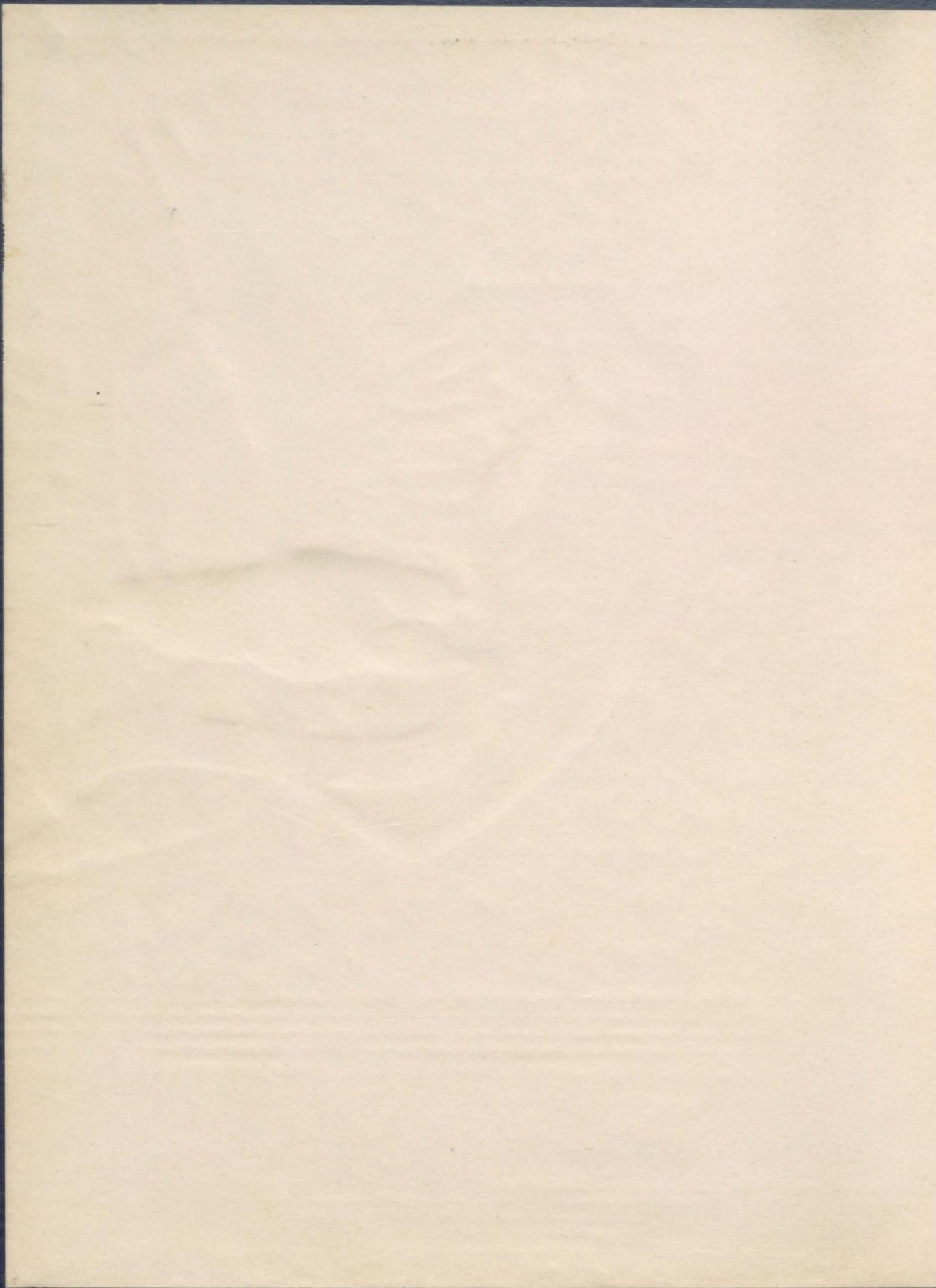
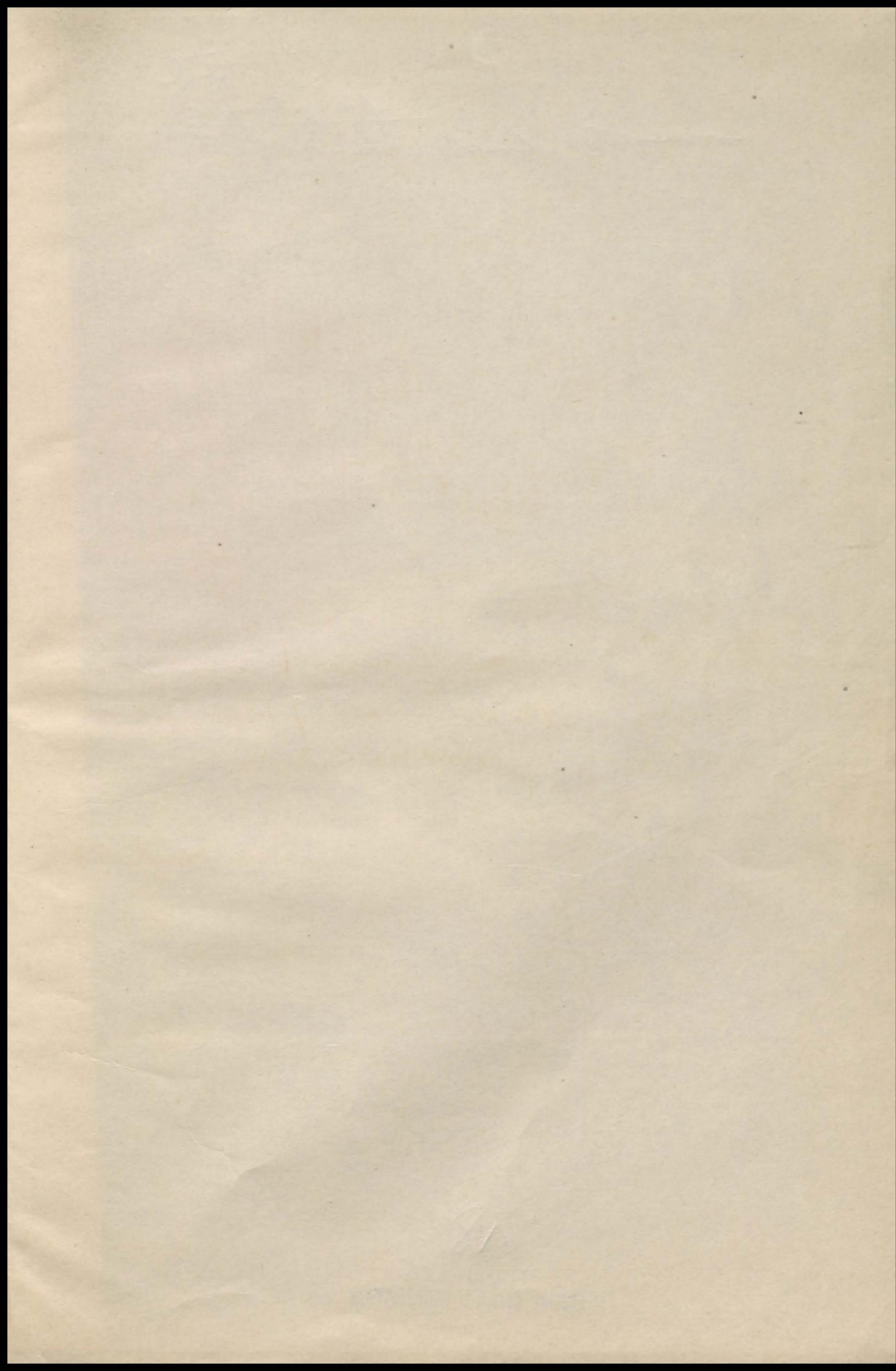


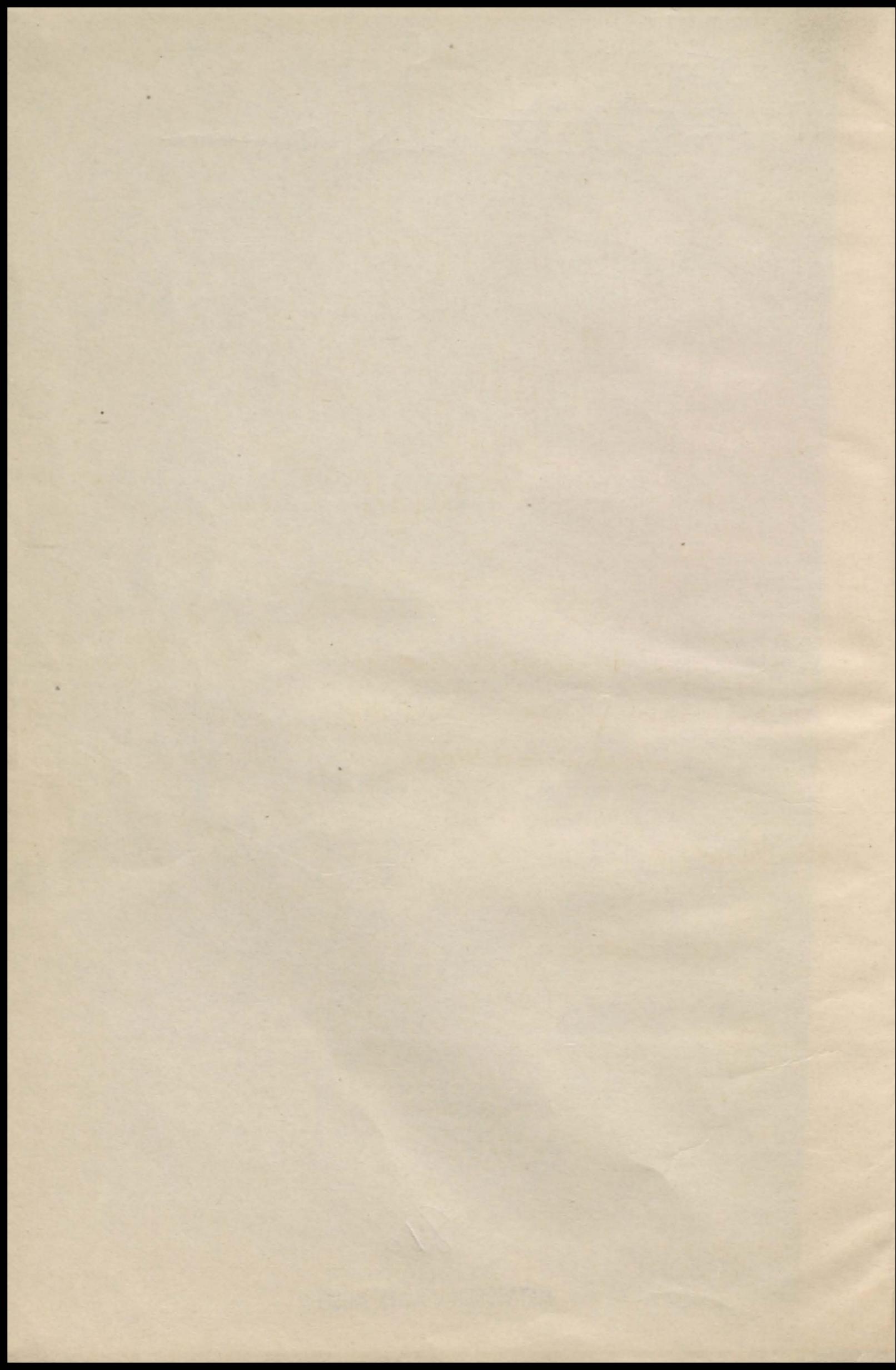
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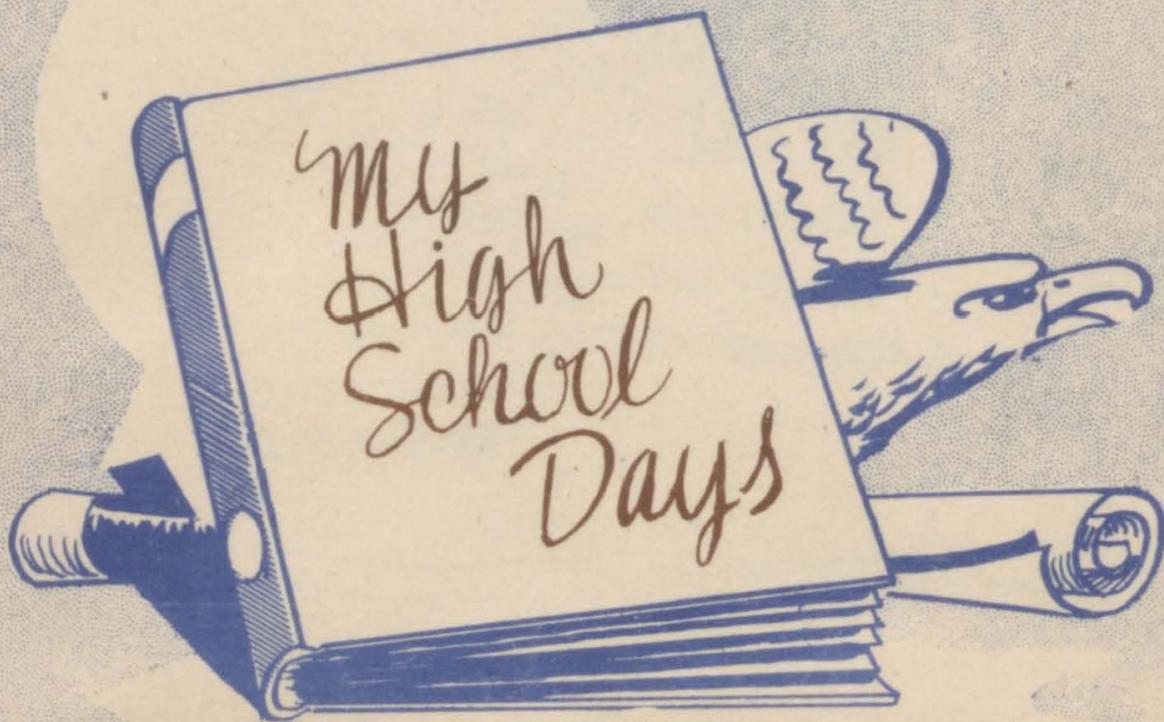


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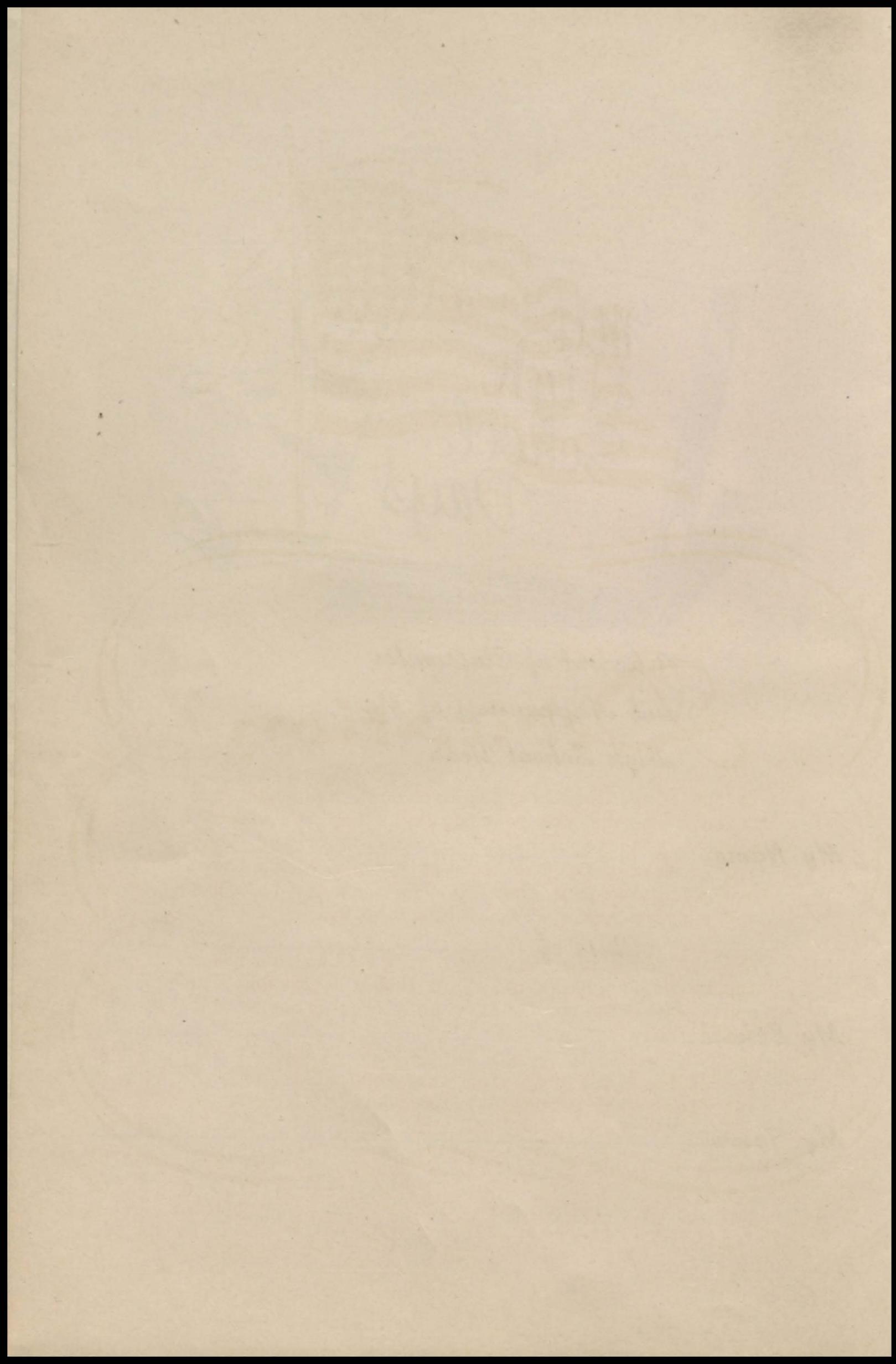
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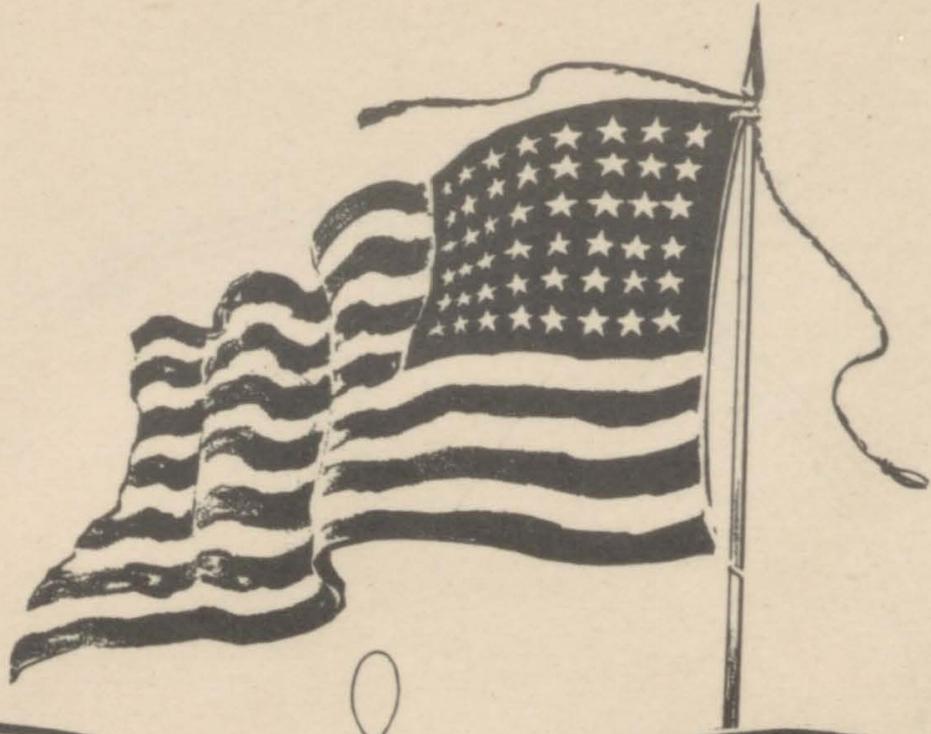
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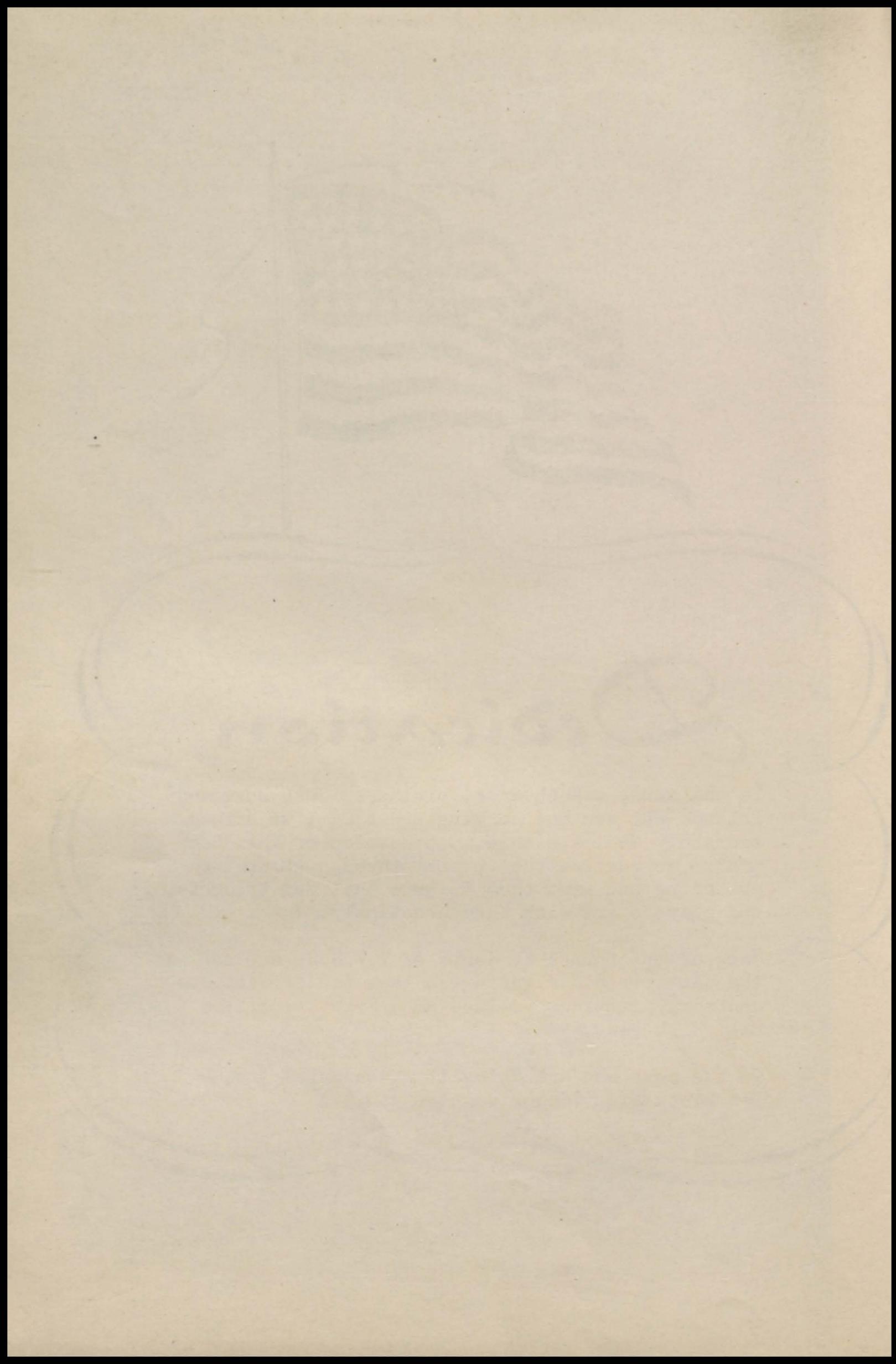


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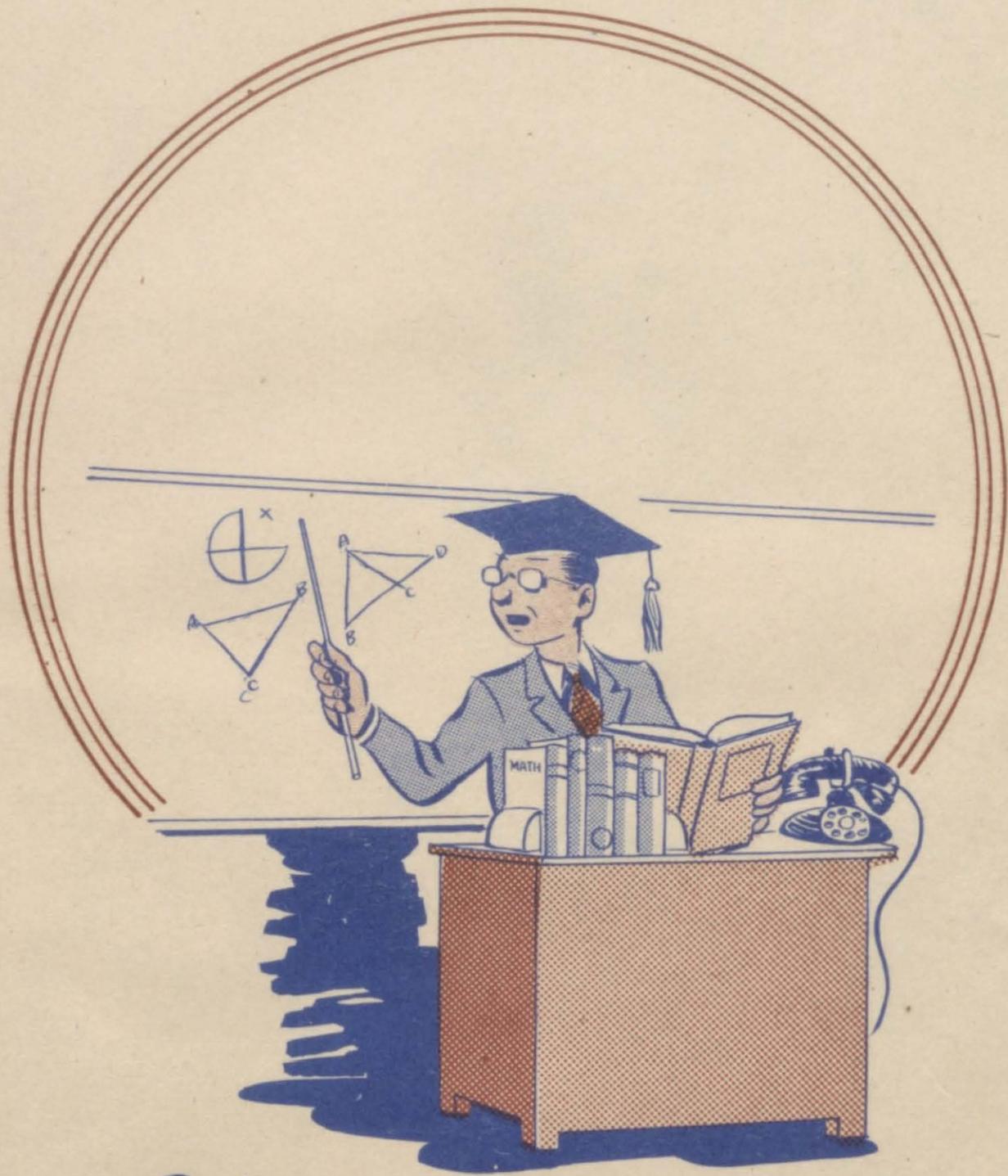
To the sons, sweethearts, brothers, husbands, and friends who are now serving Uncle Sam, we affectionately dedicate this 1945 edition of the "Leopard". We realize the torment through which they are going and want them to know that our thoughts and prayers are with them constantly.

