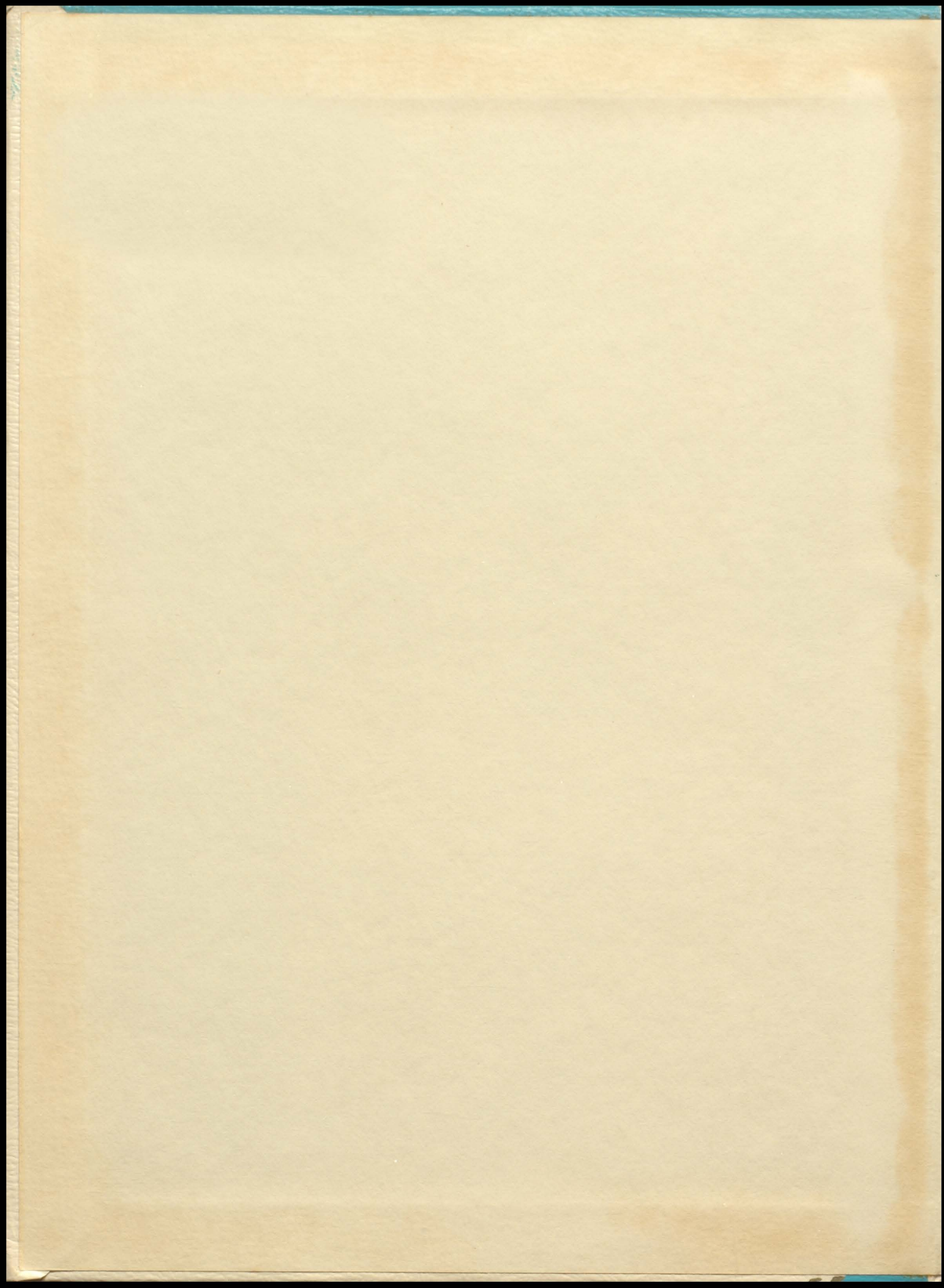
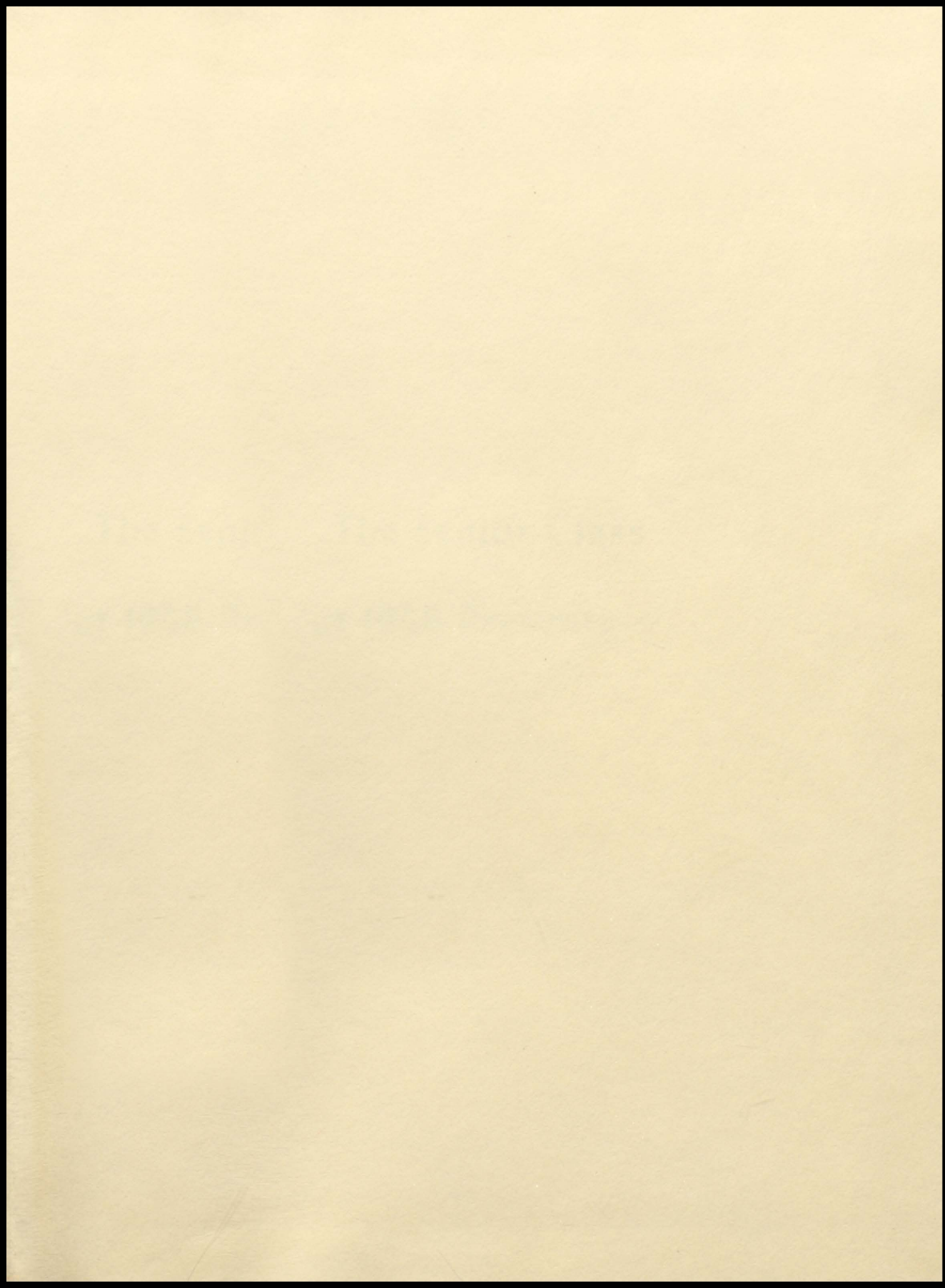


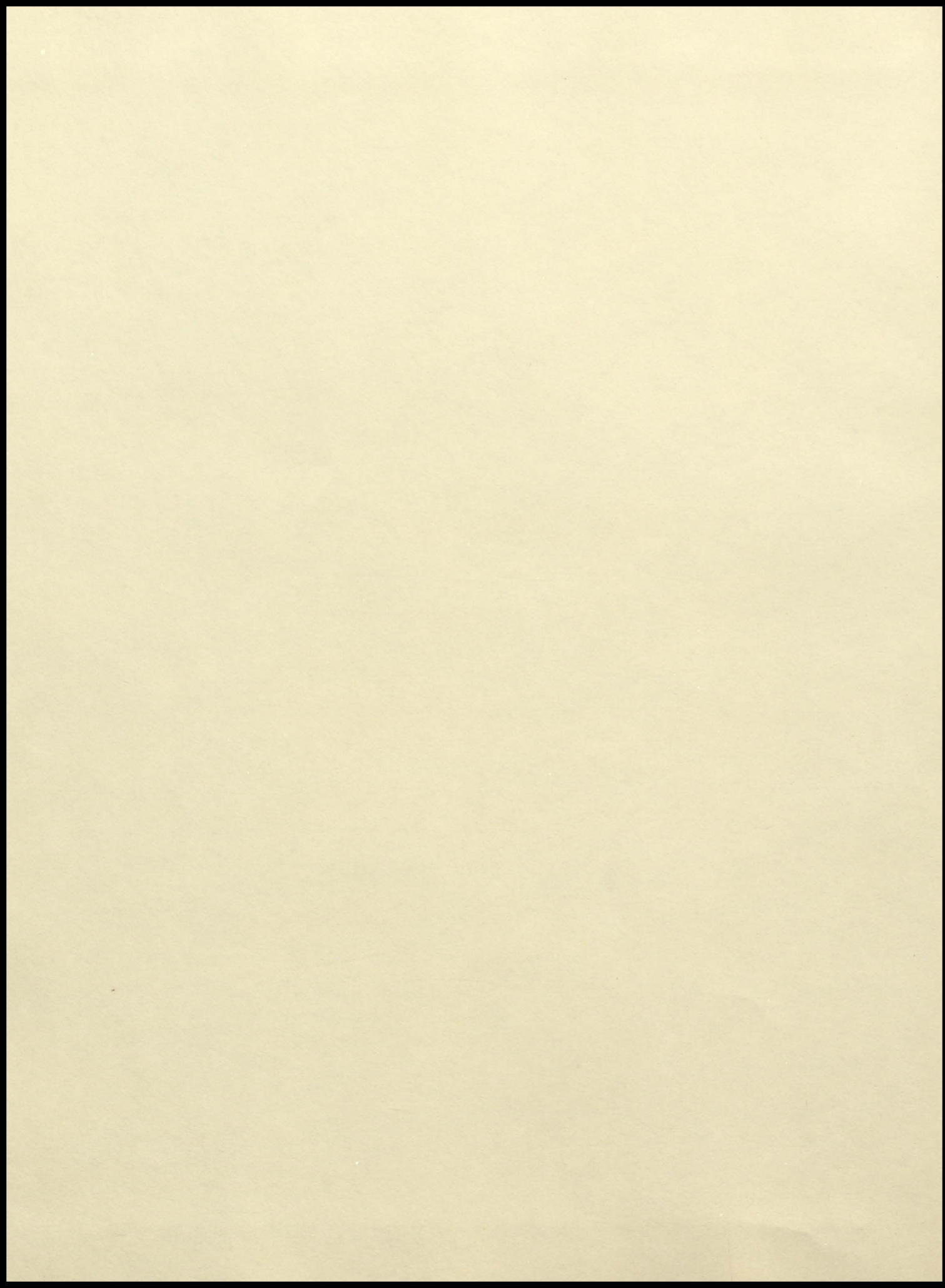
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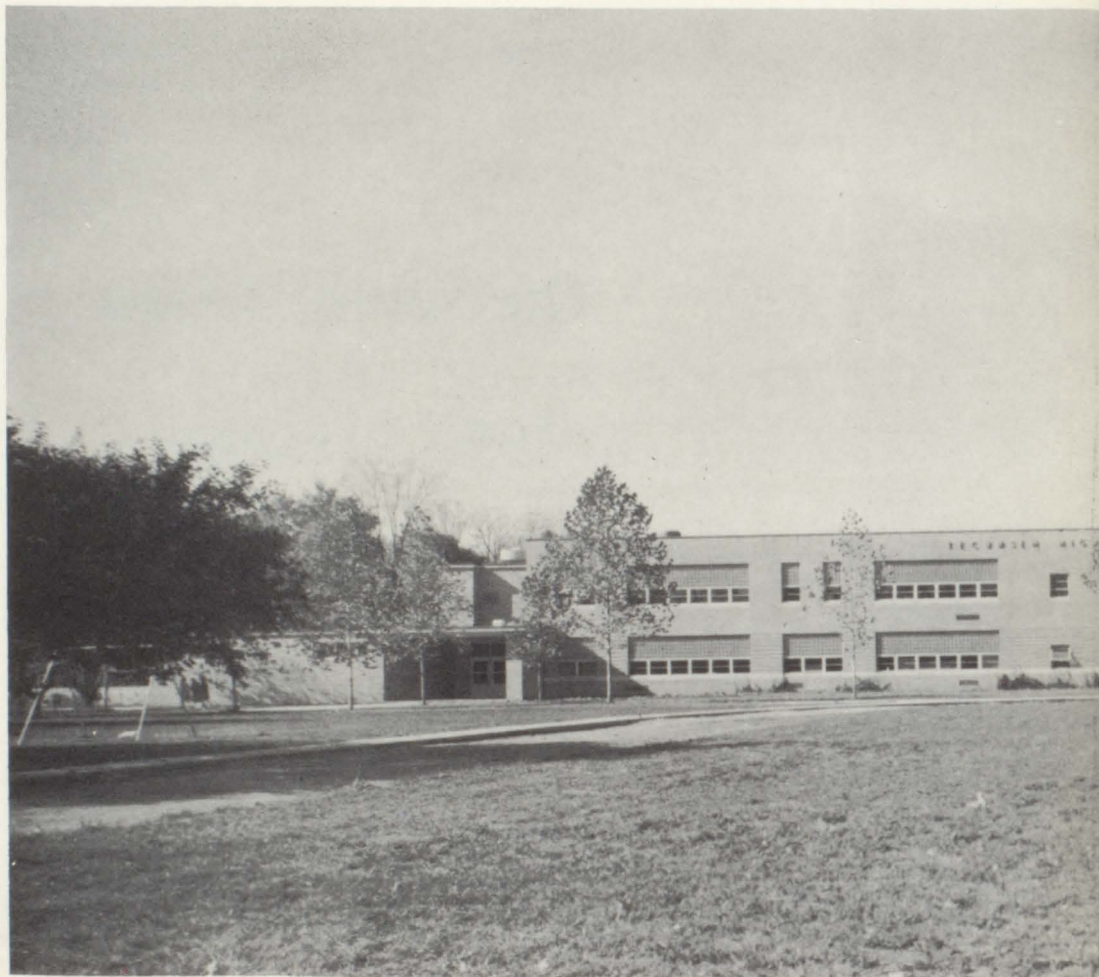




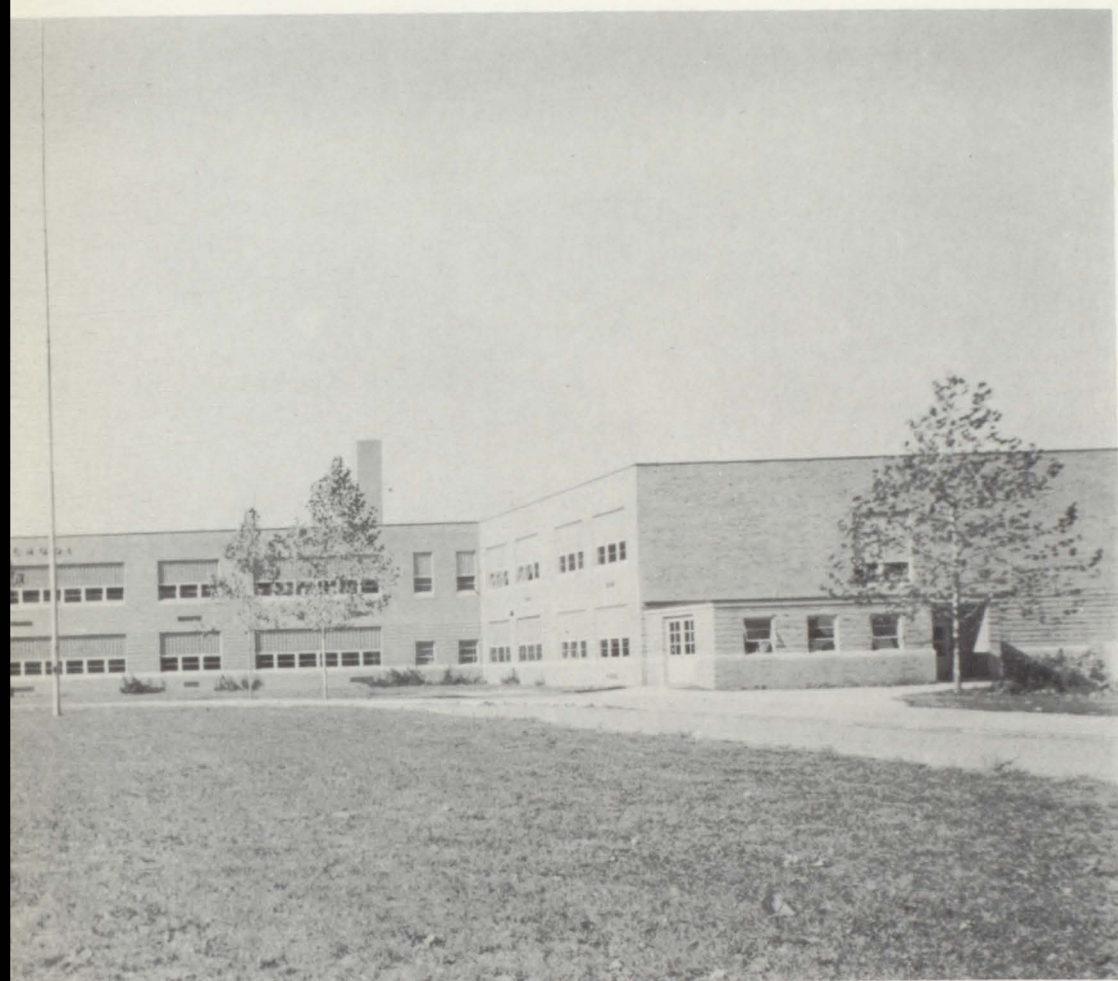


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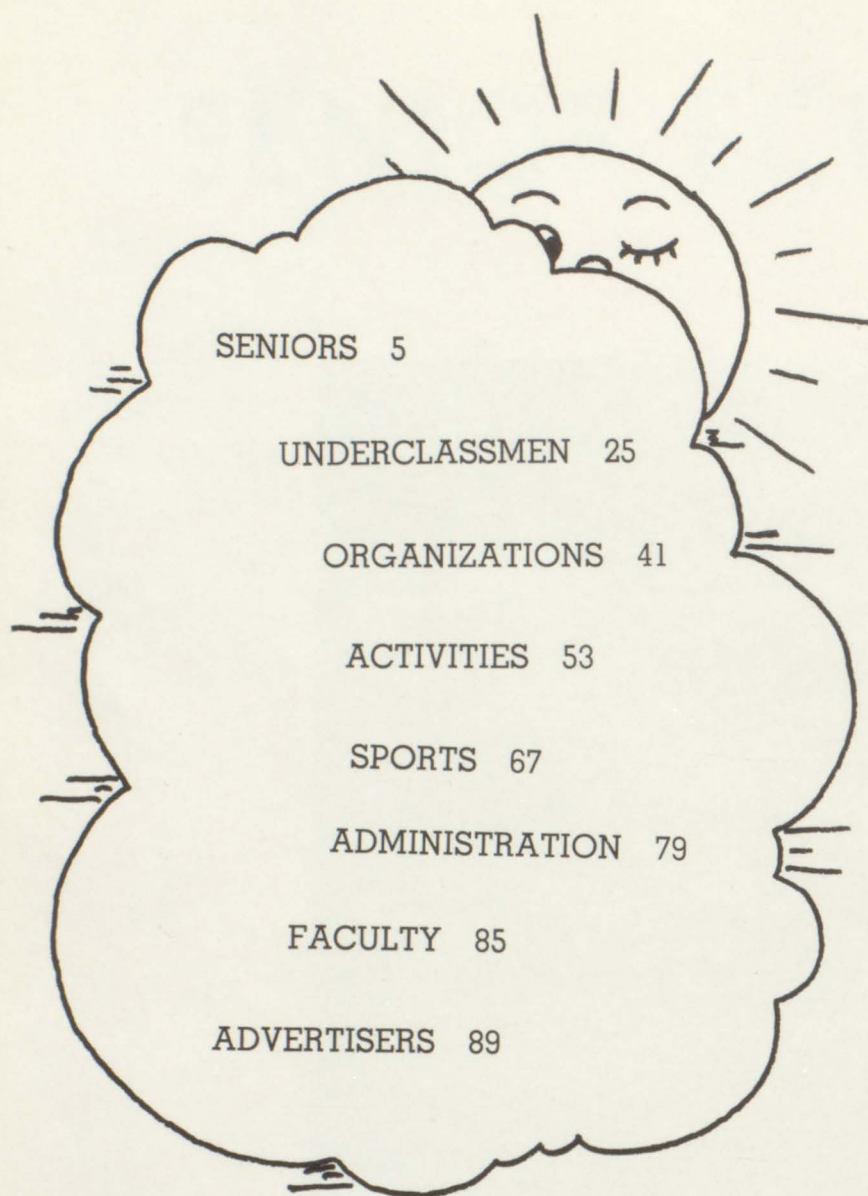


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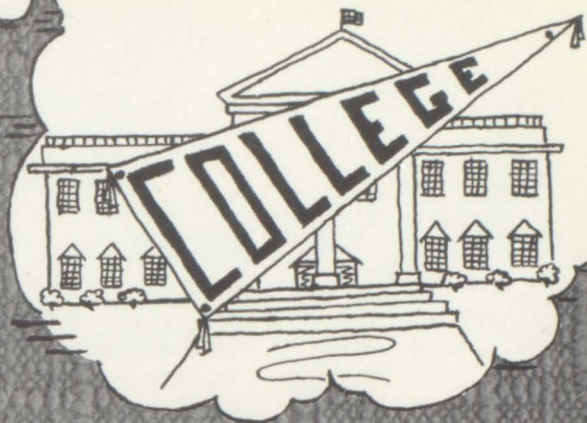


“Out of school life into life’s school ”

Table of Dreams



SENIORS





JOHN ARFT

"Arf"

"Can't you kids ever be serious?"
Football R 2.



