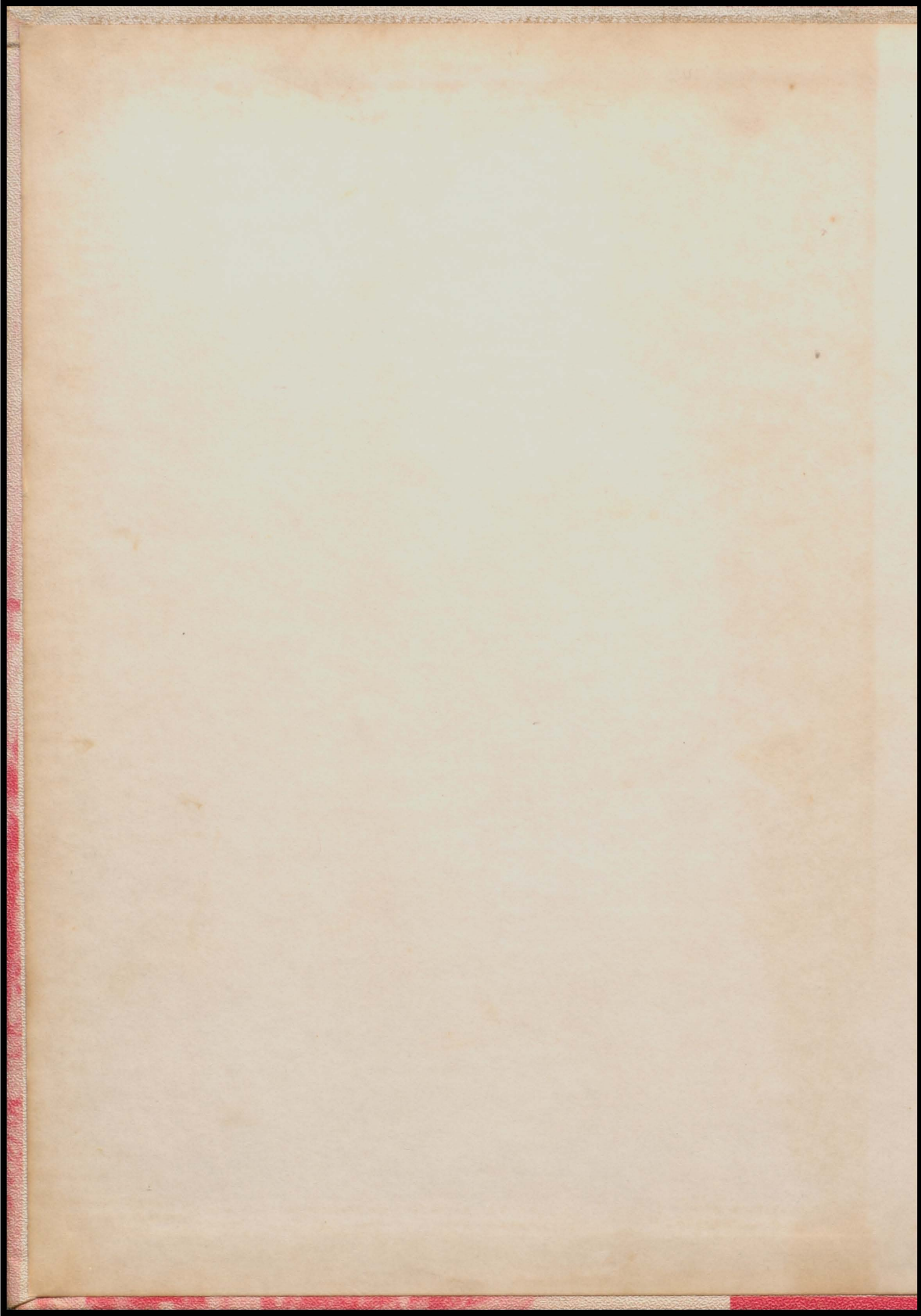


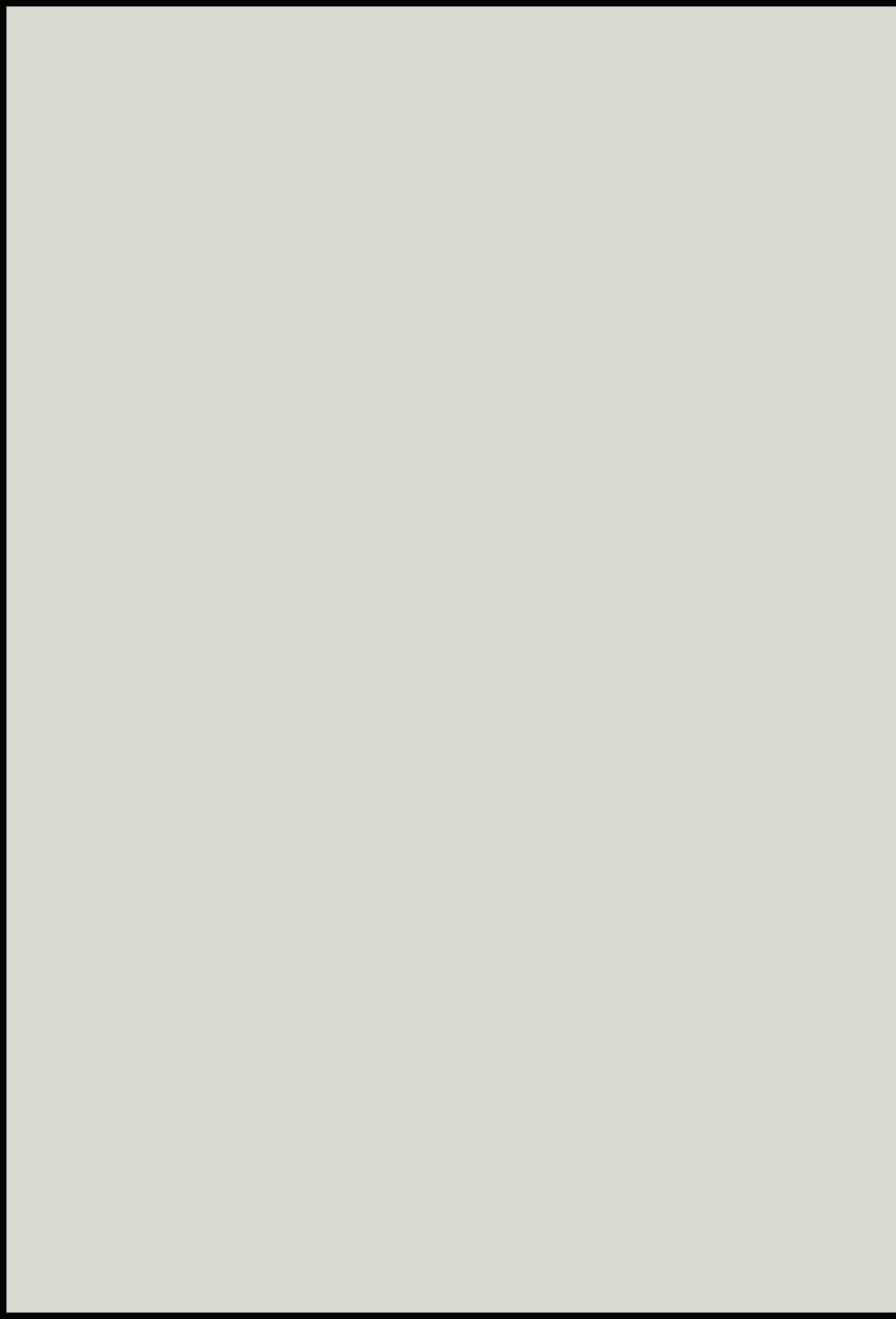
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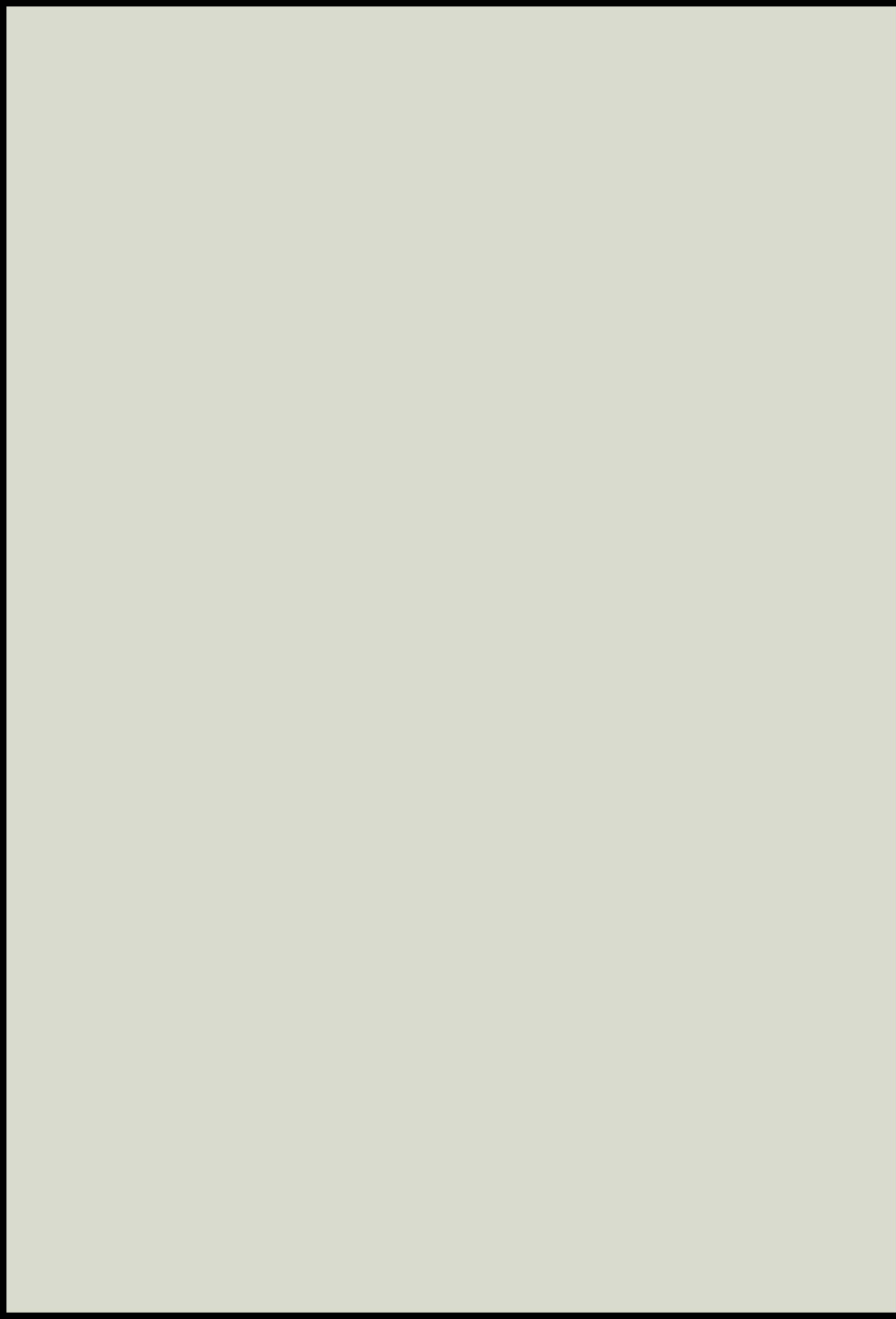
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The Echo Staff dedicate this volume of the yearbook to our parents whose willing sacrifices have made our education possible.

