

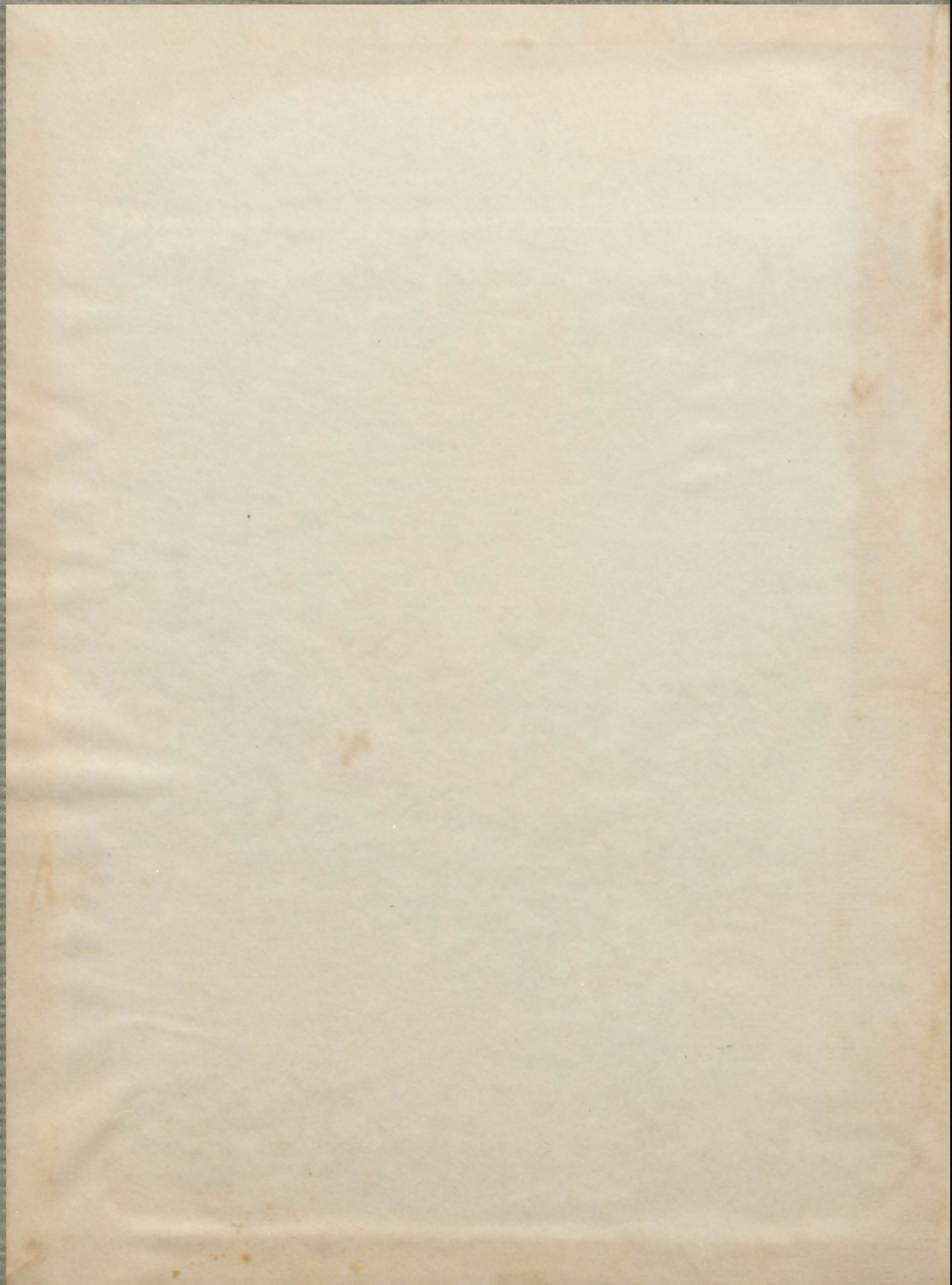


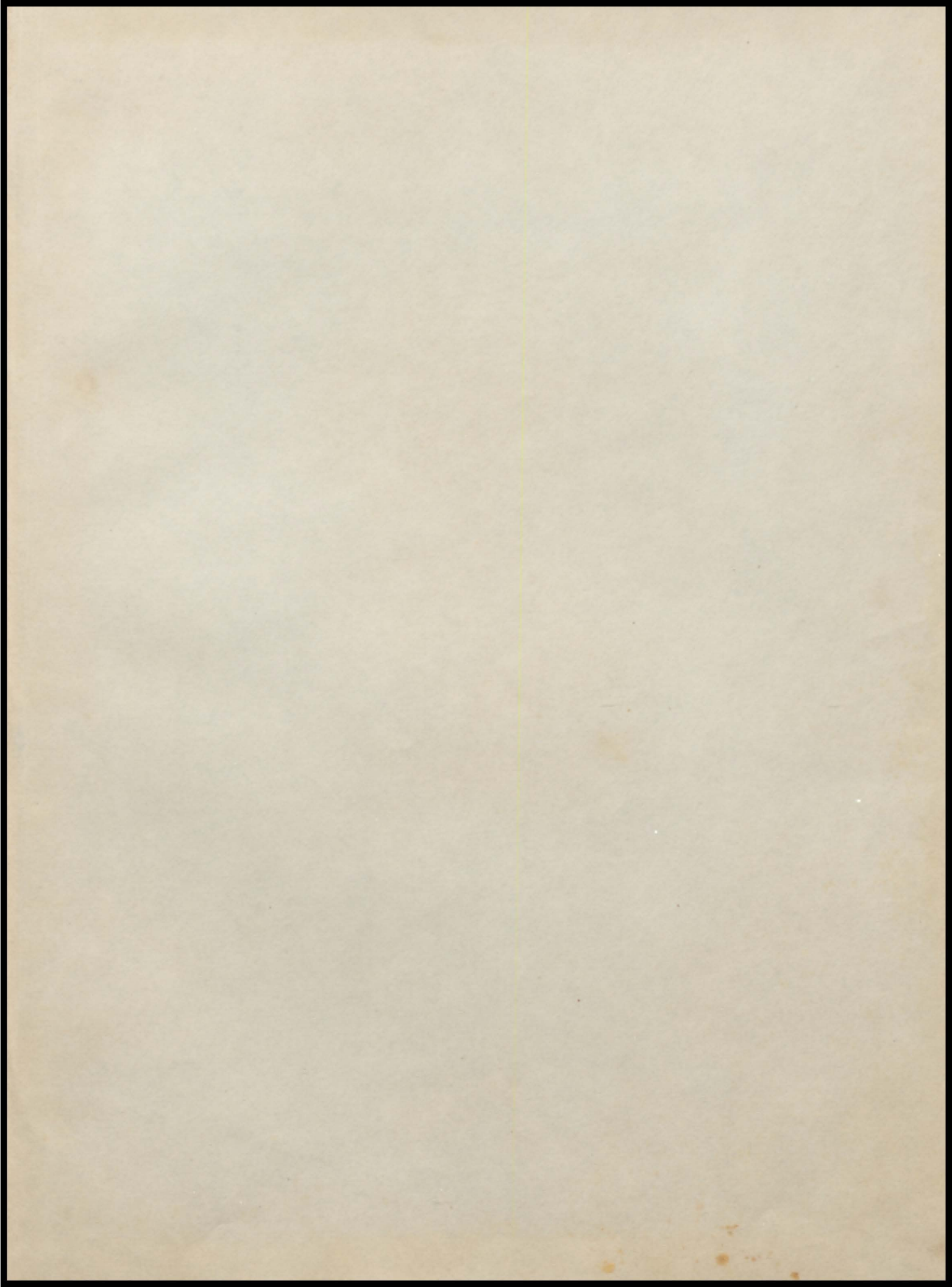
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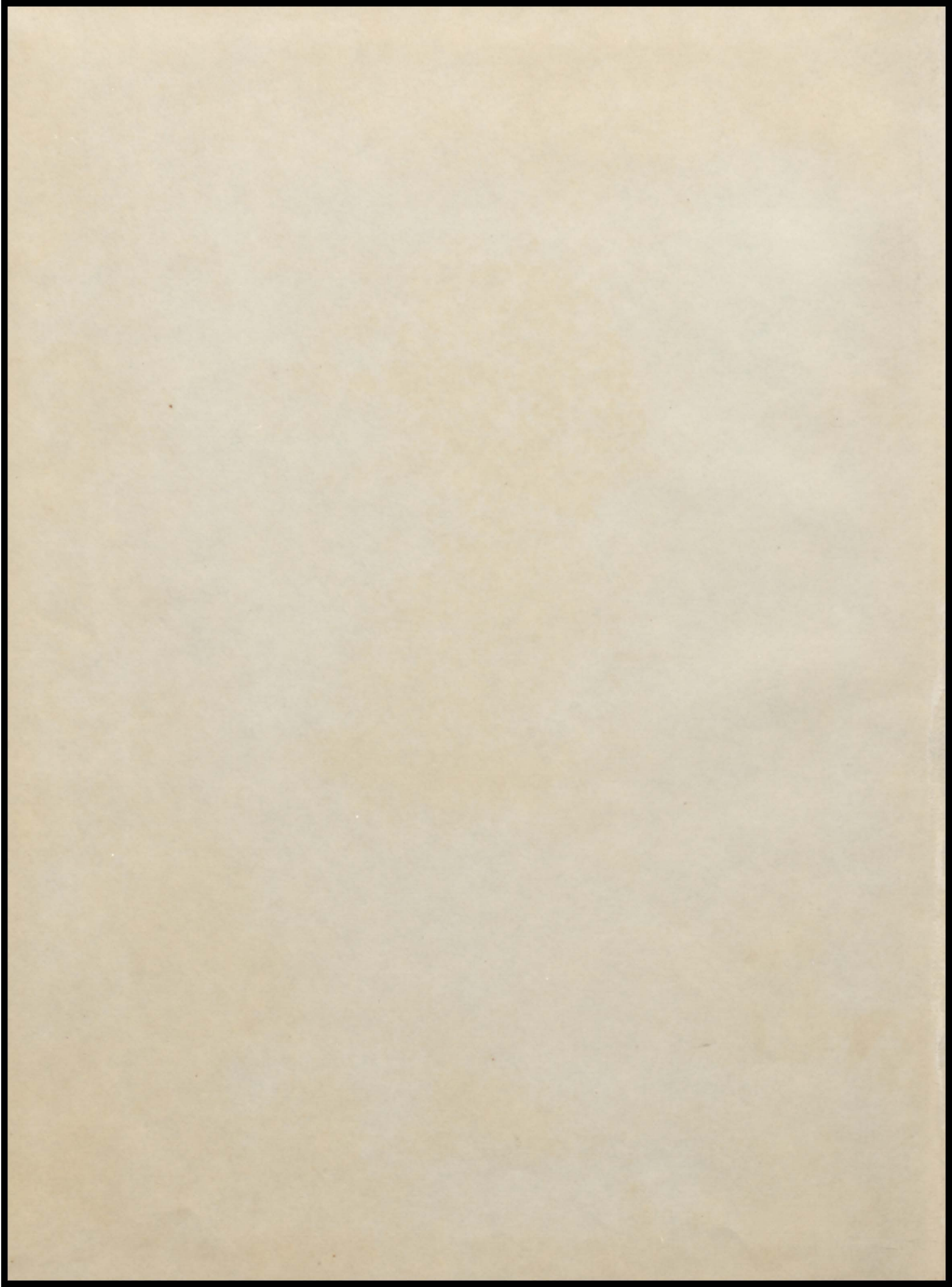


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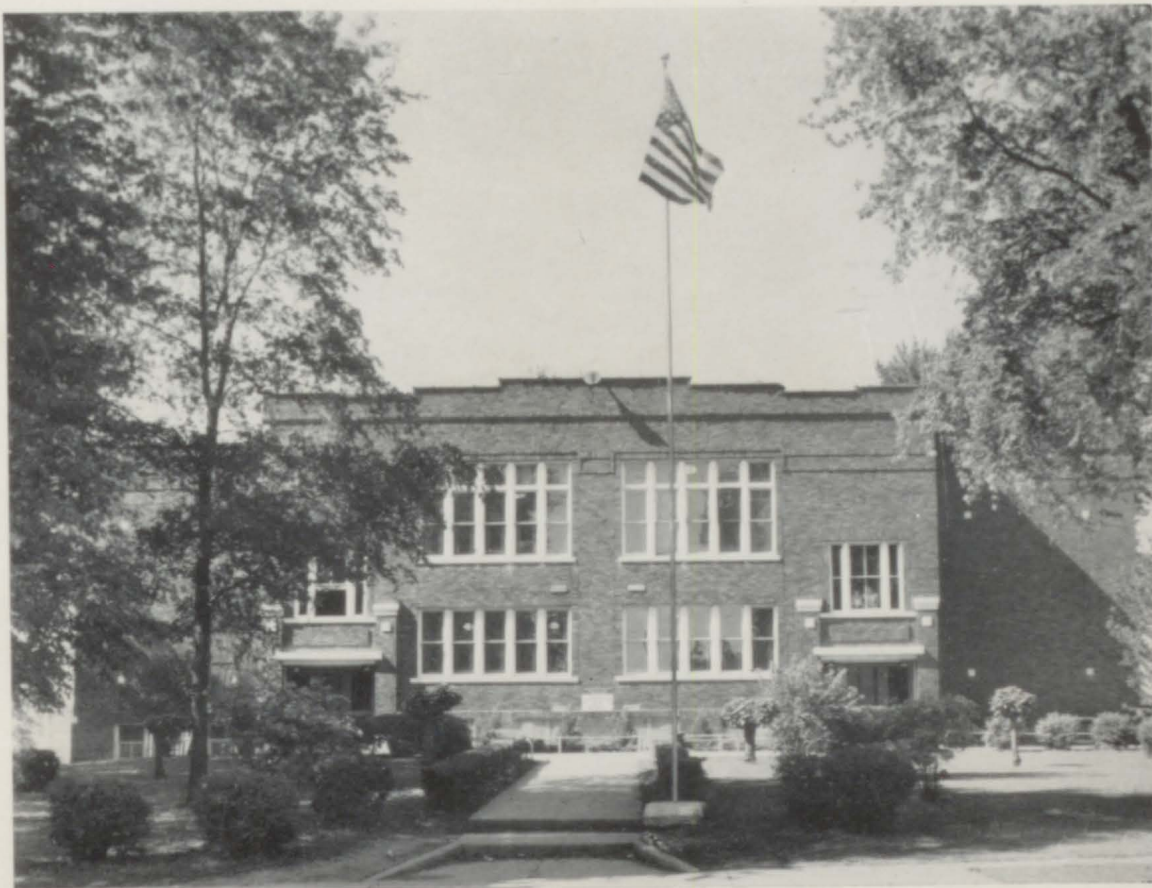




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## School Board



The senior class of 1950 wishes to express its appreciation to the High School Board of Education for the part they have taken in promoting the interest of our high school.



