A good competitor that developed rapidly toward the end of the season.

**SKIP O'NEILL** — A first year ball player who showed much promise.

**BILL SCUTT** — A good defensive ball player. Bill ran from the fullback position.

**PHIL STUTESMAN** — A hard worker that played center, guard, and tackle.

The following Sophomores did not play in enough games to win a letter, but they should give a good account of themselves next year:

VAL SPANGLER      GERRY HOUSE

JACK PURCELL

The Junior Varsity schedule was as follows:

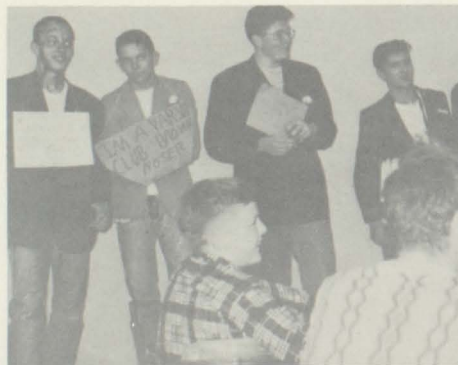
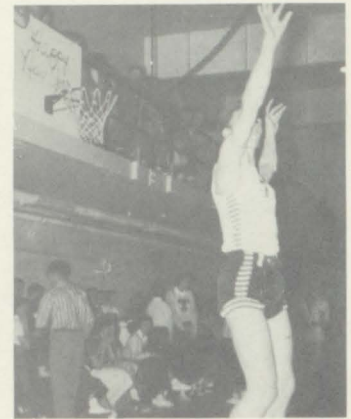
	We	They
Hillsdale	14	26
Bedford	0	27
Hudson	7	0
Airport Community	14	0
Blissfield	20	0
Catholic Central	7	13

The J.V.s who won letters were:

John Cadmus	Glenn Haviland
John Arft	Ray Nichols
Ed Lewis	Jim Mack
Bill Hansen	Don Partridge
Jim Jackson	Bob Manley
Jim Dewey	Ray Larned
Larry Hooton	Ron Gurtzweiler
Gary Marsh	Harold Tilton
Jim Purkey	Bill Every



# sports





# VARSITY BASKETBALL



STANDING: Mr. Lawson, Val Spangler, Tom Neitling, Bill Dean, Tom Baldwin, Jim White-cotton, Jerry Barton.  
SITTING: Marv Yoakum, Jim Bowser, Al Hart, Bill Benham, Ritchie Davis, Doug Hooton.

Tecumseh started the 1953-54 season with a very inexperienced basketball squad, including only two lettermen from the previous year's championship team. Although they were hindered greatly by a lack of height, the team, under the leadership of Coach Victor Lawson, finished the season with six victories out of sixteen attempts.

The Indians ventured to Blissfield to open the 1954 season with a non-league encounter against the Sugar Boys. Getting off to a poor start, the Indians were defeated, 48-31, by a very tall Blissfield team.

The following week Tecumseh traveled to Hillsdale for a conference game with the top contending Hornets. The Indians were stung, 40-31.

After two defeats, the Indians' hopes were brightened by a 46-33 victory over Addison on the home court.

The next Friday the Indians hit the road for Morenci, and were turned back by the scrappy Bulldogs, 49-39.

The Indians, with high hopes, then set out for Monroe for their second league contest. After a fierce battle, Tecumseh was edged out, 51-48.

When Tecumseh met Clinton on the Redskins' floor, the Indians were knocked off by a score of 53-46.

Again the Indians took to the road — this time to Hudson, where the Tecumseh Five was victorious, 47-38.

Still traveling, Tecumseh met Bedford for another close one, but managed to come out on top 37-34. Good work, Boys.

Then came a couple of games on the Indians' home floor. But this didn't help against the Sugar Boys. They trounced us, 49-21.

Tecumseh really had a let-down when they met Hillsdale. After a close game all the way which ended in a tie, the Hornets pushed past the Indians in overtime, 35-34.

Addison was again Tecumseh's victim when the two teams met on Addison's home court. The Indians rolled past them, 67-59. This ended the out-of-town games for the Indians.

Back at home, Tecumseh met Hudson, and in a close one, the Indians were triumphant, 44-40.

Then came the powerful Morenci Bulldogs, who beat Tecumseh, 34-32.



Clinton was next on the docket. The Indians, hoping to beat their traditional rivals, were defeated, 45-32.

The following Tuesday the Indians met Monroe and fell, 53-48.

To finish the season, Tecumseh battled with Bedford and downed them, 39-36.

In the district playoffs at Adrian on March 4th, Tecumseh upset Monroe Catholic Central, 62-35. It was a very good game with all the Indians in their best form. Then Saturday night, March 6th, Tecumseh lost the crown to Blissfield, 43-34.

The Reserves, coached by Mr. Douglas Murdoch, had a very good season, winning 12 out of 16 attempts. There are some excellent prospects for next year on this team.

#### **BASKETBALL LETTER WINNERS (1953-54)**

##### **Varsity**

Bill Benham  
Albert Hart  
Douglas Hooton  
Jim Bowser  
Ritchie Davis  
Marvin Yoakum

##### **JV**

Jim Whitecotton  
Jerry Barton  
Ted Cornell  
Tom Neitling  
Bill Scutt  
Bob Manley  
Val Spangler  
Allen Dickinson  
Bill Hansen  
Ray Larned  
Ken Miller

##### **JV**

Tom Baldwin  
Bill Dean

#### **JUNIOR VARSITY SCHEDULE AND SCORES**

Blissfield	45	Tecumseh	21
Hillsdale	41	Tecumseh	31
Addison	36	Tecumseh	23
Morenci	32	Tecumseh	42
Monroe	20	Tecumseh	39
Clinton	27	Tecumseh	49
Hudson	30	Tecumseh	37
Bedford	33	Tecumseh	51
Blissfield	30	Tecumseh	50
Hillsdale	36	Tecumseh	50
Addison	23	Tecumseh	32
Hudson	30	Tecumseh	48
Morenci	47	Tecumseh	58
Clinton	32	Tecumseh	45
Monroe	29	Tecumseh	53
Bedford	43	Tecumseh	37

The Junior High teams had an average season. Both the eighth grade, coached by Mr. Lester Runk, and the seventh grade, coached by Mr. Hale, won five and lost five games.

## **cheerleaders**



STANDING: Rita Crosby, Linda Beck.

SITTING: Mary Nixon, Grace Moore, Barbara Ousterhout.



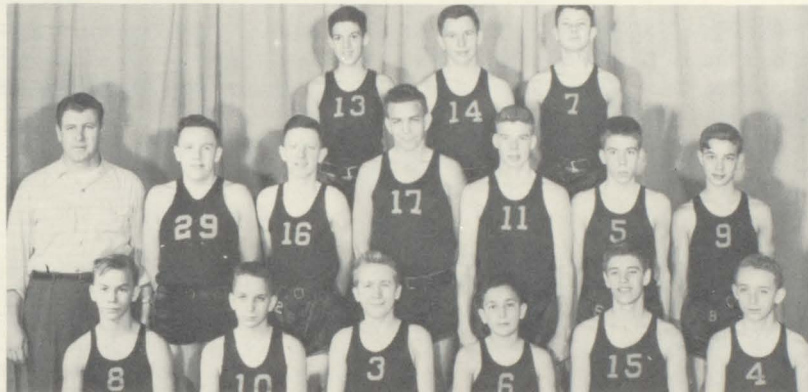
# RESERVE Basketball



TOP ROW: Skip O'Neill, Mr. Murdoch, Ed Covell.

SECOND ROW: Gordon LaLonde, Ray Larned, Bob Manley, Bill Hansen, Bill Scutt, Ted Cornell, Jack Purcell.

FIRST ROW: Ron Gurtzweiler, Nicky Touborg, Allen Dickenson, Kenny Miller, Bruce McDowell, Johnny Naser.



## EIGHTH GRADE BASKETBALL

TOP ROW: Ray Sluyter, Richard Baker, Gerry Greene.

SECOND ROW: Lester Runk, Joe Hayden, Larry Anderson, Earl Drummonds, David Elliott, John Elliott, Gary Williams.

FIRST ROW: Carl Bailey, Jon Weakly, Ray Miller, Max Smith, Mike Ferguson, Robert Marsh.

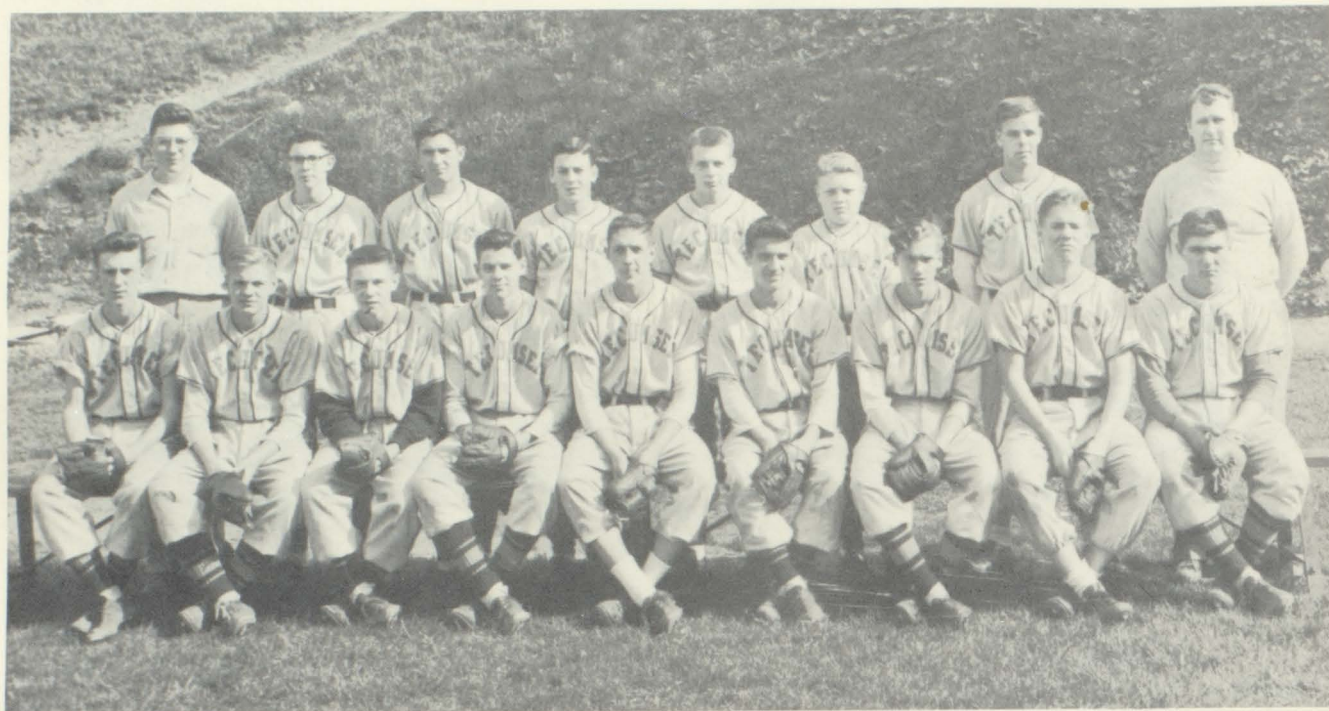


## SEVENTH GRADE BASKETBALL

TOP ROW: Larry Yoakum, Jerry Crunk, Robert Wilkins, Mr. Hale, Bob O'Neill, David Rutherford, Greg Mason.

