



Beacon





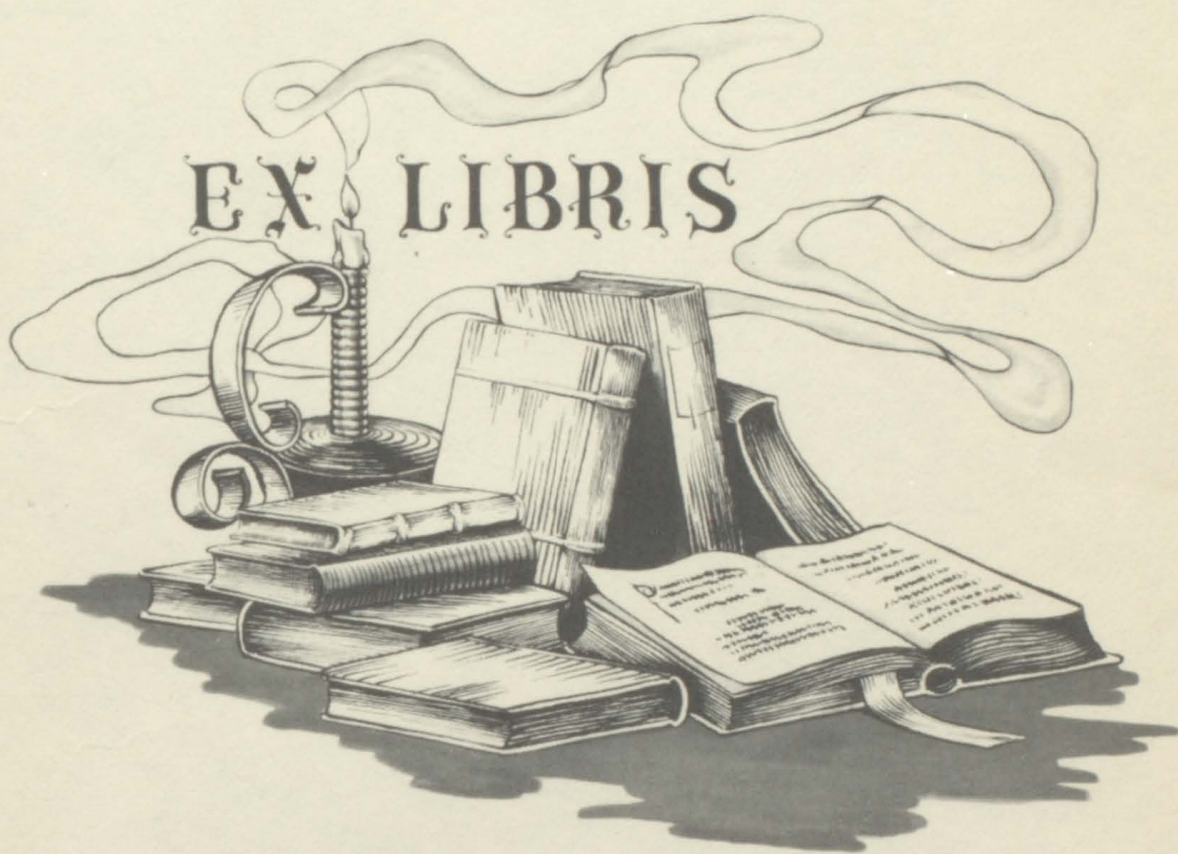




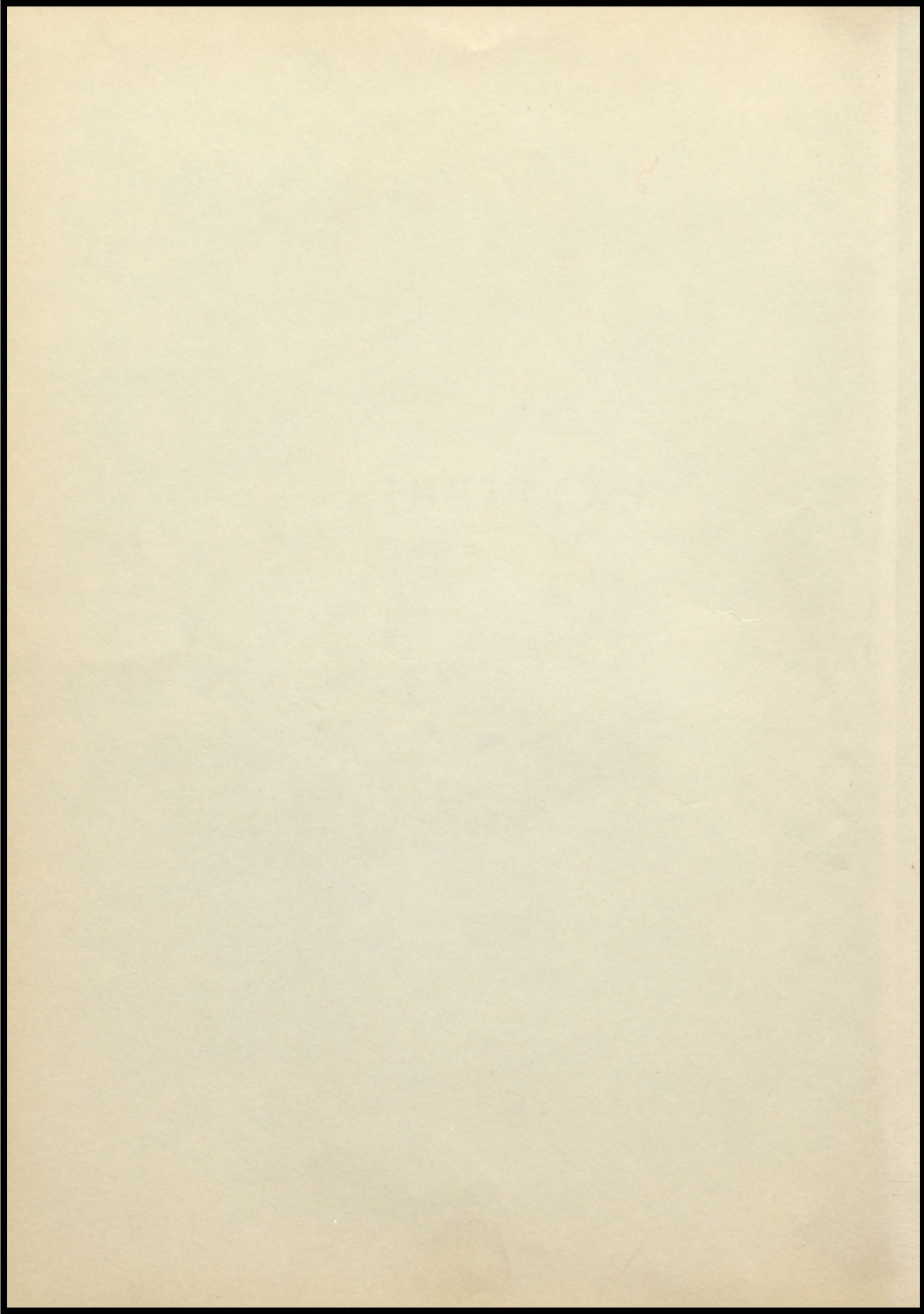




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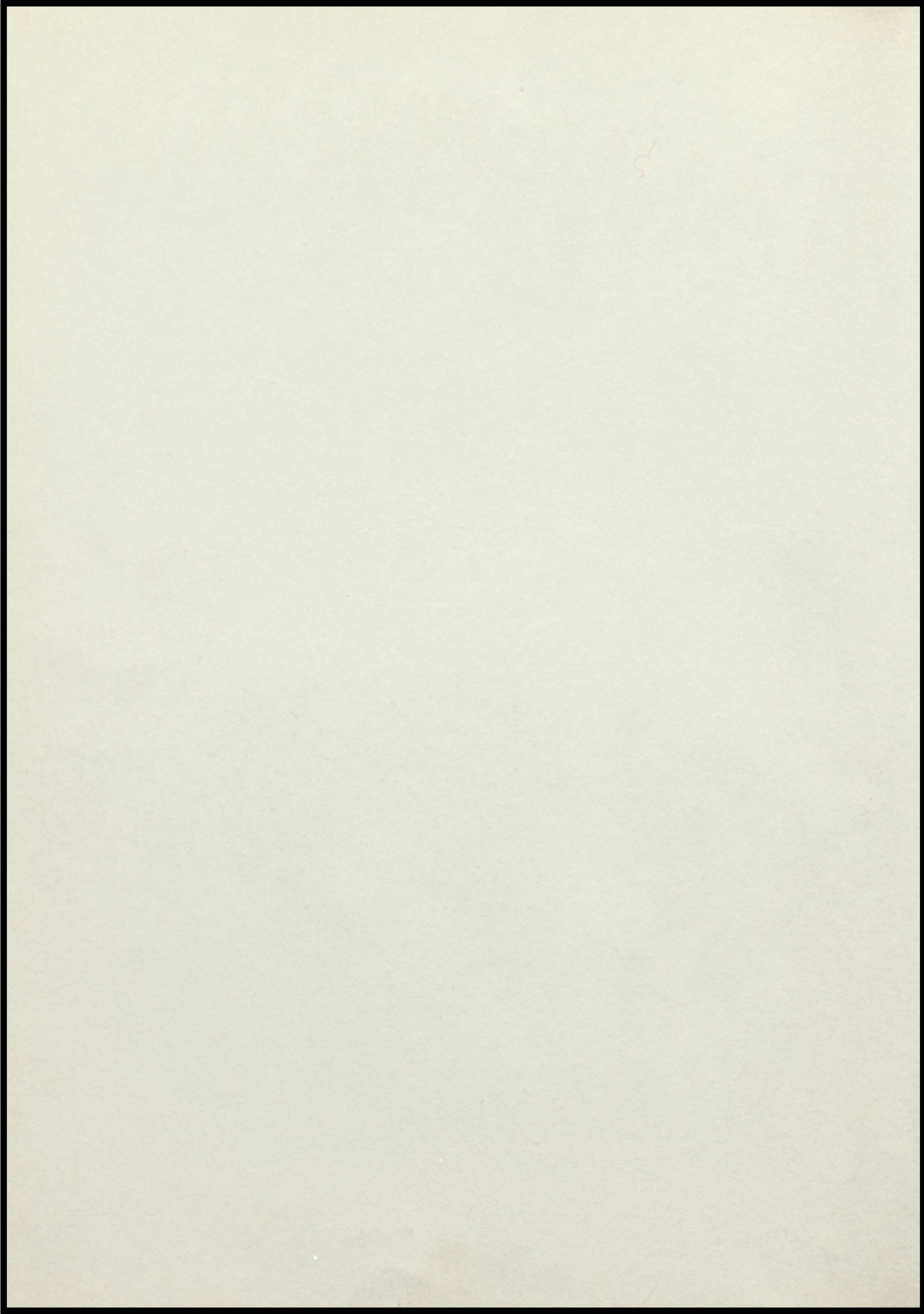
IN MEMORIAM.....LONNIE DOWELL

Our friend and fellow classmate was a member of the Freshmen class of 1951 and 1952. He won the admiration and respect of all who knew him.

We wish he could have remained to travel life's road with us, but the higher power called him Home, and we can be consoled with the fact that one so good in heart and soul rests peacefully.

E'en for the dead I will not bind  
My soul to grief--death cannot  
                                long divide:  
For is it not as if the rose that  
                                climbed  
My garden wall had blossomed on  
                                the other side?  
Death doth hide but not divide;  
Beloved, thou art on Christ's oth  
                                er side.