Many of the former students of V.V.H.S. are now on the battlefronts fighting so that the present students may continue to live as a free democratic nation should.

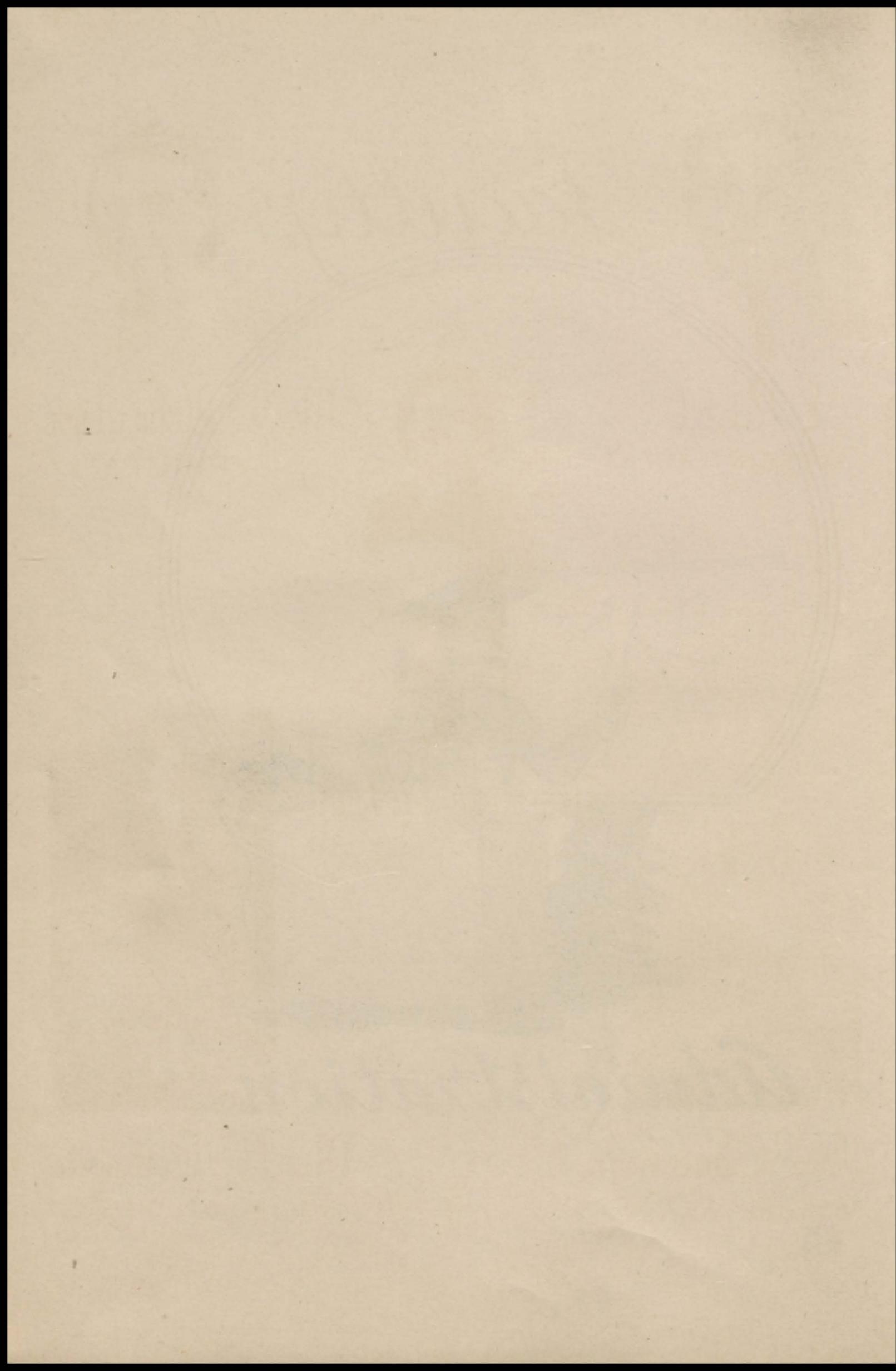
To the boys who are doing this wonderful job, Van Vleck High School salutes you.







*Administration*





# Faculty



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PRINCIPAL



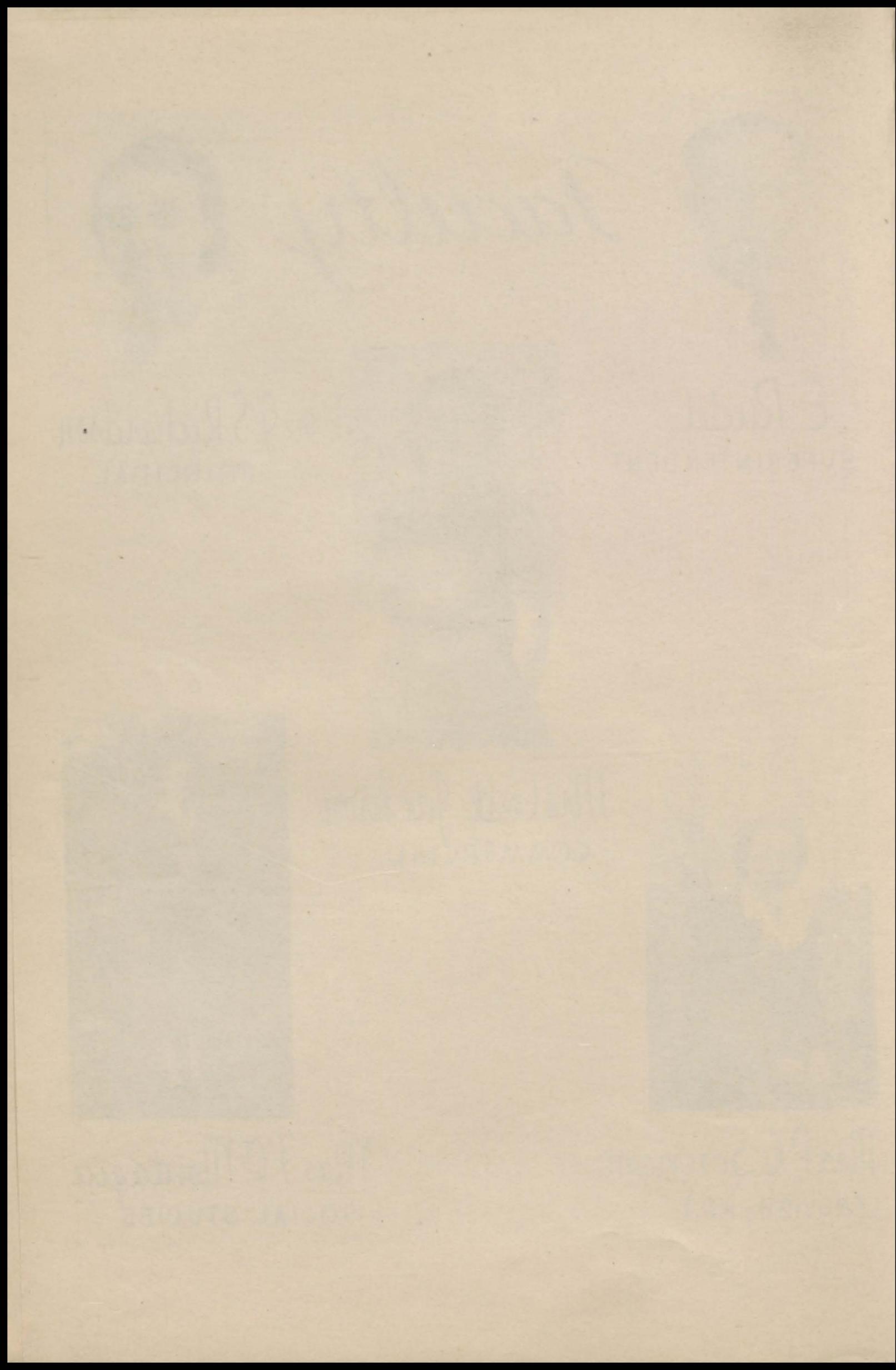
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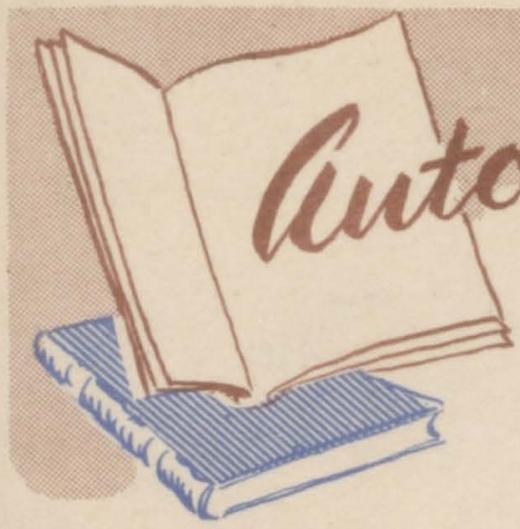


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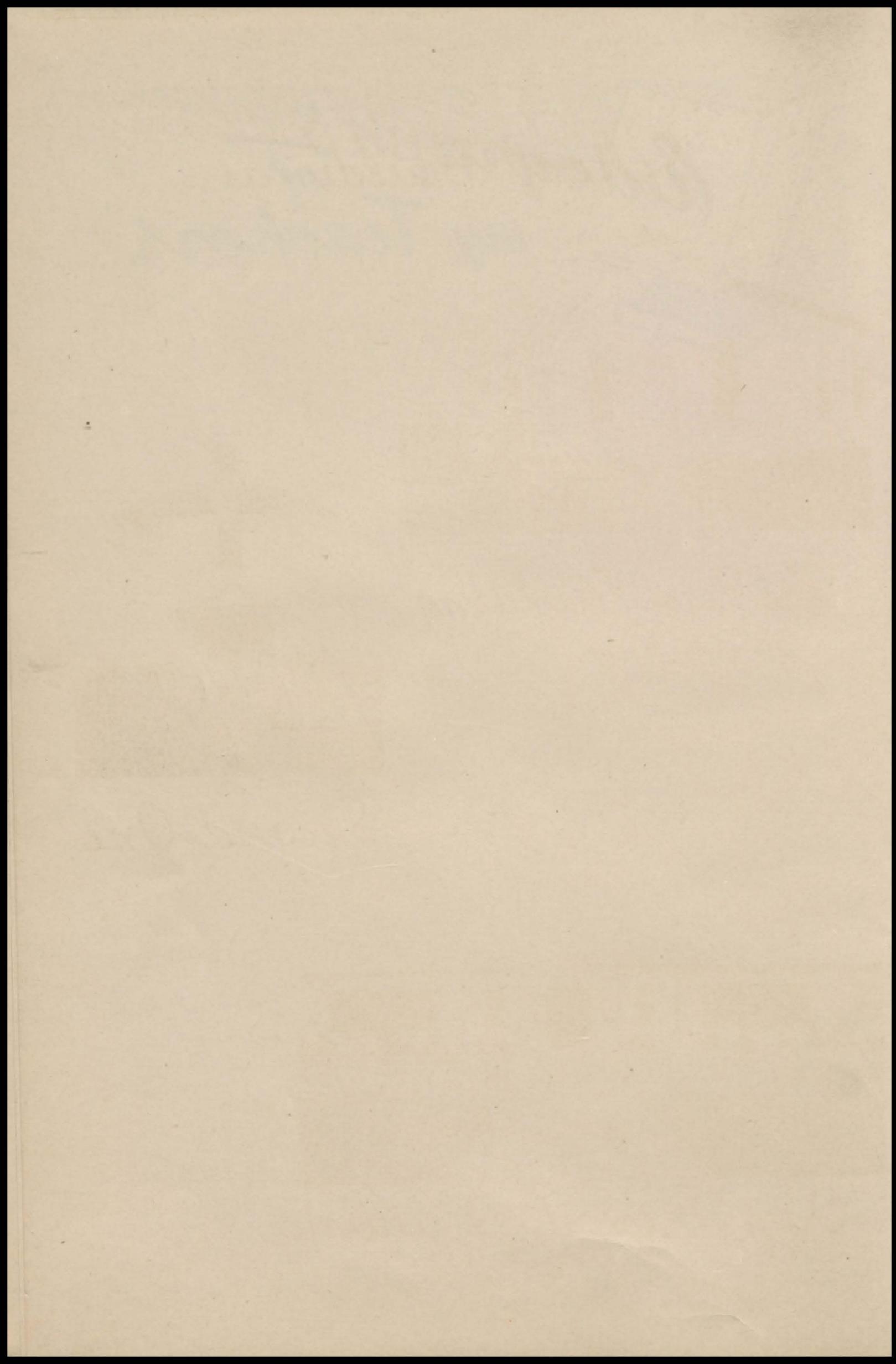


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SOCIAL STUDIES





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# *School Buildings*



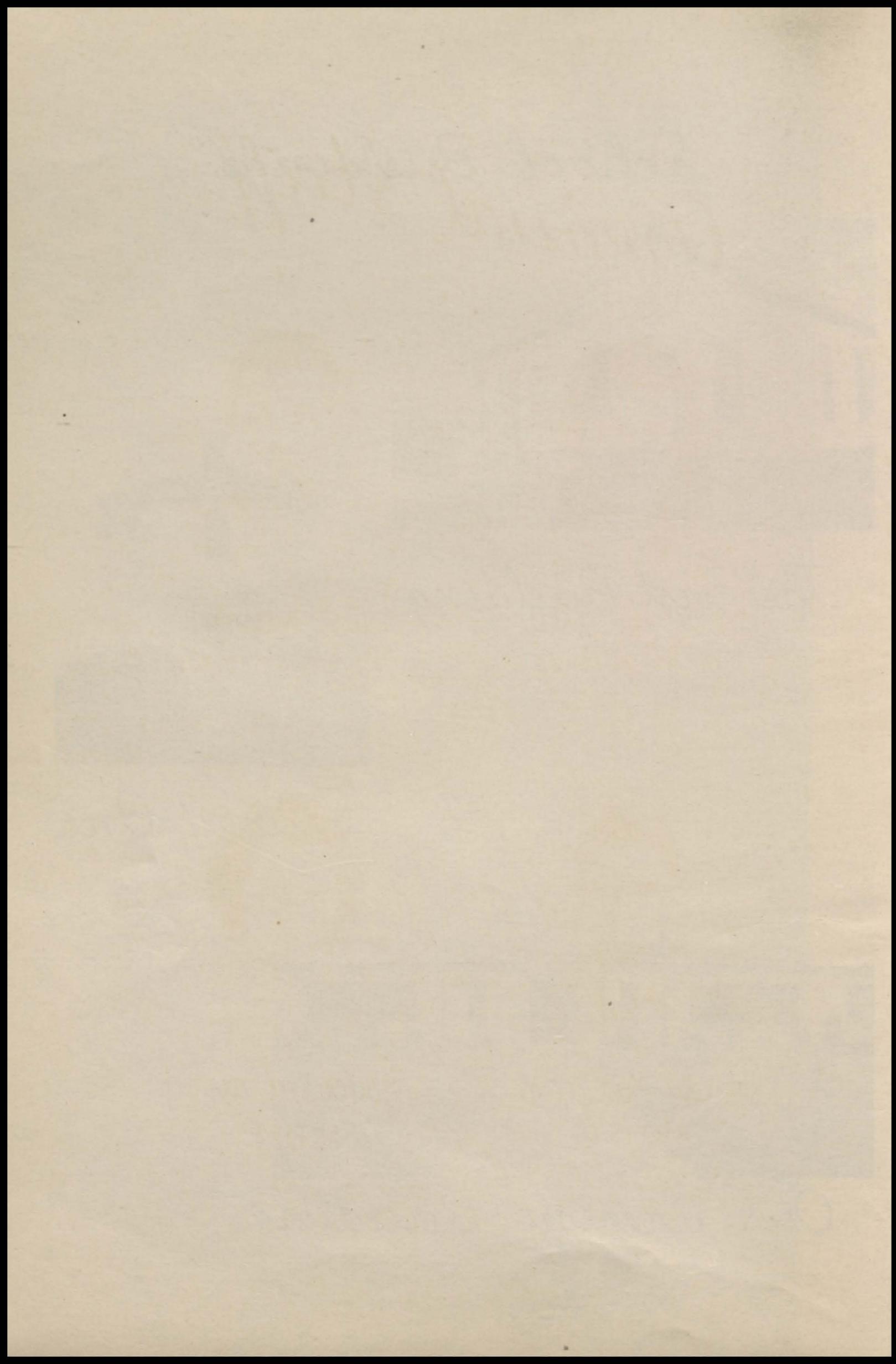
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*Second One*



*Our Present Building*





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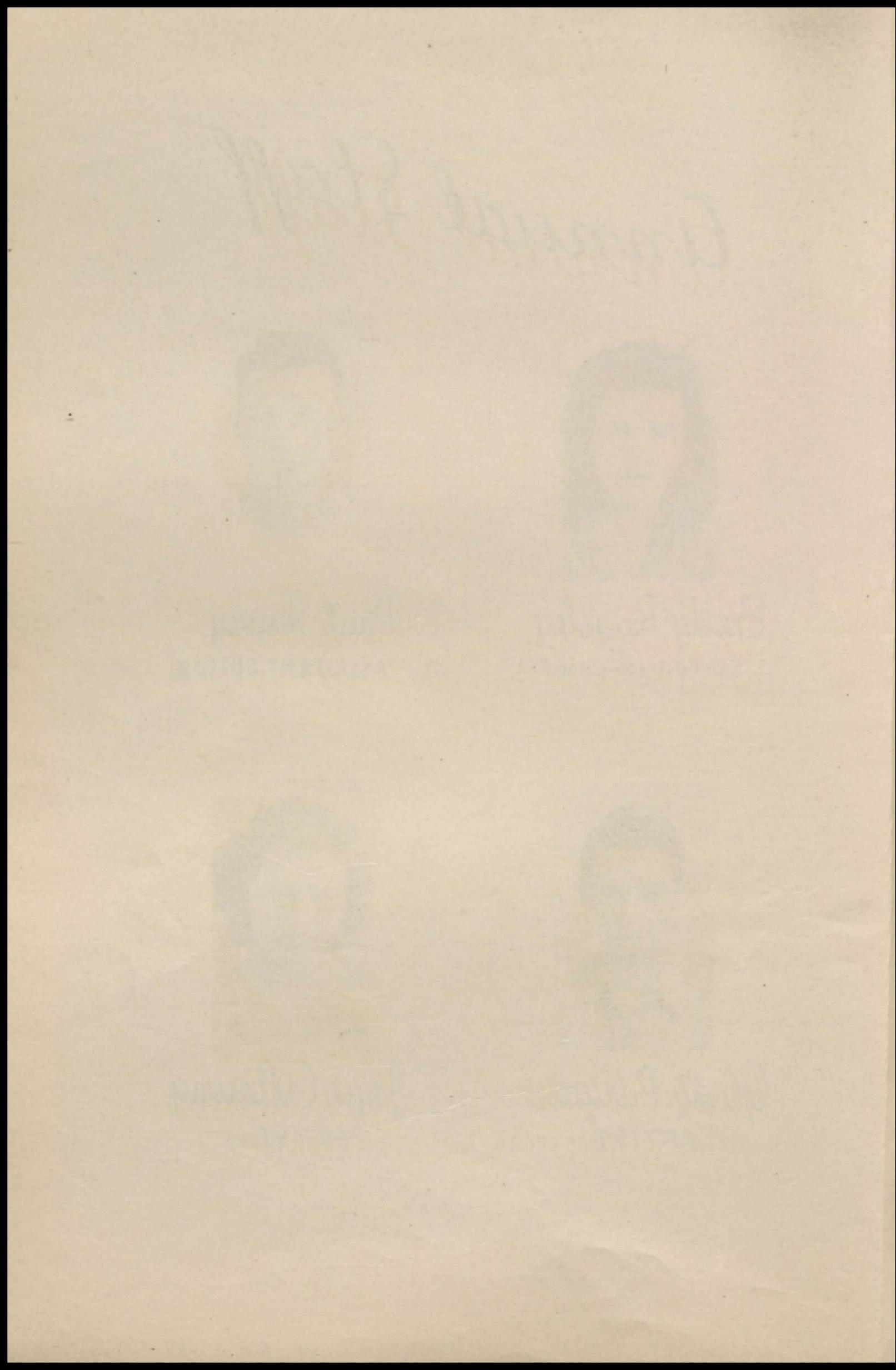
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Grady Puryear  
ARTIST



Joyce Callaway  
ARTIST



# Annual Staff



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Ora Lee Coston  
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Elizabeth Head  
ADVERTISER & PHOTOGRAPHER



Charles Stephens  
ADVERTISER

General Ledger

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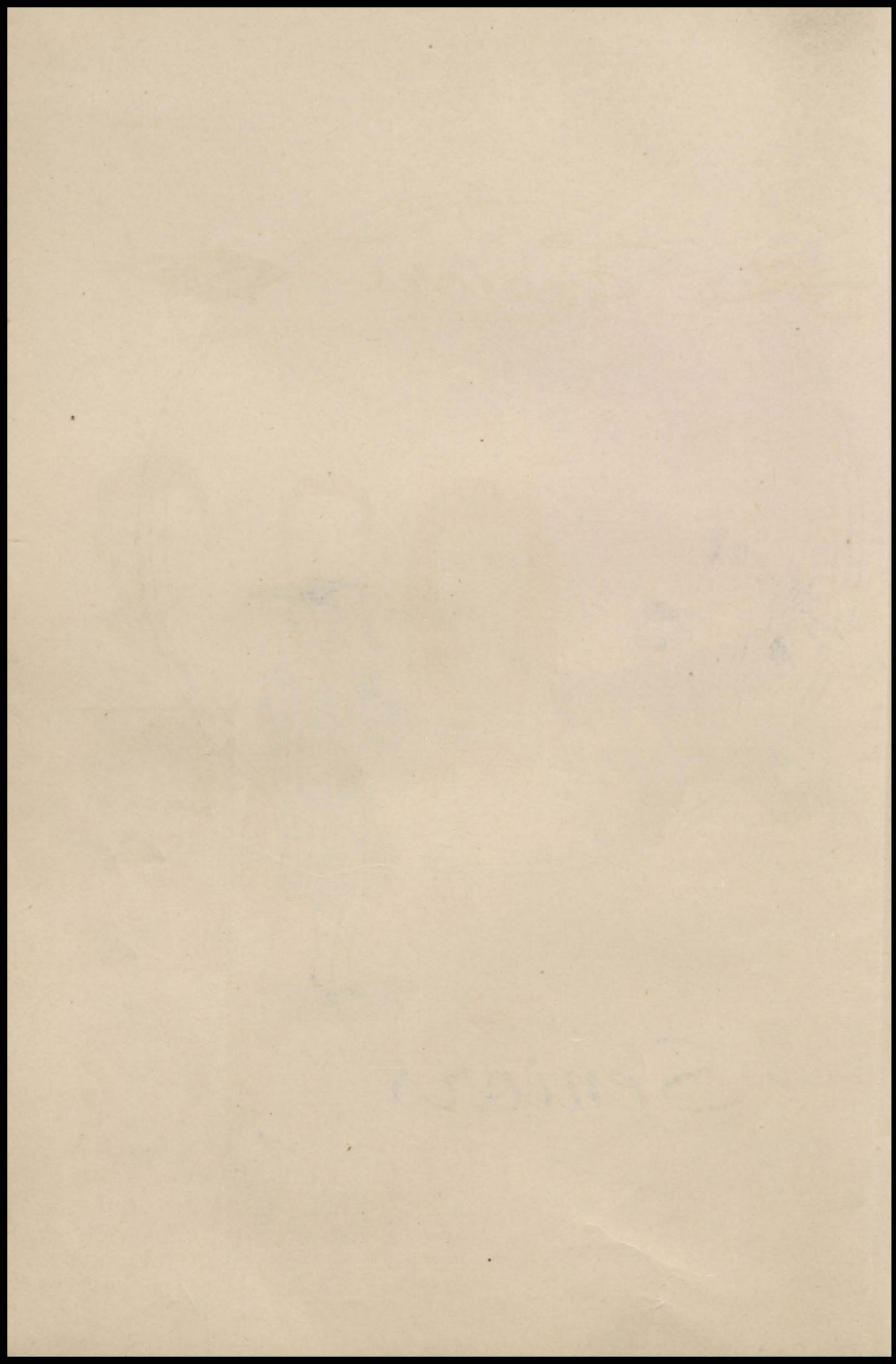
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*Seniors*