FIRST ROW: David Schmidt, David Champanois, Gordon Greiman, Graham Morden, Jerry Dicks, Jerry Woodard.





STANDING: Charles O'Neill (Mgr.), Earl Kruger, Jim Bowser, John Cadmus, Robert Benham, Norbert Marsh, Charles Owens, Mr. Runk.  
 SITTING: Albert Hart, Dennis Farley, Russ Hyatt, Jerry Barron, Jack Greenwald, Joe Gregory, Lowell Kelly, Marvin Yoakum, Harry Withrow.

## BASEBALL

Since 1953 was Tecumseh's first season in the new Southeastern Michigan League, the Indians were anxious for a crack at the championship. With the return of four lettermen, their chances looked good.

However, the team, coached by Mr. Lester Runk, got off to a fairly bad start. In their first five games, they won only one while losing four. Tecumseh played six league games, two with each of the three other teams in the league, and the Indians finished the season with one league win and five losses, tying Bedford for third place.

There were three Seniors on the '53 team who will really be missed this year — Jerry Barron and Jack Greenwald for their outstanding fielding and hitting, and Jack Betzoldt for his wonderful catching. Nevertheless, Tecumseh's chances for 1954 should be fairly good, as quite a few veteran players will return.

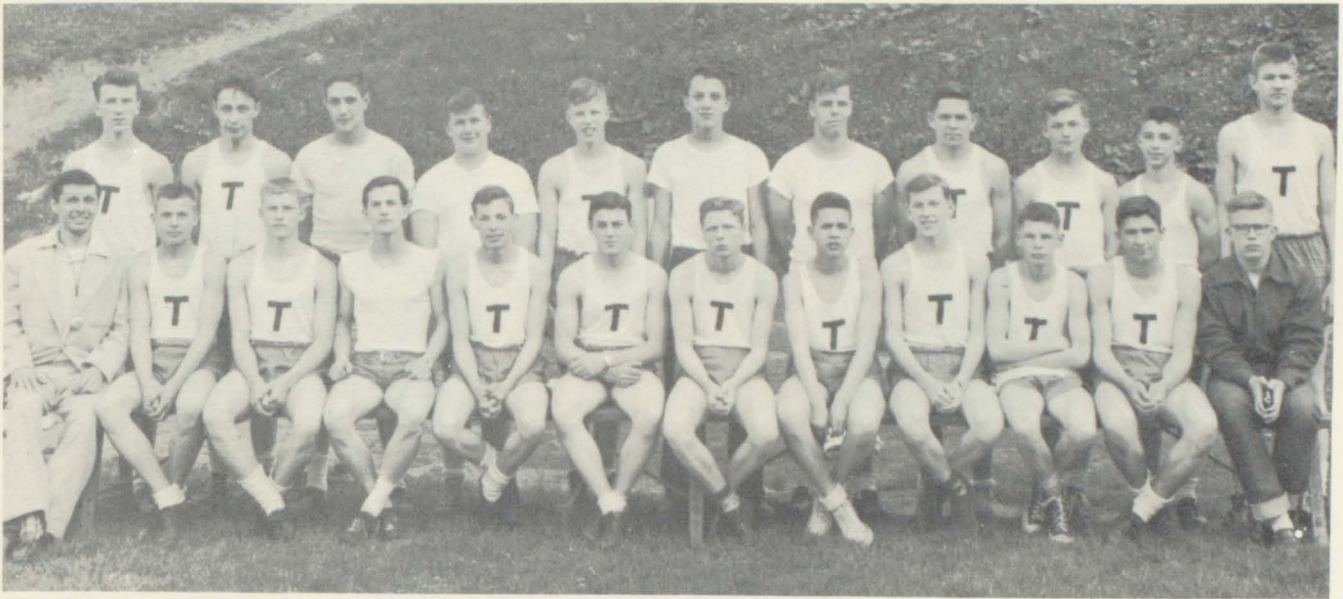
The following boys were letter winners:

Jack Greenwald	Joe Gregory
Jack Betzoldt	Dennis Farley
Jerry Barron	Earl Kruger
Albert Hart	MANAGERS:
Marvin Yoakum	Jerry Barton
Russ Hyatt	Charles O'Neill

### 1953 SCHEDULE AND SCORES

Monroe	13.....	Tecumseh	1
Blissfield	6.....	Tecumseh	3
Hillsdale	2.....	Tecumseh	1
Bedford	3.....	Tecumseh	10
Addison	12.....	Tecumseh	4
Clinton	7.....	Tecumseh	1
Monroe	10.....	Tecumseh	8
Bedford	4.....	Tecumseh	0
Hillsdale	8.....	Tecumseh	6
Morenci	4.....	Tecumseh	5





**STANDING:** Albert Hart, William Beardsley, Jack Greenwald, Charles Hendershot, Donald Partridge, Bill Browne, Charles Owens, Ritchie Davis, Glenn Haviland, Raymond Puffer, Bill Dean.

**SITTING:** Mr. Furbush, Max McLaury, Tom Baldwin, Leroy Betzoldt, Gary Roberts, John Cadmus, Bruce Packard, Larry Hooton, Vere Hart, Duncan Harris, Jim Bowser, J. J. Walper (Mgr.).

## track

The 1953 track team got off to a slow start because of bad weather. In our four scheduled meets, Tecumseh took two seconds, a third, and lost one. Our first meet was a triangular meet with Blissfield and Morenci in which Blissfield finished first with 58 points and Tecumseh was second, with 47-4/7 points. Tecumseh firsts were taken by Leroy Betzoldt in the 440, Jack Betzoldt in the mile, and Tom Baldwin in the half mile.

In our second scheduled meet, a quadrangular one, we met three non-league opponents: Hudson, Clinton, and Addison. Hudson finished first with 56½ points and Tecumseh was second with 48½ points. Addison and Clinton came through with 17 and 19 points respectively. Our firsts were again taken by Jack Betzoldt in the mile, Tom Baldwin in the half mile, Leroy Betzoldt in the 440, Bob Binns in the shot put, and the medley relay team, which was composed of Jim Bowser, Bill Beardsley, Ritchie Davis, and Albert Hart.

Tecumseh placed third in the Southeastern Conference meet held at Adrian. Four schools were entered. Bedford took first place with 64 points, followed by Monroe Catholic Central with 53 7/10 points and Tecumseh with 37 3/5 points. Hillsdale, the other school taking part, finished with 29 7/10 points. Jack Betzoldt, Tom Baldwin, and the medley relay team took first places for Tecumseh.

Coach Furbush and a few boys went to Ann Arbor for the regional track meet. In this meet Jack Betzoldt placed fourth in the mile, Tom Baldwin placed third in the half mile, and the medley relay team placed fifth.

The track team closed the season with a loss to Monroe Catholic Central in a dual meet, 64 to 46. Tecumseh took six first places: Jack Betzoldt in the mile, Tom Baldwin in the half mile, Leroy Betzoldt in the 440, Max McLaury in the high jump, Bob Binns in the shot put, and the medley relay team. Jack Betzoldt and Tom Baldwin were undefeated in the four major meets.

Track letters were awarded to the following boys:

Name	Event Regularly Entered In
Jack Betzoldt .....	Mile
Tom Baldwin.....	Half Mile
Leroy Betzoldt.....	440 Yard Dash
Bill Beardsley.....	Medley Relay
Max McLaury.....	High Jump
Albert Hart.....	Medley Relay
Jack Greenwald.....	Hurdles
Jim Bowser.....	Medley Relay
Bruce Packard .....	Mile
Ritchie Davis.....	Medley Relay
Bob Binns.....	Shot Put





Mutt and Jeff.



Watch the birdie!



Back to school.



Big Bill



What's so funny?



Ain't I cute?



Tatar's spuds



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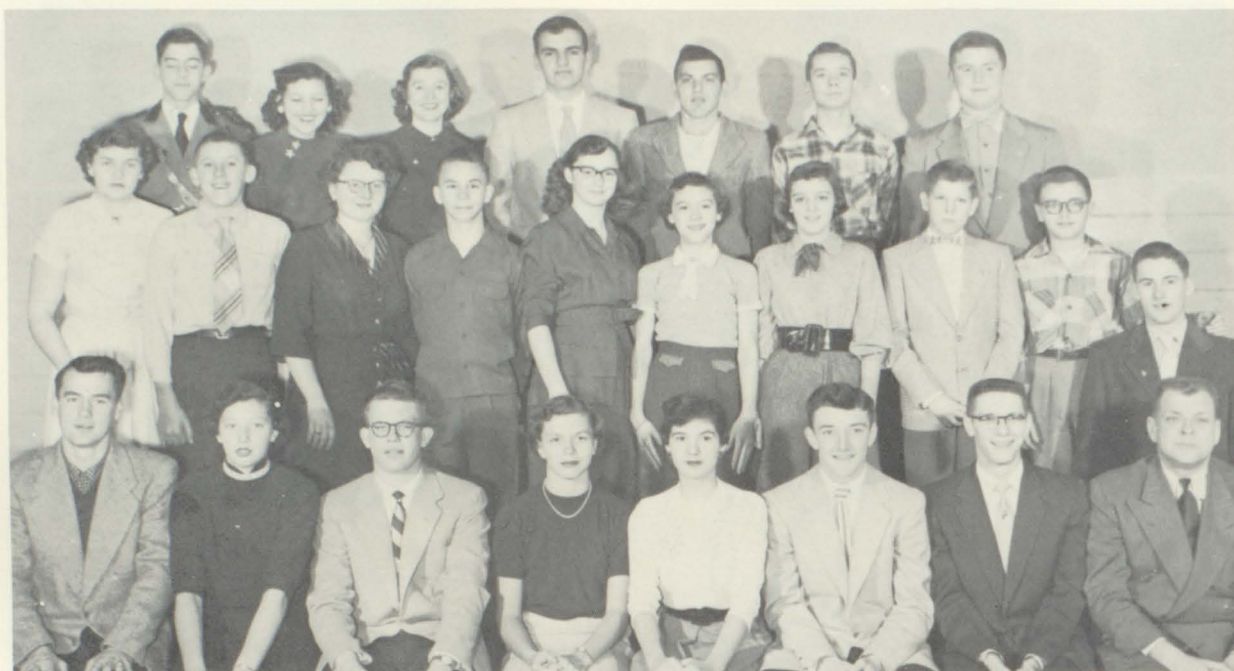
Just neighbors!