WALTER BAILEY

"Chub"

"I've gotta shag."
Michigan Lutheran Seminary,
Saginaw 1-2, Junior Play, Varsity
Club 4, Future Farmers of
America 2, Chorus 1-2, Band
1-2-3-4 (Vice Pres. 4), Football
R 3, V 2-4.



BETTY BARTON

"Bett"

She eats tacks; that's why she
is so sharp.
Honor Student, Student Council
1-4 (Vice Pres. 4), Annual
Staff, Girls' Athletic Association
1-2-3-4 (Stud. Coun. Rep. 3,
Vice Pres. 4), Band 1-2, Cheer-
leader 3-4.



MARCIA ANN BASHORE

"Ma"

"Listen, my children — I've a
story to tell."
Honor Student, Annual Staff,
Smoke Signals 4, Girls' Athletic
Association 2-3-4, Future
Nurses' Club 2-3-4 (Stud.
Coun. Rep. 3, Scribe 4), Band
1 (Librarian 1), Septette 3-4,
Spanish Club 4.

KAREN BEACH

"Kay"

"I'm hungry!"
Girls' Athletic Association 3-4,
Chorus 4.



LINDA BECK

"Bugs"

"Oh, you dirty bird!"
Student Council 3-4 (Sec'y 3-
4), Annual Staff, Girls' Athletic
Association 1-2-3 (Treas. 2),
Future Nurses' Club 2-3, Cheer-
leader 1-2-3-4.

ROBERT E. BENHAM

"Bob"

"Girls only mean trouble —
sometimes."

Honor Student, Student Council
1-3, Annual Staff, Varsity Club
1-2-3-4 (Sec'y 3, Pres. 4),
Football V 1-2-3-4, Baseball 3,
Boys' State.

ALAN BERKHEISER

"Al"

Six foot five, man alive!!
Handy High, Bay City 1-2, Ad-
dison 3, Basketball R 3.



LUELLA BISHOP

"Squell"

"I thought I'd die!"

President 1, Annual Staff, Girls'
Athletic Association 2-3-4
(Stud. Coun. Rep. 4), Future
Nurses' Club 2-3-4 (Stud.
Coun. Rep. 3, Sec'y 4), Chorus
1.



MERENE BOLTZ

"Bubbles"

I wonder how she acquired that
nickname.

Honor Student, Student Council
1-3-4 (Treas. 4), Annual Staff,
Junior Play, Girls' Athletic As-
sociation 1-2-3-4 (Vice Pres.
3), Band 1.





BARRY BROCK

"Barry"

"Sure, I'm positive!"
Debate 3.



WILLIAM BROWNE

"Big Bull"

If you want to know anything about Indians, just ask Bull. Honor Student, Annual Staff, Junior Play, Varsity Club 2-3-4 (Chaplain), Football R 1, V 2-3-4, Track 2-3-4, Boys' State.



WILMA BUMPUS

"Willie"

"She's lovely, she's engaged, she uses Ponds!"

Honor Student, Student Council 2, Annual Staff, Girls' Athletic Association 1-2-3-4, Future Nurses' Club 3-4 (Vice Pres. 4), Cheerleader 3-4.

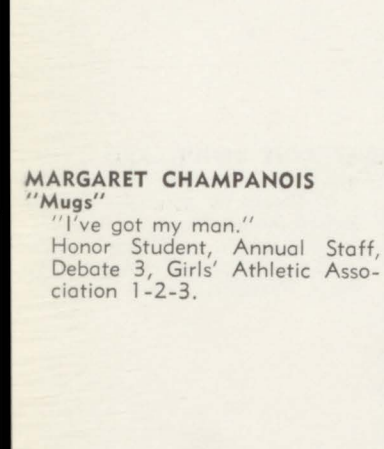


JOHN CADMUS

"Johnny"

He's "the mostest," to say the leastest."

Honor Student, President 3-4, Student Council 3 (Pres. 3), Junior Play, Varsity Club 3-4, Future Farmers of America 1-2-3-4 (Vice Pres. 2-3, Pres. 4), Chorus 4, Football R 1-2-3, V 4, Track 2-3, Boys' State.



MARGARET CHAMPANOIS

"Mugs"

"I've got my man."

Honor Student, Annual Staff, Debate 3, Girls' Athletic Association 1-2-3.

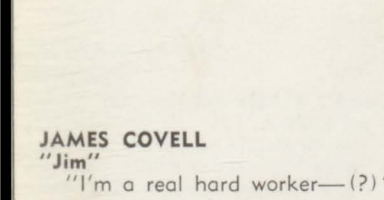


SHARON CLAXTON

"Charlie"

"Call a doc, I think I'm going to be sick."

Honor Student, President 3, Student Council 4, Annual Staff, Debate 3, Senior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 2-3, Future Nurses' Club 2-3-4 (Vice Pres. 3), Chorus 1-3-4, Septette 3-4.



JAMES COVELL

"Jim"

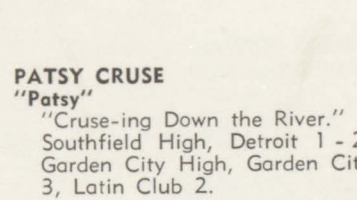
"I'm a real hard worker—(?)"

JULIE CRAWFORD

"Julie"

Britton is her inspiration—to be a farmer.

Annual Staff, Girls' Athletic Association 1-2-3, Future Nurses' Club 2-3-4 (Scribe 2-3, Pres. 4), Chorus 1-2-3-4, Septette 3-4, Spanish Club 4.



PATSY CRUSE

"Patsy"

"Cruse-ing Down the River."

Southfield High, Detroit 1-2, Garden City High, Garden City 3, Latin Club 2.

PATRICIA A. DAVIS

"Grama"

"What I wouldn't do for a piece of bubble gum and a big button!"

Annual Staff, Declamation 3, Senior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 1-2-3-4, Chorus 4.



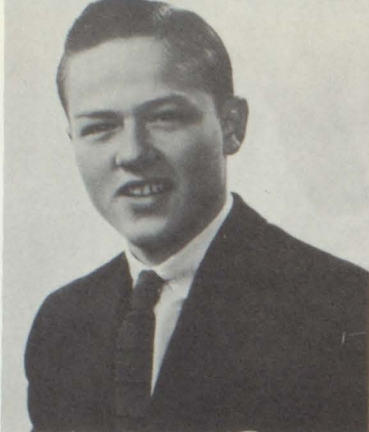


BETTY DAY

"Bett"

She's a "thing of beauty and a joy forever."

Valedictorian, Secretary 3-4, Editor of Annual, Junior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 3, Chorus 1-3, Septette 3-4, Girls' State.



JAMES DEAN

"Jim"

Cows? He loves 'em!

Future Farmers of America 1.



JOHN DENNIS

"Jay"

Dennis, the menace.

Central Catholic High, Toledo 1-2.



BERTRESS DIBBLE

"Bertie"

"She's only a Bertie in a Gilded Cage."

Manchester High 1, Girls' Athletic Association 3-4, Chorus 1.

LORNA DICKS

"Lornie"

"I'm a good driver! (??)"
Annual Staff.



GERALDINE DROUILLARD

"Gerry"

Friendliness as generous as the letters in her name.

Girls' Athletic Association 1-2-3, Band 1-2-3-4 (Treas. 2-3, Ass't. Treas. 4).

JUDY FAIRBANKS

"Judy"

"School's for the birds, and we just happen to be those birds."

Senior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 1-2-3, Chorus 4, Band 1-2-3 (Sec'y. 2).

ROGER FINNEGAN

"Father Flannagan"

"Just because I write my own excuses, I get blue ones."

Treasurer 2-3, Junior Play, Future Farmers of America 1-2-3-4 (Treas. 4), Band 2-3-4.

DELORA FLETCHER

"Lorie"

Fletcher is a real man-catcher.

Honor Student, Annual Staff, Girls' Athletic Association 3, Future Nurses' Club 3-4 (Stud. Coun. Rep. 4), Chorus 2-3-4, Septette 3-4.

MARY ELLEN FOLK

"Mary Ellen"

"Folk dance, anyone?"

Girls' Athletic Association 1-2-3-4, Future Nurses' Club 2.





RONALD FRANCOEUR

"Ronnie"
"Why study?"
Band 1-2-3-4.



JOSEPHINE FURGASON

"Jo"
"Come, Josephine, in my Flying Machine."
Girls' Athletic Association 3-4.



ALBERT HARRY GEBAROWSKI

"Al"
"Physics? Ugh!"
Honor Student, Junior Play.



BARBARA GRAHAM

"Barbie"
Anyone for a Graham cracker?
Girls' Athletic Association 3.

DUNCAN HARRIS

"Dunc"
"Don't let my dad see us rodding around."
Honor Student, Junior Play,
Football Mgr. 2, Sanish Club 4.



VERE HART

"Vere"
Have a heart for a Hart.
Annual Staff.

SYLVIA HELZEMAN

"Horsehead"
She knows her horses.
Annual Staff, Smoke Signals
Staff 4, Future Farmers of
America, Girls' Athletic Association
1-2-3-4, Chorus 1.

EDWARD HODGES

"Eddy"
"Now, according to Einstein's
theory . . ."
Honor Student, Annual Staff,
Smoke Signals Staff 4, Boys'
State.

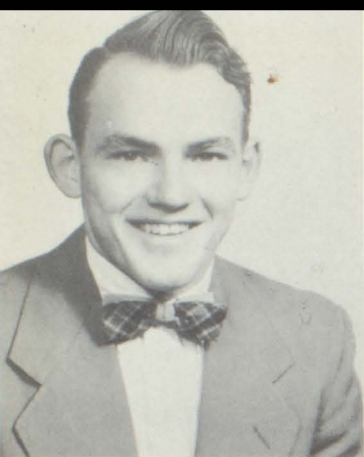
SHIRLEY HOLDRIDGE

"Shirley"
Her sparkle is on her left hand.

LARRY HOOTON

"Larry"
He's like an owl — always
Hooton.
Honor Student, Annual Staff,
Football R 1-2.





GERRY HOUSE
"Halfmoon"

Never a DULL moment when he is around.
Fontanna, California 1, Future Farmers of America 1-2-3-4, (Sentinel 3), Football R 1, V 2-3.



MARY HOWELL
"Mary"

Always Howell-ing loudest.
Quincy High 1, Smoke Signals Staff 4, Declamation 3, Girls' Athletic Association 3-4, Chorus 1.



JEANNE HUBBARD
"Jeanne"

"Jeanie with the Light Brown Hair."
Girls' Athletic Association 3-4.



EUNICE HUGHES
"Eunice"

"Do you know what my little angels did before I came to school?"
Manchester High 1-2-3, Chorus 1, Band 1-2-3 (Sec'y.-Treas. 2, Librarian 2-3, Pres. 3).

LYLE JACOBS
"Lyle"

Seldom is Lyle seen without a smile.
Hudson High 1-2, Student Council 2.



ERNEST JESCHKE
"Ernie"

"My car is mine, and mine alone."

VICKI JOHNSTON
"Vicki"

She doesn't say much! (??)
Girls' Athletic Association 1-2-3-4.



EDITH KIMERER
"Edy"

"Sure, I have my homework finished."
Honor Student, Band 1-2-3.



LARRY KOHL
"Larry"

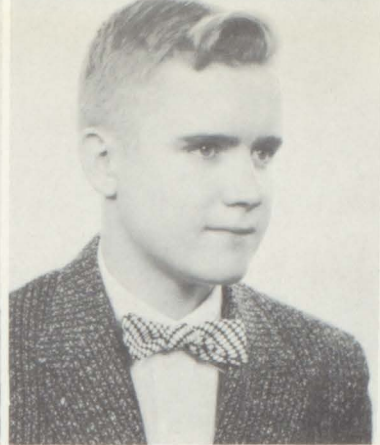
Why be different? Why not spell your name COAL?
Junior Play, Chorus 4, Band 2-3.



SHIRLEY LARNED
"Shirley"

"Sure, I've got an answer."
Salutatorian, D.A.R. Good Citizenship Award, Treasurer 4, Student Council 3 (Vice Pres. 3), Annual Staff, Debate 2, Girls' Athletic Association 1-2-3-4 (Pres. 3-4), Band 1-2-3-4.





DOUGLAS LEFEVRE

"Doug"
 "The name is LeFevre, not 'the fever'."
 Football Mgr. 2.

EDWIN LEWIS

"Ed"
 "Dad burn it!"
 Honor Student, Student Council 2, Senior Play, Junior Play, Varsity Club 4, Future Farmers of America 1-2-3-4 (Reporter 3, Sec'y. 4), Chorus 4, Football R 1-2-3, V 4.

LEO LOHRMAN

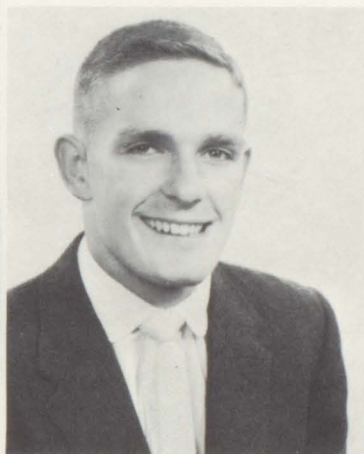
"Leo"
 Is this roaring Leo someone's pet lion?

JEAN LUCE

"Jean"
 Did you 'Luce' your phone number?
 Girls' Athletic Association 4.

ROBERT MANLEY

"Bob"
 Vim, Vigor and Vitality.
 Varsity Club 3-4, Football R 1-2, V 3-4, Basketball R 1-2-3, V 4, Baseball 3-4.



GARY MARSH

"Tank"
 "Wanna drag?"
 Varsity Club 3-4 (Vice Pres. 4), Football R 1-2, V 3-4 (Co-Captain 4), Track 3-4, Boys' State.

NORBERT MARSH

"Nub"
 He doesn't live in the swamps; he lives with the Marshes.
 Future Farmers of America 2-3-4.

ROBERT MARTIN

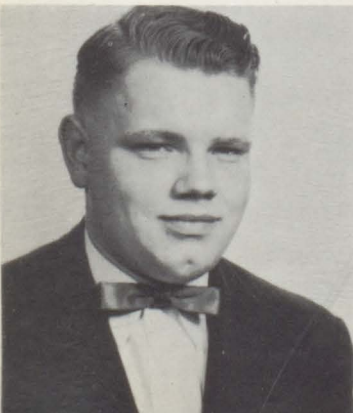
"Bob"
 "Wake me up at the end of the period."

CHAUNCEY THOMAS MAUPIN

"Tom"
 He's what you call a "mountain out of a molehill."

MARY PAT McCANN

"Pecan McCoon"
 "All right, you guys; leave me alone!"
 Vice President 2, Secretary 1, Annual Staff, Smoke Signals Staff 4, Senior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 1-2-3-4 (Sec'y. 2), Future Nurses' Club 2-3-4 (Treas. 3-4), Spanish Club 4 (Treas. 4).





BEVERLY McCLAIN

"Bevie"

She's a lover of popcorn.
Honor Student, Girls' Athletic
Association 1-2, Spanish Club
4 (Pres. 4).



SHERRY MOORE

"Sherry"

She's Moore or less everyone's
friend.
Honor Student, Girls' Athletic
Association 4.



KAREN MURPHY

"Murph"

"Sure, I'm Irish!!"
Girls' Athletic Association 1-
2-3.



ROEMARY J. MURPHY

"Rosemary"

This little chick can sing.
Honor Student, Girls' Athletic
Association 1-3, Chorus 1-2-3,
Septette 3-4.

DONALD PARTRIDGE

"Don"

"That was a 'punny' one."
Honor Student, Student Council
4, Annual Staff, Senior Play,
Junior Play, Varsity Club 4,
Football R 2-3, Track 3-4,
Spanish Club 4 (Stud. Coun.
Rep. 4), Boys' State.



MARY LOU PARTRIDGE

"Mary Lou"

Calm, cool and collected (???)
Girls' Athletic Association 1-2-
3, Future Nurses' Club 2-3-4,
Band 1-2-3-4 (Sec'y.-Treas.
4).

LONNIE PENROD

"Lonnie"

He's going to be a fly boy.
Spanish Club 4.



RAYMOND L. PUFFER

"Ray"

"Did you know paper varies—
in taste?"
Annual Staff, Smoke Signals
Staff, Junior Play, Band 1-2-
3-4, Boys' State.



JAMES L. PURKEY

"Jim"

He is like coffee — kinda
Purkey.
Band 1-2-3-4 (Sec'y. 1, Pres.
4), Football R 1-2.



JOHN RUNDELL

"Red"

"I'm locked out of my own
home again."
F. J. Reitz High, Evansville,
Indiana 1-2-3, Honor Student,
Student Assembly Club 3, Span-
ish Club 1-2, Science Talent
Club 2.





JUDY SEIDEL

"Judy"

Judy Seidel, never idle.
Senior Play, Girls' Athletic Association 3-4, Chorus 1-4.



MICHAEL SISSON

"Mike"

Tall, dark—need we go farther?
Gaylord Rural Agricultural School 1, Blissfield High 1-2-3, Honor Student, Treasurer 1, Football R 1, Basketball R 1-2-3, V 4.



JON SMITH

"Smitty"

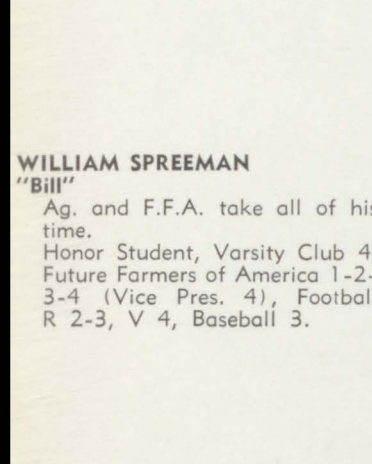
"I'm a brain! PLEASE won't someone believe me?"
Football Mgr. 2.