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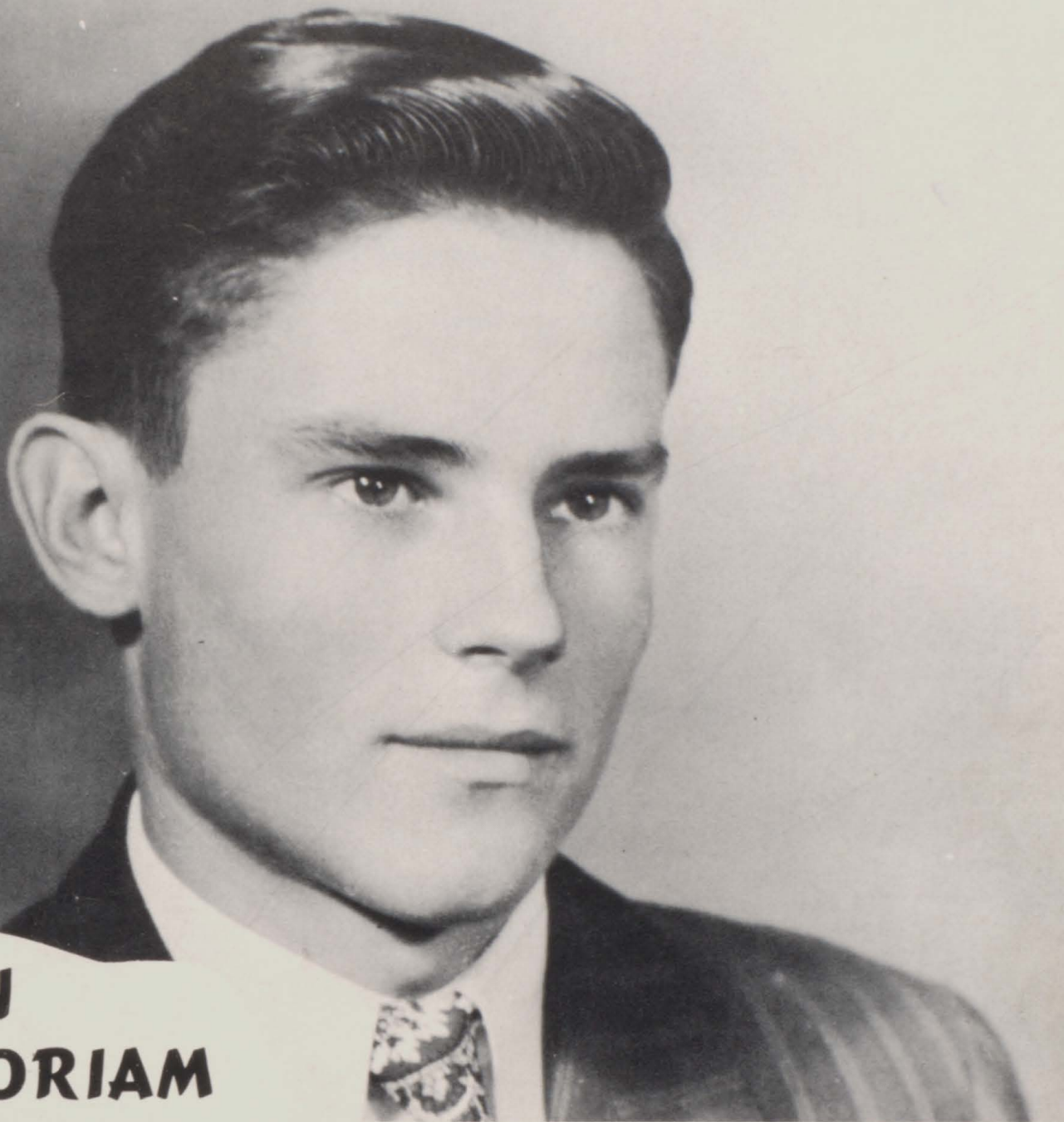
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CLASSES





IN MEMORIAM

Cpl. Harry L. Alecock
Born, December 5, 1931
Killed in action in Korea, September 6, 1952

All who knew Harry will remember his smile, his friendliness, his willingness to cooperate, and his appreciation of kind deeds.