# activities



# student council



TOP ROW: Robert Francouer, Wilma Bumpus, Merene Boltz, Ray Larned, Lawrence Carpenter, Bill Newell, Charles Hendershot.  
 SECOND ROW: Janis Boltz, Ronald Lewis, Ardyth Eaton, Carl Bailey, Yvonne Morningstar, Sandra Ross, Janet Osworth, Larry Yoakum, Greg Mason, Edwin Lewis.  
 FIRST ROW: Dale Daniels, Grace Moore, J. J. Walper, Patsy Purcell, Dulcie Bowen, Dale Tingley, Alroy Vanderpool, Mr. Hart.

President .....	J. J. WALPER
Vice-President .....	PATSY PURCELL
Secretary .....	DULCIE BOWEN
Treasurer .....	DALE TINGLEY

This year the principal activities of the Student Council consisted, as usual, in sponsoring the Homecoming Dance, the Christmas Party, the Sponge Dance and the May Party.

The Student Council sponsored Homecoming Week, which was marked by a parade of the students and various floats. They also had charge of the activities connected with Sponge Week (Gum-chewing and Candy-eating Day, Dress-up Day, All-Color Day, and Student-Teacher Day).

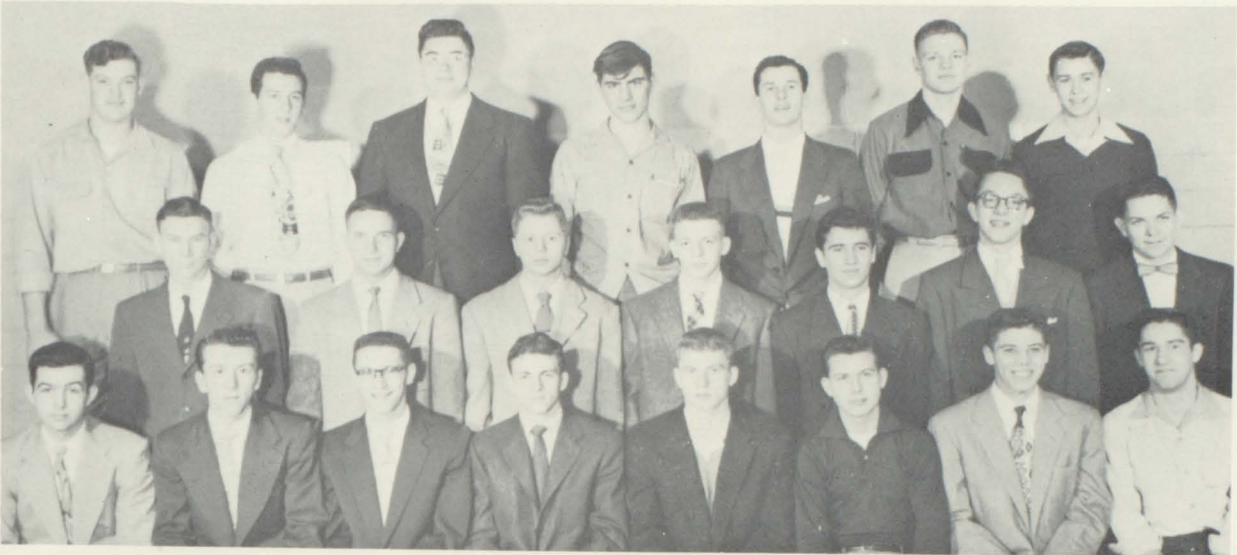
On November 4, the officers of the Student Council attended a conference on school citizenship, held in Ann Arbor.

Members of the Council sold programs at the football games and operated the hat check stand during the basketball season.

Carrying on these activities required a great deal of hard work and planning on the part of the Student Council members.



# varsity club



TOP ROW: Arnold Withrow, Roger Butler, Charles O'Neill, Harry Withrow, Leroy Betzoldt, Dennis Farley, Tom Neitling.

SECOND ROW: Philip Stutesman, Jim Whitecotton, Bruce Packard, Bob Benham, Joe Gregory, Bill Browne, Ritchie Davis.

FIRST ROW: Douglas Hooton, Albert Hart, Alroy Vanderpool, Bill Benham, Tom Baldwin, Max McLaury, Bill Scutt, Jim Bowser.

President ..... BILL BENHAM

Vice-President ..... TOM BALDWIN

Secretary ..... ALBERT HART

Treasurer ..... ALROY VANDERPOOL

Student Council Representative ..... ALROY VANDERPOOL

# chorus



TOP ROW: Pat Richardson, Jane Hargrave, Pat Dibble, Delora Fletcher, Donna Lamson.

SECOND ROW: Mr. Brack, Catherine Howell, Barbara Lowe, Donna Bordine, Janet Lawhead, Joyce Taylor.

FIRST ROW: Faye Hawkins, Kay McClure, Joyce Hall, Sally Damon, Rosemary Murphy, Shirley Holdridge.



# SENIOR BAND



TOP ROW: Robert Francouer, Jerry Barton, Carole Loveland, Ted Cornell, Ronald Francouer, Jim Purkey, Harold Robinson, Walter Bailey.

FOURTH ROW: Lillian Gilleylen, Shirley Palmer, Geraldine Drouillard, Judy Foos, Judy Fairbanks, Mary Lou Partridge, Betty Barton, Della Butler, Ruth Ann Coates, Elaine Kimerer.

THIRD ROW: Roger Finnegan, Barry Packard, Lee Vescelius, Bruce Packard, Larry Kohl, Roger Pearson, Raymond Puffer, Charles O'Neill, Philip Surratt.

SECOND ROW: Shirley Meads, Marilyn Manley, Bonnie Mack, Wanita Cleveland, Edith Kimerer, Lois Crowell, Betty Vargo, Diane Skinner, Dolores Bush, Mr. Peck.

FIRST ROW: Martha McKenzie, Shirley Larned, Edna Freshcorn.

President.....Judy Foos  
Secretary.....Judy Fairbanks  
Librarians..... Geraldine Drouillard Shirley Meads



## JUNIOR BAND

TOP ROW: David Rutherford, Duane Locke, William Fielder, Wayne Shocknesse, Jerry Woodward, Jerry Kruse, Jerry Crunk.

SECOND ROW: Martha Owen, Barbara Crowell, Judy Baxter, Joyce Hadsell, Jon Schuch, Larry Anderson.

FIRST ROW: Mr. Peck, Judy Schultz, Judith Fairbanks, Sandra Irelan, Joan Johnston, Sandra Ross, Karen Golat, Sharon Muhn.



# DEBATE



STANDING: Carl Henkel, Dulcie Bowen, Gary Hizer.

SITTING: John Naser, Doris Tressler, Mrs. Whited, Judy Whiting.

The 1953-54 Debate topic, "Resolved that the President of the United States be elected by a direct vote of the people", is of vital interest to all citizens of our country: to adults because of their present obligation in voting, and to teenagers because they are future voters. Since this question had been the Debate topic of another year, it was therefore much more technical and demanded on the part of the debaters a more intensive study of the governmental functions, as well as of history.

Both teams worked under the handicap of inexperience, since all members were beginners, with the exception of Dulcie Bowen. Perhaps because of the excellent record made by the experienced debaters of previous years, Tecumseh was placed with teams which were rated superior in the state: Albion, Coldwater, and Marshall (taking a bye on the meeting with Allen Park). With this combination of drawbacks, neither the affirmative nor the negative team won their rounds. However, the experience gained and the work that was done should help to win decisive victories in the coming year. Two debaters were highly commended by judges.

The teams were as follows: Affirmative, Gary Hizer, Carl Henkel and Janet Bashore Carswell; Negative, Dulcie Bowen and Jeanene Heflin. New members, who took part in practice debates, were Shirley Larned and Judy Whiting. Doris Tressler acted as program chairman at a home debate, and John Naser, as timekeeper.



# future farmers of america



TOP ROW: Jack Withrow, Gilbert McKinney, Harry Withrow, Jim Dewey, William Cooper, Kenneth Mangus, Edwin Lewis, Kenneth Crisler, Edward DeLisle, Bill Lopshire.  
 THIRD ROW: Roger Finnegan, David Jedelee, Walter Bailey, Thomas Underwood, Norbert Marsh, Victor Shandley, Bob Willnow, Eldon Lawhead.  
 SECOND ROW: Melvin Schafer, Bob Brady, Lawrence Reichenbaugh, Delton LaGore, Carl Wagner, Lawrence Carpenter, Bruce Wright, Bill Spreeman, Gerry House.  
 FIRST ROW: Roy Jewell, Charles Hendershot, Herbert Quigley, John Wilt, Mr. Burns, John Cadmus, Arnold Withrow, Melvin Scheffler.

The Tecumseh Chapter of the Future Farmers of America started the year's activities by initiating twenty-four boys into the Green Hand Degree. One of our first projects was participating in the F.F.A. Judging contest at the Lenawee County Fair, where our team took first place in Crops and the Crop Pests and Diseases contest and also tied for the highest total score of the contest and won a sweepstakes banner. Our thirteenth annual Parent-and-Son banquet, which featured slides of student and group projects, was enjoyed by 140 persons.

Our Parliamentary Procedure team won first place at the district contest in Morenci, and went on to the Regional Contest which was held in Saline.

As in previous years, we had our annual Christmas Party, we attended Farmers' Week at Michigan State College, and entered our broiler project in the Chicken-of-Tomorrow contest. New undertakings for the year included setting up a crop rotation and farming sixteen acres of land and feeding four hogs, our pig chain changing hands twice.

All of our F.F.A. officers and their adviser attended the Regional Leadership Training Camp, which was held in Jackson for three days.

President .....	PHILIP YOUNG
Vice-President .....	JOHN CADMUS
Secretary .....	CHARLES HENDERSHOT
Treasurer .....	JOHN WILT
Reporter .....	ARNOLD WITHROW
Sentinel .....	HERBERT QUIGLEY
Student Council Representative .....	CHARLES HENDERSHOT
Adviser .....	MR. BURNS



# f.f.a. judging team



STANDING: Bill Every, Arnold Withrow, Ken Mangus.  
SITTING: Melvin Schafer, Mr. Burns, Philip Young.

# future nurses' club



TOP ROW: Mary Pat McCann, Barbara Folk, Janis Boltz, Lorene Mack, Doris Tressler, Marcia Bashore, Ruth Titley.  
SECOND ROW: Luella Bishop, Beth McKenzie, Jane Smith, Nita Dickinson, Mary Ellen Folk, Evelyn Schebella, Patsy Purcell, Sharon Claxton, Sylvia Golat.  
FIRST ROW: Mary Lou Partridge, Julie Crawford, Linda Beck, Ardyth Eaton, Grace Moore, Diane Whitecotton, Sharon Townsend, Mary Nixon, Mrs. Boltz.

The Future Nurses' Club began its third year by initiating fifteen new members, making a total membership of thirty-one girls.