VAL SPANGLER

"Val"

"There's Me, Myself, and I."
Honor Student, Vice President 4, Annual Staff, Varsity Club 3-4, Football R 2, V 4, Basketball R 1-2, V 3-4, Golf 2-3-4 Boys' State.



WILLIAM SPREEMAN

"Bill"

Ag. and F.F.A. take all of his time.
Honor Student, Varsity Club 4, Future Farmers of America 1-2-3-4 (Vice Pres. 4), Football R 2-3, V 4, Baseball 3.



BARBARA UPELL

"Barb"

Her dream is for a NEW, New car.
Chorus 1.



ELIZABETH A. VARGO

"Betty"

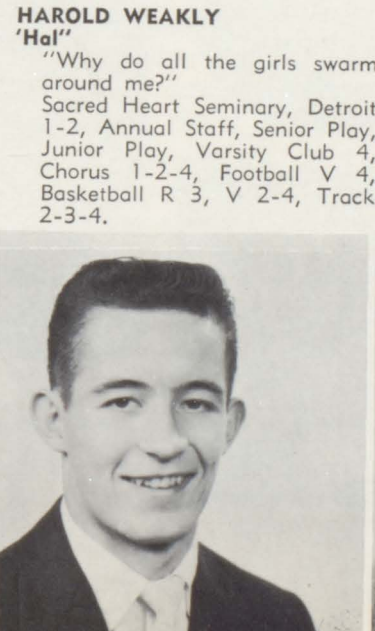
"Terror of Highway 101."
Honor Student, Secretary 2, Annual Staff, Band 1-2-3.



SHIRLEY JUNE WATSON

"Shirley"

"What'll it be — coke or ice cream?"
Honor Student, Girls' Athletic Association 2.



HAROLD WEAKLY

"Hal"

"Why do all the girls swarm around me?"
Sacred Heart Seminary, Detroit 1-2, Annual Staff, Senior Play, Junior Play, Varsity Club 4, Chorus 1-2-4, Football V 4, Basketball R 3, V 2-4, Track 2-3-4.



BRUCE WRIGHT

"Bruce"

Here is a case where a Wright can be wrong.
Vice President 3, Future Farmers of America 1-2-3-4 (Sec'y 3).

Class Officers



Val Spangler, Betty Day, John Cadmus, Shirley Larned.

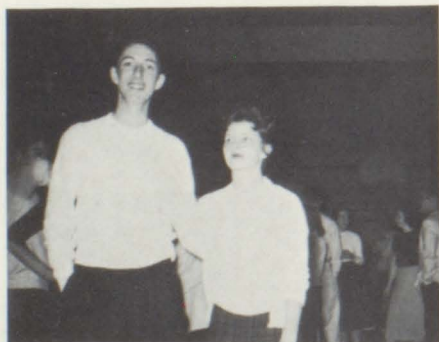
President.....	John Cadmus
Vice-President.....	Val Spangler
Secretary.....	Betty Day
Treasurer.....	Shirley Larned
Adviser.....	Mr. Henry Sherry



Student Council



Merene Boltz, Betty Barton, Linda Beck, Sharon Claxton.



Valedictorian



BETTY DAY

For us, the graduating class of 1956, this is a momentous occasion. We are leaving high school to take our rightful places in society and in the service of our fellowmen. In so doing, we take with us the sustaining knowledge that in these past twelve years we have learned something of more lasting value than mere facts and figures. We have learned the principles—not only of mathematics and English, but of success in human relationships. If we have begun to profit by our own mistakes and by the examples of others, we are ready, at least in part, to assume the responsibilities of citizenship in one of the most resourceful and powerful nations of the world.

We shall need courage and foresight, and a dream—a dream of more progressive, peaceful, better tomorrows for our children and for our children's children. We take our places with a fresh outlook. We have a multitude of opportunities before us, and we are not yet disillusioned and disheartened by the apparent

evil and corruption all around us. We have the vitality and the confidence of youth, and the willingness to use these qualities for the betterment of mankind. We hope that we shall never lose our God-given ability to serve, for only in true service can we maintain our precious freedom, our American heritage.

In speaking for the entire graduating class of 1956, I wish to sincerely thank every teacher, every administrator, parent, and friend for the indispensable help and encouragement which we have received from them. We cannot sufficiently thank you in words alone, but we hope to repay our debt by following your example and helping others.

Goodbyes are seldom easy to say; however, the time has come when we must leave for wider horizons. I am sure that every one of us will cherish many pleasant memories of these past years together and look forward to reunions in the future. Till then, Seniors, parents, teachers, friends, good-night and goodbye.

Salutatorian



SHIRLEY LARNED

On behalf of the class of 1956 I would like to welcome you, our parents, teachers, and friends, to this climactic evening of our high school career—graduation.

As we receive our diplomas tonight, we realize that this occasion has been achieved because of the untiring efforts of our parents, who have guided us and instilled into our minds the fundamentals of living and morality; our teachers, who have supplemented this training with facts and ideas; and our friends, who have offered us advice, friendship, and kindness. To all of you we extend a simple but sincere "thank you" to express the deepest measure of our gratitude and appreciation for your help.

For all of us, graduation signifies leaving behind all the intangible memories of class room periods, the anxiety of our first formal dance, the excitement of athletic competition, and our friends. For some, graduation also signifies the embarking on college careers. Regardless of our individual choices, we are all aware of the struggle before us — the struggle to fulfill our responsibility to protect, carry out, and improve the principles of our

American heritage. We have the responsibility of being a "good citizen" of our nation, which includes the duty of voting, fighting the never-ending struggle against Communism, and striving for world peace. Because of the threat of Communism to our democracy, it is up to us to stop it before it spreads its roots too deeply into the soil of our nation. With the background of knowledge and instilled determination gained during the past twelve years, we shall take our places among the millions of other young men and women like us and strive to fulfill all responsibilities and struggles facing us.

Tonight as we go "out of school life; into life's school", we realize that we have only begun to learn. Through the experiences of our daily lives we shall be learning more and more. At the same time we will keep our promise to you to fulfill all our responsibilities in order to repay you for all your sacrifices, without which our accomplishments would have been impossible. That is why, parents, teachers, and friends, as we leave, we salute you.

Class Night Program

(Tuesday, May 29, 1956)

MOTTO

"Out of school life into Life's school"

COLORS

Turquoise and White

FLOWER

Turquoise and White Carnation

Presentation of Key.....	John Cadums
Acceptance of Key.....	Lee Vescelius
Class History.....	Marcia Bashore, Larry Hooton
Prophecy.....	Wilma Bumpus, Betty Barton Eddie Hodges, John Rundell Edith Kimerer, Mike Sisson
Class Poem.....	Beverly McClain, Julie Crawford
Class Will.....	Margaret Champanois, Val Spangler
Giftatory.....	Merene Boltz, Betty Vargo Don Partridge, Bob Benham
President's Address.....	John Cadmus
Class Song.....	Delora Fletcher, Rosemary Murphy

President's Address

JOHN CADMUS

Classmates and Friends:

We are assembled here tonight for the last meeting which the class of '56" will have before graduation. During thirteen years each of us has built a foundation upon which our future goals will depend. From early childhood most of us have played, worked, and studied together for this hour of graduation. We have learned many things, such as the importance of cooperation, and the satisfaction of achieving a definite goal. As we have worked on committees, rehearsed for plays or held dances, we have formed, we hope, lasting friendships, which have taught us how to cooperate with others, enabling us to succeed in life.

After tomorrow night our class will separate, and we shall follow various paths that lead toward the future. We shall pass "out of school

life into life's school". As this separation approaches, and we think of the class spirit and comradeship that have flourished among us, we part with a feeling of sadness; but our eagerness for the future renews our enthusiasm. For some, the road of life will lead first to further education in the field of their chosen vocation. For others, the trail leads onward immediately to their life's work.

We wish to express our sincere appreciation and thanks to our parents, teachers, and friends who have offered us guidance in our activities during these past years.

In conclusion, Classmates, I would like to say that it has been a real honor to be your president during this important year. May each one of you, in obtaining your goal, have a full measure of happiness and success.

Class History

MARCIA BASHORE and LARRY HOOTON

In the fall of 1952 a plane-load of eager Freshmen prepared for take-off from the runway of Tecumseh High School.

The propellers whirled, and our plane took off with high hopes for smooth flying. Our pilot was Luella Bishop; co-pilot, Judy Fairbanks; keeper of the log, Mary Pat McCann; and purser, Betty Bird. Mr. Crisp became our navigator, to see that we kept on the right course. To guide us through good weather and bad, we elected to the Student Council, Betty Barton, Bob Benham, and Merene Boltz.

The pilot signaled for take-off, and the 112 passengers tightened their seat belts. The main social event of this flight was the May Dance where John Cadmus and Wilma Bumpus were crowned king and queen.

After successfully weathering the first leg of our journey, we stopped for refueling and a rest. When the next part of our flight began, we changed the members of our crew. Those assuming their new responsibilities were: pilot, John Cadmus; co-pilot, Mary Pat McCann; keeper of the log, Betty Vargo; and purser, Roger Finnegan. Along with changing our crew, we also changed navigators. This time Mr. Shank became our beacon in the fog. The passenger list consisted of 111 students this time. To help us through the rough weather, Student Council members Merene Boltz, Wilma Bumpus, and Ed Lewis, were chosen. The high points of this flight were picking out our class rings and serving at the "Big Top" (the Junior-Senior Reception).

The take-off for our Junior year was a smooth one, with the controls handled by pilot, Sharon Claxton; co-pilot, Bruce Wright; keeper of the log, Betty Day; and purser, Roger Finnegan. Mr. Sherry, our new navigator, helped to run this flight without any mishaps. There were 99 passengers aboard our flight ship this year.

Our first notable achievement on this lap of our flight was the first prize, which we won in the Homecoming Parade, for our float with the

slogan "Keep 'em Below Zero". Then one of the most able members of our passenger list, John Cadmus, assumed the duties of Student Council President, with Bob Benham, Shirley Larned, and Linda Beck assisting him as representatives from our class. To add new excitement, we concluded the year by giving the Junior-Senior Reception for the out-going Seniors; and we staged the comedy "Arsenic and Old Lace", which was a brilliant success.

After a brief vacation we resumed our flight on the final leg of our journey. We were capably led by the following crew: pilot, John Cadmus; co-pilot, Val Spangler; keeper of the log, Betty Day; and purser, Shirley Larned. We were indeed fortunate in having for the last part of our flight our able adviser and navigator, Mr. Sherry. This year our hard-working Student Council members were Betty Barton, Linda Beck, Merene Boltz, and Sharon Claxton. Throughout the various legs of our flight, some passengers had left us and parachuted to other destinations; thus, as we boarded Flight 1956, our passenger list totaled 81.

Again this year our float took top honors at Homecoming time, with "Let's Skunk 'em" as our slogan. This year, for the first time in several years, our Senior class sponsored the Christmas Dance which was called the "Snow Ball". Our Senior play, "Blithe Spirit", was another outstanding feature during this last year. The usual dances and parties were held to add interest to the daily routine of our flight, but our Senior trip to Washington was the highlight of our final year. The Juniors, bless them, gave us a wonderful Junior-Senior Reception, which made us realize that our happy days at Tecumseh High School were nearly over. With our flight almost completed, we attended Baccalaureate services, and now this is Class Night. In just two days we shall receive our diplomas at Commencement, and then we will know that at last we are really "Out of School Life—into Life's School".

Class Poem

BEVERLY McCLAIN
JULIE CRAWFORD

When first we came to T. H. S.,
So shy and wide of eye,
We tried to act as big and proud
As the Seniors passing by.
Our valiant teachers did their best
To make us see the light
Of history, English, algebra,
And to tell wrong from right
The dances, games, and parties which
We shared with every friend
Are all quite far behind us
As high school nears its end.
We haven't always made the grade,
Nor every battle won;
And even with the triumphs gained,
Our struggle's just begun.
With mem'ries fond of days gone by,
We bid a last farewell
To all the things we've grown to love
In the school we know so well.
The goals we've set are very high;
We hope we know the rules,
As we go out of high school life
Into our life's new school.

Class Song

ROSEMARY MURPHY
DELORA FLETCHER

(Tune: Moments to Remember)

Our high school days are nearly done,
We've had twelve years of work and fun;
We will have these moments to remember.
The football games and baseball too,
The tense excitement that we knew,
We will have these moments to remember.
The fellowship and happiness of work and play will be
Always and forever our most treasured memory.
It's time to say "Auf Wiedersehn"
Until we can all meet again;

We will have these moments to remember.
We'll miss our friendly teachers and the mid-semester fears;
The memory of those sudden tests will linger through the years.
We've done our best, we'll meet the test,
And God be with us through the rest.
We will have these moments to remember.

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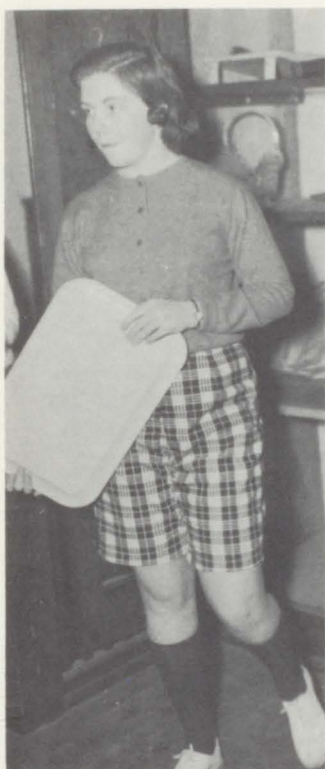


BETTY VARGO
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Senior Snaps



Stop laughing and get to work!!! — — — — — Like we are!!!



Please forgive me!?



The cat that swallowed the canary



Breathe from the diaphragm!!

Walk softly and carry a big stick



Groan-n-n!!!



Ray and his harem

From Day to Day



Everyone ready? Schoolltime!!
Rise and shine! Manley groans.
Benham falls out of bed—lies there.
Jim Dean comes in from doing chores — "Ho, hum!
Breakfast ready?"
Delora F. gets in from date—just in time for school.
Everyone else up!

8:05

Here come the early birds, but not chirping.
Linda Beck arrives—with regret!
Bev and Jim pull up in front of school.
Klinkety-klank-klank, and our good(?) school buses arrive.

8:12 Warning Bell

Halls are crowded; everyone's in a hurry(?).
Bev and Jim finally reach the building.
Sharon burns into last parking place.

8:14 One more minute!

John and Mary Ellen finally part—with deep regret.
 Sylvia screeches to a halt behind other cars.
 Mary Lou makes a mad dash for class.

First Hour—Tardy Bell

Mary Lou and Sylvia tip-toe into class—late!! (as usual)
Mr. Hart starts morning lectures over P. A.
Brilliant(?) Seniors compare homework.
Gary M. blows in—only 20 minutes late.
Mr. Crisp hunts for Pat D. who forgot she was in charge
of switchboard.

Second Hour

Ed Lewis hits wrong note—Mrs. Smith hits Ed.
Mr. Brazee gives Seniors the facts—(of Government).
Bob B. calmly watches while movie film winds to the
floor. (He forgot to connect the spring.)

Third Hour

John C. and Mr. Burns begin heated argument.
Roger F. agrees with John.
Mr. Burns threatens to lower marks.
Argument ends!

Fourth Hour

Hal W. and Rita leave school—together!
M. Champanois powders her nose for luncheon date
with Doug.
Wilma B. wonders if Pete is waiting—?
Students squirm, waiting for bell. Br-r-ring—And they're
off!

Noon

Kids beat teachers to Top Hat. Teachers stand—
Everyone eats—(slowly???)
Time runs out. Everyone eats faster.

12:30

Lorna finishes her last pickle.
Vere H. leaves home—to make school on time.
Betty V. Rushes to pick up her boy friend.

1:00

Tiptonites arrive back from lunch.
Ray P. takes care of an unruly underclassman.

Leo and his sidekick enter.

Pushing and shoving increase—Man, those kids go wild!

1:02 Bell

Only a few casualties occur during stampede.
Girls all dash to put on a "new face".

Sixth Hour

Mary Pat skips school—to go to work.
Shirley H. dreams of Roger.
With a ratio of 6 to 1, Lyle is learning shorthand(?)

Seventh Hour

Mr. Hart Teaches Seniors—everything!!!
Mr. Brazee gently(?) awakens John D.—thumps him on
the head.
Paper detail for talking in Study Hall—Ed L., Linda B.,
Judy F., and Judy S.
Students anxiously await their freedom.
Ah-h-h—one school day down, only four more to go.

After School

Cadmus heads for Britton and more school. (To further
his education.)
Drugstore business booms. So does Bill Wright.
Teachers give a sigh of relief. No more brats (good little
children) until tomorrow.

4:30

Val has a(?) dish of chocolate ice-cream.
Shirley L. writes a letter to Ray.
Marcia B. dreams of———?

Dinner Time

Val finishes fourth dish of ice-cream—has to have room
for dinner
Most girls help with supper.
Everyone eats.
Barton hurries, just about time for Russ.
Time for dishes—what a pain!

Early Evening—7:00

Betty Day starts studying—(what?)
Merene B. heads for Toledo.
Luella tries to think of some reason to come to Tecumseh—
Martin, Bailey, and Marsh dream up new ways to get
in trouble.

7:30

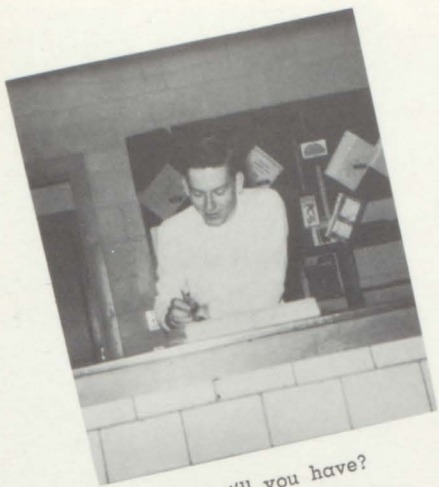
J. Rundell goes to the library—but not to study books!
Helzerman writes a letter to Marv—only ten pages tonight.
Shirley finishes her letters and goes out for the evening.

10:00

Pete takes Willie home.
Library is closed, Rundell goes home to make things
look legit—
Everyone prepares for bed.

11:00

Doug says goodnight to Marg for the fifth and last time.
Pete finally lets Willie go in.
We all settle down for a nice rest.
Goodnight———!
AND THIS GOES ON ALL WEEK??!!



What'll you have?



Well . . . ?



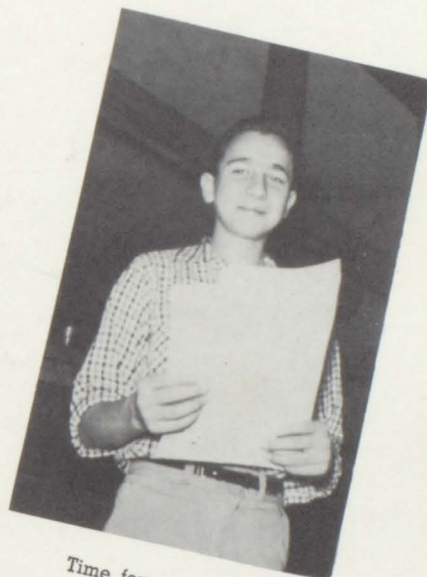
The lost weekend.



"Horsehead"



"Dimple Knees"



Time for recitation



Busy, busy, busy!?



This won't get around!

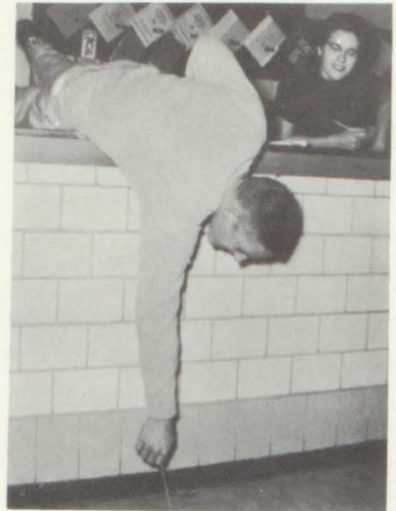
Seniors



Hello?! Hello?!



