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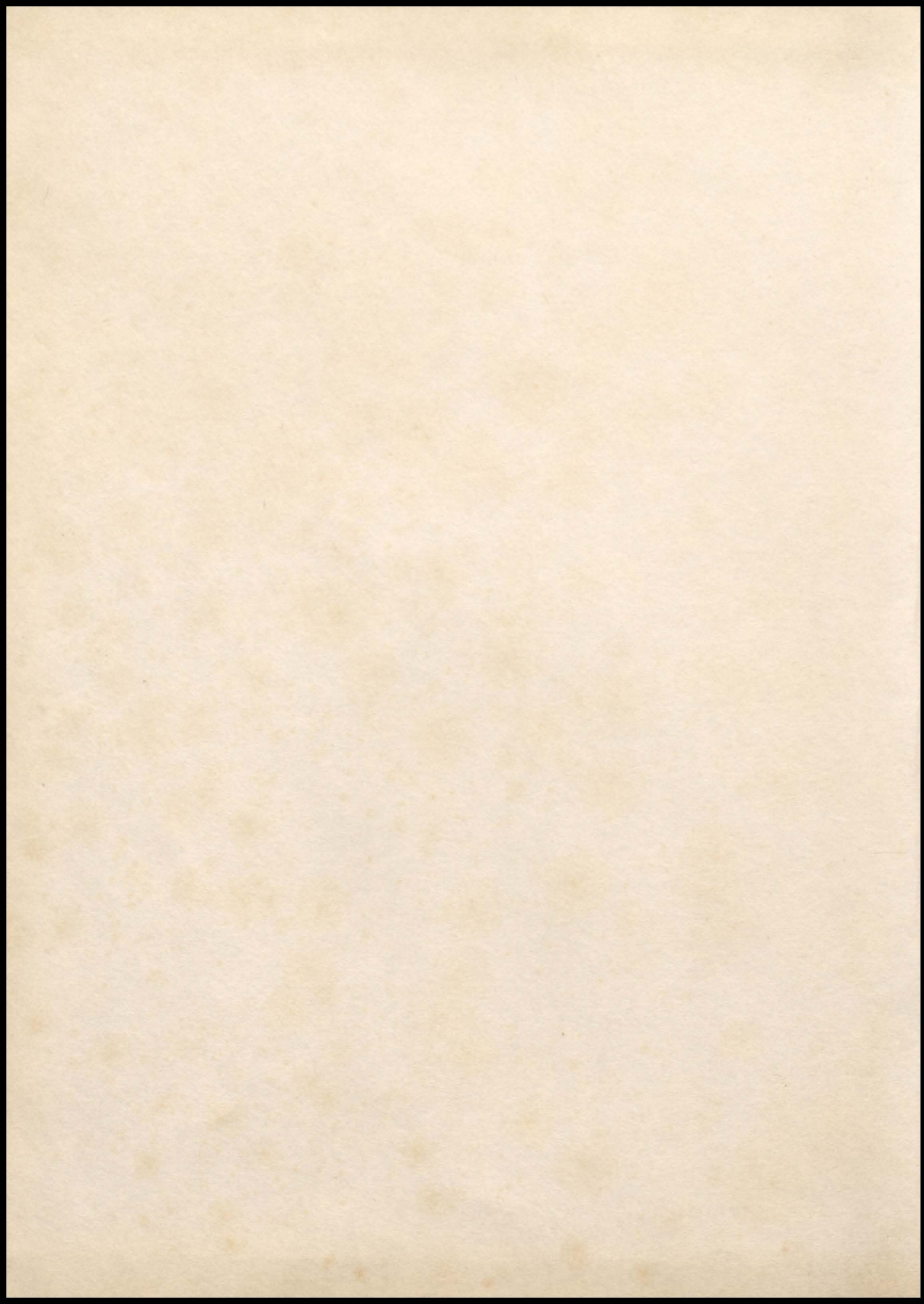