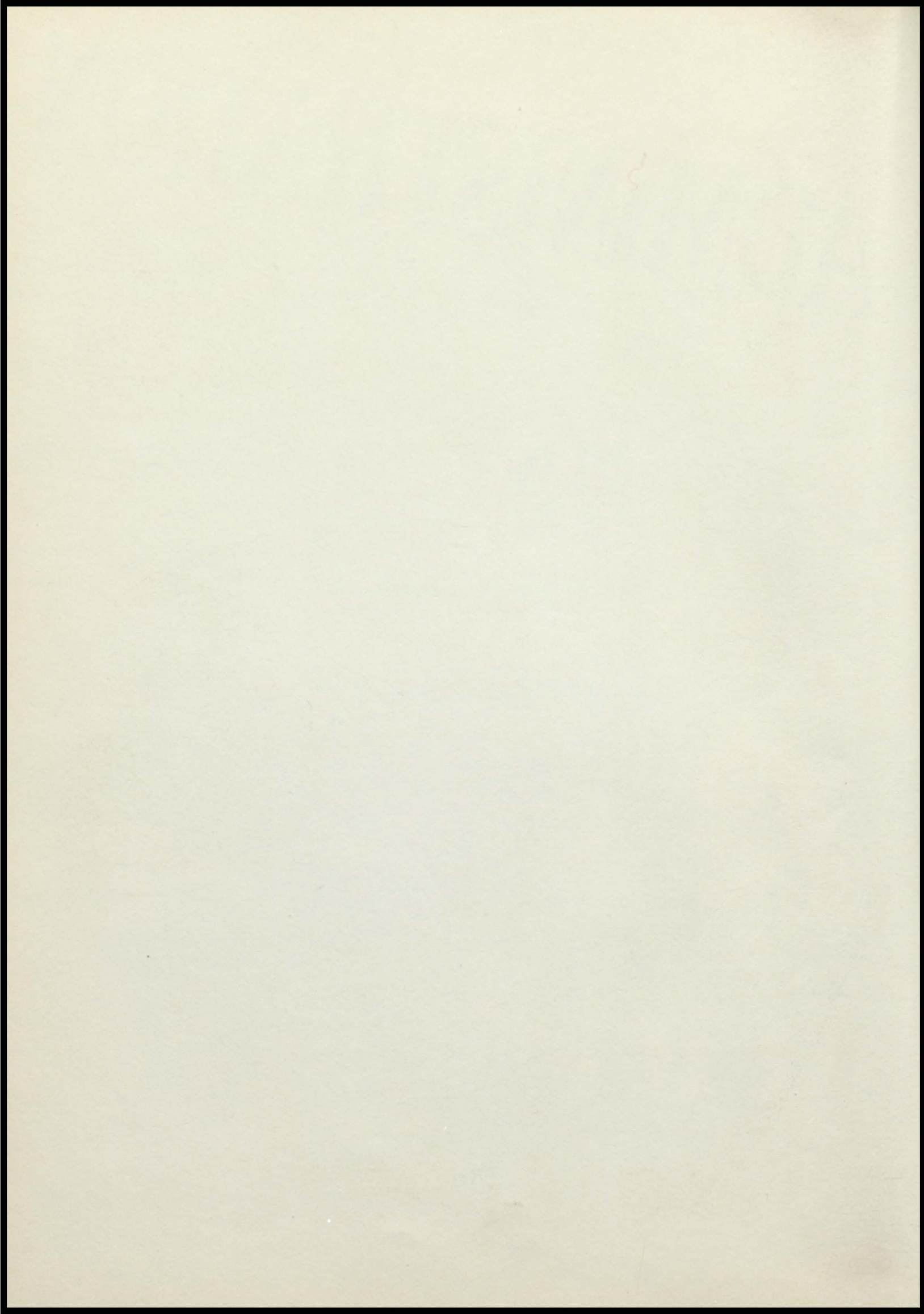




# ADMINISTRATION











MERLIN FORESMAN, PRES.



JOE GABBY, SEC'Y.



JOHN DANNENBERG



CLARENCE MELLOR



KENNETH NORWOOD

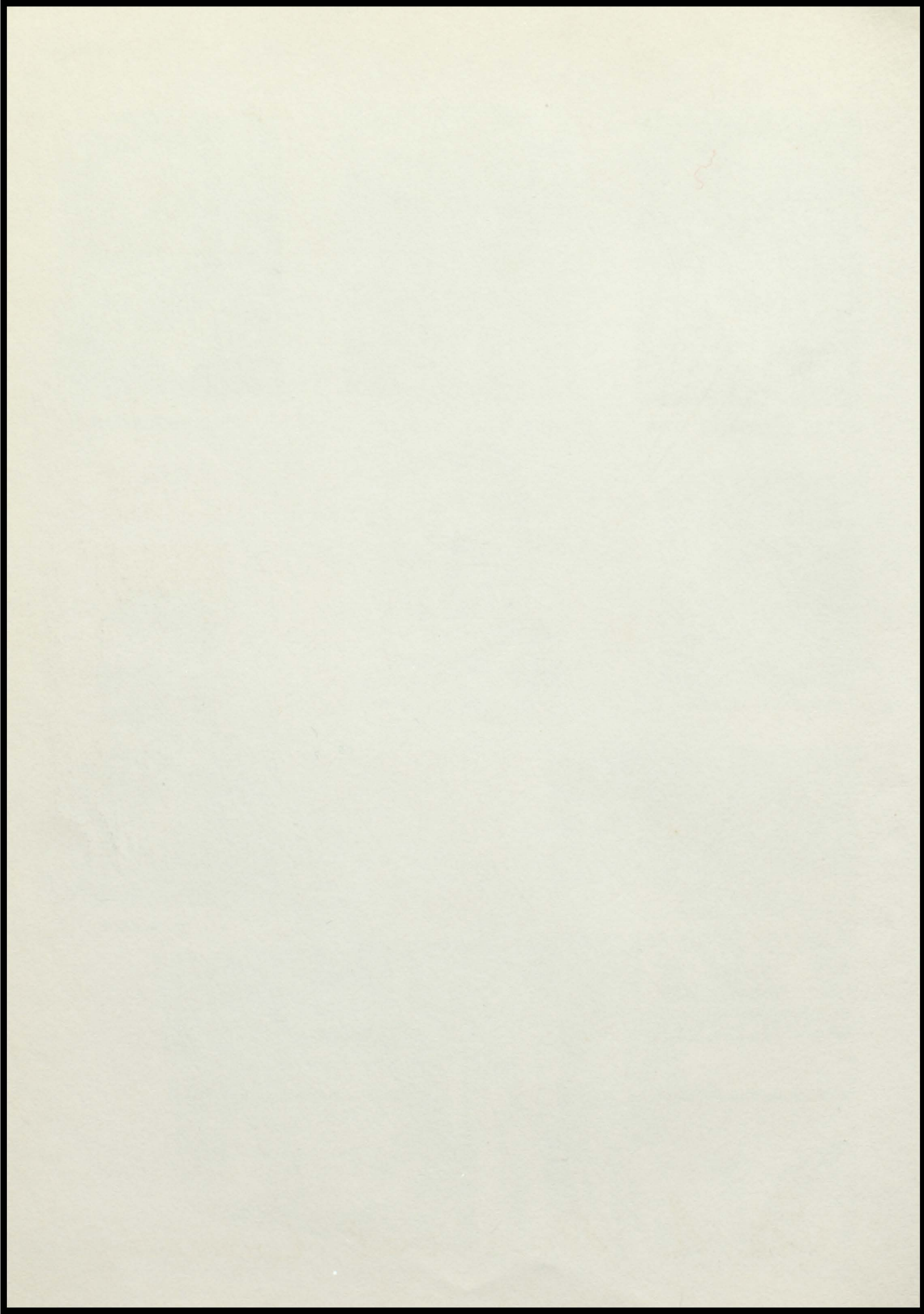


DALE KEMP



SCHS BUS and  
drivers, R.B. Porter, Bob Lauver







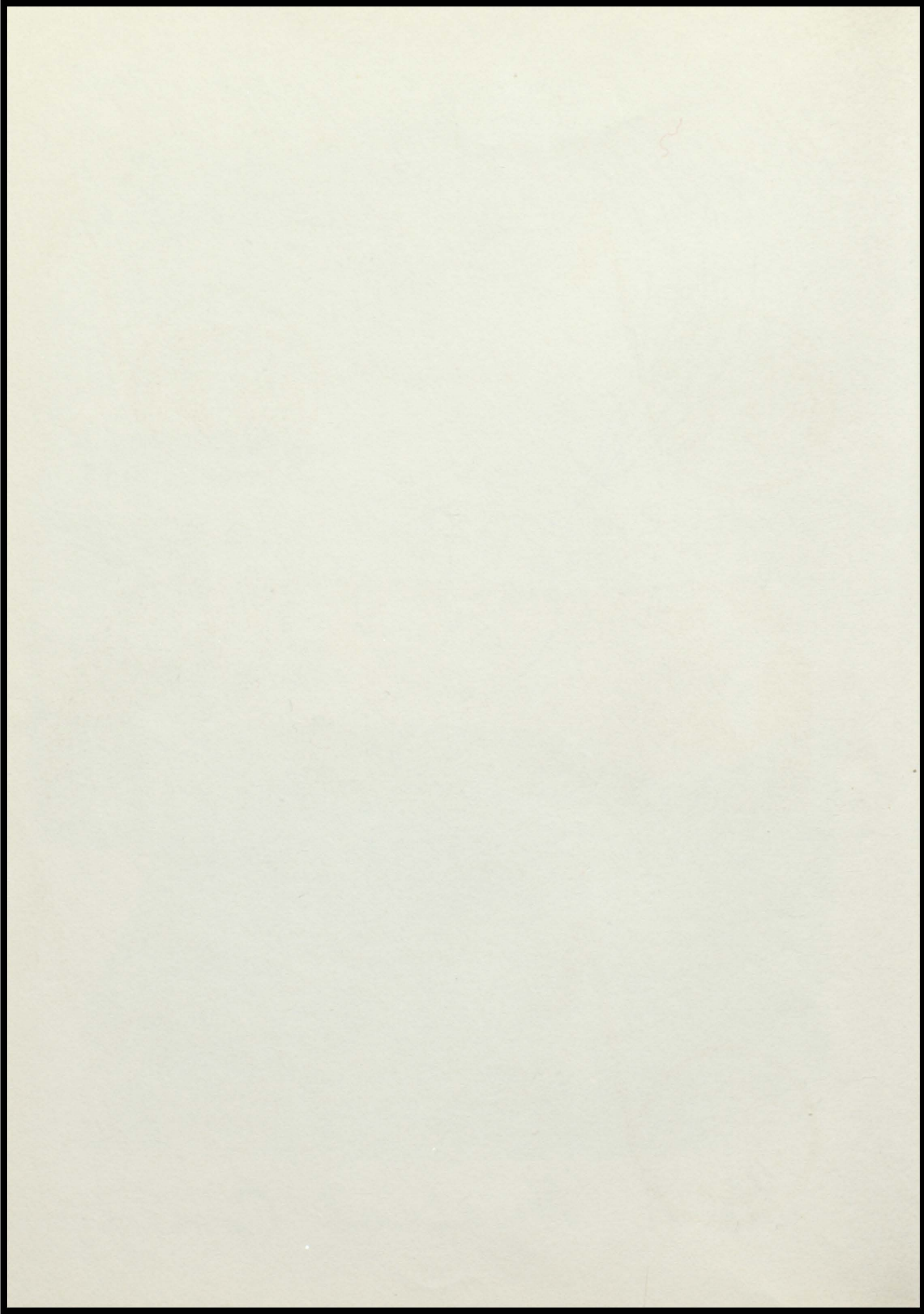
ALL the World's  
A Stage

"and S.C.H.S.  
No Exception"