During his high school years he was active in F.F.A. work. He took pride in his projects and was conscientious in their care. He enjoyed the activities of the local F.F.A. chapter and participated fully in helping to make them successful.

He was also active in sports and other high school activities.

Harry gave up the material things of life to help cure the world of the dreaded disease of Communism. May his gift be appreciated and cherished.



MELBA ALECOCK... specializes in tossed salads... President of Senior Class ... needle pusher

JACK WIDENER... his nose ... willing worker ... college ... "Eek"

JOAN SANDERSON... a phantom of delight ... college ... "Joanie" ... F. H. A. president... choice fried shrimp

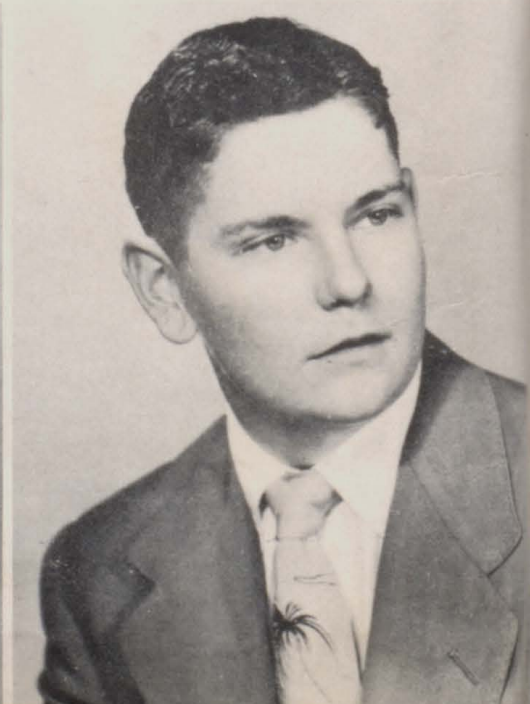
MAIDA ALECOCK... Oh! those Drive-In Movies... "The Johnson Rag" ... cleaning shoes her specialty ... spaghetti kid

JAN CARNS... argyle socks ... runs bank and lends money in spare time ... "Parky"

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BARBARA LAWYER... craves chocolate cake ... dimples ... cheer-leader ... boys preferred

DONALD CLINE ... made man at the wheel ... coon hunter deluxe ... join the Navy

EUNICE GREEN ... anchors aweigh ... future homemaker ... Florida ... future raising Allamans

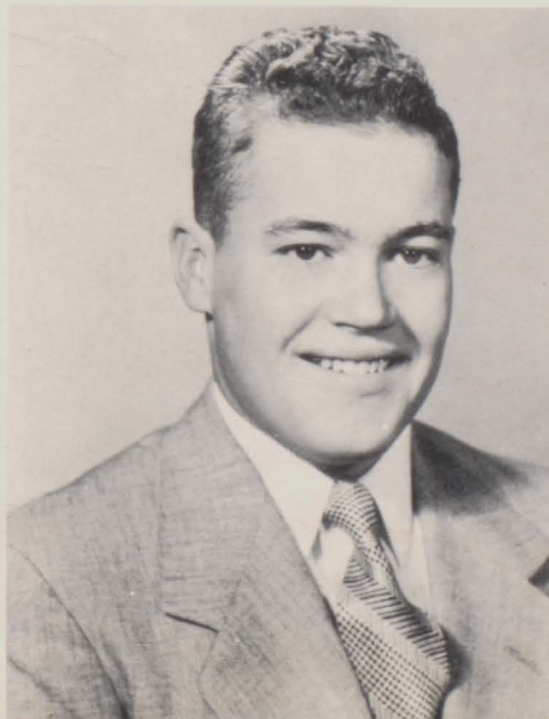
SCOTT PILCHER... curly hair ... college perhaps ... "Scotty-dog" ... messes with chemistry

MYRNA TIPPETT ... excellent pianist ... Echo Editor ... future Einstein ... always has "company"



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IORS





VIVIAN SEATS ... adores "Oak" trees ... "Shortie" ... likes to Fox Trot ... spooks

GLENN BALDWIN ... pin-ball enthusiast ... sagging car springs ... uses oil

SHIRLEY GOLLIDAY ... a sly violet ... quiet and dependable ... travel in Burlington and see the world

PAULINE BOYER ... pie ... "Polly" ... brown eyes ... loves lavender ... future in the Navy

JEROME PATTERSON ... "Where's my English book?" ... "Pat" ... likes good clean fun

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Vivian

"GRADES"

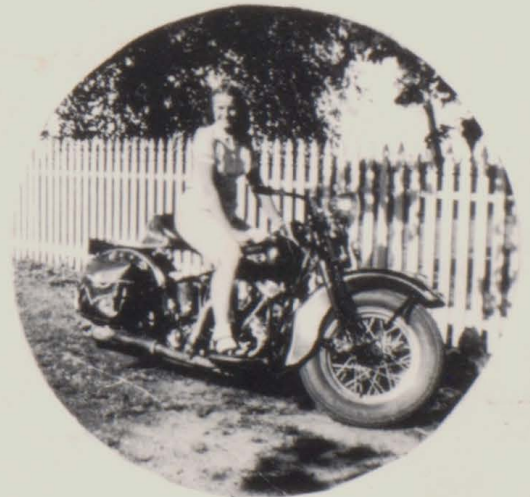
Eugene

"GRADS"

Eunice



Jerome



CLASS PROPHECY

As I was reading the paper the other night, I came quite unexpectedly on that portion dedicated to the events of the past. After staring at the photograph for quite some time, I finally realized that the picture was of the class of '53. Immediately I scanned the page for details. There before me lay the history of what had happened to all of my classmates since graduation ten years ago.

Joan Sanderson is now a famous fashion designer with headquarters in London, Paris, New York, and Biggs-ville.

Donald Cline, another class member, has become internationally famous as driver of the famed "Shooting Seven."

Jan Carns, the new owner of Mayfair Park, provides entertainment for young and old. Currently playing at Mayfair is the hit band of a former classmate, Scott Pilcher, who sends teenagers with his swoony sax. Vocalist with the band is none other than the lark of old Biggsville High, Eunice Green.

Barbara Lawyer is now a great T V actress. She co-stars in none other than the ever popular drama, "The Webb."

Vivian Seats is now the wife of a famous forest ranger. Living near one of the largest forests in the world she raises little "Oaks." As a hobby, of course.

Maida Alecock is living in sunny California. She works as a receptionist for The Minute Maid Orange Juice Company.

Pauline Boyer is at the height of her ambition. She is now director of women in the Waves.

Jerome Patterson, world famous inventor, is now working on a push button window shade, so those cords won't attract restless people.

Melba Alecock is now world famous as Betty Crocker's successor at General Mills.

Myrna Tippet is private secretary to the Waller and Mahaffy Manufacturing Company.

Glenn Baldwin is now head chef at the MacMurray College for Women. I wonder if he enjoys his work.