The club meets twice each month under the leadership of Mrs. Boltz, who represents the school, and Mrs. Kinietz, who represents the nursing profession. At these meetings talks are given by people in the various fields of nursing. The members of the F.N.C. have also gone on field trips to hospitals and to nursing schools.

Five members of the club, who are Seniors this year, are planning to enter nurses' training in the fall.

President .....	GRACE MOORE
Secretary .....	SHARON TOWNSEND
Treasurer.....	DIANE WHITECOTTON
Student Council Representative .....	ARDYTH EATON



# GIRLS' athletic association



TOP ROW: Helen Yungling, Sonja Arft, Beverly Champanois, Mary Lou Partridge, Betty Barton.  
 FIFTH ROW: Lynne VanWinkle, Judy Whiting, Mary Ellen Folk, Rita Crosby, Sandra Hall, Sandra Biederman, Nita Dickinson, Lois Wilt, Martha McKenzie.  
 FOURTH ROW: Mrs. Sisson, Bonnie Mack, Pat Rupp, Jeannette Creger, Dulcie Bowen, Sylvia Helzerman, Betty Greene, Alice Hoskin, Jane Krebs, Kathryn Sullivan.  
 THIRD ROW: Delores Larkin, Flora Nixon, Kathleen Davis, Nancy Schoolmaster, Frances LeBaron, Irene Ward, Geraldine Drouillard, Karen Murphy, Ilene Schafer, Shirley Watson, Luella Bishop, Julie Crawford.  
 SECOND ROW: Margaret Champanois, Sharon Claxton, Theresa Cornell, Wilma Bumpus, Judy Fairbanks, Merene Boltz, Marcia Bashore, Beverly McClain, Shirley Larned, Linda Dewey.  
 FIRST ROW: Diane Whitecotton, Grace Moore, Linda Beck, Sue Aluk, Mary Pat McCann, Ardyth Eaton, Joyce Schafer, Barbara Folk, Janis Boltz.

President ..... SUE ALUK  
 Secretary ..... MARY PAT McCANN  
 Treasurer ..... LINDA BECK  
 Student Council Representative ..... GRACE MOORE

The Girls' Athletic Association, under the leadership of Mrs. Sisson, was organized to give girls who are interested in sports a chance to play on our school teams or against other schools, and, in this way, to develop their skill.

During the past year, the members of the G.A.A. have participated in a volleyball meet with Clinton and Britton, and a basketball game with Clinton. Some of the girls attended Play Day in Adrian and also a basketball officiating clinic. Once each week the members of the club bowl. The girls try to earn the required number of points so that they can receive a letter. The organization is growing each year. due to the enthusiastic support of the student body.



# Junior play



STANDING: Mary Nixon, Janet Bashore, Grace Moore, Margaret LaLonde, Patsy Purcell, Bill Dean, Janis Boltz, Mrs. MacBeth, Bill Benham.  
SITTING: Gerry Miller, Louis Vargo, Lorene Mack, Marilou Burleson, Alroy Vanderpool, Judy Sisson.

Under the direction of Mrs. Macbeth, the class of '54 staged a three-act comedy called "Jenny Kissed Me" on April 23 and 24, 1953. The following is a synopsis of the plot:

Jenny, a country-bred orphan of sixteen, comes to live with her aunt, Mrs. Deasy, who serves as housekeeper for Father Moynihan. Father Moynihan is old-fashioned in his ways and is completely out of touch with the fads and slang of the younger generation. Michael Saunders, a young educator and close companion of the Father, persuades him, that he should help Jenny to be 'hep' and more like the other girls. Father Moynihan thinks that it would be a good idea if Jenny would marry some nice young man, and make her home elsewhere.

In the meantime Jenny finds herself falling in love with Michael. After considerable opposition, Father finally consents to their marriage. At the end of the play Father Moynihan seems to possess a new, more understanding and amiable personality.

The play cast is as follows:

Father Moynihan.....	Alroy Vanderpool
Michael Saunders.....	Bill Benham
Mrs. Deasy.....	Marilou Burleson
Sister Mary.....	Janis Boltz
Shirley Tirabossi.....	Mary Nixon
Jenny.....	Judy Sisson
Miss Stearns.....	Pat Purcell
Mary Delaney.....	Janet Carswell
Harry.....	Grace Moore
Jo.....	Margaret La Londe
Owen Parkside.....	Louis Vargo
Priscilla.....	Lorene Mack
Jane.....	Gerry Miller
Mr. Parkside.....	Bill Dean



# senior play



TOP ROW: Pete Rhein, Jim Nichols, Irwin Pennington, Louis Vargo.  
 SECOND ROW: Alroy Vanderpool, Dale Tingley, Mary Nixon, Grace Moore, Donna Fish,  
 Bill Dean, Doug Hooten.  
 FIRST ROW: Marilou Burleson, Doris Tressler, Miss Egan, Bill Benham, Patsy Purcell.

## THE SENIOR PLAY

On the evenings of December 17 and 18, 1953, the Senior Class presented one of the most successful plays ever given here. It was a three act comedy-farce entitled "The Miser." An old French play by Moliere, it was adapted by Walter F. Kerr and ably directed by Miss Egan.

The plot of the play involved an old miser and the hilarious happenings in his seventeenth century household.

Harpagon, the miser, believed that he had safely arranged for Elise, his daughter, to marry Anselme, who was a wealthy man, but Elise had secretly fallen in love with one of her father's servants, whose name was Valere. The plot became more complicated as the miser's son, Cleante, fell in love with Mariane, the attractive woman that the matchmaker, Frosine, had chosen for Harpagon to marry. The mix-up was complete when it was found out that Valere and Mariane were brother and sister and that Monsieur Anselme was their father.

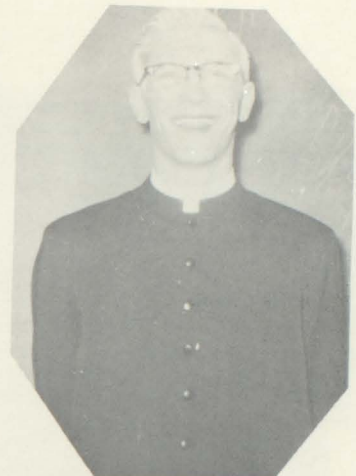
After the miser had finally been forced to consent to the wedding of Mariane and Cleante and Elise and Valere, the play ended uproariously when, after gathering up all of his hidden money, and turning out the lights, the miser tripped on the stairs, sending his money in all directions.

The cast of the play was as follows:

Harpagon, the miser.....	Bill Benham
Elise, his daughter.....	Doris Tressler
Cleante, his son.....	Bill Dean
Valere, in love with Elise.....	Alroy Vanderpool
Fosine, a matchmaker.....	Marilou Burleson
Mariane, in love with Cleante.....	Pat Purcell
Master Jaques, coachman	
and cook.....	Jim Nichols
La Fleche, Cleante's valet.....	Dale Tingley
Master Simon, Harpagon's agent....	Pete Rhein
Magistrate.....	Doug Hooten
Mistress Claude, servant.....	Grace Moore
Brindavoine, servant.....	Donna Fish
La Merluiche, servant.....	Mary Nixon
Monsieur Anselme, Valere's	
father.....	Louis Vargo



# play snaps



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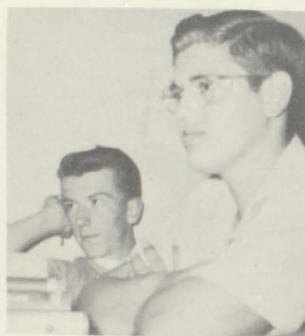
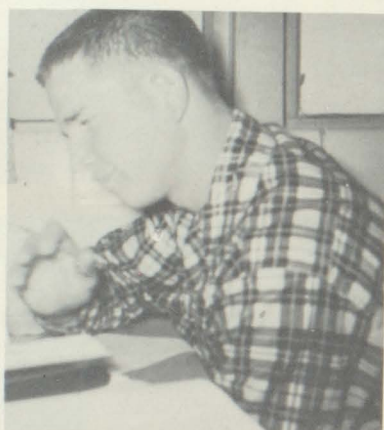
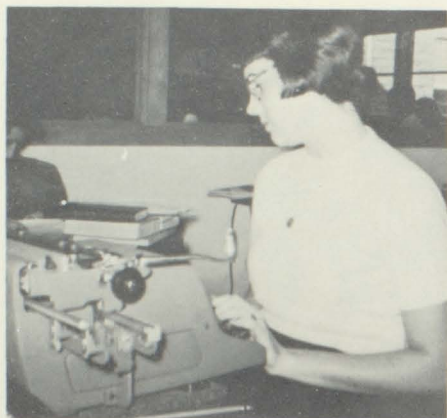


There's a gang of kids who are pretty classy—  
More often than not they are apt to be sassy—  
But I like 'em — I think they are cute!  
They're worth a million and then some to boot.  
We chose "The Miser" with some concern;  
We worked and slaved till our poor heads churned  
With flats and lights and coins and cane;  
Sometimes we thought the director insane.  
But now it's over, and we can have fun,  
So thank you, "dahlings", each and every one.

—Composed by Miss Egan

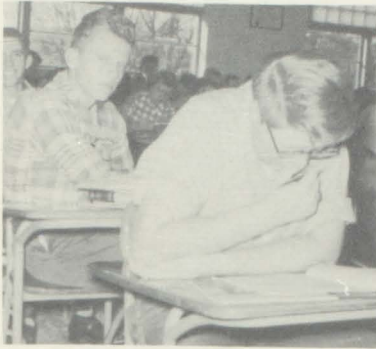


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# CLASSROOMS



# JUNIOR-SENIOR RECEPTION



## JUNIOR-SENIOR RECEPTION

The annual Junior-Senior Reception was given by the class of '54 at the Tecumseh Country Club on the evening of May 5, 1953.

"Memories," the theme of the evening, was carried out by Memory booklets and decorations which were centered around the Senior flower, the white carnation.

After a roast-beef dinner, which was served by a group of Sophomores, the following program was presented:

Invocation.....	Rev. Alvin Brazee
Toastmistress.....	Mary Nixon
Welcome.....	Earl Kruger, Junior President
Response.....	Jack Betzoldt, Senior President
A Song: "Memories".....	Janet Carswell, Louise Duckworth, Janis Boltz, Doris Tressler, Marie Boyce
Remarks.....	Mr. Hart, Principal
Remarks.....	Mr. McDowell, Superintendent
Benediction.....	Rev. Alvin Brazee

Dur Whipple's Orchestra furnished music for dancing the remainder of the evening. The 1953 Reception will remain in the memory of those who attended it as a pleasant evening.



# may dance



## MAY DANCE

Over one hundred and fifty couples attended the annual May Dance which was held on May 23, 1953 in the Central School Gymnasium. Music for dancing was furnished by the Tecumseh Products' Orchestra from nine until twelve-thirty. In accordance with spring, the gym was attractively decorated with pink and green crepe paper. There was a refreshment stand sponsored by the Student Council.