It's A Musical Comedy





And Every Person A Player

"It's In The Book"  
The School



"Wish You Were"  
The Organizations

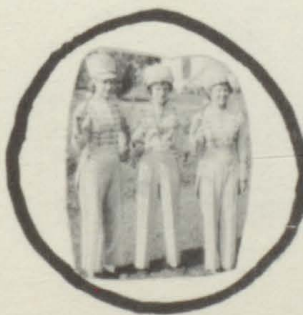


Let's Take A Look



At The Attractions

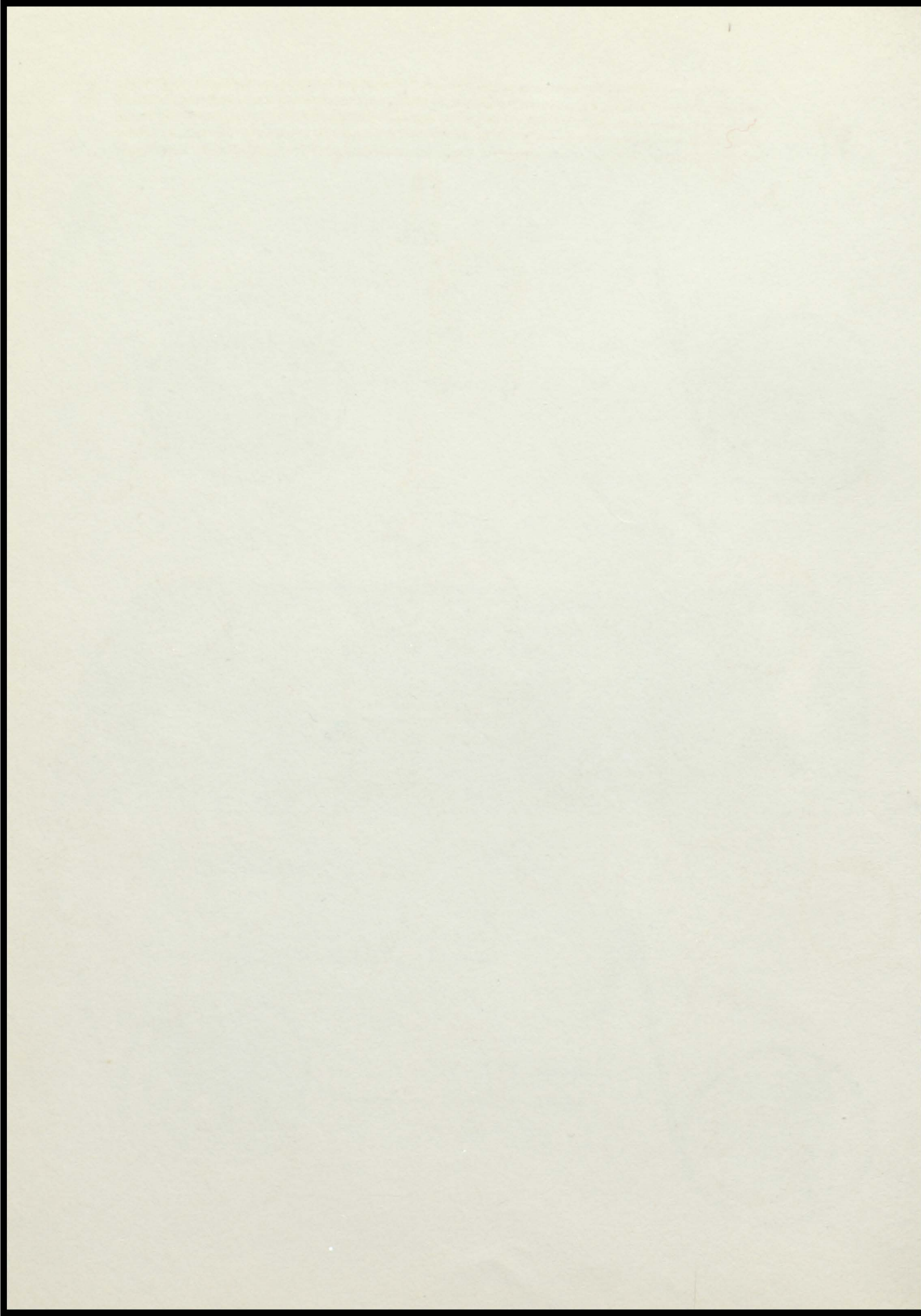
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Like Show Business"  
Activities

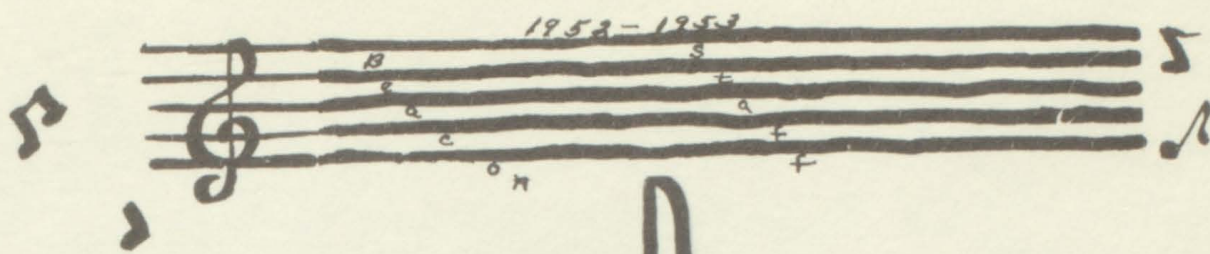


"Take Me Out To  
The Ball Game"  
Athletics









## Key Notes



Mrs. Alexander  
Advisor

Sheila Dowell  
Editor

Business  
Manager

Isabel

Hustead



Snapshots

Jolene

Vaughan



Assit.  
Editor

Barbara

Bedleton



Sports  
Editor



Tom  
Layman

Humor



Richard  
Knutstrom

Art Editor



Bob  
Haders

Jean  
Kemp

Janice

Bailey



Leanne

Silver



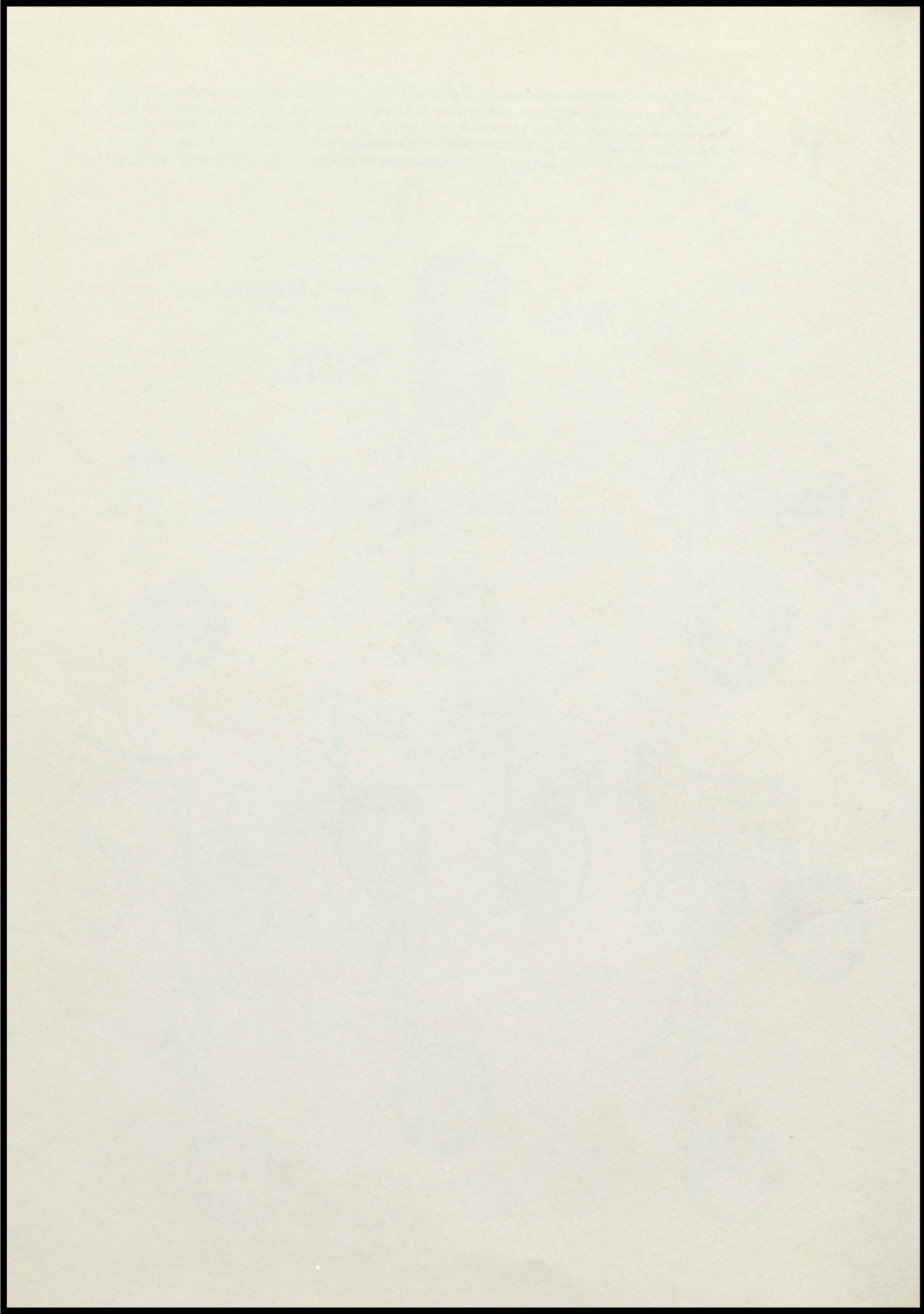
Literary  
Editors

Connie

Mosher







THE

Faculty

CAST

*Juniors*

*Sophomore*

*Seniors*

*Freshmen*



*Sophomore Class Officers*



*Junior Class Officers*

*Freshmen Class Officers*



*FFA Officers*







INEZ ALEXANDER



W.M. LAYMAN PRIN.



Willis Johnson



JUDITH JUERS



EVELYN FORD



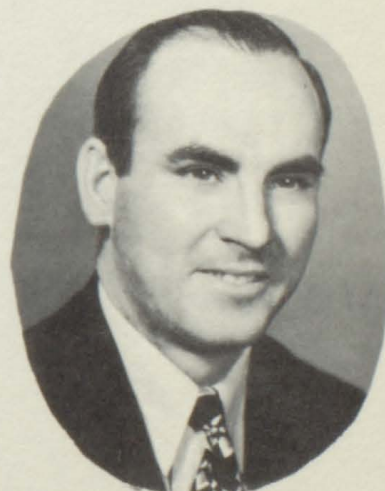
ROBERT PARKS



CARL TINGLEY



CAROL SALLEE



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# SENIORS

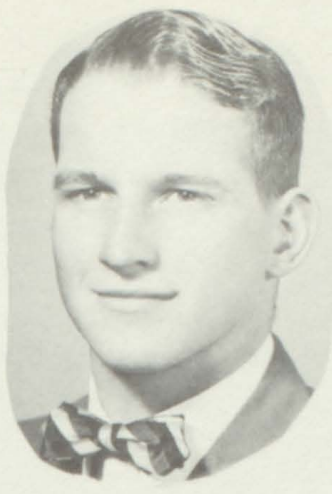








ROBERT ANDERS



FRANK AVERY



JANICE BALMER



LARRY BALMER



DELBERT CARMEAN



SHEILA DOWELL



ISABEL HUSTEAD



JEAN KEMP



RICHARD KNUTSTROM



THOMAS LAYMAN



CORNELIA MOSHER



LELAND SIVERLY



JEANETTE  
STRAND



JOLENE  
VAUGHAN





# SENIOR CLASS

## ROBERT ANDERS

Mixed Chorus 1,4; Boys' Chorus 1,4  
District Choruses 1,4; Bi-County 1,4  
Basketball 1,2,3,4; Letter 3,4  
Football 1,2,3,4; Letter 4; Capt. 4  
Track 1,2,3  
Beacon Club 4  
Block "S" 3,4  
Carnival Attendant 2  
Class Play 3,4; School Paper 4  
FFA 3,4; Vice Pres. 1,3,4

## FRANK AVERY

Football 2,3,4  
FFA 1,2,3,4; Treas. 3  
Homecoming King 4  
Beacon Club 3,4  
Chorus 3,4  
Comm'l. Club 4  
Carnival Attendant 3

