

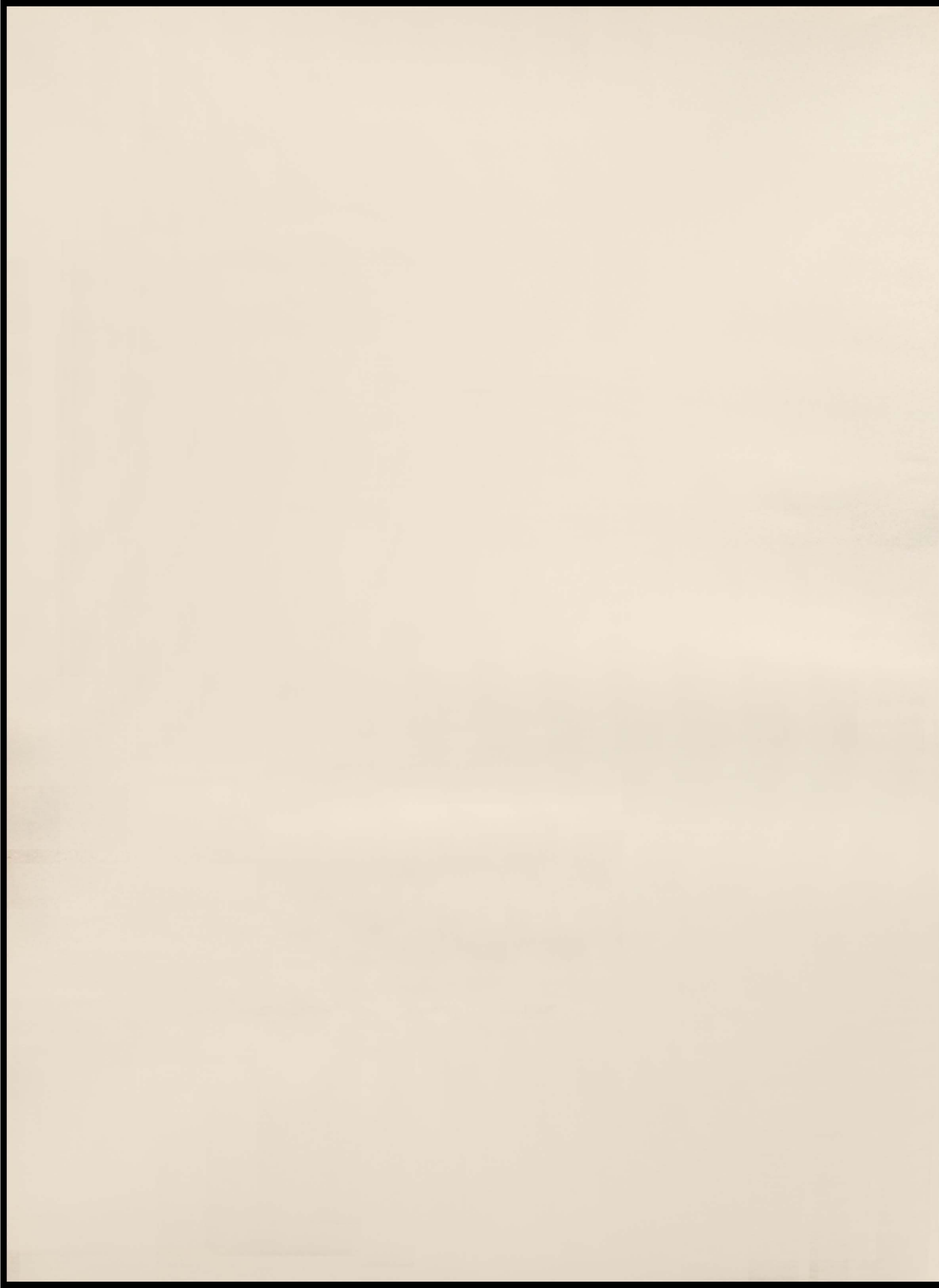


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Gladstone - Oquawka High School

Gladstone, Illinois

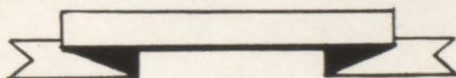


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ADMINISTRATION



MR. JOHN D. EKELOF-PRINCIPAL

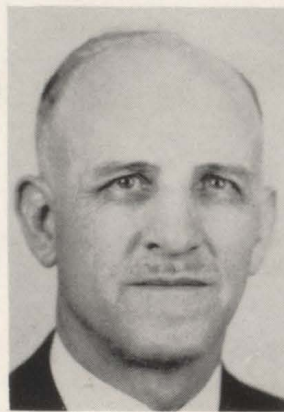


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FRANCIS DRINKALL



JOHN D. EKELOF
Senior Class Sponsor
"Look out, the hand'll get you!"



Social Problems



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English II

JOHN OLSON
Sophomore Class Sponsor
"Lets get rid of the gum"

During the first period the seniors are always industrious.

The hopeful juniors search for key that will eventually lead them to be seniors.

It looks like two freshman have found the right answer.



THIRSTY FOR KNOWLEDGE? From all appearances this Sophomore is trying hard.

English IV



English I

English III





VIRGINIA FISHER
Freshman Class Sponsor
"Now Girls"



HOME ECONOMICS IV

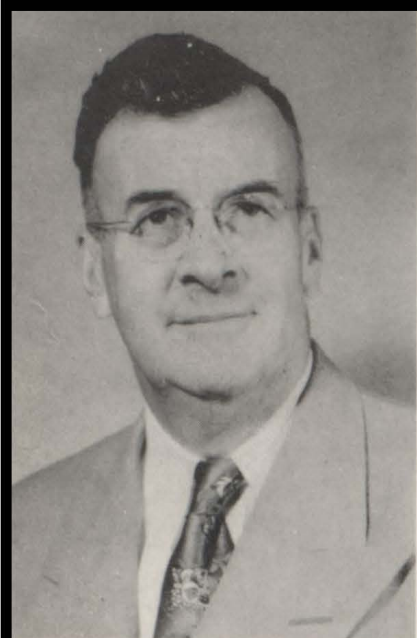
Homemaking

The Home Economics classes have studied foods, clothing construction, consumer education, management, family relations, first aid, housing, and home decorations. They have completed home projects and arranged home visits for the instructor.

HOME ECONOMICS II

HOME ECONOMICS I

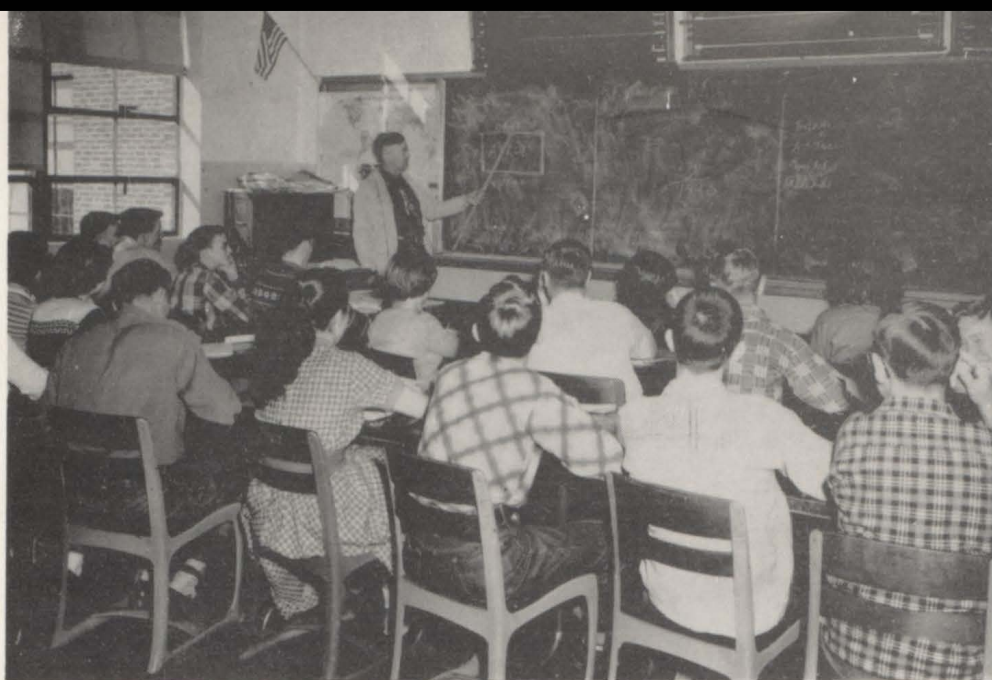




M A T H

CLARENCE NEWLAND
Freshman Class Sponsor
"Change sides, change signs"