# Seniors

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PRESIDENT

W. A. Brown,  
VICE PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY



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TREASURER

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Ray O'Connell



Frank Richardson  
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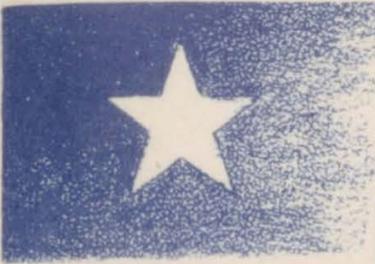
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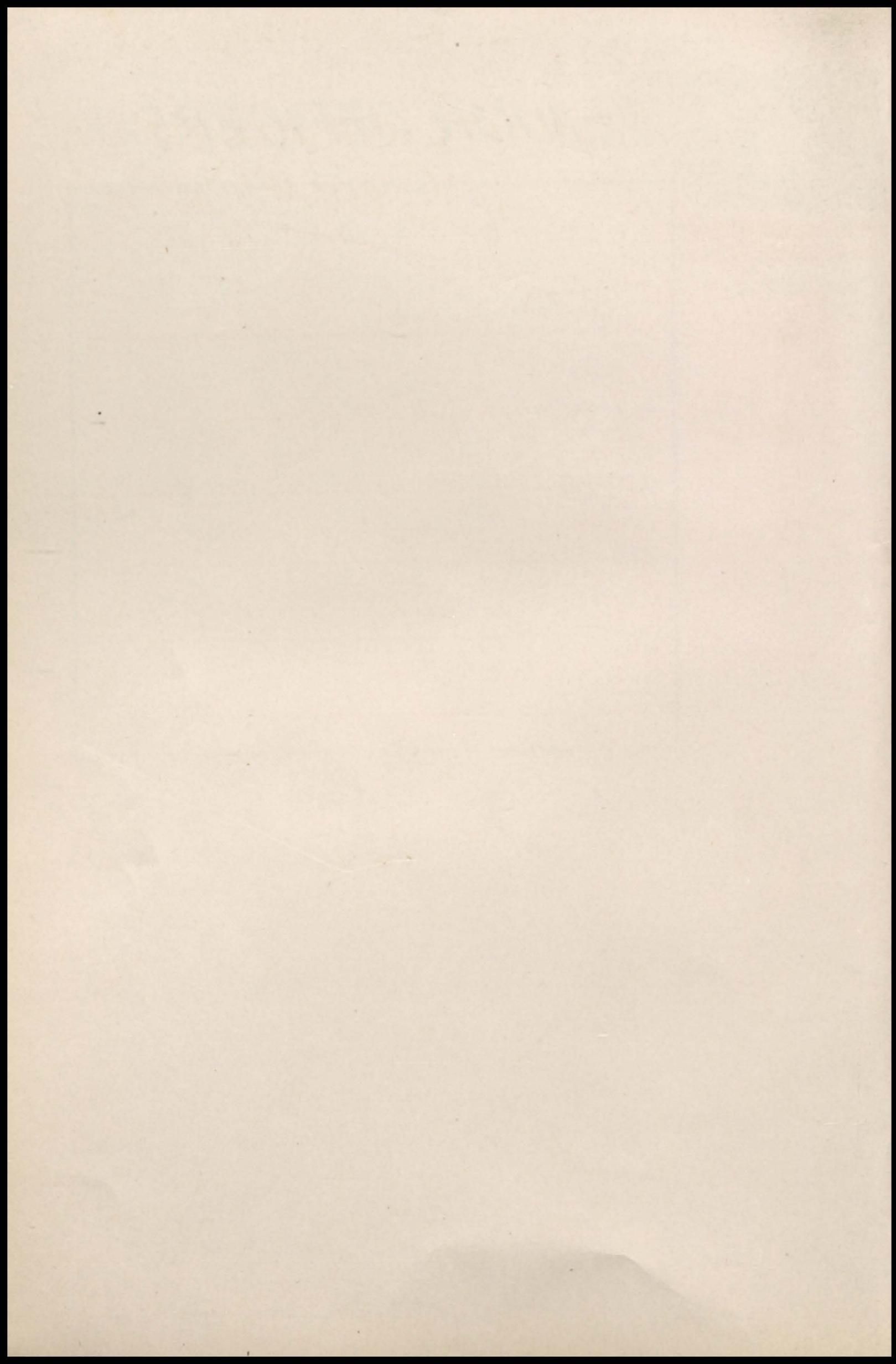
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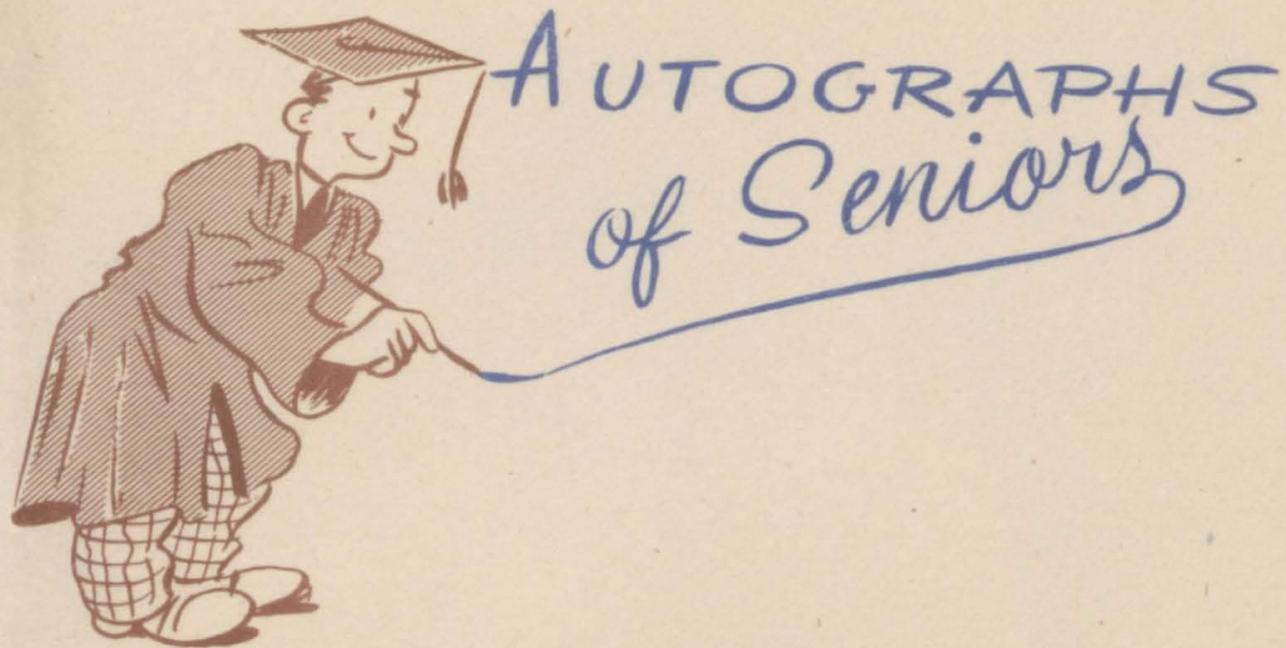
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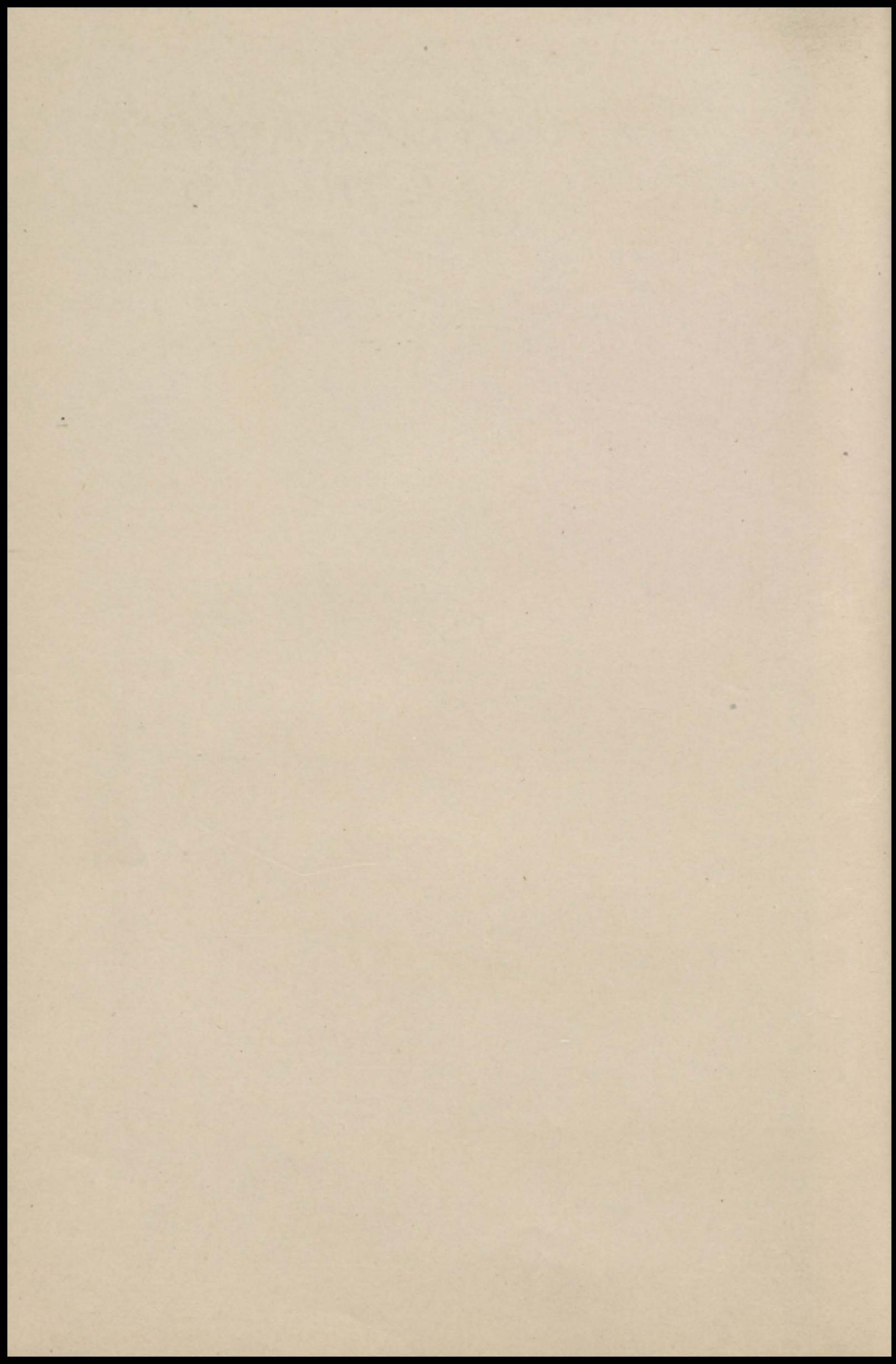


OUR CLASS MOTTO

OUR CLASS COLORS



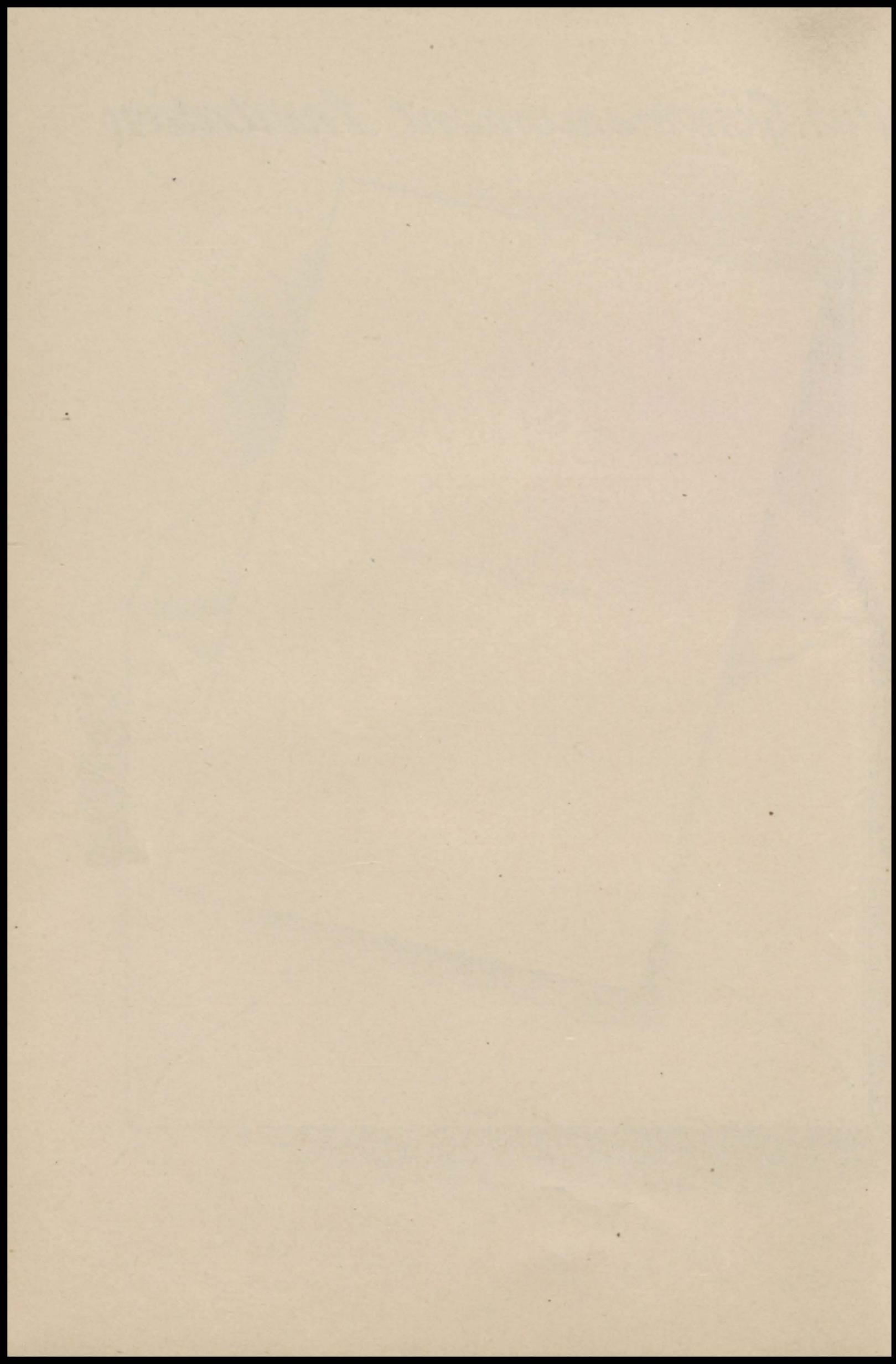


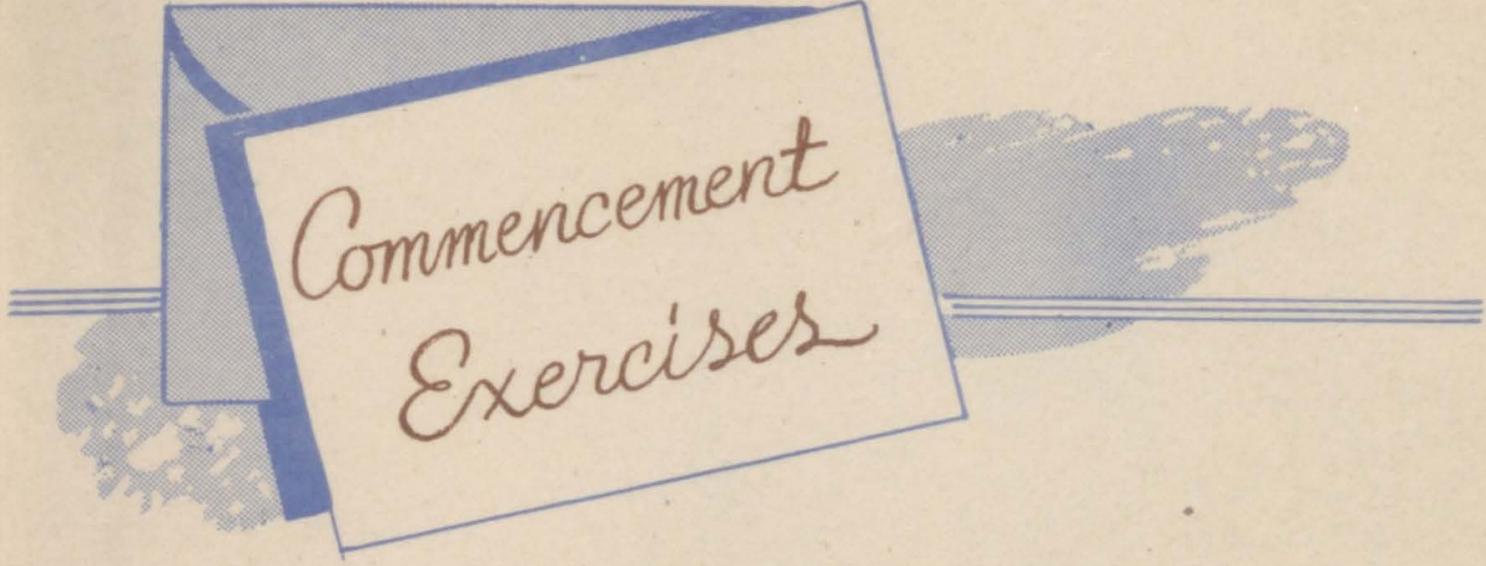


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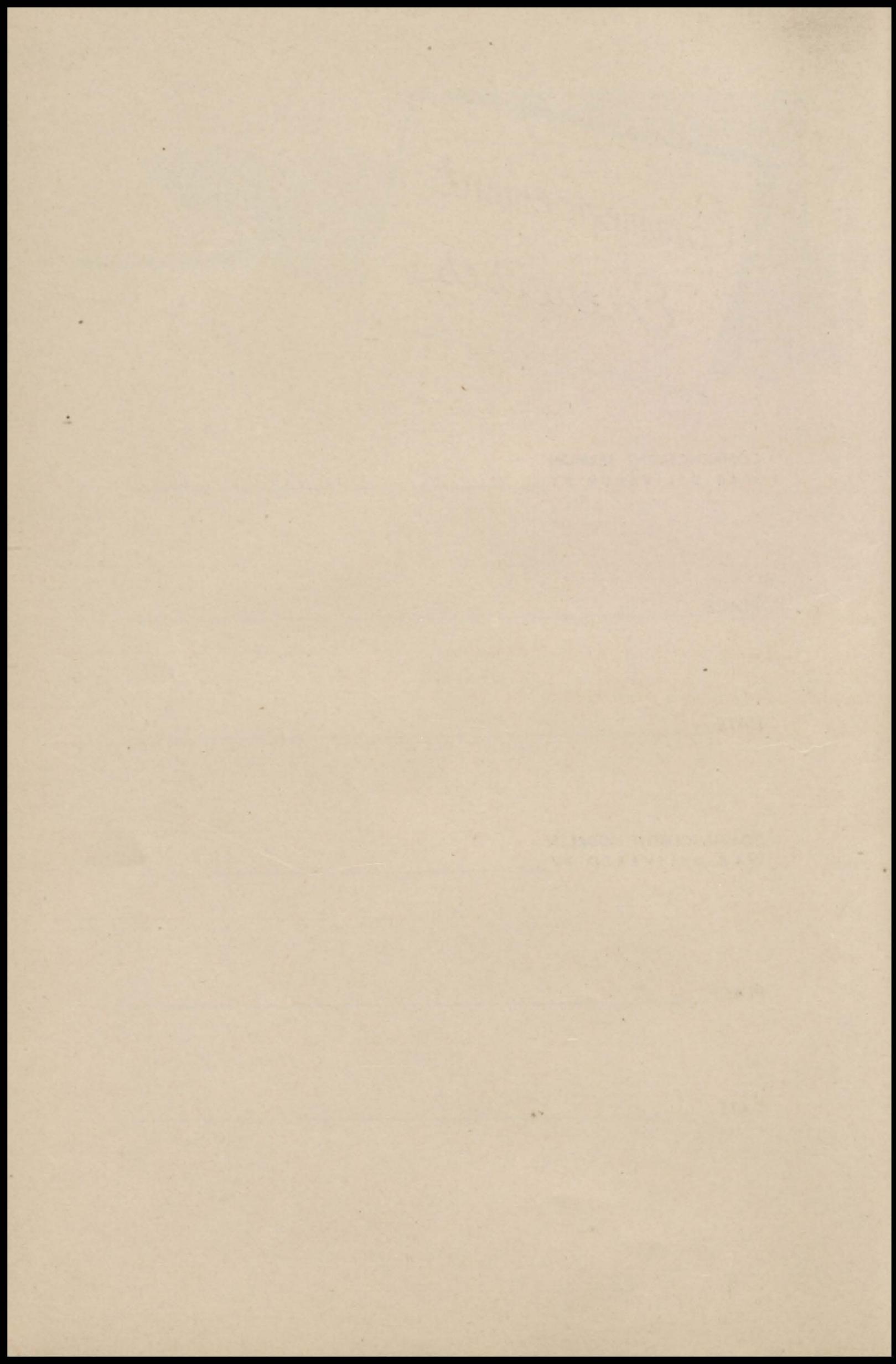
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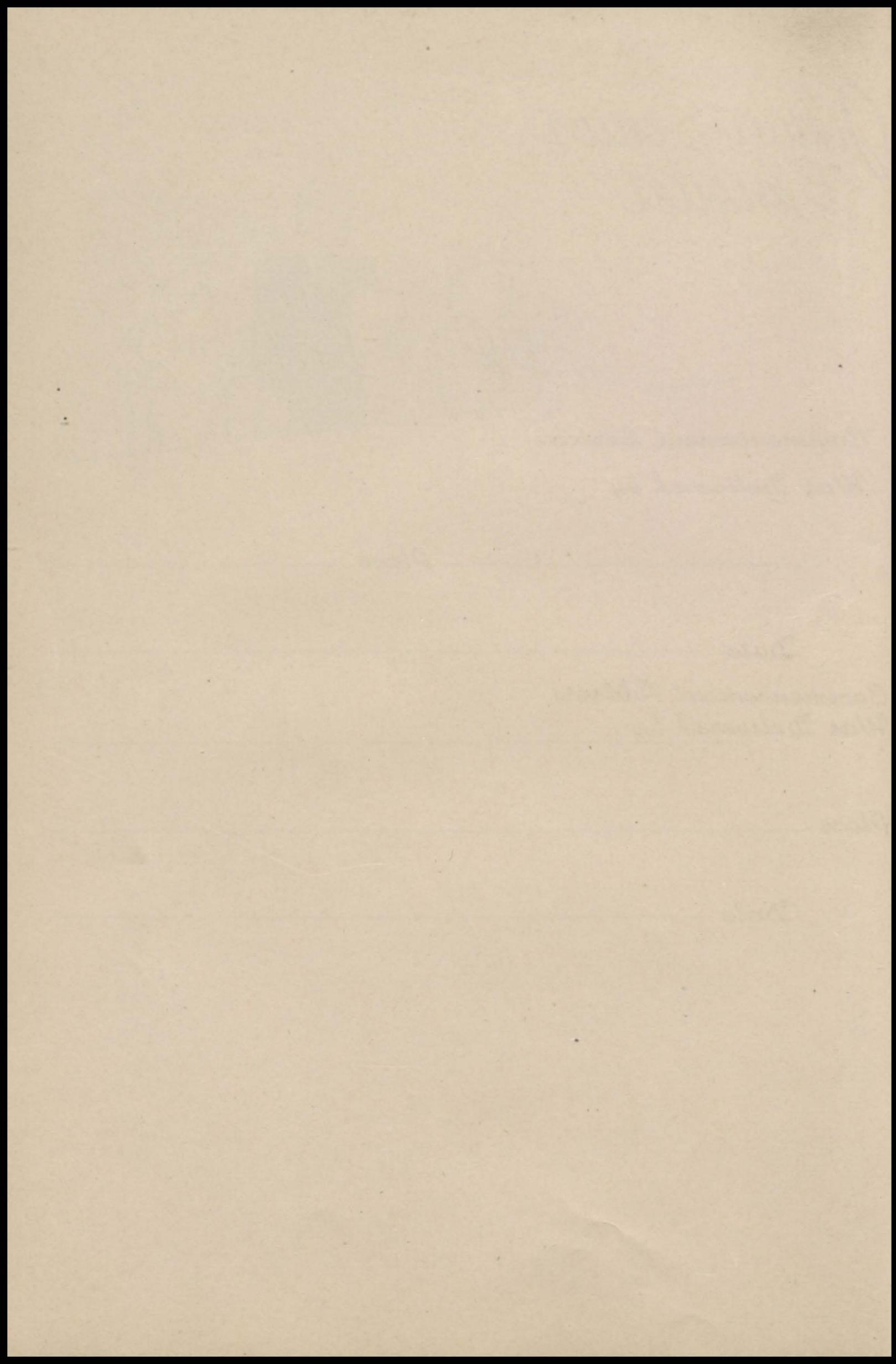
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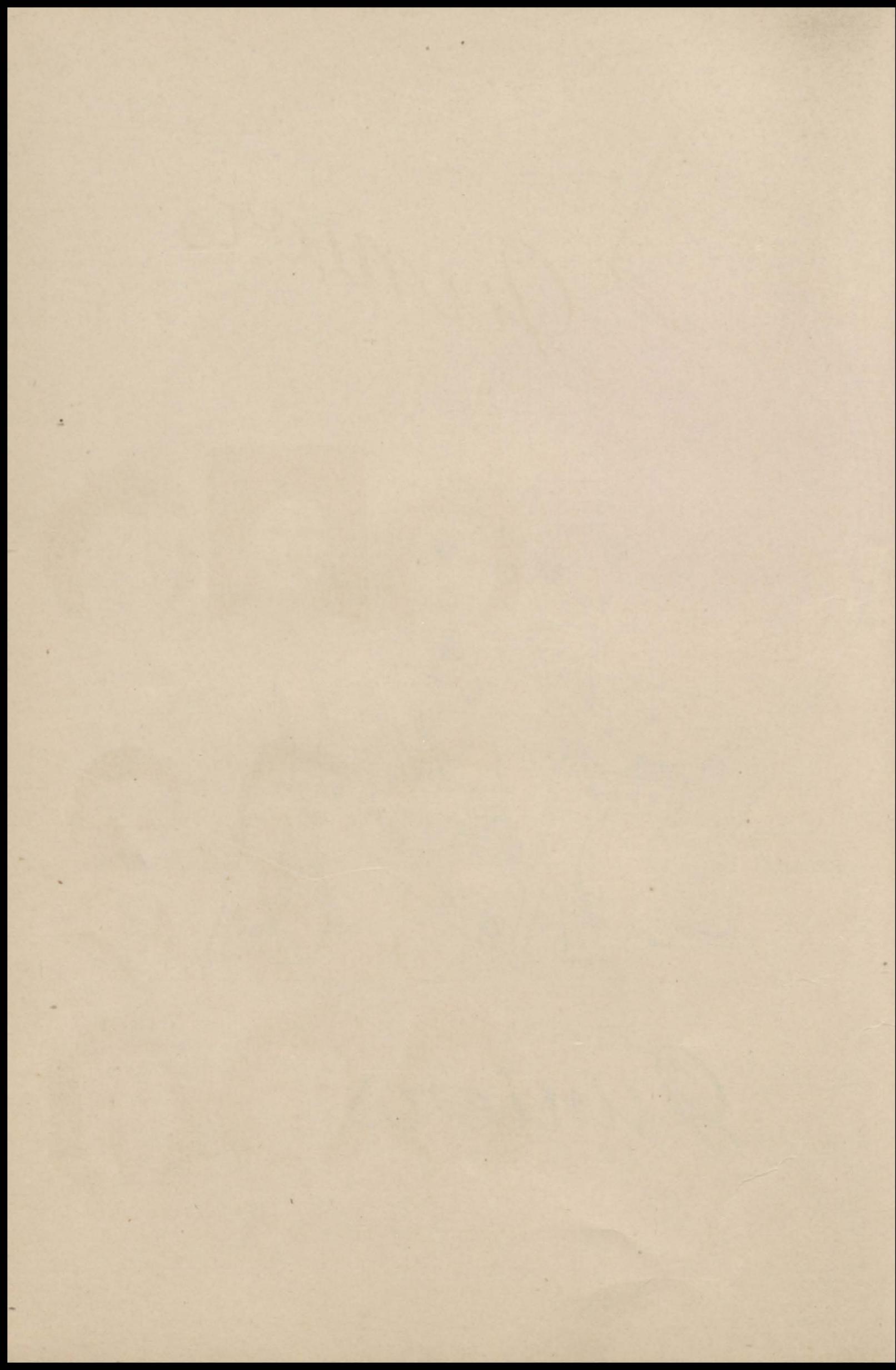
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*Juniors*





# Juniors

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Merle Harvey,  
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Joyce Callaway,  
SECRETARY