## JANICE BALMER

FHA 1,2,3  
Class Play 3,4  
Cheerleader 2  
Comm'l. Club 3,4  
Beacon Club 4

## LARRY BALMER

Boys' Chorus 1,2,3,4; Mixed Cho. 1,2,3,4  
District Cho. 1,2,3,4; Bi-County 1,2,3,4  
Basketball 1,2,3,4  
Football 1,2,3,4  
Track 1,2,3  
Block "S" 3,4  
Homecoming Attendant 1  
Class Play 3  
Beacon Club 3,4  
School Paper 4

## DELBERT CARMEAN

Band 1,2,3,4  
Trumpet Trio 3  
Bi-County 1,2,3,4  
Basketball 1,2  
Football 1,2,3  
Track 1,2,3  
Block "S" 3  
Class Play 3,4

## LELAND SIVERLY

Mixed Cho. 1,2,3,4  
Boys' Cho. 1,2,3,4  
Dist. Cho. 1,2,3,4  
Bi-County 1,2,3,4  
Class Play 3,4  
Comm'l. Club 3,4  
Beacon Club 4  
FFA 1,2,3,4

## Sheila Dowell

Class Vice Pres. 2; Sec'y. 4  
FHA 1,2,3,4; Parl. 2; Pres. 3; Hist. 4  
Comm'l. Club 3,4; Beacon Club 3,4  
Ass't. Ed. 3; Editor 4  
Newspaper Report. 4  
Class Play 3,4  
Homecoming Queen Attendant 2  
Carnival Queen Attendant 3

## CORNELIA MOSHER

FHA 1,2,3  
Class Play 3,4  
Comm'l. Club 3,4  
Beacon Club 3,4

## ISABEL HUSTEAD

FHA 1,2,3,4; Song Leader 4  
Class Report. 4; Class Play 4  
Girls' Cho. 1,2,3,4; Wilco 3,4  
Bi-County 1,2,3,4; Dist. 1,2,3,4  
State 2; Mixed Cho. 1,2,3,4  
Bi-County 1,2,3,4; Wilco 3,4  
Dist. 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2; Bi-County  
1,2; Dist. 1,2; Beacon Club 4  
Comm'l. Club 3,4; Cheerleader 1-4  
Carnival Queen Candidate 4

## JEANIE KEMP

Class Officer 2,3; Class Play 3,4  
FHA 1,2,3,4; GAA 1,4  
Girls' Cho. 1,2,3,4; Bi-County  
1,2,3,4; District 1,2,3,4; State 1  
Wilco 3,4; Mixed Cho. 1,2,3,4  
Bi-County 1,2,3,4; Dist. 1,2,3,4  
Dist. 3,4; Speech 2,3,4; Bi-County  
2,3,4; Dist. 3; Beacon Staff 2,3  
Art Ed. 4; Comm'l. Club 3,4  
Carnival Cand. 1; MISS POPULARITY  
Cand. 2; Homecoming Queen 4  
Libr. 2,4; Newspaper Staff Rep. 4

## RICHARD KNUTSTROM

Mixed Cho. 123; Boys' Cho. 1,2  
Band 1,2; Basketball 1,2,3  
Football 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2  
Beacon Club 4; Class Pres. 3,4  
Attendant 2; Class Play 3,4  
Bi-County 1,2; Dist. Cho. 1,2

## THOMAS LAYMAN

Mix. Cho. 1,2,3,4; Boys' Cho. 1,2,3,4  
Quart. 3,4; Clarinet Quar. 2,3,4  
Band 1,2,3,4; Dist. 3,4; Solo 4  
Dist. Choll. 2,3,4; Bi-County 1,2,3,  
4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Letter  
Block "S" 3,4; Football 1,2,3,4;  
Letter: Track 1,2,3; Beacon Club 3  
4; Comm'l. Club 3,4; Class Treas. 1  
2,3,4; Sec'y. 2; Homecoming Attend  
1; Carnival Attend. 4; Class Play  
3,4; School Paper 4

## JEANETTE STRAND

Class Pres. 1; Class Play 3,4  
FHA 1,2,3,4; Treas. 3; Homecoming  
Cand. 1; GAA 1,4; Girls' Cho. 1,2,3,4  
Bi-County 1,2,3,4; Dist. 1,2,3,4;  
Wilco 3,4; Mixed Cho. 1,2,3,4; Bi-  
County 1,2,3,4; Dist. 1,2,3,4;  
Wilco 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Bi-County  
1,2,3,4; Dist. 1,2,3,4; Wilco 3,4  
Sextette 3,4; Dist. 3,4; Beacon Club  
3,4; Comm'l. Club 3,4; Libr. 1,2,3,4  
Cheerleader 2,3,4; Paper Staff Ed. 4

## JOLENE VAUGHAN

FHA 1,2,3,4  
Beacon Club 3,4  
Comm'l. Club 3,4  
Class Play 4





## SENIOR CLASS HISTORY

In the fall of 1949, twenty green freshmen entered Stronghurst High to begin a high school education. The following officers were elected.

President..Jeanette Strand  
Vice Pres..Robert Anders  
Sec'y.....Martha Holsteen  
Treas.....Thomas Layman

Norma Phillips and Isabel Hustead were chosen for Junior Varsity cheerleaders. Jeanette Strand and Tom Layman were homecoming candidates. Carnival candidate for MISS POPULARITY was Jean Kemp. Her attendant was Larry Balmer

Eighteen of us returned in the fall of 1950. Officers were:

President..Norma Phillips  
Vice Pres..Sheila Dowell  
Sec'y.....Thomas Layman  
Treas.....Jeanie Kemp

The Junior Varsity cheerleaders were all chosen from our class. They were Jeanette Strand, Isabel Hustead, and Janice Balmer.

Our carnival candidate for MISS POPULARITY was Jean Kemp, attended by R. Knutstrom. Our homecoming candidates were Sheila Dowell and Robert Anders.

Sixteen of us returned for our junior year. Officers were:

President..Richard Knutstrom  
Vice Pres..Robert Anders  
Secretary..Jean Kemp  
Treasurer..Tom Layman

Our carnival candidate for MISS POPULARITY WAS Sheila Dowell, attended by F. Avery. Martha Holsteen and Larry Balmer were chosen to represent our class for Homecoming candidates. Jeanette Strand and Isabel Hustead were chosen to be Varsity cheerleaders. Our class play was entitled, "Girl Shy." The banquet was held in the school gymnasium, May 10

Our last year found fourteen of us, and our officers were:

President..Richard Knutstrom  
Vice Pres..Robert Anders  
Treasurer..Thomas Layman  
Secretary..Sheila Dowell  
Reporter...Isabel Hustead

Our carnival candidate for MISS POPULARITY was Isabel Hustead. She was attended by Thomas Layman. Jeanie Kemp and Frank Avery were crowned homecoming queen and king. Isabel Hustead and Jeanette Strand were varsity cheerleaders.

All of us have enjoyed going to Stronghurst High and participating in school activities.

### CLASS FLOWER

Lily of the Valley

### CLASS COLORS

Rose and Silver

### CLASS MOTTO

Today we follow, tomorrow we lead.





## SENIOR CLASS POEM

In the beginning there was the class of '50;  
Everyone of us thought we were pretty nifty,  
When starting, we were very green,  
Of getting scared we'd never dreamed.

The dreaded day of initiation came at last;  
We thought the day would never pass,  
But at last the worst is over,  
The thought of six weeks test will o'er us hover.

The next year we were a bunch of sillies;  
To the upper classmen we gave the willy-willies,  
This year we knew what to expect more,  
Much more than the year before.

This year we were very jolly,  
We are rearing to go this year, by golly.  
This year we're much more educated,  
And just beginning to get lubricated.

At last we heave a sigh;  
Because we must say good-bye.  
We are seniors now, you know,  
And down the path of time we'll go.

Richard Knutstrom is a jolly lad;  
Sometimes good, sometimes bad.  
I'm sure you'll agree with me  
He's as good as good can be.

Larry Balmer is fond of sports,  
He goes out for them, all sorts  
He has red hair and a temper to watch;  
A certain girl he's bound to catch.

Bob Anders is quite a boy;  
To the girls he's quite a joy,  
He likes to take them for a spin,  
His folks will ask, "What time did you get in?"

To Delbert Carmean the eight-thirty bell means nothing;  
When he's late, he always comes puffing.  
He is never on time,  
But when he is, Mr. Parks says, "FINE!"

Jolene Vaughan is a cute little lass;  
All the boys turn whenever she does pass.  
A beauty operator she'd like to be,  
Her styles will look great to us, you'll see.

Janice Balmer is looking into space;  
Maybe she's dreaming of some far-off place,  
Maybe she is building castles in the air,  
Saying, I want my house to be right there.

Shelia Dowell is very nice;  
You know, one of those girls of sugar and spice.  
All the boys are after her heart  
But it seems the two will never part.

Frank Avery is another Hercules;  
The girls he likes to kiss and tease.  
The one gal he does recall  
Is a sophomore, Janet Marshall.

She came from Hopper, this country gal;  
And milks a dozen and one milk cows,  
Her name is Cornelia Mosher,  
And across the water her beau did go.

CLASS FLOWER Lily of the Valley

CLASS MOTTO

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## SENIOR CLASS POEM

Also the class has a girl named Strand;  
Her job is to help Mr. Parks with the band.  
Her first name is Jeanette,  
And a boy named T.L. is her pet.

Next in line is a girl named Jean;  
She's a red head and really keen,  
College boys are her delight,  
Especially those who stay out half the night.

Isabel is a girl after a "Fox,"  
Who would like to have him wrapped up in a bag,  
With a big red ribbon tied around his chest,  
The two love birds would then build their nest.

Tom Layman, five-foot eleven;  
Can't decide where he'll find heaven,  
Stronghurst or across the river he'll go,  
Looking for the girl that's just so! so!

I, Leland Siverly, am the writer of this poem;  
You'll lean back in your chair and say ho-em.  
My mind was a little hazy,  
But I hope you don't think me crazy.

Now since this is the end of us  
We cannot stay, but we must rush  
Without further ado;  
We, the senior class, say good-bye to you.

## THE HUDDLE

When the game has just begun,  
And all is in a muddle,  
What do you suppose is said,  
Way back there in the huddle.

Who's to take the ball this time?  
I believe you, Harry R."  
O.K., you help me boys,  
And we'll show them how strong we are."

Von, you can take it now,  
As you're pretty quick.  
They will never catch you,  
If you work it real slick."

Bob, how about you?  
Get ready for a pass.  
Don't forget to hustle  
As this play works mighty fast."

Don't forget to fake, Jack!  
And then we'll up and pant,  
No team will ever catch up,  
With this kind of a stunt."

You line men, settle down,  
And please don't let 'em through.  
Then you can push 'em back.  
Perhaps a yard or two."

And so in every huddle  
Is heard much of the same.  
The same old talk and chatter,  
Which helps to win the game.

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## PROPHECY

Place....Stork Club, New York City  
Time.....December 31, 1963

The Stork Club, the most beautiful and richly decorated night club, in New York owned by Mr. Delbert Carmean is presenting its annual New Years Eve party. Delbert has invited his past graduation class of "53" to help celebrate the New Columbia Recording Star, Miss Norma Garbo, the former Isabel Hustead, who is teamed with Jeffery Clay, the top male singer of the nation.

Say, look at that big limousine driving up, who's that big hunk of man behind the wheel. It might be, it could be, it is! ! ! Larry Balmer that pro-foot ball player for the Los Angeles Rams. As the door is opened, Larry is surprised to see that the doorman is Richard Knutstrom, his old school chum.

It's too chilly to stand out here any longer so let's go back in and see if we can find any more of our other fellow class mates of "53".

Delbert Carmean, the owner of the club, is introducing us to that famous poet, Mr. Leland Siverly. Everyone thought Leland to be the bashful type, but from the gleam in his eyes and that shape of the blonde sitting in the corner, no one can make us believe that he was reciting poetry.