It's still early!!



Bottoms up!



Wonderful morning for a dip.



Light as a feather!



MOST of them act their age!



Indian fighting sure is tiring!!

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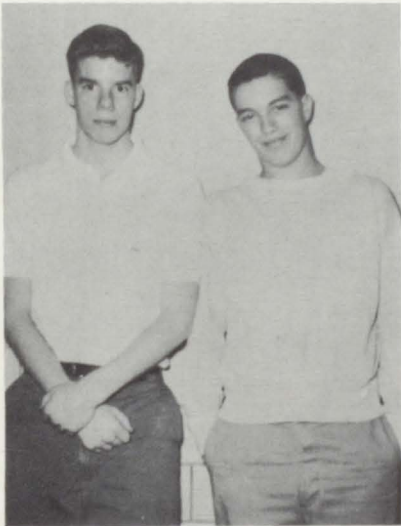
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Sophomores



Ronald Wotring



Sophomores



Coreen



Studious, aren't they?



Surprise! Surprise!



Dick



Spot on whose nose?



Anybody got a dime?



Gr-r-r!!



Wanna punch in the nose?!!

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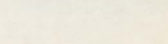
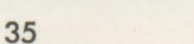
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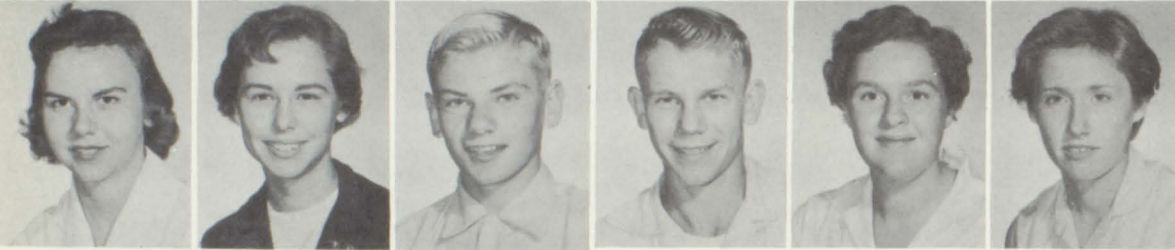
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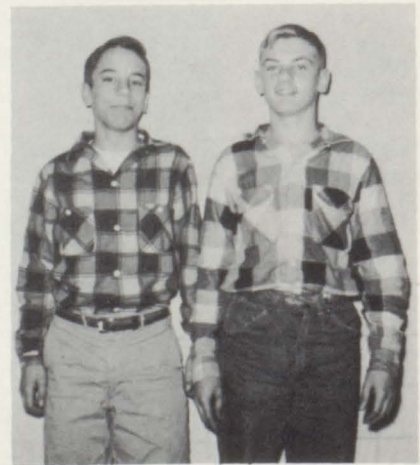
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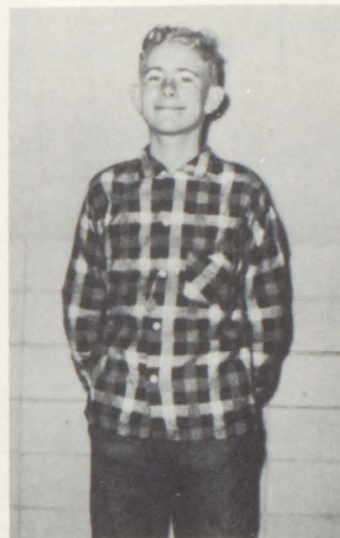
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Larry Yoakum
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Johanna Young



Freshmen



Calendar

September

- 6—All kids are full of enthusiasm as school begins again.
- 16—First football game of the season, at Addison. We walloped 'em, 32-7.
- 23—Fair day. It seemed to be too much for our team. Monroe C. C. took over, 26-19.
- 30—We're back on the right track. Tied with Airport, 6-6.

October

- 4—T.H.S. host to all the neighboring bands. What a bunch of noise! Really, it was a superb exhibition.
- 14—Defeated Bedford on our home ground. We sure tied those Mules' feet. Beat them, 9-0.
- 21—Oh, Brother! Did we look sick as Hudson beat us, 45-0! Homecoming parade at halftime—Seniors and Juniors tied for first place in float contest. Wonderful dance after game.
- 28—Jiminy crickets! Blissfield beat us, 53-0.
- 31—To keep all we'uns out of trouble on good ole' Halloween, a movie and dance were sponsored by the city. More fun!

November

- 4—Score gets closer, but Hillsdale still edges us out, 14-6.
- 9—Moms and Dads get to see what their little darlings have accomplished at school. Open House for P.T.A. is held.
- 11—By golly, we did it! The last game of the season, and those Indians scalped Milan, 20-13.
- 23—The whole school enjoyed an excellent presentation of spirituals by a Negro quartet.
- 24,25—Two day vacation. Eat much turkey—get fat-ter!!
- 27—Future Varsity Club members look . . . handsome? during initiation.
- 28—Back to school—still full of food from Thanksgiving.
- 29—First basketball game of the season. Celebrated by a victory over the Clinton Redskins, 68-37.

December

- 6—Wow, another victory! Over Dundee this time, 47-40.
- 8—Seniors take the day off from school to go to Government Day in Adrian—very interesting.
- 9—Ow-w-w, our first loss of the season—Hillsdale won, 55-50.
- 16—Man, dig that cr-azy music! Bill Carter plays for the Varsity Club Kickoff Dance. Lots of fun! Couples only!
- 20—Tecumseh Indians just can't get sweet on those Blissfield Sugar Boys. They beat us again, 61-52.
- 23—Seniors sponsor the Snow Ball—with Bill Carter furnishing the music. A real cool dance. School closes for a week's vacation—too bad???
- 27—Holy smokes, we lost again, 59-47. Adrian the victors.

January

- 3—Shucks, back to school. Everyone looks tired.
- 5—Ah, victorious once again. Monroe C. C. was our foe—70-49.
- 10—Tecumseh blackballed Addison, 58-50.

- 9,11,12—Seniors put on super-colossal performances of "Blithe Spirit".

- 13—Won another basketball game. Scalped Airport, 54-45.

- 18,19,20—Teachers try to find out how much we know—(about class work)—semester exams.

- 19—Whew, a real nervous game! But we finished on top of Bedford, 48-46.

- 23—And second semester begins. This semester, we'll all study real hard and get better grades. (Ha!)

- 24—Boy-oh-boy, we did it again! Skunked Hillsdale, 63-60.

- 30—Monroe High School showed us the way. Beat us, 56-43.

February

- 7—Tecumseh put up a stupendous battle, but we still lost to Blissfield in a thriller, 53-51.

- 10—Back on the right track again. Took care of Monroe C. C. the right way—68-60.

- 17—Indians trample Airport, 63-42.

- 24—Another victory chalked up for us over Bedford, 77-63.

March

- 2—Last game of the season; we celebrated by a win over Hudson, 68-61. Our Indians are South-eastern League Champs!!

- 9—Tecumseh won the first game of tournament play. Overran Airport, 63-57.

- 10—Oh-oh, Willow Run eliminated us from tournament play by a 63-50 score.

- 19—Sponge Week starts—girls shell out the money to pay the boys' way. Gum and Candy Day—sore jaws for everyone—poor teachers!

- 20—Hat Day—Man, dig those crazy looking caps!!

- 21—Old Clothes Day—everyone ready for work??

- 22—Dress-up Day—we all look sharp—after yesterday.

- 23—Senior Day—best day of all. All underclassmen salute us great Seniors!

- 24—Sponge Dance. Smooth music and hilarious cor-sages.

- 29—Easter vacation. Hooray!

April

- 3—Back to school again.

- 18,19,20—Juniors entertain with the play, "My Sister Eileen". Congratulation, Juniors, on a job well done.

May

- 4—Juniors entertain the Seniors with the traditional Reception. Loads of good food and fun. Thanks, Juniors, we'll never forget you.

- 5-10—All Seniors eagerly await their arrival in Washington. Five whole days.

- 18—Junior Prom, the most beautiful—and the Seniors' last dance.

- 25-29—Bad! Semester exams again.

- 27—Baccalaureate—very impressive.

- 29—Class night—a barrel of fun, but kinda sad, too.

- 31—Commencement—the long awaited night; but we all shed a tear as we say good-bye to the days we can never again bring back.

ORGANIZATIONS



Student Council



TOP ROW: David Champanois, Mike Walters, Bill Lopshire, Ken Miller, Doug Hoffman, Gary Marsh, Ray Miller.
 SECOND ROW: Kay McClure, Joan Kempf, Mabel McCarley, Delora Fletcher, Luella Bishop, Sharon Claxton, Rita Crosby, Don Partridge.
 FIRST ROW: Ann Kempf, Linda Hanna, Merene Boltz, Linda Beck, Nicky Touborg, Betty Barton, Mr. Tatar.

This year, the work of the Student Council was lessened somewhat by allowing the Seniors and Juniors to sponsor the Christmas and May dances, respectively. Also, the PTA took over all the after-game dances, previously arranged by the Council.

As in the past, however, the Student Council was in charge of the entire Homecoming celebration and the annual Sponge Week. An unusually fine entry of floats and the election and crowning of the Queen highlighted the Homecoming festivities, and an exciting Sponge Week was planned.

Continuing the hall monitoring and noon hour supervision, the Council also did much to improve the noon hour study conditions by placing a student in charge of the study hall.

For the first time, the Council is giving medals to its members, representative of one year's participation in the activities of the Student Council. It is hoped that this practice will be continued in the future, for it gives due

recognition for a year of service to the school.

The Council has also carried on the usual duties of providing a hat-check stand and programs at home games, and furthering its service of fine assembly programs for the school.

President.....	Nicky Touborg
Vice President.....	Betty Barton
Treasurer.....	Merene Boltz
Secretary.....	Linda Beck



Nicky Touborg, Merene Boltz, Betty Barton, Linda Beck.

Debate



TOP ROW: Marilyn Manley, Ray Puffer, Larry Kohl, Hal Weakly, Merene Boltz, Shirley Larned.
FIRST ROW: Judy Whiting, Anne Rebottaro, Mrs. Whited, Carol Finnegan, John Naser.

"Resolved: That the Federal Government Should Guarantee Higher Education to Qualified High School Graduates through Grants to Colleges and Universities" was the proposition for the 1955-56 high school debate season. This is the first time that a topic has directly affected the debaters; most of them plan to attend college after graduation.

Tecumseh was host in a discussion program again this year, entertaining five other schools: Adrian, Morenci, Pittsford, Quincy, and Union City. There were five panels, thirty-seven students participating, with a leader from each school. Discussion is excellent preparation for debate, since the problem is thoroughly studied and possible solutions are found.

The Tecumseh debaters crossed verbal

swords during the season with Albion (Affirmative win, Negative loss), Coldwater (both losses), Adrian (Affirmative win, Negative loss), Blissfield (both wins by forfeit).

Following the regular season, eight debaters entered the annual tournament at Sylvania-Burnham High School, Sylvania, Ohio. In the B Division, the semi-experienced Tecumseh team won the first-place trophy. In the C Division, Tecumseh tied for second place.

The regular affirmative team consisted of Anne Rebottaro and Judy Whiting; the negative team, Carol Finnegan and John Naser. Others who entered the tournament were Merene Boltz, Shirley Larned, Marilyn Manley, and Ray Puffer. Assistants as chairmen were Hal Weakly and Larry Kohl; as time keeper, Cathy Cornell.

Senior Band



TOP ROW: Larry Robison, Barry Morley, Bill Fielder, Ronald Johnson, Sharon Muhn, Joan Johnston, Judy Baxter, Nancy Day, Walter Bailey, Ray Puffer, Roger Pearson, Shirley Larned.
 FOURTH ROW: Betty Kiser, Mary Freshcorn, Beatrice Graham, Don Greene, Barry Packard, Judy Schultz, Judy Fairbanks, Sandra Ross.
 THIRD ROW: Joyce Hadsell, David Rutherford, Sharon Bishop, Marilyn Baker, Gerald Kruse, Sandra Ireland, Kathy Tomorsky, Geraldine Drouillard.
 SECOND ROW: Willis Kilbourn, Roger Finnegan, Lee Vescelius, Jo Ann Ayres, Barbara Crowell, Leslie De Jonghe, Mary Lou Partridge.
 FIRST ROW: Gerry Hirsch, Ann Marie Haughn, Jim Purkey, Gary Abner, Ronnie Francoeur, Mr. Johnson.

The Senior Band, under the direction of Mr. Johnson, has accomplished a great deal this year.

Last fall the band played at the home football games and traveled to Blissfield to play at the game there. In the annual Lenawee County Band Festival, the band portrayed the life of Henry Ford. One of the high points of the year came when the band took part in the annual Band Day held at the University of Michigan Stadium along with 182 other bands.

Along with playing at the pep meetings, the pep band, which was organized last year, played at all the home basketball games. The band also took part in the Christmas program, which

was held in the gym. In the spring they gave their annual concert.

In addition to marches, they have played many popular songs such as "Ain't That A Shame" and "Shake, Rattle, and Roll."

We wish the band lots of success in the future.

President.....Jim Purkey
 Vice President.....Walter Bailey
 Secretary-Treasurer..Mary Lou Partridge



Smoke Signals



TOP ROW: Bob Cubberly, Dean Andrews, Marshall Boike, Lee Vescelius, Pat Fero, Ray Puffer, Don Greene, Ed Hodges.
 SECOND ROW: Lois Baker, Mary Pat McCann, Janet Martin, Judy Kempf, Sylvia Helzerman, Carol Finnegan, Mary Howell, Bev Champanois.
 FIRST ROW: Sharon Claxton, Judy Whiting, Anne Rebottaro, Nick Touborg, Marcia Bashore, Rita Crosby, John Naser.

This year, for the first time in several years, a regular school newspaper was organized. The paper is printed every two weeks at the Tecumseh Herald office and has proved to be very popular. We wish the staff the best of luck and hope that the student body will continue to take an interest in a school newspaper.

EDITOR.....	Nick Touborg
SPORTS EDITOR.....	John Naser
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR.....	Don Greene
NEWS ELITOR.....	Judy Whiting
COUNCIL EDITOR.....	Rita Crosby
FEATURE EDITOR.....	Sharon Claxton
FASHION AND ETIQUETTE.....	Marcia Bashore
INTERVIEWS AND TYPIST.....	Marlene Ashenfelter
CLUB EDITOR.....	Sylvia Helzerman
JUNIOR HIGH NEWS EDITOR.....	Mary Pat McCann
SOCIAL EDITOR.....	Ann Rebottaro
LITERARY EDITOR.....	Ed Hodges
GOSSIP EDITOR.....	Mary Howell
BUSINESS MANAGER.....	Judy Kempf
ASSISTANT BUSINESS MANAGER.....	Carol Finnegan
ADVERTISING MANAGER.....	Lee Vescelius
PHOTOGRAPHY.....	Dean Andrews and Marshall Boike
CARTOONISTS.....	Bob Cubberly and Pat Fero
PROOF READERS.....	Lois Baker and Janet Martin
FACULTY ADVISER.....	Miss Egan

Varsity Club



TOP ROW: Bill Hansen, Ray Larned, Val Spangler, Bill Newell, Lee Marsh, John Elliott, Bruce McDowell.

SECOND ROW: Nicky Touborg, Bill Spreeman, Dean Andrews, Don Partridge, Hal Weakly, Ray Miller, Ron Gurtzweiler.

FIRST ROW: Bob Manley, John Cadmus, Bob Benham, Gary Marsh, Allen Dickinson, Ken Miller, Bill Browne, Mr. Breniff, Mr. Lawson.

The Varsity Club began the year's activities by initiating eleven new members. The club adopted a motto and an oath and established a new office—that of chaplain.

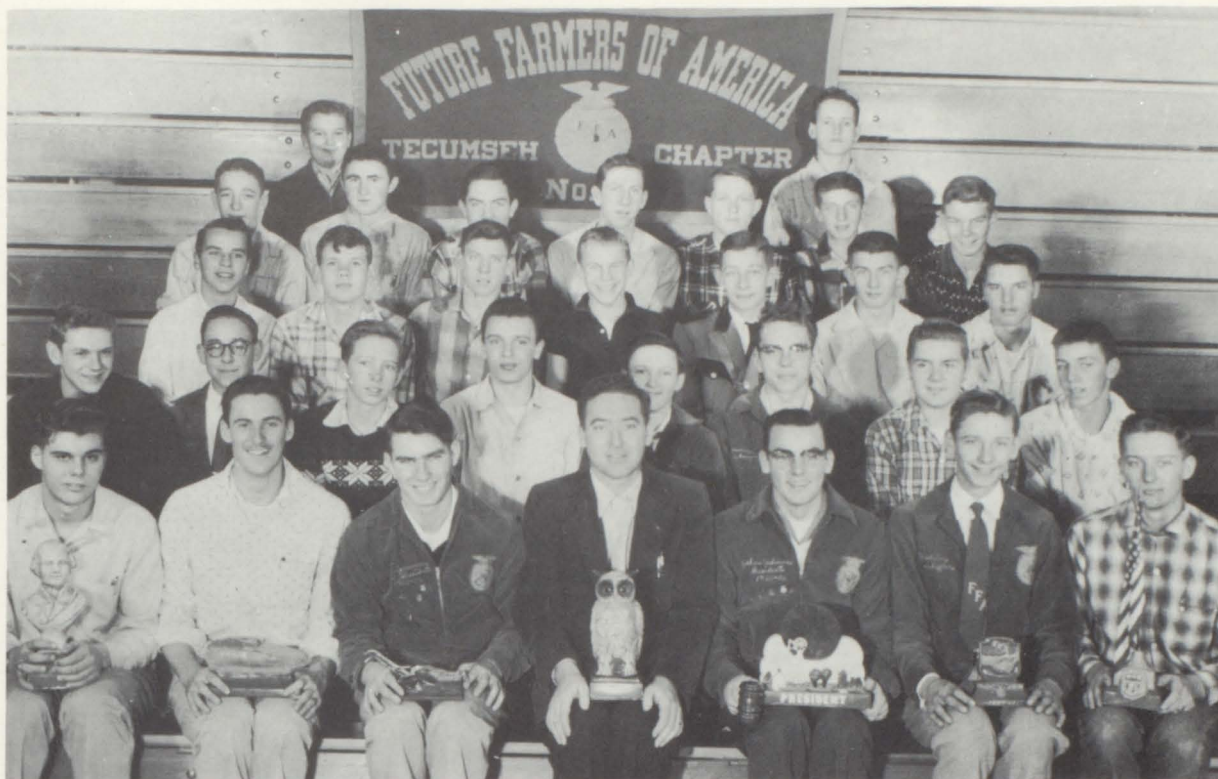
The club plans to purchase banners representing all the schools in the Southeastern League. These are to be hung in the gymnasium. They also hope to purchase a movie projector for the use of the club, which will be used to show football and basketball pictures. The Varsity Club was one of the organizations in charge of the refreshments at the district basketball tournaments last spring and again this year; and the club sponsored dances at the end of the football and basketball seasons. They also made a donation to the Marian Hart Memorial Fund.

President.....	Bob Benham
Vice President.....	Gary Marsh
Secretary.....	Allen Dickinson
Treasurer.....	Ken Miller
Student Council Rep.....	Gary Marsh



President Benham

Future Farmers of America



TOP ROW: Jerry Krout, Arlen Fletcher.

FOURTH ROW: Ramon Aylesworth, Delton La Gore, Richard Harvey, Richard Neidermier, Jack Allen, Roger Partridge, Jerry Munger.

THIRD ROW: Roger Finnegan, Ronald Korte, Bob Long, Lee Wright, Ron Johnson, Sylvan Echelbarger, Tom Carson.

SECOND ROW: Bruce Wright, Leroy Burleson, Bob Hale, Ronald Roe, Wayne Lembrick, Larry Richenbaugh, John Dewey, Arnold Partridge.

FIRST ROW: Bill Lopshire, Ed Lewis, Bill Spreeman, Mr. Burns, John Cadmus, Melvin Scheffler, Darrell Lowery.