At midnight the Freshman candidates, John Cadmus and Wilma Bumpus, were crowned King and Queen of the May Dance. Their royal court consisted of the following members: Melvin Boltz and Irma Brollier, Seniors; Tom Baldwin and Lorene Mack, Juniors; Dale Daniels and Sue Aluk, Sophomores.

This year's May Party was one of a long line of similar dances which have become a tradition in T.H.S., and, like the others, it will be remembered by those who attended as a most enjoyable evening.



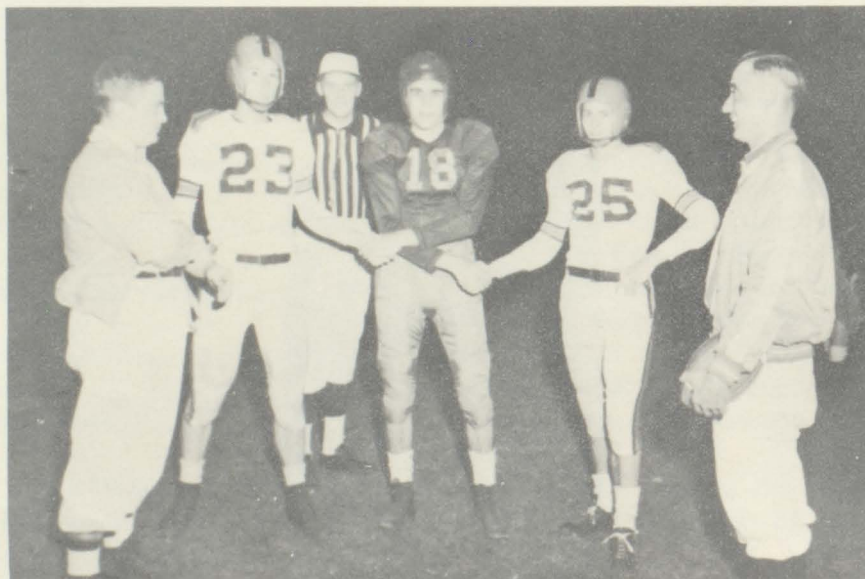


## homecoming

On Friday afternoon, Oct. 2, the Homecoming Day activities were opened with a bang. To the tune of "Tecumseh High", the band led a big parade, consisting of the queen's car, class floats, students, and faculty, through the downtown district.

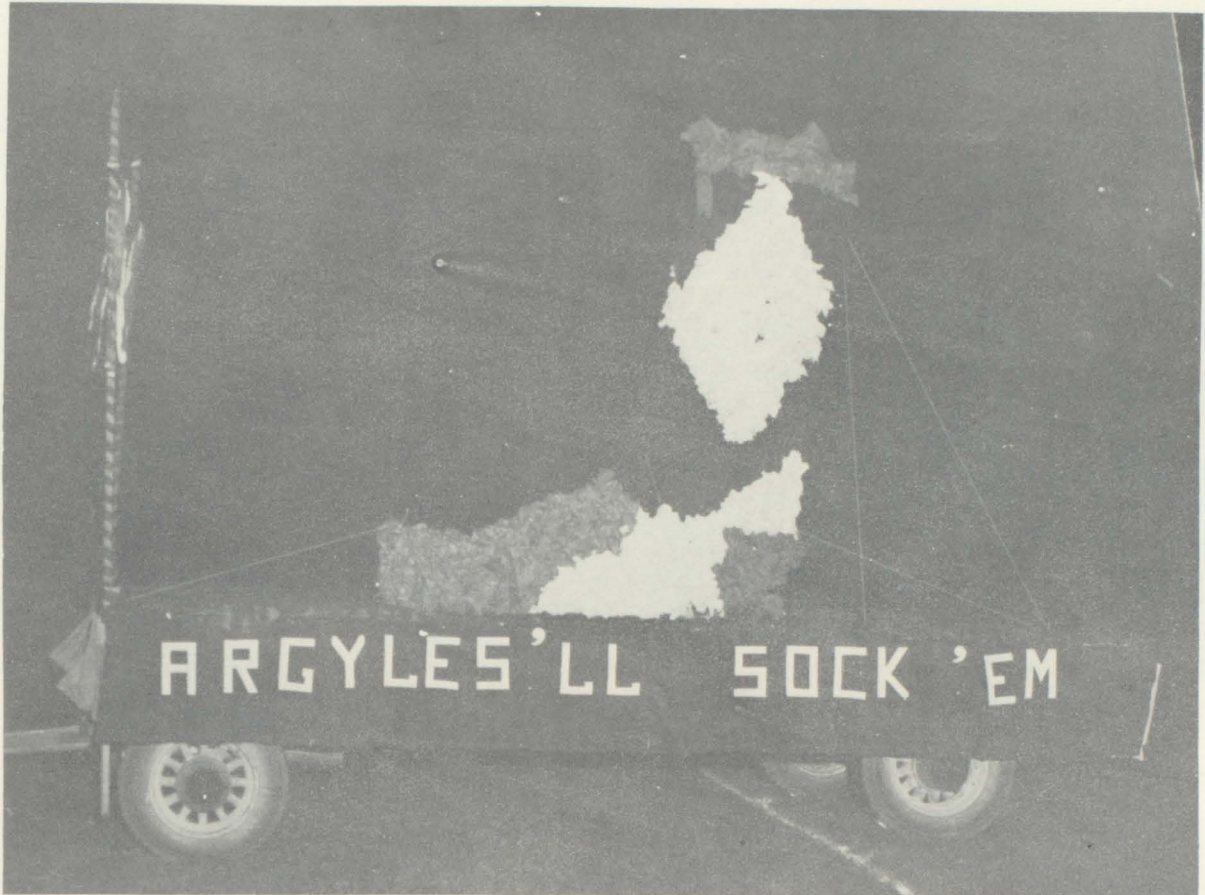
Rita Crosby, a Freshman, was elected Homecoming Queen for the event; and attending her in her royal court were Louise Duckworth, Mary Lou Partridge, and Donna Bordine. The game was played between Monroe Catholic Central and Tecumseh, with Monroe winning. During half-time the winning floats were announced in this order: 1st prize—Freshmen, 2nd prize—Seniors, and 3rd prize—Seventh graders. Bill Benham, the captain of the football team, then presented the Queen with a bouquet of roses. Following the game, a dance was held in the gym, during which Rita was formally crowned by J. J. Walper, President of the Student Council.

Everyone who attended the Homecoming festivities enjoyed the annual event.





# winning floats





# CHRISTMAS DANCE



## CHRISTMAS DANCE

The "Candy Cane Ball" as the annual Christmas Dance was called was held in the Central gym on the evening of December 23, 1953. Decorations consisting of large candy canes and lighted Christmas trees appropriately carried out the theme of the dance. Music was furnished by the Tecumseh Products Orchestra, and during intermission refreshments of punch and cookies were served.

On the previous evening, December 22, the Junior High held their party, dancing to the music of Driscoll's Orchestra and playing various games.

Both parties were successful and were enjoyed by those who attended them.





# sponge week



During Sponge Week, which was held April 27 to May 1, '53, the girls of T.H.S. performed for the boys all the services which they normally receive, such as carrying books, opening doors, and arranging dates. Also during this week there were various unusual activities within the school. Monday, April 27, was set aside as Color Day—the day on which everyone wears the school colors. Tuesday was a favorite day with everyone, as it was "Gum Chewing Day." On Wednesday we all wore our old clothes; then in contrast, on Thursday, we came to school dressed in our best duds.

On Thursday evening the Student Council sponsored the Junior High Sponge Dance, which was held in the gymnasium with Driscoll's Orchestra furnishing the music. On the following night, the Senior High Sponge Dance was held. About 200 students and guests danced to the music of the Tecumseh Products' Orchestra. At both dances the girls escorted the boys and presented them with home-made corsages.

# school calendar

## September 1953

- 8 - School re-opens for a new year. We've waited so anxiously for this day!
- 18 - Football season starts with a bang - but Addison backfired on us; they won, 19-6.
- 25 - Our first vacation. County Fair Day, Whoopee!
- 25 - We played Hudson but lost again. A real thriller, 14-13!

## October

- 2 - Homecoming - Our first League game-started in a huddle; we ended up in a muddle! Monroe Catholic Central 32, Indians 6. Even though we lost, all hearts were light and gay for the Homecoming Dance. Who wouldn't feel good with pretty Rita Crosby as queen!
- 8-9 - An act of mercy - two days for Teachers' Institute. Good old MEA!
- 9 - All pepped-up, we took on Morenci. We were walloped, 39-0.
- 23 - Hillsdale 14, Tecumseh 13. What a game! Maybe our luck is turning.
- 30 - Clinton, our star rival, really shone. You guessed it; they won, 18-6.

## November

- 6 - "Maybe"? Wha happen! Lost again, 33-0, and to Blissfield, too!
- 13 - Our last game. Oh well, try again next year. Bedford 53, Tecumseh 7.
- 26-27 - Thanksgiving. We'll be able to breathe for a while. We love vacations!

## December

- 4 - Basketball season begins - now's our chance to make a comeback. First game - Blissfield 48, Indians 31.
- 8 - Seniors - Front and center! We came back from Government Day just loaded with knowledge. And no one drove over 50 on the way to Adrian.
- 11 - We were knocked down again, this time by Hillsdale, 40-31. If it's possible, we'll try harder next time.
- 15 - Guess what? It was possible. Just to prove it, we ran over Addison, 46-33.
- 17-18 - Best Senior Play ever! Yes, sir, The Miser was a smash hit. Dig those crazy 16th century wigs!
- 22 - First on the docket - Junior High Christmas Dance. More fun!
- 23 - This day at 3:30, the bell rang, the doors were opened, and we stepped into the world as free students for ten glorious days!
- 23 - From 10:00 to 2:00 A.M. "real gone" music could be heard. Why? The Candy Cane Ball - the biggest social event of the year.

## January 1954

- 4 - At the dawn of a shiny new day we opened our eyes and groaned! Yes, vacation is over, and ooh, what a hangover!
- 8 - We skipped to Morenci and crawled home. With drooping faces, we remember the score - Bulldogs 49, our Indians 39.
- 12 - In a fight to the finish, Monroe Catholic Central ended up with a teeny weeny margin, 51-48.
- 15 - The game was a heartbreaker, especially since it was Clinton that won, 53-46. Regardless, we haven't lost our pep and spirit.
- 19 - To Hudson, where we captured the game. The battle was won, 47-38. Nice going, fellows!
- 19,20,21 - Finals! Cram, all the time cram?!? Someday we'll learn to study! Why didn't we at least open our books?
- 22 - We really showed those Bedford Mules. The Indians kicked right back to win, 37-34.
- 25 - Everyone always says, "Next semester I've just got to study!" For Seniors, no hope; for underclassmen, still a chance. To start the semester off, we walked to school with flashlights at 8:00 A.M.!
- 26 - A second loss to Blissfield, 49-21.
- 29 - In the most exciting game ever, and an overtime besides, the orange and black were downed, 35-34, by Hillsdale. Not a dull moment.