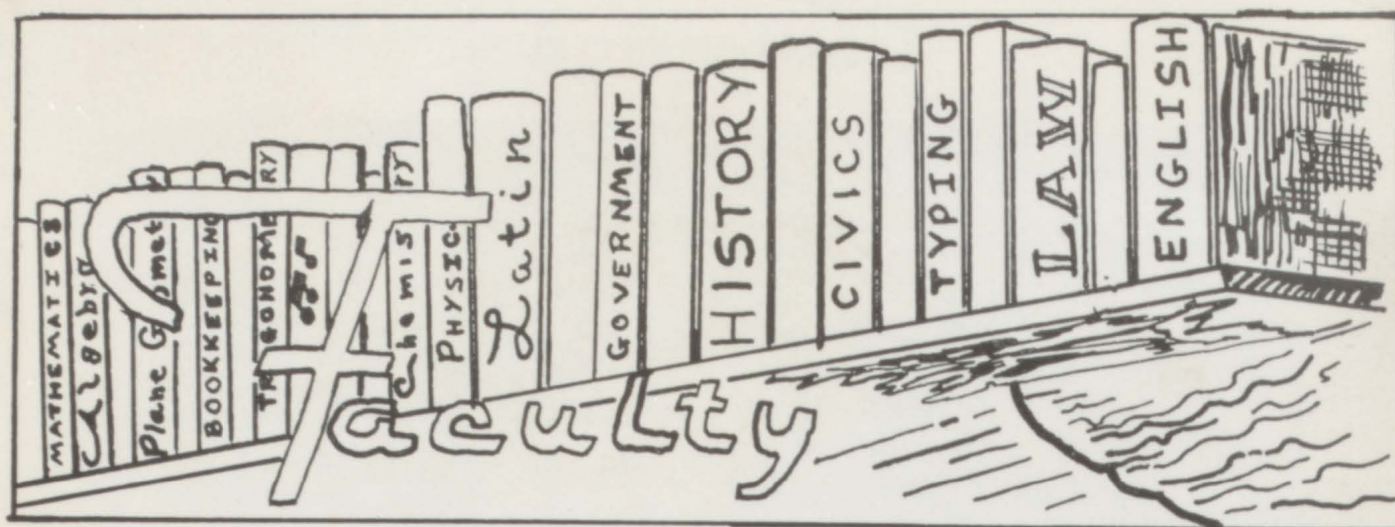
Standing: Mr. Elmer Houseman, Mr. Orval Cannedy.  
Seated: Mr. Jesse Hawk, Mr. Richard Hopkins, Mr. Donald Battershell.



## Dedication



We, the Senior Class of 1950, dedicate our edition of the Railroader to Mrs. Vivian J. Reilly, who has advised and directed the senior classes for the past two years. Through her capacity in assisting us with our projects, we have been able to successfully complete our senior year.



### MR. GENTRY W. LOWE

B.S., Central Missouri State Teachers College  
M.S., University of Illinois

As the graduating class of 1950, we wish to express our deepest appreciation to Mr. Lowe for the help he has given us and for the advice he has offered. His regard for our future success will be seen in the years to come.



### THELMA WILKINSON

B.A., Illinois College  
M.A., Northwestern University  
Speech, English IV, Latin I, II.

To Mrs. Wilkinson, who has shown her great interest in us through her many daily acts of kindness and consideration, we would like to express our sincere feelings of gratitude.



### MARTHA STROWMATT

For her efficiency and capacity in fulfilling her duties as secretary, we wish to acknowledge Mrs. Martha Strowmatt.

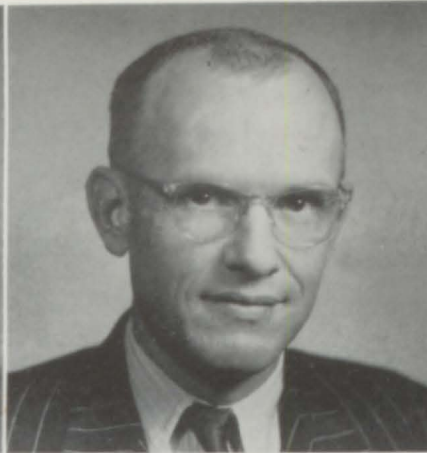




# Faculty



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ROODHOUSE, ILLINOIS  
Illinois College, Illinois State Normal  
University; Western Illinois  
State College  
English I, Business Training,  
Commercial Arithmetic



**CHARLES BROOKS**  
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B. S. and M. S., Western Illinois State  
College; Graduate Work, University  
of Illinois  
Assistant Coach, Civics, Government,  
Commercial Geography, World History



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ROODHOUSE, ILLINOIS  
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Coach, Boys' P. E., Sociology, U. S.  
History, Economics, Occupations



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B. S., Western Illinois State College  
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nometry, Plane Geometry, Physics



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B. S., Illinois State Normal University  
University of Illinois  
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Bookkeeping



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B. M., MacMurray College  
Music



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General Science, Biology, Chemistry

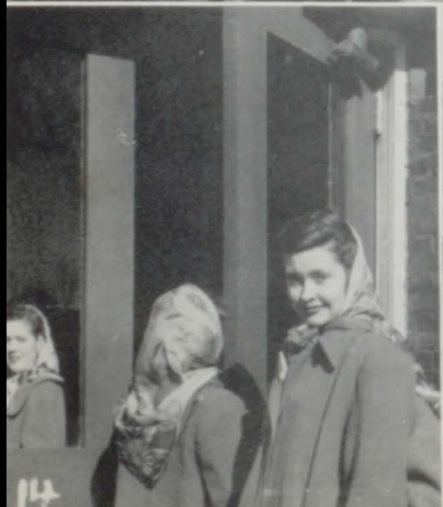


**KATHRYN MacMILLAN**  
CARLINVILLE, ILLINOIS  
Blackburn College  
A. B., University of Illinois  
Girls' P. E.



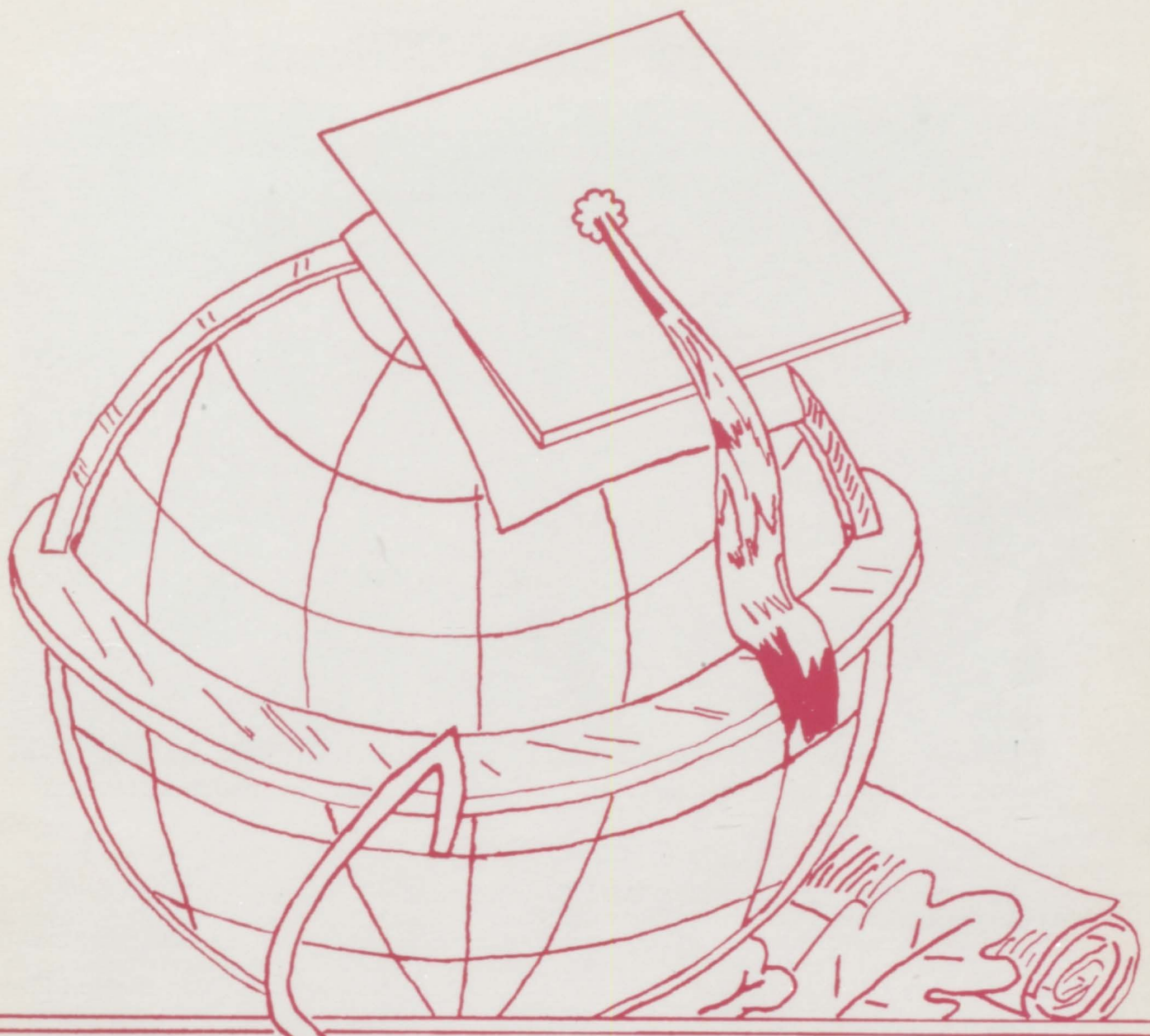
**VIVIAN J. REILLY**  
ROODHOUSE, ILLINOIS  
Shurtleff College  
B. Ed., Illinois State Normal University  
English I, II, III





1. Old Steadies?—2. Now boys, stop that!—3. Umm, cozy?—4. Look pretty!—5. Our All-Star—6. Supt. at work—7. Upsa-daisy—8. Hey, Becky!—9. Thel—10. Hula-Lou—11. Future Einsteins??—12. Home-ward bound—13. Hey rah!—14. Cute. Well, I guess!—15. They're off!—16. Three Muskefeers—17. Umm! Umm!





Seniors

1950

# Senior Class Officers



DICK HANSBERGER

JIM RANSOM

SARA FRALEY

PAULINE MASTERS

## CLASS HISTORY

Fifty-two freshmen entered R. C. H. S. on September 3, 1946. The officers elected at the first class meeting were: president, Duane Bell; vice-president, Don Crabtree; secretary, Joyce Hendrickson; treasurer, Arlene Marshall. A number of students participated in athletics, "T" Club, and G. A. A. Two of the cheerleaders were chosen from our class. We enjoyed two parties—a tacky dance and a hay ride and wiener roast at Bell's farm. Our class adviser was Mr. Harold Miller.

On September 2, 1947, we entered our sophomore year with forty-eight students. The officers were: Maurice Hutton, president; Vivian McElroy, vice-president; Pauline Masters, secretary; Joyce Hendrickson, treasurer. During the year we enjoyed a successful party under the direction of Miss Witts, our class adviser. Our members were again active in extra-curricular events, and we were very proud of Betty Stone who won first place in Serious Reading in the District Speech Contest. One of our girls was chosen cheerleader.

Forty-four jolly juniors entered R. C. H. S. on September 1, 1948 with Mrs. Wilkinson, Mr. Davis and Mr. Junker acting as class advisers. Ellis Sitton was elected president; John Jeffers, vice-president; Charlotte Hanly, secretary; and Sue Ann Helton, treasurer. All three of the cheerleaders were selected from our class. As usual our members were active in extra-curricular events. As juniors we were busy all year earning money for the long-awaited prom and to help us with our annual the following year.

On September 1, 1949, we entered R. C. H. S. for the last time with forty-one students as upper classmen. At our first class meeting the officers elected were: James Ransom, president; Pauline Masters, vice-president; Dick Hansberger, secretary; and Sara Fraley, treasurer. Mrs. Reilly and Miss Davis were our class advisers who helped us successfully edit our yearbook and complete a successful year as seniors.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the juniors for the very nice banquet and prom.



# Dignified Seniors



**RUSSELL ASH**  
"Reid"

O. K. I'll Take You.

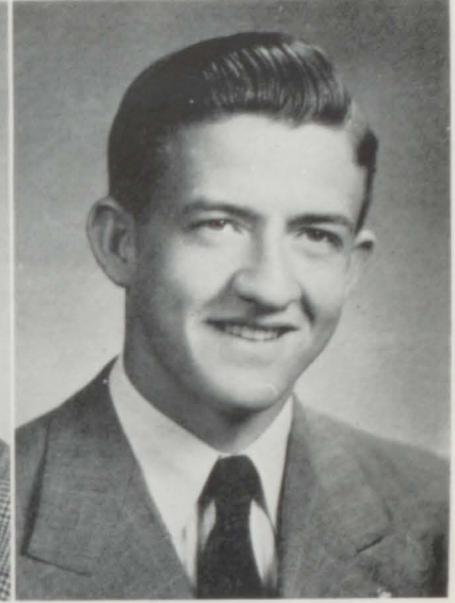
Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,4; Annual Staff 4; "T" Club 4; Library Club 3; "We Shook the Family Tree" 4.