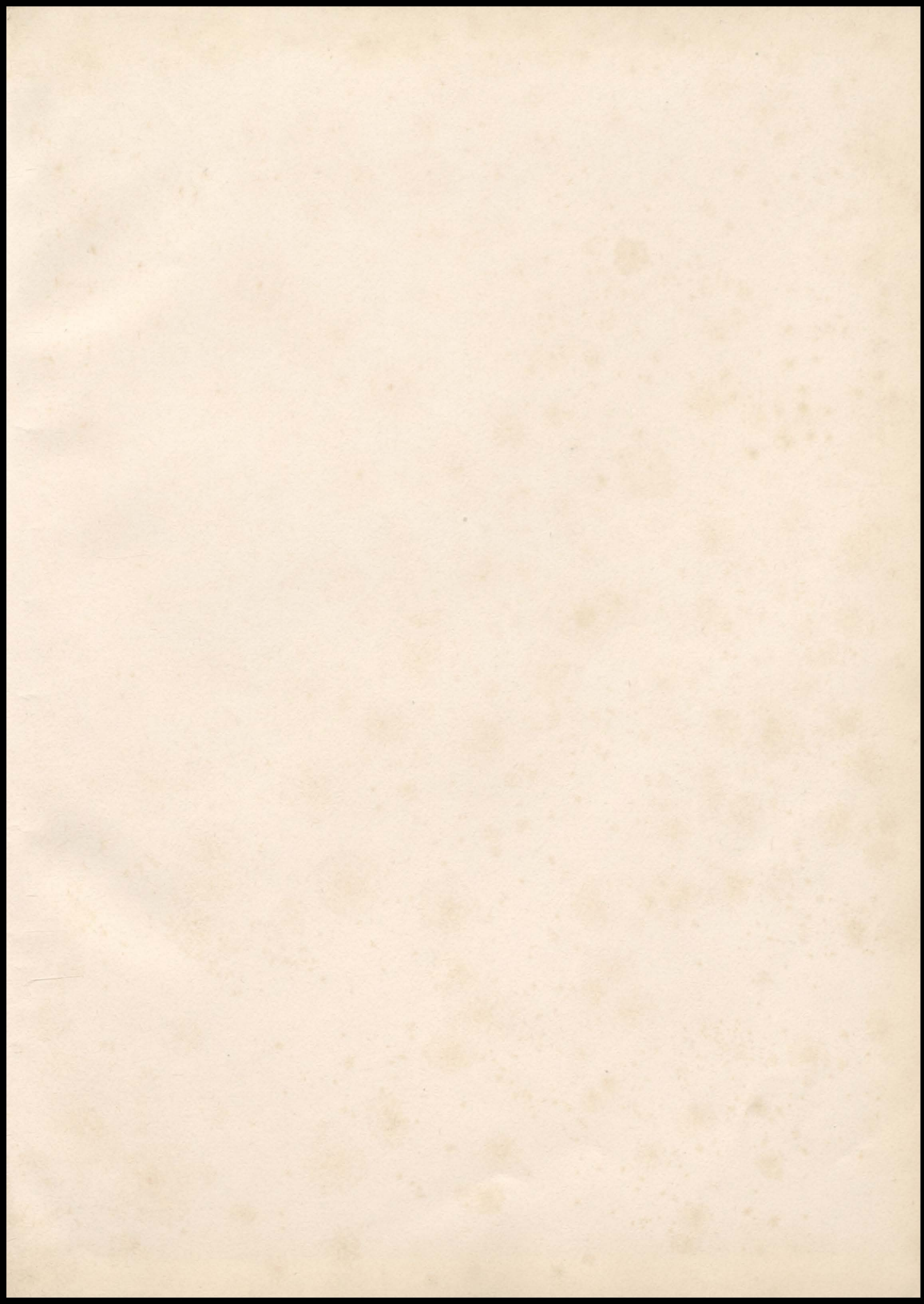




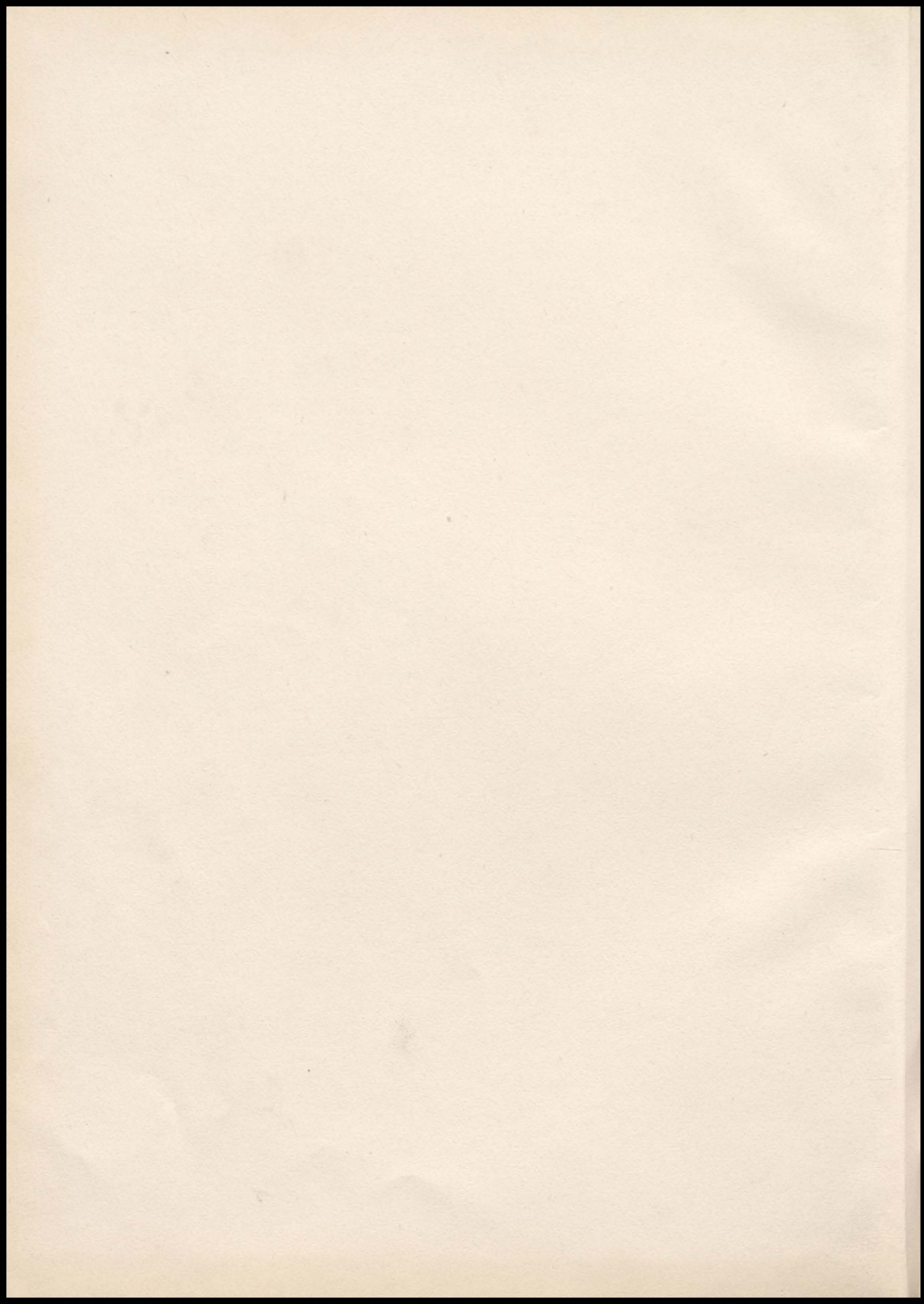




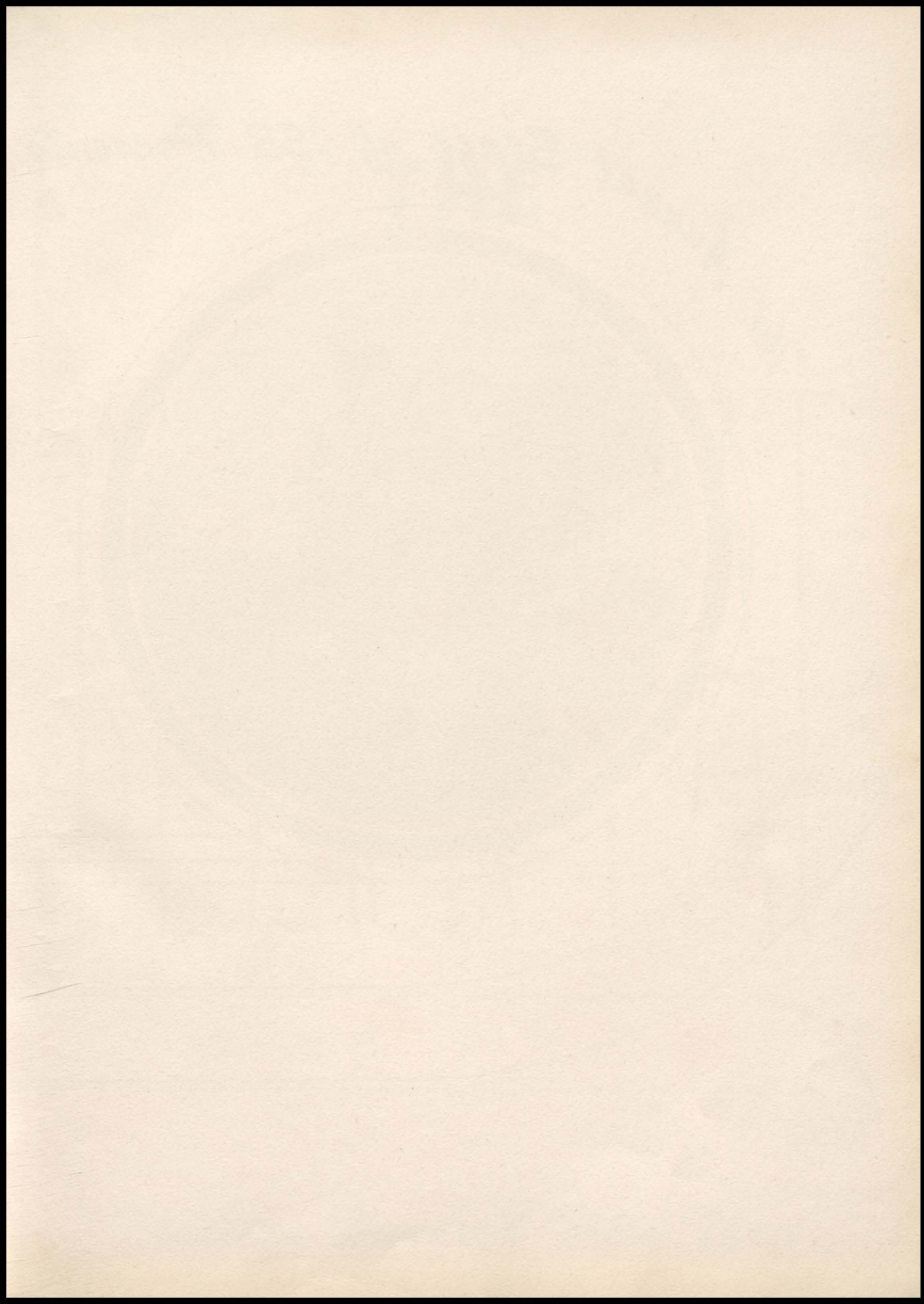














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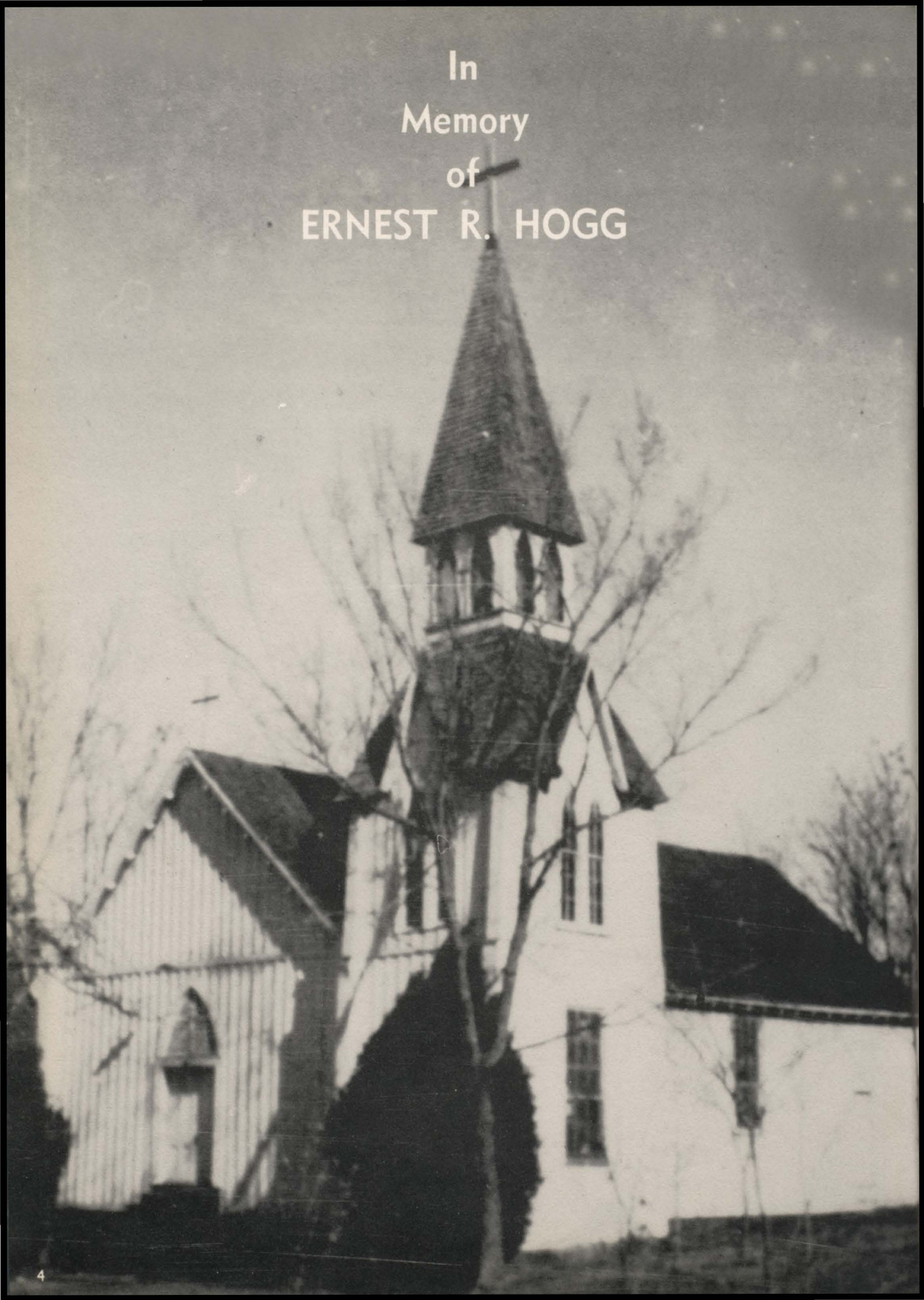
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*Nineteen Hundred Fifty Three*



In  
Memory  
of  
ERNEST R. HOGG





# DEDICATION



To MR. JOHN H. CHERRY,  
our admirable superintendent  
of the Bay City Public Schools,  
we respectfully dedicate  
this yearbook.  
He has done so much for so many.



# FOREWORD



We have endeavored to present in this book not only a complete but a unified chronicle of our school life through the analogy of school life in its various phases to renowned examples of architecture. Our theme, then, is BUILDING; and it is on this foundation that we constructed this book. We chose architectural forms as this binding force for two reasons: School days can logically be considered as the building of a person's character, and in this building process, a student marks off milestones of achievement; these milestones, in turn, bring to mind those qualities expressed by beautiful architecture.

Is not the Lighthouse the essence of reassurance, the symbol of helpfulness?

There must never have been a person who, looking at the Brooklyn Bridge, did not feel with nostalgia the opening up of new worlds, even as knowledge opens new frontiers.

Yet, in a remoter land, the Taj Mahal is great for other qualities. It is a favorite because of its uniqueness of design, its scintillating splendor!

And to us the Parthenon is perhaps the most outstanding—most respected—of all the buildings the world has ever seen.

On to Rome, and we find the Colosseum, sports arena of the ancient world.