## February

- 4 - We really slaughtered Addison. They went right to their doom, 67-59.
- 8 - Sponge Week dawned bright and beautiful. Speaking of beautiful, this day, named "dress-up" day, saw so-o many budding lovelies and such handsome gents.
- 9 - Gum-and-candy-day today. Some of the faculty really don't know when to stop eating when it comes to free candy! (Mr. Hart!)
- 9 - With left-over pep from the Addison game, we horse whipped Hudson and made it two in a row with a 44-40 score.
- 10 - What horrible combinations - today, "All-different-colors" day.
- 11 - OK gals, get your guys, make those corsages for the Junior High Sponge Dance.
- 12 - Student-Teacher-Switch Day. This could prove crucial to teachers who don't know the answers! Three eight hours, Mr. Brazee.
- 16 - Morenci looked at us, and we looked right back. We lost, though, 34-32.
- 19 - The Redskins did it again, while we took a backseat. Clinton 45, Tecumseh 32.
- 23 - Falcons 53, Indians 48. Only one more league game to play.
- 26 - Our boys shone tonight. The last game, too. We won, 39-36. Poor Bedford!

## March

- 3,4,5,6 - Tournament games
- 4 - Back in the battle and showing who's best, we downed Monroe Catholic Central, 62-35, in our first tournament game.
- 6 - Nerves tense, voices shrill, what a din! Blissfield went to the Regionals when we lost, 43-34. We didn't come out first in the league, but still we say, "Yea, team! Well done!"
- 11 - Home rooms. They don't ring a bell? They're something new. Most interesting programs.
- 18 - Seniors sure are lucky! Half a day off to spend in Adrian attending court.
- 31 - Another trip for the Seniors. Off to Lansing this time and a whole day to see the capitol and the legislature in session.

## April

- 8-9 - Junior play "Life with Father". The Seniors admit that it was a good play.
- 16-19 - Spring vacation. Can it be true? Wonderful sleep!
- 22 - Seniors gone again - this time to Morenci for Career Day.

## May

- 5-9 - Five glorious days in New York. Wow, what a trip! We Seniors will never forget it.
- 15 - Junior-Senior Reception, with the Juniors paying the bill. Seniors say a big thanks. It sure was a lovely party!
- 21 - Come on guys, ask those gals! Spruce up in your best bibs and tuckers, and step lively at the Junior High May Dance.
- 22 - It hardly seems possible that this will be the last school dance for the Seniors. We'll really miss all the fun and the kids at T.H.S.
- 23 - Baccalaureate.- First appearance of the handsome Seniors in their caps and gowns. We have listened to other Baccalaureate services for so many years, but this one is meant for us.
- 27-28 - Our final tests. Wonderful to be through with exams, but a little strange to think that we won't be back next year.

## June

- 1 - Oops, more exams!
- 2 - Class Night - such talent, never to be seen in this school again.
- 3 - This is it - graduation - our big night! Diplomas, and in the new gym besides. (Our names will go down in history.)
- 4 - The last day - Honors Assembly, report cards and it's all over. You know what? We loved every moment, all the way through. Good bye, everyone, forever.



# slumber party





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## LYNNE ALUK

"Lynne" "Girls my age get BRIDE ideas." Chadsey, Detroit 1-2, Honor Roll, Chorus 1-2 (Det.), Cheerleader 1 (Det.).

## THOMAS BALDWIN

"Tom" A big DAME hunter. Honor Roll, President 4, Annual Staff, Varsity Club 3-4 (Vice President 4), Football R 1-2, V 3-4, Basketball R 1-2-3, Track V 2-3-4.

## WILLIAM BENHAM

"Bill" He has MOORE time after sports. Honor Roll, Annual Staff, Senior Play, Junior Play, Varsity Club 2-3-4 (Vice President 3, President 4), Football R 1, V 2-3-4 (Captain 4), Basketball R 1, V 2-3-4, (Co-Captain 4), Baseball R 1, V 2-4, Track V 2-4.

## LORETTA BLANCHARD

"Lorie" She can dish it out - ice cream, we mean.

## JANIS BOLTZ

"Bubbles" "A MARINE is coming, but it's only my sister." Honor Roll, Vice President 3, Student Council 2-4, Annual Staff, Junior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 2-3-4, Future Nurses' Club 2-3-4, (Treasurer 3).

## MARIE BOYCE

"Marie" Of all the things you wear, your expression is most important. Salutatorian, Annual Staff, Chorus 1.

## MARILOU BURLESON

"Bubbles" A thing of beauty and a "Jaw" forever. Declamation 1-3-4, Senior Play, Junior Play, Band 1-2.

## ROGER BUTLER

"Rajah" At work it's D&C - but in school it's A's & B's. Honor Roll, Varsity Club 3-4, Football V 3-4.

## JANET BASHORE CARSWELL

"Janet" Although her name is changed, she still remains one of us. Honor Roll, Annual Staff, Declamation 3, Debate 2-3-4, Junior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 2-3, Future Nurses' Club 2-3, Band 1.

## CAROLYN CHASE

"Carolyn" Quietness is the key to success. Chorus 1-2-4.

## ALBERT COMFORT

"Albert" He's a quiet boy, but quite a boy. Future Farmers of America 2.

## WILLIAM DEAN

"Bill" He wants to study conservation -- the conservation of women, that is. Annual Staff, Senior Play, Junior Play, Varsity Club 3-4, Football R 2-3, Basketball R 2-4, Track V 2.

## LYLE DEJONGHE

"Lyle" Quiet in school, but different when out with girls. Future Farmers of America 2.

## CHARLES DES ERMIA

"Chuck" A wolf never cares how many sheep there are.

## DONALD DOWNARD

"Don" "I should worry like a cornstalk and have my ears fall off." Hudson 1, Addison 2.

## GARNET DROUILLARD

"Garnet" She has even more polish than what is on her nails.

## LOUISE DUCKWORTH

"Lou" "As long as I can BARRETT - that's all that matters." Annual Staff, Girls' Athletic Association 2.

## ARDYTH EATON

"Ardy" A turtle makes more progress until he sticks his neck out. Honor Roll, Student Council 4, Annual Staff, Future Farmers of America 1-2, Girls' Athletic Association 2-4, Future Nurses' Club 3-4.

## DONNA FISH

"Donna" This is one FISH that will probably be hooked. Blissfield 1-2, Senior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 4, Chorus 1-2 (Blissfield).

## BARBARA FOLK

"Barb" When Leverett comes, she leaves the OLD FOLKS AT HOME. Girls' Athletic Association 4, Future Nurses' Club 4.

## EDNA FRESHCORN

"Edna" Her eyes are like a pair of dice; all she has to do is roll them to make her point. Band 1-2-3-4.

## BARBARA FROST

"Barbara" A good friend to all.

## RICHARD GARDNER

"Dick" He lifted his head, turned the page, and returned to slumberland. Football R 1-2.

## SYLVIA GOLAT

"Sylvia" With a warm glow in her heart, she is never in the dark about anything. Honor Roll, Annual Staff, Future Nurses' Club 2-3-4.

## PAUL GRAHAM

"P.G." He's a "stinker", especially around April Fools Day. Honor Roll, Student Council 2-3, Annual Staff, Football R 1-2.

## JOYCE GRAY ALLSHOUSE

"Joyce" "I may be little, but ....." Chorus 2, Band 1.

## JOE GREGORY

"Joe" "Izzat right" Vice President 1, Varsity Club 4, Band 1, Football V 4, Baseball R 2, V 3-4.

## ERNEST GROEB

"Ernie" He's very ERNEST about everything. Football R 1.

## ROGER HARSH

"Rog" "Well, big deal!" Band 1.

## ALBERT HART

"Al" Always cutting up -- meat, that is. President 1-2, Varsity Club 3-4 (Secretary 4), Football R 1-2, V 3-4, Basketball R 1-2, V 3-4 (Co-Captain 4), Baseball R 1-2, V 3-4, Track V 2-3-4.

## JAMES HARTSELL

"Jim" "My car squeals and spins, but doesn't go anywhere".

## BRUCE HOEKSTRA

"Hookey" As hard to catch as a waiter's eye.

## HARRY HOFFMAN

"Bud" "You and I will get along much better if you just call me Bud." Track 4.

## DOUGLAS HOOTON

"Doug" Dark hair, dark car, but bright future. Honor Roll, Senior Play, Varsity Club 2-3-4, Football R 1-2, V 3-4, Basketball R 1-2-3, V 4, Golf 2-4.

## CATHERINE ANN HOWELL

"Cathy" A woman's promise carries a lot of WAIT. Quincy 1-2-3, Declamation 2-3, Junior Play (Quincy), Chorus 1-2-3-4, Cheerleader 1.

## RICHARD HUBBARD

"Dick" Most boys will take any girl, but like a miner, he has his pick.

## RUSSELL HYATT

"Russ" His trademark is his wit; in baseball he's a hit. Annual Staff, Baseball R 2, V 3-4.

## LOWELL KELLY

"Lowell" With his job at the Time Laboratory, he's getting "clock-eyed". Baseball R 2.

## EARL KRUGER

"Earl" Puppy love could lead to a dog's life. Honor Roll, President 3, Annual Staff, Baseball R 2, V 3.

## MARGARET LA LONDE

"Maggie" "I'll take VanCamp's and I don't mean pork and beans". Junior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 1-2 (Secretary 2), Future Nurses' Club 2-3.

## ELAINE LAWHEAD

"Elaine" We know her by the noise she doesn't make. Chorus 3.

## PAT LICKFELT

"Pat" She looks at the bright side rather than the blue.

## MAX McLAURY

"Max" A little man on a football field casts a big shadow. Annual Staff, Varsity Club 4, Football R 2-3, V 4, Basketball Manager 2, Baseball Manager 1, Track 3-4.

## LORENE MACK

"Lorene" A man says what he knows, but a woman says what she pleases. Junior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 2-3-4, Future Nurses' Club 2-3-4.

## KENNETH MANGUS

"Ken" "At times I was almost tempted to open a text book." Future Farmers of America 1-2-3-4.

## SHIRLEY MEADS

"Shirley" She is a music-maker. Band 1-2-3-4, (Librarian 3-4).

## GERALDINE MILLER

"Gerrie" We've all heard about Miller's HIGHLIFE. Adrian 1, Junior Play, Chorus 1 (Adrian).

## GRACE MOORE

"Legs" "What you need is MOORE lumber." Salutatorian, Annual Staff, Senior Play, Junior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 2-3-4 (Treasurer 3), Future Nurses' Club 3-4 (President 4), Cheerleader 2-3-4.

## RAYMOND MORLEY

"Ray" He's a good mixer, but a better chaser.



BEVERLY MURPHY

"Bev" "Air has force; the Air Force has men; and I've got my man in the Air Force". Band 1-2.