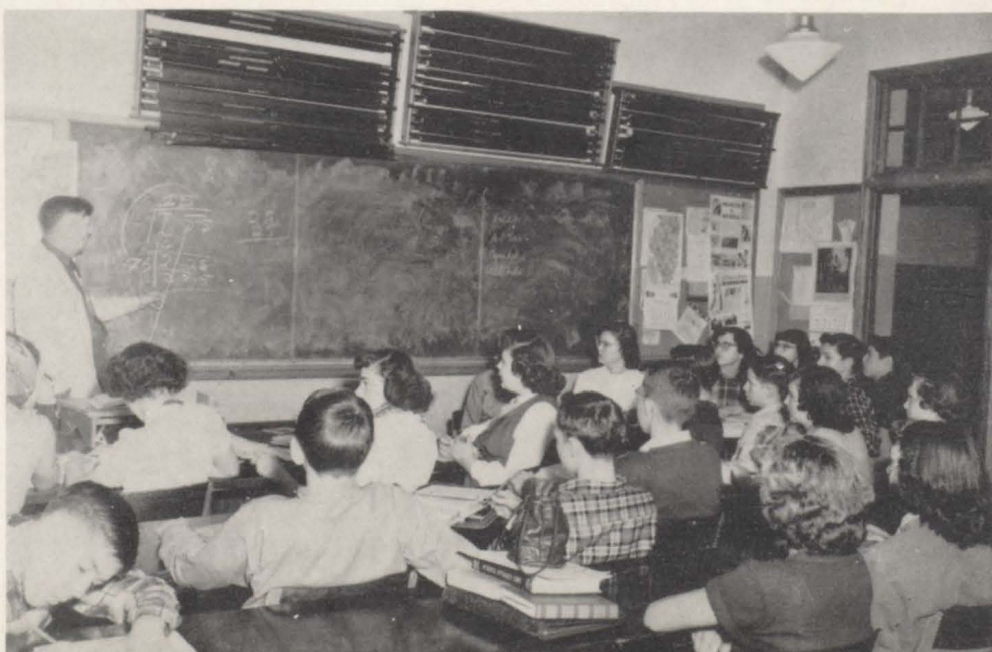
Mathematics is a basic subject. It is absolute fundamental for further development in science. We try to give to it reason and thought. We propose to stimulate and train the memory, and relate its subject matter to problems in life. Why should I study Math is a common question. That question we propose to answer in all the subjects we teach as Arithmetic, Geometry, Algebra and Trigonometry. It appeals to the reason, and there is a reason for everything we do. Without it one finds himself handicapped in solving community and economic problems of life.



Algebra I



Geometry



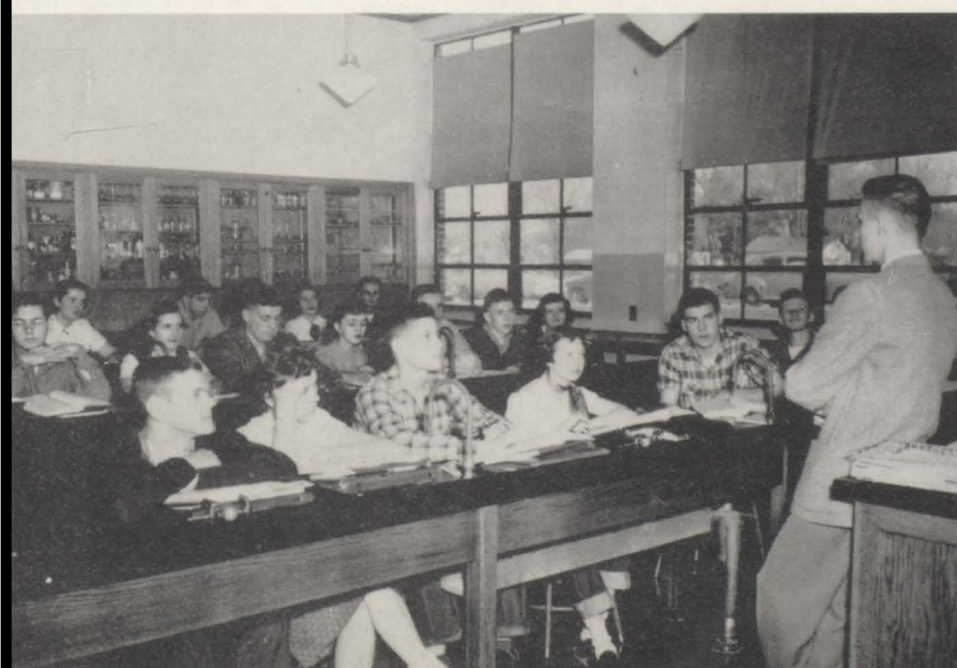
Math I



General Science



Biology



ROGER BLOOMQUIST
Junior Class Sponsor
"Knock it off"

Science

During the 1953-1954 school year the science department of Gladstone-Oquawka High School offered courses in general science, biological science, and chemistry.

General science students survey the physical and biological sciences. Stressed are those topics which can be applied to the daily lives of the students. The students are taught to be more aware of the part science plays in modern civilization.


In biological science students study the plant and animal kingdoms. Conservation, human anatomy and physiology, and mental hygiene are typical subjects covered by the course.

Chemistry is both a practical and a college preparatory course. The student learns what things are made of and how things are made. Emphasis is put upon the combining of knowledge of science and mathematics in the form of problem solving.

Chemistry

History

A person can't start to realize what's behind world unrest unless he knows what's going on and what has gone on in other countries. The things that happen to cause trouble are evidenced in many peoples personal problems, in their life and in their country.



VERN CHICK
Senior Class Sponsor
"All right, lets get quiet"

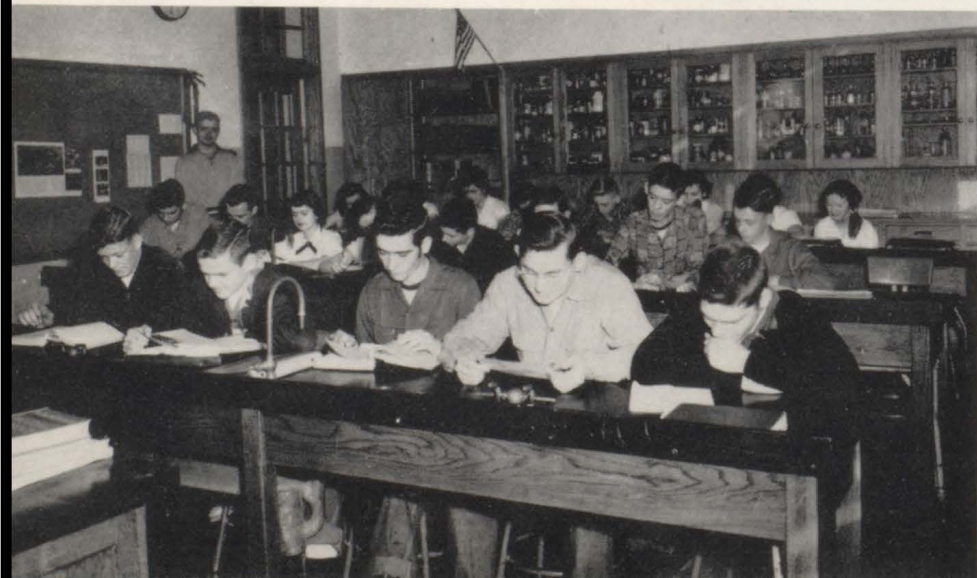
American History is offered to Juniors:

The purpose of this course is to give the students an idea of the things and people that have made America a democratic nation. The emphasis is on each person assuming his rightful share of the responsibility in continuing our country and showing the appreciation that is due.