Shirley Golliday is P. E. instructor at U. C. L. A. Girls P. E., that is.

Jack Widener is teaching Latin at the University of Illinois. To earn his spending money, he goes from door to door selling dog muzzles.

Now, once again, as I did before nearly ten years ago, I leave dear old B. H. S. But with me always I'll have the wonderful memories of the four years that I spent there. Time cannot take them from me.

CLASS WILL

We, the members of the Senior Class of Biggsville High School, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-three, being of sound mind and certain of graduation, do hereby make, publish, and declare this to be our Last Will and Testament in the manner following:

I, Jack Widener, do will and bequeath my jolly laughter to Janice Hays.

I, Myrna Tippett, do will and bequeath to Mrs. Glenn, the ability to pick another Echo Editor who will work as well as I did on Monday nights, in spite of having company.

I, Vivian Seats, do will and bequeath my nickname "Shorty" to Lovell Green.

I, Joan Sanderson, do will and bequeath my ability to pound the ivories to Pearl Lipes.

I, Scott Pilcher, do will and bequeath my ability to settle down to Gerald Ferguson.

I, Jerome Patterson, do will and bequeath my ability as football center to Harry Cooper.

I, Barbara Lawyer, do will and bequeath my small waistline to Clifford Knapp.

I, Eunice Green, do will and bequeath my love for diamonds to Norma Purdue.

I, Eugene Cline, do will and bequeath my nickname "Windy" to Kendall Tippett.

I, Jan Carns, do will and bequeath my ability to write short stories to Charles Webb.

I, Pauline Boyer, do will and bequeath my ability to draw red lines in bookkeeping to Donna Cook.

I, Glenn Bladwin, do will and bequeath my careful driving to Duwain Mettlin.

I, Melba Alecock, do will and bequeath my love for babysitting to David Shook.

I, Maida Alecock, do will and bequeath all my extra telephone calls to Mary Gustafson.

I, Shirley Golliday, do will and bequeath my love for Burlington to anyone who has the quarter to pay the bridge toll.

We, the Class of '53 do will and bequeath to the faculty, our lasting memoirs, which will remain forever on the desks of dear old B.H.S.

To the Class of '54 our seats in study hall and the gum attached thereto.

To the Class of '55 our regular attendance at school.

To the Class of '56 the ability to enjoy themselves as much as we have.

Class of '53



Donna Cook
President



Mary Gustafson
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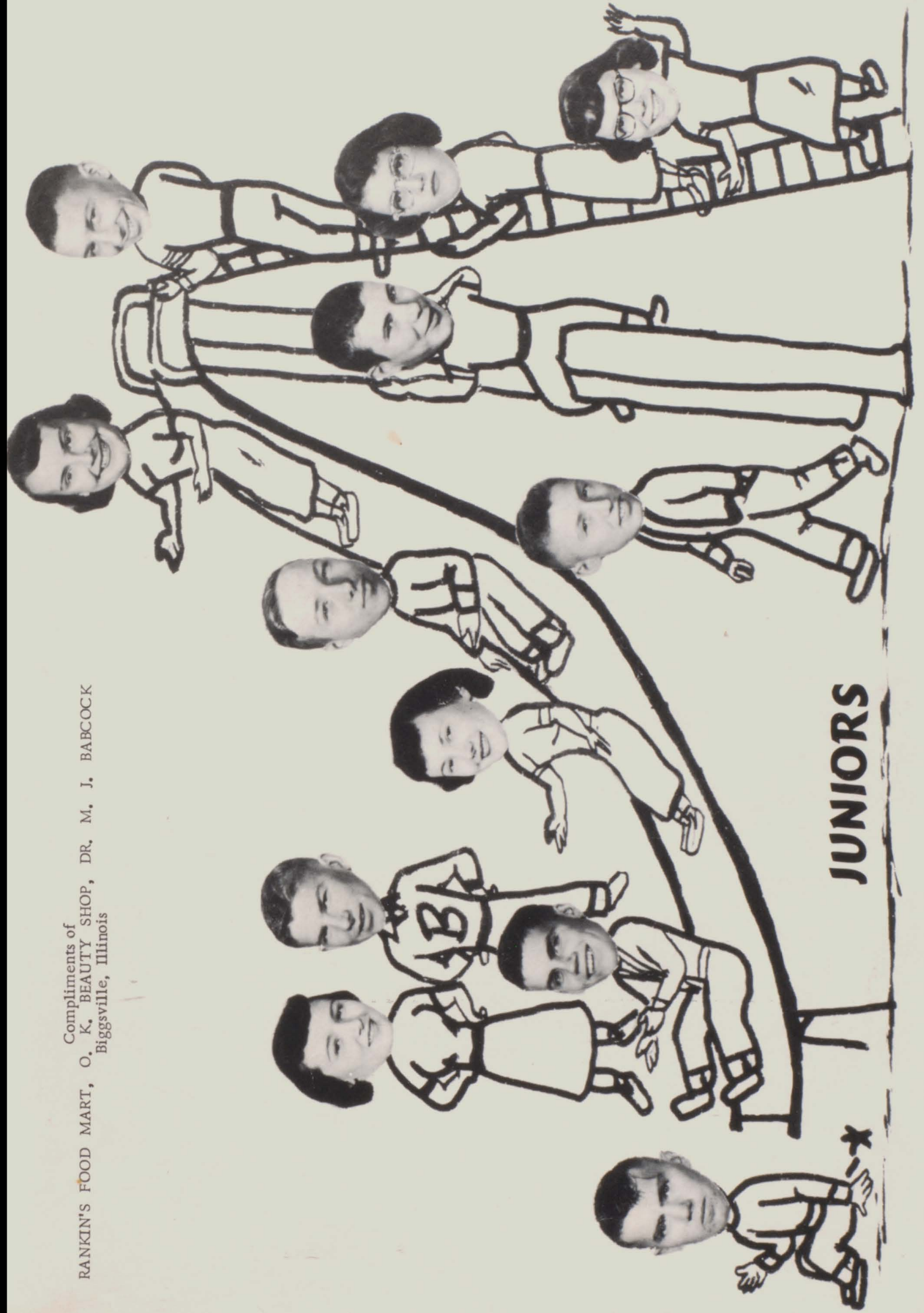