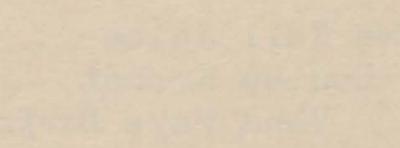
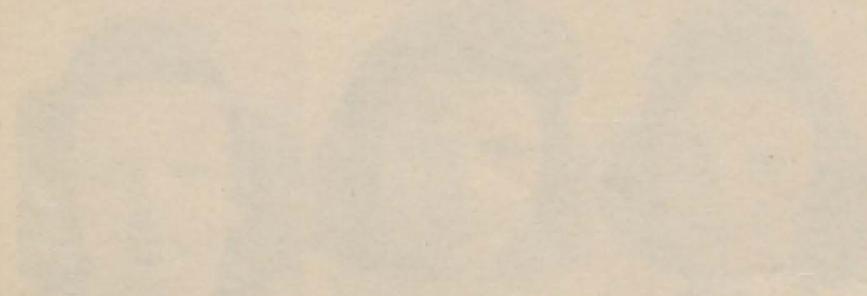
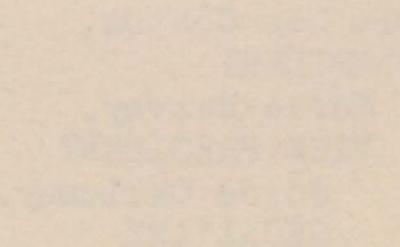
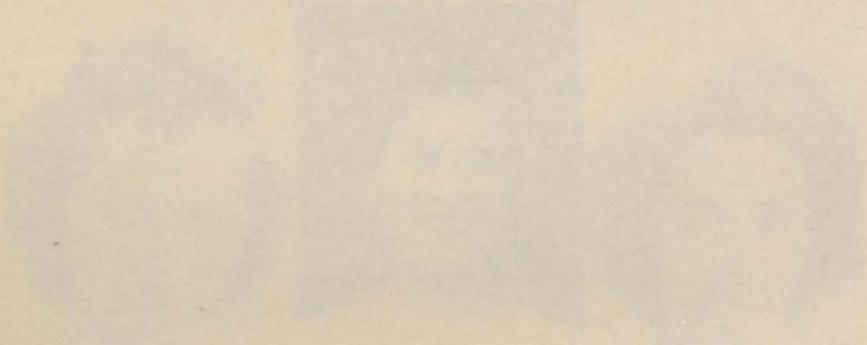
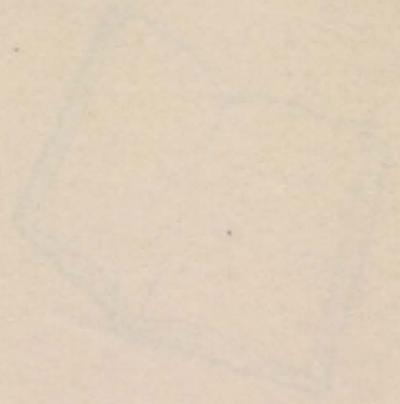
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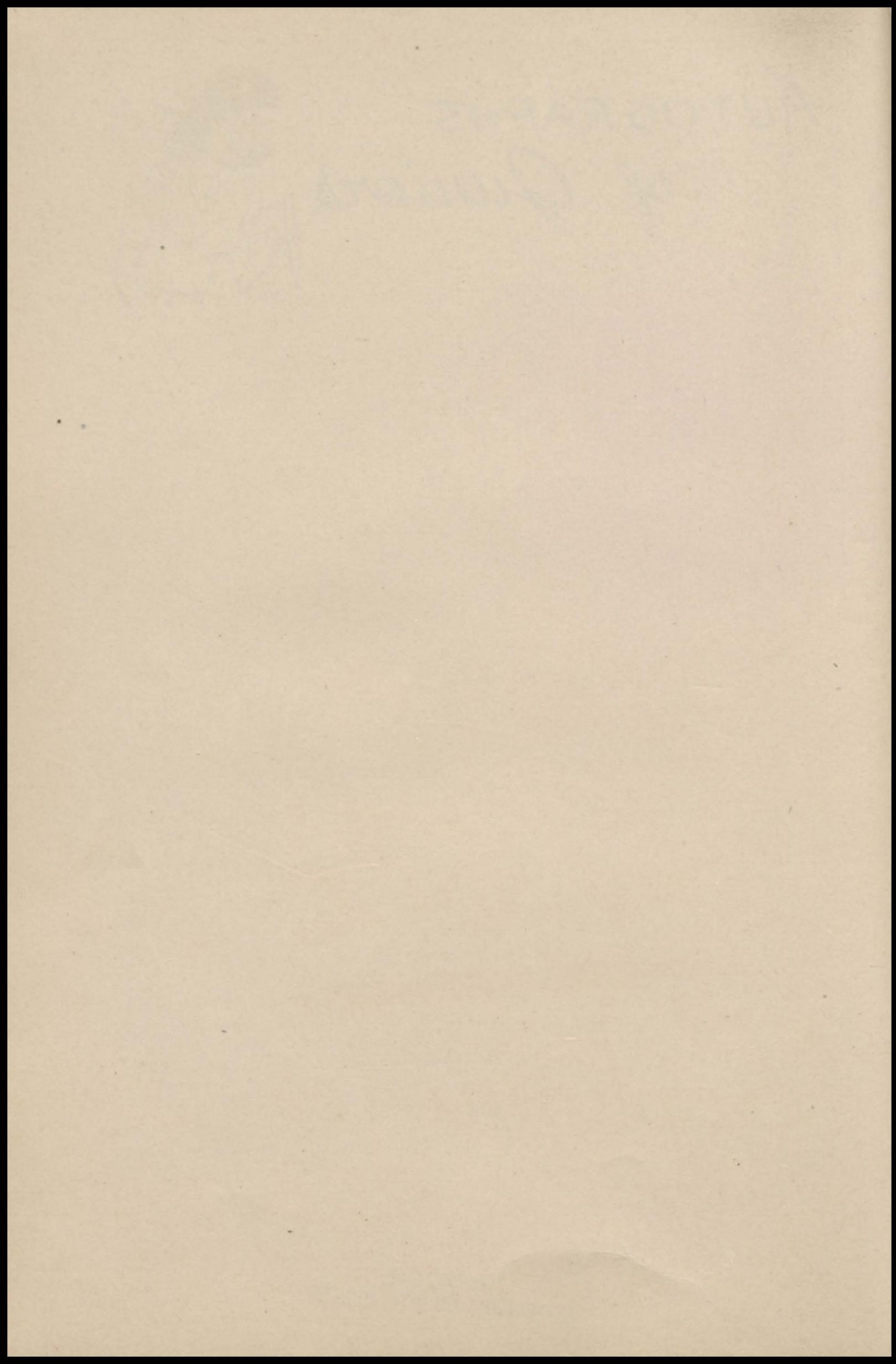


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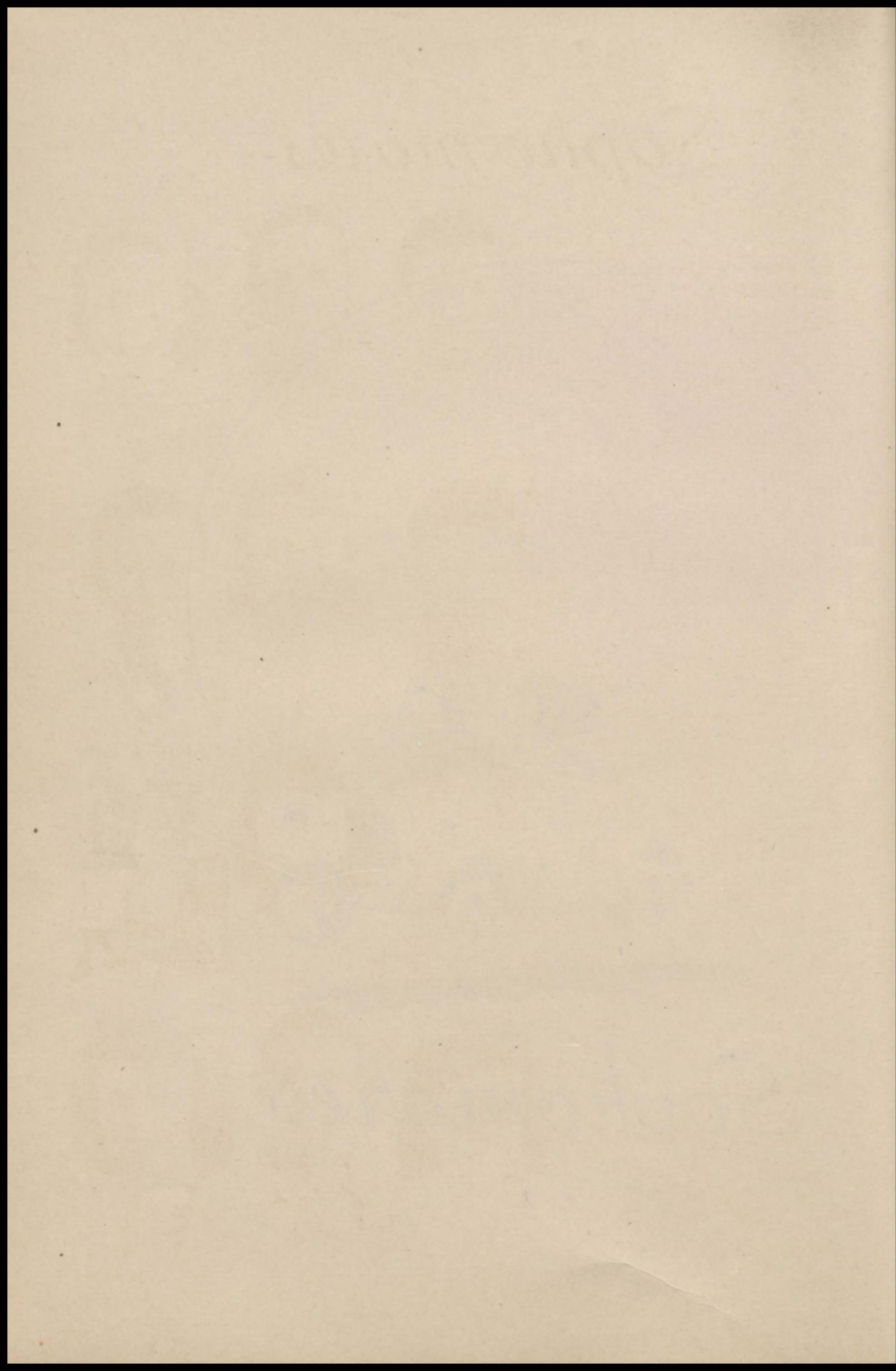








*Sophomores*



# Sophomores

Herbert O'Connell,  
PRESIDENT  
Earnest Sewell,  
VICE-PRESIDENT  
Nell Davis,  
SECRETARY



Olin Head  
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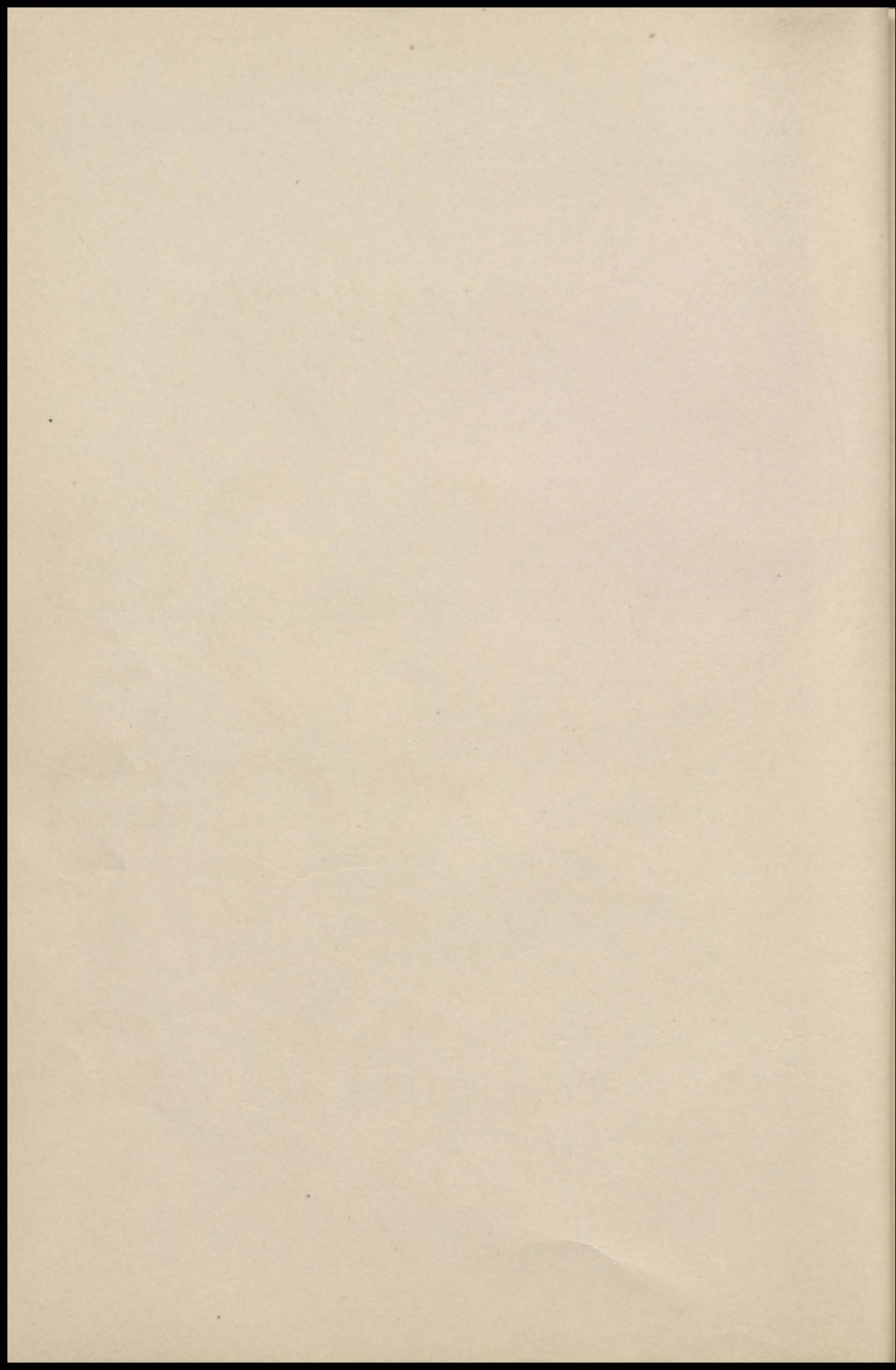


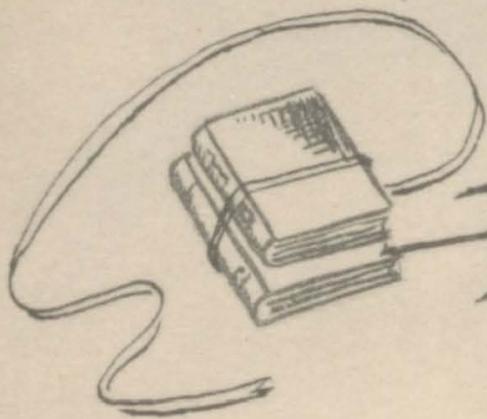
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*Freshmen*





# Freshmen

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William Krobot,  
VICE-PRESIDENT

Ruby Bump,  
SECRETARY



Allen Eugene O'Connell

Victor Gates

Clara Mae Stephens

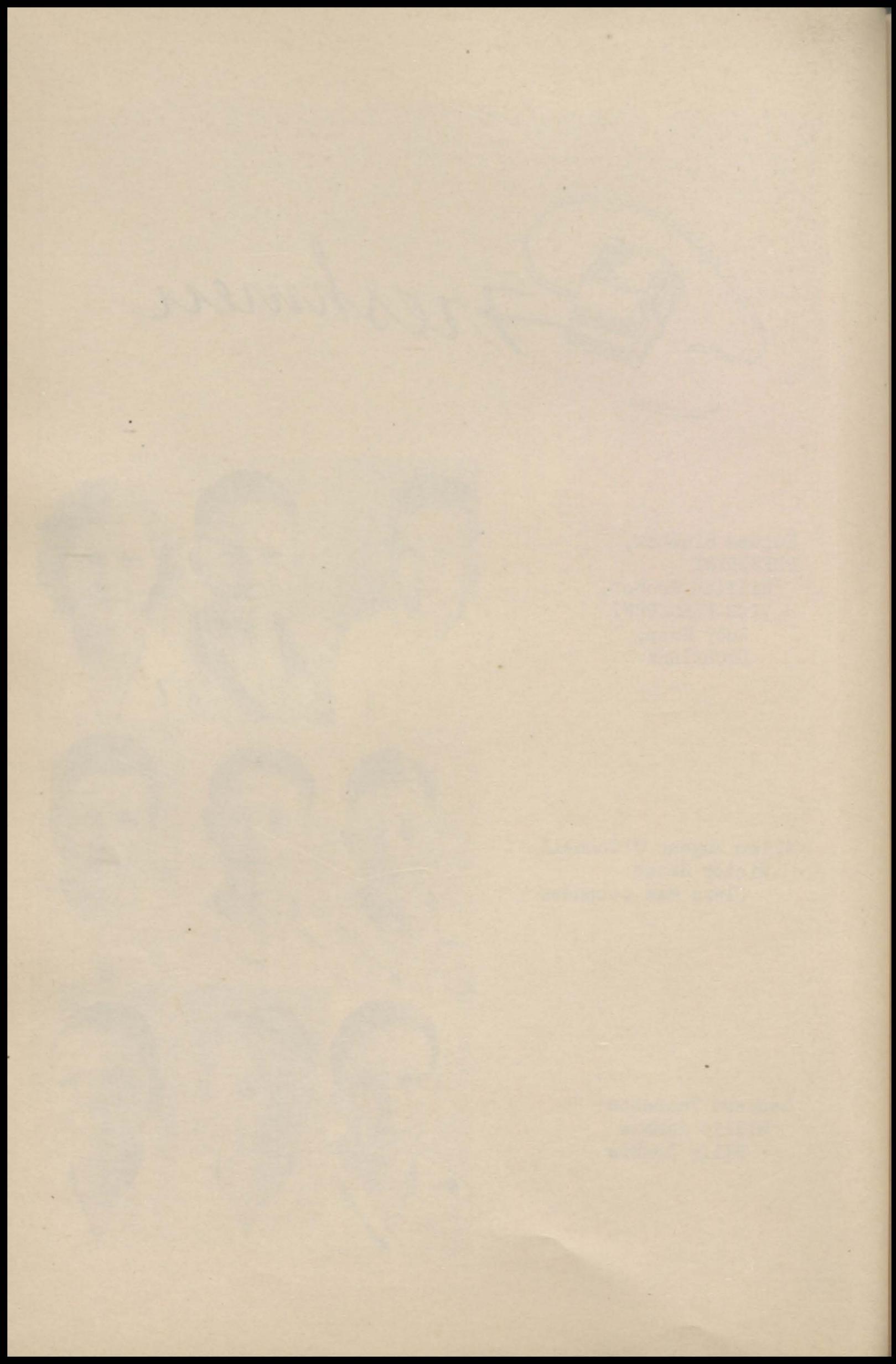


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Willie Denbow

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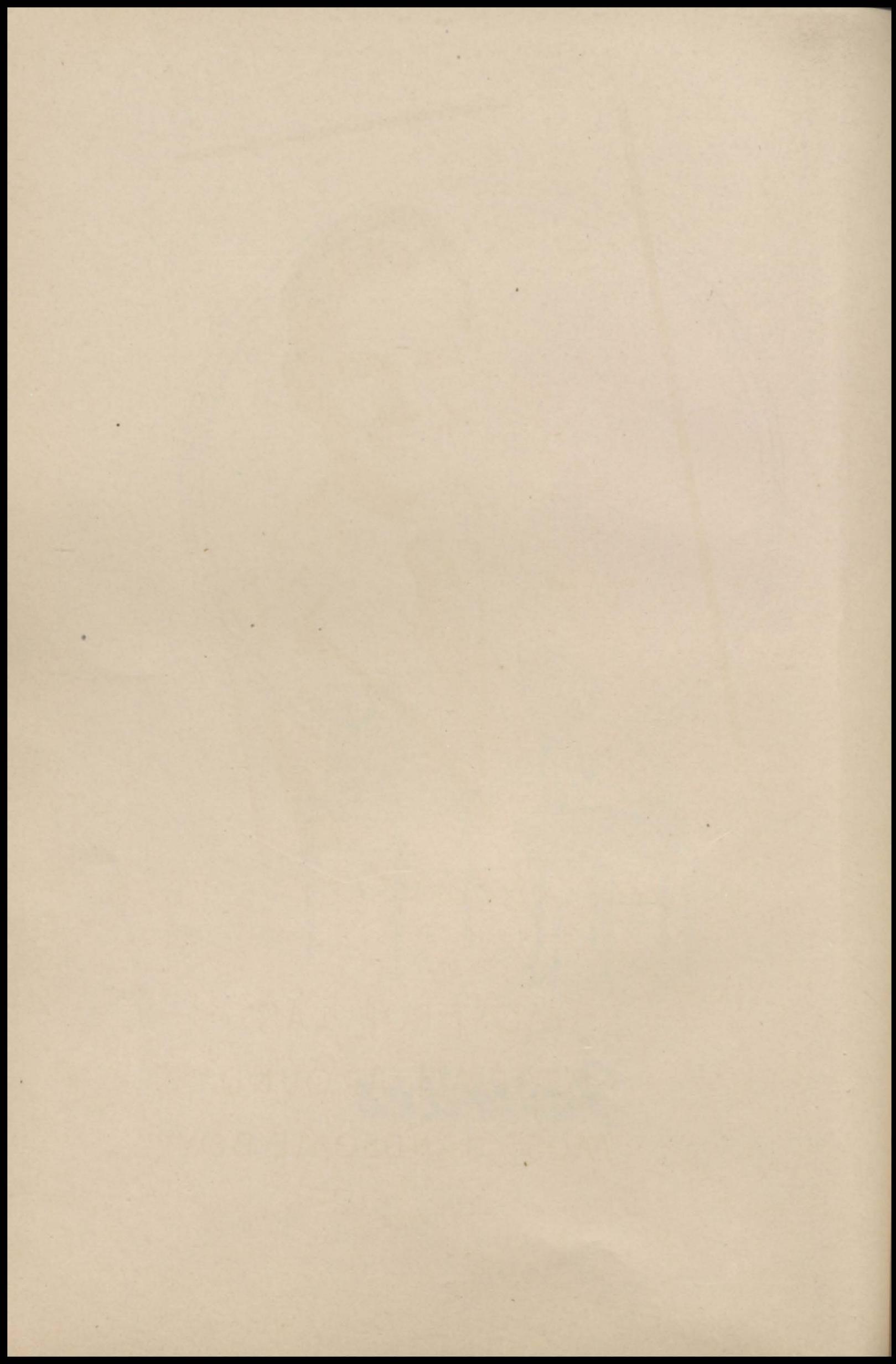








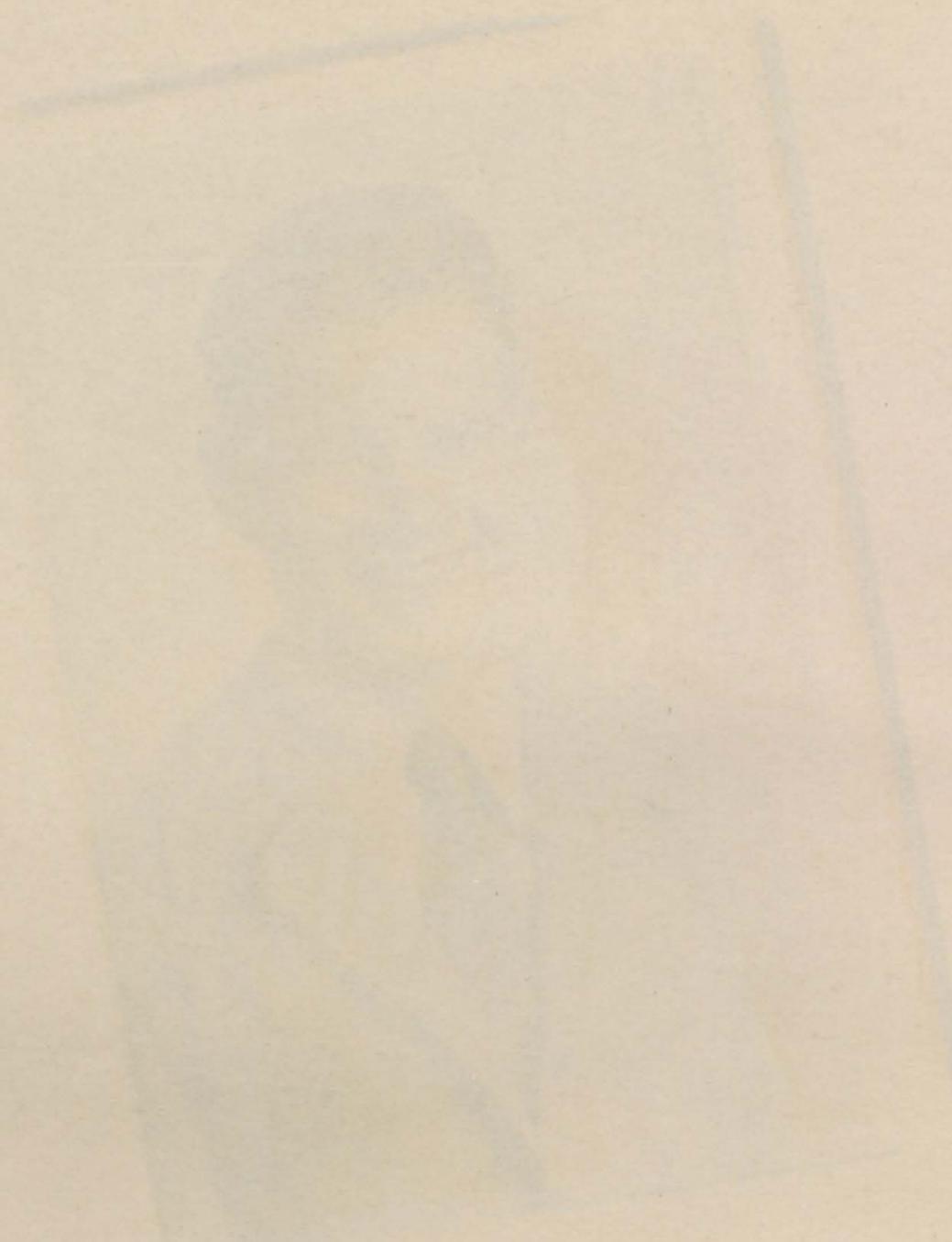
*Favorites*





*Garland Richardson*

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BEST ALL AROUND  
MOST HANDSOME BOY  
W W