World History

U. S. History



Industrial Arts

DONALD JAMES
Junior Class Sponsor
"Get to work"

The Courses offered in Industrial Arts this year were Mechanical Drawing, Woodworking, Metalworking, and Electricity.

The primary objectives of these courses are to teach the students to work together safely and to respect the rights and privileges of other students.

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The Freshman Class studied and practiced the general rules and techniques of Mechanical Drawing; the use of hand woodworking tools; hand metalworking tools; and studied basic Electricity with experimental supplements.

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The Sophomore Class studied and practiced the fundamentals and techniques of Architectural Drawing; learned to use the woodworking machines safely; learned the fundamental usage and safety practices in operating the Forge and Wilders; and performed advanced experiments in Electricity.

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The Junior and Senior Class were combined and were allowed to select one of the aforementioned fields in which to work, or they could integrate these various fields.

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INA MAE NAIL
Sophomore Class Sponsor
"Lets quiet down"

The typing students assisted the Annual Staff in the typing of the material for the annual.



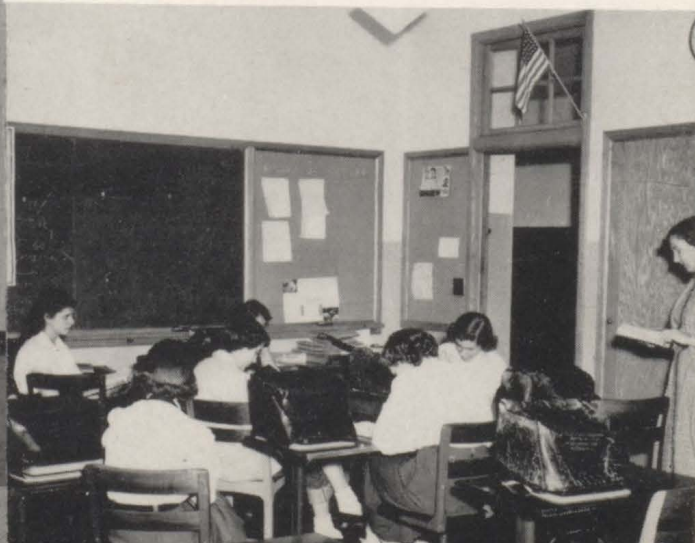
Bookkeeping



Physical Education

Typing

Shorthand



B a n d



MR. FRANK VOREL
Band Director



"Ready?"



BETTY RICHMOND
CHORUS

"Open Your Mouth"



C h o r u s



The Cooks



The Janitor



STUDENTS

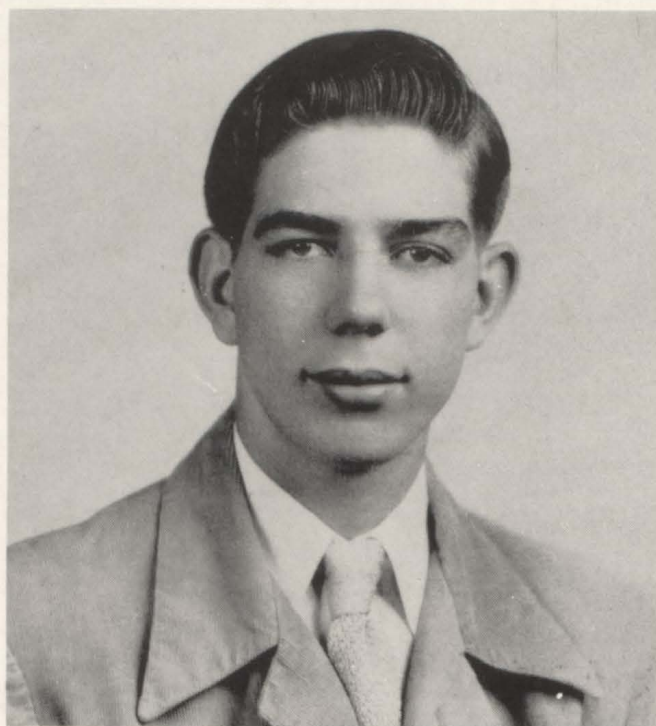
SENIORS



EVELYN COCHRAN

She is very smart,
She always enjoys doing her part.

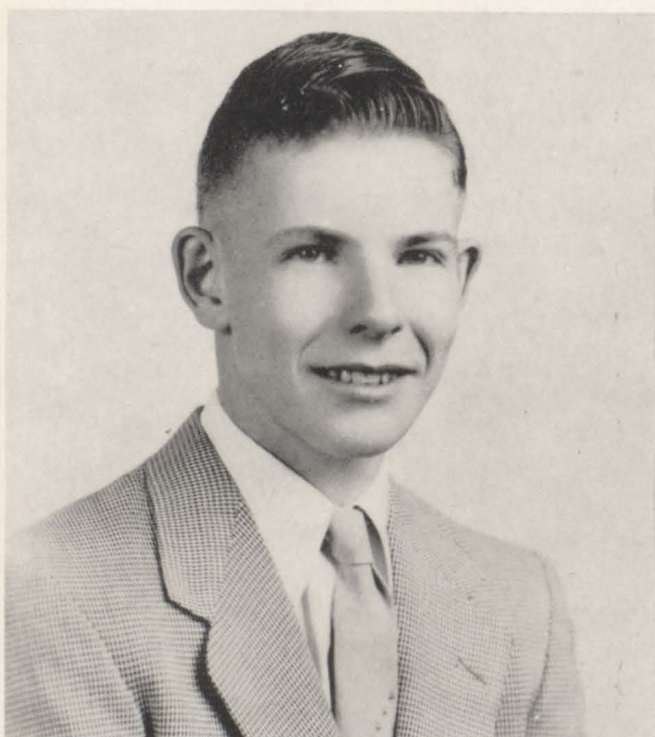
F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Secretary Student Council
4; Annual Staff 4; Play 3,4; G.A.A. 2;
Science Club 4; Class Secretary 2,3; Class
Vice President 1; Historian 4.



DUANE BROWN

At basketball he is a star,
From W.G. he won't wander far.

Vice President 2,3; Co-Captain Basketball
1,2,3,4; Captain Football 1,3,4; Student
Council 2,3,4; Science Club President 4;
Annual Staff 4; Homecoming Attendant 3;
Homecoming King 4.



NORMAN DIXON

Norman is manager of our team,
A better one we've never seen.

Basketball 2,4; Annual Staff 4; Science
Club 4; Manager 3; Chorus 2,3; Class
Play 3,4.



ANNABELLE COLLEY

She is quiet and very small,
Very polite and liked by all.

Chorus 2,3,4; G.A.A. 2; F.H.A. 1,2,3;
Play 3; Project Chairman 3; Annual Staff
4; Secretary Music Club 4.



BETTE EGGERS

Bette is liked by everyone,
She is also lots of fun.