The Tecumseh chapter of the F.F.A. started the school year by initiating thirteen new members into the organization. Following this, they entered the Lenawee County Fair contests and won the Crops, Pests, and Disease banner. They also tied for fifth place among twelve schools entered for the total number of points received in all contests.

The club bought a new tractor, and they have already paid off almost the entire cost of it. The annual F.F.A. Parent-and-Son Banquet and the Christmas Party were held as usual.

The chapter attended Farmers' Week at Michigan State University, and last spring they entered the contests in Parliamentary Procedure, Speech, Farm Forum, and Demonstration.

This year they have dressed approximately 500 broilers, of which they entered one batch in the "Chicken of Tomorrow" contest. The chapter also farmed only 20 acres this year instead of the usual 40.

Tecumseh High School has good reason to be proud of our Future Farmers of America, as it is one of the better chapters in the state.

President.....	John Cadmus
Vice President.....	Bill Spreeman
Secretary.....	Edwin Lewis
Treasurer.....	Roger Finnegan
Sentinel.....	Gerry House
Reporter.....	Darrell Lowry
Student Council Rep.....	Bill Lopshire

F.F.A. Snaps



Bruce Wright, Bill Spreeman, Ed Lewis, Mr. Burns.



Spanish Club



TOP ROW: Judy Shultz, Willis Kilbourne, Duncan Harris, Larry Anderson, Lonnie Penrod.

SECOND ROW: Peggy Newell, Sharon Ries, Marcia Bashore, Esther Stutesman, Coreen Marsh.

FIRST ROW: Calixtro Torres, Don Partridge, Mrs. Whited, Bev McClain, Julia Boyce, Julie Crawford.

President.....Beverly McClain
Vice-President.....Calixtro Torres
Secretary.....Julia Boyce

Treasurer.....Mary Pat McCann
Student Council Rep.....Don Partridge

Future Nurses' Club



TOP ROW: Norma Jewell, Jackie Rucker, Janet Broiller, Brenda Heeman, Karolyn Mueller.
 SECOND ROW: Sharon Claxton, Marilyn Manley, Ruth Meads, Lois Kiser, Nancy Lamson, Barbara Crowell.
 FIRST ROW: Julie Crawford, Wilma Bumpus, Luella Bishop, Judy Kempf, Delora Fletcher, Marcia Bashore.

The Future Nurses' Club began the school year by initiating several new members. These increased the club's total membership to twenty-one.

During the school year, the girls have gone on several field trips. They made favors for the Parret Nursing Home during the Christmas season and for the hospital on Valentine's Day. The Club plans to take part in the Civil Defense program for Lenawee County.

We wish the Future Nurses' Club lots of luck in the future and we hope that interest in it will continue to increase.

President.....	Julie Crawford
Vice President.....	Wilma Bumpus
Secretary.....	Luella Bishop
Corresponding Secretary.....	Judy Kempf
Treasurer.....	Mary Pat McCann
Student Council Rep.....	Delora Fletcher



Girls' Athletic Association



TOP ROW: Karen Marine, Rodna Jepson, Jeanne Hubbard, Sherry Moore, Linda Whelan, Jean Luce, Merene Boltz, Sylvia Helzerman, Mary Howell, Judy Francoeur.
 SEVENTH ROW: Norma Jewell, Edna Jepson, Joyce Hadsell, Judy Baxter, Jane Colgrove, Carol Kapnick, Sherry Tucker, Martha Owen, Kathy Tomoisky, Mary Jo Tressler.
 SIXTH ROW: Joyce Broiller, Diane Fox, Dorothy Goodwin, Joan Johnston, Grace Dennis, Karen Beach, Vicki Johnston, Judy Fairbanks, Judy Seidel, Carolyn LaLonde.
 FIFTH ROW: Nanette Walper, Anne Preston, Sarah Wright, Astride Freimanis, Bertress Dibble, Jo Furgason, Mary Ellen Folk, Marilyn Helzerman, Joanne Wing, Karolyn Mueller.
 FOURTH ROW: Betty Kiser, Lois Kiser, Carol Dickin, Gayle Swift, Beatrice Graham, Sharon Chase, Sharon Bishop, Julia Boyce, Sharon Ries, Janice Wagner.
 THIRD ROW: Janet Broiller, Nnacy Dinse, Mary Manchester, Donna Spangler, Susie Rohweder, Nancy Smith, Joyce Stuart, Diane Sox, Yvonne Morningstar, Marcia Bashore.
 SECOND ROW: Shirley Furgason, Ann Kempf, Judy Davis, Brenda Heeman, Joyce Wilbar, Donna Nixon, Wilma Bumpus, Pat Davis, Lynne Van Winkle.
 FIRST ROW: Peggy Newell, Carol Sue Rutherford, Carol Spangler, Rita Crosby, Shirley Larned, Luella Bishop, Miss Sheffer, Betty Barton, Linda Hanna, Joyce Partridge.

The Girls' Athletic Association was created in order to give high school girls an opportunity to participate in organized athletics.

During the weekly meetings of this organization, basketball and volleyball practices are held. In addition, the girls participated in Play Day, which was held with neighboring schools. Last spring a Southeastern League field meet was held, with Hillsdale, Bedford, Airport Community, and Tecumseh taking part. This meet was won by Tecumseh.

The girls receive points for the vari-

ous activities which they enter into. In order to win a letter, a girl must either accumulate the largest number of points or come within 30 points of the largest number. To win a pin, a girl must come within 60 points of the largest number.

President.....	Shirley Larned
Vice President.....	Betty Barton
Secretary.....	Rita Crosby
Treasurer.....	Judy Whiting
Student Council Rep.....	Luella Bishop

We Predict

WE PREDICT

that the following tragedies will befall these esteemed Seniors:

- WALTER BAILEY—Will be pulled into the river by a fish.
 BETTY BARTON—Will literally jump out of this world while cheerleading.
 MARCIA BASHORE—Will burst a blood vessel trying to reach high C in her church choir.
 LINDA BECK—Will faint upon hearing all the details of Alroy's first operation.
 BOB BENHAM—Will be caught in an avalanche of stacked soup cans.
 ALLEN BERKHEISER—Will pine away because he is too short to join the "Tall Timbers Club".
 LUELLA BISHOP—Will starve while trying to park her Buick in a small space.
 BILL BROWNE—Will be scalped by an Indian after refusing his request of "Ugh! Me want meat!"
 WILMA BUMPUS—Will be a hit-and-run victim of a road-runner.
 JOHN CADMUS—Will be driven crazy by his twenty-two everlovin' kids.
 MARY HOWELL—Will get a stomachache after eating twenty-five bananas.
 DUNCAN HARRIS—Will run out of hot air.
 LORNA DICKS—Will get stuck in a ditch in her pickup.
 LEO LOHRMAN—Will have a heart attack when his wife votes the Democrat ticket.
 SHIRLEY LARNED—Will get a sore throat from crooning "I'm Just Wild About Harry".
 EDWIN LEWIS—Will be strangled on Flo's garter.
 JOHN RUNDELL—Will stall his plane while he is being pursued by a mob of girls.
 MARY LOU PARTRIDGE—Will drink one of her own malteds and won't be able to "Barrett".
 JIM PURKEY—Will suffer from shock when Bev catches onto his joke at the first telling.
 DON PARTRIDGE—Will eat a mouldy bun.
 GERRY HOUSE—Will sit on a thumb tack.
 GARY MARSH—Will tip over his wheel chair while he



- is chasing a pretty nurse.
 SHERRY MOORE—Will catch infection after being pierced by Cupid's arrow.
 MARGARET CHAMPANOIS—Will be an old maid after a sixty-year engagement.
 JULIE CRAWFORD—Will suffer frustration when she develops lockjaw and can't talk.
 RAY PUFFER—Will suffer indigestion from eating a piece of poor grade paper.
 JEANNE HUBBARD—Will fall in a drum of honey while lecturing on the birds and bees.
 DELORA FLETCHER—Will be broken-hearted after accidentally stepping on her pet flea.
 JUDY FAIRBANKS—Will be mobbed by a crowd in Engle's during the Christmas rush.
 JIM DEAN—Will be kicked by a jealous cow.
 PAT DAVIS—Will throw a fit of joy after taking one good picture.
 LARRY HOOTON—Will be caught siphoning gas from Hamilton's gas station.
 SHARON CLAXTON—Will be run over by Charlie's coal truck.
 BERTRESS DIBBLE—Will have to go on a diet to lose fifty pounds.
 BARBARA UPELL—Will have to buy a new car, as her Plymouth finally gave up the ghost.
 LARRY KOHL—Will fall off the ladder while changing the marquee.
 BOB MANLEY—Will grivte his twenty girl friends by marrying at the tender age of thirty-nine.
 MIKE SISSON—Will be forced to close his restaurant, "Luigi Sisson's Pizza Place", due to lack of business.
 AL GEBAROWSKI—Will go into violent hysterics when someone pronounces his name correctly.
 JUDY SEIDEL—Will come back to haunt her husband and won't be able to return.
 VERE HART—Will trip and catch himself on a ring of bologna—by the neck.
 SYLVIA HELZERMAN—Will get tangled up in a rosebush.

Chorus



TOP ROW: John Cadmus, Dennis MacKenzie, John Browne, Hal Weakly, Ed Lewis, Dennis Hain.
 FOURTH ROW: Karen Beach, Margaret Short, Janice Kreps, Judy Fairbanks, Judy Seidel, Pat Davis.
 THIRD ROW: Shirley Furgason, Marilyn Mack, Ruth Cooper, Marlene Neuman, Della Butler, Delora Fletcher, Sharon Claxton.
 SECOND ROW: Jackie Rucker, Kathleen Shirley, Cleo Shaw, Alice Neuman, Sondra Hathaway, Carol Ross, Vonnie Penrod, Ruby Lambes.
 FIRST ROW: Bev Champanois, Bonnie Iseler, Barbara Gebarowski, Joann Yenor, Mrs. Smith, Janice Brady, Larry Coates, Julie Crawford, Sharon Gove.

Because of an increase in interest, the chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Smith, has expanded considerably this year. Especially encouraging was the fact that several boys joined the group. We need more male voices.

Last spring the chorus attended the Southwestern Michigan Vocal Festival held in Kalamazoo. They also presented a spring concert. They took part in the Christmas program, which was held in the gymnasium last December.

A septette, organized a year ago last winter, has sung popular songs for local clubs and for school functions.



TOP ROW: Marcia Bashore, Betty Day.
 SECOND ROW: Ruby Lambes, Delora Fletcher, Julie Crawford.
 FIRST ROW: Rosemary Murphy, Sharon Claxton.

ACTIVITIES



Junior Play



STANDING: Roger Finnegan, Duncan Harris, Walter Bailey, Albert Gebarowski, Edwin Lewis, Don Partridge, Bill Browne, Harold Weakly, Larry Kohl, Ray Puffer, John Cadmus.
SITTING: Margaret Champanois, Merene Boltz, Betty Day.

"Arsenic and Old Lace", the famous three-act comedy by Joseph Kesselring, was staged in quite a professional manner by the class of '56 on the evenings of March 31 and April 1, 1955. Under the able direction of Miss Egan, the cast held the audience on the edge of their seats, as well as keeping them laughing hilariously. This was largely because of the plot, which centers around two supposedly sane old ladies, Abby and Martha Brewster, who populate their cellar with the remains of socially and religiously "acceptable" roomers, by administering a little arsenic in some elderberry wine.

Their brother Teddy, who thinks that he is Teddy Roosevelt, adds to the zany comedy by blowing a bugle and yelling "Charge!" as he leaps up the stairs to make his exists.

This calm(?) household is disturbed by the arrival of Jonathan Brewster, the black sheep of the family, and his partner, Dr. Einstein, who bring with them a dead body to dispose of.

Mortimer, the only sane member of the Brewster family, has his hands full, trying to keep his two old aunts out of trouble, almost getting killed by his brother Jonathan, and

keeping his aunts' secrets from his fiancée, Elaine Harper. But Jonathan is finally taken away to jail, and Teddy is committed to Happy Dale Sanitarium.

As the final curtain comes down, the audience finds Abby and Martha up to their old tricks again. Mr. Witherspoon, Superintendent of Happy Dale, is about to sip some of their delicious elderberry wine — flavored with arsenic.

The cast of the play was as follows:

Abby Brewster.....	Betty Day
Rev. Harper.....	Ray Puffer
Teddy Brewster.....	John Cadmus
Officer Brophy.....	Albert Gebarowski
Officer Klein.....	Roger Finnegan
Martha Brewster.....	Merene Boltz
Elaine Harper.....	Margaret Champanois
Mortimer Brewster.....	Edwin Lewis
Mr. Gibbs.....	Larry Kohl
Jonathan Brewster.....	Harold Weakly
Dr. Einstein.....	Donald Partridge
Officer O'Hara.....	Duncan Harris
Lieutenant Rooney.....	Walter Bailey
Mr. Witherspoon.....	Bill Browne

Junior Play Snaps



Senior Play



STANDING: Judy Fairbanks, Hal Weakly.

SITTING: Pat Davis, Judy Seidel, Ed Lewis, Sharon Claxton, Mary Pat McCann.

On the evenings of January 11 and 12, 1956, the Senior Class of 1956 presented "Blithe Spirit", a smash-hit comedy of London and Broadway stages. Written by Noel Coward, it is a brilliant, clever, and hilariously funny drama. Under the excellent direction of Miss Egan, it successfully won the approval of two audiences with its perfect casting.

The ingenious plot tells how novelist Charles Condomine invites into his placid country home a medium, Madame Arcati, to learn the language of the spirits. Little does Charles or his second wife, Ruth, dream that the seance staged by the medium will summon back Charles' first wife, who has been dead for seven years.

The lady from "beyond", still attractive and still mischievous, torments Charles by reminding him of their times together. Only Charles can see or hear

her. A floating vase, handed to Ruth out of thin air, finally convinces her that Charles is not losing his mind.

A ghostly plot by the first wife to make a ghost of Charles, results in the death of Ruth, who takes the fatal automobile ride by mistake. Ruth returns with the first wife to haunt the already bewildered Charles.

Finally Charles manages to rid himself of the two blithe spirits—the medium is once again summoned, and at the conclusion of the sixth seance, Charles is once more free.

Cast of the play:

Charles Condomine.....	Ed Lewis
Ruth Condomine.....	Sharon Claxton
Madame Arcati.....	Pat Davis
Elvira.....	Judy Seidel
Violet Bradman.....	Judy Fairbanks
Dr. Bradman.....	Hal Weakly
	Don Partridge
Edith.....	Mary Pat McCann

Senior Play Snaps



JUNIOR - SENIOR RECEPTION



As a farewell to the Seniors before they departed on their trip to New York, the Class of '56 gave for their pleasure the annual Junior-Senior Reception on the evening of April 23, 1955.

An unusual but fascinating "Underwater" theme turned the Tecumseh Products Union Hall into a delightful setting for the party. Hanging from the ceiling were many multi-colored fish, the most outstanding of which were a giant squid and a seven foot swordfish. Also, in keeping with the theme, were various hand-painted underwater scenes on the walls. Dinner was served by candlelight, and the Sophomore servers were clad in the customary blue and white of sailors.

In accordance with the Senior class colors, the theme was carried out with pink and gray memory books, and their class motto, "Out of the harbor into deep channels", was used as the welcoming mat placed inside of the entrance.

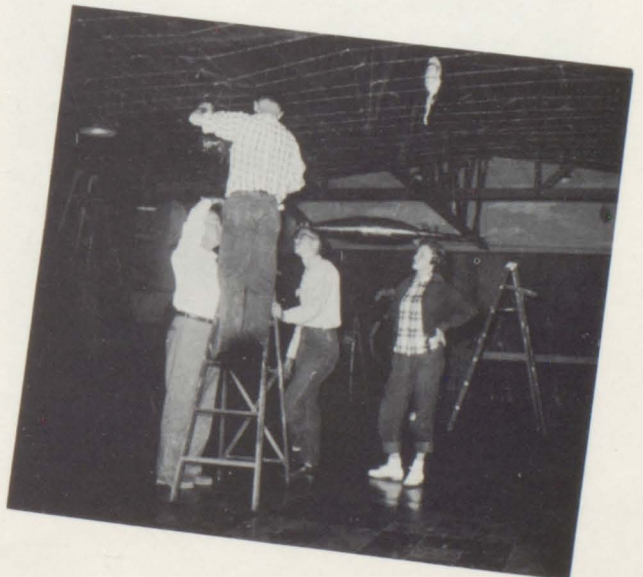
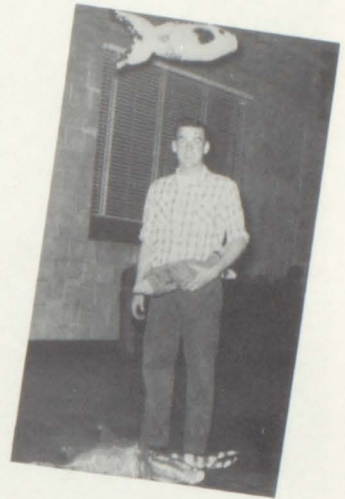
After a delicious Swiss steak dinner, the following program was presented:

Invocation.....	Rev. Alvin Brazee
Oratorical Octopus (Toastmaster).....	Ed Lewis
Mermaid's Masterpiece (Welcome).....	Sharon Claxton
Windy Whale (Response).....	Barbara Ousterhout
Diving Directions (Remarks).....	Mr. Hart, Principal
(Remarks).....	Mr. McDowell, Supt.
(Remarks).....	Mr. Runk, Senior Adviser
Benediction.....	Rev. Alvin Brazee

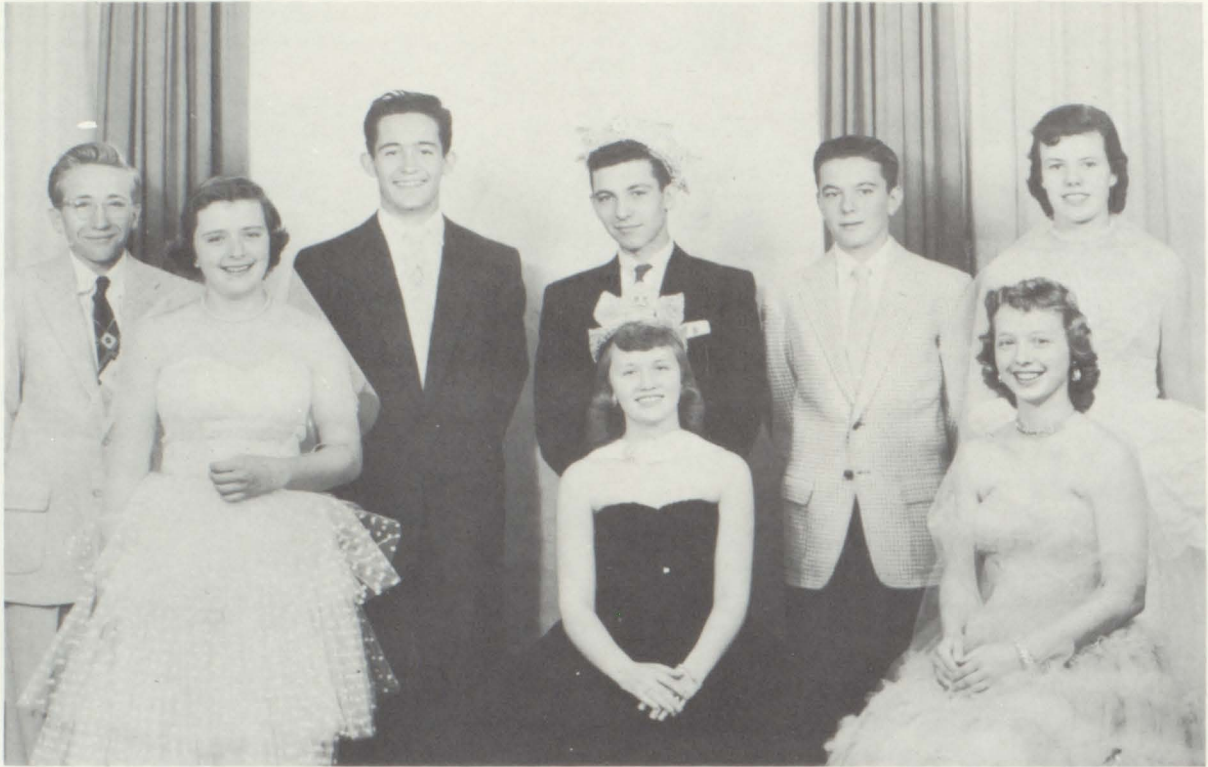
In conclusion, the guests were entertained by two Sophomores from Michigan State University, one a bano player, the other a bass fiddle player. A variety of selections were played and sung, thus marking the end of a most enjoyable evening.