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MOST POPULAR

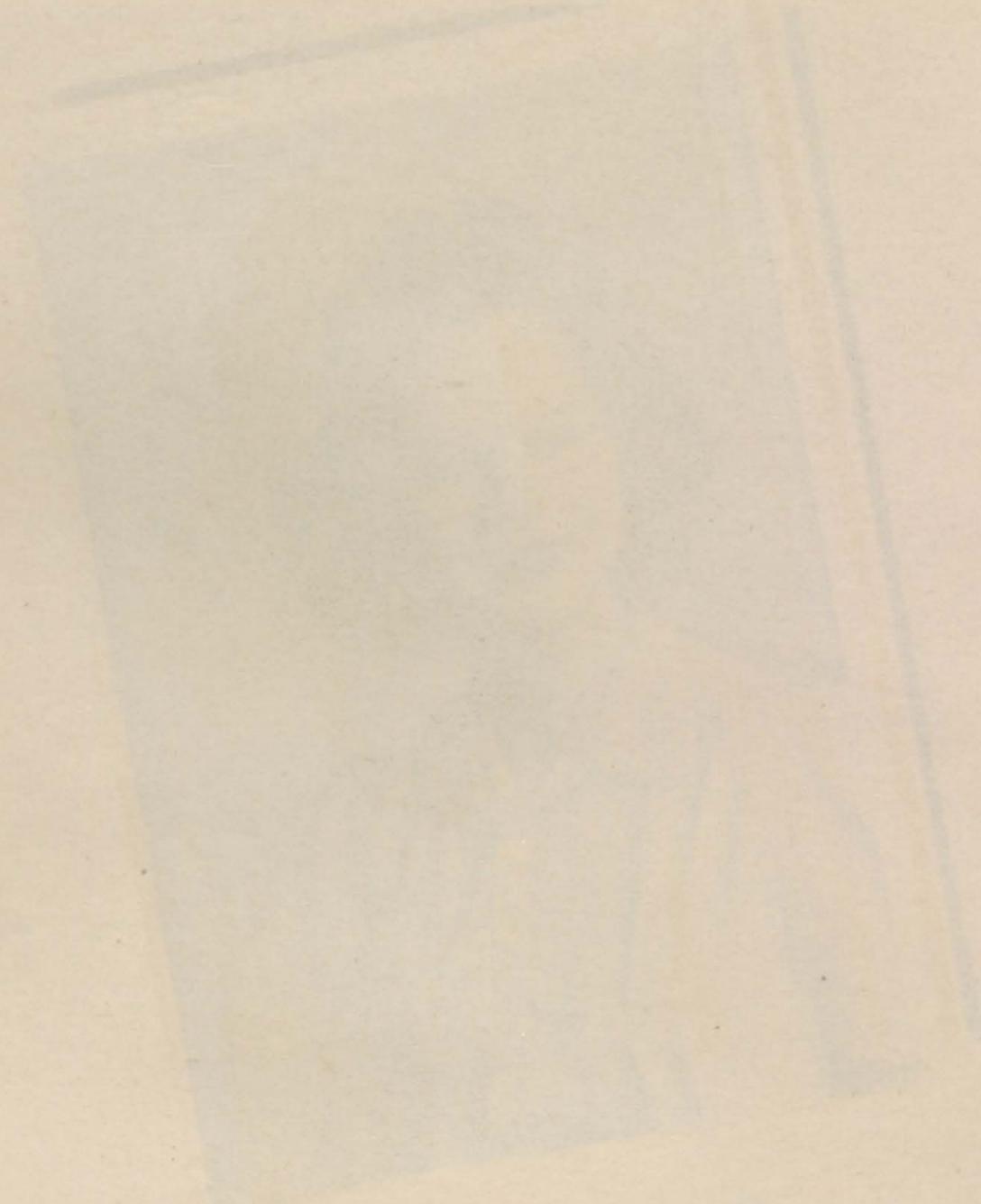
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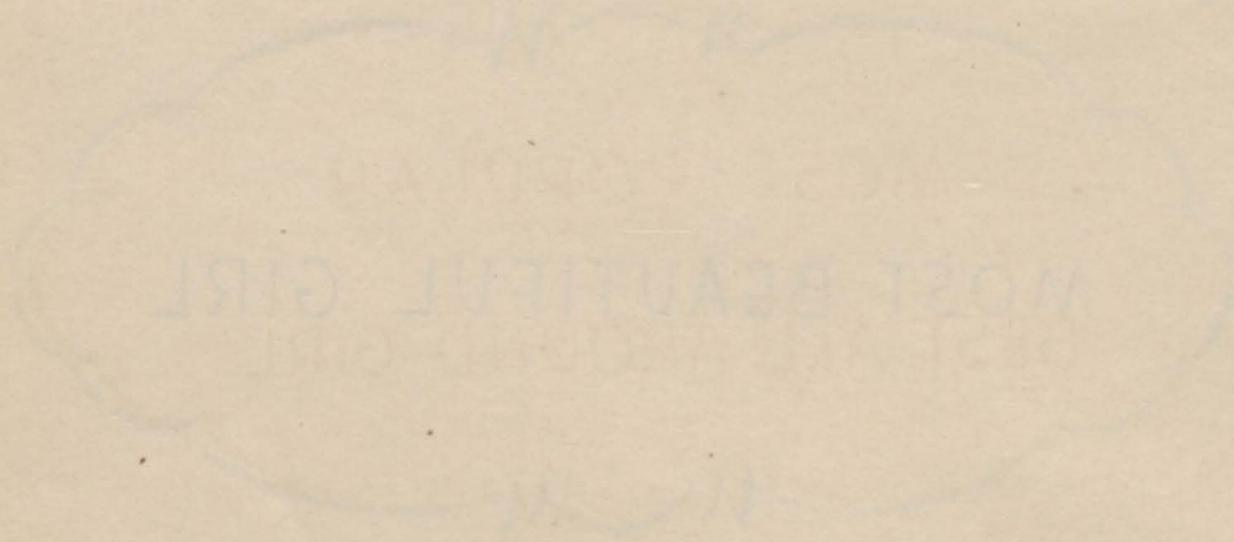


Joyce Callaway

MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL



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MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL  
MAY 1914



Betty Rugeley

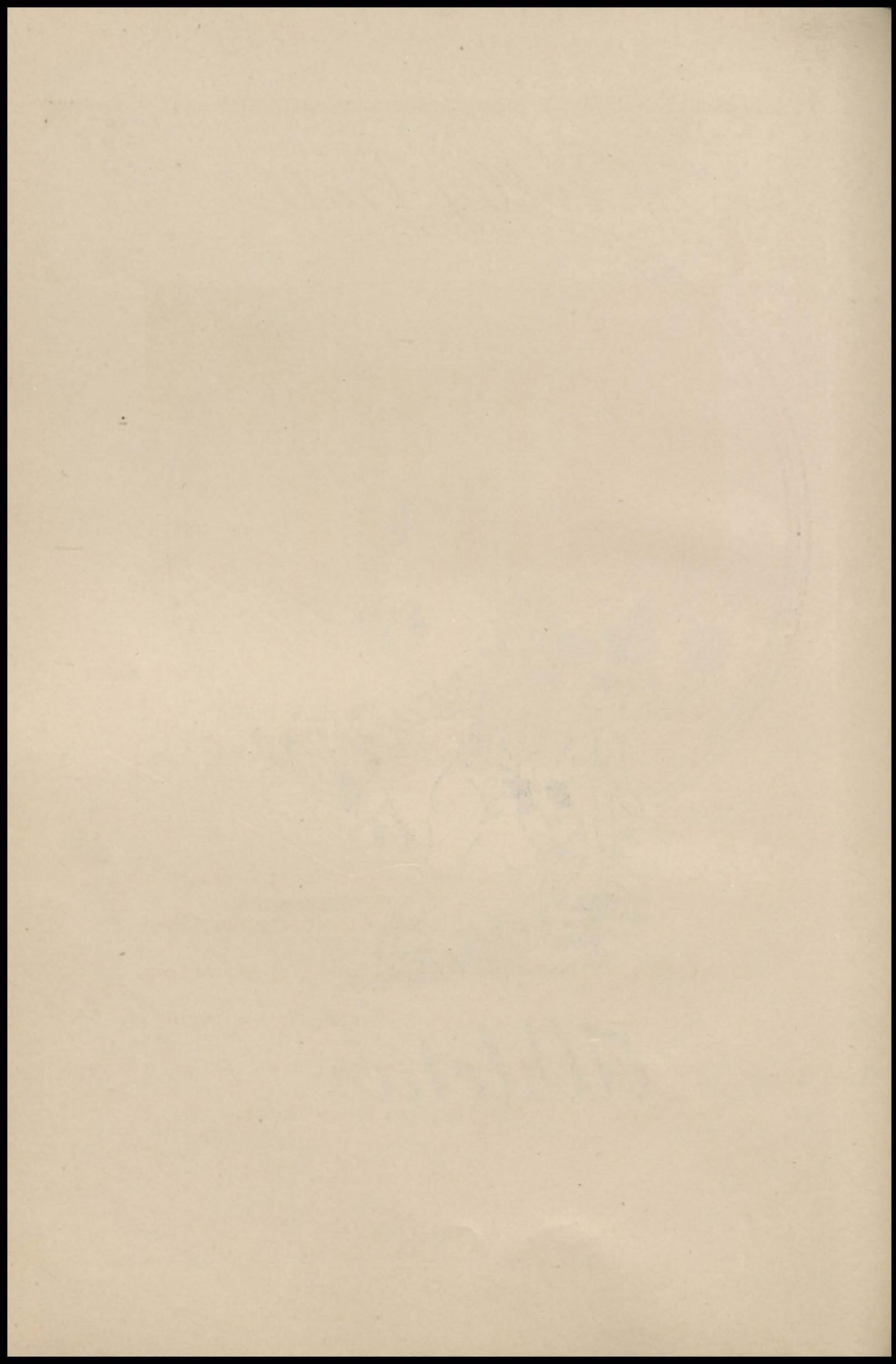
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*Athletics*



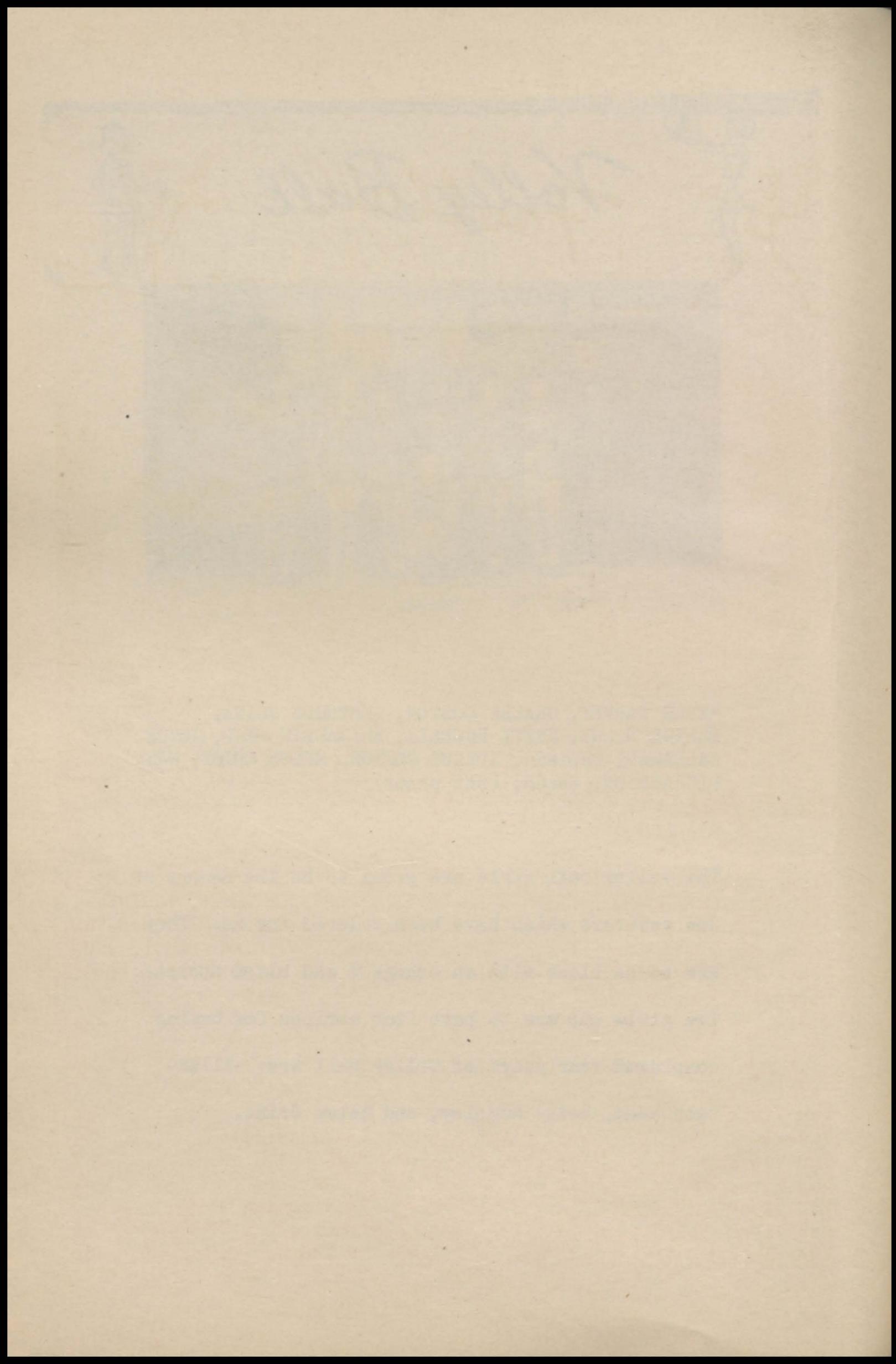


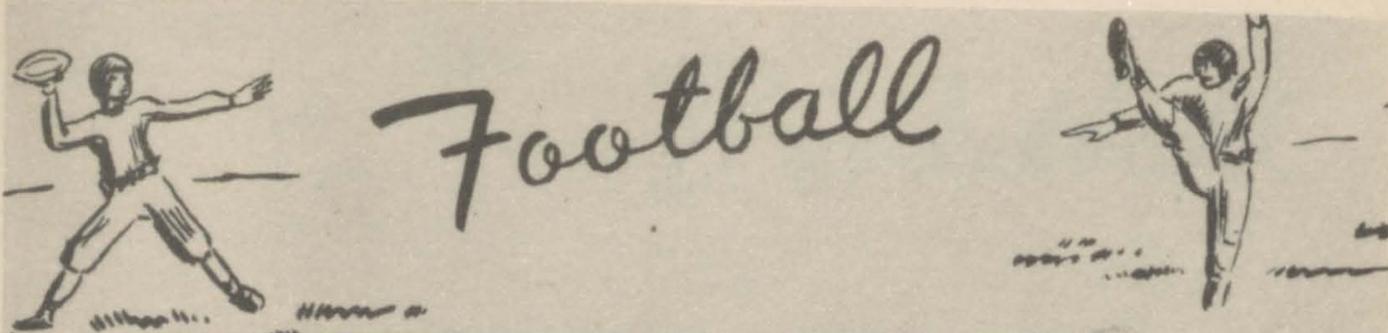
# Volley Ball



MERLE HARVEY, ORALEE COSTON, GERTRUDE SLIVA,  
ELAINE HOLUB, BETTY RUGELEY, ELIZABETH HEAD, JOYCE  
CALLAWAY, Captain, IDALUE COSTON, MELVA CRIST, MRS.  
RICHARDSON, Coach, (not shown)

The volley ball girls are proud to be the owners of  
new sweaters which have been ordered for us. They  
are to be black with an orange V and black stripes.  
The girls who are to have four stripes for having  
completed four years of volley ball are: Eliza-  
beth Head, Betty Rugeley, and Melva Crist.

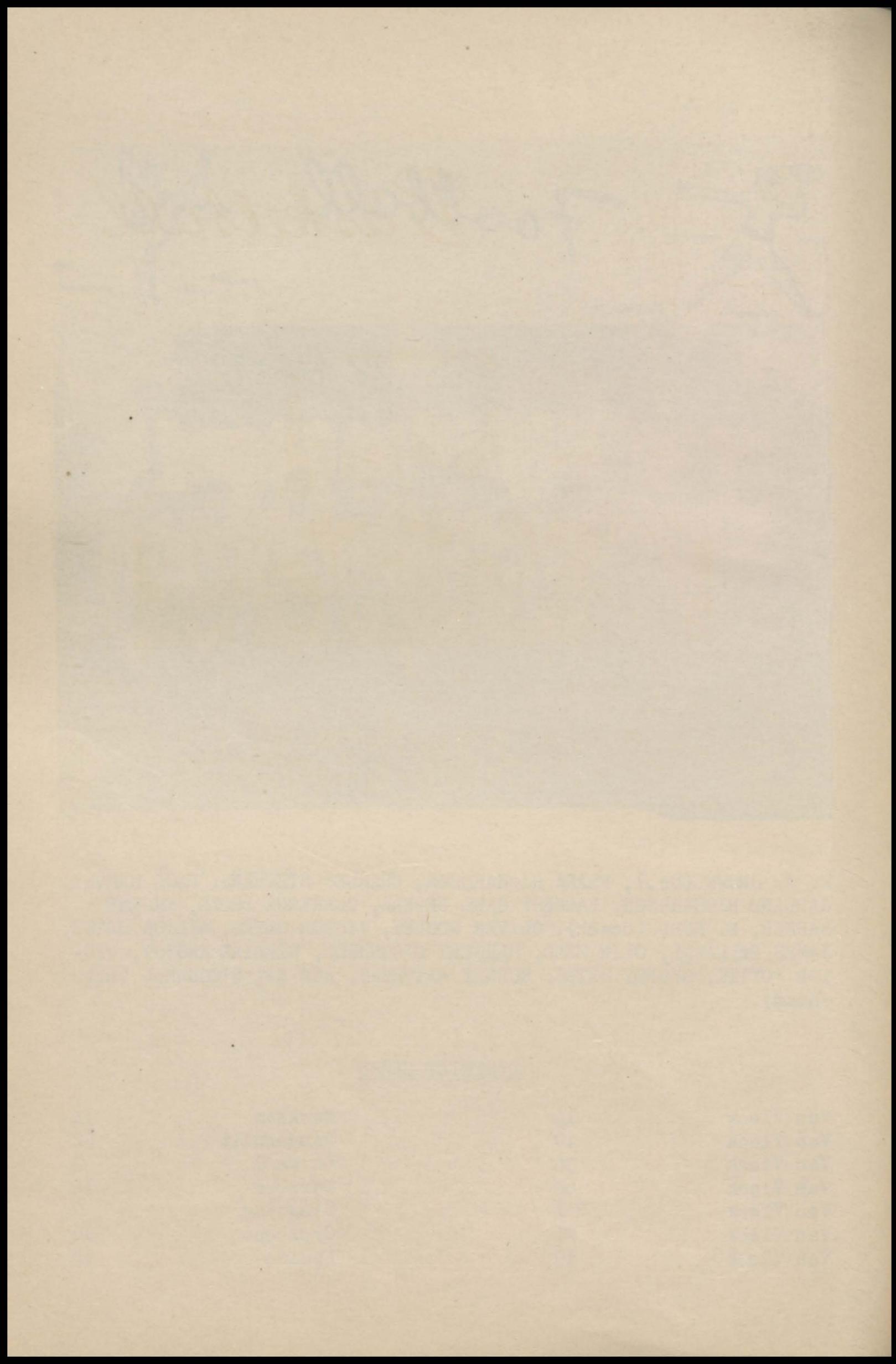




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DISTRICT GAMES

Van Vleck	14	Markham	14
Van Vleck	19	Vanderbilt	52
Van Vleck	36	La Ward	7
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Van Vleck	19	Louise	36





# Basketball

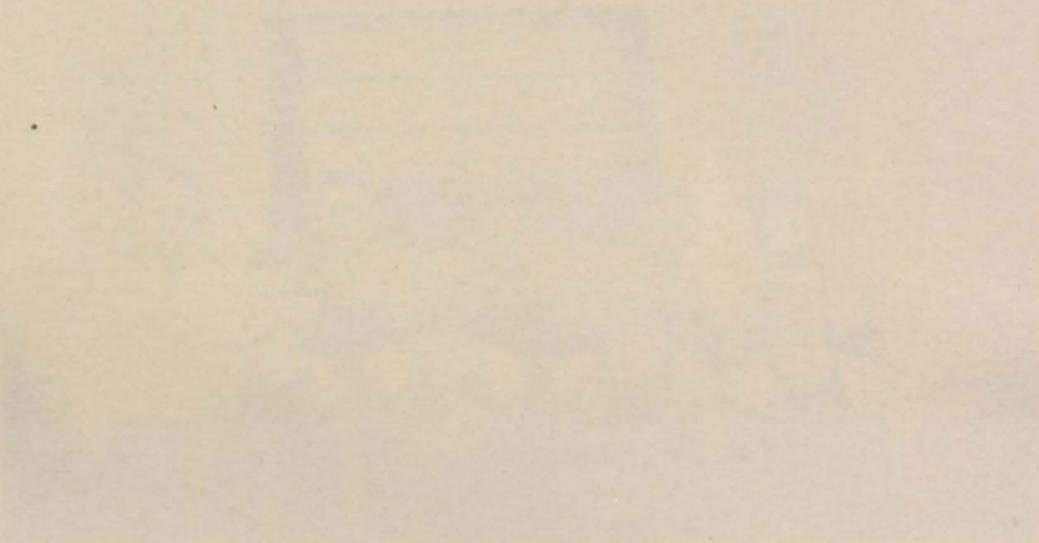


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## NON-DISTRICT GAMES

Van Vleck	24	Louise	28
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Van Vleck	33	Bay City	27
Van Vleck	42	Blessing	30
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W. A. Brown,

Ray O'Connell

Garland Richardson

Paul Harvey



DISTRICT GAMES

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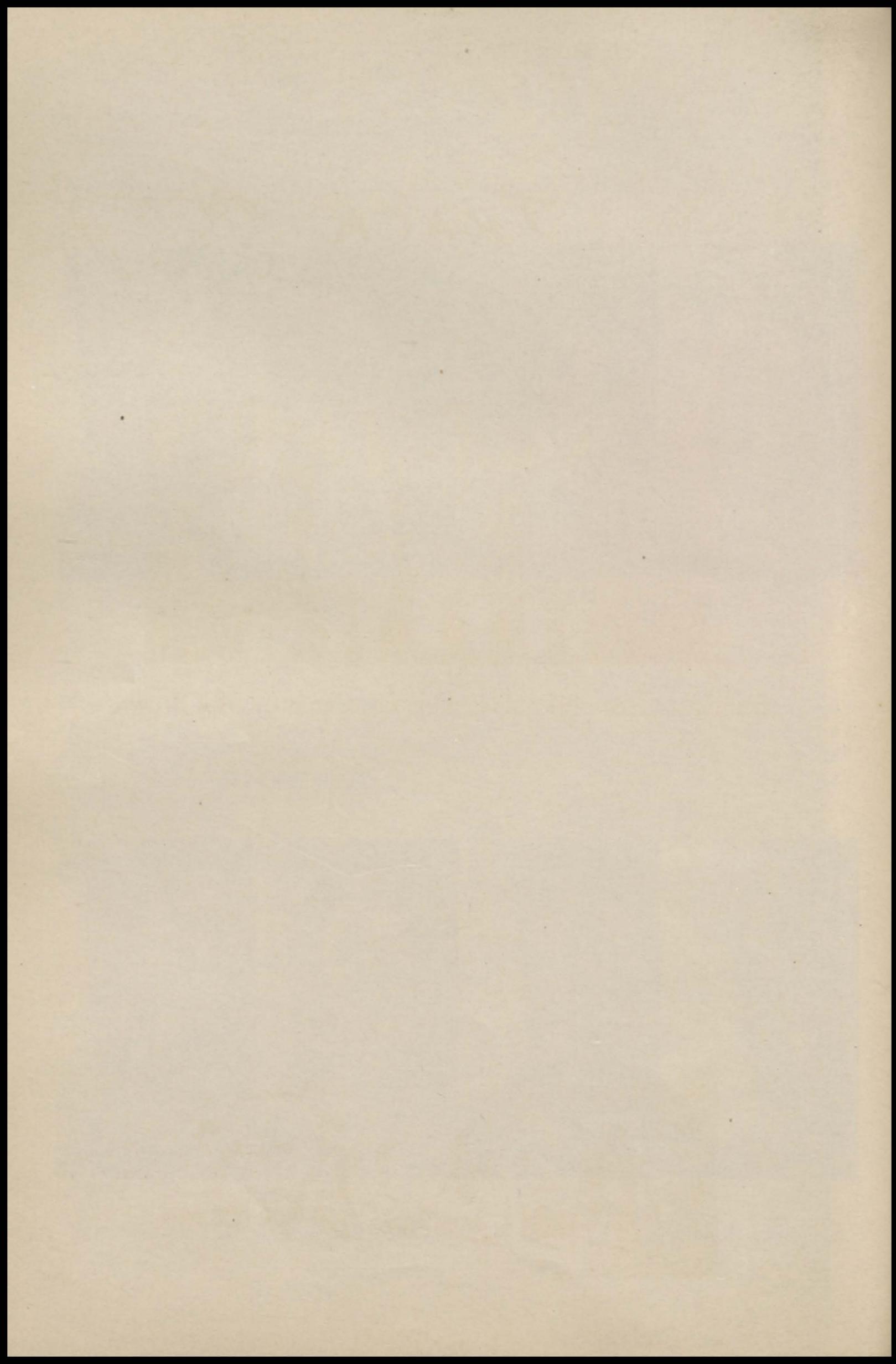