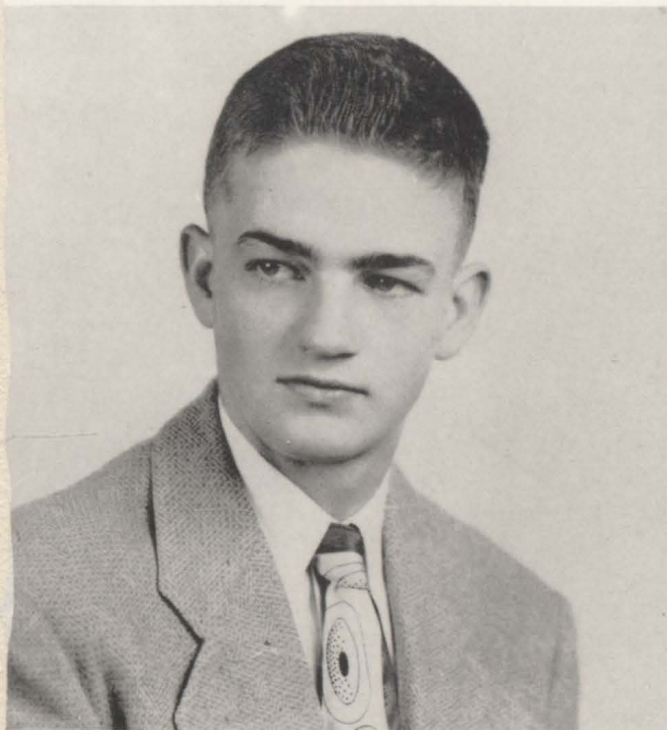
Chorus 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; President 4; Class Treasurer 3; Class Secretary 4; Student Council 4; Class Play 3; Annual Staff 4; Science Club 4; G.A.A. 2; Librarian 2, Assistant Librarian 1.



LAWRENCE FULLERTON

At football he his quite the show,
Next year to Monmouth he will go.

Basketball 2; Football 3,4; Class Play 3,4; Science Club 4; Annual Staff 4.



RAY JAMES

He likes to tease but just for fun,
He makes friends with everyone.

Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,4; Annual Staff 4; Homecoming Attendant ; Chorus 3.



HELEN KEEVER

She has pretty hair,
Her laughter is found everywhere.

Chorus 1,2,4; F.H.A. 1,2,4; Student Council 4; Science Club 4; Class Play 3,4; Annual Staff 4; G.A.A. 2; Librarian 2.



JANET McCABE

Janet is quite pretty,
She is also quite witty.

Cheerleader 3,4; G.A.A. 2; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4;
Annual Staff 4; Student Council 1,3; Class
Vice President 3; Class Treasurer 2,4;
Class Play 3; Science Club 4; Treasurer
4; Chorus 1,2,3; Class President 1;
Class Queen 2.



WARREN KNOX

He's taller than the rest,
At playing the piano he's the best.
Annual Staff 4; Class Play 3.



JAMES McGRIFF

Jim likes to tease just for fun,
He is very friendly with everyone.

Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Track
1,2,3,4; Class Play 3,4; Annual Staff 4;
Science Club 4.



BARBARA MYERS

Barbara is very petite,
To us she is quite sweet.

Chorus 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 2; F.H.A. 1,2,3;
Class Play 3; Annual Staff 4.



MARY ANN POLSON

Always laughing and full of pep,
If there's fun she's all set.

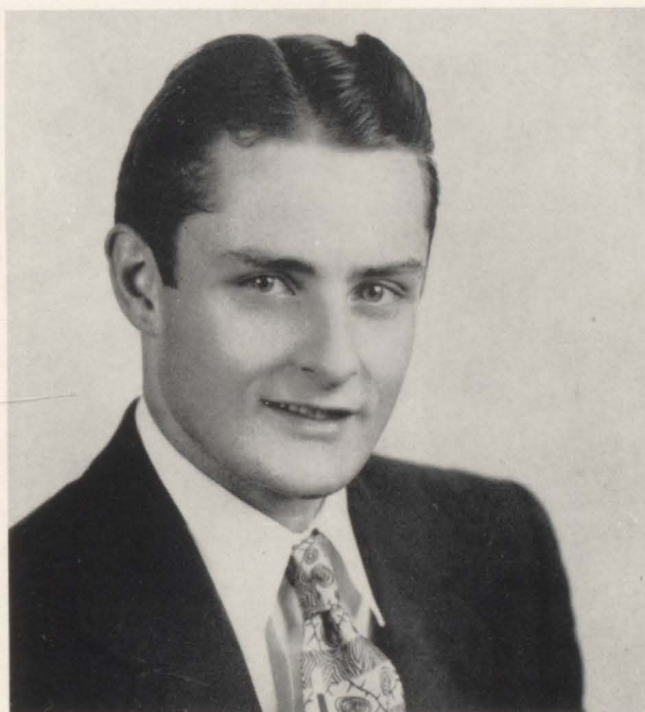
Chorus 1,2,4; F.H.A. 1,2; Annual Staff 4;
G.A.A. 2; Librarian 2,3,4.



WILBUR MORGAN

His personality sure is swell,
In football he plays very well.

Basketball 2; Football 3,4; Science Club
4; Annual Staff 4; Class Play 3.



GEORGE OLSON

You will see him everywhere you go,
At football he is quite the show.

Football 4; Vice President 4; Student
Council 4; Annual Staff 4; Class Play 4.



BARBARA SANDY

Talented in many things,
Loud cheers she always brings.

Pep Club 1,2,3; F.H.A. 1; Cheerleader
1,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3; Annual Staff 4; Class
Play 4.



JOYCE STEWART

Joyce is always on the beam,
Always rooting for our team.

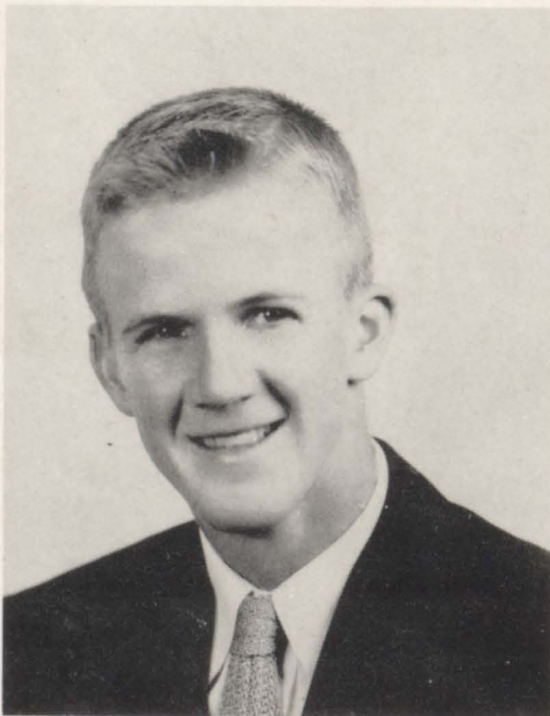
Chorus 1,2; Student Council 2,3,4; Treasurer 2; Secretary 3; President 4; Class President 2,3,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Secretary 2; President 3; Section President 4; G.A.A. Point Chairman 2; Class Play 3,4; Editor Annual 4; Homecoming Attendant 3; Queen 4.



ALVIN TEE

Alvin likes to rest,
But with us he tries his best.

Chorus 3,4; Play 4; Track 3,4; Football 3,4;



LARRY WHITMORE

As co-captain of the basketball team,
Larry is on the beam.

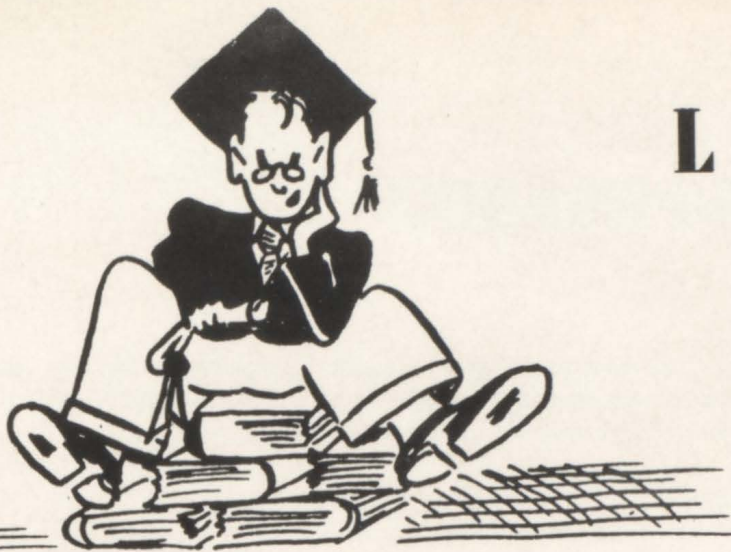
Football 1,2,3,4; Co-Captain 4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2; Chorus 1,2,3; Annual Staff 4; Class Play 3.