JAMES NICHOLS

"Jim" "How nice it is to do nothing and then rest afterward!" Honor Roll, Senior Play.

DORIS NEIDERMIER

"Doris" Women of few words are rare.

MARY NIXON

"Mary" "The bigger they are, the harder they fall - in Bob's case, anyway". Honor Roll, Treasurer 1-2, Annual Staff, Future Nurses' Club 2-3-4, Cheerleader 2-3-4.

DUANE OSWALD

"Ozzie" Men of few words are married men. Blissfield 1-2, Honor Roll.

CHARLES OWENS

"Onions" "I'll stick with the Cleveland Indians". Honor Roll, Football R 3.

BRUCE PACKARD

"Bruce" Heap good scout. Varsity Club 3-4, Band 1-2-3-4, Football R 2, Track 3-4, Golf 2-4.

ERWIN PENNINGTON

"Erk" He eats, sleeps, and drinks on a farm, but can you call him a farmer? Honor Roll, Senior Play, Future Farmers of America 1-2 (Sentinal 2), Football R 3.

CHARLES PHILLIPS

"Chuck" "Make much of me, good men are scarce". Football R 3.

NANCY PORTER

"Nancy" All God's angels come to us disguised. Reading 1, Chorus 2.

PATSY PURCELL

"Pat" She could easily be the first woman President; and boy, what a cabinet! Valedictory, D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award, Student Council 2-3-4 (Secretary 2, Vice President 3-4) Annual Staff, Senior Play, Junior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 2-3-4, Future Nurses' Club 2-3-4 (Secretary 3).

NANCY RANDALL

"Randy" Where there's a WILL, there's a way. Honor Roll, Secretary 3-4, Annual Staff (Editor-in-Chief).

PETER RHEIN

"Pete" He's the kid in the '52 Ford; he keeps the girls from getting bored. Senior Play, Track Manager 2.

ROBERT ROE

"Bob" After he's married, he'll start a garden with a ROE here and a ROE there. Band 1-2.

GLORIA RUTTKOFSKY

"Gloria" "I've got a hot-rod Ford and a two-dollar bill." Future Farmers of America 3-4, Chorus 1.

JOYCE SCHAFER

"Joyce" Keen sense, common sense, and no room for nonsense. Honor Roll, Girls' Athletic Association 2-3-4.

MELVIN SCHAFER

"Melvin" He had a far-away look in his eyes; he was looking at his feet. Future Farmers of America 1-2-3-4.

EVELYN SCHEBELLA

"Evelyn" A newcomer, but a friend to all who know her. Perry 1, Blissfield 2-3, Honor Roll, Secretary 1, Junior Play (Blissfield), Future Nurses' Club 4, Chorus 1, Band 1.

VICTOR SHANDLEY

"Vic" One for the money; two for the show; three o' clock comes, and he's ready to go. Future Farmers' of America 3-4.

ELWOOD SHERRARD

"Elwood" Tall, dark, and in the service. Football R 1.

DALE TINGLEY

"Tingle" That last name rings a bell. Honor Roll, Student Council 1-4 (Treasurer 4), Annual Staff, Senior Play, Football R 3, Basketball R 2.

RUTH TITLEY

"Ruth" Rather small, but her goodness doubles her size. Honor Roll, Annual Staff, Future Nurses' Club 2-3-4, Chorus 1.

SHARON TOWNSEND

"Sharon" SHARON, share alike, I always say - Honor Roll, Girls' Athletic Association 3-4, Future Nurses' Club 3-4 (Secretary 4), Band 1-2.

DORIS TRESSLER

"Doris" The kind of girl you would take home to mother - if you could trust father. Honor Roll, Annual Staff, Declamation 2-3, Senior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 3-4, Future Nurses' Club 3-4.

ALROY VANDERPOOL

"Al" "I Love You a Bushel and a BECK." Honor Roll, Treasurer 2, Vice President 4, Student Council 2-3-4, Annual Staff, Senior Play, Junior Play, Varsity Club 3-4 (Treasurer 4), Football R 1-2, V 3-4, Basketball R 1-2-3, Track V 2-4.

LOUIS VARGO

"Louie" "I drive golfballs crazy, as well as my teachers." Senior Play, Junior Play, Varsity Club 3-4, Band 1, Golf 3-4.

DIANE WHITECOTTON

"Diane" As calm as the sea in the fiercest gale. Girls' Athletic Association 2-3-4, Future Nurses' Club 2-3-4 (Treasurer 4).

JAMES WHITECOTTON

"Whitey" Some say that Jimmy's in love. Varsity Club 4, Football R 1-2-3, V 4.

GRACE WILLNOW

"Grace" A girl of true blue, with a dash of red pepper. Chorus 1.

ROBERT WILLNOW

"Bob" He comes to school on an average of three days a week. Future Farmers of America 2-3-4, Football R 2.

ARNOLD WITHROW

"Arnie" He doesn't say much, but just get him started! Varsity Club 4, Future Farmers of America 1-2-3-4 (Reporter 4).

HARRY WITHROW

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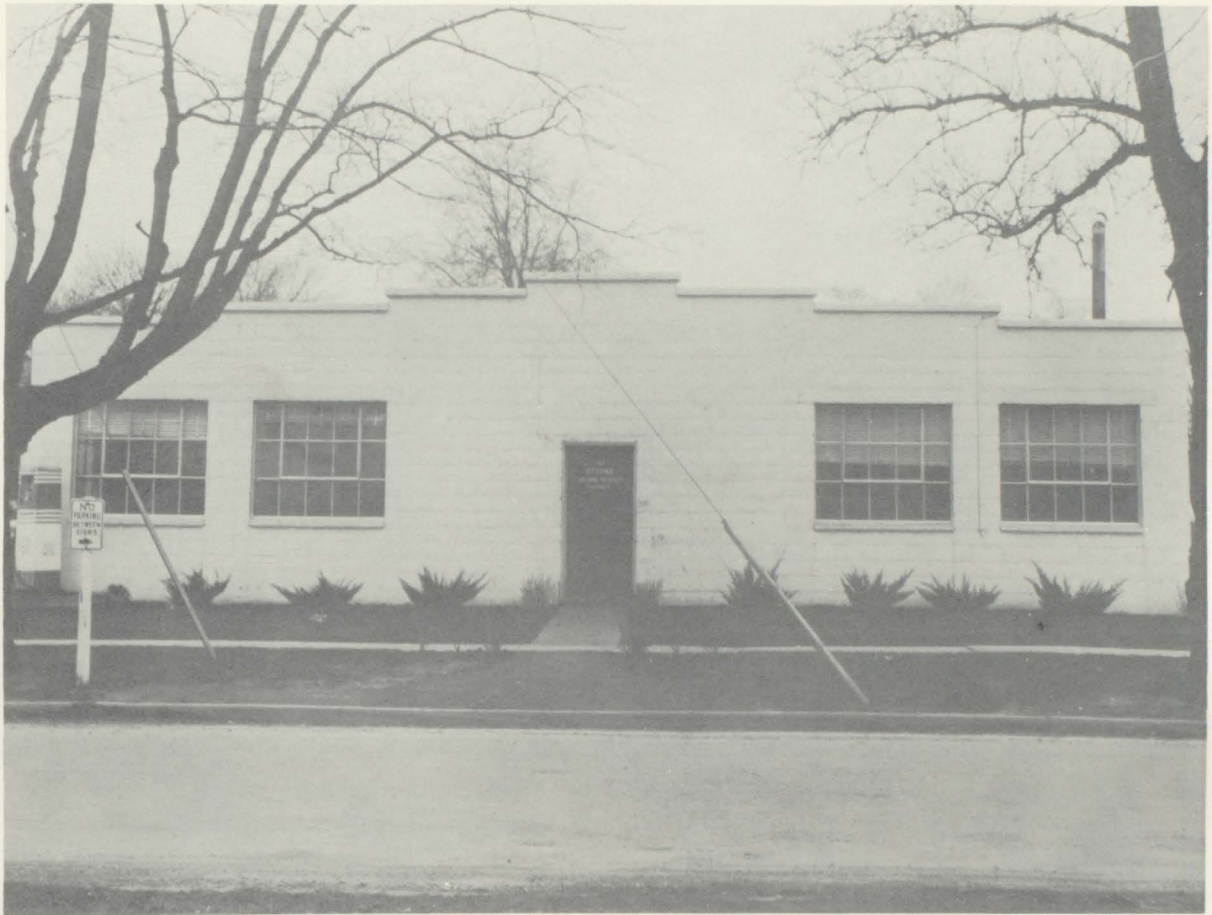