Not to forget England, here we picked the House of Parliament as typifying all organized endeavor.

Certainly Versailles and her Palace recall to us all the pleasure-loving age of Louis XIV.

In all the world, which building best conveys the spirit of youth? Our choice is the United Nations Building, not so much because of its freshness and independence—its incomparable boldness—but because this building symbolizes, in a confused world, the naivete of optimistic, fearless youth. And, if we look hopefully to youth for the future of the world, it is only because we trust that their faith shall keep alive the principles upon which the United Nations stand!

Now to Gay Paree again and the exposition structure, the Eiffel Tower, which undisputedly, has been seen through the camera lens of millions of picture takers.

We close our book, finally, back in New York, specifically Radio City, reminiscent as it is of radio's increasing role in modern advertising.

We believe the *raison d'être* of a high school yearbook solely to be that the book is truly representative. So this was our chief goal. We realized, from the beginning, that every good has its bad—every inclusion, an attendant exclusion. We sincerely hope that you like our choices, for it is for you that this book was made.





# CAMPUS



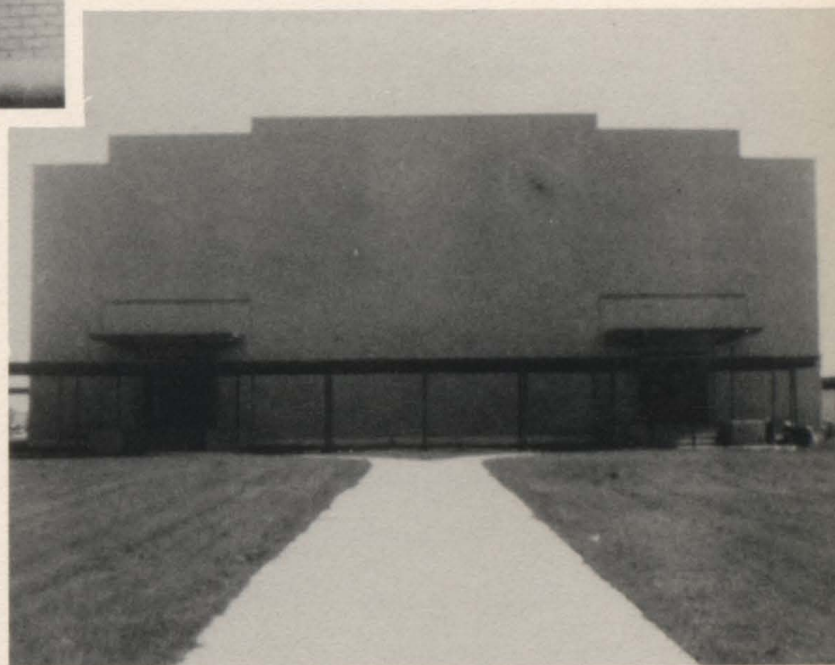
## SCENES



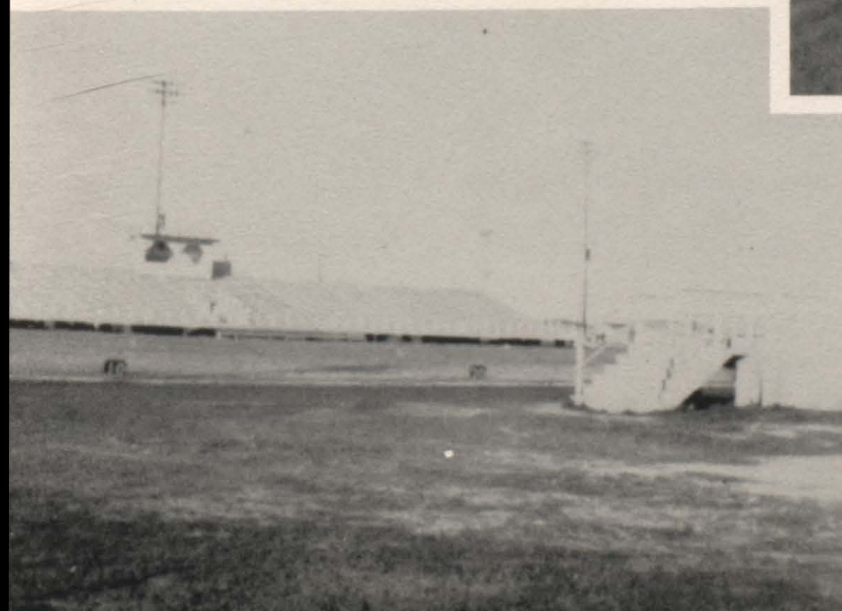
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MEMORIAL STADIUM



# BOARD OF EDUCATION



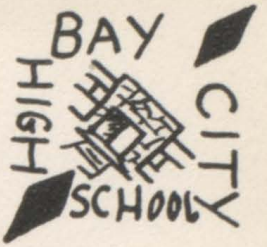
Seated: R. E. Graham, Mrs. Clara Mae Cochran, W. C. Tillman, Mrs. G. P. Hardy, Francis Savage.  
Standing: B. E. Liston, Bert C. Steves, W. O. Salter.

# PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION



Seated: Mrs. H. H. Turner, President; Mrs. Hilma Huitt, Secretary.  
Standing: Mrs. C. E. Carr, First Vice President; Mrs. D. R. Gasaway, Second Vice President; Mrs. R. J. Forrest, Treasurer; Mrs. M. F. Williamson, Third Vice President.  
Not pictured: Mrs. E. E. Broughton, Parliamentarian; Mrs. Paul Rogers, Historian.





PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

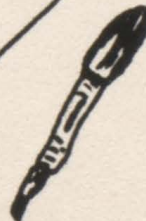
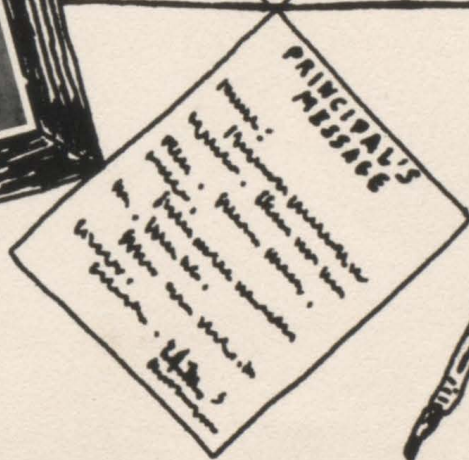
To Those Who Have Passed Through the Portals of Bay City High School:

We, the school, the faculty, and the Black Cat staff, express our deepest appreciation to those who have gone out leaving high ideals, traditions, and those who follow after will dedicate themselves to the perpetuation of these high standards.

It is my hope that the lingering memories of these happy years will give hope and courage to you and yours. May these memories become a spiritual and moral force predominating every day of your life.

It is our heritage that God has so blessed us with, and your desire and mine is that through the foolishness we shall live on in the lives of these our friends.

*Elberk Myers*





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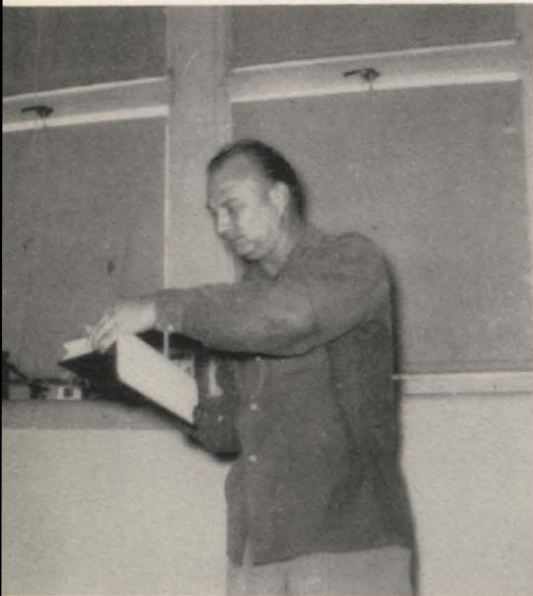


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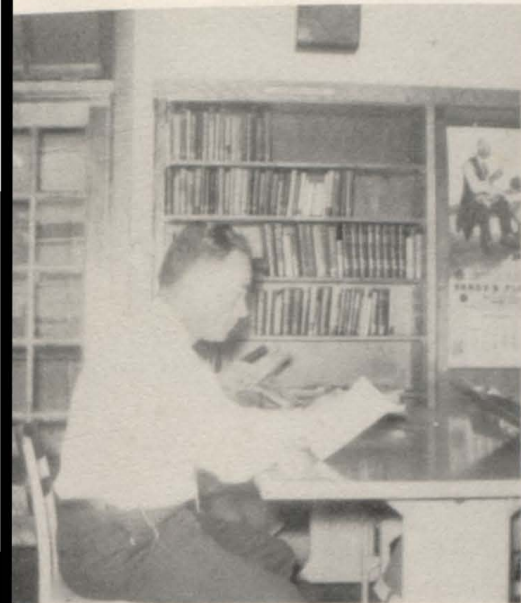


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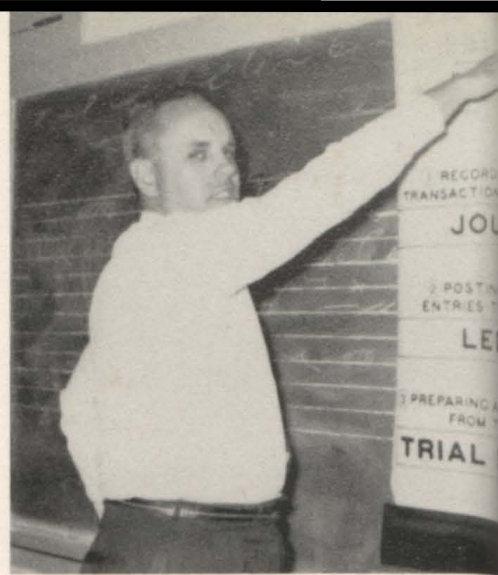
Instructing us in the art of learning; guiding, shaping, and moulding our characters . . . that we may in time assume the responsibilities of citizenship.



DOROTHY PITCHER  
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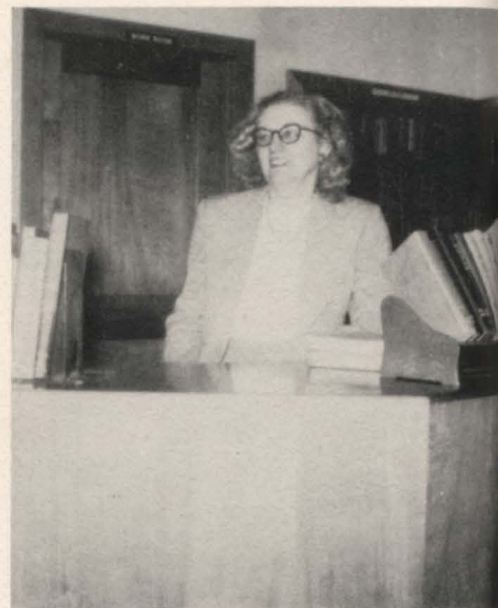
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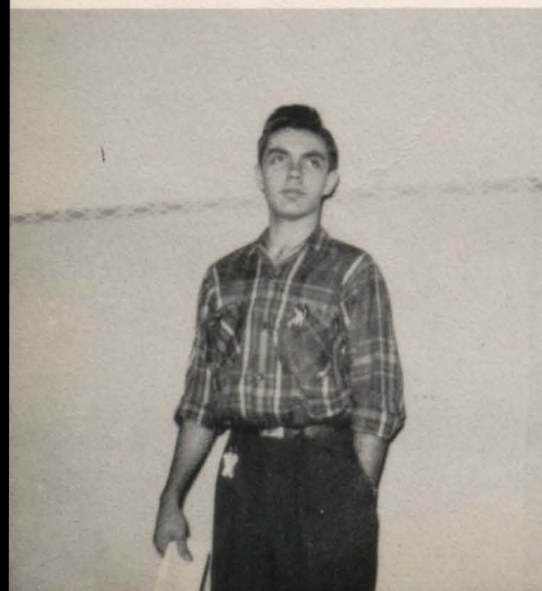
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 B.A. in Library Science,  
 George Peabody.