PATRICIA THOMAS

At the games she likes to cheer,
Pat's voice you will always hear.

Chorus 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3; Tri-Y 3; President of Music Club 4; F.H.A. 2,3; Student Council 4, Annual Staff 4, Class Play 4.



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JOYCE STEWART	President
GEORGE OLSON	Vice-President
BETTE EGGERS	Secretary
JANET McCABE	Treasurer
MR. EKELOF & MR. CHICK	Advisors

MOTTO

"It's Better To Go Around Trouble Than Go Through It"

COLORS

Dark Green and Silver

FLOWER

White Gardenia

WHO'S WHO IN THE SENIOR CLASS

Who's the best boy athlete	LARRY WHITMORE
Who's the best girl athlete	MARY ANN POLSON
Who's the most courteous boy	RAY JAMES
Who's the most courteous girl	ANNABELLE COLLEY
Who's the neatest boy	NORMAN DIXON
Who's the neatest girl	JANET McCABE
Who's the most intellectual boy	DUANE BROWN
Who's the most intellectual girl	EVELYN COCHRAN
Who's the boy most likely to succeed	GEORGE OLSON
Who's the girl most likely to succeed	BETTE EGGERS
Who's the most dependable boy	JAMES McGRIFF
Who's the most dependable girl	BARBARA SANDY
Who's the most poised boy	WILBUR MORGAN
Who's the most poised girl	JOYCE STEWART
Who's the jolliest boy	LAWRENCE FULLERTON
Who's the jolliest girl	PATRICIA THOMAS
Who's the most studious boy	WARREN KNOX
Who's the most studious girl	HELEN KEEVER
Who's the most generous boy	ALVIN TEE
Who's the most generous girl	BARBARA MEYERS

CLASS PROPHECY

We have all heard stories of predictions made by palm readers or crystal gazers or fortune tellers coming true; so we have decided to see how close we can come. We have gazed deeply and long into the leaves of the Senior Class and have come forth with the following prophecy.

DUANE BROWN: Duane, a graduate of Monmouth College, is now a Math Instructor and High School Coach at his Alma Mater, G-O.

EVELYN COCHRAN: Evelyn is a Lab Technician at Mayo Brothers Clinic in Rochester and she recently discovered "Evelyntitis," the hundred and first element.

ANNABELLE COLLEY: Annabelle is now the World's Speediest Typist. She types 176 words a minute, beating the previous record of 175 words per minute.

NORMAN DIXON: Normie is now manager of the "Chicago Bears." During the off-season he's a butcher at the Chicago stock yards.

BETTE EGGERS: Due to Bette's ability to work with children, she was just voted "Teacher of the Year," by Look Magazine.

LAWRENCE FULLERTON: Lawrence has stepped into the limelight by having his third undefeated season at Notre Dame. He is well known as "Ole Reliable."

RAY JAMES: Ray, now living in Butte, Montana, is a General Contractor and at the present time is building a suspension bridge across two mountains. He is also married to a "Southern Belle."

HELEN KEEVER: Helen is now head of the women's Nurse Corps, and is well liked for her pleasing personality. We wonder if she ever gets bored with the male atmosphere...

WARREN KNOX: Warren, known as "Trigger the Woman-Killer," is pushing Liberace into the dimness of the candlelight by his stunning smile and piano playing.

JANET McCABE: Aside from being a Marine Admiral's wife, mother of twins, and a member of the social elite, Janet is a Conover's Model of "Gay '20's clothes."

JAMES McGRIFF: Jim has recently been nominated number one help to schools for the blind...farms for a living....

WILBUR MORGAN: Wilbur travels with "Otto Swenson and his Thrillcades," where he is the most daring driver....

BARBARA MYERS: Because Barbara has been a frequent passenger on McArthur Bridge going to and from work for the last ten years, she has been awarded a free pass....

GEORGE OLSON: George, owner of a chain of "Diners," takes time out to write the "Advice to the Lovelorn Column" for the New York Times.

MARY ANN POLSON: Mary Ann, a successful career woman in the Air Corps for ten years is now taking up Midget Auto Racing, driving a 64 Aero Willys.

BARBARA SANDY: Barbara, now married and residing in the suburbs of Chicago in her new home of which she designed the interior, is a successful business woman. The home is real George....

JOYCE STEWART: Joyce, now Mrs. Arthur Davison, is living in Stronghurst and is kept busy raising one masculine blackhawk and two "little" trojans.

ALVIN TEE: Alvin, now a multi-millionaire, is residing in Miami, Florida. How did he reach this position? Hard work....invented a new type of sheep shear....

PATRICIA THOMAS: Pat, now Arthur Murray's number one dancing instructor, recently discovered a new dance and pasted the name "Shutterbug" to it. Why? I guess she has a Shutterbug mind.....

LARRY WHITMORE: After ten years of ranch life in Texas, Larry has finally discovered oil on his ranch, "The Flying W." Takes life easy.....

CLASS WILL

We, the Senior Class, do hereby certify the following to be our last will and testament, drawn on this fourth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four in the Village of Gladstone, County of Henderson, State of Illinois, in the United States of America.

- To the faculty we will sincere appreciation for a job well done.
- To the Junior Class we give reluctantly, but of necessity, our extreme importance, dignity, knowledge, and lasting influence.
- To the Sophomore Class we leave our high scholastic status.
- To the Freshman Class we leave nothing because by the time they become seniors they will have attained such prestige that none of our belongings will seem worthy of their possession.
- I, Duane Brown, will my love to read books to any one that doesn't already have this love.
- I, Evelyn Cochran, will my seat in Trig. class to anyone who wants it and the good times I've had at G-O to my sister Mary.
- I, Annabelle Colley, will all the fun I had in Burlington to the Junior girls and also my B in History to my brother, Charles.
- I, Norman Dixon, will my ability as a manager to John Simons who has as little athletic prowess as I do.
- I, Bette Eggers, will my F. H. A. presidency to Marlene Lox; my ability to keep out of trouble to Edna Dixon and Carol Gillespie, and my good grades to Joe V.
- I, Lawrence Fullerton, will my size to Donna Smith in the hope that she makes better use of it than I did.
- I, Ray James, will my ability to be good in shop to Marlin McCabe and Bill Stevenson.
- I, Helen Keever, will my ability to get along with the teachers to my sister Darlene with hopes that she will.
- I, Warren Knox, will my seat in Chemistry to anybody who is brave enough to take it.
- I, Janet McCabe, will my ability to cheerlead to any girl who enjoys to as much as I did, and my nickname "Trojan" back to the giver.
- I, James McGriff, will my blindness to "blind Bill" Stevenson hoping he can make better use of it than I did.
- I, Wilbur Morgan, will my "Intestinal Fortitude" to Carolyn Gillespie.
- I, Barbara Myers, will my ability to dance with Sailors at the Arthur Murray Studio to my sister Frances with the hopes that she has as much fun as I did.
- I, George Olson, will my ability of getting out of class to Hal Devore.
- I, Mary Ann Polson, will my ability to complete high school to my brother, Jack, with the hope that he has enough sense to come back and finish.
- I, Barbara Sandy, hereby will my levis to Nancy in hopes that she doesn't have the luck I did.
- I, Joyce Stewart, will my nickname "Trojan" to any Blackhawk who wants it.
- I, Patricia Thomas, will all the fun I've had at the basketball games to my sister Dianne.
- I, Larry Whitmore, will my ability to get to school on time in the morning to Marlin McCabe.