**WILLIAM BASHAM**  
"Bill"

Who, Me?

Boys Choral Club 3,4; Football 1; Basketball 1,2; Annual Staff 4.



**DUANE BELL**  
"Bell"

Got a Letter Today

Football 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1,2,3; "R" Club 1,2,3; Class President 1; Annual Staff 4.



**PATRICIA BRADSHAW**  
"Pat"

"Wonder Where Bob Is?"

Glee Club 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Vice President G.A.A. 4; "T" Club 2,3,4; Annual Staff 4; School Page 3; Stage Technician 3; Junior-Senior Ensemble 4; "Crachets" Christmas Dinner" 2.

**JOHN CLONINGER**  
"Clonie"

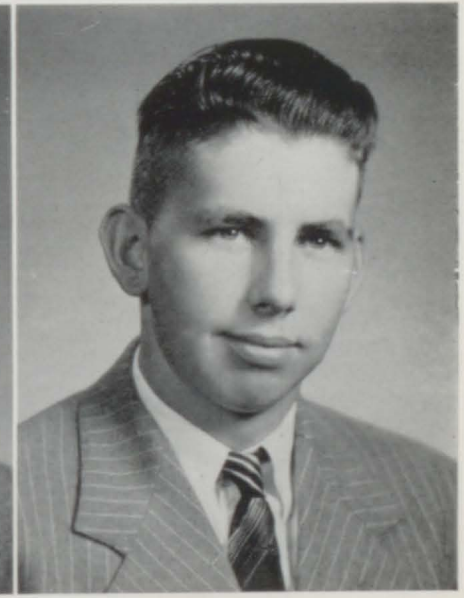
I'm Riding the Bus All the Way Around Tonight

Basketball 1; Glee Club 1 (Murrayville); Basketball 2; Glee Club 2; School Paper 2 (Woodson); Basketball Manager 4; Annual Staff 4.

**EDWARD COATS**  
"Ed"

Well, Sitton

Football 2,3,4; Track 2,3,4; Library Club 2,3,4; Stage Technician 3,4.

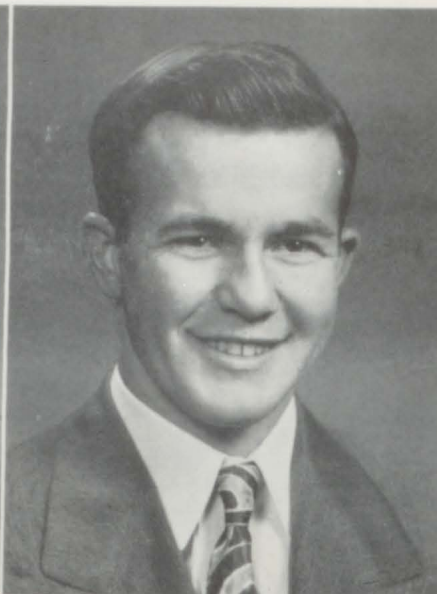


# Credits! Confusion!



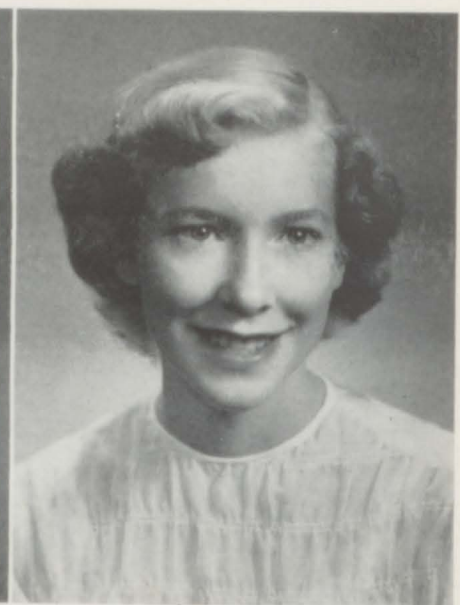
**SANDRA COFFMAN**  
"Sandy"

Wonder If Ed's Waiting?  
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 4; Glee Club 2,3,4; Junior-Senior Girls' Ensemble 4; School Page 3; Annual Staff 4.



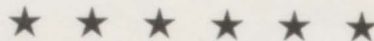
**DONALD CRABTREE**  
"Jake"

"Hey Sitton," Going to White Hall Tonight?  
Class Vice-President 1; "R" Club 2,3; "R" Club Treasurer 3; Football 2,4; Basketball 2,3; Annual Staff 4; Track 1,2,3,4.



**JANET DAWDY**  
"Blondie"

Don't Look at Me Like That!  
Alumni Program 1; Librarian 1,2; Cheerleader 1; "A Christmas Gift 2, (Patterson); Pep Club 4; Annual Staff 4.



**CARL EVANS**  
"Pig"

"Gotta Go Out and See Peg, Now."  
Football 4; Track 4; Football Manager 4; Library Club 2,3,4.

**DORIS FLORENCE**  
"Susie"

Oh, You Kids!  
Home Economics 1; Glee Club 1, (Greenfield); G. A. A. 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 4.

**SARA FRALEY**  
"Chedah"

Come On You Kids, Let's Go  
G.A.A. 1; F.H.A. 1; Glee Club 1 (White Hall); Library Club 3,4; Pep Club 4; Class Treasurer 4; Annual Staff 4.





# Organization — Cooperation



**CHARLOTTE HANLY**  
"Sharlie"

Well, I Don't Understand.

Glee Club 2; G.A.A. 1; "T" Club 2, 3, 4; Pep Club 4; Librarian 2, 3; Class Secretary 3; Annual Staff 4; Debate 2 (Speech Contest); "Cratchets Christmas Dinner" 2; "We Shook the Family Tree" 4.

**PATRICIA ANN HOLMES**  
"Pat"

I'm Not Going to Say  
Another Word!

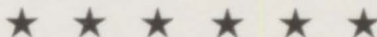
Cheerleader 1, 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; "T" Club 2, 3, 4; Treasurer "T" Club 3; President "T" Club 4; School Page 3; Annual Staff 4; Junior-Senior Ensemble 4; "Op O' Me Thumb" 2; "A Date with Judy" 3; "Moor Born" 3; Speech Contest 2, 3.



**RICHARD HANSBERGER**  
"Dick"

Where Do You Wanta Go, Kids?

Football 1; Boys' Choral Club 3, 4; "T" Club 1, 2, 3; "Cratchets Christmas Dinner" 2; "Pride and Prejudice" 1; School Page 3; Annual Staff 4; Library 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Secretary 4; "T" Club Secretary 2.



**MAURICE HUTTON**  
"Maurie"

What's the Matter, Your Nose  
Gettin' Long?

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; "R" Club 2, 3; "T" Club 1; Class President 2; Annual Staff 4; Football Captain 4; Stage Technician 3; "Pride and Prejudice" 1.



**SUE ANN HELTON**  
"Supan"

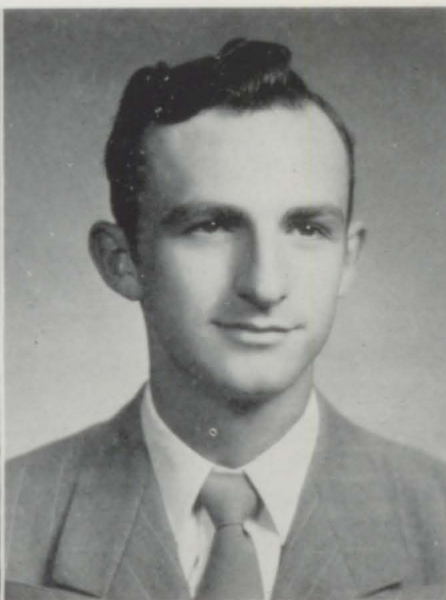
Gosh, I Don't Know.

G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Junior-Senior Girls' Ensemble 4; Double Quartette 3; Mixed Quartette 4; Annual Staff 4; Class Treasurer 3.

**WILLIAM ISRAEL**  
"Bill"

O. K. You Guys.

Track 1, 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Football 1, 3, 4; "T" Club 3, 4; "Moor Born" 3; "We Shook the Family Tree" 4; Boys' Choral Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; "The Ghost" 4.



# Senior Day--What Fun!



**MARY LOUISE MABERRY**  
"Mary Lou"

Oh, For Heavens Sake!  
G.A.A. 1,2; Glee Club 2,3; Triple  
Trio 3; Annual Staff 4.



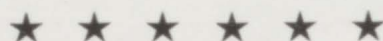
**ARLENE MARSHALL**  
"Georgia"

Artie Was Up Last Night  
G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Pep Club 4; Library  
3,4; Cheerleader 3; Class Treasurer  
1.



**MARILYN MARTIN**  
"Lyn"

I'm Not Going to Cut My  
Hair Any More.  
Cheerleader 1; Glee Club 2,3,4; Jun-  
ior-Senior Ensemble 4; "T" Club  
3,4; Treasurer "T" Club 4; G.A.A.  
1,2,3,4; Secretary G.A.A. 2; Presi-  
dent G.A.A. 4; School Page 3; Pep  
Club 4; Annual Staff 4; Debate 3  
(Speech Contest).



**PAULINE MASTERS**  
"Polly"

'Bout Time for a  
Slumber Party  
G.A.A. 2,3,4; Glee Club 2,3,4; Jun-  
ior-Senior Girls' Ensemble 4; Class  
Secretary 2; Class Vice-President 4;  
Cheerleader 4; School Page 3; Pep  
Club 4; Annual Staff 4; Library  
Club 3,4.

**VIVIAN McELROY**  
"Viv"  
"Oh!"

Vice-President of Class 1; Vice-  
President G.A.A. 3; Treasurer G.A.  
A. 4; G.A.A. Camp Delegate 1;  
Cheerleader 3; Annual Staff 4; G.  
A.A. 1,2,3,4.

**PATSY LEE NEFF**  
"Pat"

Have You Got Your  
English, Bett?  
Cheerleader 1,2; Glee Club 1,2;  
"Prince of Peddlers" 1; Class Vice-  
President 1 (Plattsburg, Ohio); Li-  
brary Club 3,4; School Page 3; An-  
nual Staff 4.





# Those Semesters!!



**ELIZABETH NEWTON**  
"Bett"

Oh, Sugar!

Alumni Program 1 (Patterson); Library Club 2; Glee Club 2; Annual Staff 4.



**BARBARA PERRY**  
"Barb"

What's Our History Assignment, Marilyn?

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 2,3; Pep Club 4; School Page 3.



**JEANETTA PRESTON**  
"Nettie"

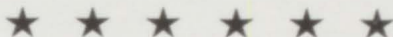
I Don't Know

Annual Staff 4.

**JAMES RANSOM**  
"Termite"

Well, Come On, Bill.

Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; "T" Club 1,2,3,4; Music 3,4; Class President 4; School Page 3; Vice-President "T" Club 4; Boys' Quartette 3; Basketball Captain 4; "Heritage of Wimpole Street" 1; "Crachets Christmas Dinner" 2; "A Date with Judy" 3; "We Shook the Family Tree" 4; "Moor Born" 3; "The Ghost" 4.



**JAMES SEEVERS**  
"Robin"

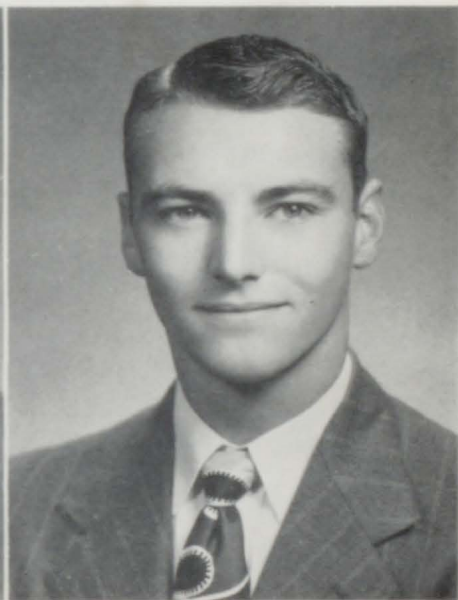
I'm Going With Hutton.

Football 1,2,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3,4; "R" Club 2; Boys' Choral Club 4; Annual Staff 4.

**ELLIS ALLISON SITTON**  
"Bud"

Well, I Guess!

Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Track 1,2; "R" Club 2,3; Class President 3; Annual Staff 4; Treasurer "R" Club 2; School Page 3.



# Baccalaureate-- Graduation



**MARY ELVA SHERWIN**  
"Bangs"

Well, Wouldn't That Just Frost You?

Library Club 2,3,4; Pep Club 4; Annual Staff 4.



**ELIZABETH JANE STONE**  
"Betty"

Oh, Heavens!

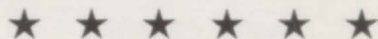
Glee Club 2,3,4; Triple Trio 3; Junior-Senior Ensemble 4; "T" Club 1,2,3,4; Secretary "T" Club 3; Speech Contest 2,3,4; School Page 3; Annual Staff 4; "Pride and Prejudice" 1; "One Sunday Afternoon" 2; "A Date with Judy" 3; "We Shook the Family Tree" 4.



**MARY SWEETIN**  
"Margie"

Have You Got Any Money, Arlene?

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; "T" Club 1,2,3,4; "Pride and Prejudice" 1; "Cratches Christmas Dinner" 2; "A Date with Judy" 3; Glee Club 2,3,4; Double Quartette 3; Junior-Senior Ensemble 4; Library Club 2,3,4; Pep Club 4; School Page 3; Annual Staff 4.



**JO ANN TILLERY**  
"Susie"

Well, for Pete's Sake!

G.A.A. 1,3,4; Library Club 4; Pep Club 4.