Duwain Mettlin



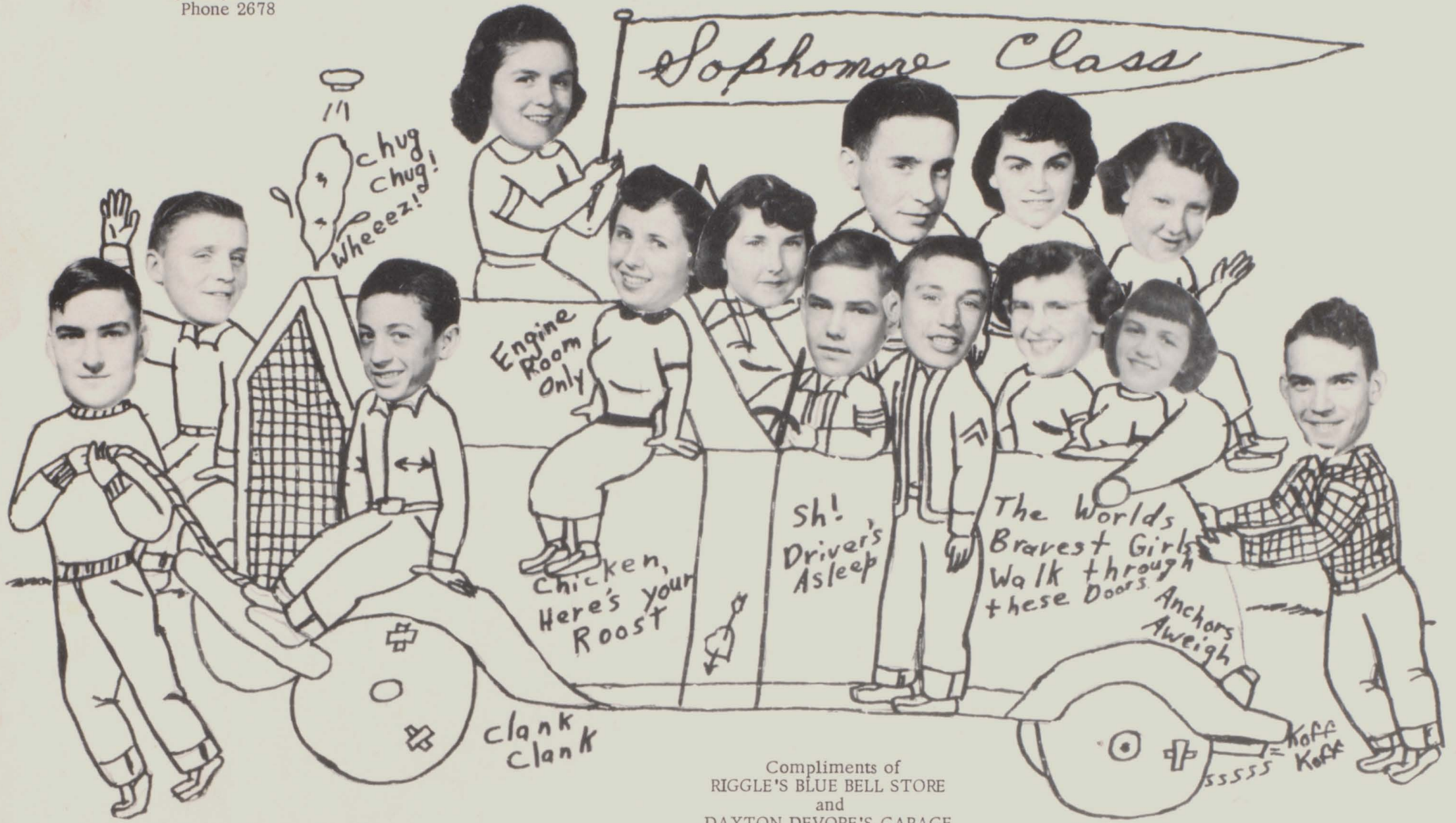
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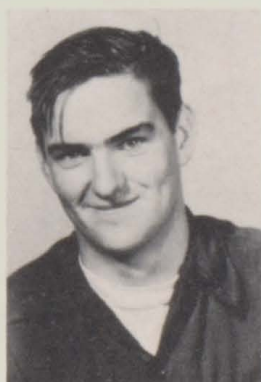
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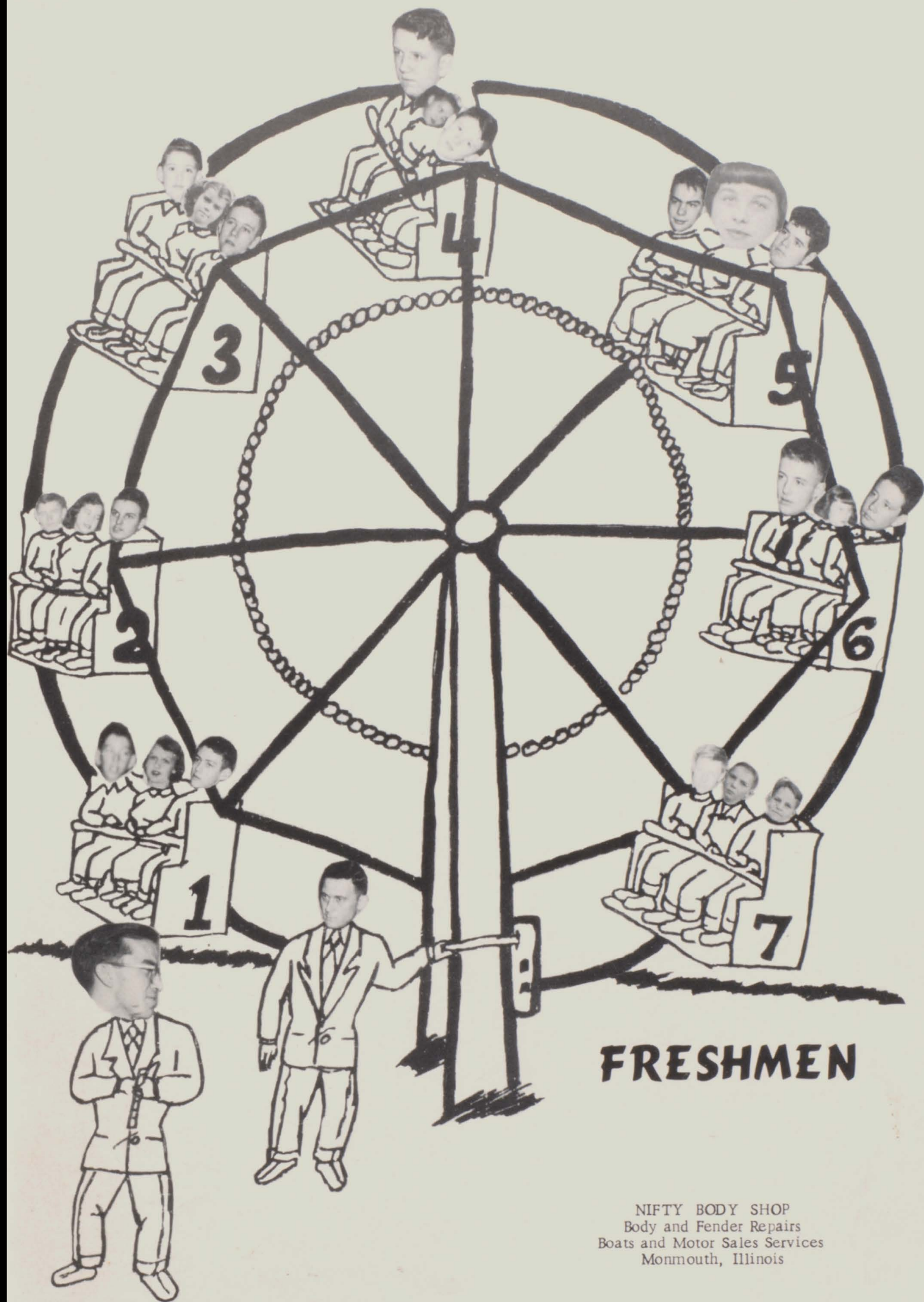
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VIVIAN SEATS
Senior



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S. Gibb; C. Rice; B. Duncan; B. Geiselman; J. Hays; V. Seats; B. Webb
D. Stevenson; J. Gibb; M. Alecock; M. Tippett; M. Gustafson; N. Perdue; J. Boyd
Mrs. Griffitts; P. Boyer; M. Alecock; J. Sanderson; E. Green; D. Cook; Mrs. Sanderson, Chapter
Mother

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THIRD ROW
FOURTH ROW

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J. Boyd; J. Alecock; B. Geiselman; N. Purdue; C. Rice
B. Lawyer; J. Gibb; D. Cook; M. Hallberg, M. Gustafson
Maida Alecock; B. Duncan; E. Green; J. Sanderson, M. Smith