From Diapers To Diplomas



"Smokey"



"PeWee"



"Blind Jim"



"Chicken"



"Tubbins"



"Pat"



"Brownie"



"Buck-Shot"



"T-Bone"



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"Bob"



"Eager-Beaver"



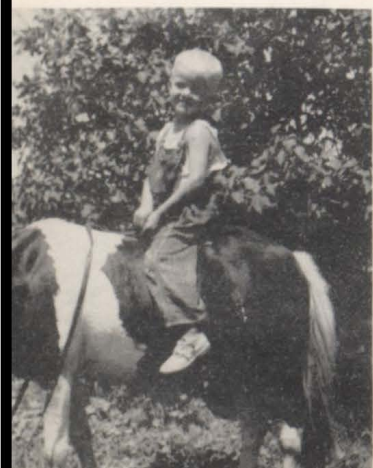
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"Sharpie"



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Sharon Dixon
President
Marlin McCabe
Vice-President
Bonnie Kipling
Secretary
Richard Cleek
Treasurer
Carol Bielser
Historian

JUNIORS



Maxine Bielser
Hal Devore
Kay Chapin
Wayne Eaton
Elaine Cooper



Ronald Hoskins
June Dupuy
Milton Keever
Berniece Gray
Russell Lox



Marlene Lox
Wayne Riggle
Bonnie Whitmore
Conrad Olson
Nancy Sandy



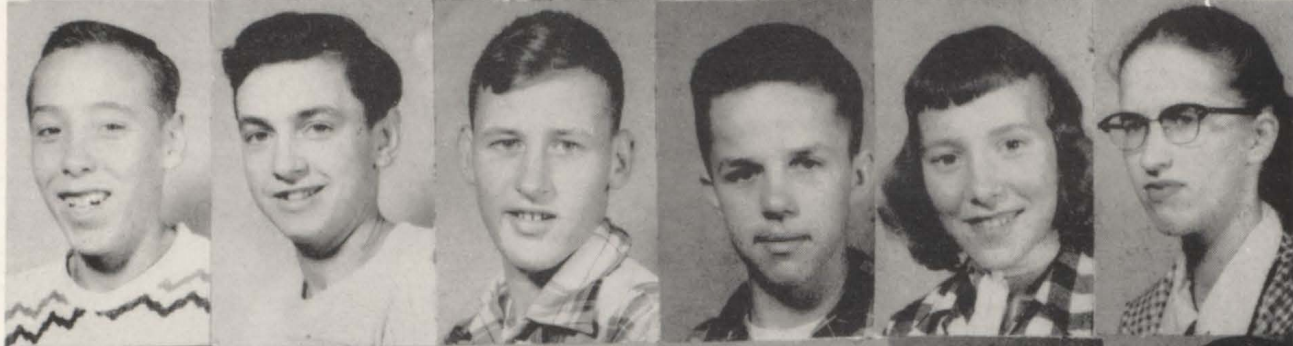
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Allen Tee
Bill Weaver

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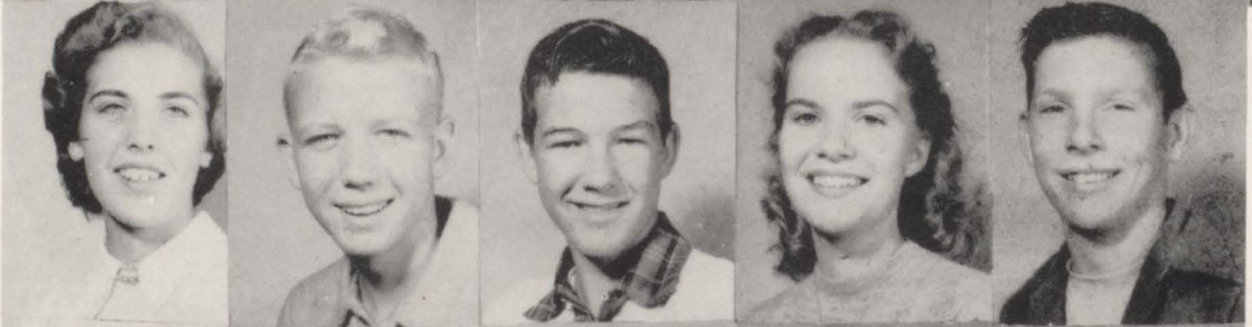
Eugene Anderson
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Kent Curtiss
Eddie DeLaBar
Edna Dixon
Janet Drinkall



Meribeth Essex
Carol Gillespie
Jim Hendrickson
Jim Hoskins
Dennis Johnson
Darlene Keever



Ruby Keever
Sharon Kloster
Charles Colley
Pat Mayo
John Simons



Richard Stewart
Bessie Stuller
Ida Stuller
Wava Thompson
Robert Tracy



Eddie Simpson
Tommy Puckett
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John Black
Joan Booten
Dennis Cochran
Shirley Booten



Brady Brandon
Mary Kay Cochran
Joe Davenport
Eunice Cook
Peggy Cooper



Keith Drinkall
Janice Decker
Clifford Dunn
Judith Dixon
Lawrence Hendrickson



Joyce Gearhardt
Merle McCabe
Wanda Graham
Geneva Huss
Bill Maynard

Madge Johnson
 Roberta Johnston
 Carolyn Martin
 Virginia McDaniel



Bonnie McVey
 Frances Myers
 Carolyn Painter
 Jim Peterson



Evelyn Price
 Robert Sells
 Marjorie Tee
 Charles Whitmore



Dianne Thomas
 Karroll Thomas
 Sandra Vaughan
 Shirley James



Betty Neff
 Brad Woods
 Lois McCabe





ACTIVITIES

F. H. A.



Student Librarians

Student librarians who have assisted in the library: Mary Ann Polson, Bessie Stuller, Darlene Keever, Bernice Gray, Bonnie Kipling, Helen Keever, Madge Johnson.



I n d A r t s C l u b



Science Club



Annual Staff



Student Council



Junior Play

"HERE COMES CHARLIE"

Three Act Comedy

The story took place in the Elliot home. Charlie and Uncle Aleck came there to make their home after Charlie's father died. Fanny Farnham and Mrs. Smythe-Kersey were always trying to trick them into trouble so that Larry would send them away. Uncle Aleck outsmarted them. The Smythe-Kerseys were pretending to be rich society, but it turned out that they were of a poor family and wanting to marry into a rich family. Vivian was constantly afraid of losing Larry to Charlie and she did. The story ended with Larry proposing marriage to Charlotte Hopps.

CAST

(In Order of Appearance)

Mrs. Carolina Smythe-Kersey	Vivian's mother	ELAINE COOPER
Ted Hartley	Larry's college pal	RICHARD CLEEK
Vivian Smythe-Kersey	Larry's fiance	CAROL BIELSER
Uncle Aleck Twiggs	In charge of Charlie	HAL DEVORE
Larry Elliot	A young business man	SHARON DIXON
Charlie Hopps	Larry's ward	BERNICE GRAY
Nora Malone	Cook at the Elliot home	NANCY SANDY
Officer Tim McGrill	Nora's sweetheart	JIM SMITH
Mrs. Fanny Farnham	Larry's aunt by marriage	BONNIE KIPLING
Mortimer Smythe-Kersey	Vivian's brother	ALLEN TEE

DIRECTOR	Mr. Clarence Newland
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR	Miss Ina Nail

Senior Play



"SITTIN' PRETTY"

by James Stone

Larry Champion, who is his Aunt Jenny's sole heir, is trying to prove to her that he is a capable business man. So, he and his friend Jimmy Daily take over Aunt Jenny's summer home, without her knowing it, with plans to rent it out to roomers for the summer.

When the prospective roomers begin to arrive, the ensuing circumstances are hilarious. Susan Skeets, a rather rattle-brained individual is trying to hide from her ex-fiancee, Hugh Shannon, who she says is trying to kill her. Then Hugh arrives looking for her and goes around threatening everyone but himself is crazy. Nancy Cornell is looking for a job as a baby-sitter and Larry falls in love with her the minute he sees her. In order to keep her there he dresses his friend Jimmy as a little girl. Aunt Jenny's lawyer, Chester Clune is blind as a bat and twice as deaf. The antics of George and Daisy Mae Enright, colored caretakers of the house afford occasions for much hilarity and add to the confusion. Then in the midst of everything, Aunt Jenny arrives.