JUNIOR-SENIOR RECEPTION

GREEN-EYED MONSTERS OF THE DEEP



May Dance



STANDING: Ray Miller, Jane Colgrove, Harold Weakly, Jerry Barton, Gary Cameron, Janet Martin.
SITTING: Connie Clark, Luella Bishop.

On the evening of May 6, 1955, the annual May Dance was held in the high school gymnasium. Dancing lasted from 9:00 to 1:00, the music being furnished by the Tecumseh Chieftains.

A capacity crowd of students and faculty members greatly enjoyed dancing under a ceiling of blue and white streamers, with potted palms and a beach scene completing the "Hawaiian Paradise" theme.

At midnight a delightful evening was climaxed when the Senior candidates, Connie Clark and Jerry Barton, were crowned king and queen of the dance and were presented with gifts by John Cadmus, Student Council President. Their royal court consisted of the following students: Luella Bishop and Harold Weakly, Juniors; Janet Martin and Gary Cameron, Sophomores; and Jane Colgrove and Ray Miller, Freshmen.

Although this May Party was merely another one in the long list of traditional May Parties at T.H.S., and no doubt many more will follow, still it can be said that the 1955 party will remain in the memory of those who attended it

as a prominent and outstanding event in their high school career.



Christmas Dance



"The Snow Ball" was the name of the annual Senior High Christmas Dance, which was held on Friday evening, December 23, 1955. The theme was appropriately carried out, with boughs of evergreen criss - crossing overhead, snowflakes dangling from the ceiling, three "kissing balls" decorated with mistletoe, and a large, jolly-faced snowman in the center of the gym floor. From 9:00 until 1:00 music was provided by Bill Carter's Band, and at intermission cookies and punch were served.

The Senior Class did an excellent job of sponsoring the Christmas Dance, which has become an annual tradition. Many of last year's graduates home from college for Christmas, attended this event. A near capacity crowd spent an enjoyable and memorable evening.



Homecoming Activities



QUEEN: Johanna Young.

COURT: Rita Crosby, Diane Fox, Merene Boltz.

On October 21, 1955, a gala parade opened the annual Homecoming festivities. This parade included the high school band, Homecoming Queen candidates, floats of the various classes and clubs, followed by their respective members, and the faculty.

At the half-time ceremonies, the winning floats were announced. First place ended in a tie, with honors going to the Senior and Junior classes; second place was awarded to the Freshmen; third place to the Future Nurses' Club; and honorable mention to the eighth grade. Next, Freshman candidate Johanna Young was announced as reigning Queen of

the Homecoming game, with her royal court consisting of Merene Boltz, Senior; Rita Crosby, Junior; and Diane Fox, Sophomore. Presenting the Queen with a bouquet of roses and her court with corsages was Ken Miller, Junior veteran end, who was injured early in the football season, and thus was unable to play in the remainder of the games.

In spite of a depressing defeat handed us by Hudson, Homecoming Week was enjoyably climaxed with a dance. At midnight, Johanna was formally crowned Homecoming Queen and presented with a gift by Student Council President, Nicky Touborg.

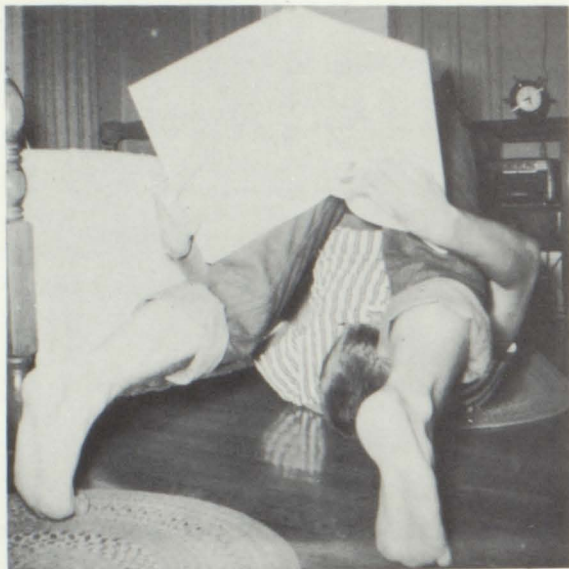


Homecoming



TO GET THROUGH SCHOOL , YOU

SPEEDO PRESENTS EIGHT EASY LESSONS TO SPEED YOU ON YOUR WAY



1. Before attempting to read anything, it is always best to fortify yourself with a cup of tea liberally diluted with Kickapoo Joy Juice.



2. Measure your reading speed. If you cannot read at least 31 inches per minute, go on to lesson three.



3. For abnormally slow readers, a reading accelerator may be rented from Mr. Dick's room. This will have you reading like crazy in no time.

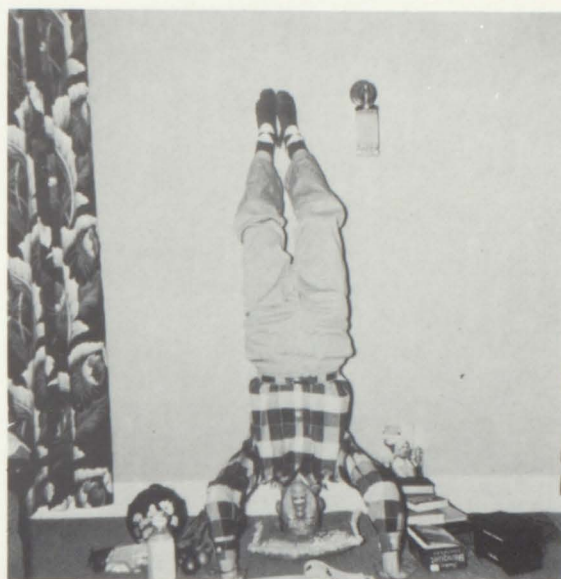


4. Practice reading everywhere. Soon you will find interesting literary material wherever you happen to be. Here, for instance, subject is shown reading the print on the ball during a tense, exciting game.

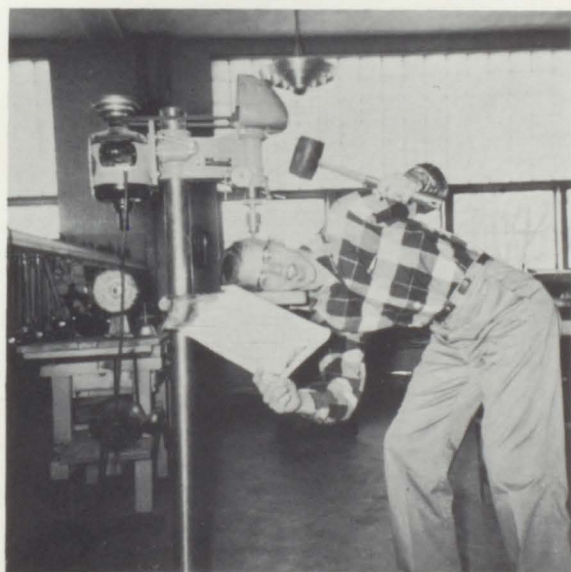
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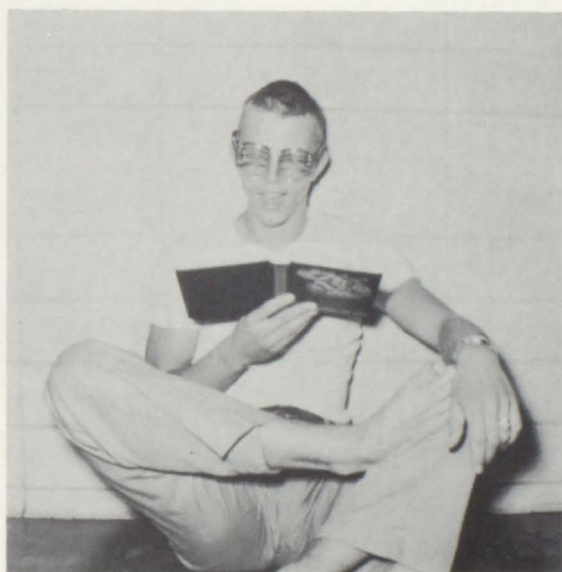
5. To avoid eyestrain, read two books at the same time. This will minimize chances of cross-over.



6. If you expect to get anything out of a book, you must have the proper reading conditions. Stand on your head to avoid indigestion from so much food for thought.



7. To retain all the knowledge that you may have acquired so far, it is advisable to drill and pound it firmly into your head.



8. In order to be able to read between the lines, wear several pair of glasses to focus in clearly.

Sponge Week



During the week of March 19 through 24 of this year, we celebrated the annual Sponge Week festivities, when the girls had the opportunity to do "the asking", and to perform all the customary duties of a gentleman, as well as pay all expenses.

The week's activities began on Monday, which was "Gum and Candy Day", resulting in many students going home with aching jaws and stomachs. Tuesday brought a new and original day called "Hat Day". Everyone was asked to wear any old hat, the majority of which brought loud laughs. Wednesday was a relaxed and casual day, for teachers and students alike—"Old Clothes Day". The next day, Thursday, was a turnabout; there was a marked difference in everyone's appearance on "Dress-up Day". The boys donned suits, white shirts, and ties, while the girls came attired in their Sunday best. Friday developed another new idea called "Senior Day". All underclassmen had to smile at the Seniors and be very polite to them.

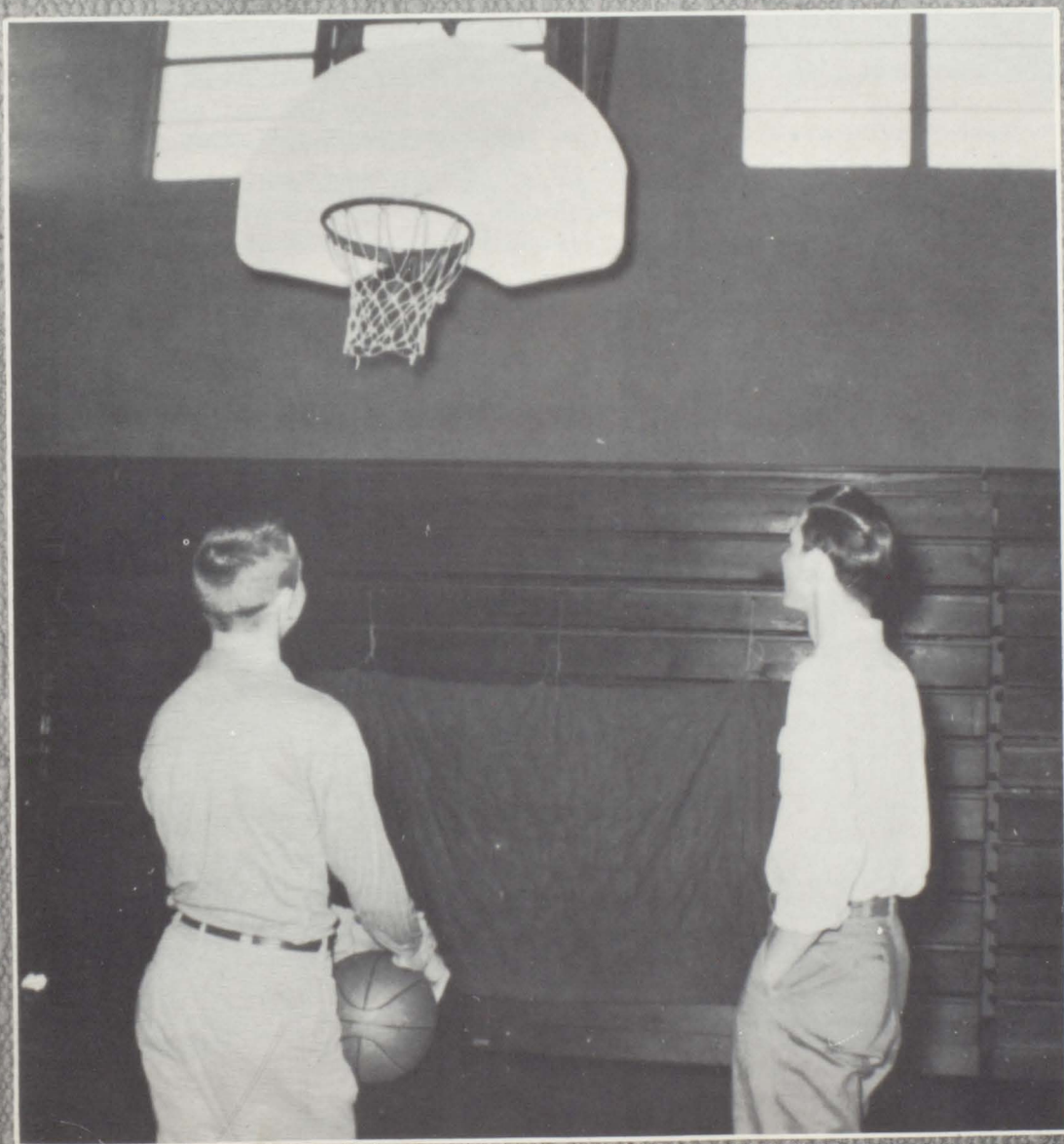
Penalties were handed out by the Student Council to those not conforming to the rules of Sponge Week; an assembly was held on Friday, in which the nonconformists put on a talent show.

To climax the week's festivities a "Potrzebic Pounce" was held on both March 23 and 24. Decorations corresponded with the name of the dances—unusual and original. The Senior High dance was held on Friday evening from 9 to 1, with the Tecumseh Chieftains providing the music. On Saturday evening the Junior High dance was held from 8 to 12, with dancing to the music of Driscoll's Orchestra. Homemade corsages were presented to the girl's respective dates.

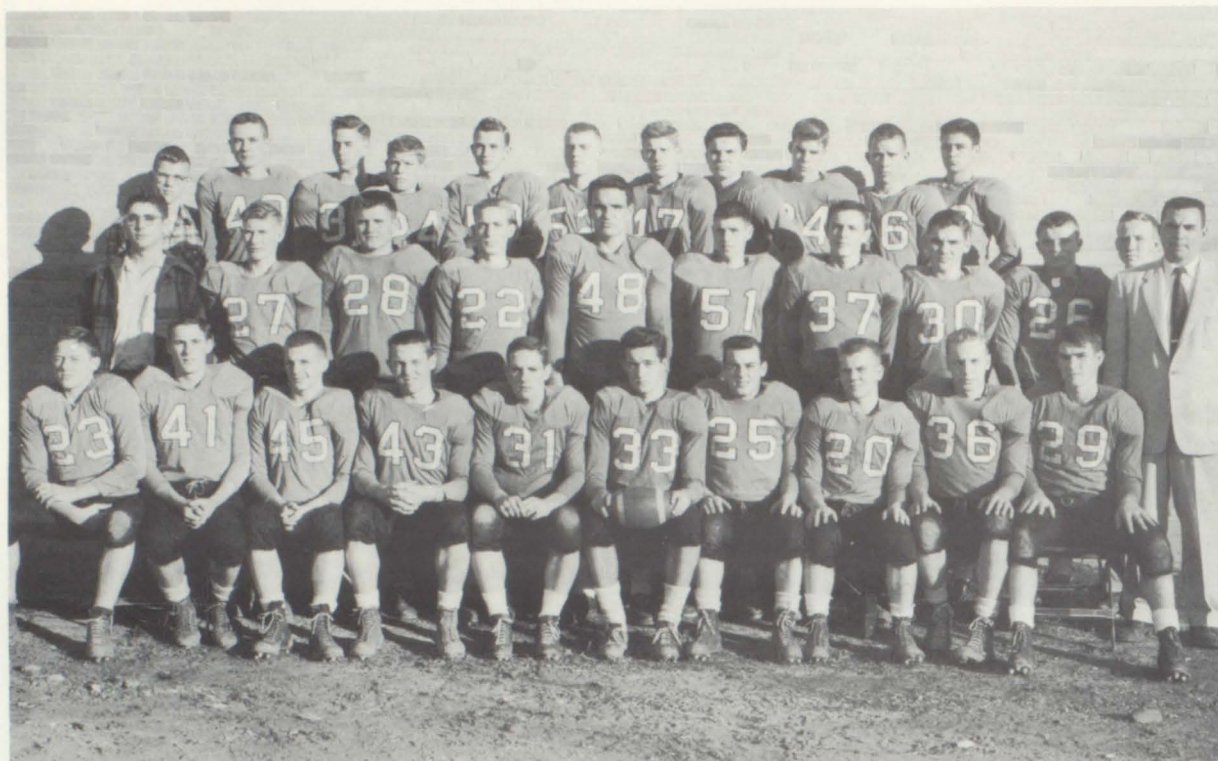
The various events were thoroughly enjoyed by most of our students, many of whom wished that every week could be Sponge Week at T.H.S.



SPORTS



Varsity Football



TOP ROW: Don Partridge, Bill Newell, Gary Williams, Larry Yoakum, Mike Walters, Dave Holden, Tony Kasik, Tony Scutt, Dave Elliott, Harold Tilton, Dave Merillat.
 SECOND ROW: Ray Nichols, Dean Andrews, Ed Covell, Ken Miller, Ray Larned, Neil O'Hara, Lee Marsh, Gene Damon, Allen Dickinson, Tom Price, Coach Breniff.
 FIRST ROW: Jim Dean, Ed Lewis, Bob Benham, Val Spangler, Gary Marsh, Hal Weakly, John Cadmus, Walt Bailey, Bob Manley, Bill Spreeman.

Bill Browne was in the hospital when this picture was taken.

Reserve Football



TOP ROW: Mike McCann, Mike Ferguson, Tom Harrison, Bob O'Neill, Lanny Greenwald, Gregg Mason, David Champanois, David Hohenstein, Deward Ritch.
 SECOND ROW: Gary Crawford, Bob Hirsch, Gerry Greene, Ronnie Lewis, Jon Weakly, Lloyd Watson, Ron Johnston, Don Sweet, Gary Hanna.
 FIRST ROW: Coach Brazee, David Schmidt, Carl Bailey, Dick French, J. C. Heflin, Bob Long, Jim Roe, Max Smith, Ray Miller.

Football

We started the 1955 football season out with a bang, defeating Addison, 32-0, on Sept. 16. In our next encounter, which was with a league foe, Monroe Catholic Central, we really played football for the first half, but Monroe came from behind to defeat us, 26-19.

We then went to Airport on Sept. 30; and again lack of second-half punch was the cause of an unsatisfactory score, ending in a tie, 6-6.

One of the brightest spots of the season was our encounter with Bedford on Oct. 14. For almost five years Tecumseh fans had not seen the likes of the blocking and tackling and plain hard football played that night. Bedford had beaten us in our three previous games with them, averaging 46 points a game, but finally the Indians delivered the football they were capable of and beat a tough Bedford team, 9-0.

However, that game with Bedford really took something out of us, for there was no football played by the Indians when Hudson and Blissfield took their toll, 45-0 and 53-0. On Nov. 4 the boys came back fighting, to be edged out by Hillsdale, 14-6; this was a paradox for Hillsdale had beaten Hudson the previous week.

On Nov. 11, the Tecumseh Indians, for the first time in about six years, came from behind to gain a victory. The boys got fired up and couldn't be put down, fighting their way to a 20-13 win over Milan.

Recognition should be given to Mr. Breniff for his outstanding work, and, with his help, we are looking forward to a successful season next year.

Bob Benham, a Senior, and Allen Dickinson, a Junior, brought honor to themselves and to the school through their playing by being given honorable mention on the Detroit Free Press All-State team.