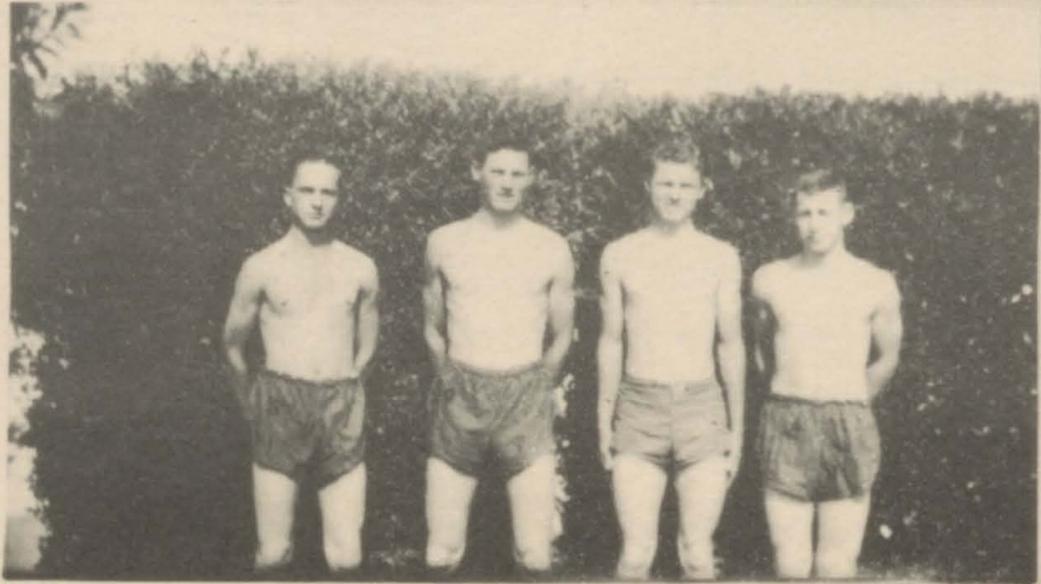
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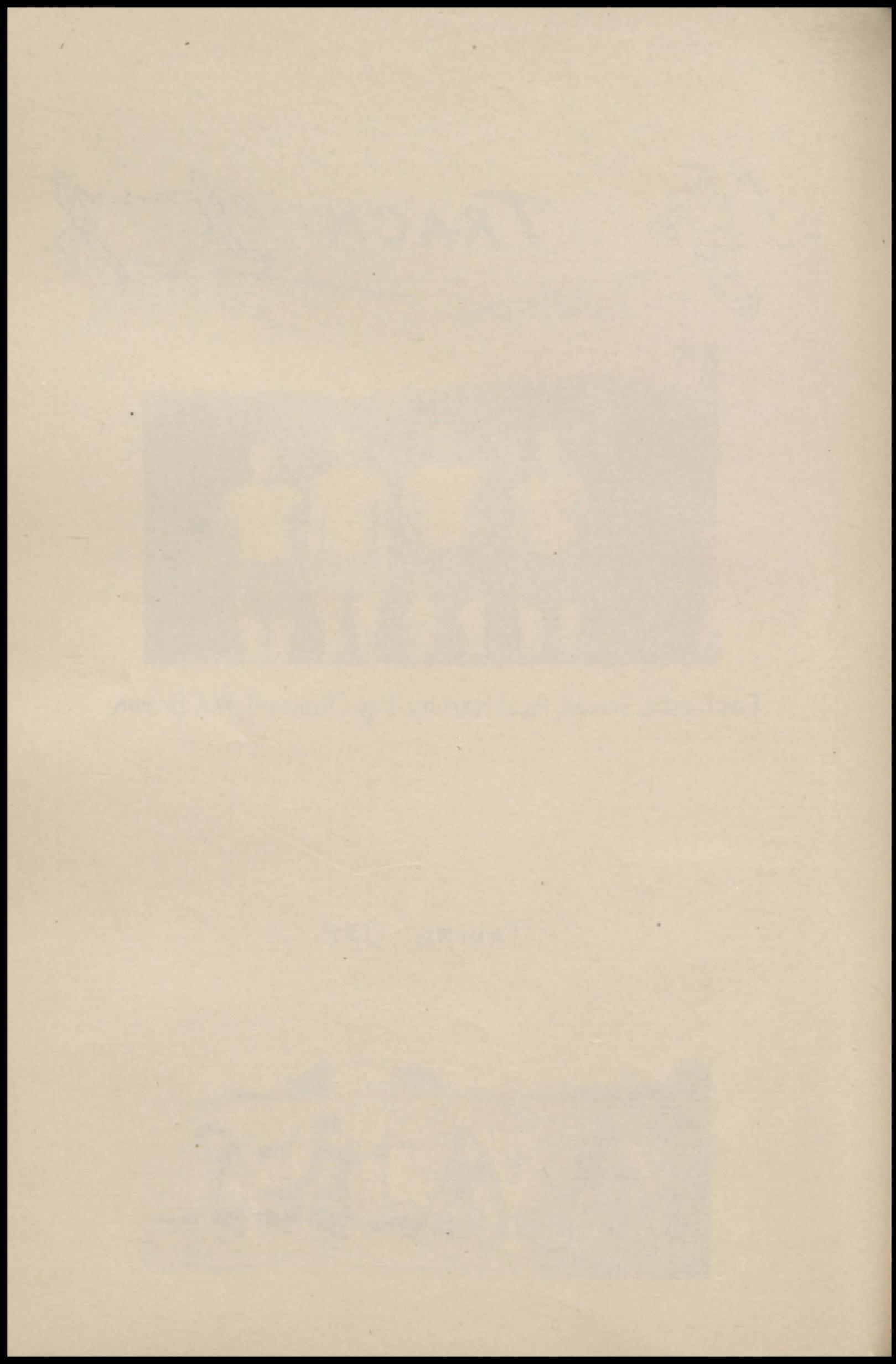




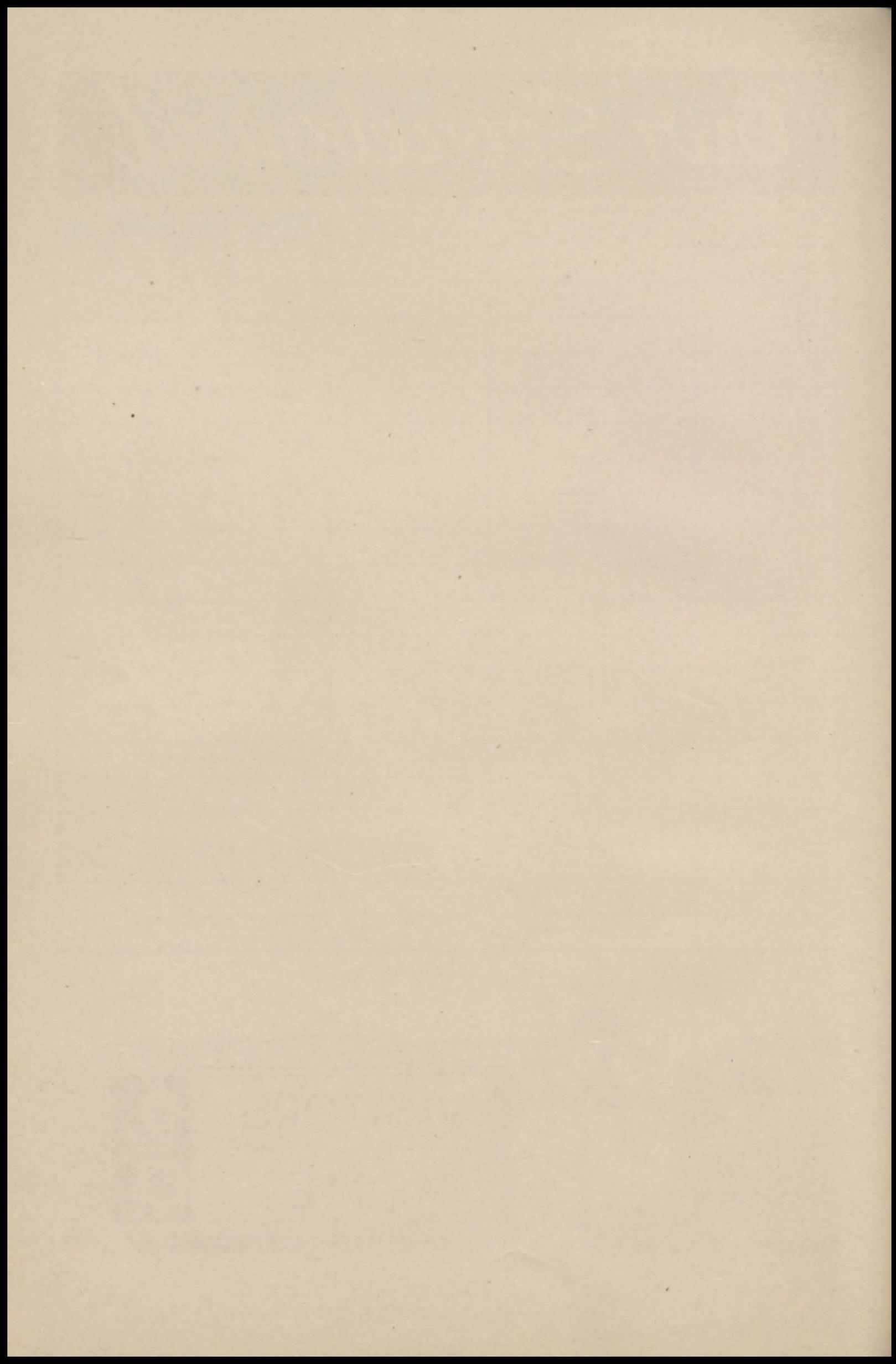
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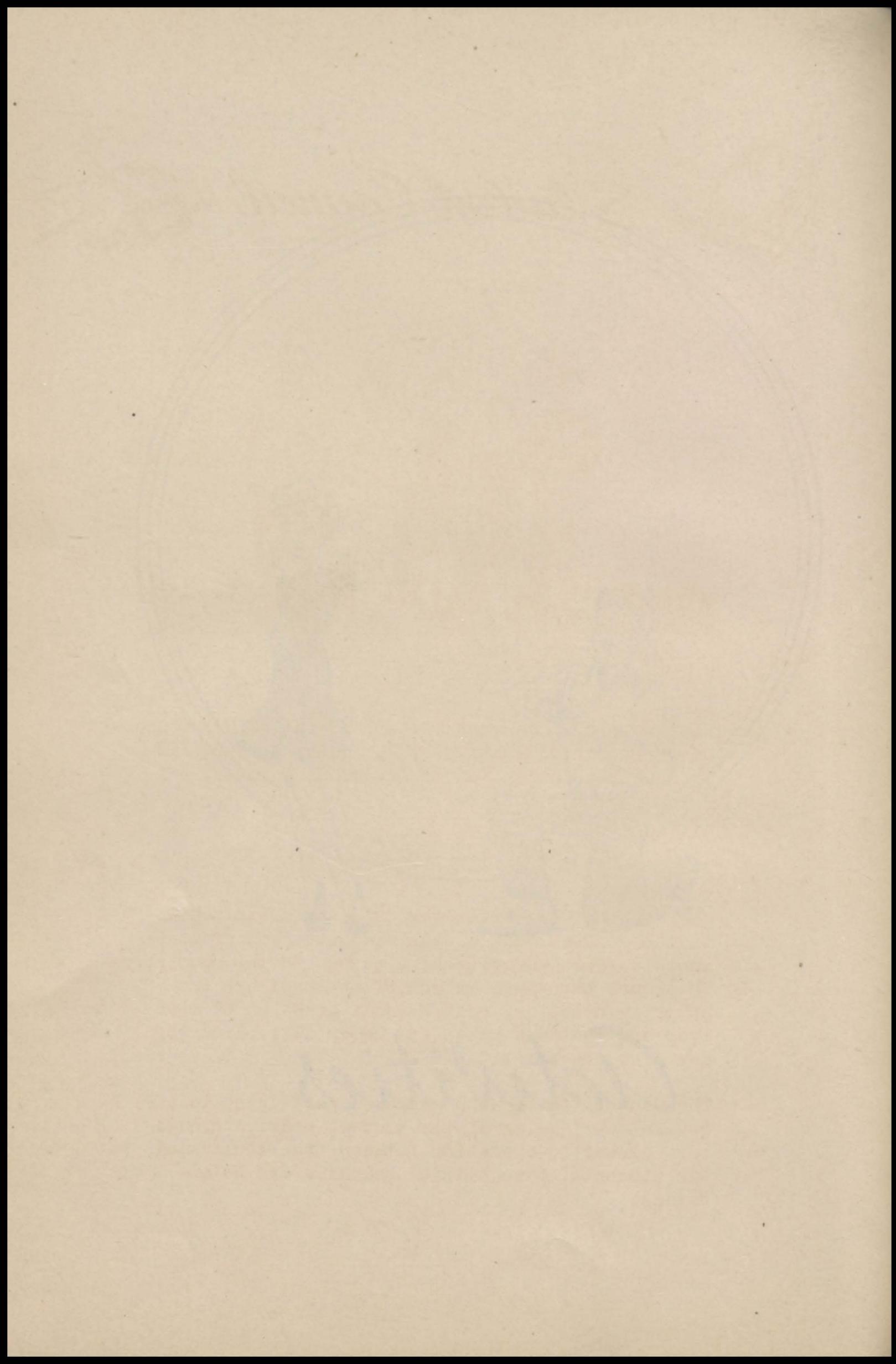








# Activities







# Student Council



VICTOR GATES, Freshman Member, ELAINE HOLUB, Sophomore Member, ORA LEE COSTON, Junior Member, BETTY RUGELEY, Senior Member, E. RUDD, Advisor.

The Student Council is the official organization of the student body of the school. Each class elects a representative as a member to the council. They must have been in school at least one term prior to election, must have at least a "C" average, and must not have been under discipline at any previous time.

The Council deals with measures pertaining to the general well-being of the student body. Through this closer co-operation between the faculty and the students, more helpful measures may be attained.

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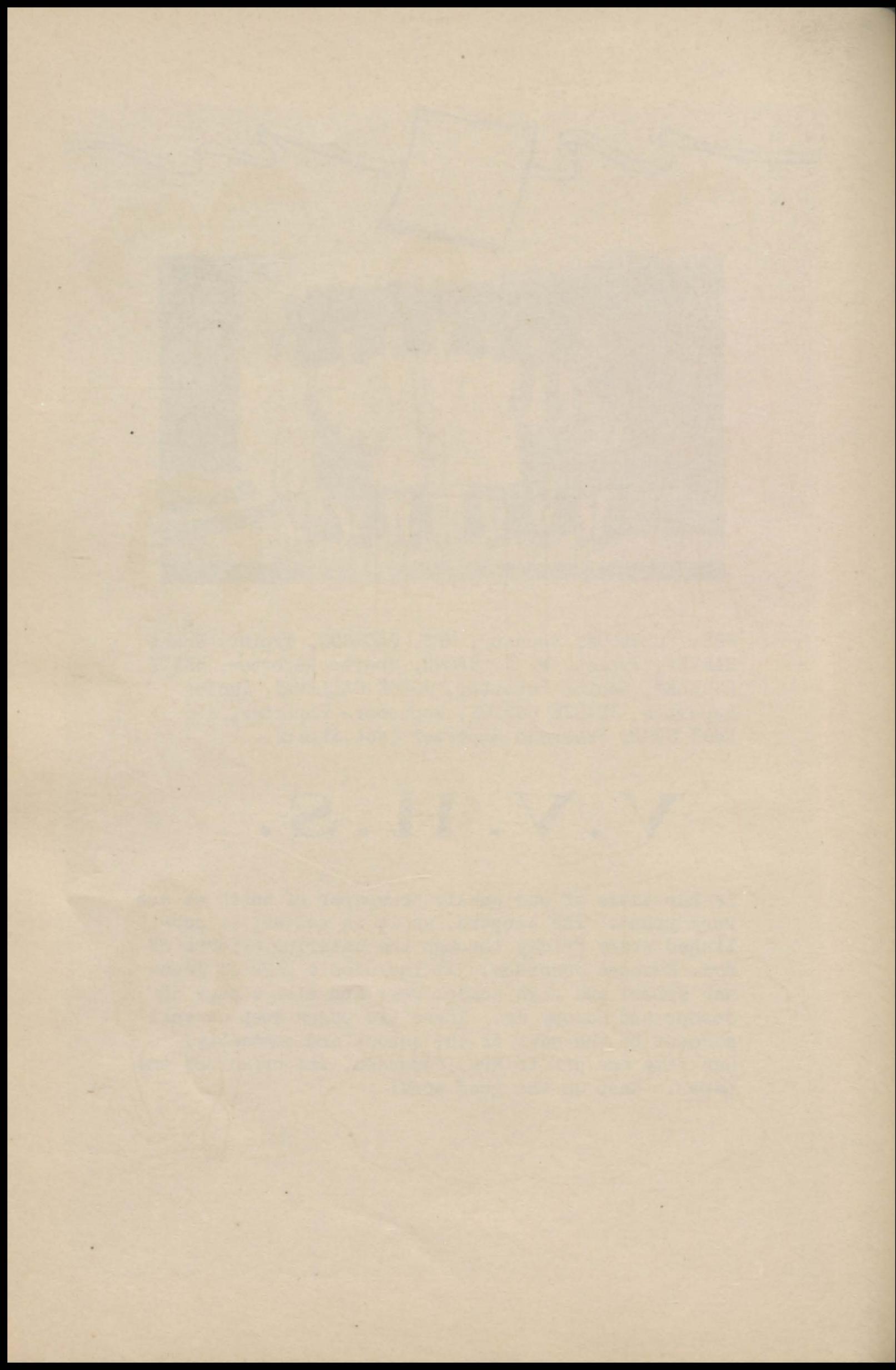
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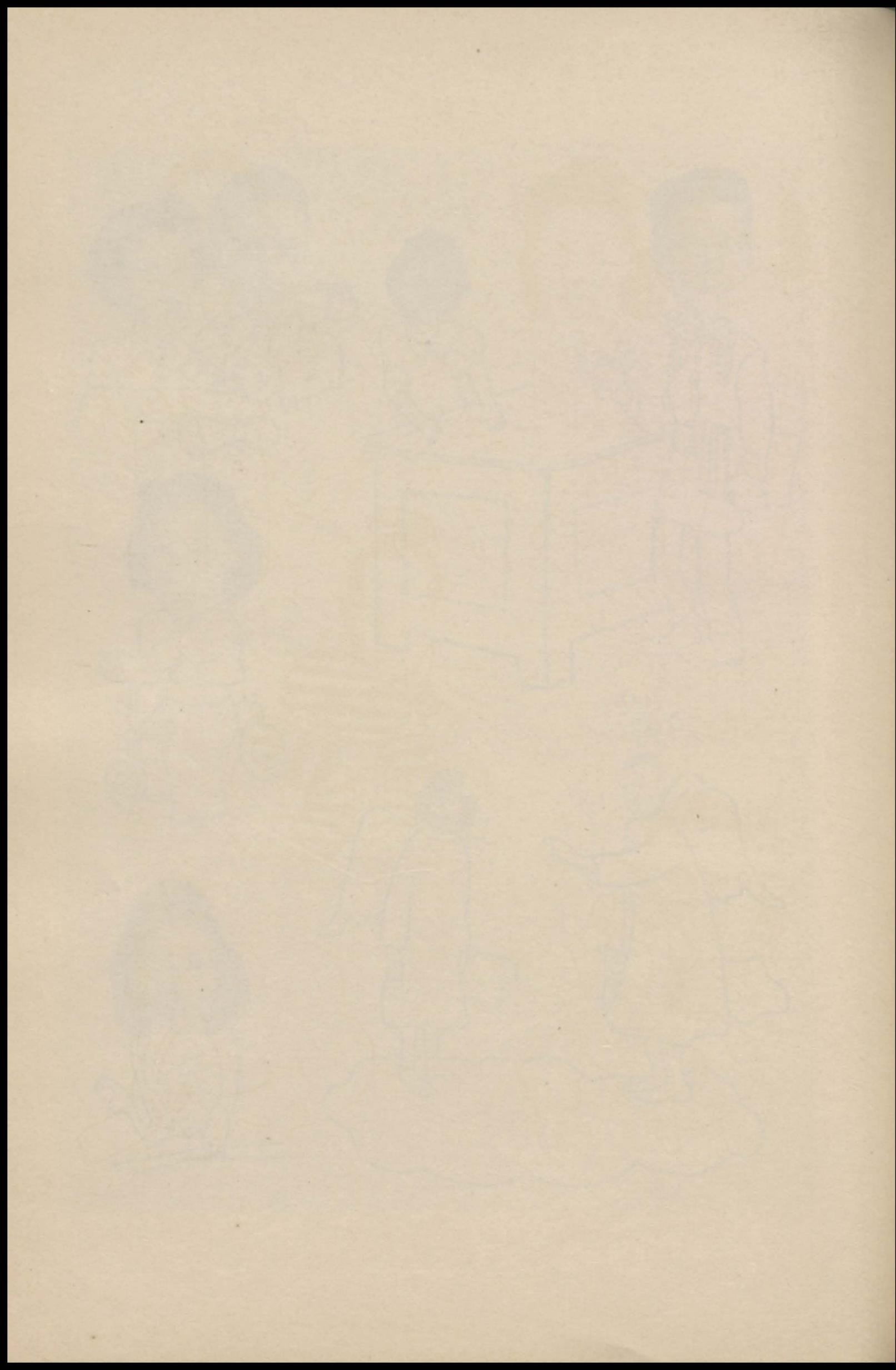
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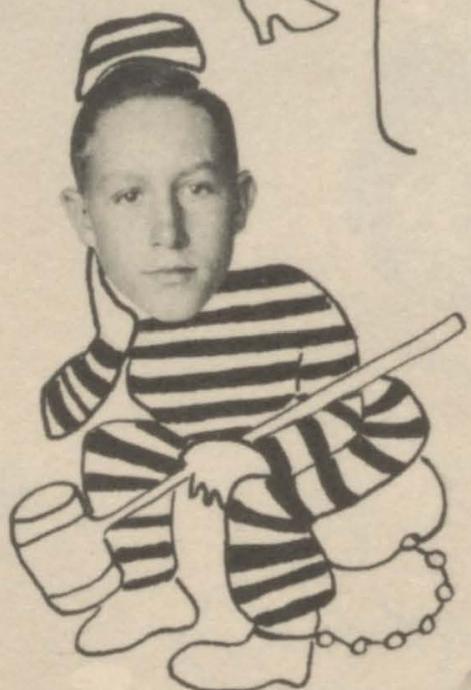
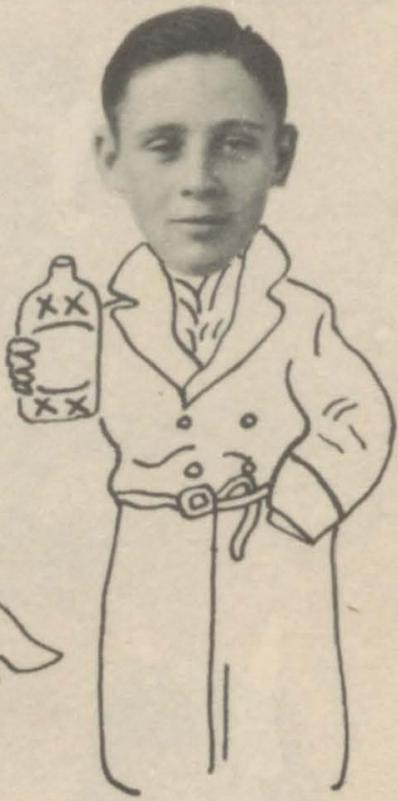
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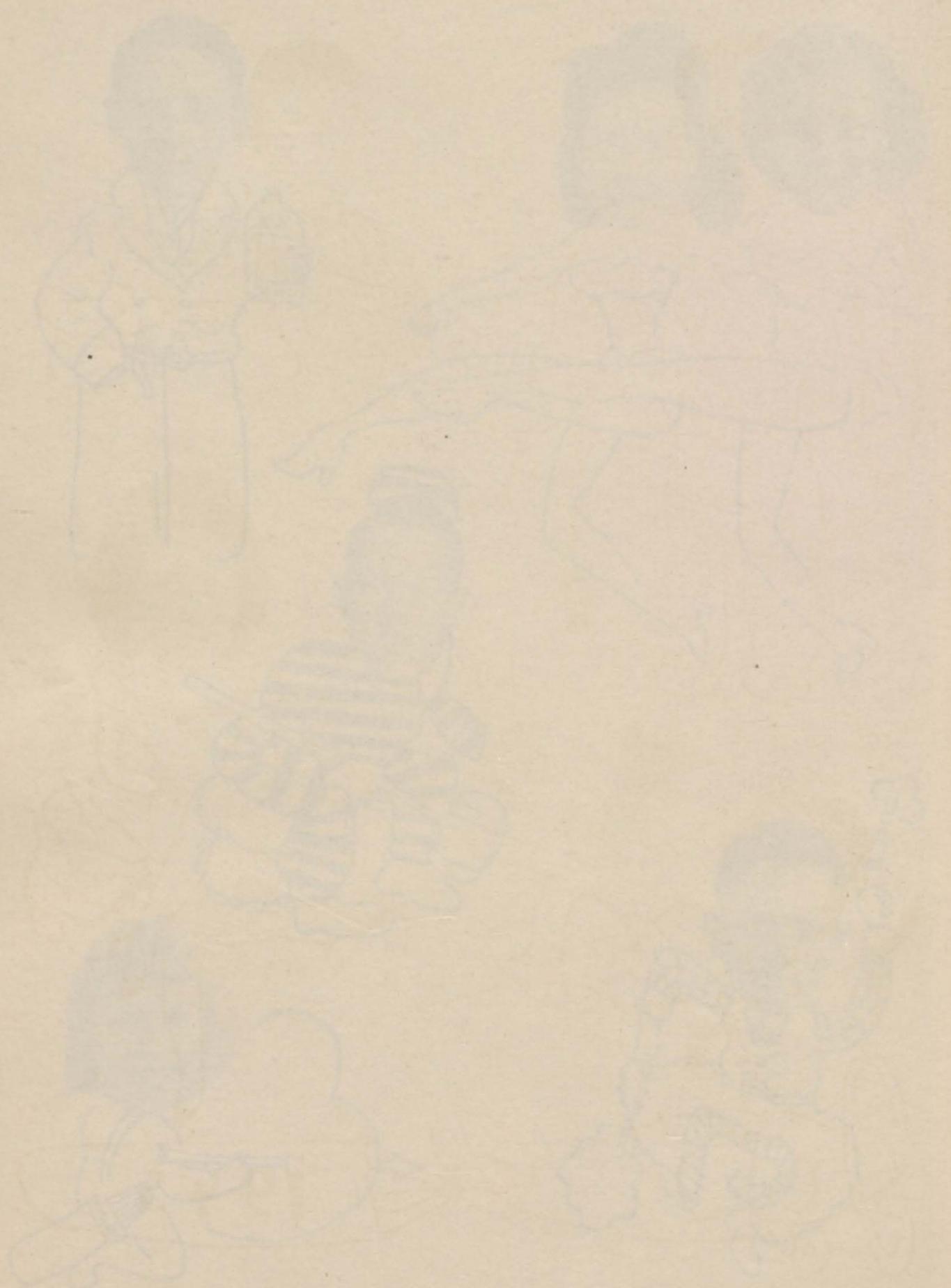
is the title of our weekly newspaper of which we are very proud. The Leopard, as it is called, is published every Friday through the untiring efforts of Mrs. Susanna Sorenson. It includes a page of grammar school and high school news and also a page of Snoopy and Snoopy Jr. These two pages keep us well abreast of the news of the school and community. Our hats are off to Mrs. Sorenson, who organized the paper. Keep up the good work!