LUCILLE CHRISTENBERRY



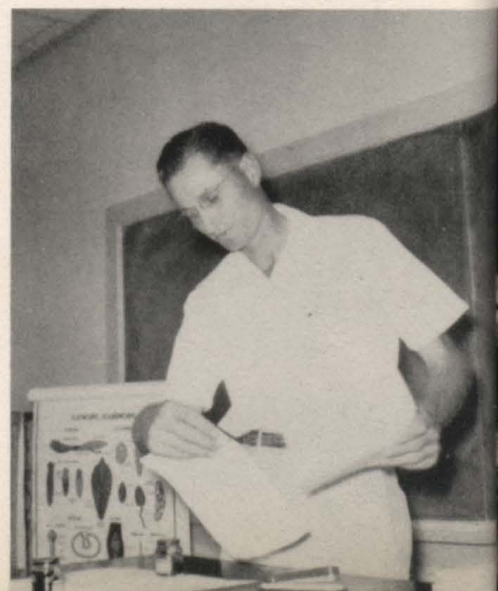
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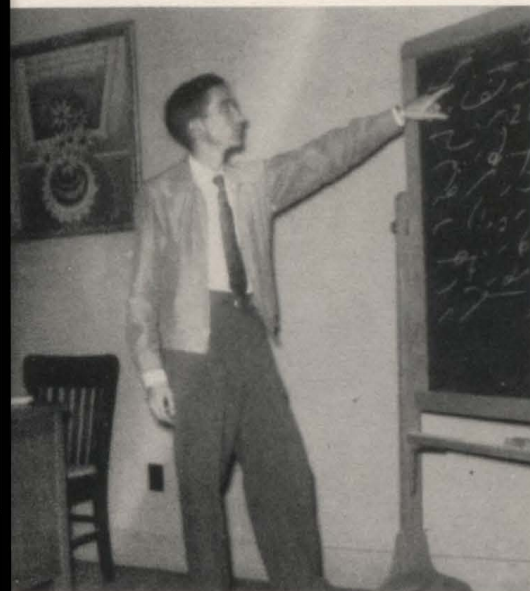
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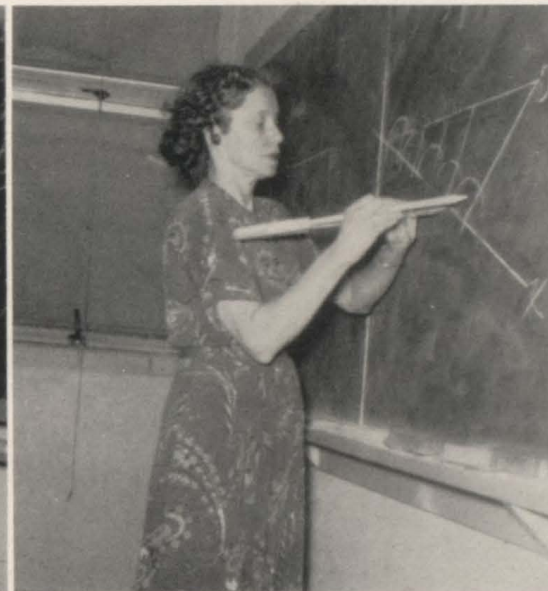
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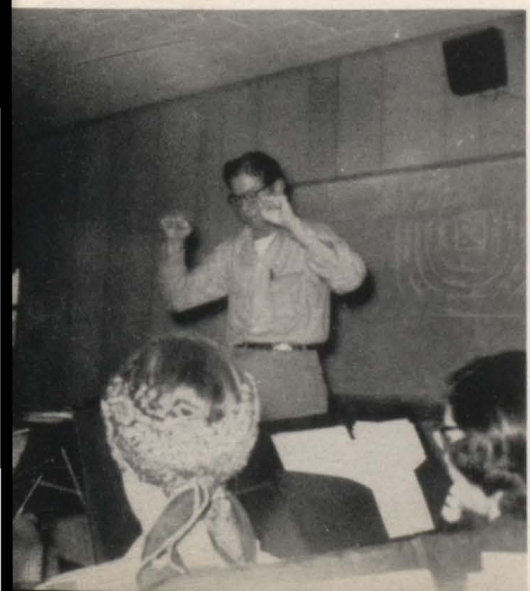
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## THINKING BACK September to December, 1952

"The Old Man and the Sea" by Ernest Hemingway is published . . . "The great problem is to take the straight road down the middle."—General Dwight D. Eisenhower in the 1952 presidential campaign . . . Defense Department reveals the nation's biggest secret military operation since the Normandy invasion—the establishment of a full-scale base for large bombers on Greenland (Thule Air Base). This year-round base, shrouded in secrecy, was referred to as Operation Blue Jay . . . Revised Standard Version of the Bible is presented . . . President Harry S. Truman makes whistle-stop tour to blast Ike . . . Eisenhower's campaign proves the South not quite so solid after all—"Democrats for Ike," "Texans for Eisenhower." . . . The end of polio is in sight at last! . . . Queen Elizabeth presides over her first parliament . . . Three Americans, two Britons, and one Frenchman share the year's Nobel Prizes: Dr. Selman Waksman (Rutgers Univ.)—medicine prize for helping discover streptomycin; Drs. Edward Purcell (Harvard) and Felix Bloch (Stanford)—physics prize for discovering ways to measure magnetic fields in atomic nuclei; Drs. Archer Martin (London) and Richard Synge (Scotland)—chemistry award for inventing a coloring process which identifies minute particles in chemical mixtures; and Francois Mauriac (France)—literature award . . . Arnold Toynbee (*A Study of History*) prophesies that the world will be politically unified within the next 50 years; white minorities will disappear in Africa; and the world in the next century will be transformed by a new religion based on a revolt against technology . . . The end of price controls is talked . . . Deaths: Philip Murray (CIO); William Green (AFL); Dixie Lee Crosby (wife of Bing Crosby) . . . And right here in Bay City, Texas—Construction of the new school buildings is begun.





"Very soon how far and wide various paths shall all divide."

—HORACE

# CLASSES

By EWING GALLOWAY



# SENIORS

## PRESIDENT



## OFFICERS

SCOTT STEWART



Scott Stewart, President; Allan Franz, Vice President; Betty Jo Jackson, Secretary; Bobby Craft, Treasurer; Shirley Mayberry, Business Manager.

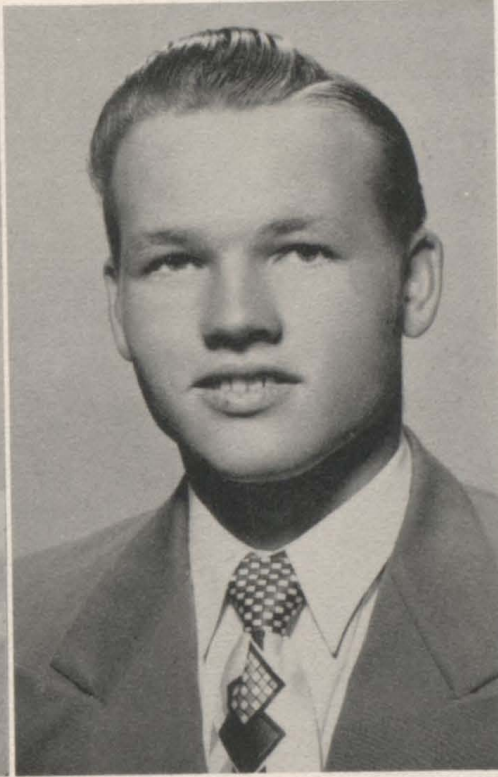


# SENIORS

ANDERSON, IRA

Band 50-53; Vice President Band 53; Buccaneer Band 52; First Division Solo Contest 51-52; Slide Rule Club 53; Science Club 51; Foreign Language Club 53.

ARNOLD, WINONA



BARBER, LURTIS

Science Club and Tennis Club 51; Commercial Club 52; Slide Rule Club 53; Pep Squad and Crafts Club 53.