Everything finally turns out all-right as Hugh and Susan make up, Nancy and Larry fall madly in love, and Aunt Jenny is happy because Nancy is the girl she planned for Larry to marry.

CAST

Larry Champion	A boy with ideas	NORMAN DIXON
Jimmy Daily	The little man who was there	JAMES McGRUFF
George Enright	A colored caretaker	LAWRENCE FULLERTON
Daisy Mae	His ever-lovin' wife	EVELYN COCHRAN
Susan Skeets	A lady in distress	JOYCE STEWART
Doris Hull	A performer	BARBARA SANDY
Mavis Hull	Her sister	PATRICIA THOMAS
Bert Davis	A salesman	WARREN KNOX
Hugh Shannon	An intruder	GEORGE OLSON
Nancy Cornell	A girl with ideas	JANET McCABE
Chester Clune	A confused attorney	LARRY WHITMORE
Aunt Jennie	Larry's aunt	HELEN KEEVER



VALEDICTORIAN
Evelyn Cochran



SALUTORIAN
Joyce Stewart



LEADERSHIP
Joyce Stewart



ACTIVITY
Duane Brown

SCHOOL CITIZENS



Larry Whitmore



Evelyn Cochran



Nice-Hips

Giggles

Poised

Foot

"Lovers"

"Lazy"

"Sunning"

Good-Cooks

"Jeepster"

"Pals"

"Boots"

Peg

The Gang

"Buddies"

Jan

Bed-time

"Legs"

Lover-Boy

"Bums"

Bert

Hare-Brain

Posing

Mob

Carving

Traveler

"Smiley"

Sneakers

Dopey

Pat

Sitter

High-stepper

Resting

Hill-toppers

"Madge"

"Sleepy"

Max

Fiesta

"Lonesome"



Chums



Sweet



Gazing?



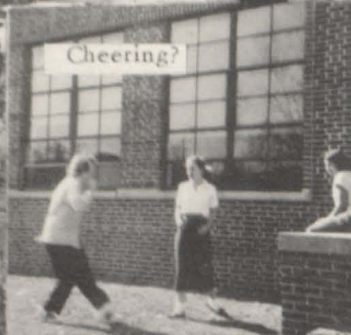
Trigger



Whitey



Swimmers



Cheering?



Family



Nan



Scooter



Thirsty?



Stooges



Shutter-bug



Troupe



"Bess"



Kay



Dreamer



"Ann"



Judy



Curly



What!!



Students



Larry



"Lia"



Helen



Bill



Studying?



Junior Play



Friends



Seniors



Workers



Study Hall



ATHLETICS

P e p C l u b



Cheerleaders

Nancy Sandy

Janet McCabe

Randy Chick
(Mascot)

Barb Sandy

Donna Smith





1st. row: Lawrence Fullerton, Ray James, Wilbur Morgan, Duane Brown, Larry Whitmore, George Olson, Jim McGriff.

2nd. row: Dorance Vice, Kent Curtiss, John Simons, Richard Cleek, Jerry McOlgan, Sharon Dixon, Ray Booten.

3rd. row: Eddie Simpson, Allen Tee, Bill Weaver, Larry Miller, Bill Stevenson, Larry Hendrickson, Larry Hendrickson, Larry Sandy, and Eugene Anderson.

FOOTBALL

We lost a lot of outstanding boys last year and this years' team was very young and inexperienced. Despite this handicap the boys played very well against Corpus Christi, RMA, LaHarpe and Valley. Toward the end of the year the boys were getting better and we tied a very tough Valley team 7-7. Bill Stevenson played fine ball all year and was chosen on the Rock Island All Area team. Lawrence Fullerton, Jim McGriff, Larry Whitmore, George Olson, Ray James, and Wilbur Morgan are seniors. These boys gave a fine account of themselves throughout the season.

With our whole backfield and all the back reserves back plus some up and coming linemen, G and O will make their presence known in the next couple of years. Hal Devore, Sharon Dixon and Bill Henshaws injuries really crippled the team this season. The boys are determined to come up next year.

Our Captain, Duane Brown, was a fine pass receiver and a good defensive end. He along with Larry Whitmore and Bill Stevenson were our standouts.

SCHEDULE AND SCORES

Sept. 18	G-O	7	Avon	33
25		13	LaHarpe	39
Oct. 2		6	Stronghurst	39
8		13	Corpus Christi	19
16		0	RMA	14
30		7	Valley	7



MR. VERN CHICK
Coach



NORMAN DIXON
Manager

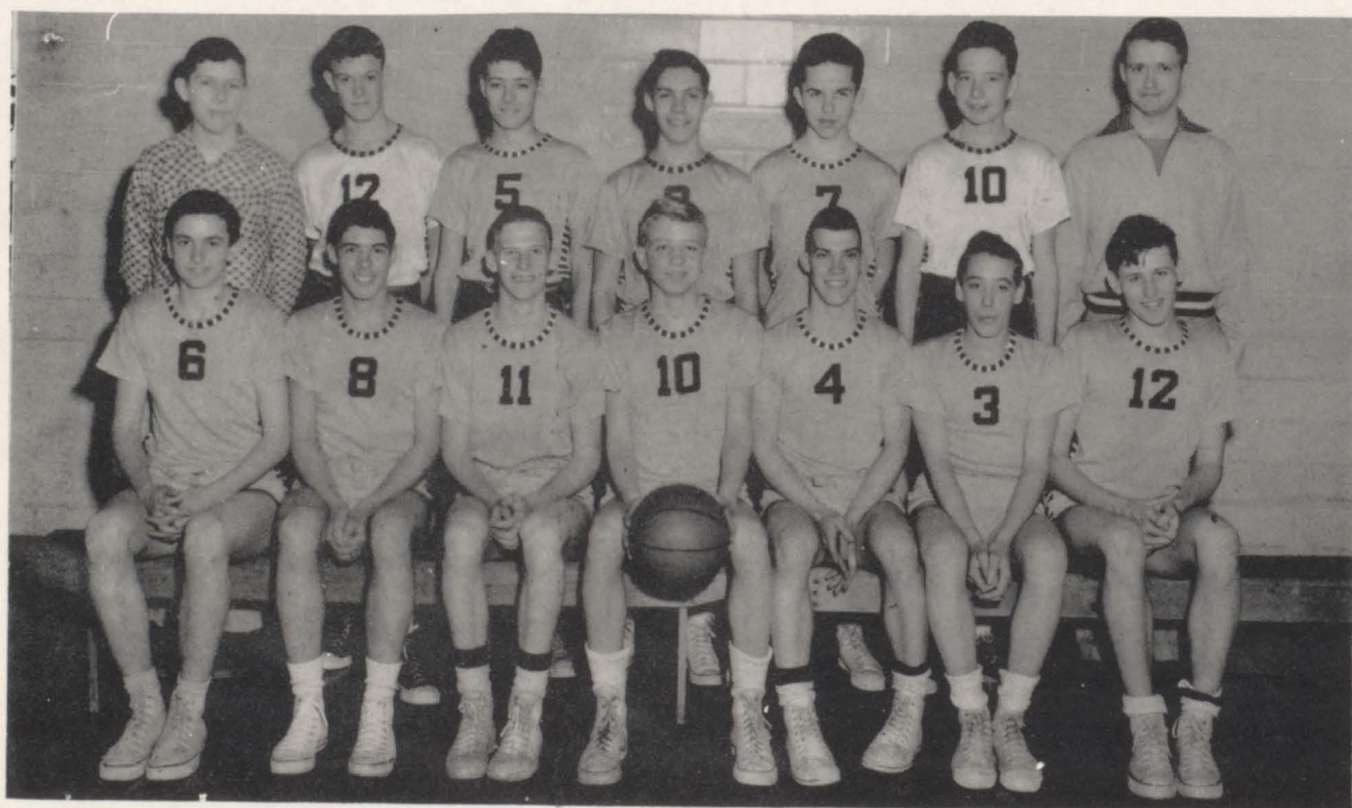
VARSITY BASKETBALL SQUAD



SECOND ROW: John Simons - Manager, Bill Henshaw, Sharon Kloster, Sharon Dixon, Jerry McOlgan, Mr. Chick - Coach.