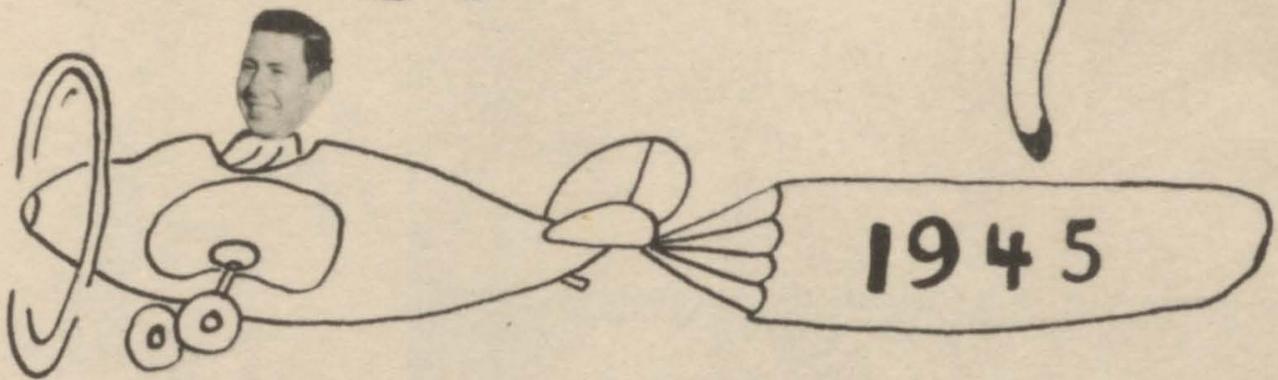


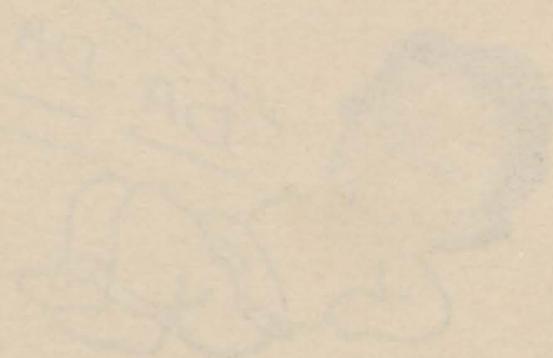
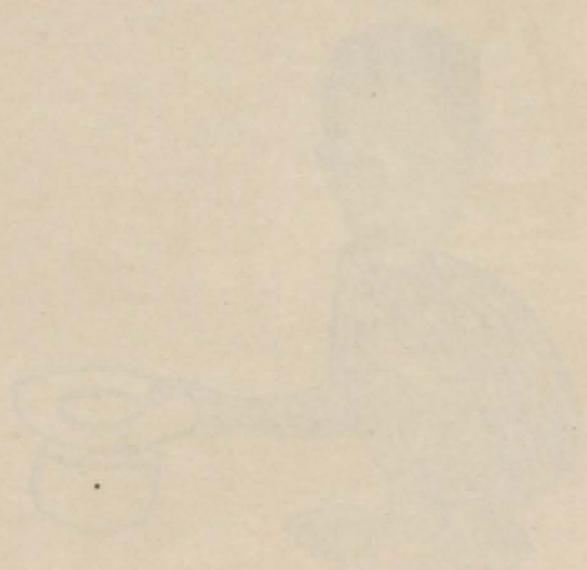


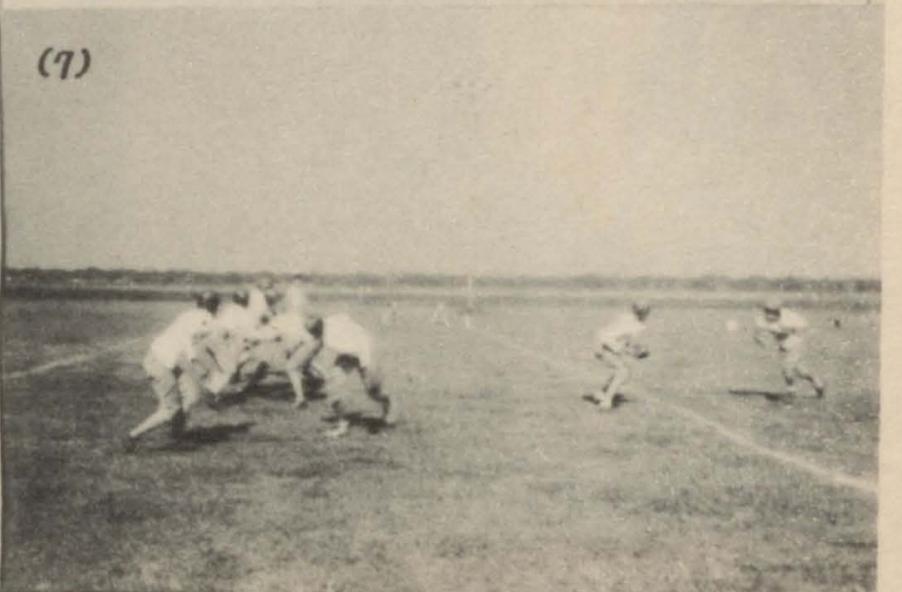
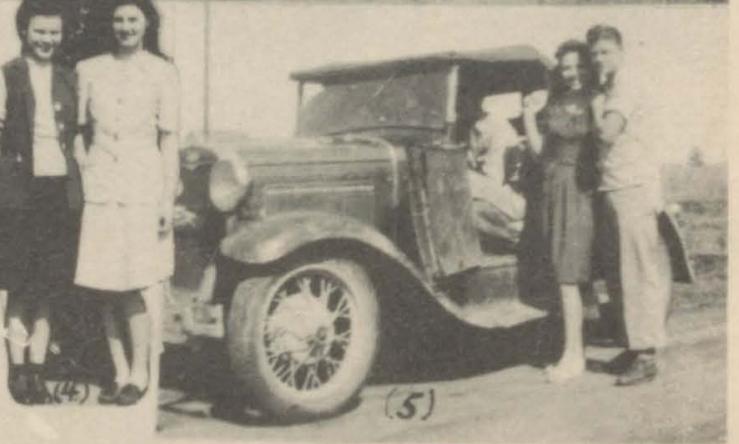




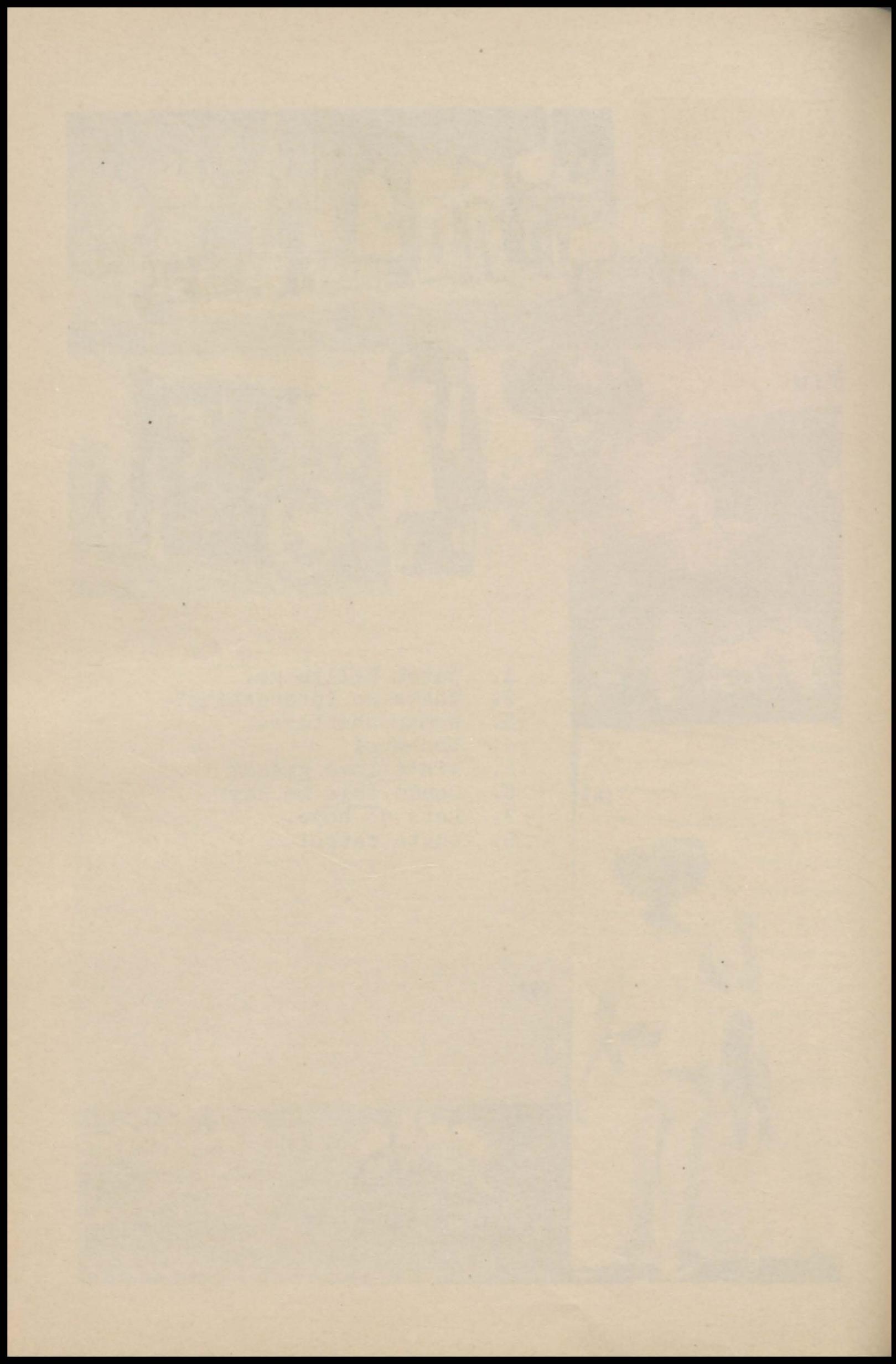


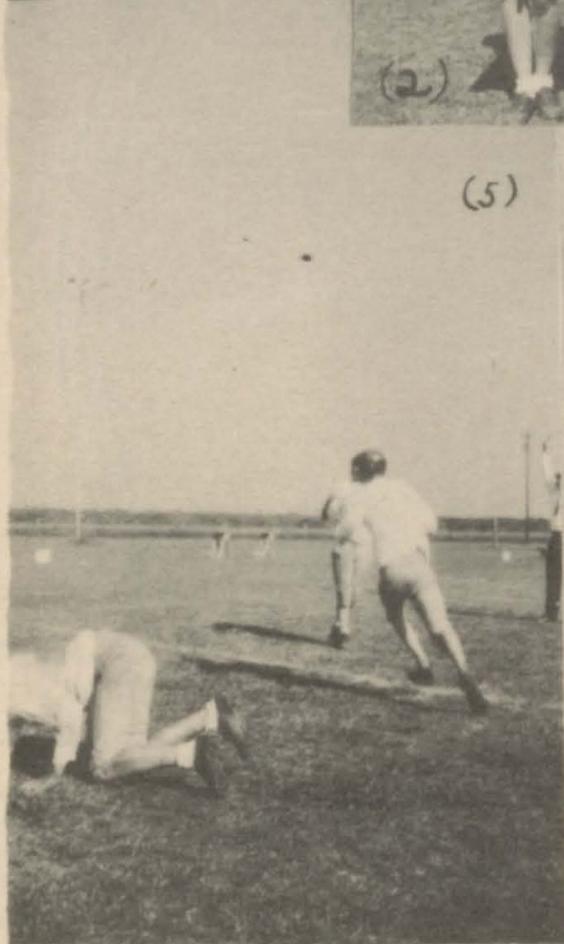






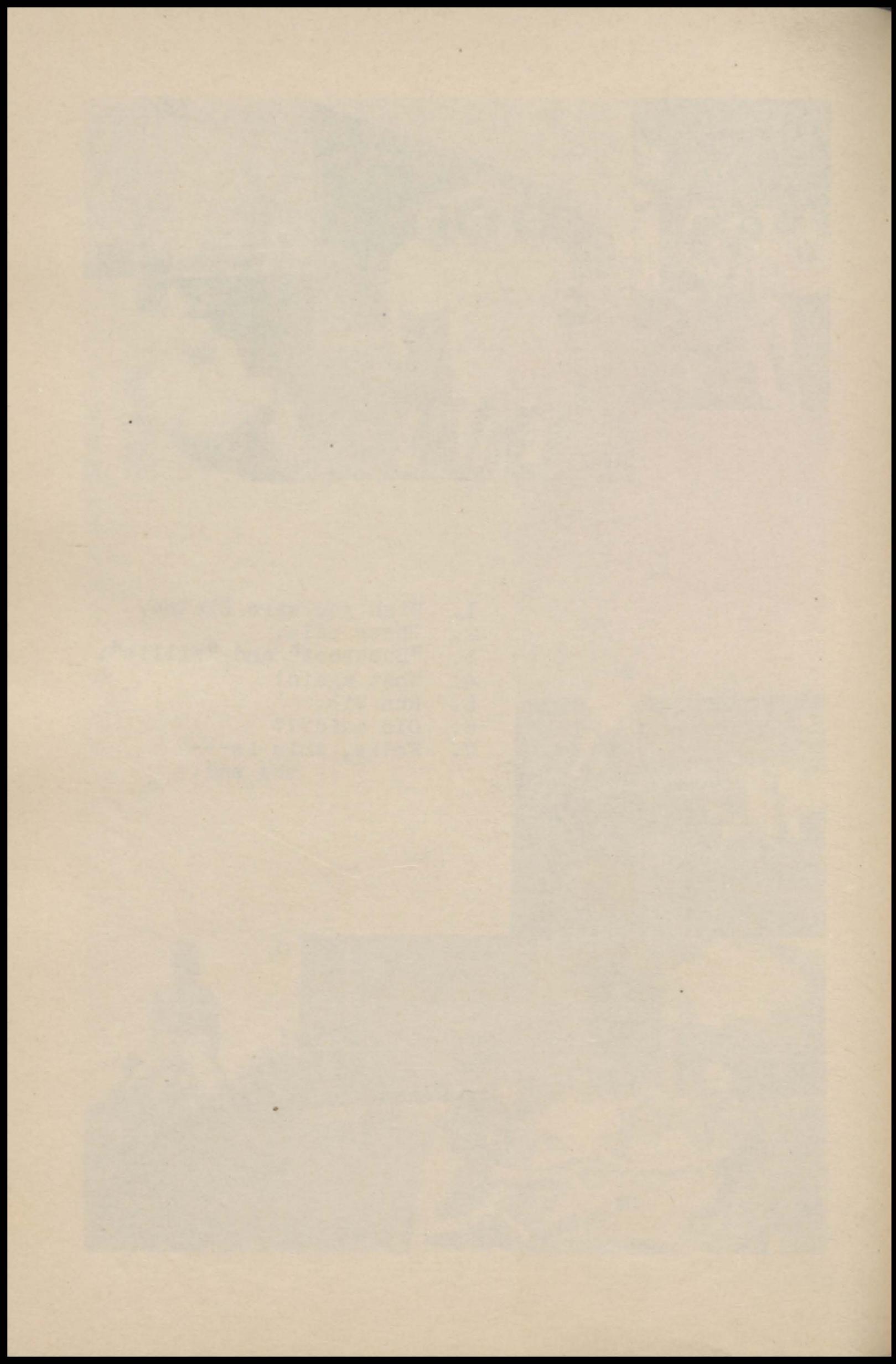
1. Watch Willie go.
2. Whats so interesting?
3. Woman shortage.
4. Woo-Woo!
5. Ain't love grand?
6. Could this be Ray?
7. Lets go boys.
8. Whata catch!





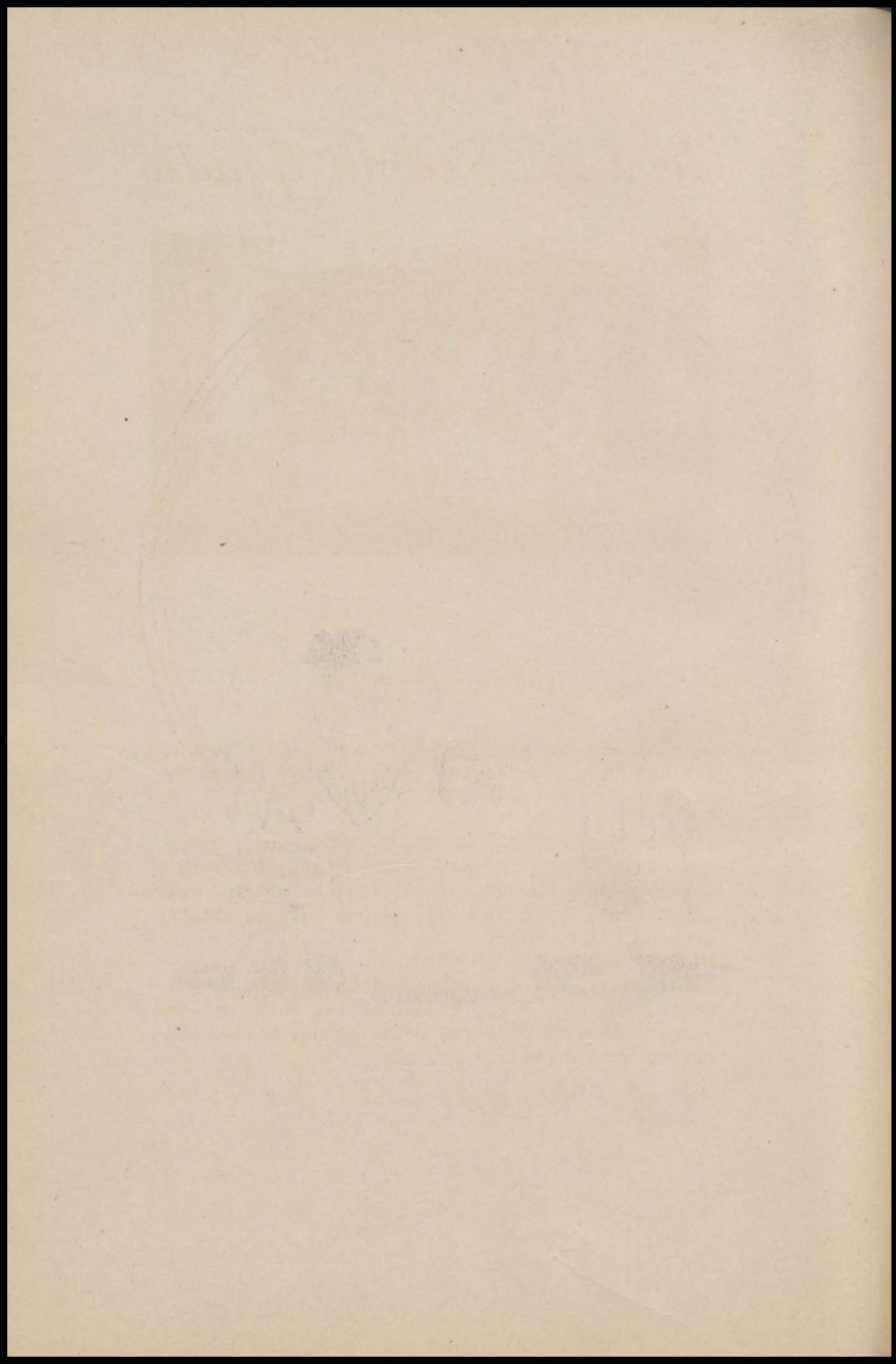
1. Wish you were Elaine.
2. Three pals.
3. "Buckshot" and "Willie".
4. What again!
5. Run Vic.
6. Old maid???
7. Folks, this is---  
the end.







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# First and Second Grades



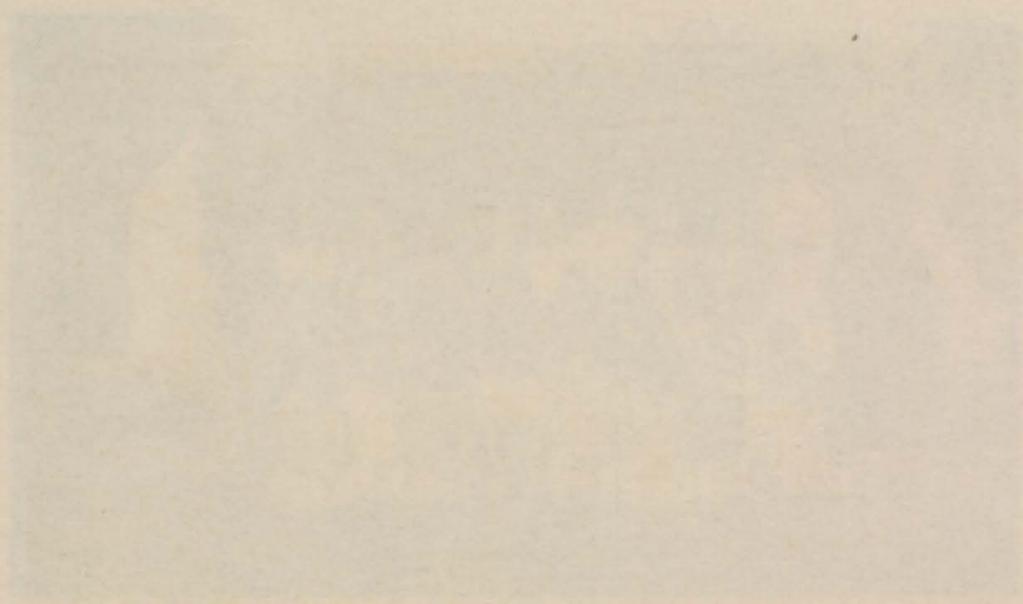
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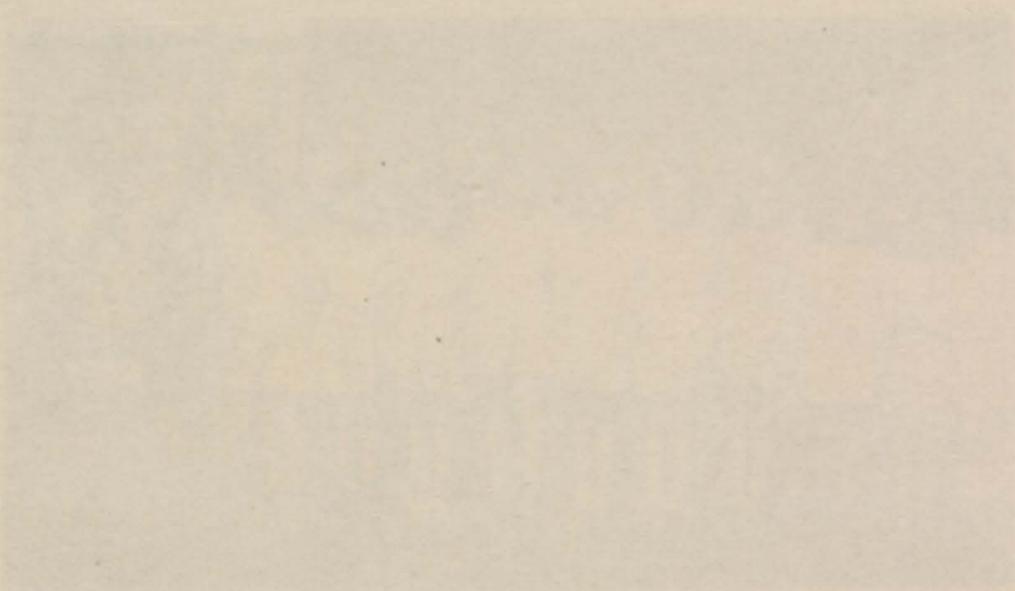
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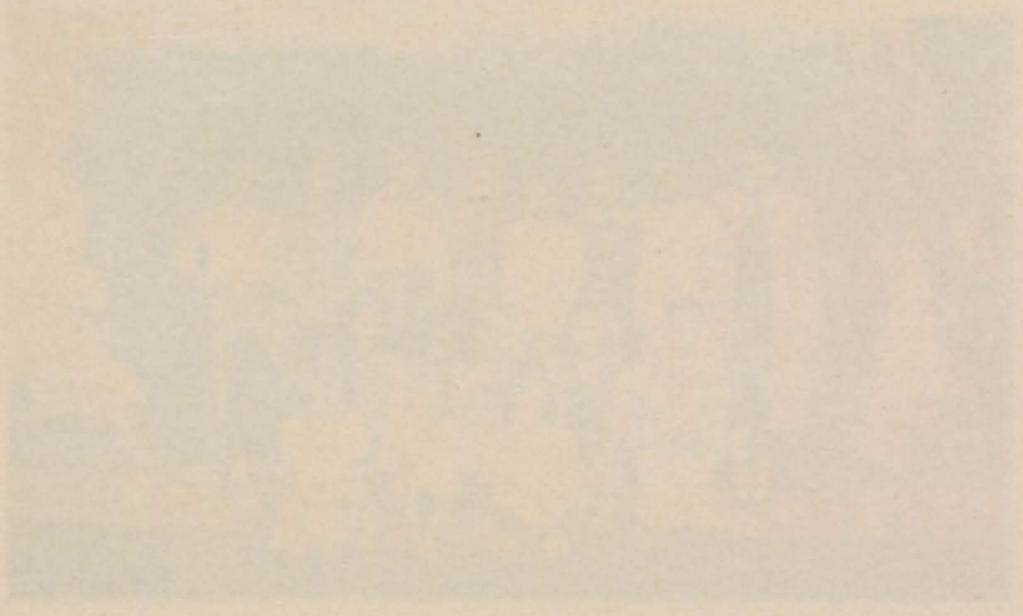
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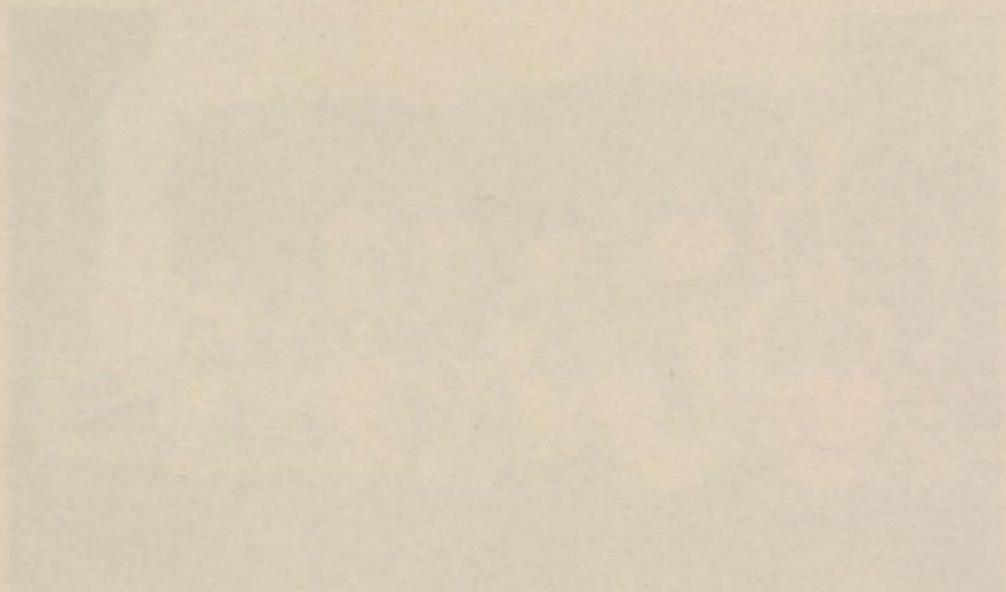
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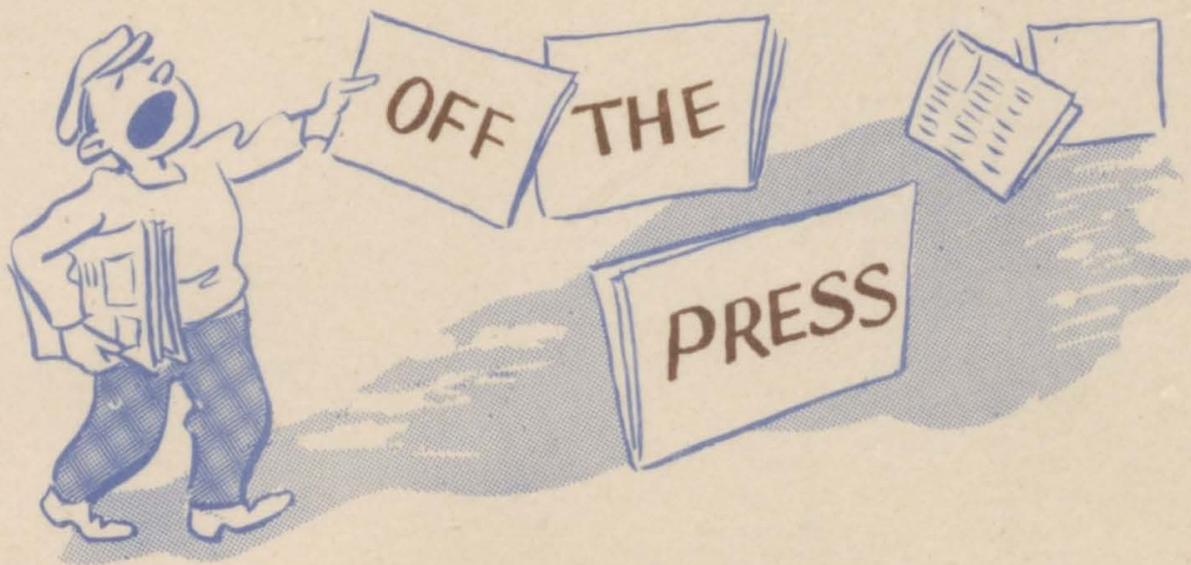
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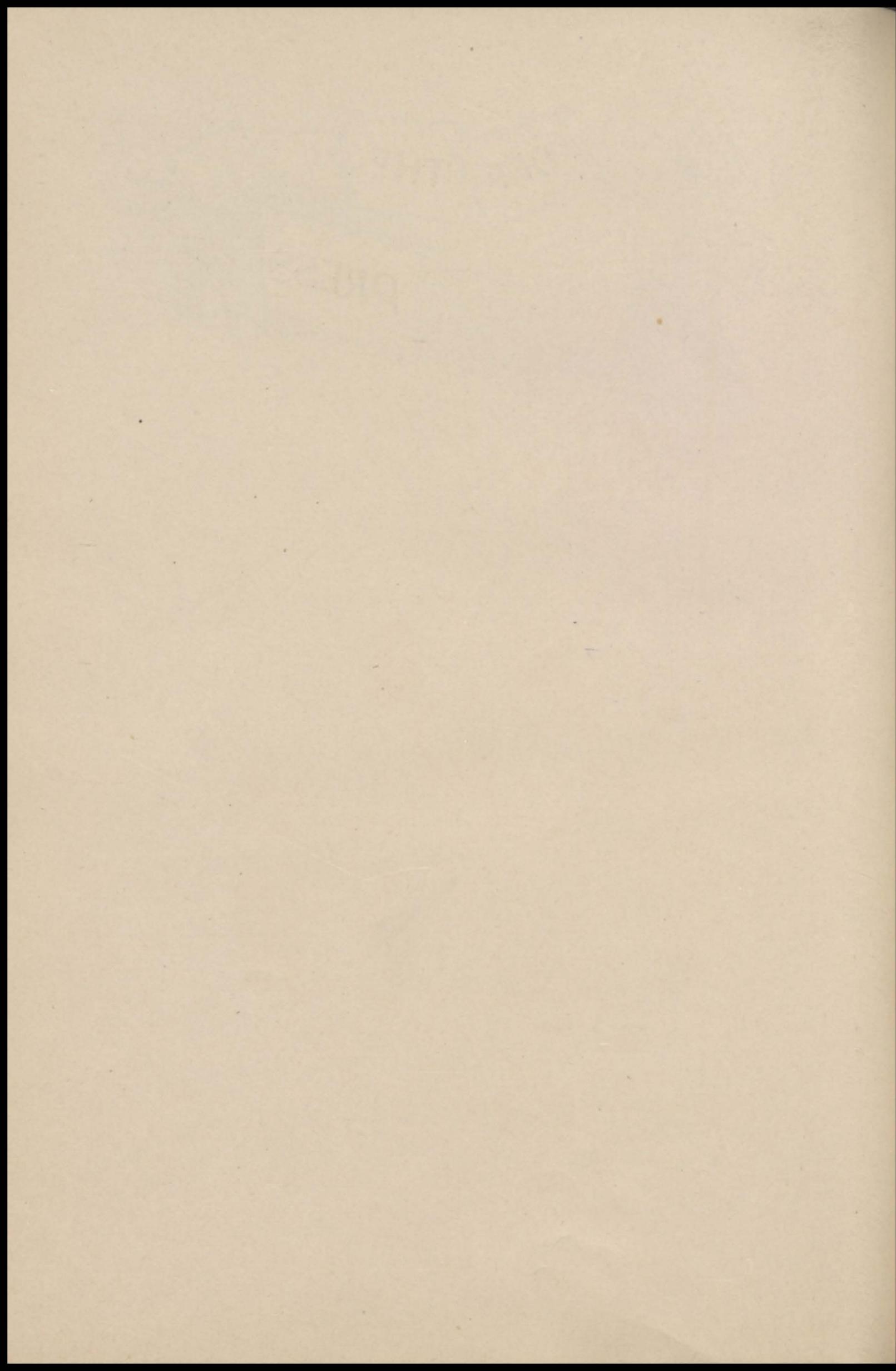
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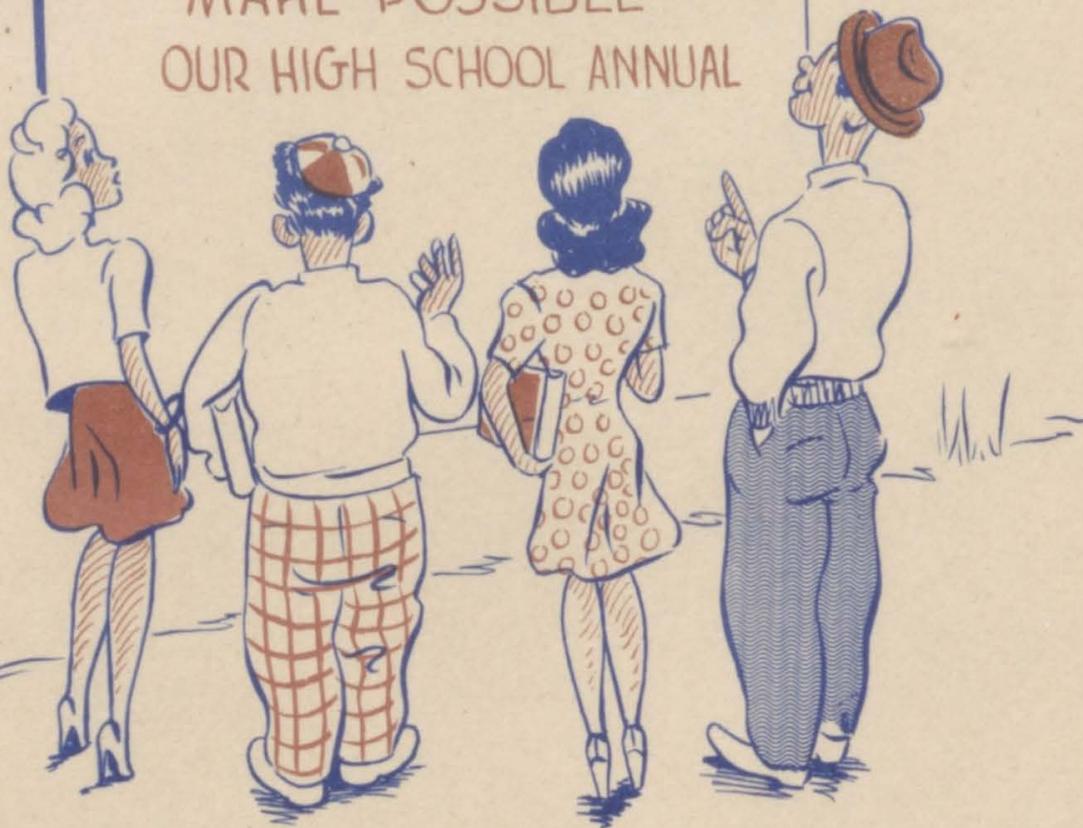