**VERA WAHL**  
"Vera"

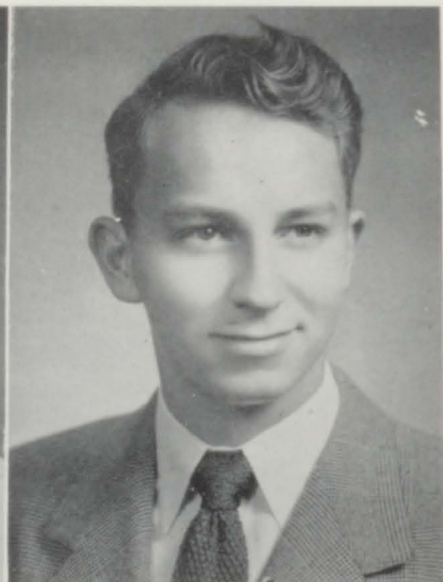
Girls, I got Some More Dishes.

G.A.A. 1,2,3; Glee Club 2; Library Club 3.

**BILL WHEELER**  
"Pug"

I've Got to Go Down to Bonnie's Tonight.

Basketball 1,2; Track 3; Basketball Manager 3; Boys' Choral Club 3; School Page 3; Annual Staff 4.



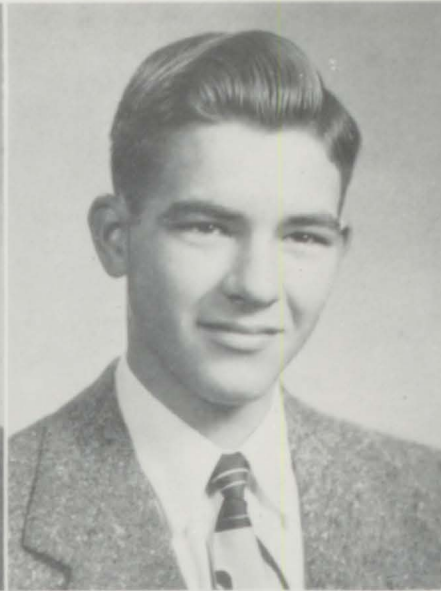


# Precious Memories For All



**WILLIAM WILD**  
"Willy"

Mr. Campbell, Let's Play  
Basketball Today.  
Track 2; Library Club 2; Annual  
Staff 4.



**DELBERT WOOD**  
"Woody"  
Well!

Boys' Choral Club 4; Football 1;  
Basketball 1; Annual Staff 4.



**BONNIE JEAN YEAGER**  
"Jonnie Bean"  
Oh, My Gosh!

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 2,3,4;  
School Page 3; Annual Staff 4;  
Junior-Senior Ensemble 4.

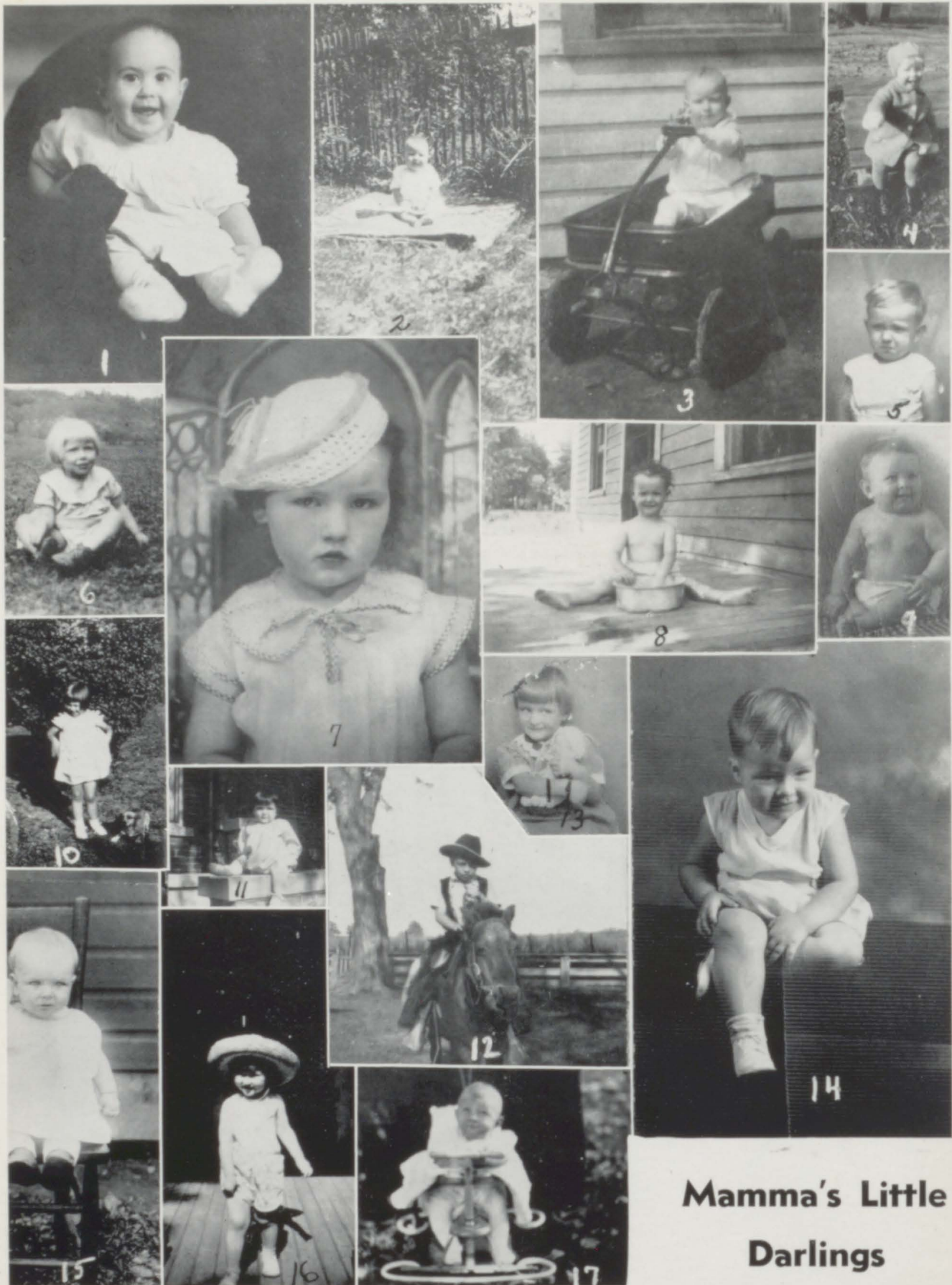
## MAMA'S LITTLE DARLINGS

1. Charlotte Hanly
2. Arlene Marshall
3. Vivian McElroy
4. Ellis Sitton



5. Maurice Hutton
6. William Wild
7. Bill Wheeler
8. Jeanetta Preston
9. Betty Jane Stone
10. Pat Holmes
11. Mary L. Maberry
12. Bill Israel





## Mamma's Little Darlings

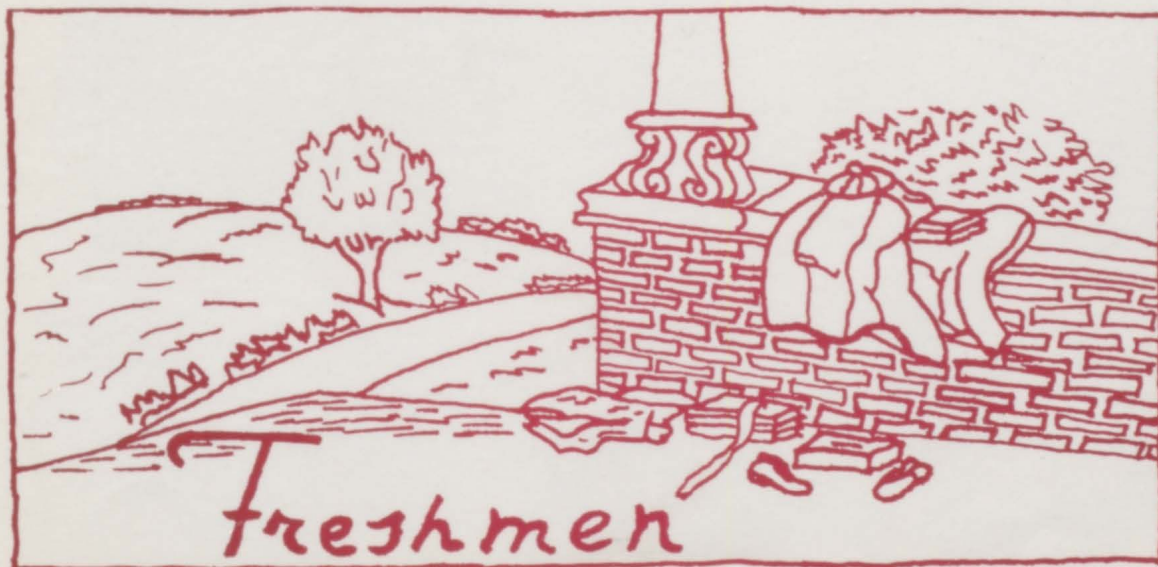
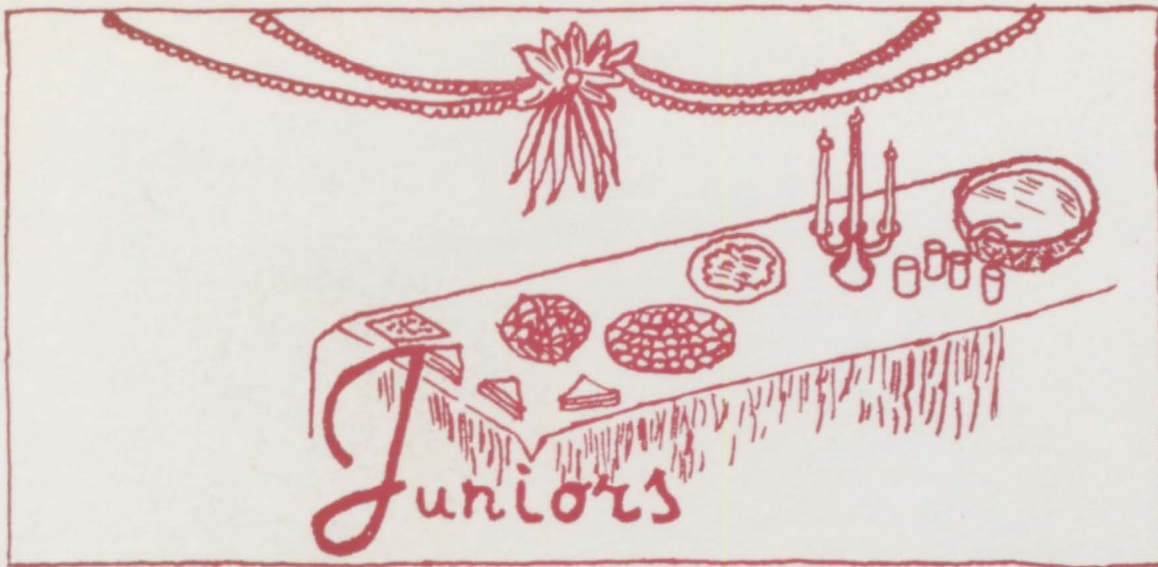
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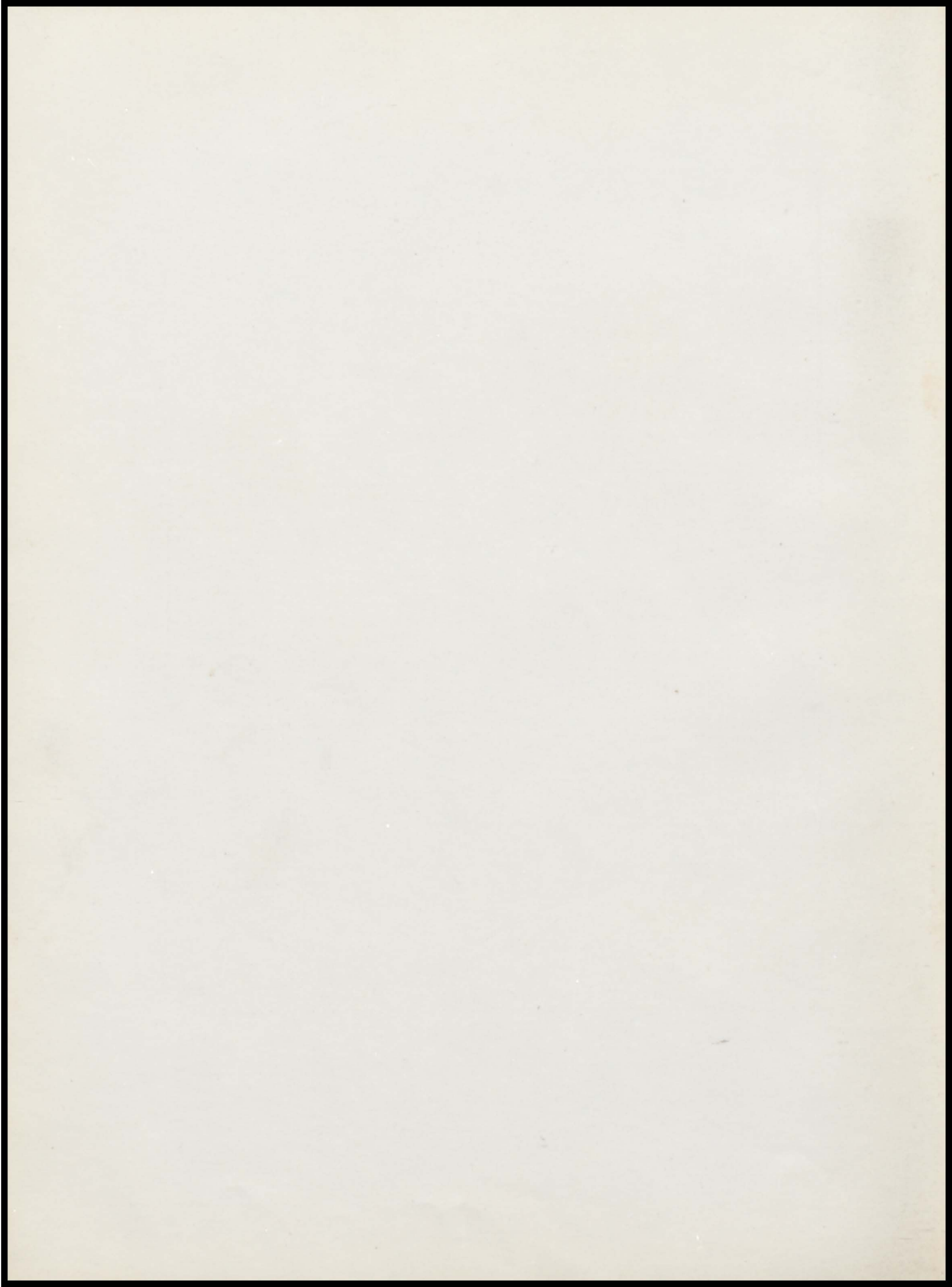
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8. Pauline Masters  
9. Dick Hansberger

10. Marilyn Martin  
11. Sara Fraley  
12. Jim Ransom  
13. Patsy Neff

14. Lee Wood  
15. Betty Newton  
16. Sandy Coffman  
17. John Cloninger









## In Remembrance



**JUANITA HUTTON**

Juanita's winning smile, pleasant disposition, and gaiety will always be remembered by her friends and classmates. Her activeness in school affairs, and her willingness to help endeared her to the hearts of many.