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SEATED
SECOND ROW
THIRD ROW

Donna Cook; Jimmy Bigger; Jack Widener; Joan Sanderson
Mr. Murphy; Advisor; Melba Alecock; Gerald Ferguson; Marcia Smith
Vivian Seats; Gary Saben; Bobby Smith; Barbara Duncan



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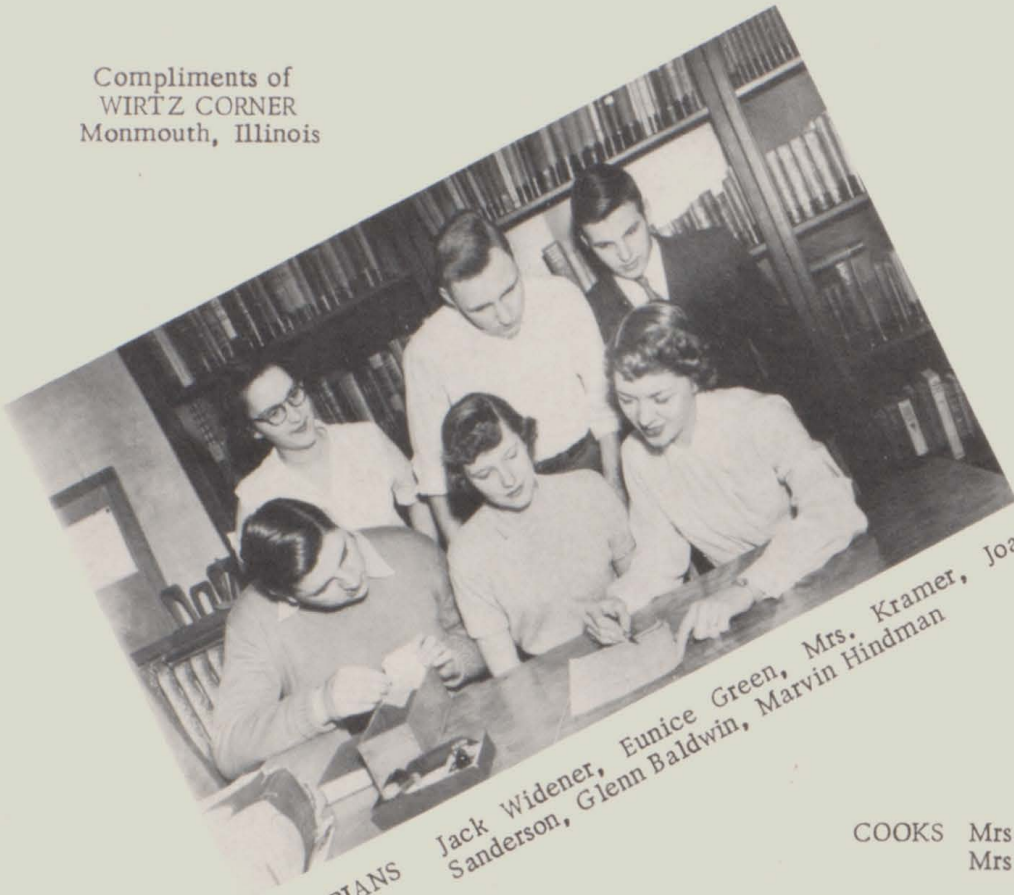


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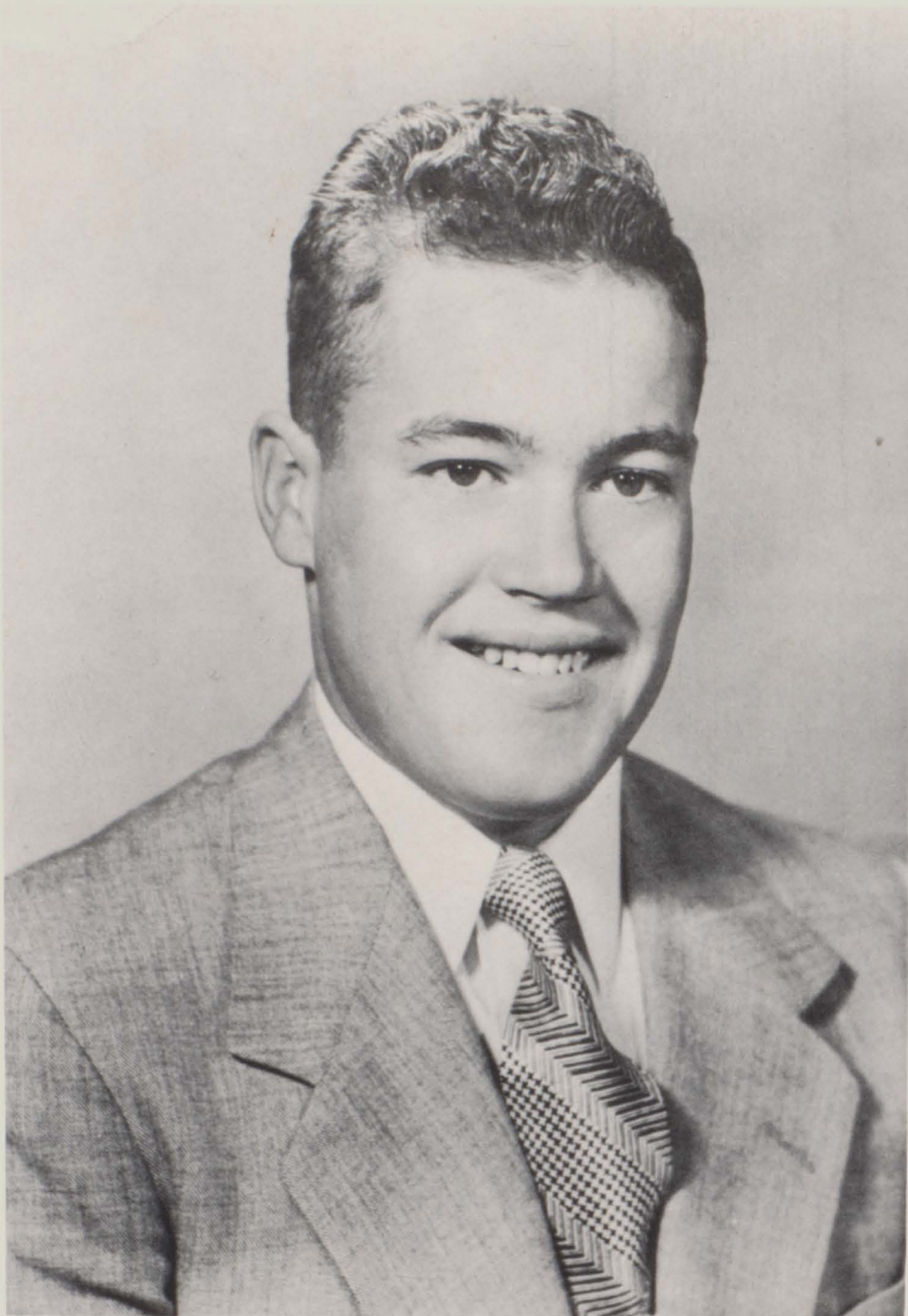
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Scott Pilcher, a member of the senior class, was chosen as the outstanding school citizen for 1952-53.

Scott received a citizenship medal, presented by Verle David, principal, on awards night.

The school citizen is chosen by the faculty. Each member of the student body is rated on the basis of his acceptance of responsibility, his self-conduct, his school conduct, his attendance, and his abilities of leadership. These criteria apply to extra-curricular activities and formal school.