The following Varsity letters were awarded: Walter Bailey, Bob Benham, Bill Browne, John Cadmus, Edwin Covell, Allen Dickinson, David Elliott, Ron Gurtzweiler, Tony Kasik, Ray Larned, Ed Lewis, Bob Manley, Gary Marsh (Co-Captain), Lee Marsh, Tony Scutt, Bill Spreeman, Val Spangler (Co-Captain), Harold Tilton, Mike Walters, Hal Weakly, and Larry Yoakum.

JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Tecumseh	7	Blissfield	6
Tecumseh	6	Bedford	34
Tecumseh	14	Blissfield	0
Tecumseh	26	Boysville	0
Tecumseh	0	Monroe C. C.	0

The Junior Varsity letter winners were as follows: Carl Bailey, Gary Crawford, Mike Ferguson, Dick French, Lanny Greenwald, Gary Hanna, J. C. Heflin, Bob Hirsch, Dave Holden, Ron Lewis, Bob Long, Darrell Lowery, Bob O'Neill, Jim Roe, Max Smith, Gary Williams.

Manager awards were given to Tom Price, Jerry Woodward, and Don Partridge. John Browne was also a manager.



Football Banquet



Basketball



TOP ROW: Coach Lawson, Hal Weakly, Nick Touborg, Bob Manley, Ed Lewis, Bob Hirsch, Fred Deaner.
FIRST ROW: Allen Dickinson, Val Spangler, Ray Larned, Mike Sission, Bill Hansen, John Elliott, Ken Miller.

The 1955-56 basketball season was a very successful one for Tecumseh High. The Indians, with only two returning lettermen from last year's championship squad, not only repeated as league champs with a seven-one record, but also improved their overall record to eleven-five.

The Indians opened their campaign with an easy 68-37 non-league win over Clinton. In their second game they played another non-league game, in which they outclassed Dundee, although winning by only seven points, 47-40.

The following week, for their first league game, the Indians traveled to Hillsdale, where they were upset by a score of 55-50, this being the only league game that they lost for the entire season. Tecumseh's next game was with Blissfield, who beat us, 61-52, in their cracker-box gym.

For the third game in a row, the Indians were on the road, this time traveling to Adrian, where they were whipped by a score of 59-47. Following this, there was a league game at Monroe Catholic Central. We silenced them, 79-49.

The next week the Indians met Addison. They figured this game would be a breather, but they had to come from behind to win, 58-50.

Our fifth win of the season came when we defeated an always-tough Airport five in our gym by a score of 54-45. The following week the Indians traveled to Bedford, where we had to really pour it on in the last half to win, 48-46.

The Indians' big test finally came when we played Hillsdale here. After trailing by eleven points at the half, the Lawson men pulled it out, 63-60, thus keeping us in contention for the league championship.

On Tuesday, Jan. 31, we were defeated by Monroe High at Monroe, 56-43. Blissfield invaded Tecumseh next, and after a very hard-fought battle, the Indians succumbed to the taller Sugarboys, 53-51. Our boys let down against an invading Monroe Catholic Central team and had to fight from behind to win, 68-60.

The next week the Indians traveled to Airport, where we completely outplayed their boys, winning 63-42.

The last league game of the season was with Bedford. In an exciting contest, we beat

the Mules, 77-63. The same night Airport upset Hillsdale, to give Tecumseh the Southeastern Michigan League Championship, with a seven-one record. It was anti-climactic when we defeated Hudson the following week, 68-61, to end a very successful year.

SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN LEAGUE STANDINGS

	Won	Lost
Tecumseh	7	1
Hillsdale	6	2
Airport	4	4
Bedford	2	6
Monroe C. C.	1	7

In the Class B District Tournament held at Tecumseh, the Indians downed Airport, 63-57, in a hard-fought battle. The next night, however, the Indians were defeated in the finals by a hot Willow Run team, 63-50.

Ken Miller was voted the most valuable player of the 1955-56 season, and Val Spangler was elected honorary captain by the team.

The Varsity letter winners were: Seniors: Val Spangler, Mike Sisson, Bob Manley, Hal Weakly and Ed Lewis; Juniors: Ken Miller, Bill Hansen, Ray Larned, and Allen Dickinson; Sophomore: John Elliott. Nick Touborg received a Junior Varsity letter.

The Junior Varsity squad, under the able direction of Mr. Murdoch, had only a fair season, winning five games and losing eleven. The J. V. letter winners were: Bruce McDowell, Scott Harvey, Pat Fero, Larry Yoakum, Bob O'Neill, Mike Ferguson, Ray Miller, Jon Weakly, Dave Elliott, and Ron Gurtzweiler.

The following boys received a manager award: Bob Hirsch, Fred Deaner, and Charles Hartsell. John Naser was the official statistician for both squads.

J. V. SCHEDULE AND SCORES

Tecumseh	61	Clinton	12
Tecumseh	44	Dundee	47
Tecumseh	37	Hillsdale	48
Tecumseh	65	Blissfield	82
Tecumseh	31	Adrian	69
Tecumseh	37	Monroe C. C.	50
Tecumseh	55	Addison	28
Tecumseh	35	Airport	61
Tecumseh	32	Bedford	55
Tecumseh	47	Hillsdale	49
Tecumseh	50	Monroe	35
Tecumseh	54	Blissfield	57
Tecumseh	58	Monroe C. C.	36
Tecumseh	48	Airport	65
Tecumseh	44	Bedford	49
Tecumseh	45	Hudson	28



TOP ROW: Charles Hartsell, Jon Weakly, Max Smith, Gerry Greene, Don Greene, Pat Fero, Ron Gurtzweiler.

FIRST ROW: Mike Ferguson, Bob O'Neill, Dave Elliott, Scott Harvey, Bruce McDowell, Larry Yoakum, Coach Murdoch.

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Baseball



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SITTING: Bill Scutt, Bob Manley, Bill Hansen, Jim Bowser, Bob Benham, Ray Larned, Dennis Farley, Jerry Barton, Lee Marsh, Bill Spreeman.

The Tecumseh Indians did not have a successful baseball season in 1955, due in large part to the loss of six 1954 Seniors from the team. Thus we ended the season with a record of only two wins and seven losses.

With a green team, we started the season off with a 8-2 loss to Airport. In our second game we met a strong Bedford nine, who beat us, 3-2, in nine innings. In our third game Monroe beat us, 7-3. We stranded nine runners, which meant the game, this being our third setback in as many starts. In our second meeting with Airport we fell apart, scoring only one run on one hit as they beat us, 18-1.

Before we could recuperate from our loss to Airport, we had a second meeting with Monroe, who beat us, 11-2. Next, Bedford trounced us, 5-0, as we suffered our sixth straight loss. In our only non-league game, we met our old rival Clinton. Although we scored some runs,

they edged us out, 9-5.

Then we won a game. We rolled over Hillsdale, 7-5, in eight innings. Everyone was happy as we looked forward to our last game of the season, which was with Hillsdale again. This game we won by a score of 2-1. It was only the real effort of the team which kept us out of the cellar.

Our very inexperienced team should produce good material for the 1956 season.

Letter Winners

Jerry Barton, Bob Benham, Jim Bowser, Allen Dickinson, Bill Hansen, Ray Larned, Bob Manley, Lee Marsh, Bill Newell, Bill Spreeman, Dennis Farley. Manager: Eugene Damon.

Track



TOP ROW: Carl Bailey, Mike Ferguson, Gary Williams, Doug Hoffman, J. C. Heflin, Joe Hayden, Gerry Greene, Terry Holdridge, Larry Hooton, Larry Kohl, Oleg Michajlenko, Alfred Dick, Ron Wotring, Arlen Fletcher.

SECOND ROW: Jack Bryan, Nicky Touborg, Don Partridge, Bruce McDowell, Harold Weakly, Earl Drummonds, Glenn Haviland, Philip Young, Gary Hizer, Ray Puffer, Walter Bailey.

FIRST ROW: Mr. Lawson, Gary Marsh, Allen Dickinson, Dick Baker, Bill Browne, Kenny Miller, Ritchie Davis, Bill Scutt, Jim Bowser, Leroy Betzoldt, John Cadmus.

The first track meet of the 1955 season was with Bedford, and we lost $62\frac{1}{2}$ to $46\frac{1}{4}$. The thinclads from Blissfield, our next foes, managed to eke out a victory, $58\frac{1}{2}$ to $53\frac{1}{2}$, going to the last event for the decision. Another close one slipped by us, this time to Hudson, by the score of 58 to 51. Monroe Catholic gained a victory over our trackmen by a score of $59\frac{7}{10}$ to $49\frac{3}{10}$. We were then walloped by Hillsdale, $60\frac{2}{3}$ to $38\frac{1}{3}$. Airport gained its twenty-third consecutive victory, defeating us, 59 to 50.

At the regionals Ritchie Davis won the 220 yard dash and was second in the 100; Ken Miller placed second in his heat of the $\frac{1}{2}$ mile; and the medley relay team got fourth. We gained third place at the league meet, with Ken Miller and the medley relay team our only winners.

Ritchie Davis amassed a sparkling total of 105 points during the season, and Ken Miller was undefeated in the half mile in dual meets.

Nineteen boys earned their letters, only six of whom were Seniors, showing promise for this year's team.

Letter Winners

Seniors: Leroy Betzoldt, Jim Bowser, Ritchie Davis, Glenn Haviland, Gary Hizer, and Bill Scutt; Juniors: Bill Browne, John Cadmus, Gary Marsh, Don Partridge, and Hal Weakly; Sophomores: Dean Andrews, Dick Baker, Allen Dickinson, Bruce McDowell, Ken Miller, and Nick Touborg; Freshmen: Earl Drummonds and Ray Miller.

Golf



David Lamkin, Dick Baker, Val Spangler, Mr. Murdoch, John Elliott, Dave Elliott, Max Smith.

The 1955 Tecumseh High golf team had a 6 win—2 loss record, which was very good, considering the fact that there were three Freshmen and one Junior on the playing team. With such a young team, the outlook for 1956 ought to be good.

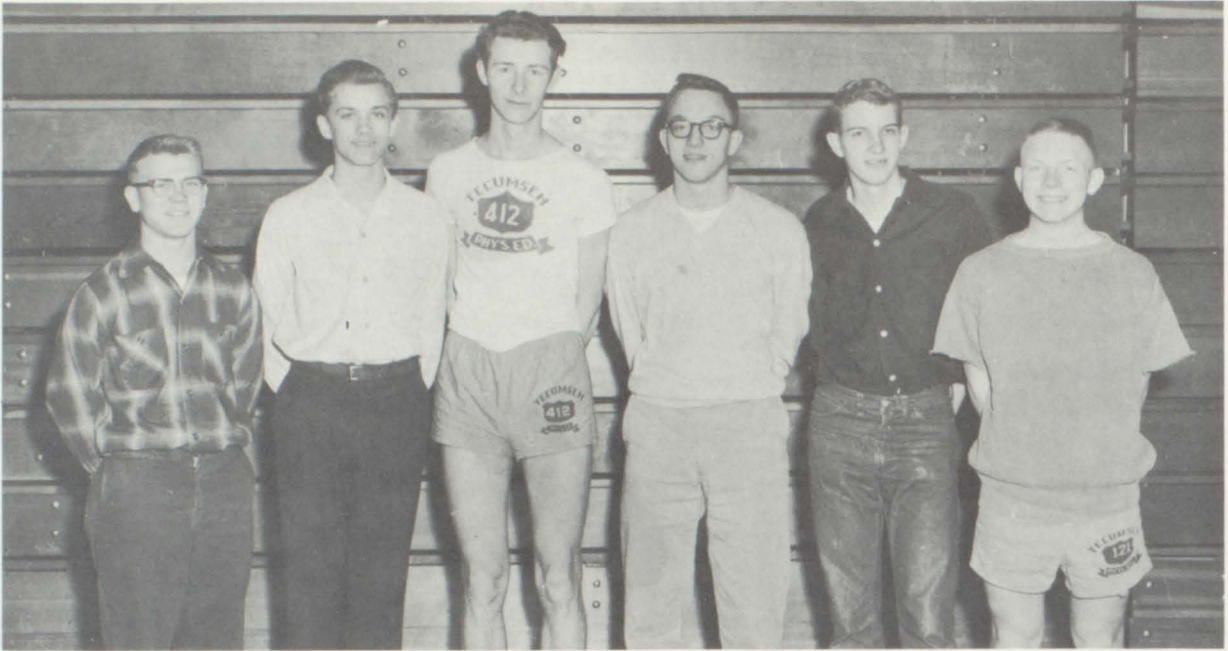
The first match was with Bedford; our team won, 8 to 0, over 9 holes. We then travelled to Ann Arbor, where we defeated University High on medal play. Our next foe was Adrian, and again we won, this time in match play over 18 holes, by the score of 13 to 3. Hillsdale proved too much for us, and we fell, 19 to 1. The return match with Adrian turned our way, 12 to 4. The next match was with Hillsdale again, and

they turned the trick once more, this time $15\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$. Our last two matches with Bedford and University High ended the match play season on a good note without any points being given up by our golfers.

The team took third place out of sixteen teams at the Regional in Brighton. After qualifying there, the linksmen placed ninth at State. The league meet was at Hillsdale, and they beat us out of top honors in medal play.

Val Spangler, Dave and John Elliott, and Dave Lamkin were letter winners. Max Smith and Dick Baker were the number five and six men on the squad. Vere Hart and Gary Hanna also worked out with the team.

Intramural Teams

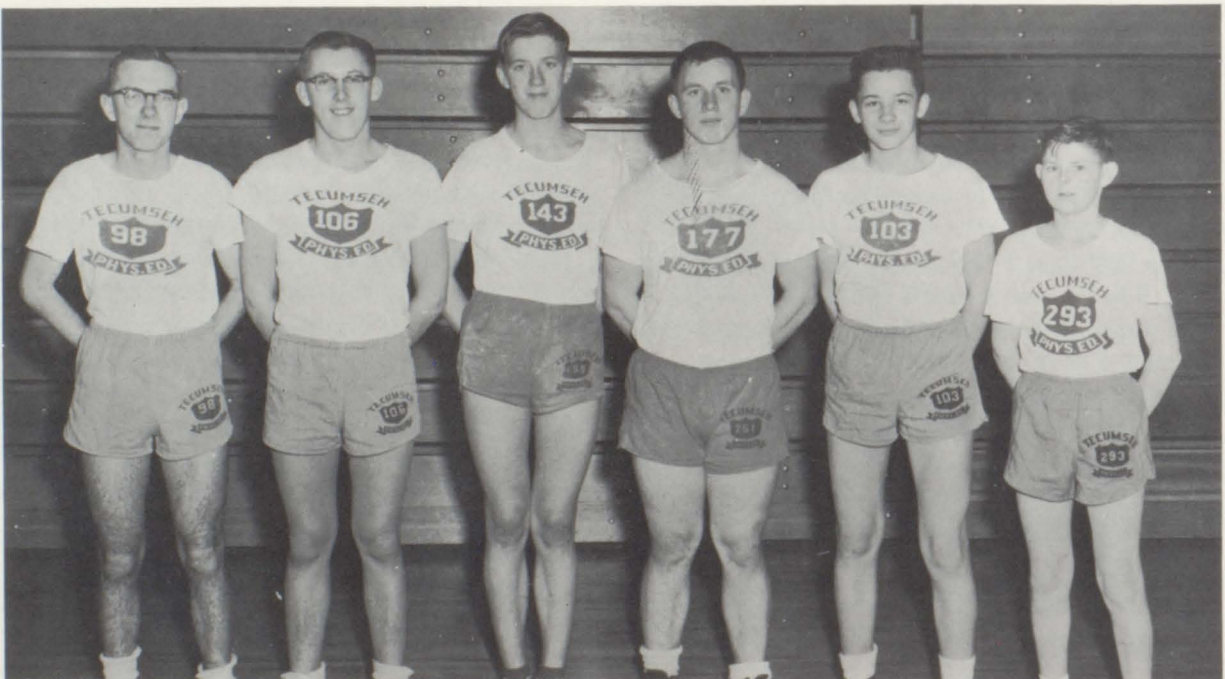


Walter Bailey, Al Gebarowski, Alan Berkheiser, Bill Browne, Roger Harkness, Gary Hanna.

There were two intramural basketball leagues this year, with over one hundred boys participating. The American league was made up primarily of Junior and Senior boys, while the National league teams were composed of Freshmen and Sophomores.

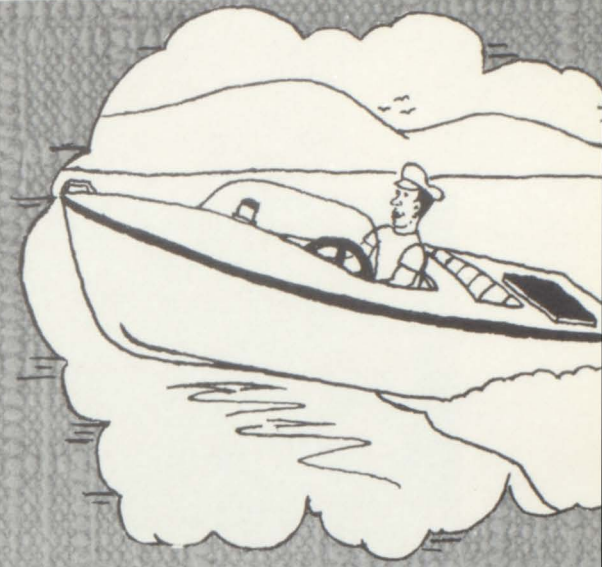
The winning teams in each league are shown on this page.

Dean Andrews won the annual "21" tournament open to all high school boys not on the Varsity or Junior Varsity basketball squads. The free throw tournament was won by Gary Elliott.