Juanita, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Hutton, was born April 29, 1933. Her sudden death on January 2, 1950, was due to injuries sustained in a traffic accident on the night of January 1, 1950. The largely attended funeral service was held at the First Baptist Church of Roodhouse. Burial was at Jones Cemetery.

# Junior Class History



DONNA SHAW

SHIRLEY BRUCE

DANNY WHITE

WAYNE STAUFFER

## CLASS HISTORY

On September 9, 1947, forty-four green freshmen began their four-year journey through the doors of Roodhouse Community High School.

At our first class meeting the following were elected as officers: M. J. Cregmile, president; Harold Garner, vice-president; Louise Rawlins, secretary, and Mary Barnett, treasurer.

Three boys received letters for football and many went out for basketball and track. The girls joined Glee Club, "T" Club, Library Club, Debate, and other activities.

On September 1, 1948, forty students entered their second year of high school with Mr. Lewis as class adviser. The officers this year were: Frank Tucker, president; Myron McClenning, vice-president; Donna Shaw, secretary; and Clara Jackson, treasurer.

Forty juniors with half of their school days completed began their third year on September 1, 1949. The officers elected were: Danny White, president; Wayne Stauffer, vice-president; Shirley Bruce, secretary; and Donna Shaw, treasurer. The class advisers were Mrs. Wilkinson and Mr. Davis.

The class has raised money for the prom by selling candy, cokes, and hot dogs at football and basketball games. The juniors also have proceeds from a candy machine placed in the hall. We are planning and hoping to have a very successful prom.



# Jolly Juniors



Top Row: D. Baird, M. Barnett, N. Billings, K. Bowers, S. Bruce, B. Camp. Second Row: J. Cardwell, L. Coker, K. Crabtree, P. Crabtree, J. Cummins, B. Everett. Third Row: H. Garner, J. Gilmore, H. Helenthal, V. Havlin, L. Israel, C. Jackson. Fourth Row: J. Landroth, B. Manley, R. Meyer, M. McClenning, B. Neal, P. Norris. Fifth Row: B. Perry, L. Rawlins, B. Schofield, D. Shaw, W. Smith, W. Stauffer. Sixth Row: L. Stevens, F. Tucker, R. Wells, H. Wilcox, D. White, H. Whitaker. Picture Not Shown: Myron Cox.

# Sophomore Class Officers



ALICE NEWTON

BARBARA NEWINGHAM

JOHN BESS

ANNE SMITH

## CLASS HISTORY

★ On September 1, 1948, fifty-two freshmen scurried meekly to obtain front seats in the assembly.

★ Of this group the following class officers were elected: president, Talley Myers; vice-president, Donna Martin; secretary, Rebecca Tennill; treasurer, Ross Riley. The class was well represented in athletic events, "T" Club, G. A. A., and the music department.

★ The following September fifty-five sophomores returned to R. C. H. S. for another year of higher education. At our first class meeting these officers were elected: president, John Bess; vice-president, Barbara Newingham; secretary, Anne Smith; treasurer, Alice Newton.

★ Our class enjoyed a dance and wiener roast, November 7, at the Blackburn farm.

★ Many sophomores participated in sports, G. A. A., "T" Club, and music. Two of our girls were chosen cheerleaders.



# Carefree Sophomores



Top Row: S. Allen, J. Airsman, R. Ballard, B. Basham; J. Bess, M. Brant, C. Cardwell. Second Row: L. Chism, P. Coffman, R. Copley, S. Crain, D. Evans, S. Farrell, J. Wyatt. Third Row: N. Goacher, G. Gonterman, B. Hubble, R. Kidd, C. Lawson, G. Little, D. Martin. Fourth Row: D. McManis, A. Moore, T. Myers, B. Newingham, A. Newton, O. Powell, J. Riley. Fifth Row: R. Riley, D. Rustin, A. Smith, P. Smith, D. Spencer, N. Spencer, R. Stimpson. Sixth Row: K. Strowmatt, R. Tennill, G. Tillery, C. Vinyard, D. Vinyard, D. Weber, C. Wells. Seventh Row: R. Bruce, M. J. Cregmille, J. Norris, K. Wilkinson, P. Wolfe, D. Winters, L. Whitaker.

# Freshmen Class Officers



CLAUDINE KASNER

BILL SHADE

JIM KLINGELE

PAUL BARTH

## CLASS HISTORY

On September 1, 1949, forty-four freshmen entered the assembly at R. C. H. S. Although most of us graduated from the eighth grade together, we welcomed some new friendly faces.

The first class meeting was held on September 9, 1949. The officers elected were: president, James Klingele; vice-president, William Shade; secretary, Claudine Kasner; treasurer, Paul Barth.

We were very happy to have our boys participate in music and in athletics. Also we were happy to have most of our girls in "T" Club, G. A. A., or music.

On March 7, 1950, we enjoyed our first class party, under the supervision of our adviser, Miss MacMillan.

We hope that our fine group of boys and girls keep striving for better grades and for success in extra-curricular events in order to make better upperclassmen.



# Frolicsome Freshmen



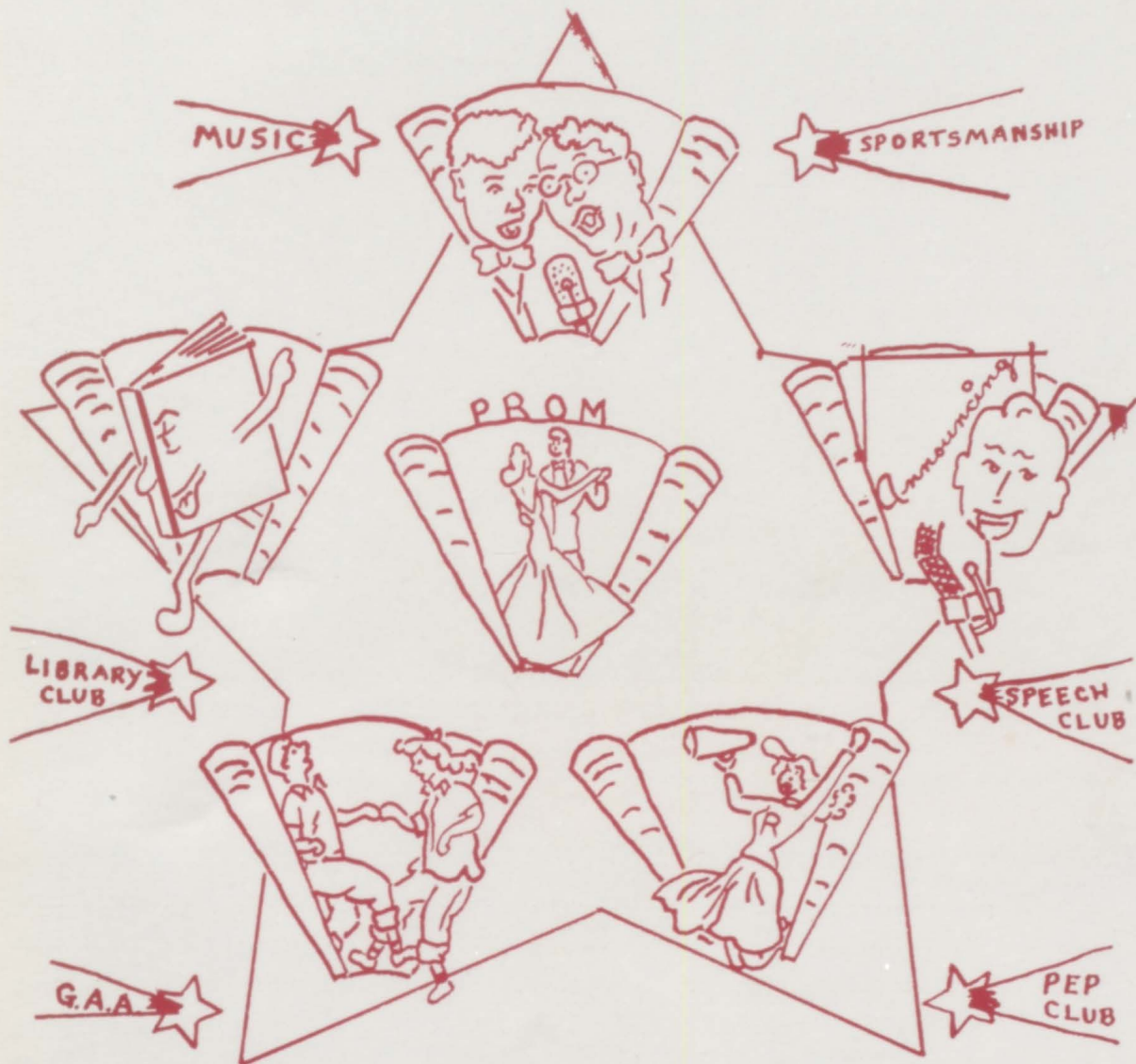
**Top Row:** C. Airsman; E. Alexander, V. Alred, P. Barth, D. Beck, P. Bishop, J. Wyatt. **Second Row:** M. Davidson, L. Dawson, S. Dawson, E. Dobson, L. Eglekrout, L. Fraley, B. Garner. **Third Row:** B. Havlin, C. Kasner, N. Kelly, R. Kelly, J. Klingele, R. Luttrell, O. Maberry. **Fourth Row:** G. McClenning, C. Martin, G. Newingham, J. Orr, D. Orrill, C. Perry, M. Pilkington. **Fifth Row:** S. Shaw, M. Simmons, B. Shade, N. Smith, M. Spencer, A. Stansbury, R. Stevens. **Sixth Row:** V. Stone, R. Taylor, G. Walls, R. Whitaker, S. Whitaker, J. Whitworth, D. Winchester.





1. Armistice Day—2. Books, For Looks?—3. The last mile!—4. Cave Men—5. Marilyn and Sandy—6. Men's best friends!—7. Cheering sophomores—8. Lazy cheerleaders—9. Oh, Ronnie!—10. Touchdown?—11. Working Hard!—12. Goofy Gobs!—13. Betty and Velma—14. That popular bridge!—15. Clowning!—16. Pin up girl—17. Happy days!—18. Oh, you kids!





# Activities

# Annual Staff



PAT BRADSHAW      MARILYN MARTIN      DICK HANSBERGER      MARY SWEETIN

## STAFF

★	Co-Editors . . . . .	Marilyn Martin, Dick Hansberger
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★	Speech and Dramatics Editor . . . . .	Betty Stone
	Snapshot Editors . . . . .	Pauline Masters, Jim Seevers
	Class Activities Editors . . . . .	Jeanetta Preston, Russell Ash
★	Jokes . . . . .	Elizabeth Newton, William Wild, Lee Wood
	Will . . . . .	Sandra Coffman, Mary Lou Maberry
	Class History . . . . .	John Cloninger, Bill Basham
★	Music . . . . .	Sue Helton
	Typists . . . . .	Patsy Neff, Sara Fraley, Janet Dawdy, Charlotte Hanly



# Annual Staff



**Standing:** B. Stone, J. Ransom, M. Maberry, M. Hutton, D. Bell, B. Israel, Mrs. Reilly, S. Coffman, B. Wheeler, S. Helton. **Seated:** S. Fraley, P. Masters, P. Bradshaw, D. Hansberger, P. Holmes, B. Yeager.

The Railroader Staff would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who have taken an interest in our book and have helped promote its publication.

Our advisers, Miss Davis and Mrs. Reilly, have proved their interest through all the time and energy they have given toward its successful completion.

The members of the senior class who have worked on our annual have enjoyed working together.



**Standing:** P. Neff, D. Crabtree, L. Wood, R. Ash, J. Seever, E. Sitton, J. Cloninger, Miss Davis, B. Basham, W. Wild, B. Newton. **Seated:** J. Dawdy, M. Sherwin, M. Sweetin, M. Martin, C. Hanly, J. Preston.

# Girls' Athletic Association



**Top Row:** S. Helton, R. Taylor, D. McMahan, A. Stansbury, N. Goacher, S. Crain, B. Perry, A. Marshall, P. Coffman, D. Martin. **Second Row:** D. Winters, V. Alred, S. Bruce, N. Kelly, O. Powell, B. Hubble, R. Kelly, N. Spencer, C. Jackson, H. Helenthal, M. Brant, R. Tennill, K. Wilkinson. **Third Row:** M. Sweetin, C. Vinyard, O. Maberry, L. Fraley, B. Basham, J. Tillery, D. Florence, S. Coffman, B. Neal, S. Allen, B. Perry, B. Yeager, J. Cardwell, L. Stevens. **Fourth Row:** J. Whitworth, P. Bishop, S. Whitaker, D. Shaw, Miss MacMillan, P. Bradshaw, M. Martin, C. Cardwell, S. Farrell, J. Airlman, C. Martin, M. Simmons, C. Airlman, L. Whitaker. **Fifth Row:** R. Stimpson, P. Wolfe, A. Smith, P. Masters, P. Holmes, J. Wyatt.