BARRETT, BUDDY

President Freshman Class; Freshman Favorite; Sophomore Favorite; Choir 50-51; FLC Program Chairman; Football 50-53; Basketball 50-53; Baseball 49-53; Sophomore Who's Who; All-District Football 51-52; All-District Baseball 51-52-53; FLC "Highest-Paid Slave" 51; Junior Class Favorite Runner-Up 51-52; Mr. BCHS 53.

BELASQUEZ, LUCY SILVAS

Pep Squad 49-53; FLC 50-51; Annual Staff Artist 52-53; Commercial Club 50-51.

BIRKNER, ANNA RUTH

FLC 50-53; President FLC 53; Y-Teens 50-53, Cabinet 50-53; Annual Staff 52-53; FHA 52-53; Band 50-53; Band Council 50-53; Assistant Twirler 52; Twirler 53; Junior and Senior OAT; Senior 1-Act Play 53; 40 CT Certificate.





# SENIORS



**BLACKWELL, RUTHE**

FHA 50-51-52-53; Y-Teens 50-51; Science Club 52-53; Pep Squad 50-51-52; Junior OAT.

**CALK, KATHERINE**

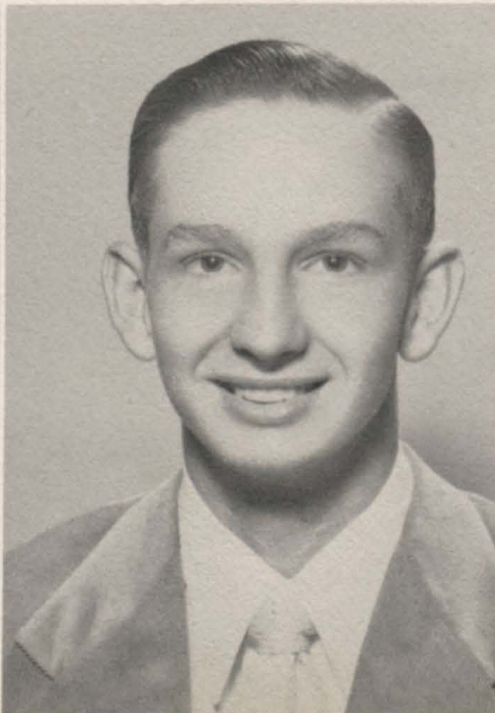
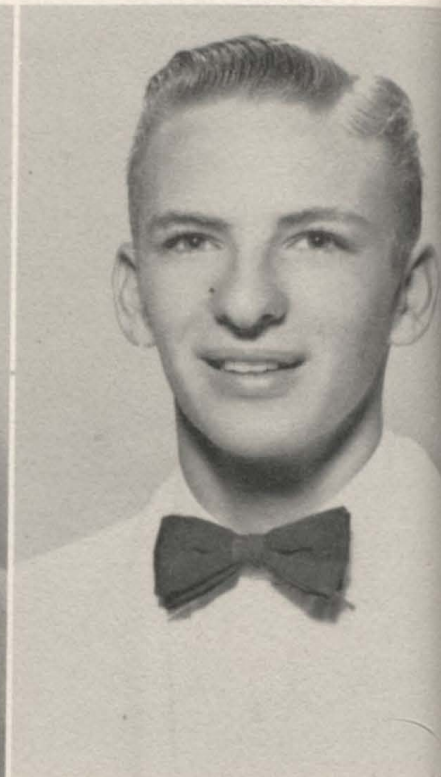
Pep Squad 50; FHA 50-51; Choral Club 50; Volleyball 50; Basketball 51; Science Club 53; Junior and Senior OAT; 30 CT Certificate.

**CARTWRIGHT, TRAVIS**

Science Club 49-50; FFA 50-53, Greenhand President 50-51, President 51-52, District Secretary 51-52, Treasurer 52-53.

**CASHION, JIMMY**

Track 50-53; Basketball 52-53; FFA 50-53; Junior Secretary, Vice President, District Vice President; FFA Basketball Team; Foreign Language Club 51-52; Science Club 49-51; Commercial Club 50-51; Tennis Club 49-51; High School State Swimming Meet at A&M 53.



**CHAPPELL, JENNIE JO**

Transfer—Columbia Falls, Montana; Majorette 50-51-52; Choir 50-51-52; Pep Squad 51-52; Junior Class Play 52; Junior and Senior OAT; 40 CT.

**CLARK, JERRY**

Band 50-51; Choir 51-52-53; Choir President 53; Choir Council 52-53; Student Council 51-52-53; Cat's Tale 53; Football 52-53; Basketball 52-53; Tennis 52; Baseball 53; Science Club 50-51-52; Commercial Club 51-52; Senior 1-Act Play 53.



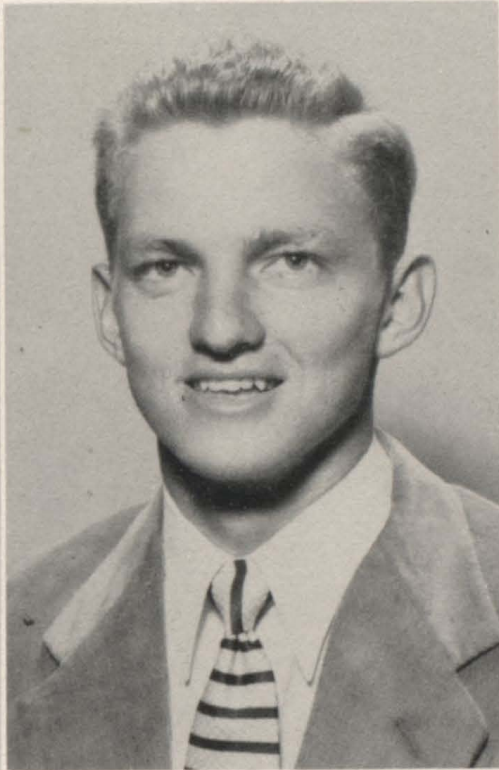
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## COGBURN, BILLY RAY

Track 51-52-53; FLC 52; Basketball 53; Tennis 51; Science Club 52; Baseball 53; 1-Act Play 53.

## CONERLY, VIRGINIA

Miss BCHS 53; 60 CT Certificate; Junior OAT; Who's Who Runner-Up 52; Interscholastic League Regional 4th Place 52; Y-Teens 52-53, Secretary 53; FLC 52-53; Pep Squad 52-53; Cat's Tale Staff 52-53; Annual Staff 53; Homecoming Queen 52; A Cappella Choir 52-53, Historian 53; Ten Most Beautiful Girls 53; Nacogdoches: Annual Staff 50; Cheerleader 50; Student Council 51; FLC President 50-51; Homeroom Officer 50-51; Choir 51, Secretary; Drama Club 50.



## CONNER, BETTY JO

Y-Teens 50; FHA 50; Pep Squad 50; Cat's Tale 53; Junior and Senior OAT.

## CRAFT, BOBBY

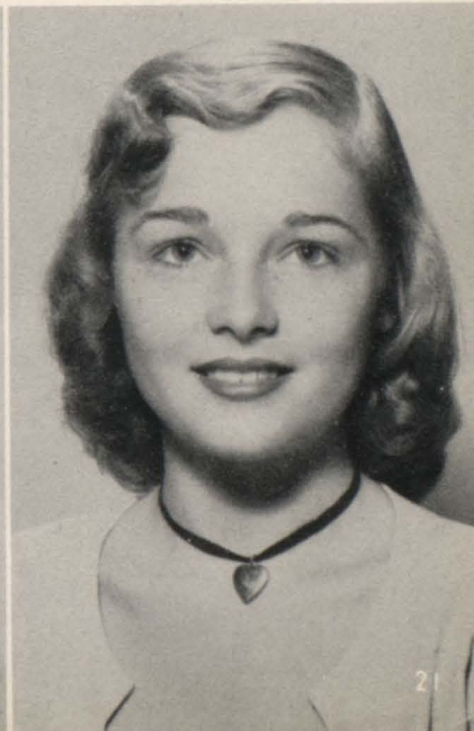
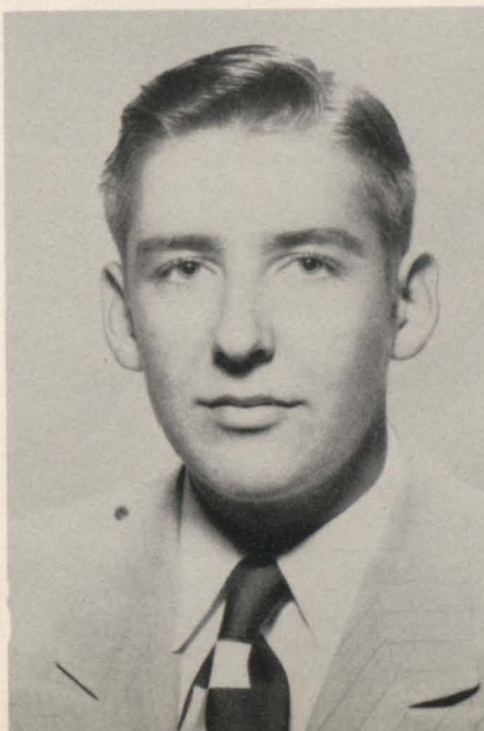
Football 51-53; Basketball 51-52-53; Track 51; Baseball 52-53; Choir 52-53; Science Club 50; All-District Football 53; President Sophomore Class 51; Treasurer Senior Class 53; Commercial Club 52; Senior Class Favorite 53.