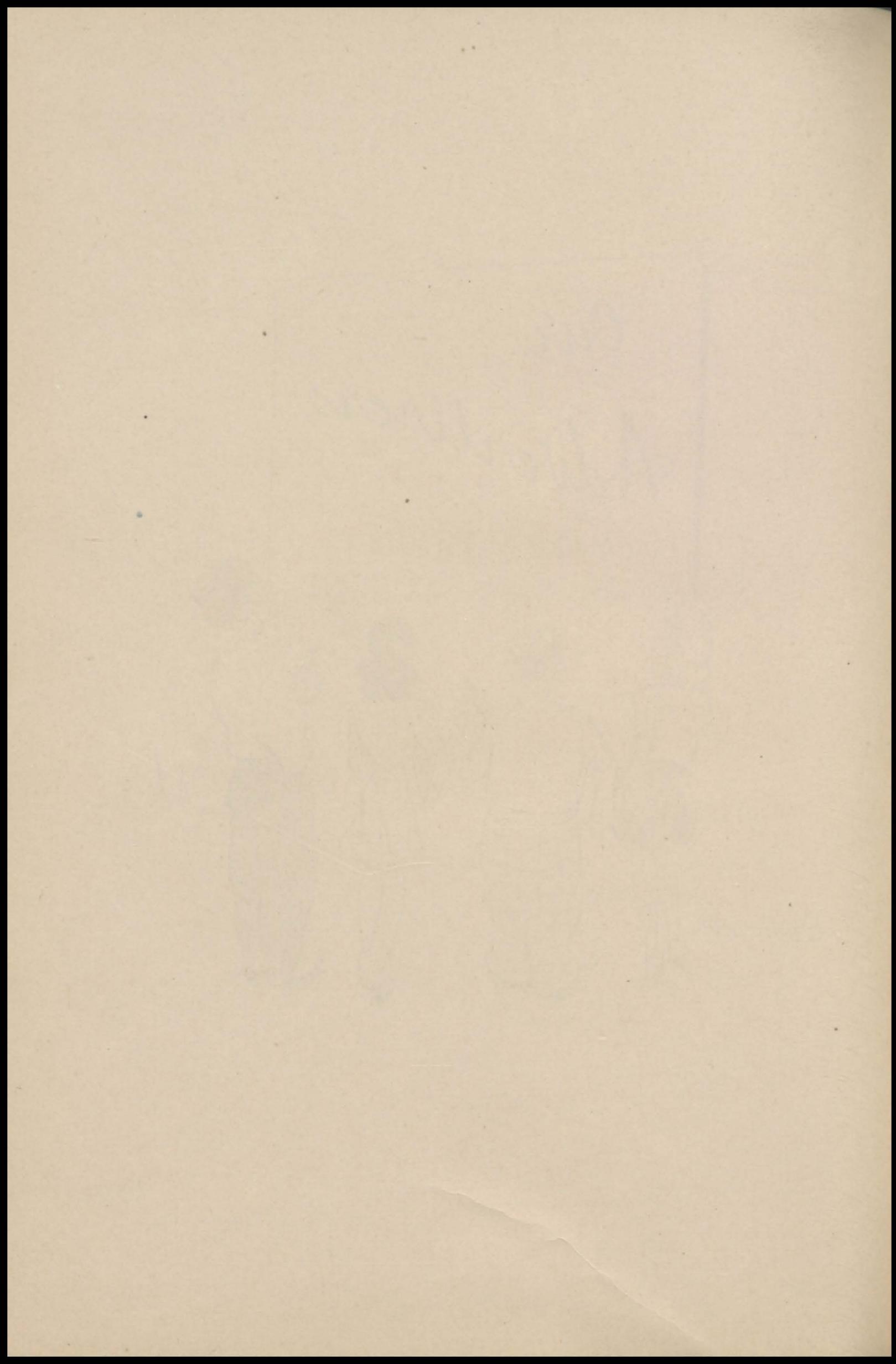




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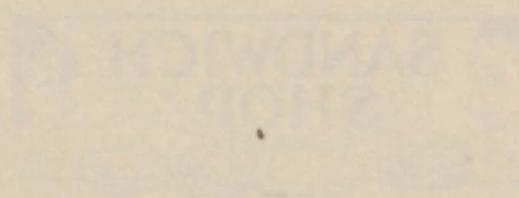
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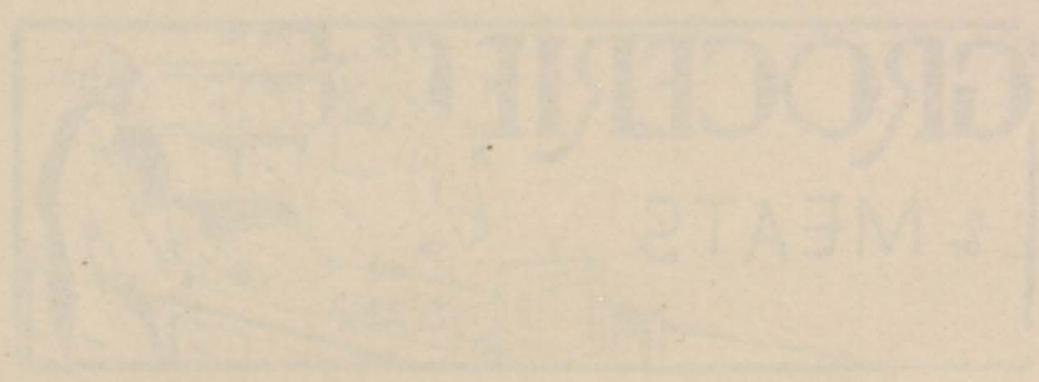
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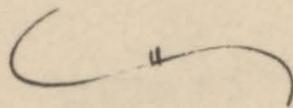
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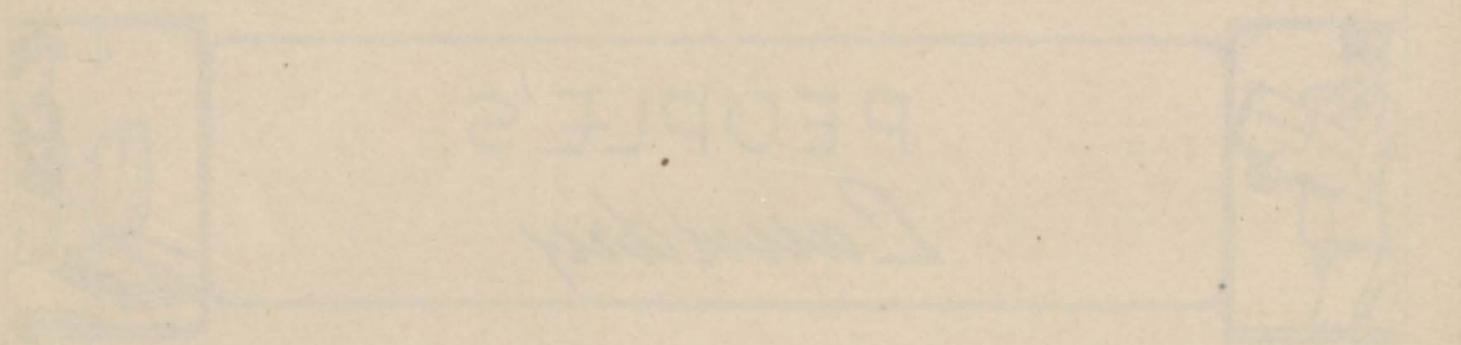
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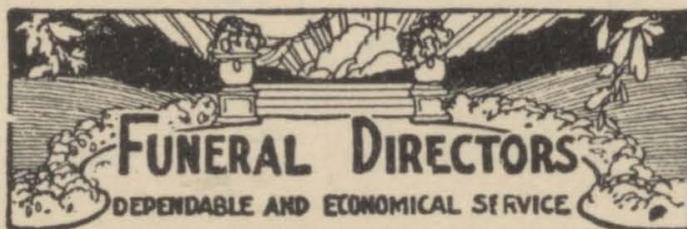
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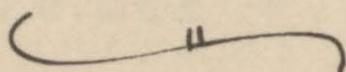
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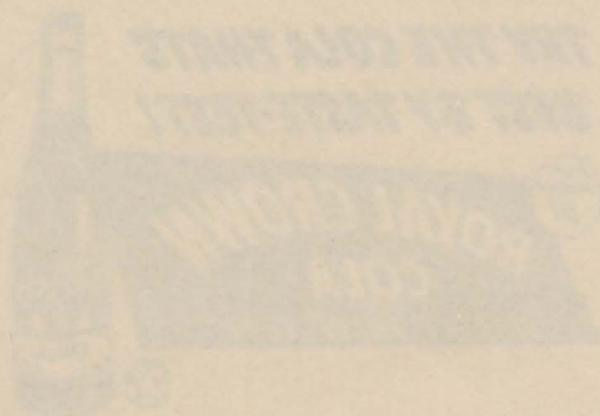
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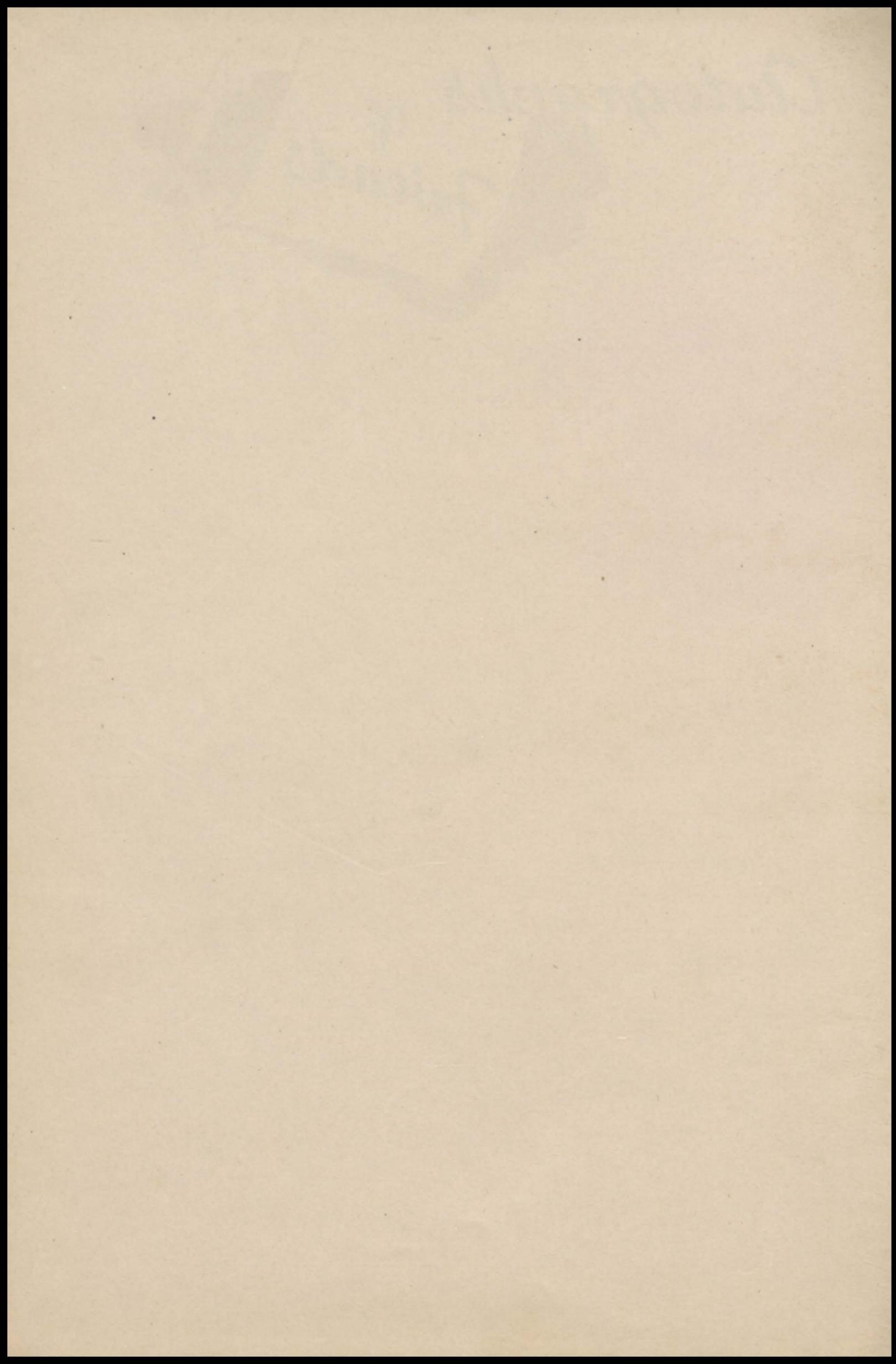
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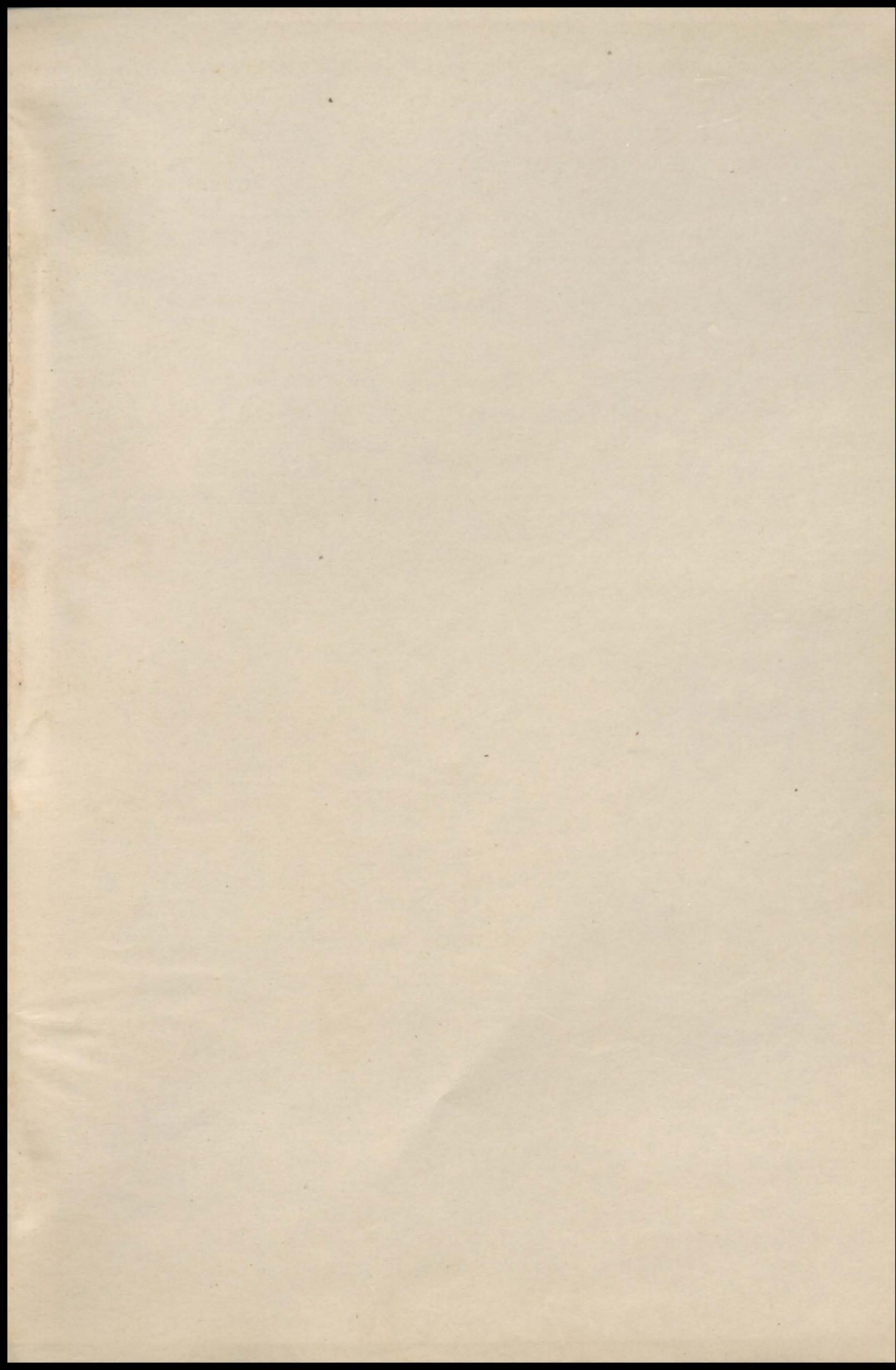
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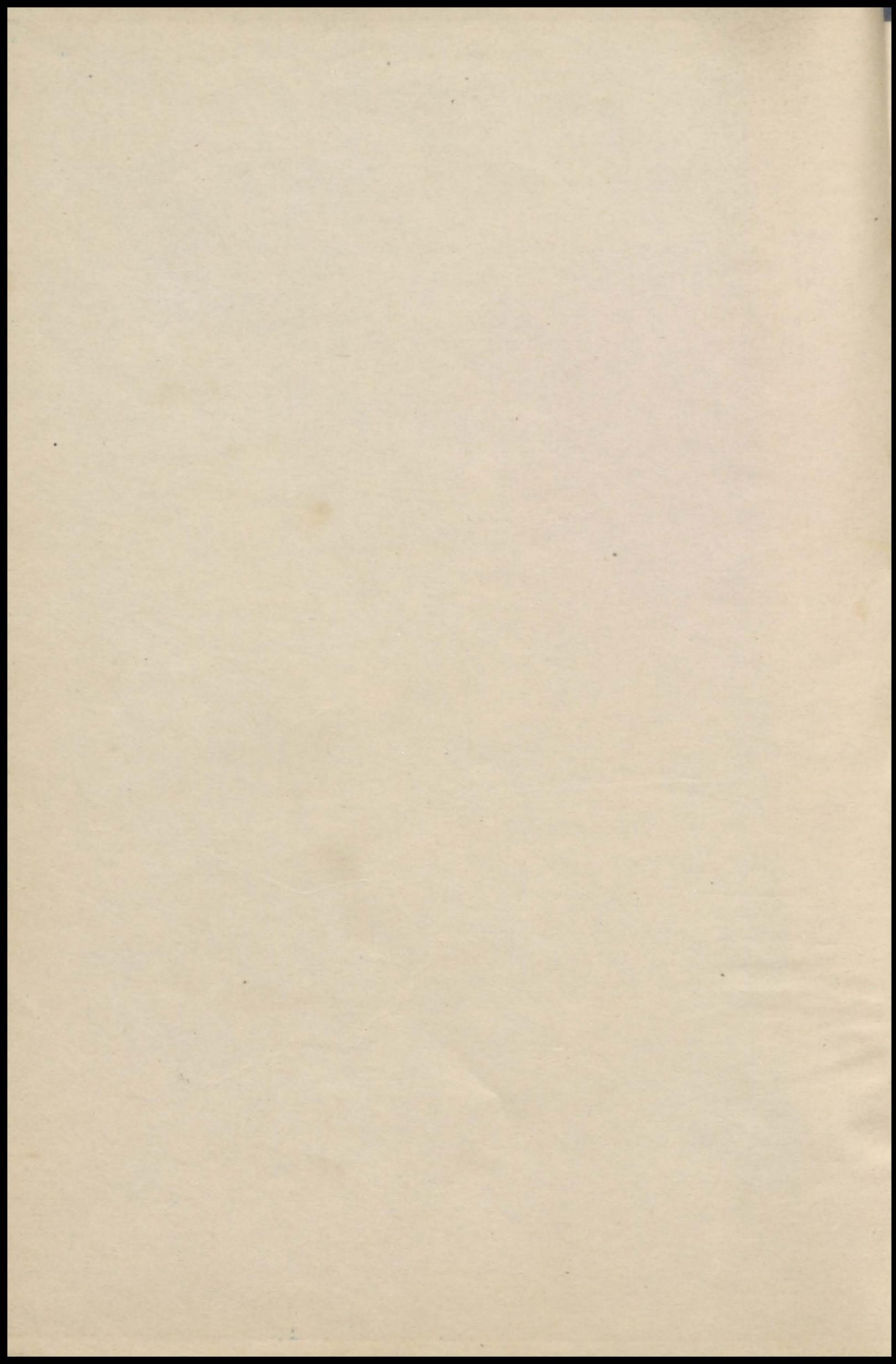
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