## G. A. A.

Fifty-nine girls were present at the first G. A. A. meeting, September 14, 1949. There were nineteen new members, who were initiated September 21, 1949. At this meeting the following officers were elected for the coming year: Marilyn Martin, president; Patricia Bradshaw, vice-president; Donna Shaw, secretary; and Vivian McElroy, treasurer. Miss MacMillan was our adviser.

The members obtain letters by the point system. The points are earned by participation in softball, volleyball, and basketball, and by observing health rules.

During the year the club sponsored the annual Sadie Hawkins Dance. It was held on Wednesday night, February 15, 1950, and was enjoyed by all.



# Library Club



**Top Row:** M. Sweetin, M. Barnett, W. Smith, C. Vinyard, J. Orr, V. Stone, C. Jackson, B. Hubble, B. Camp, S. Bruce. **Second Row:** Mrs. Reilly, C. Perry, D. Vinyard, D. Hansberger, P. Crabtree, B. Newingham, S. Crain, R. Meyers, J. Tillery, M. Sherwin, B. Perry, D. Shaw, H. Wilcox, E. Coats. **Third Row:** B. Schofield, L. Whitaker, H. Helenthal, S. Fraley, J. Wyatt, R. Stimpson, P. Neff, P. Masters, A. Marshall, O. Powell. **Bottom Row:** D. White, B. Shade, J. Landreth, G. Little, P. Smith.

## LIBRARY CLUB

The library is conducted by student librarians under the supervision of Mrs. Reilly. The library staff consists of forty-five regular and assistant librarians. The purpose of the Library Club is to help students find books, maintain order in the library, and take care of the files, magazines, and books.

The Library Club officers elected this year are: Mary Barnett, president; Donna Shaw, vice-president; and Shirley Bruce, secretary-treasurer.

During book week a new array of books was on display. We have purchased thirty-six new books for our library this year.

The bulletin board in the library is beautifully decorated each season. The windows of the library were artistically decorated by paintings during the Christmas season.

Much credit should be given to Mrs. Reilly and the members of Library Club for establishing a better library for our school.

# Cast of "We Shook The Family Tree"



**Standing:** D. White, C. Hanly, L. Coker, B. Stone, J. Airsman, J. Ransom, W. Smith, O. Maberry, C. Airsman, N. Goacher, V. Stone, Mrs. Wilkinson. **Seated:** S. Allen, R. Ash, N. Eyre, B. Israel, P. Smith, B. Shade.

## SPEECH CLUB

The first meeting of the "T" Club, held in September under the direction of Mrs. Thelma Wilkinson, elected the following officers: president, Patsy Holmes; vice-president, James Ransom; secretary, Barbara Neal; treasurer, Marilyn Martin.

On the seventeenth and nineteenth of December, under Mrs. Wilkinson's direction, the group staged the play "We Shook the Family Tree."

The District Speech Contest was held in the high school in Roodhouse, February 25. The following students represented the school:

Serious Reading	Betty Jane Stone
Comedy Reading	Sarah Allen
Verse Reading	Rose Marie Stimpson
Oratorical Declamation	Bill Shade
Extempore Speaking	Loretta Stevens
Original Oratory	Lowell Coker

The Dramatic Contest was held in the White Hall gymnasium. Betty Jane Stone, Rose Marie Stimpson, and Lowell Coker each won first place. Sarah Allen and Loretta Stevens both won third place. The play, "Ghosts," won first place. The members of the cast were: Rebecca Tennill, Danny White, Bill Israel, Jim Ransom, and Peggy Wolfe. The narrators were Anne Smith and Betty Jane Stone. The school won the trophies for the contest and dramatics in Class B.

The play cast and those who ranked first, second, and third advanced to the Sectional Speech Contest held in Macomb on March 11.

Again the students won the trophies for the contest and dramatics in Class B. No one advanced to the state contest.

The speech group has appeared on programs in several different places during the spring. This is a fine service for our school.



# "T" Club Members



**Standing:** C. Hanly, Mrs. Wilkinson, H. Helenthal, P. Bradshaw, W. Smith, R. Ash, B. Stone, P. Smith, M. Sweetin, L. Coker.  
**Seated:** B. Israel, M. Martin, J. Ransom, P. Holmes, D. White, B. Neal, B. Shade.

**Standing:** M. Brant, D. Martin, C. Martin, J. Airstman, A. Smith, N. Goacher, S. Allen, P. Wolfe, M. Simmons, O. Powell, V. Stone, R. Stimpson. **Seated:** R. Tennill, O. Maberry, C. Airstman, D. Beck, L. Fraley, J. Whitworth, K. Wilkinson.



# Yuletide Service



**Top Row:** S. Farrell, M. Brant, B. Yeager, L. Dawson, J. Airsman, J. Cardwell, C. Cardwell, C. Airsman, S. Whitaker, I. Eglekrout, R. Stimpson. **Second Row:** D. Spencer, B. Basham, B. Perry, M. Martin, L. Rawling, S. Coffman, P. Bradshaw, R. Meyer, S. Allen, N. Cummins, B. Neal, A. Stansbury, P. Coffman, B. Stone, D. Martin, K. Wilkinson. **Third Row:** P. Holmes, P. Masters, P. Crabtree, B. Camp, N. Goacher, S. Helton, J. Whitworth, L. Fraley, P. Wolfe, O. Maberry, R. Tennill, Miss Fox. **Bottom Row:** C. Kasner, M. Sweetin, C. Jackson, N. Spencer, C. Vinyard, V. Stone, A. Smith, M. Simmons, C. Martin.

## MUSIC

On September third, fifty-three girls met in the music room to begin another year of music in Glee Club. There were also fifteen boys who enrolled in the Boys' Choral Club. Miss Fox, our director, not only directed these two clubs but the Junior-Senior Ensemble, Freshman Octette, Singing Sophomores, Mixed Quartette and the Boys' Duo.

All of these groups have been active in community programs. Among these were the Yuletide Service and the Spring Concert of 1950 given in the Baptist Church by the entire department.



## JUNIOR-SENIOR ENSEMBLE



Picture Above — Back Row: J. Cardwell, B. Stone, P. Bradshaw, N. Cummins, B. Neal, B. Perry, S. Coffman, P. Masters. Front Row: B. Yeager, M. Sweetin, M. Martin, Miss Fox, L. Rawlins, S. Helton, P. Holmes.



## SENIOR BOYS DUO

Picture at Left

Left to Right: Miss Fox, B. Israel, J. Ransom.

## BOYS' CHORAL CLUB

Picture Below — Left to Right: D. Orrill, D. White, L. Israel, L. Wood, B. Basham, B. Shade, D. Hansberger, B. Israel, J. Ransom, P. Smith, L. Coker, J. Seevers.



## FRESHMAN OCTETTE



Left to Right: O. Maberry, J. Whitworth, V. Stone, C. Martin, Miss Fox, A. Stansbury, C. Kasner, M. Simmons, C. Airsman.

## MIXED QUARTETTE

Left to Right: L. Coker, B. Neal, S. Helton, D. White.



## SINGING SOPHOMORES

Bottom Picture, Standing: R. Tennill, D. Martin, P. Coffman, S. Allen, A. Smith, N. Goacher, C. Cardwell. Seated: M. Brant, J. Airsman, P. Wolfe, R. Stimpson, K. Wilkinson.





# Pep Club



**Top Row:** M. Fherwin, R. Taylor, D. McMahan, N. Spencer, S. Crain, C. Jackson, A. Marshall, S. Fraley, B. Hubble, O. Powell, L. Whitaker, L. Stevens. **Second Row:** J. Whitworth, P. Bishop, R. Stimpson, C. Hanly, J. Cardwell, C. Cardwell, W. Smith, L. Rawlins, R. Tennill, B. Perry. **Third Row:** B. Basham, R. Kelly, J. Dawdy, J. Tillery, D. Florence, M. Martin, S. Coffman, B. Neal, S. Allen, N. Cummins, P. Coffman, M. Sweetin, J. Ailsman. **Fourth Row:** J. Wyatt, L. Fraley, O. Maberry, M. Brant, Miss MacMillan, N. Goacher, D. Martin, S. Whitaker, K. Wilkinson, S. Farrell, C. Martin, M. Simmons, C. Ailsman. **Bottom Row:** P. Wolfe, P. Masters, A. Smith, P. Holmes.

The Pep Club was organized this year with the aim of supporting our team through victory and defeat. We also sought to encourage the rules of good sportsmanship. We feel that the Pep Club has been a success and we hope that through the oncoming years the student body of R. C. H. S. will strive to uphold the standards of good sportsmanship.

The officers elected were: president, Olga Maberry; vice-president, Marlene Brant; secretary, Nadine Goacher; treasurer, Donna Martin. Our adviser was Miss MacMillan. We enrolled approximately sixty members.

## CHEERLEADERS

Left to Right: Pat Holmes, Pauline Masters, Anne Smith, Peggy Wolfe.



# Jimmie Conlee and His Orchestra



## JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET AND PROM

The Junior-Senior Banquet was held in the Masonic Hall on May 20, 1949. In keeping with our theme "Dixieland Summertime," a Negro butler greeted us at the door. During the banquet, served by our mothers dressed as Negro maids, we were serenaded by four picturesque minstrels. Cap'n Ransom, who acted as master of ceremonies, introduced Mrs. Reilly who gave the invocation. Major Sitton extended our welcome to the seniors. Marse Lowe gave the major speech of the evening. After a song by the Four Southern Belles, Lieutenant Hutton and Sandra Coffman gave toasts to the senior girls and boys respectively. The Cotton Pickers sang a typical southern number followed by a duet given by Jim Ransom and Don Standridge. The program was then closed by Colonel Hendrickson who thanked the juniors on behalf of the seniors.

The menu for the evening was as follows:

Raspberry Julep  
Fonette Potatoes  
Spiced Beets

Woodstock Biscuits  
Chantilly Cream  
Bonbons

Galantine De Dinde  
Gravy  
Mange Tout  
Jardinere  
Butter  
Iced Tea DeLuxe

Giblet Stuffing  
Cranberry Jelly  
Heavenly Delight

Shortcake Fraise  
Coffee  
Nuts

At nine o'clock the guests entered the gymnasium decorated as a "Magnolia Garden." Jimmy Conlee and his orchestra furnished music from the porch of the old southern home. The Grand March was the main event of the evening.





## Scenes of The Prom







1. The Boss. 2. Ambitious Girls? 3. Yell, kids! 4. In a hurry, Jim? 5. Workin' hard? 6. "Teach." 7. Cuttin' a rug. 8. Corner hangout. 9. Frances and Wayne. 10. Experts?? 11. Hi, Barb. 12. That Chemistry Class!! 13. Coke, please. 14. Cute. 15. Pep Club Parade. 16. Those Western Thrillers! 17. Candy, fellas? 18. That bell has sounded. 19. Chow time. 20. Gee, you lucky kid! 21. A funny joke? 22. Waiting for action. 23. Oh, those Virginia Reels. 24. A Senior Dance. 25. Pals.



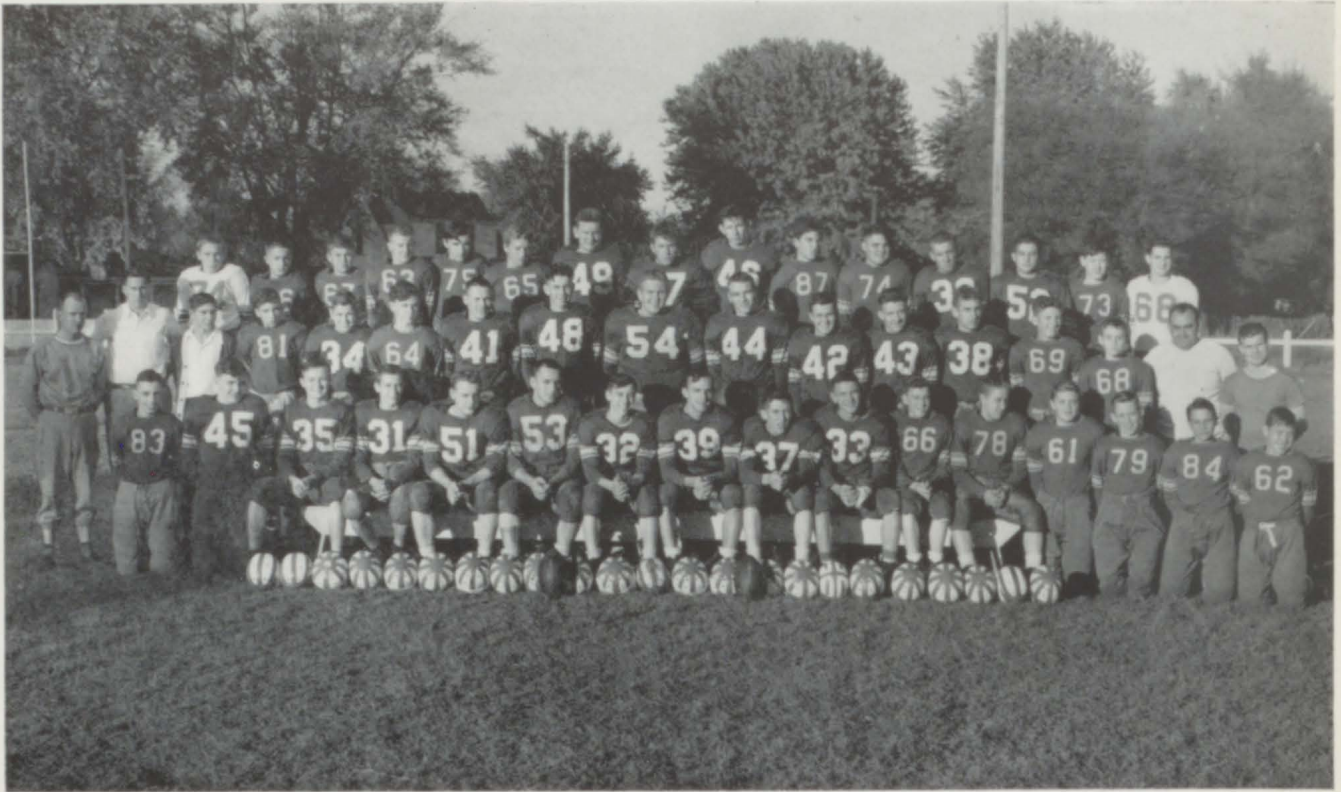
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Athletics



# Football Squad



**Top Row:** M. Cregmille, R. Stevens, R. Ballard, R. Havlin, K. Bowers, M. Pilkington, R. Copley, R. Riley, G. Gonterman, G. Tillery, R. Bruce, T. Myers, J. Bess, D. Orrill, R. Manly. **Second Row:** Coach Brooks, C. Evans, N. Billings, R. Rice, W. Stauffer, B. Shade, B. Everett, E. Coats, J. Seevers, E. Sitton, D. Crabtree, D. Bell, R. Kidd, D. Evans, J. Wyatt, Coach Campbell, Coach Wilkinson. **Bottom Row:** J. Orr, D. Gilleland, F. Tucker, C. Lawson, M. McClenning, H. Garner, J. Ransom, M. Hutton, B. Israel, L. Coker, D. Weber, J. Gilmore, G. McClenning, J. Klingele, P. Barth, E. Alexander.