## CROW, ALLEN RAY

Commercial Club 51-52; Football 51-53; Basketball 51-53; Baseball 51-53; Science Club 50.

## DAVENPORT, VANITA

Freshman Favorite 50; Vice President Freshman Class; Student Council 50; FFA Sweetheart 50; FHA Queen 50; Sophomore Who's Who; Y-Teen Cabinet 50-53; FLC Vice President 52; Junior Favorite Runner-Up; Lionette; Senior 1-Act Play; Ten Most Beautiful Girls 53; A Cappella Choir Treasurer 53; Band and Band Council 50-51-52-53; "Dixie Landers" 52-53; Rice Festival 52-53; Homecoming Queen Candidate 53; Junior OAT; Houston Press Valentine Sweetheart (over 800 entries).





# SENIORS

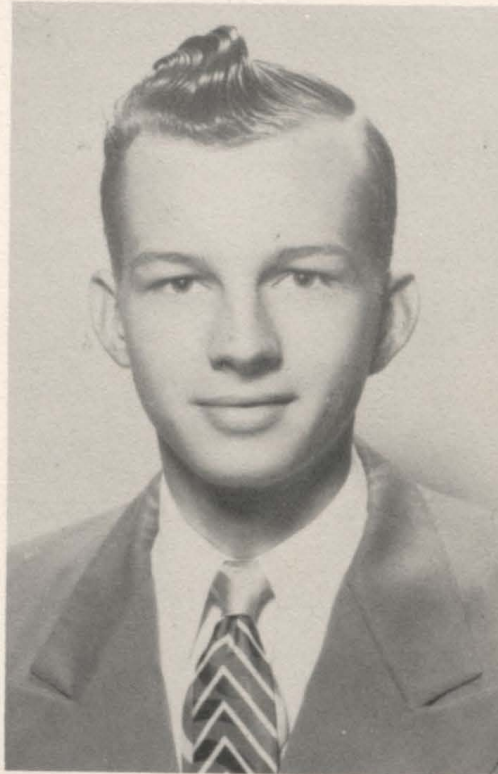
DILLEY, BETTY

DILLEY, TOMMY  
Basketball 48-50; FFA 51-52-53.



DORNAK, FRED  
Civil Air Patrol 52.

EDMONSON, RALPH  
Choir 51-53; Choir Council 53; Science Club  
50-53; FLC 51.



ELKINS, ANN

Pep Squad 50-53; Choral Club 50; A Cappella  
Choir 51-53; FHA 51-53, Parliamentarian 53;  
Y-Teens 51-53; Secretary Junior Y-Teens 51;  
Vice President Senior Y-Teens 53, Representative  
52; President Junior Class 52; Who's Who Runner-  
Up 51; Who's Who 52; Annual Staff 52-53, As-  
sistant Class Editor 53; FLC 51-53.

ERIXON, LENORE

FLC 52-53; Science Club 51-52-53; Pep Squad  
50, 51, 52, 53; Y-Teens 50.





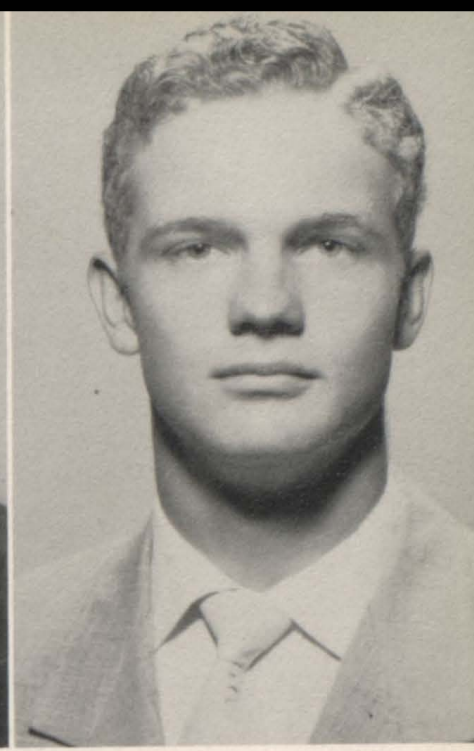
# SENIORS

## FIKES, LOUISE

Y-Teens 50-51-52-53, Devotional Chairman 50; Blue Triangle President 51, Social Service 53; Y-Teens Rep. 51-52; FHA 50-53; FHA Reporter 52; FHA Treasurer 53; Freshman Class Favorite Runner-Up; Sophomore Class Favorite; Junior Class Vice President; Student Council 53; Treasurer Student Council 53; Pep Squad 50-53; Assistant Cheerleader 53; Annual Staff 53; Homecoming Queen Nominee 50-53; Junior OAT; Senior Class Favorite.

## FINCH, RAY NOBLE

Most Dependable Boy 53; Who's Who 51-52; Freshman Favorite Runner-Up; Baseball 50-51-52-53; Band 50-51-52-53; Science Club 50; Junior High Football and Basketball 50; Vice President Sophomore Class; Football 51-52-53; B Basketball 51; Basketball 52; Student Council 51-52-53; Slide Rule Club 53; Band President 53.



## FONDON, JIM RAY

Football 51-53; Track 51-53; FFA 50-53, Sentinel 51; Commercial Club 52; Choir 52-53; Vice President Choir 53; Junior Class Favorite; Who's Who Runner-Up 52; Boys' State Runner-Up 52; Baseball 52-53; Most Handsome Boy 53.

## FOOTE, BARBARA

Transferred from Houston; Pep Squad 52-53; Y-Teens 52-53; FLC 53, Vice President; Cat's Tale 53, Exchange Editor; Junior OAT Certificate.



## FORREST, ROY

Science Club 49-51; CAP 51-52; FLC; Handicrafts Club 52-53.

## FRANZ, ALLAN

Football 52-53; Baseball 51; Vice President Senior Class; Commercial Club 50-51; FLC 51-52; Science Club 50-53; Band 50-53; Slide Rule Club 53; Cat's Tale Staff 53.





# SENIORS

GARCIA, GLORIA

Pep Squad 50-53; FLC 52-53; FHA 52; 30 CT Certificate.

GARRISON, ROY



GUFFEY, BETTY

30 CT Certificate; At Smithville, Texas: Band 50; Drill Squad 50-52; Drill Squad Major 52; FHA Club 50-52; Library Club 51-52.

HAGAMAN, ALICE

FLC 51-52-53; Science Club 51-52-53; FHA 52-53.