FIRST ROW: Marlin McCabe, Larry Whitmore, Duane Brown, Bill Stevenson, Jim Hendrickson, Hal Devore.

FRESHMAN-SOPHOMORE SQUAD



SECOND ROW: John Simons - Manager, Rusty Lox, Joe Davenport, Larry Sandy, Eddie Delabar, Tommy Puckett, Mr. Chick - Coach.

FIRST ROW: Raymond Booten, Lawrence Hendrickson, Bill Henshaw, Sharon Kloster, Jerry McOlgan, Eugene Anderson, Kent Curtiss.



JIM HENDRICKSON

BILL STEVENSON

DUANE BROWN

MARLIN McCABE

LARRY WHITMORE



RAY JAMES

NORMAN DIXON

BILL HENSHAW

JERRY McOLGAN

SHARON KLOSTER



District Winner



JOHN SIMONS
Manager



HIGH-LIGHTS OF THE YEAR

The Blackhawks finished with a very successful season. The frosting was added to the already tasty cake with our terrific 57-47 victory in the tough Macomb Regional over Roseville, who previously had lost only two contests all year. From early February on into March G & O won ten straight victories until finally beaten by Macomb High in the semi-finals of the Regional Tourney. Other high-lights were our winning of the District Tourney over Stronghurst, our opening game victory over very tough Joy, a win over a very good LaHarpe team and our tie for the Conference Championship. Marlin McCabe was our leading scorer with 390 points, Jim Hendrickson was next with 369 points, next was Duane Brown with 343 points. Larry Whitmore chipped in with 195 points and Bill Stevenson added 149 points. These boys were fine rebounders and shot in the high percentages all year. Our reserves were Sharon Kloster a fine rebounder, Jerry McOlgan a very good ball handler, Norman Dixon who could always be counted on for a few points, Ray James who came back to help at the end of the season, and Bill Henshaw a fine shooting sophomore.

Duane Brown and Larry Whitmore's absence will really be felt next year. These boys were co-captains and gave the game their all throughout the season. Their fine play and positions will be filled in by our young boys next year who gave a very fine account on the B's.

John Simons' services were invaluable.

SCHEDULE AND SCORES

G-O	58	Joy	57	G-O	57	Little York	43
	54	Media	55		52	Keithsburg (O.T.)	57
	48	Keithsburg	62		74	Stronghurst	49
	53	Terre Haute	40		68	Terre Haute	56
	81	New Boston	39		52	Aledo (Tourney)	67
	55	Keithsburg	57		66	Kirkwood	52
		(Valley Tourney)			65	Biggsville	55
	59	Stronghurst	68		57	LaHarpe	52
	50	RMA	38		75	Media	69
	48	Little York	67		58	RMA	57
	49	Aledo	51		76	Kirkwood	58

DISTRICT TOURNEY

G-O	61	Terre Haute	56	G-O	55	Stronghurst	53
	67	Media	56				

REGIONAL TOURNEY

G-O	57	Roseville	47	G-O	34	Macomb High	50
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The B's finished their season with a very commendable 14-win 5-loss record. G & O should be able to look forward to another fine season next year.



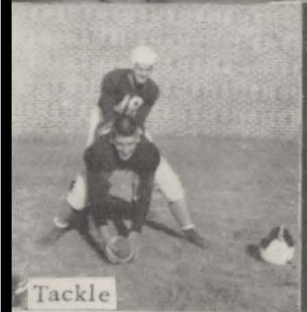
King & Queen



Queen & Attendants



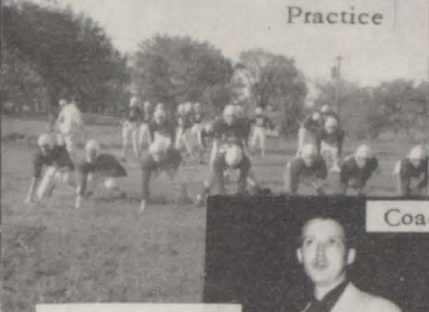
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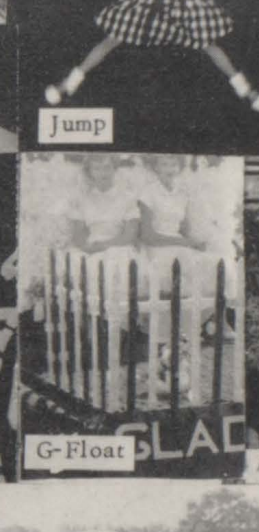
Backers



Happy



Winners



Jump



Assistant-Coach



Parade



Work-out



Home-Coming



Fighters



Cubs



Le-Float

SENIORS SAY FAREWELL

TO G-O HIGH

On a bright and shining morning in September, 1950, 26 Freshmen from Gladstone, Oquawka and Gulfport stepped foot inside the halls of G-O High School to begin their four year career as high school students. Everyone was strange and new but it didn't take this jolly group long to get acquainted.

The first great event was the election of class officers. We elected Janet McCabe as President, Evelyn Cochran as Vice-president, Joyce Stewart as secretary and treasurer. Our sponsor was Mrs. Velma Marr, the English teacher.

Our two parties of the first year were a skating party and a theater party.

Our Sophomore year began with 5 of our 26 members dropping out. Our class sponsor this year was Mr. Kramer, the Industrial Arts teacher and our class officers were Joyce Stewart, president, Duane Brown, vice-president, Evelyn Cochran, secretary, Janet McCabe, treasurer. Our first party of this year was a hayrack ride and a weiner roast. Candidates for homecoming king and queen from the Sophomore class were Ray James and Janet McCabe. Another event in our Sophomore year was a record dance in the gym. The next party during this year was a picnic and a skating party in Burlington.

We began our Junior year with 18 members and picked up two later in the year. We again elected Mr. Kramer as our class sponsor and our class officers this year were Joyce Stewart, president, Janet McCabe, vice-president, Evelyn Cochran, secretary, and Bette Eggers treasurer. Our homecoming king and queen candidates were Duane Brown and Joyce Stewart. This was our big year. We were to sell candy and popcorn at the football games and basketball games, get our class rings and have the Junior-Senior prom. Our first party of this year was a hayrack ride and a weiner roast. Our float in the homecoming parade got third place prize. Our first dance was to be December 5. We were well on our way to making money for the prom and our Senior trip. During the remaining part of the year we had another dance and party. The Junior Play "Fuedin Over Yonder", was quite a success. At last it was time to make plans for our prom. It was decided that the Junior classes of G-O and Biggsville would have their proms together in the Burlington Hotel. Our theme for the prom was "The Coronation."

At last we were Seniors, it seemed like the day would never come when we could say "We are Seniors," but it had. Our class had increased to 20 with 2 new members, and one dropping out. Our first event of our Senior Year was the Homecoming Parade and dance. Our candidates, Joyce Stewart and Duane Brown, were elected king and queen this year. Our sponsors for this year were Mr. Ekelof and Mr. Chick and our class officers were Joyce Stewart, president, George Olson, vice-president, Bette Eggers, secretary and Janet McCabe treasurer. We sold pop and hot dogs at the football games and basketball games this year. During the year we had two dances and a sock dance after a basketball game. Our first party of the year was a hayrack ride and a weiner roast down by the river. The second one was an ice skating party at Ship's Pond. We decided to go to New York and Niagara Falls on our Senior Trip. Plans were made to take the trip and we kept on making money to pay our expenses. Our Senior Class Play was another important event in our Senior year. We put on the play "Sittin Pretty." The next thing was to order caps, gowns, invitations and everything for graduation. The 26th of May was the date chosen for our commencement exercises. At last the time had come, but now that it had, everyone was lingering with the idea we would not be coming back the next year. Everyone would be going their separate way. So, on that fateful night of May 26, we stepped forth into a new life, and for the last time the halls of G & O resounded with the footsteps of the class of '54.

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