## FOOTBALL

This football season began with forty-three boys reporting to Coach Campbell and Assistant Coach Brooks in hopes of a successful season. There were thirteen returning lettermen from the preceding year.

Though we lost four games, we feel we had a fairly successful season. In spite of the fact that seven lettermen are graduating this year, next year's prospects for an even better team look good.

The team elected Maurice Hutton as their football captain.



## Scores

WAVERLY—A badly disorganized Roodhouse team dropped a decision, 13-0.

WHITE HALL—After a 0-0 tie at half-time the Railroaders came back to win, 21-0.

PLEASANT HILL—The Railroaders never once being threatened defeated Pleasant Hill 28-0.

PITTSFIELD—The Railroaders were defeated by a strong Pittsfield outfit, 13-12.

WINCHESTER—By virtue of their passing attack, Roodhouse was able to defeat a determined Winchester squad, 28-7.

GREENFIELD—Roodhouse defeated a very over-confident Greenfield team, 28-7.

CARROLLTON—The Railroaders were defeated by a powerful Carrollton aggregation, 16-0.

JERSEYVILLE—The Railroaders came within one touchdown of defeating the highly favored Jerseyville team. The score was 13-7.

WHITE HALL—A 39-0 victory over our ancient rivals, White Hall, ended the year as a success.

## SENIORS

Left to Right: B. Israel, J. Ransom, D. Crabtree, E. Coats, J. Seevers, M. Hutton, E. Sitton, D. Bell.



# Basketball Squad



**Top Row:** J. Cloninger, J. Wyatt, J. Orr, M. Pilkington, B. Shade, P. Barth, R. Stevens, K. Crabtree. **Second Row:** Coach Brooks, M. Cregmille, W. Stauffer, T. Myers, P. Smith, R. Kidd, K. Crabtree, D. Vinyard, D. Weber, G. McClenning, R. Havlin, Coach Campbell. **Bottom Row:** G. Gonterman, D. Bell, R. Copley, E. Sitton, M. Hutton, J. Seevers, J. Ransom, R. Ash, H. Garner, J. Bess.



## BASKETBALL



There were thirty-three boys who reported for basketball this season. There were six returning lettermen from the preceding year.



Although this season wasn't too successful we are planning to have a better team next year.

Jim Ransom was elected as captain of the team.





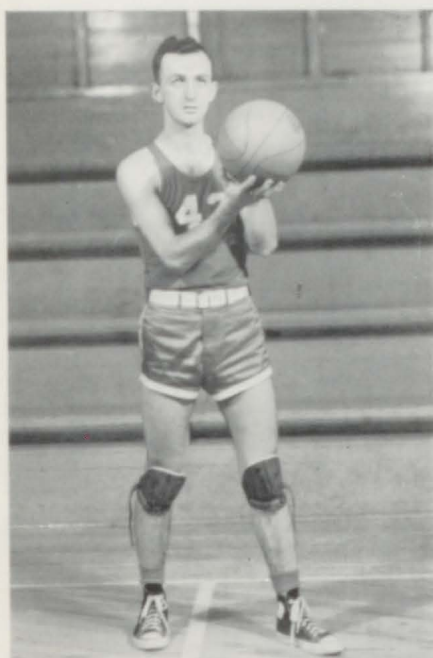
# Scores

Opponents	We	They
Eldred . . . . .	44	12
Pittsfield . . . . .	26	57
Waverly . . . . .	30	53
White Hall . . . . .	43	58
Pittsfield . . . . .	25	60
Jerseyville . . . . .	32	64
Meredosia . . . . .	26	61
Northwestern . . . . .	32	42
Arenzville . . . . .	37	44
Carrollton . . . . .	27	52
Wood River . . . . .	15	50

Opponents	We	They
Greenfield . . . . .	40	42
Winchester . . . . .	46	63
Winchester Tourn. (Pl. Hill)	43	57
White Hall . . . . .	41	44
Jerseyville . . . . .	41	54
Carrollton . . . . .	37	72
Greenfield . . . . .	40	44
Winchester . . . . .	38	58
Jacksonville . . . . .	38	63
I. S. D. . . . .	46	60

County Tournament		
Eldred . . . . .	72	21
White Hall . . . . .	29	52
Greenfield . . . . .	32	39

Regional Tournament		
Carrollton . . . . .	28	36



**M. Hutton**  
Center

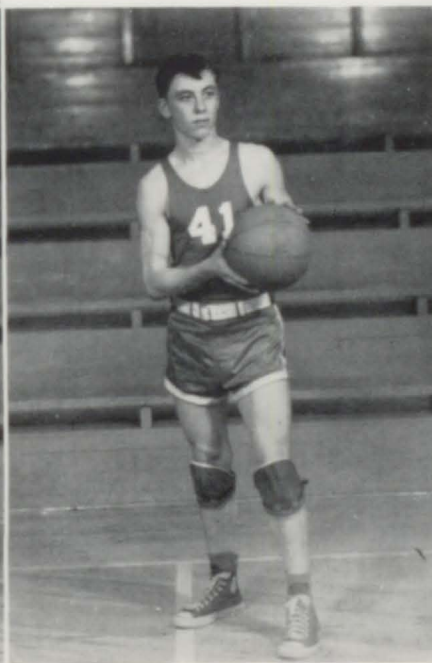
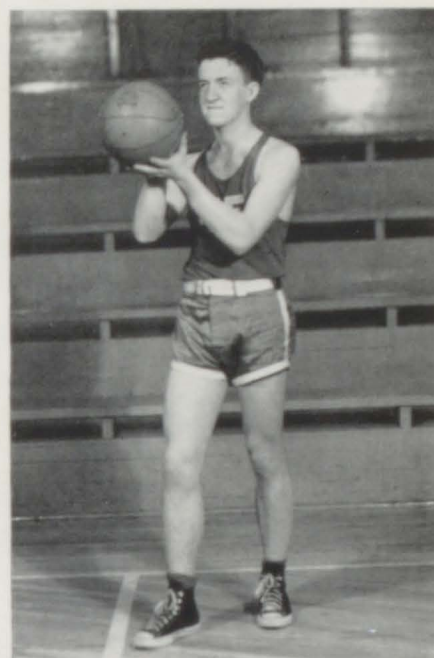
**D. Bell**  
Guard

## Seniors

**J. Ransom**  
Forward

**R. Ash**  
Forward

**J. Seevers**  
Center



# Track Team



**Top Row:** Coach Campbell, K. Landreth, K. Strowmatt, R. Tillery, T. Myers, J. Ransom, J. Bess, H. Garner, H. Benner, S. Ballard, D. Bell, M. Hutton, D. Crabtree, W. Stauffer, N. Billings, B. Everett. **Second Row:** R. Tennill, D. Vinyard, J. Gilmore, J. Hendrickson, L. Coker, P. Spencer, J. Scott. **Bottom Row:** K. Crabtree, J. Norris, B. Alfred, D. Evans, A. Moore, E. Coats, J. SeEVERS.

## TRACK

Because the Railroader is published before the current track season ends, it is necessary to picture the track season of the preceding year.

The Greene County and the Illinois Valley Meets were both held at Roodhouse with Roodhouse taking second in both meets. Roodhouse placed second in a triangular meet with White Hall, Carrollton, and Roodhouse. A first place was taken again in the White Hall and Roodhouse dual meet held at Roodhouse. Roodhouse took second in the Freshman and Sophomore track meet held at Carlinville. David Barnett placed fourth in the high jump at the District Meet at Pana.

Donald Crabtree made the most points and on that basis was chosen the outstanding track man.

Sam Ballard and David Barnett were elected as co-captains of the season.



# Last Will and Testament

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|--|--|
| I, Russell Ash, leave my slenderness and height to Roger Ballard.                            | convince people I am right to Connie Cardwell.   |
| I, William Basham, leave my quietness in classes to Vivian Havlin.                           | I, Marilyn Martin, leave my walk to Ruby Wells.  |
| I, Duane Bell, leave my "true blue" heart to Myron McClenning.                               | I, Pauline Masters, leave all my extra boy friends to Wanda Smith.                                     |
| I, Patricia Bradshaw, leave the Roodhouse High School to whoever can handle it.              | I, Vivian McElroy, leave my way with the men to Clara Jackson.   |
| I, John Cloninger, leave my "burr" to Ross Riley.  | I, Patsy Neff, leave my ability to always be telling a good joke to Laura Fraley.                      |
| I, Edward Coats, leave the library in the capable hands of Bessie Schofield.                 | I, Elizabeth Newton, leave my joy rides at noon to Loretta Stevens.                                    |
| I, Sandra Coffman, leave my visits to the Kroger store for awhile, but I'll be back!         | I, Barbara Perry, leave my interests in Patterson to my sister Betty.                                  |
| I, Donald Crabtree, leave my ability to stay in physics class to Danny White.                | I, Jeanetta Preston, leave my quietness to "Becky" Tennill.  |
| I, Janet Dawdy, leave my figure to Barbara Hubble.   | I, James Ransom, leave my love for Louise to no one. Just call me selfish!                             |
| I, Carl Evans, leave Peg to whoever will take her.   | I, James Seevers, leave my chubbiness to Kenneth Crabtree.   |
| I, Doris Florence, leave my ability to be a "one-man team" in basketball to Shirley Farrell. | I, Mary Elva Sherwin, leave my curler to Sarah Allen.  |
| I, Sara Fraley, leave my flaming torch for an underclassman to Carl Perry.                   | I, Ellis Sitton, leave my cute little girl in White Hall to myself. I'm movin' in!                     |
| I, Charlotte Hanly, leave my interest in men to Opal Powell.                                 | I, Betty Stone, leave my long, blonde hair to my sister Velma.   |
| I, Richard Hansberger, leave my knowledge of bookkeeping to Kenny Bowers.                    | I, Mary Sweetin, leave my fondness of Saturday night parties to anyone who likes them as much as I do. |
| I, Sue Ann Helton, leave my "voice" to Doris Spencer.  | I, Jo Ann Tillery, leave high school to go home to my chickens!  |
| I, Patsy Holmes, leave Roodhouse High School to follow Maurice.                              | I, Vera Wahl, leave my interests in studies to start my great career as a housewife.                   |
| I, Maurice Hutton, leave my "slow motions" to Lowell Coker.                                  | I, William Wheeler, leave my "henpecked ways" to John Bess.  |
| I, William Israel, leave my ability to "keep 'em rollin' in the aisles" to Noel Smith.       | I, William Wild, leave my ability to argue in law class to Norman Billings.                            |
| I, Mary Lou Maberry, leave high school to "join" the army.                                   | I, Lee Wood, leave my technique of laughing when there isn't anything funny to Everett Alexander.      |
| I, Arlene Marshall, leave my ability to  | I, Bonnie Yeager, leave!!  |

# School Calendar

## SEPTEMBER—

- 1 School opened.
- 8 Curtis magazine sales started.
- 9 Class officers were elected.
- 12 "T" Club meeting.
- 14 G. A. A. and Pep Squad organized.
- 16 Annual staff selected. Game at Waverly. Bad start.
- 20 Second team game with Jacksonville here.
- 21 G. A. A. Initiation and party; Curtis magazine drive ended; voted for cheerleaders.
- 22 Voted on ring crests (first time).
- 23 Game at White Hall. Yippee! We won by scoring three touchdowns in the last half.
- 24 Football boys went to Champaign.
- 26 More arguments about class rings.
- 27 I double dare you to mention class rings to me!
- 29 First of many U. S. history reports due.
- 30 Pleasant Hill game there.

## OCTOBER—

- 5 Typing II class received first experience with stencils.
- 7 Girls' P. E. classes made crepe paper hats for the Pep Squad. Game with Pittsfield and senior dance. Gosh, fellas, make those extra points count!
- 10 "T" Club meeting.
- 13 Senior and underclassmen pictures were taken.
- 14 Winchester there. Bus load of students went. End of first six weeks.
- 18 Second team game with White Hall. Seniors received annual proofs.
- 20 Greenfield game. Three cheers! Senior dance.
- 21 "T" Club meeting.
- 24 Mrs. Wilkinson began blocking the three-act play to be presented in December.
- 25 Second team game with White Hall here.
- 26 Juniors and seniors took state-wide university tests.
- 28 Carrollton there. Mr. Railroader and Miss Victory were united in ceremony

in gym. Tough luck—well, it was their homecoming.

- 31 Halloween parade in the assembly. Did you ever see such bathing beauties as those present from White Hall?