As the cigar smoke fills the room there is one scent which we notice more than any other. Let's follow it and see just who the character is behind the puff. Isn't that the famous woman specialist, Dr. Thomas Layman and his lovely wife, the former Jeanette Strand, Tom isn't following his given advice to other people as we see him placing his order for two martinis and one ginger-ale. Who are the Martinis for, Tom?

As we wonder about the center of the room we see a very quiet and dignified couple, Rev. and Mrs. Max Kerns. Mrs. Kerns is the former Cornelia Mosher. They were undecided as to whether to except the invitation, as they did not want to leave Max Junior with a baby sitter, but they decided that he was old enough to get along without mommy and daddy one night.

As the clock above the bar strikes nine, the lights are dimmed for the floor show. We notice the beautiful interior decorating once more. The decorating of the club was done by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse David Ward. Mrs. Ward is the former Miss Janice Balmer. The Wards could not accept the invitation as they have gone to Hawaii for the winter.

Now the owner is going to announce the first act of the floor show. He glances at the front door to see Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anders who are late as usual. It seems they had to get their eight children to bed and the pigs corralled before they could come. We know Mrs. Anders as Jean Kemp.

The Anders look for the hat check girl to check their heavy wraps, but they find her time well occupied by flirting with the famous Ape Man Wrestler, Frank Avery. Frank is the World's Champion in wrestling and just can't stay away from the girls. No, no, Frank, those holds are only used in the ring.

Now that everyone is here, maybe we can start the floor show over again. That famous Miss Garbo, Isabel Hustead, and Jeffery Clay will dedicate the song "You Belong To Me" to the class of "53" for the first act of the evening. Sammy Kay orchestra will accompany them.

Miss Sheila Dowell, the prettiest and most famous chorus girl in New York is getting ready for her act. Mrs. Jolene Murphy, the former Miss Jolene Vaughan is styling Miss Dowell's hair while Dean Martin is down on his knees asking for Sheila's hand. Dean has gotten a divorce from his former wife so that he can marry Sheila. Make the answer good, Sheila.

All the acts are over and the clock is striking three in the morning. Most of the honored guests of "53" have already left but Miss Garbo and Mr. Carmean are bidding the rest of the class and other guests goodbye. So Goodbye to the good old Stork Club and back home we go for a good mornings rest.

CLASS FLOWER

CLASS CLASS

Lily of the Valley

CLASS MOTTO

Rose and Silver

Today we follow, tomorrow we lead.





SENIOR CLASS WILL

We, the Senior Class of 1953, do declare this our last will and testament. We will our ambition to the Juniors, our bright students to the Sophomores, and our habit of breaking traditions to the Freshmen.

I, Frank Avery, do will and bequeath my interest in the sophomore class to Bil Phillips.

I, Bob Anders, do will and bequeath my bowed legs to Nancy Peasley.

I, Janice Balmer, do will and bequeath all my ex-boy friends to Joyce Humes.

I, Larry Balmer, do will and bequeath my track ability to Bobby Stimpson.

I, Delbert Carmean, do will and bequeath my interest in Blandinsville to Paul Ford.

I, Sheila Dowell, do will and bequeath my figure to Marlene Newman.

I, Isabel Hustead, do will and bequeath my interest in Chevrolets to Marjie Annegers.

I, Jean Kemp do will and bequeath my interest in boys to Diane Hoffeditz.

I, Richard Knutstrom, do will and bequeath my ability to play football on the basketball court to Gary McCollum.

I, Thomas Layman, do will and bequeath my ability to love 'em and leave 'em to Jack Evans.

I, Cornelia Mosher, do will and bequeath my quiet laughter to Rose Marie Brennan.

I, Leland Siverly, do will and bequeath my interest in the Democratic party to Gladys Wilson.

I, Jeanette Strand, do will and bequeath my ability to Lay----men to Nancy Herriott if she can handle them.

In the year of our Lord, May twenty-seventh, nineteen hundred and fifty-three, we do affix our seal.

WITNESSES: .....

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Signed: .....  
(President)

CLASS FLOWER  
Lily of the Valley

CLASS COLORS  
Rose and Silver





# JUNIORS







## JUNIOR CLASS HISTORY

In the fall of 1950 thirtythree valiant young freshmen crept up the steps of SCHS to begin their high school career. After being properly initiated, they proceeded to enjoy high school life. Class officers were as follows:

President.....Harry Billups  
Vice Pres.....Joan Stevenson  
Sec'y.-Treas...Merlin Foresman  
Reporter.....Art Davison  
Advisor.....Mr. Carl Tingley

The Homecoming candidates were Marilyn Anderson and Sidney Dowell. Carnival candidate for MISS POPULARITY was Winnie Long. Her attendant was Jack Evans.

Thirtyone members returned for our sophomore year. Our officers were:

President.....Lyman White  
Vice Pres.....Rose Marie Brennan  
Secretary.....Paul Ford  
Treasurer.....Winnie Long  
Reporter.....Barbara Pendleton  
Advisor.....Mr. Carl Tingley

Candidates for homecoming this year were: Queen, Janet Filberth; King, Paul Ford. Two cheerleaders were elected from our class, and they were Joan Stevenson and Janet Filberth. Janet was also Drum Major for the Stronghurst Marching Band. A Valentine Dance was sponsored. Our carnival candidate for the MISS POPULARITY contest was Carol Larson, attended by Sidney Dowell.

Reva Stimpson left our class our junior year, as did John Holsteen, who moved away the end of the first semester. Class officers were:

President	Paul Ford
Vice Pres.	John Holsteen
Secretary	Art Davison
Treasurer	Winnie Long
Reporter	Barbara Pendleton
Sponsors.....	Mr. Tingley Miss Juers

Homecoming candidates were Joan Stevenson and Merlin Foresman. Carnival candidate for MISS POPULARITY was Janet Filberth, and her attendant was Harry Billups. Joan Stevenson was also cheerleader. Our class play entitled Adams Evening, a comedy was presented. Janet Filberth was Drum Major in the SCHS Marching Band. We won second with our homecoming float, "It Won't Be A Bed of Roses for Alexis." We honored the seniors at the close of the year with a banquet and dance.

## SPEECH

Five students represented Stronghurst in the Bi-County Speech Contest held in Alexis on March 17. During the period before the contest, the contestants practiced their readings at assemblies, PTA meetings, and at the Beacon Club Carnival.

Jean Kemp with her presentation of "Democracy" in oratorical declamation, and Marilyn Anderson in extemporaneous speaking, won first place medals. Janet Filberth and Nancy Herriott drew second place in "On-the-Spot" news broadcasting, and serious prose reading respectively. Gladys Wilson took fourth position in the humorous prose reading section.

Miss Juers, who coached this year's speech work, says with such a record, next year Stronghurst should be among the winners in the state contest.





# SOPHOMORES







## SOPHOMORE HISTORY

In the year 1951, twentynine freshmen enrolled at SCHS. Our class officers:

President...Roxana Harvey  
Vice Pres...Bill Ross  
Sec'y.....Janet Lefler  
Treas.....Bob Bunt  
Report.....Volney Evans  
Advisor.....Mrs. Alexander

Nancy Peasley and Volney Evans were our homecoming candidates. Betty Hustead was one of the contestants for the carnival title, MISS POPULARITY and was successful in winning this honor. Bill Waddill was her attendant.

At the beginning of the year 1952, we had twentyfour sophomores. We were sorry to lose Mary Jane Smith. Our officers for the year were:

President     Volney Evans  
Vice Pres.   Wayne Bundy  
Sec'y.        Marjorie Annegers  
Treas.        Bob Bunt  
Report.       Mary Jane Smith  
Advisors.... Mrs. Alexander  
                 Coach Johnson

Our candidates for homecoming were Betty Hustead and Jerry McIntire. Our carnival contestant for the title of MISS POPULARITY was Janet Lefler. Her attendant was Bob Bunt. Janet won the honor this year. Betty Hustead and Nancy Peasley were elected cheerleaders.

Bill Ross, Eldon Avery, Bill Waddill, Bob Bunt, Volney Evans, Jerry McIntire, and Wayne Bundy were active members on the basketball team.

Our class sponsored the following activities: a round and square dance, a bake sale, the freshman initiation party, and the class won second place in the magazine sale.

## HIT PARADE OF 1952 and 1953

Paul and Nancy.....Oh, Happy Day  
Harry to Betty.....Because of You  
Frank to Janet.....Be My Life's Companion  
Winnie and Bud.....Let Me Call You Sweetheart  
Lyman to Barbara.....Don't Let the Sun Get In Your Eyes  
Sid to Janet.....She Wears Red Feathers  
Corny to Max.....Wish You Were Here  
Isabel to Herbie.....You Belong To Me  
Jeanette and Tom.....Blue Moon  
Jerry and Joan.....Stringin' Along  
Mert to Volney.....'Til I Waltz Again With You  
George and Margie Cook.....Put Your Arms Around Me  
June and Dick.....My Buick and I  
Theo and Lawrence.....Always  
David and Janice.....Wedding Bells  
Rose Marie and Jack.....How Much Is That Doggie in the Window  
Viola and Chalmer.....Enjoy Yourself  
Ronnie and Dixie.....I Wanna Play House With You  
Richard and Marlene.....Glowworm





# FRESHMEN







## FRESHMEN CLASS HISTORY

September 3, 1952, twentyfour displaced persons walked into this building. Many people wondered about the strange expressions on our faces, but soon found out it was only because we were the new freshmen. Our officers were:

President....Nancy Norwood  
Vice Pres....Donald Morris  
Sec'y.....Nancy Herriott  
Treas.....Kendall Knutstrom  
Advisors....Miss Juers, Miss Sallee  
                    Mr. Allen Utecht

As soon as we became acclimated, the dreaded initiation day came. The members of the sophomore class drew names of the various members of the freshman class and then set about devising means of embarrassing and harrassing us during the entire day and a part of the evening. For the most part, the "green freshies" were asked to dress in some grotesque manner and paint themselves up like Apache Indians on the warpath or medicine men decked out to perform weird rain ritual of some kind.

During the first session on Friday, the freshmen were paraded through the study hall in a modified snake dance and were then assembled in front of the room where they were asked to sing the loyalty for the upper classmen. The freshmen who were late for this occasion were singled out by sophomores and asked to do solos and perform as small groups to the delight of everyone.

These ridiculous creatures went to classes with their most unusual costumes on which was bad enough but they also took onion necklaces and other fruits and vegetables that gave off a constant stench, but everyone seemed to enjoy the day.

At noon the group was assembled in front of the building and paraded through the business district for the benefit of the curious or interested fans.

The freshmen brought candy for everyone, but more especially the sophomore class and they were to show great respect for their benefactors and at times delight them with curtsies and bursts of song or recitations.

Nancy Herriott and Ronnie Johnson were our homecoming queen and king candidates. Dixie Gray represented us in the MISS POPULARITY contest for the school carnival. The carnival was sponsored by the yearbook club. Rodney Ford was Dixie's attendant. Nancy Harriott was chosen as one of the school cheer leaders.

## RECIPE FOR A FRESHMAN

Take a small boy or girl  
A bulgy bag of looks,  
Two pencils, a leaky fountain pen,  
A wad of gum and an eraser.  
Mix the girl or boy with the books,  
Adding scared look and squeaky shoes;  
Freeze by calling for a recitation:  
Shake well and serve at once.







*Juniors*



*Sophomores*



*Freshmen*





"General  
Science"



"Office  
Practice"



"Geometry"



"Physics"









Home Ec.