Scott was chosen from a student body of sixty-two.



FRONT ROW: D. Cook, Shorthand; M. Tippett, Valedictorian and Commerce; M. Smith, Biology; J. Sanderson, Salutatorian, Dramatic, and Music.

BACK ROW: J. Bigger, Agriculture; L. Moffitt, Science; J. Kinslow, Agriculture; J. Widener, De Kalb, Activities, Agriculture and Farm Safety; S. Pilcher, Home Beautification, School Citizen; R. Morris, Agriculture; M. Hallberg, Typing; J. Dunne, Electrical; D. Shook, Agriculture.

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SECOND ROW: J. Patterson, T. Puckett, G. Saben, M. Hindman, A. Leonard, D. Cline, L. Moffitt.

BACK ROW: J. Kinslow, K. Tippett, S. Pilcher, L. Green, C. Johnson, R. Morris, C. Knapp, M. Hallberg.



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Class Night

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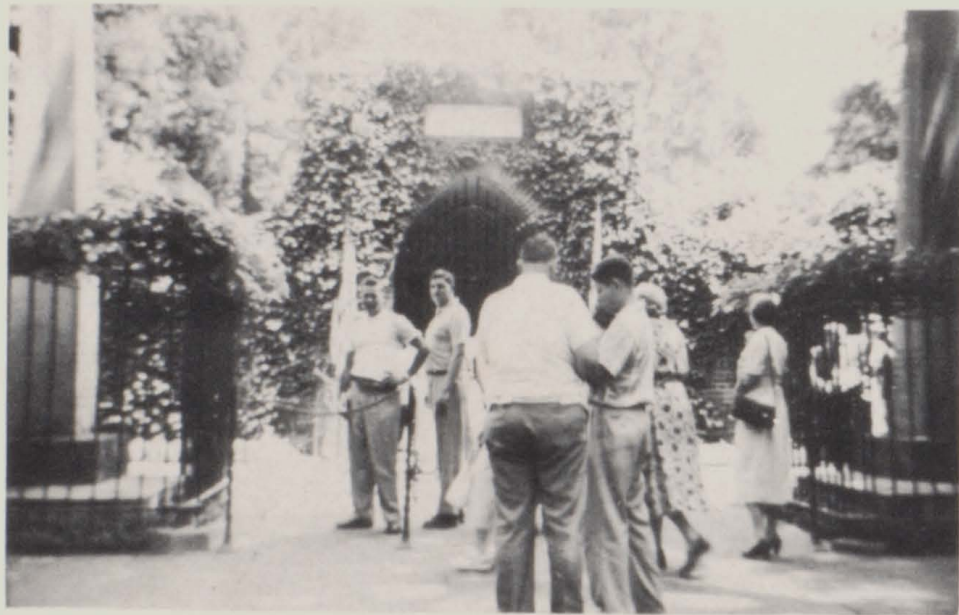
Bacca laureate

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Halfback



Jack Kinslow
Fullback



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Quarterback



Jimmy Bigger
End



Duwain Mettlin
End




Jerome Patterson
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Frank Golliday
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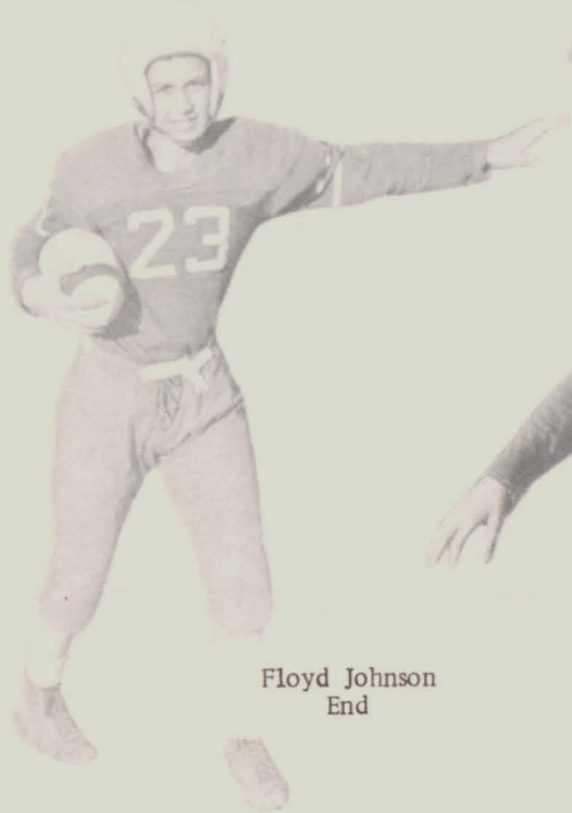
Donald Cline
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Scott Pilcher
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Alfred Leonard
Halfback



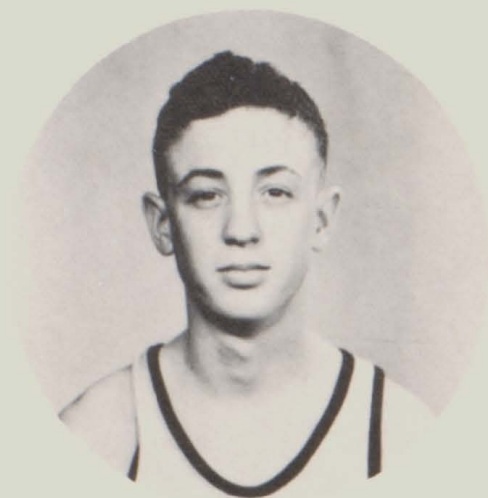
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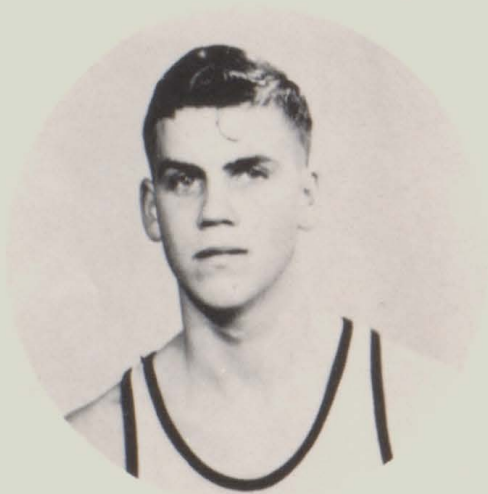
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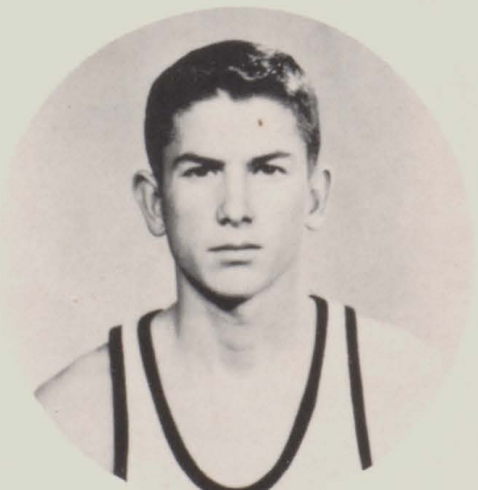