## NOVEMBER—

- 2 Play books arrived.
- 3 Pep squad meeting—placed orders for caps.
- 4 Game with Jerseyville and senior dance. Ouch!
- 11 White Hall game here. Senior dance.
- 17 Young man from Blackburn college talked to seniors.
- 18 Senior class party.
- 22 Senior turkey raffle. Carol Airstman was blindfolded but drew her own. We never did figure that one out!
- 23 End of second six weeks. One-third gone anyway.
- 24-25 Thanksgiving vacation.
- 29 Games here with Pleasant Hill and Eldred.
- 30 Pecans arrived for seniors to sell.

## DECEMBER—

- 2 Pittsfield here; senior dance. Seniors picked annual cover design and colors. Wait and see!
- 6 Game with Waverly there. Play cast started on third act.
- 8 Senior pictures and rings back.
- 9 White Hall game. Are our faces red!
- 13 Game at Pittsfield.
- 15 Music group sang at Women's Club.
- 16 Game at Jerseyville. Too bad! Several junior class girls canvassed Roodhouse selling tickets to the three-act play.
- 17 Play, "We Shook the Family Tree." It rained so hard that, for the most part, only those people with reserve seats attended.
- 18 Music department's Yuletide service.
- 19 Play, "We Shook the Family Tree." A great success. Mr. Davis, we heard you asked Sarah to come in again!
- 22 Underclassmen pictures came. Seniors brought their baby pictures to school.
- 23 Musical program in assembly.
- 23 to Christmas  
Jan. 3 Vacation.



# School Calendar (Cont'd)

## JANUARY—

- 3 School resumed. Game at Arenzville. Let's have a change.
- 5 School dismissed at 1:40 p. m. for Juanita Hutton's funeral.
- 6 Carrollton here. Nearly doubled score on us.
- 7 Wood River there.
- 10 Greenfield here. So close!
- 11-13 Those dreaded semesters.
- 13 Winchester there.
- 16 Roodhouse lost to Pleasant Hill in Winchester tournament. Those folks with F-M radios had visitors. Second team journeyed to Waverly.
- 18 Seniors voted to whom the annual is to be dedicated.
- 23 Report cards issued.
- 24 Group pictures were taken for annual. second team—Waverly. The temperature soared to 70 degrees. Who played hookey? We all wanted to.
- 25 School took up at 8 a. m. and was dismissed at 12 M. for work to be done on the sewage system.
- 26 We saw the movie picture, "Jesse James."
- 27 We lost to White Hall here by two points. Just a little more, team.
- 31 Greene County Tournament started.

## FEBRUARY—

- 1 Roodhouse walloped Eldred in tournament. A nurse from Passavant hospital talked to all girls in high school. She was pretty! Gave a good talk, too.
- 2 We lost to White Hall in our second game of tournament. What referees!
- 7 Pep meeting for Jerseyville game here. Ask some seniors in the sixth hour history class why they were unable to attend the game. Gr-r-r-r!
- 9 Senior class meeting. Most of school attended magician, ventriloquist, and puppet show in gym in A. M.
- 10 Carrollton there. Where, oh where were our backers? Second team won by three points. Play contest tryouts.
- 14 Greenfield there.

- 15 Seniors selected class flower, colors, and motto. Sadie Hawkins dance.
- 17 Winchester here; senior dance afterwards.
- 21 Game at Jacksonville.
- 22 Entire school saw Laurel and Hardy in the army in a movie.
- 24 I. S. D. here. Fourth six weeks ends. Just two to go!
- 25 District Speech Contest at Roodhouse. Keep it up.
- 28 Roodhouse vs. Carrollton in regional.

## MARCH—

- 6 Report cards issued. Some better, some worse.
- 9 Seniors were measured for caps and gowns.
- 11 Sectional Speech Contest at Macomb. You did fine.
- 13 Several senior girls attended Career Night at an A. A. U. W. meeting in Carrollton.
- 17 School saw two 4-H movies and "Mutiny on the Bounty"; the students also voted for Mardi Gras queen.
- 20 There were several short hair cuts among the girls this morning. Junior Class party—the juniors set the date for the Prom and Banquet. About time they got busy!
- 25 District Music Contest—we have a couple of entries. Best of luck to Donna Martin and Lowell Coker.
- 29 Mardi Gras. Can anyone guess who the queen will be?
- 31 State Teachers meeting.

## APRIL—

- 7 Fifth six weeks ends.
- 6 12 Easter vacation.

## MAY—

- 3 Seniors to sponsor Proctor Puppets.
- 13 District Track and Field Meet. Let's show 'em!
- 17-18-19 Semesters. We're gonna surprise our teachers one of these times.
- 19 Junior-Senior Prom and Banquet.
- 21 Baccalaureate services.
- 24 Pre-enrollment date.
- 25 High school graduation—after twelve long years!
- 26 School closes.

# Basketball Mardi Gras



QUEEN . . . . . Pauline Masters  
KING . . . . . James Ransom  
Basketball Captain

ATTENDANTS	ESCORTS
Jeanetta Preston . . . . .	Gary Gonterman
Sue Helton . . . . .	Wayne Stauffer
Sara Fraley . . . . .	Ross Copley
Mary Louise Maberry . . . . .	James Seevers
Pat Holmes . . . . .	Maurice Hutton

FLOWER GIRL . . . . . Jeanne Orr  
FLOWER BEARER . . . . . Jeanne Sprague  
CROWN BEARER . . . . . Bill Veith

The fourth annual Basketball Mardi Gras was held March 29, 1950, in the Roodhouse gymnasium. It was co-sponsored by the Roodhouse Women's Club and the Senior Class of 1950.

The program, consisting of local talent, was presided over by the master of ceremonies, Bill Israel. The main event of the evening was the crowning of the queen, Pauline Masters, by the basketball captain, Jim Ransom.

The Queen's Court consisted of her five attendants, all members of the senior class, who were escorted by the leading members of the basketball squad.

Following the program, dancing was enjoyed by all.



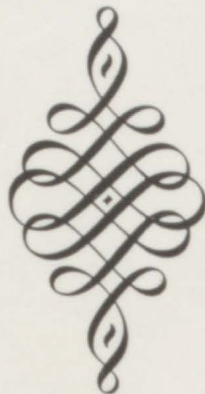




# The Custodians and Bus Drivers



Mr. Strowmatt



Mr. Savage



Mr. George Marshall

Mr. Noel Fraley



# Prophecy

When I was in New York last week, I went into the "Little Ritzi Shop" on Fifth Avenue to buy my wife a gift. Browsing around the store, I happened to see a person who looked very familiar. It was none other than PAT HOLMES, the owner of this very exclusive shop. She must have been very glad to see me for she screamed, "DUANE BELL, of all people!" After greeting each other, we decided to have dinner together to chat about old times. As we were eating, I told her all about my chicken ranch; and then I proceeded to tell her all about our former R. C. H. S. classmates.

**SUE ANN HELTON** recently made her debut in "The Song of Norway" at the Municipal Opera in St. Louis.

**PAT BRADSHAW** has just opened a pop-corn stand at the local Texaco Service Station.

The town simply went wild when Mrs. John Bess, the former **SARA FRALEY**, gave birth to triplets last month.

**BETTY JANE STONE** has received renown for her outstanding portrayal of "The Bashful Blonde of Beautiful Bend."

**CHARLOTTE HANLY** is head instructor at the new driving school on Morse street.

**MARY ELVA SHERWIN** is a star guard on the All-American Girls' Basketball team and **DORIS FLORENCE** is a number one forward.

The College of Lock Pickers voted **WILLIAM WILD** "Lock Picker Most Likely to Succeed."

**MARILYN MARTIN** and her puppet revue can currently be seen at the Fox Theater.

**BILL BASHAM** is in the milk business, running close competition with Fairview Dairy.

**ARLENE MARSHALL**, **PAULINE MASTERS** and **MARY SWEETIN** are thrilling the country with their recordings. They are running a close race for popularity with the Andrews Sisters.

**BARBARA PERRY** has been working hard on a petition to better the highway from Roodhouse to Patterson.

**JEANETTA PRESTON** is the new commercial instructor at the Roodhouse High School.

Mrs. Harold Crabtree, the former **VERA WAHL**, is now residing in Keokuk Iowa, where her husband is employed.

**LEE WOOD** has just been hired as a traveling salesman for the Bow Wow Dog Biscuit Company.

**JO ANN TILLERY** has won fame as a trapeze artist with the Ringling Bros. Barnum and Bailey Circus.

**BILL WHEELER** and his wife, the former **BONNIE YEAGER**, have opened a new dry goods store next door to the Sheppard store in Roodhouse.

**JANET DAWDY**, head nurse at the new

hospital in Roodhouse, had an accident the other day while off duty. She broke her ankle when she slipped on a banana peeling.

**PATSY NEFF** is employed at the local post office. Her husband is postmaster. Patsy licks stamps for all customers.

**CARL EVANS** sells chickens and eggs for a living. With every dozen eggs he sells, he gives away a Pontiac convertible.

If you'll look you'll see a familiar smile on billboards everywhere. **VIVIAN McELROY** is working as a model for the Colgate Tooth Paste Company.

**DICK HANSBERGER** has just taken over Mr. Petrillo's job as head of the Musician's Union.

**ELLIS SITTON**, noted scientist, has just been given a comfortable room in Jacksonville after trying to create another Frankenstein Monster.

**DONALD CRABTREE** is new co-owner of the White Hall theater where a certain White Hall miss takes tickets.

**MAURICE HUTTON** has just received fame for a recent colossal stunt. He took pictures of Hollywood Beach while hanging by his knees from an airplane.

**ED COATS** now owns a taxi service in Roodhouse. He is the only one who can get through the country roads to the Schofield farm.

**JIM RANSOM** and **BILL ISRAEL** have been voted the number one television comedy team of the year.

**JAMES SEEVERS** is managing editor of that thriving newspaper, "The Roodhouse Peek-a-boo."

**RUSSELL ASH** and his wife, the former **ELIZABETH NEWTON**, are in St. Louis now. Russell is employed by the St. Louis Zoo company. He cleans the monkey cages.

**JOHN CLONINGER** has just inherited a dairy farm. His theme song is "I've Got Those Milk 'em in the Morning, Feed 'em in the Evening Blues."

**SANDRA COFFMAN** is head clerk at the Dawdy Butcher Shop. Mrs. Robert Costello, the former **MARY MABERRY**, is busily chasing her husband all over the U. S. Could it be he is in the army?





1. Girls, Girls, and more Girls! 2. Studying? 3. Get that rebound. 4. Slippin' Pat? 5. Fourth hour study hall. 6. The confec' at noon. 7. Peg. 8. A pleasant smile. 9. The Junior Stand. 10. Assembly. 11. Five 'til one. 12. What fun. 13. Polishing the apple? 14. The long way around. 15. Why so sober, girls? 16. That last dance!! 17. Cheerleaders in action. 18. A basket? 19. Pat.



# Jokes

Little cuts from classes,  
Little cards marked late,  
Make the seniors wonder  
If they'll graduate.

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Bill W.: "Will you marry me?"  
Bonnie Y.: "No, but I'll always admire  
your good taste."

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Sophomore: "Did you ever take chloro-  
form?"

Freshman: "No, who teaches it?"

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Why does a clock run?  
Answer: You would too if you had ticks.

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## How To Give a Girl a Surprise

Place arms around waist. Draw her  
strongly toward you and hold her tight.  
Start to kiss her. When she says "Stop!"  
release her. Note amazement on face.

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Mr. Campbell: "Young man, do you  
know who I am?"

Gene Barlow: "No, sir, but if you re-  
member your address, I'll take you home."

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Pat Bradshaw: "You deceived me be-  
fore our marriage. You told me you were  
well off."

Bob Strowmatt: "I was, but I didn't  
know it."

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Jim Ransom was driving his girl  
through the park one hot summer night  
when they passed a popcorn stand.

"Yum," said Louise, "that popcorn  
smells good!"

"Wait a minute," said Jim generously,  
"and I'll drive up closer so you can get a  
better whiff of it."

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Russell Ash: "I think the driver of that  
car ahead must be one of my teachers."

Jim Seevers: "What makes you think  
that?"

Russell Ash: "She's so stubborn about  
letting me pass."

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It was the old lady's first ride in a taxi.  
She watched the driver with growing  
alarm as he continually put his hand out-  
side the car as a signal to the traffic fol-  
lowing. At last she said, "Young man, you  
look where you are going and keep both  
hands on the wheel. I'll tell you if it  
starts to rain."

Arlene Marshall: "A man I've never  
seen before asked me for a kiss."

Vivian McElroy: "A fresh one, eh?"

Arlene: "Yes."

Vivian: "Did you slap his face?"

Arlene: "As soon as he got through."

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Pauline Masters: "Did any of your  
friends admire your engagement ring,  
Mary?"

Mary Sweetin: "They did more than  
that. Two of them recognized it."

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Ellis Sitton: "Where did you get that  
black eye?"

Dick Hansberger: "For kissing the bride  
after the ceremony?"

Ellis: "Isn't that the usual custom?"

Dick: "But this was three years after  
the ceremony."

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Maurice Hutton: "What was the name  
of the hotel we stopped at in Detroit?"

Duane Bell: "Wait, I'll look through  
my towels."

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David Evans: "I'll never forget the  
time I played there with Lock College."

Phil Smith: "You mean Yale."

David: "What a game."

Phil: "What position did you play?"

David: "In the first half I was left . . ."

Phil: "End?"

David: "Left out. In the second half I  
was back . . ."

Phil: "You were back in."

David: "No, away back."

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Bill Israel: "Do you know who owned  
the smallest radio in the world?"

Bill Basham: "No. Who owned the  
smallest radio in the world?"

Bill Israel: "Paul Revere—he broadcast  
from one plug."

\* \* \*

Skating ice—very thin

Pretty girl—tumbled in

Saw a fellow—on the bank

Gave a shriek—then she sank

Boy on bank—heard her shout

Jumped right in—pulled her out.

Now he's hers—very nice

But she had to—break the ice!

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