Agriculture



Spanish

World History







# ACTIVITIES







# The Guilds



Clubs - Activities - Music





*It's A Great Night  
For A Snake Dance*



*Newspaper Staff*



*Beacon Staff*







*Boys Chorus*



*Mixed Chorus*



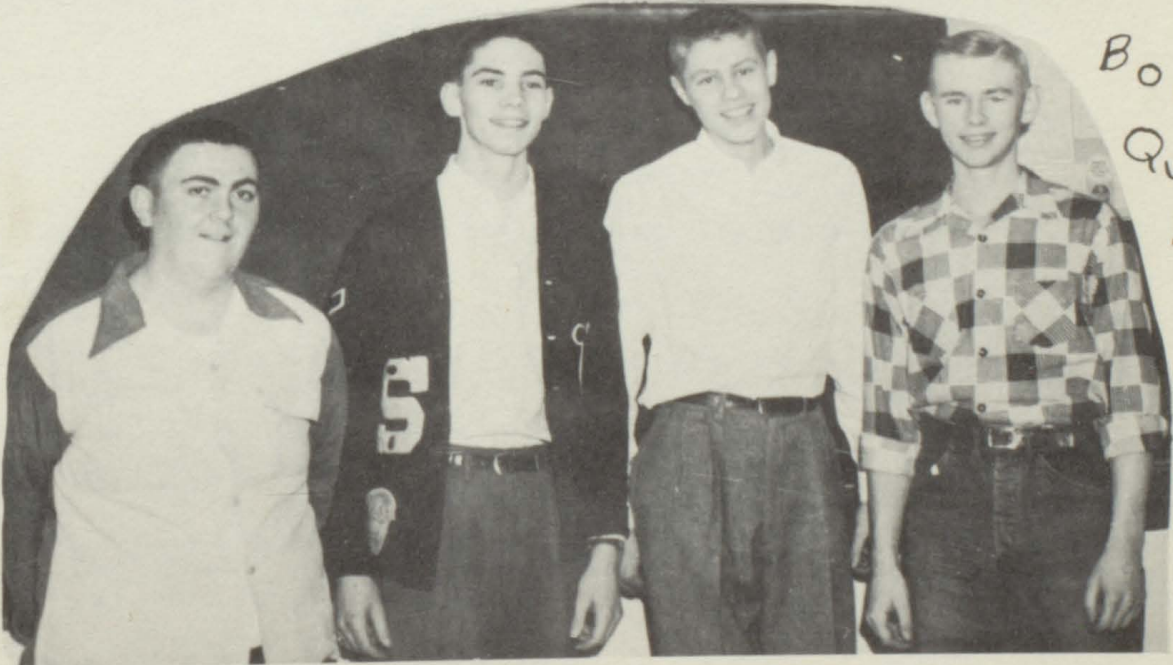
*Girls Sextette*







*Getting Ready For Snake Dance*



*Boys' Quartet*





## MUSIC

The music department enjoyed a very active year in both instrumental and vocal. The band marched at half-time for two football games, as well as playing at the homecoming snake dance, and marching in the homecoming parade. They also played two school concerts, as well as playing a very good program for teachers institute. Their big program is the annual spring concert.

The choruses sang at the Christmas Vesper service, and at teachers' institute. Both band and all three choruses performed at the Wilco and Bi-County music festivals at Reynolds and Roseville, as well as the contests.

The solos and ensembles performed at the carnival as well as at numerous other occasions throughout the year. There were thirteen solo and ensemble events entered at the district music contest at Geneseo on March 14. The results were as follows: Those so indicated will enter the state contest held at Macomb on May 1.

Barbara Pendleton, girls high voice.....Division I, state

Bob Bunt, boys low voice.....Division I, state

Tom Layman, boys medium voice.....Division I, state

Janet Lefler, girls medium voice.....Division II

Girls' Sextette.....Division III

Joan Stevenson, Gladys Wilson, Jeanette  
Strand, Jeanie Kemp, Barbara Pendleton,  
Janet Lefler

Boys' Quartet.....Division II

Bobby Lee Stimpson, Tom Layman, Bob  
Bunt, Lyman White

Carol Hulett, Baritone saxophone.....Division II

Deanna Mae Hoffeditz, flute.....Division II

Marjie Cook, piccolo.....Division II

Mixed Clarinet Quartette.....Division I state

Joan Stevenson, Carol Larson, Jeanette  
Strand, Tomas Layman

Cornet Trio.....Division II

Bob Bunt, Lyman White, John Wood

B flat Clarinet Quartette.....Division II

Mary A. White, Nancy Norwood, Cynthia  
Balmer, Miriam White

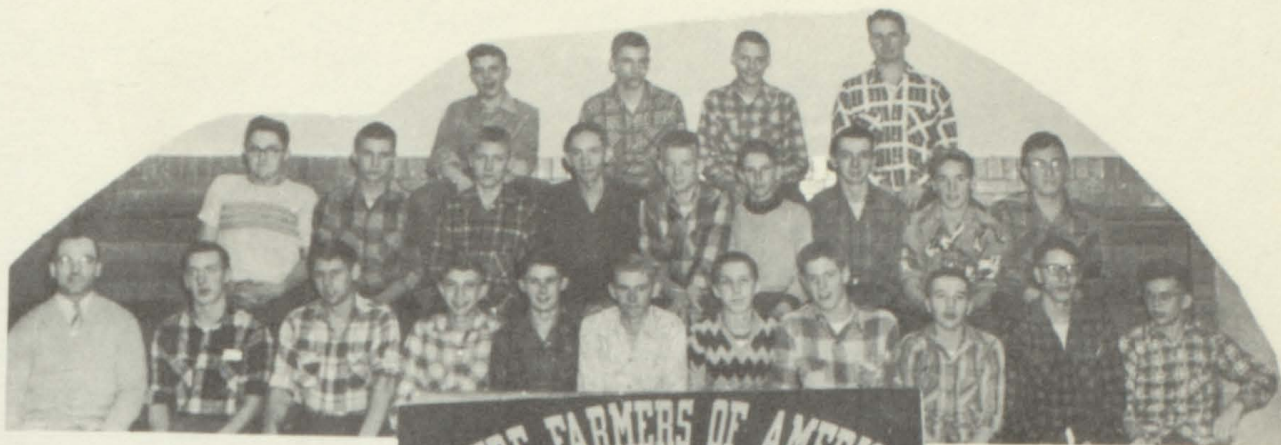
Saxophone Quartette.....Division III

Melvin Siverly, Mary A. Nolen, Mirian  
Hulett, Carol Hulett

The district contest for bands and choruses will be held April 13.







**FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA**  
  
**STRONGHURST CHAPTER**



*Future Homemakers of America*



*Girls Athletic Assoc'n.*





## FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

This years' program of activities is being carried out under the leadership of the following officers:

President.....Merlin Foresman  
Vice Pres.....Lyman White  
Secretary.....Roger Dowell  
Treasurer.....Melvin Siverly  
Reporter.....Phillip Dillon  
Sentinel.....Jack Evans  
Advisor.....Allen L. Utech

We were represented in the chorus and band at the state convention on the University of Illinois campus by Lyman White, Melvin Siverly and Phillip Dillon.

The officers were elected for the Swine Herd Improvement Association for 1953. They were Lyman White, President; Donald Morris, Vice President, and Ronnie Johnson, secretary.

The Section 4 Parliamentary Procedure contest was held at Viola, Illinois. The Stronghurst Chapter won the Sectional Contest and placed fourth at the District contest.

This year's FFA corn crop was harvested by the J.I. Case Company. The field yielded very well.

The FFA sponsored a corn picker safety campaign this year. The campaign was very successful. The oat test plots were grown at the Wendell Wetterling farm. The corn test plots were grown at the Milton Stevenson farm.

The annual project tour was held last spring. We are planning a project tour again this year.

The Sectional FFA Fair was held at Stronghurst this year. The local chapter had a large percent of its membership showing. We hope to have a higher percent this year.

The Eleven Bachelor Buttons and the Thirteen Wonder Beans are selling Garden seeds again this year. We hope to have another successful campaign this year.

The FFA boys installed a bell system in the music and FFA building before Christmas.

The annual Parent and Son Banquet was held March 7, 1953. Jimmy Foresman received the DeKalb award for doing outstanding FFA work for the past four years. We are now planning for this years' Parent and Son Banquet.

The annual garden seed sales project was very successful this year and we are looking forward for another successful year with the garden seed.

The evergreen tree plots which are located on the Phillip Anderson farm look very good. The FFA is planning to sell some of the trees next year.

Every year the Illinois Foundation Future Farmers of America give awards to FFA boys who do outstanding work in the different projects. The following boys received Chapter awards from the Illinois Foundation:

James Foresman . . . Sheep  
Sidney Dowell . . . . Swine  
Jack Evans . . . . . Beef Breeding Stock

We received third in the Program of Work Contest.





## FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

This years' activities were carried out with the help of our chapter advisor Miss Carol Sallee, our chapter mother, Mrs. Winnie Long, and Mrs. Harry Ross our chapter grandmother.

Officers for the year were:

President.....Barbara Pendleton  
Vice Pres.....Winnie Long  
Secretary.....Rose Marie Brennan  
Treasurer.....Carol Larson  
Reporter.....Joan Stevenson  
Historian.....Sheila Dowell  
Parliamentarian.Viola Schroeder  
Song Leader....Isabel Hustead

Some of the activities sponsored by our organization this year were FHA and FFA Hayrack ride, Mother-Daughter Banquet, Daddy Date night, Carrolling Party; during National FHA Week, we wore something each day which pertained to FHA. We also had a Secret Heart Sister during Valentine week. Each day we put a small gift in the locker. At the end of the week we revealed ourselves and gave her a nicer present.

November 6, at 11:45 a.m. the eight officers, the chapter mother and grandmother, and chapter advisor appeared on WOC Television, Davenport, Iowa. We all enjoyed seeing the studio, and we were also lucky enough to see some of the celebrities of WOC.

November 8, the same group were on the radio, KKEUR, Burlington. We told of our activities and explained the FHA organization.

May 8, 9, and 10, the group went to Chicago.

### FRESHMAN

Al David Limbeck, Larry Hetrick, Charles Bell, Marlene Newman, Nancy Norwood, Joyce Humes, Kendall Knutstrom, Bill Bowen MIDDLE--Mr. Utecht, Donald Morris, Nancy Harriott, Marjie Cook, Carol Hulett, Carol Sue Combites, Dixie Gray, Diana M. Hoffeditz, Mary A. White, Mrs. Evelyn H. Ford BOTTOM--Dickie Peasley, Rodney Ford, Garland Lefler, Gary Jarvis, Phillip Lienbaugh, Gary McCollum, Ken Jarvis, Ronnie Johnson

### SOPHOMORE

TOP--Keith Mynatt, Bill Ross, Bob Bunt, Jack Phillips, Cynthia Balmer, Joan Lopp Terry Musser, Volney Evans MIDDLE--Betty Jane Foresman, Janet Marshall, Nancy Peasley, Betty Hustead, Janet Filberth, Marjorie Annegers, Janet Lefler, Roxana Harvey, Viola Schroeder, Mrs. Inez Alexander BOTTOM--Ken Mosher, Bill Waddill, Jerry McIntire, Eldon Avery, Wayne Bundy, Paul Mattson, Richard Mynatt

### JUNIORS

TOP--Mr. Tingley, Donald Good, Sidney Dowell, Bobby L. Stimpson, Art Davison, Paul Ford, Melvin Siverly, Harry R. Billups, Lyman White, Clayton Mosher MIDDLE--Miss Juers, Gladys Wilson, Evalyn Spencer, Theo Brewer, June Goff, Marilyn Anderson, Winnie Long, Joan Stevenson, Carol Larson, Barbara Pendleton, Rose Marie Brennan BOTTOM--Merlin Foresman, Jack Evans, Roger Dowell, Phillip Dillon Phillip Anders, Donald Phillips, Edwin Bowman, John Holsteen, Roger Jacobs





## GIRLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

The GAA has been reorganized this year with twentyseven members. Officers are

President.....Rose Marie Brennan  
Vice Pres.....Winnie Long  
Sec'y.-Treas.....Gladys Wilson  
Recording Sec'y.....Nancy Peasley

The officers elected were proud to do their duties to the best of their abilities in order to make the organization successful.