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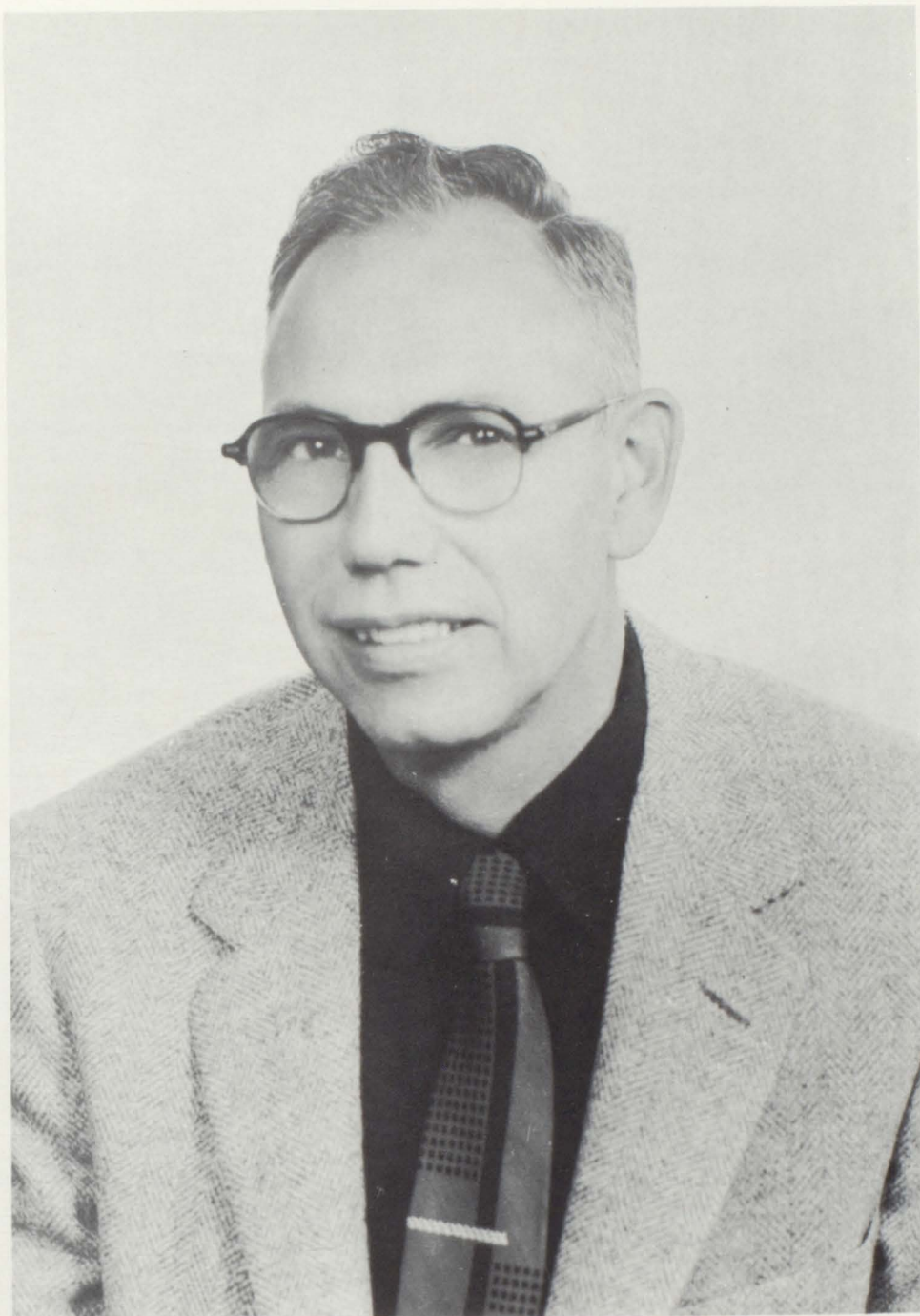


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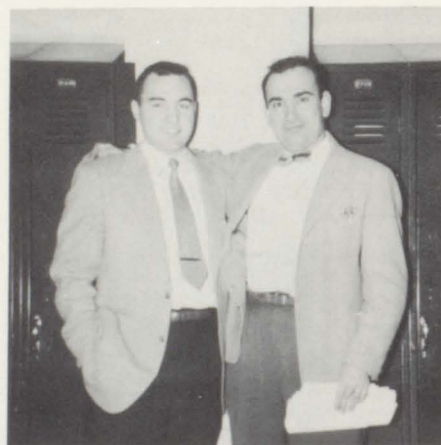
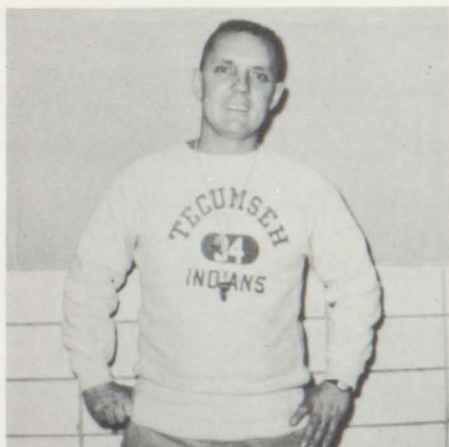
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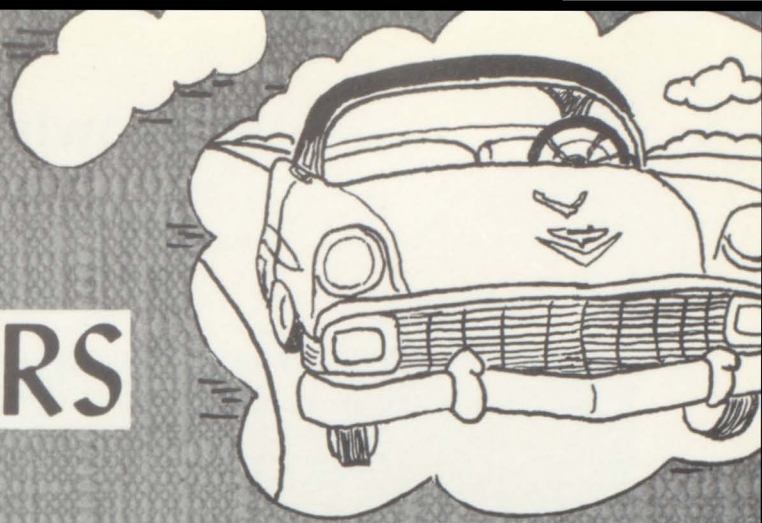
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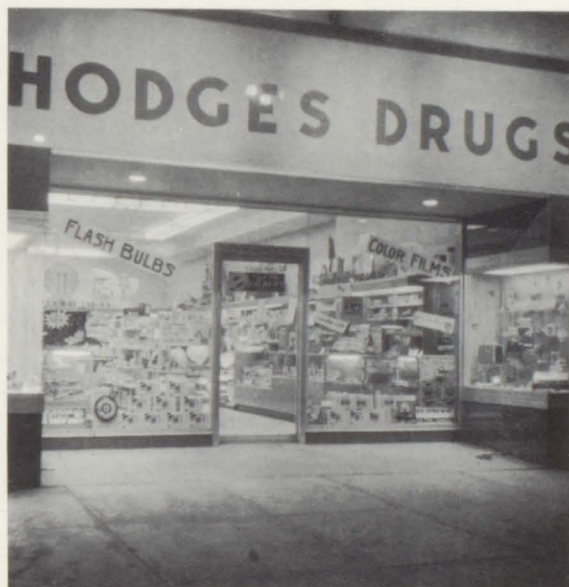


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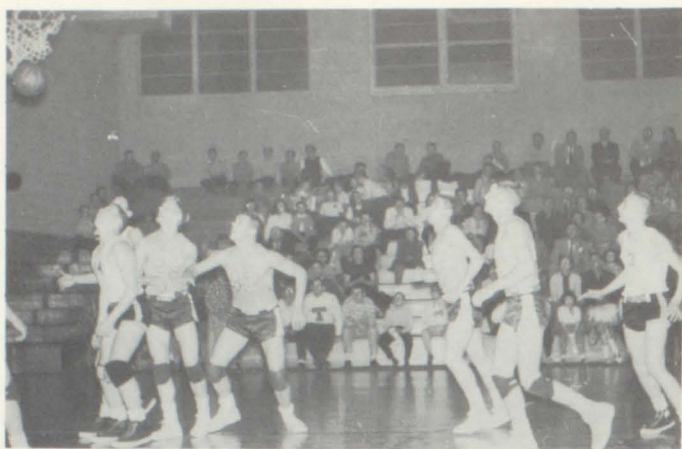
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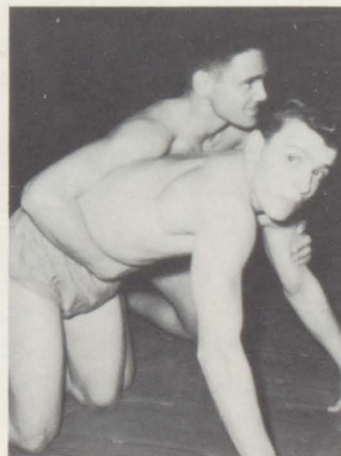
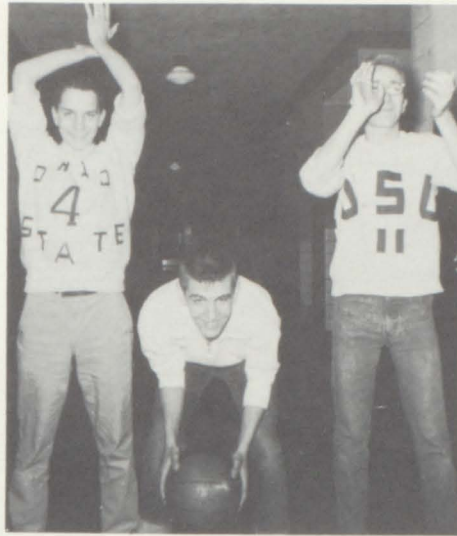
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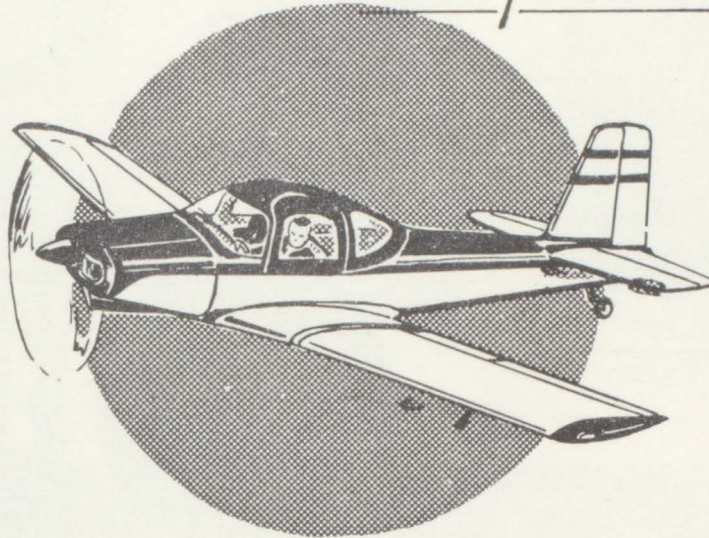


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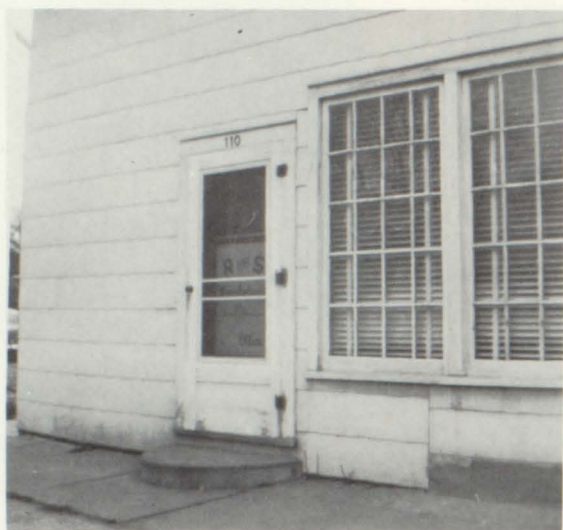
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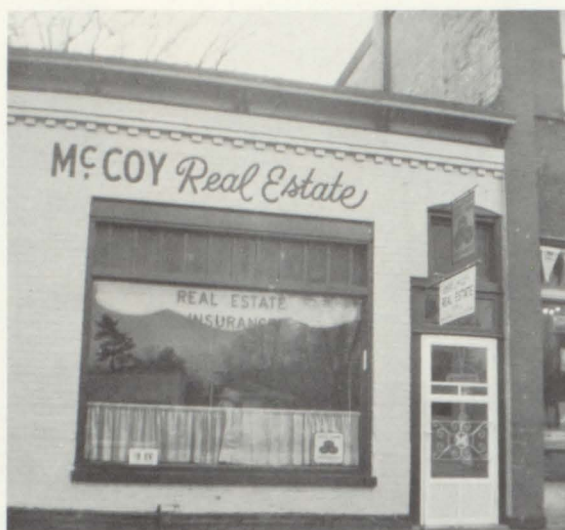
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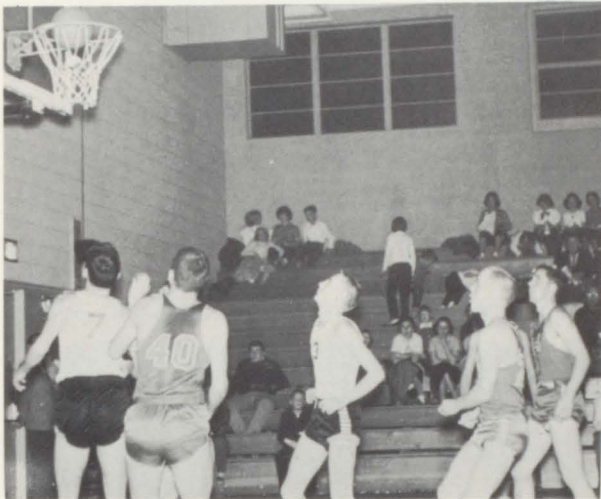


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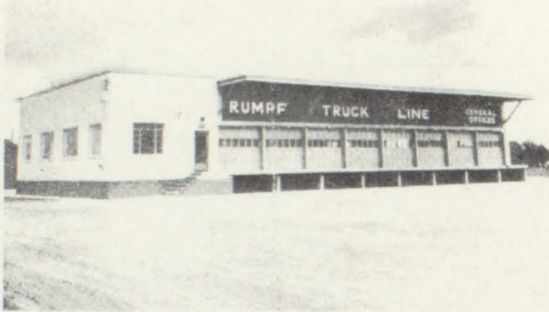
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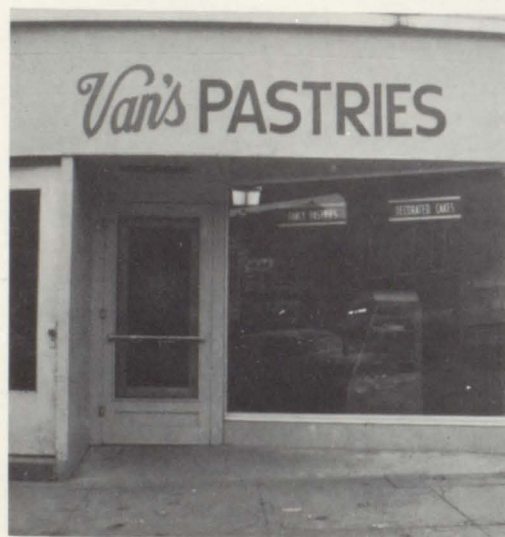
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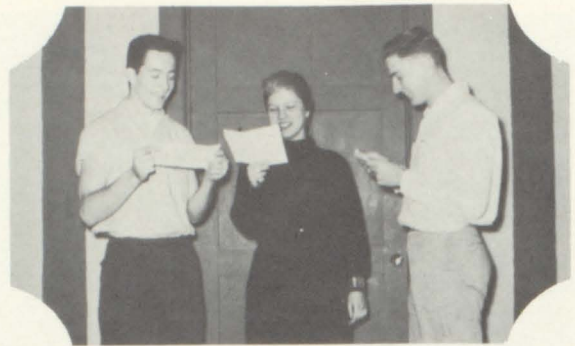
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Play School



Fix my nails, Linderella!!



All together now——



Come hither!!!



Hardy-har-har!!



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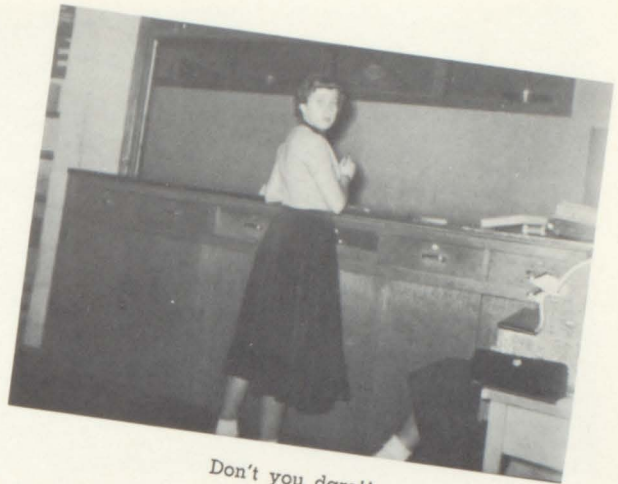


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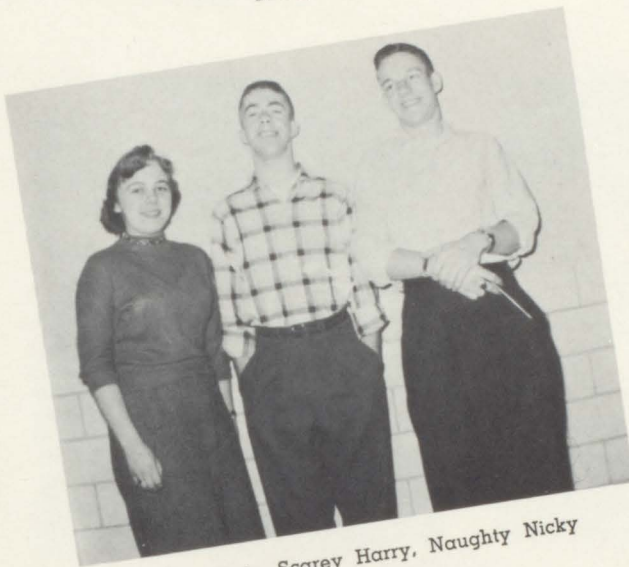
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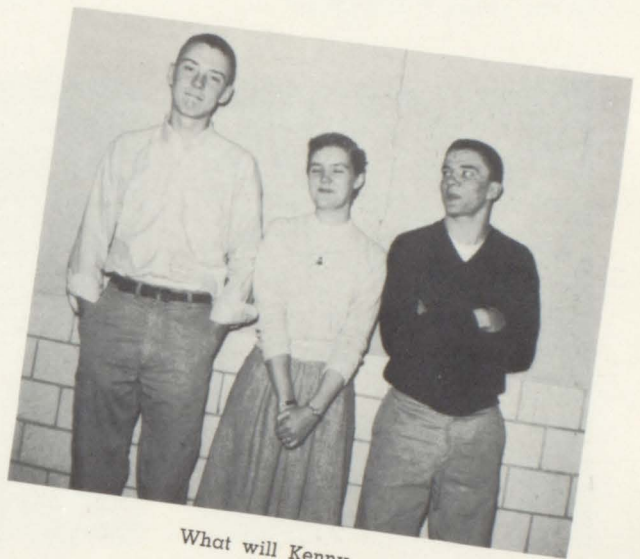
Every penny counts!



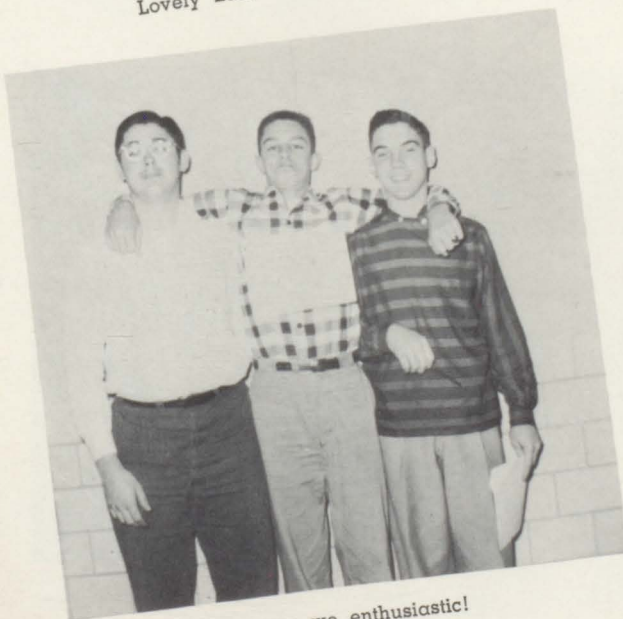
Don't you dare!!



Lovely Lois, Scarey Harry, Naughty Nicky



What will Kenny say?



Boy, are we enthusiastic!



It's in the book!

Snaps



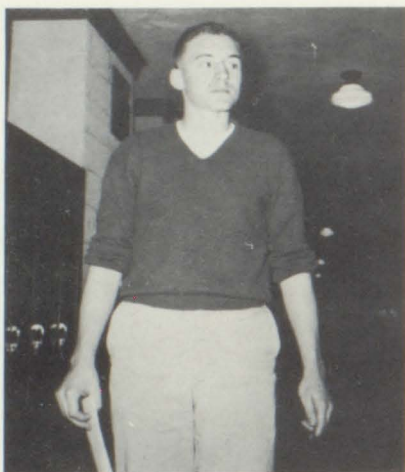
Up and coming Indian fighter!



Danger!!



Denny



Bob



What do you think you're doing out here?



Awk—Polly wants a cracker!!



Hoods



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Feature



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Fire!!



Let me out o' this fire trap!



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Splash!



Oh, well—back to work!

Our Crew

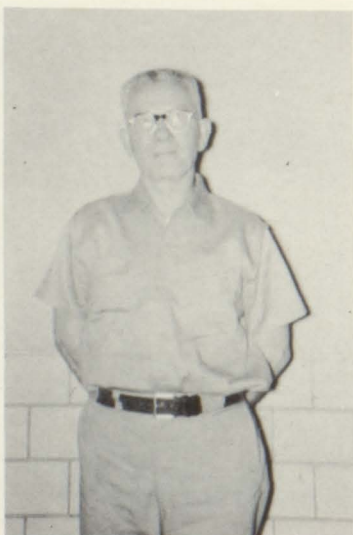


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