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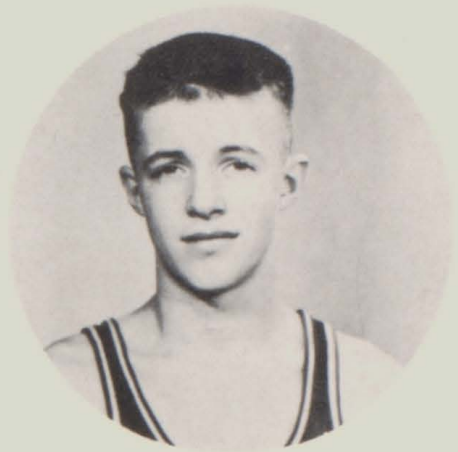


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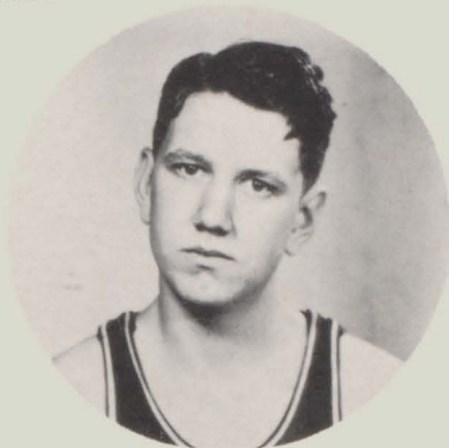
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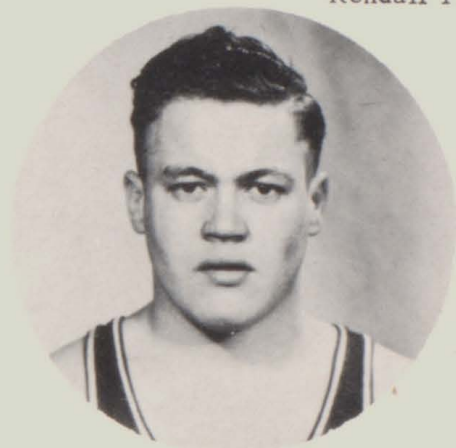
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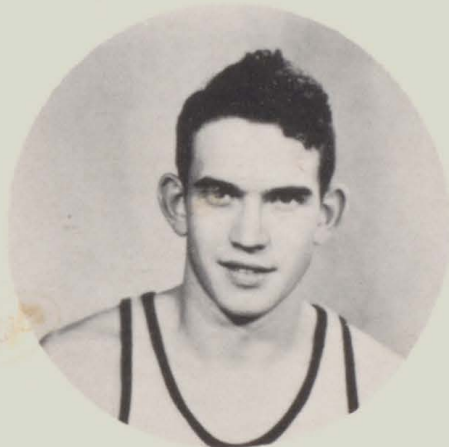
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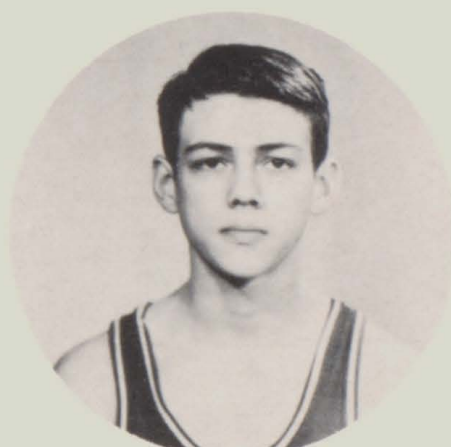
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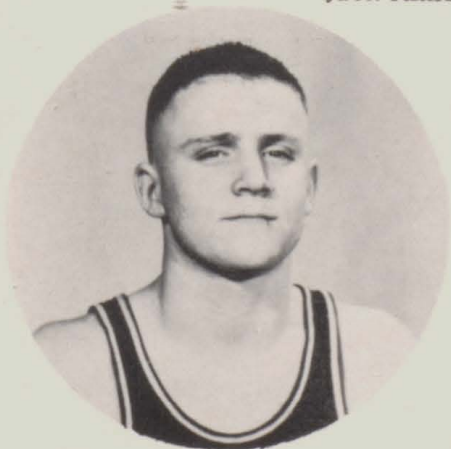
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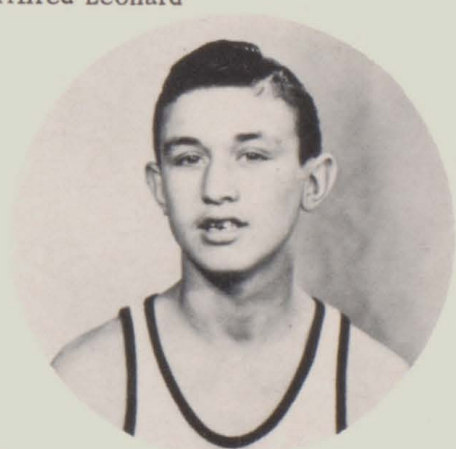
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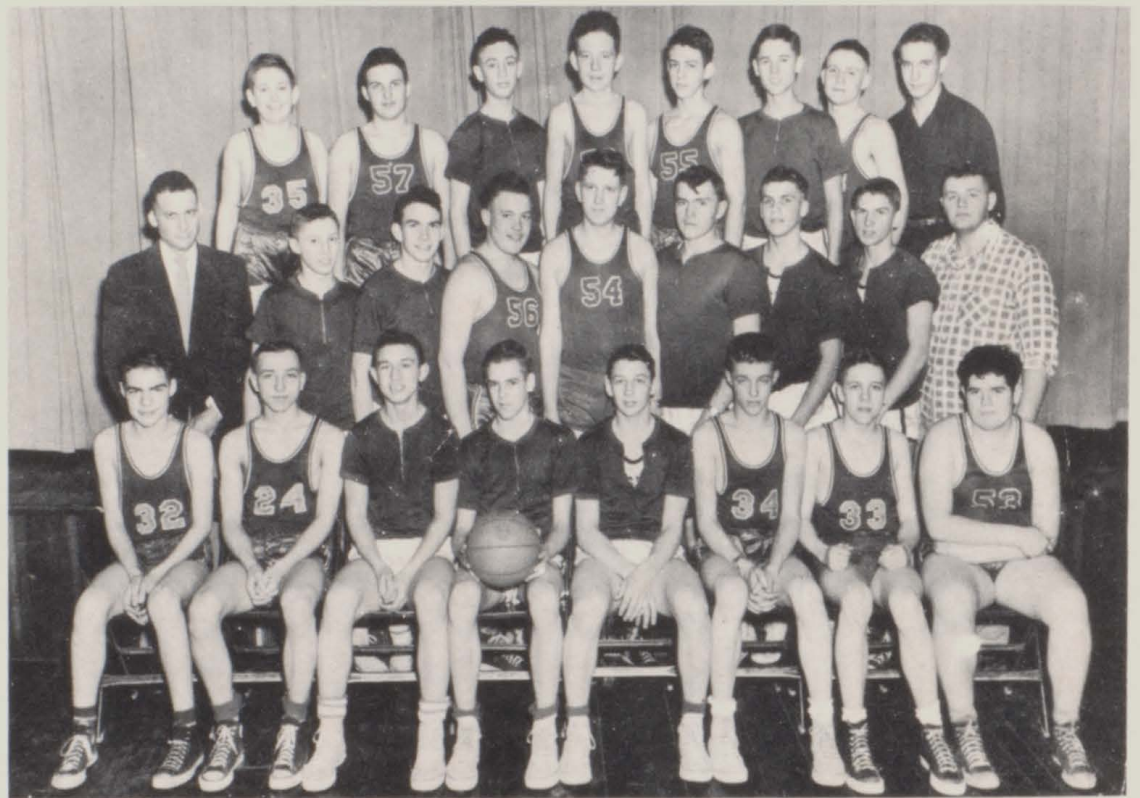
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