A Play Day was held at Carthage Saturday, November 1, 1952. Registration was at nine o'clock a.m. At 10:00 a.m., the girls were divided into teams; the teams represented the various Indian tribes. The teams spent the rest of the morning playing volleyball and kick ball. After lunch the girls toured the Carthage College Campus. They were shown through the main building at the college. Later in the afternoon a program was presented, after which the winning teams were given awards. A few of our girls were on winning teams and received awards.

Twentyone girls, Mrs. Ford, and three chaperones went to Burlington roller skating on October 3. Each girl received points for doing this. Points earned counted toward the total points needed for the girls to receive letters and numerals for their sweaters.

A hike and weiner roast was planned on October 14, but due to rainy weather, a party was held at the school gym and volley ball was played. The juniors played the sophomores and the juniors won. After the game, the girls cooked their supper in the Home Economics room.

The GAA sponsored a record dance after the G & O basketball game on Dec. 19.

A Spot Shooting tournament was entered on March 11-17.

A box supper was sponsored on May 1.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1952-3

### SEPTEMBER

- 2.....School year started
- 12.....Football at Roseville
- 19.....Freshman Initiation, FHA meeting at Macomb
- 26.....Football, Reynolds, here

### OCTOBER

- 3.....Football, RMA, at Aledo
- 10.....IEA Institute, Galesburg
- 10.....End of 6 weeks period
- 13.....Corn Pickers' Safety First meeting, FFA
- 16.....Leadership Training School, FHA
- 17.....Football, at Alexis
- 17.....Homecoming Dance
- 22.....FHA & FFA weiner roast
- 24.....Football at G & O
- 29.....FHA Chili Supper
- 31.....Football at LaHarpe

### NOVEMBER

- 7.....Football at Media
- 11.....No school
- 14.....Junior Class Play
- 21.....Basketball at Avon
- 22.....End of second six weeks period
- 27-28...Thanksgiving vacation

### DECEMBER

- 2.....Basketball at Kirkwood
- 5....." , Terre Haute here
- 10.....FHA-FFA Christmas caroling party
- 12.....RMA at Aledo
- 16.....Basketball, Reynolds here
- 18.....Basketball, Alexis there
- 19.....Basketball, G & O , here
- 21.....Christmas vespers
- 22.....FHA Mother-Daughter Banquet. Christmas vacation





## HOMECOMING

Beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 16, 1952, the annual snake dance started at the school and wound its way through the streets of town; on main street students and teachers joined hands and formed a circle and the cheer leaders led us in cheers and the band played. We again joined hands and ran through the streets back to the schoolhouse to the bonfire where Coach JOHNSON introduced the starting line-up and said a few words. Bob Anders, our captain then threw the Alexis dummy into the fire.

Friday, the freshman, sophomore, junior and senior classes, FFA, FHA, and the upper grades of the Grade School paraded their floats uptown at 2:30 p.m. and again at night between the halves of the game. The class queens rode in a beautifully decorated new cadillac for the occasion.

At 8 o'clock, Friday night, the Stronghurst Trojans played their rival team, the Alexis Cardinals. At the half, the crowd was shown the Homecoming floats that were made by the different classes. The Stronghurst Marching Band also marched on the field and played several numbers for the crowd and then the queen candidates were introduced.

About 10:15 on Friday night, the Jay-Dee quintette struck up very fine music to start off the 1952 Homecoming Dance. Soon the Harvest Moon was shining down on the many dancing couples who took advantage of this opportunity for a community dance.

The Grand March took place preceding the crowning of the king and queen. Many couples took part in this event.

The crowning of the King and Queen climaxed the evening. Bob Anders, the captain of the football squad, crowned Jean Kemp, Queen, and Frank Avery, King, of the 1952 Homecoming. The following attendants from the classes marched on the stage where the King and Queen were crowned: Joan Stevenson and Merlin Foreman, Betty Hustead and Jerry McIntire, and Nancy Harriott and Ronnie Johnson. Jennifer Tatge and Wayne Little, the crown bearers, very capably led the King and Queen to the throne.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1952-3

### JANUARY

- 5.....School opens
- 9.....Basketball, RMA, here
- 7.....Sophomore Dance
- 10.....Basketball, Media, here
- 13.....Basketball, Biggsville, there
- 16.....Basketball, Gladstone, there
- 17.....Semester ends
- 20.....Basketball, Roseville, here
- 23.....Basketball, Biggsville, here
- 24.....Kirkwood, here
- 27-31..Bi-county basketball tournament at Monmouth

### FEBRUARY

- 3.....Basketball, Reynolds here
- 5-7...Wilco basketball tournament here
- 10.....Basketball at Terre Haute
- 12.....Lincoln's birthday, no school
- 13.....Wilco music festival at Reynolds
- 14.....Junior Valentine Dance
- 17.....Basketball, LaHarpe here
- 20.....Basketball, Media-Weaver, here
- 23.....District Basketball Tournament
- 27.....FHA initiation
- 28.....End of fourth six weeks period

### MARCH

- 2.....Beacon Club Carnival
- 6.....FFA Parents Banquet
- 14.....District Music Contest
- 26.....FFA & FHA Dance

### APRIL

- 1.....FFA Parl. Procedure Contest
- 3.....Good Friday, no school
- 6.....Easter Vacation, no school
- 10.....Senior Class Play





## JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET & PROM

The Junior class entertained the members of the high school board of education their wives, faculty members, and the members of the Senior class with the annual banquet and prom. The affair was held on Saturday night, May 10, 1952, the banquet being held at the Methodist church, and the prom at the local high gym

A dutch theme was carried throughout the dining room and also in the gym. After a delicious dinner, Tom Layman acted as Toastmaster. Richard welcomed the guests as president of the junior class. James Foresman, president of the senior class thanked the juniors for the occasion. Mr. Layman, spoke in behalf of the faculty, and Mr. Merlin Foresman, president of the board of education, gave a talk in behalf of the board members.

The guests then went to the high school gym, where Al Ingram and his orchestra opened the program with soft music. By the light of a dutch moon, the guests danced in a dutch garden.

Attending the prom were some of the graduates from the classes graduating since 1947. Each junior and senior had the privilege of inviting five guests. At ten o'clock everyone enjoyed the grand march. The swirling of the girls' lovely formals added much beauty to the sight of the march.

When the clock struck twelve, the happy and reluctant guests left behind the setting of the dutch moon.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1953

### APRIL

- 17.....Ma, Pa, and Me night
- 17.....All school assembly, cartoonist at 8:30 a.m.
- 24.....Freshman-Sophomore Party

### MAY

- 1.....State Final Music Contests
- 6.....Farewell Party for seniors
- 13.....Spring Music Concert
- 16.....Junior-Senior Banquet
- 24.....Baccalaureate at 8 p.m.
- 27.....Graduation Exercises at 8 p.m.
- 29.....School Picnic    End of school year

## HOROSCOPE

Name	Greatest Dislike	Future Plans
Donald Good	girls swearing	Missionary or Ministry
Sheila Dowell	girls smoking and drinking	secretary
Jeanie Kemp	girls whispering in public	Kindergarten teacher
Jolene Vaughan	girls smoking and drinking	house wife
Donald Morris	act of wrestling	Doctor or farmer
Harry Billups	girls flirting with boys	coach
Jeanette Strand	giggley, silly girls in public	house wife
Art Davison	basketball season like this years	millionaire
Rose Marie Brennan	women smoking and drinking	Secretary and housewife
Paul Mattson	school	farmer
Barbara Pendleton	girls showing off in public	secretary





## BEACON CLUB CARNIVAL

It was an interested and enthusiastic audience that saw Miss Janet Lefler win the banner bearing the title MISS POPULARITY, SCHS, 1953. Janet is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Lefler, Stronghurst, Ill. She is a member of the sophomore class and is quite active in school activities. Janet is a member of GAA, FHA, Mixed Chorus, Girls' Chorus, and Girls' Sextette. Janet's attendant in the procession was Bob Bunt, who is also a member of the sophomore class.

The banner was presented by last years' winning candidate, Miss Betty Hustead who was attended by Bill Waddill. In presenting the banner, Miss Hustead mentioned the fact that any girl winning this honor should try to uphold the ideals of honesty, loyalty, good sportsmanship, etc., that any good citizen should represent.

The carnival is sponsored by the Beacon Club, under the direction of Mrs. Inez Alexander. The proceeds of the affair are used in helping publish our yearbook.

Following is the program presented:

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: Lyman White

Solo.....A Friend of Mine  
Bob Bunt

Solo.....Lindy Lou  
Bob Bunt

Reading, humorous.....Telephonic Conversation  
Gladys Wilson

Skit, FFA

Cast:

Mr. Bloke.....Sidney Dowell  
Aggie, the Stenographer...Theo Brewer  
Smith, the Bookkeeper....Melvin Siverly

Skit, FFA.....All For Pleasure

Cast:

Marcia.....Jeanette Strand  
Mr. Aide .....Bob Anders  
Ida.....Janet Filberth

A Shadow Play

Bob Anders, Frank Avery, Jeanette Strand

Skit.....Lessons in Surgery

Cast:

Dr. Knowlitttle.....Richard Knutstrom  
Drs. Assistant.....Gladys Wilson  
Madam Butterfly.....Gladys Wilson  
Madam Buttercup.....Marilyn Anderson  
Narrator.....Tom Layman

Solo.....Shadrack  
Tom Layman

Reading, serious.....Voice of Democracy  
Jean Kemp

Trumpet Trio.....Polka Dots  
Lyman White, Bob Bunt, John Wood

Folk Dance.....Girls' Physical Educ.  
Rose M. Brennan, Joan Stevenson, Barbara  
Pendleton, Winnie Long, Carol Hullett,  
Marlene Newman, Nancy Norwood, Marjie Cook,  
Dixie Gray, Carol Combites, Carol Larson,  
Janet Filberth, Diana M. Hoffeditz, Cynthia  
Balmer, Nancy Herriott, Mary A. White

Boys' Quartet.....Give Thanks and Sing  
Lyman White, Bob Bunt, Bobby L. Stimpson, Tom Layman

The solo selections were accompanied by Mrs. George Hunt, and Miss Mary Alice White played for all the other selections.

Banner bearers were Jennifer Tatge, and Wayne Little and they should be commended for doing a good job.







Ronnie Johnson  
Jerry McIntire  
Merlin Foresman

Frank Avery  
"King"

Jeanie Kemp  
"Queen"

Nancy Herriott  
Betty Mustad  
Joan Stevenson

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Lloyd Wayne Little  
Crown Bearer



Jennifer Tage  
Crown Bearer



Beacon Club Carnival







*Junior Play Cast*



*Senior Play Cast*





## JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

### Adam's Evening

Persons driving by the high school Thursday afternoon couldn't have missed hearing the shouts of laughter that echoed forth. The juniors were entertaining the students and teachers of this school and some of the rural schools with their delightful comedy, "Adam's Evening." After the first few nervous moments had passed, the cast acted as if this was an every day occurrence. From the "oh's and ah's" that were uttered by the younger set and the other students, the juniors can be well pleased with their wonderful performance.

On Friday evening at eight o'clock, curtain time, Paul Ford, president of the junior class, welcomed the parents and friends of the high school to their play. The large, appreciative audience thought Mr. Tingley, as director, and Miss Juers, as assistant director, did a wonderful job of casting the characters, as members of the cast did a marvelous job in portraying their parts.

After the last curtain call, Paul Ford, in behalf of the junior class, presented Mr. Tingley and Miss Juers with gifts to show their appreciation. They also gave Mrs. Tingley a corsage for her help.

The cast for the three-act farce is as follows:

Adam Adams.....	Lyman White
Anna.....	Joan Stevenson
Mrs. Bean.....	Gladys Wilson
Casper.....	Donald Good
Gertie.....	Winnie Long
Dr. Fragoni....	Melvin Siverly
Rosita.....	Marilyn Anderson
Elmer Green....	Phillip Dillon
Mr. Cokes.....	John Holsteen
Mrs. Cokes.....	Barbara Pendleton

## SENIOR CLASS PLAY

### That's Our Boy

A farce-comedy presented by the senior class on April 10, was about a sixteen-year old boy, Walter Greer, who thinks all girls are dumb.