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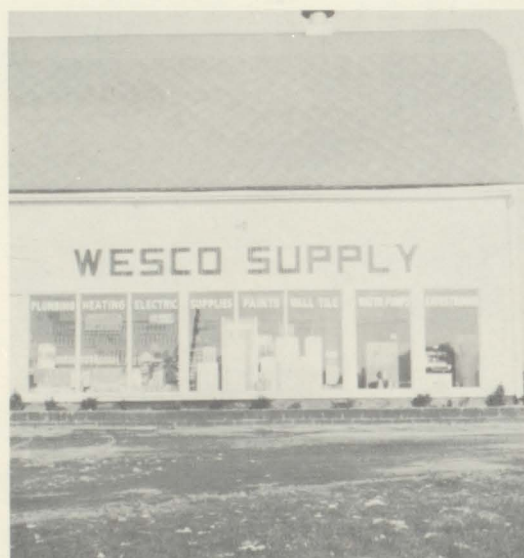
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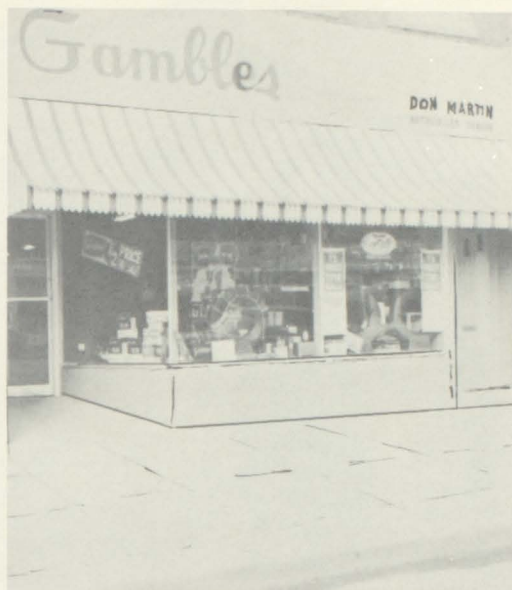
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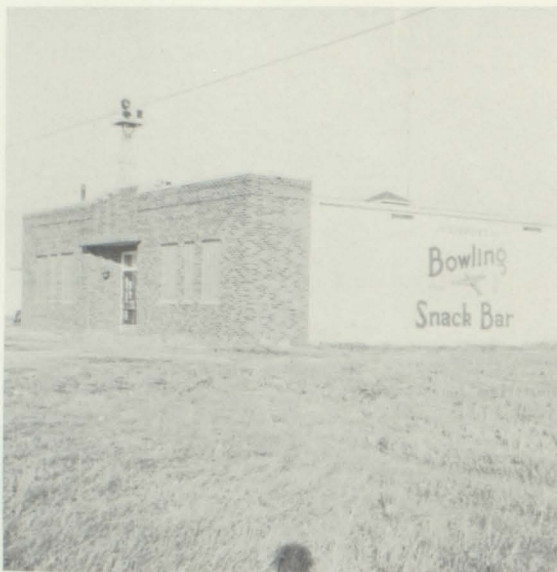
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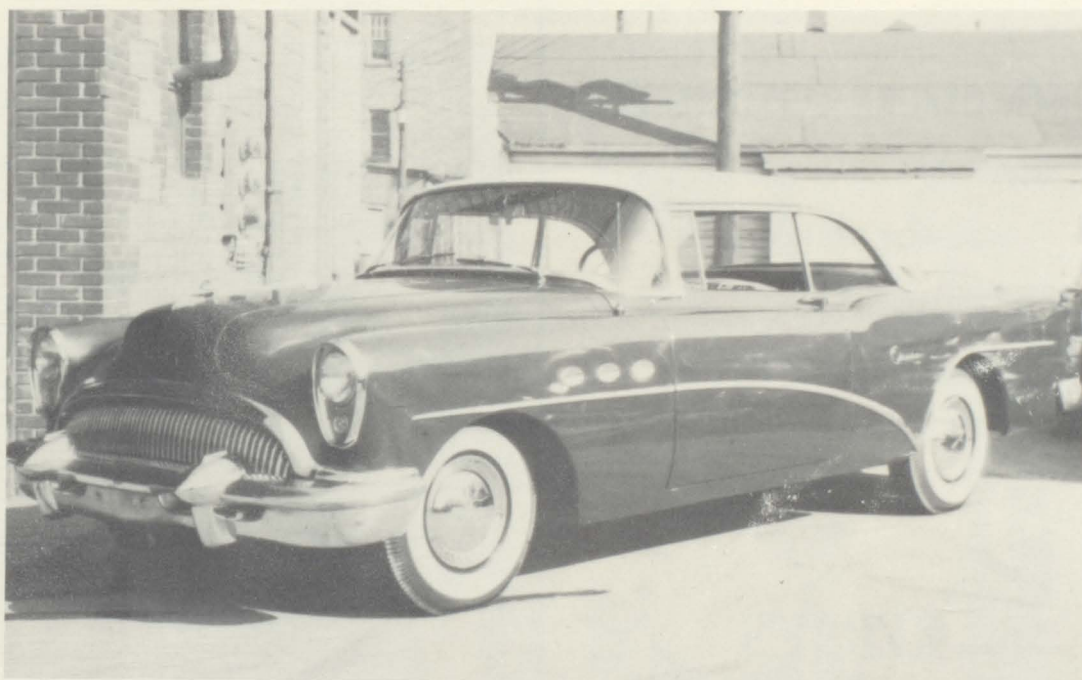


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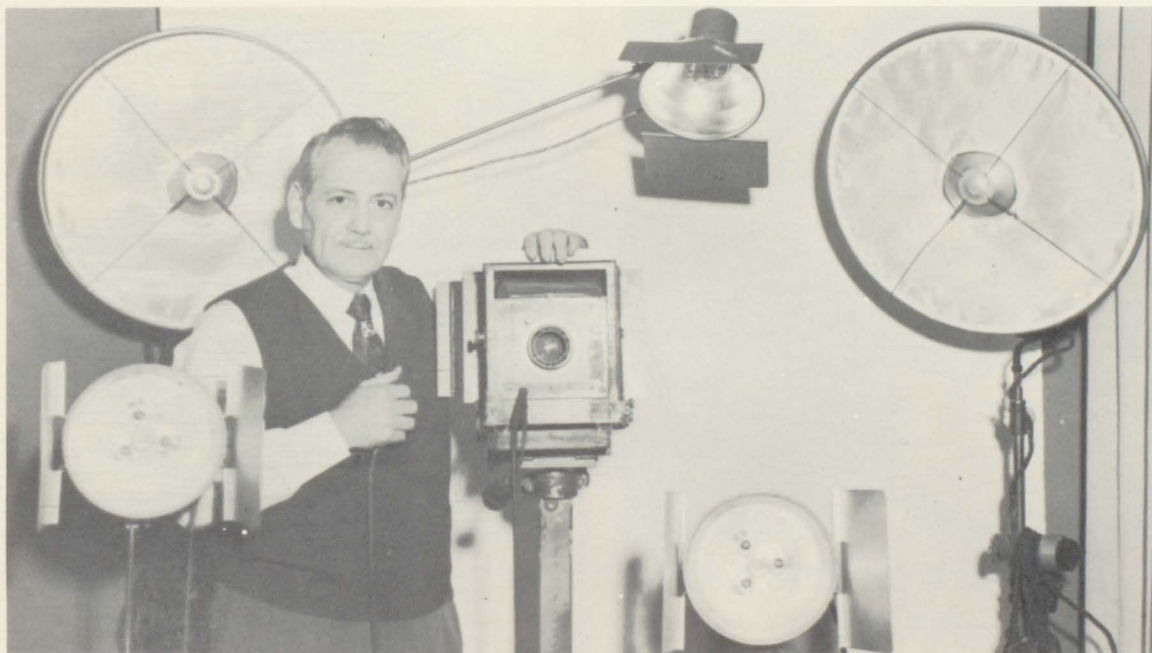


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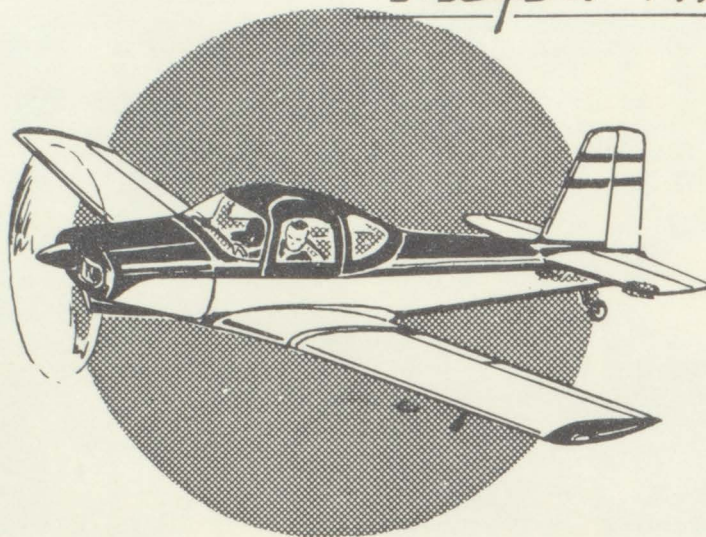


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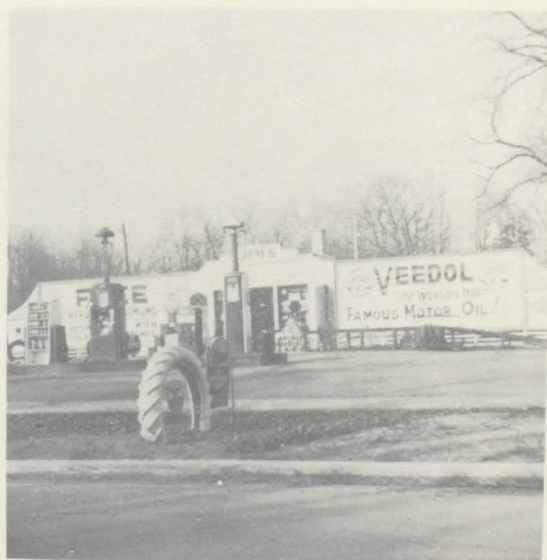
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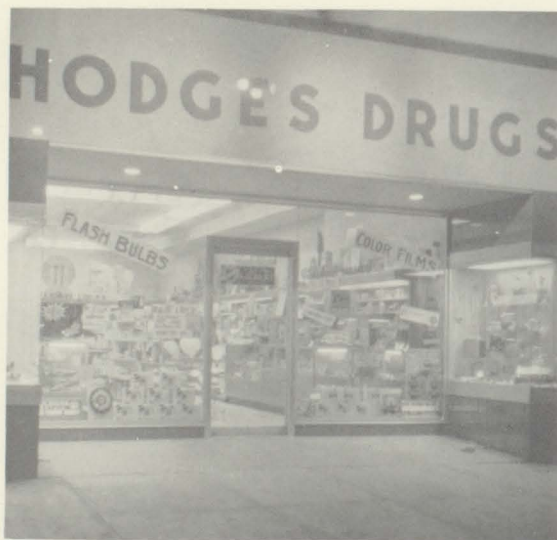


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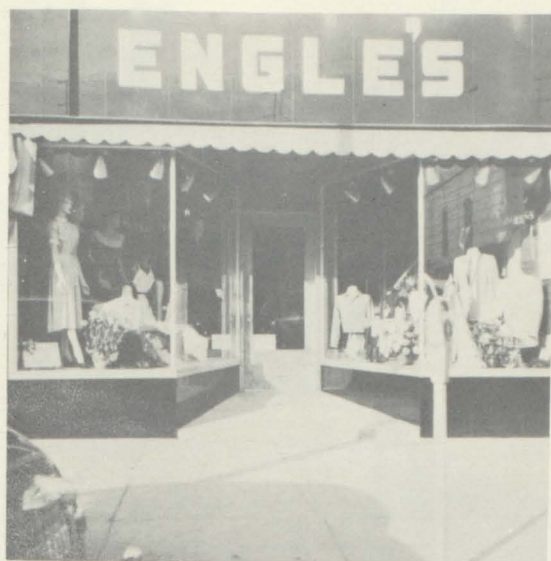
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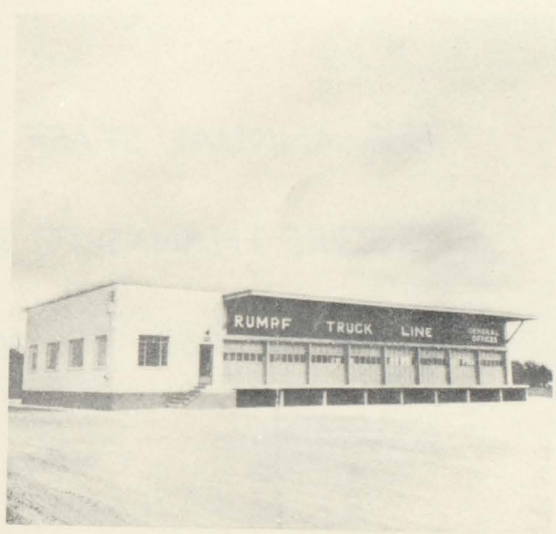
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