Walter and his friend Bob are only interested in football and in winning the game on Saturday. But life suddenly turns dark when a tornado of troubles blows over Walter.

Frank Greer, Walter's father, puts his hands on the biggest real estate deal in years when Hildegard Kirk wants to buy the Mason Mansion.

Jane and Gwyn try to talk the boys into going dancing at Teen Town. But the boys disagree because that's only for sissys like Cecil Kirk. Lynn, Walter's younger sister brings a pack more of troubles when a certain party gets a black eye, such as Cecil. Who did it?

Ed McGinnis, who has been trying to marry Walters older sister, Alice, shows up with some startling news.

What happens to the Mason Mansion? This rollicking three-act farce will delight everyone--any age--who sees and hears it. It's a family comedy at its best. The cast of characters is as follows:

Walter Greer.....	Tom Layman
Bob (Walters friend)..	Bob Anders
Lynn Greer.....	Janice Balmer
Marian Greer.....	Sheila Dowell
Frank Greer.....	Richard Knutstrom
Alice Greer.....	Cornelia Mosher
Ed McGinnis.....	Delbert Carmean
Hildegard Kirk.....	Jeanette Strand
Cecil Kirk.....	Leland Siverly
Jane.....	Jean Kemp
Gwyn.....	Isabel Hustead
Miss Adams.....	Jolene Vaughan







Floats At Home Coming



Home Coming Queens



Senior Stand



"AT The Fair"



Cooks At Cafeteria

Guess Who?



Three Musketeers  
Jeanette  
Jeanie  
Sheila





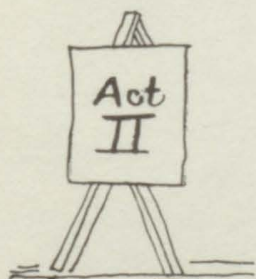
# ATHLETICS







# The Gladiators



Basketball-Football









Football Squad



Tea for Two



Rosemarie  
at  
Camp



"Is That So," Coach??



B-e-a-t

Cheerleaders

Rah! Rah!



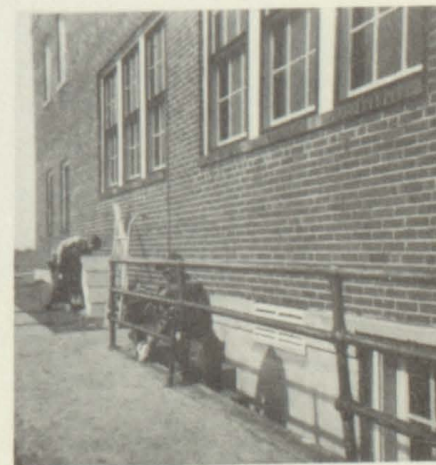




#### VARSITY BASKETBALL

STANDING: Bobby Lee Stimpson, Charles Bell, Larry Balmer, Sidney Dowell, Lyman White, Jerry McIntire, Coach Johnson

SITTING: Tom Layman, Bob Anders, Bill Waddill, Harry Rae Billups, Arthur Davison, Paul Ford

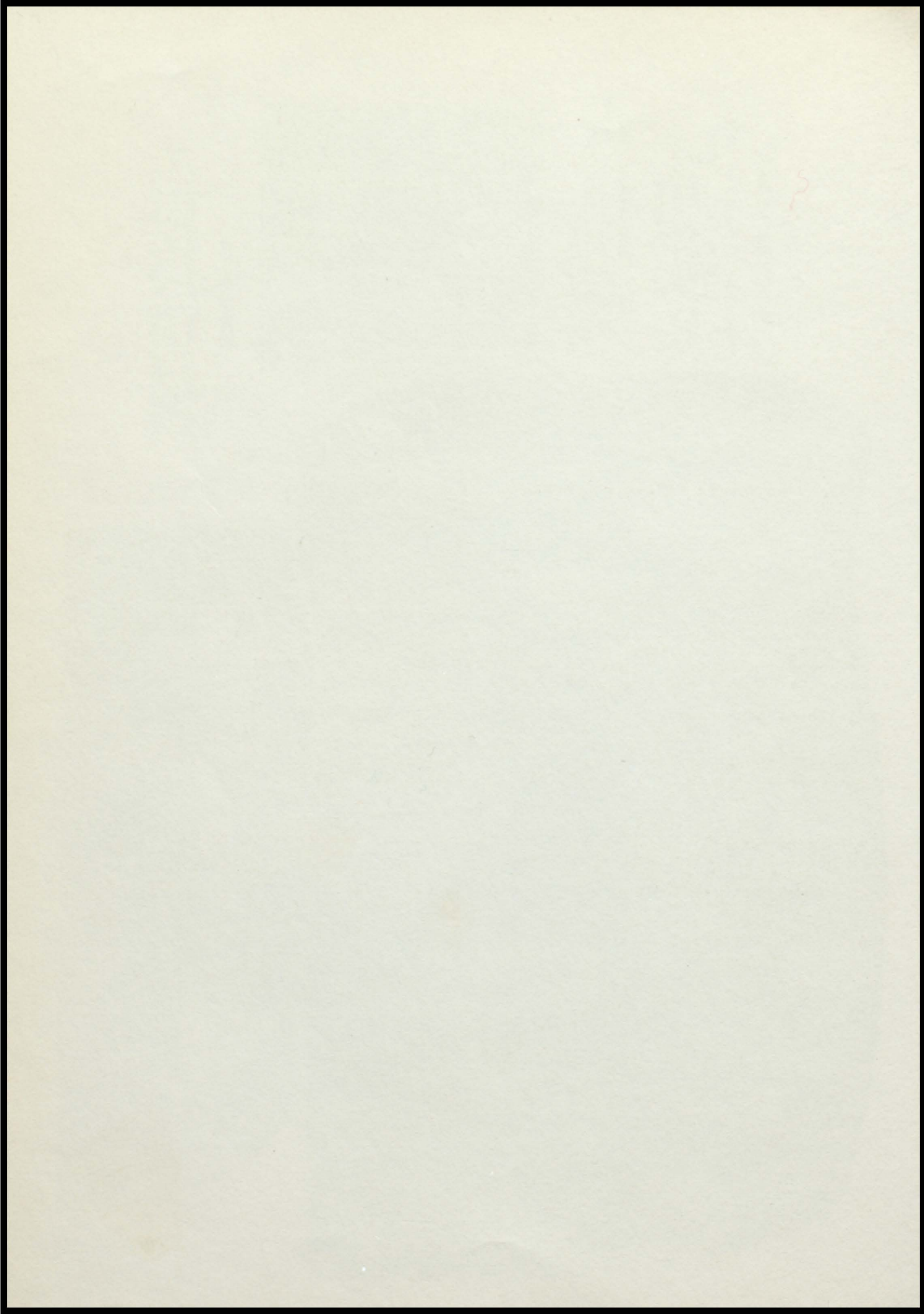


#### CHEERLEADERS

Joan Stewenson, Nancy Peasley, Jeanette Strand, Nancy Harriott, Isabel Hustead, Betty Hustead







## SPORTS

### Football

The Stronghurst Trojans enjoyed one of their best seasons in recent years. Four teams underestimated the power of our grid might, and fell victims to the scrap pyTrojan eleven. Long hours of practice and a determination to win gave under dog Stronghurst victories over teams considered above our calibre.

Thirty footballers joined early practice sessions before the school year began blocking and tackling drills at the rate of two a day. This put the Trojans in condition to give the Roseville Panthers a good sound encounter two weeks after the first whistle was blown. After the second game of the season the Trojans gathered force as they won four of the last six games.

Returning lettermen for the grid iron of '53 will miss captain Bob Anders at end, Larry Balmer at guard, Tom Layman at quarter back, and tackles Dick Knutstrom and Frank Avery. Wilco conference candidates Art Davison, Sid Dowell, Merlin Foresman, Jack Evans, and Harry Billups have the job of filling in the vacated shoes of the graduating seniors.

#### Summary

Games Won	Games Lost
Roosevelt Military Academy	Roseville
Media	Reynolds
Avon	Alexis
LaHarpe	Gladstone-Oquawka

### Basketball

Speed and a good eye began to show for the Stronghurst Cagers as the season progressed. An average of sixty points a game was not enough however to produce a winning season for the Trojans as baskets were made, but rebounds fell to the opponents. Stronghurst opponents had the inches in their favor on every court outing this season. In spite of the height disadvantage our bas keteers scored many and beat a few teams.

The district tournament team which lost to Terre Haute in a sudden death overtime thriller was composed of three seniors; Bob Anders, Tom Layman, and Larry Balmer; five juniors; Lyman White, Harry Billups, Art Davison, Paul Ford, and Sid Dowell; two sophomores; Jerry McIntire and Bill Waddill. The Freshman-Sophomore team was captained to a winning season by Volney Evans.

#### Physical Education

A sport program with emphasis on the season has included soccer, softball, touch football, volley ball, and basket ball with short periods of other team games. Wrestling was taken up with enthusiasm as was marked by the number of knees and elbows painted red with methiolate. The ninth period class was for the most part a self taught group, as it was thrown in with athletics. Before the spring thaw tumbling was introduced with the second period class producing individuals with atandout performance.







Boy, Is This Good!



Freshmen



Oh, your out of step!

Terry?



Old Buddies



What Is Bill Doing?



New Teachers



I Can't Believe It!

Hello Girls



Who Can This Be?

Grade School Friends



S.H.S. Students?



What's the matter Frank?







Hi Bobby

Peasley Beef



Jeanie



Janice Harry



Leland



Bob



Jeanette



Lefler's Beef



Phillip's Flock



ewey



Corneila

Bundy's Angus



Jolene



Judging Sheep



Junior Gals



What's In The Basket?



Looking it over Sheila?



Merlin's Chester Whites



Roger's Project



It's A Great Day - Isn't George Windy?



Can it be Bill?



That's Not Nice Art!









Speech  
"Democracy"  
1st place



Speech  
2nd place



Speech  
"Extemporaneous speaking"  
1st place

*Coach Johnson*



Speech  
4th place



Lone  
Ranger

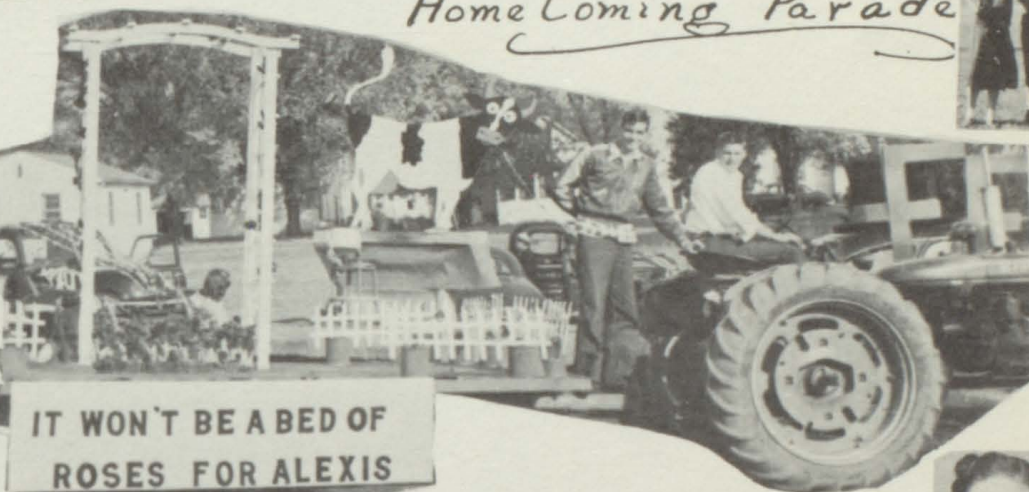
## Home Coming Parade



Three  
of a  
kind



Tom Layman



Speech  
2nd place



"Away Goes The Queens"