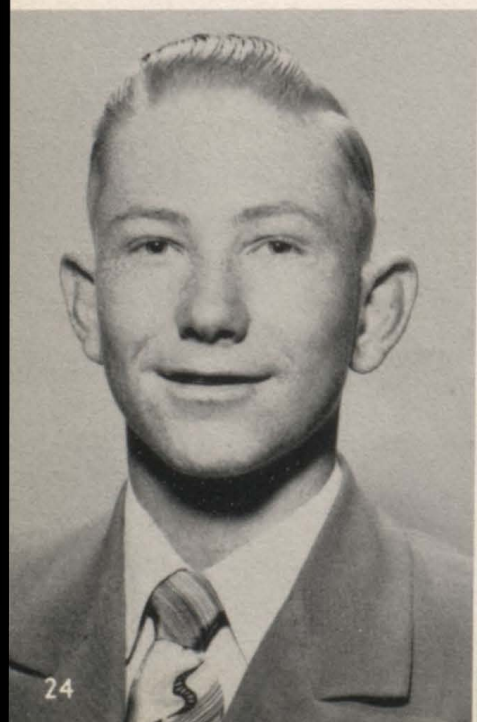


HARRIS, JIM

All-District Baseball 52; Football 51; Baseball 51-52-53; Basketball 51-52-53; Science Club 51; FLC 51-52-53; Sergeant-at-Arms FLC 52.

HART, GAYLE

Band 50-53; Twirler 52-53; Y-Teens 50-53; FLC 50-53; FHA 52-53; Senior 1-Act Play; Junior and Senior OAT; 40 CT Certificate.





# SENIORS

## HEARN, CHARLES

Football 51-52-53; Track 52; FLC 50-51; 1-Act Play 53; Choral Club 52-53.

## HENDERSON, JACKIE

Science Club 49-50; Sgt.-at-Arms Science Club 50-51; Band 49-53; Band Rep. 52-53; Band Council 52-53; FLC 51-52-53; Commercial Club 50-51; Aeolian Choir 51-52; A Cappella Choir 52-53; Choir Council 52-53; 1-Act Play 52-53; Senior Committee 52-53; Annual Staff 52-53; Tennis 50-51; School Orchestra 51-52; Choir Section Chairman; Camera Club 49-50.



## HOLLOWAY, JO ANN

Science Club 51-53; Commercial Club 51-52; Cat's Tale, Society Editor 53; A Cappella Choir 51-52-53; Choral Club 50; 30 CT; Junior and Senior OAT.

## HUGHES, JOYCE

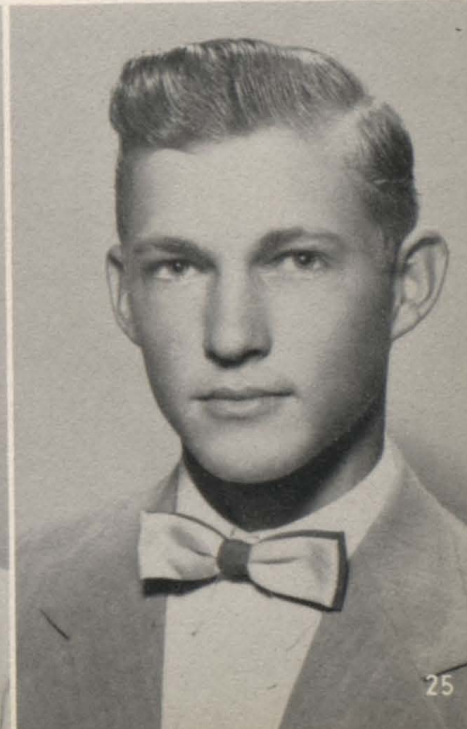
A Cappella Choir 51-53; Choir Rep. 53; Pep Squad 51-53; Assistant Cheerleader 53; Girls' Basketball Team 53; Girls' Volleyball Team 51-53; Annual Staff Typist 53; Cat's Tale Staff 52; Junior and Senior OAT; Senior 1-Act Play; Choir Secretary Chairman 53; Choral Club 50; Freshman Play 50; Track Relay Sophomore Queen Nominee; 60 CT Certificate.

## JACKSON, BETTYE JO

FHA 50; FHA Songleader 50; Band 50-51-52-53; Band Secretary 53; Secretary Junior Class; Secretary Senior Class; Secretary Band 53; Junior and Senior OAT; 40 CT.

## JUREK, JIMMY

Football 49; Baseball 49; Science Club.



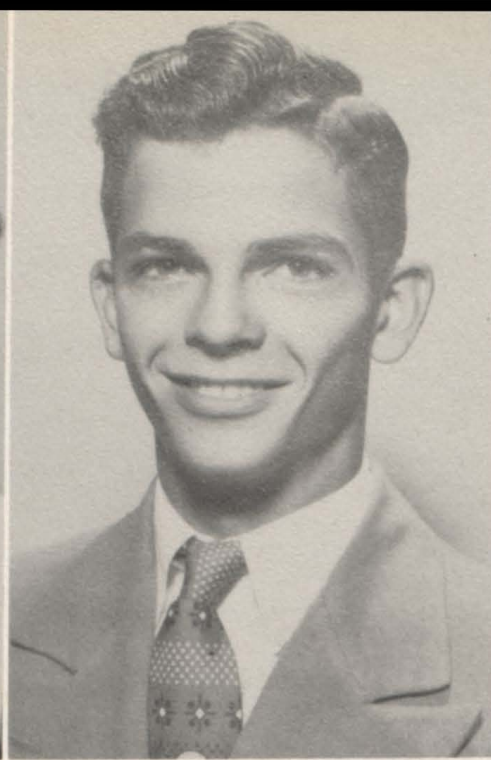


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KELLER, KERRY

Most Handsome Boy Runner-Up 53.

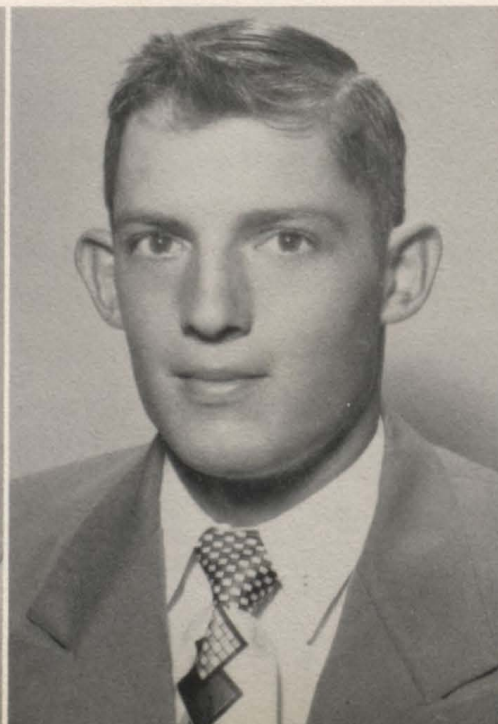


KNOTT, JOAN

Pep Squad 50-51-52-53; FHA 50-51-52-53; Basketball 52; Annual Staff 53; Cat's Tale 53; Commercial Club 50-51; Junior and Senior OAT; 40 CT Certificate.

LANE, BARBARA

FLC 50-51-52-53; Y-Teens Cabinet; Vice President Blue Triangle 51, Sgt.-at-Arms 52, President 53; FHA 52-53; Band 50-53; Twirler 51-52; Drum Major 53; Band Council 53; Reporter Senior Class; Commercial Club 50-51; Y-Teens Rep. 52; Who's Who Runner-Up 51; Junior and Senior OAT; Homecoming Queen Nominee 53; Rice Festival Queen Contestant 53; Senior 1-Act Plays; 30 CT Certificate; Most Dependable Girl 53; Ten Most Beautiful Girls 53.



LANKARD, MOSELLE

Pep Squad 49-53; Assistant Cheerleader 51-52; Cheerleader 52-53; Y-Teens 49-53, Cabinet 52-53; FLC 50-53, Council 51-53; A Cappella Choir 50-53, Council 51-53; Choral Club 49-50; Annual Staff 51-53; Commercial Club 51-52; Who's Who 52; Junior Class Reporter 51-52.

LEE, PIER

Football 49-50-51-52-53; Basketball 49-50; Track 51-52-53; Baseball 49-50; Choir 52-53; FFA 51-52-53.



# SENIORS

## MCKELVY, MERIDETH

Editor Cat's Tale 53; Assistant Editor and Manager Cat's Tale 52; Who's Who 52; Y-Teens 50-53, Cabinet 51; Blue Triangle Treasurer 51; FHA 50-53, Photographer 52-53; Manager Girls' Basketball 52; Volleyball 52; Pep Squad 50-53; FLC 52-53; Quill and Scroll 52-53; Student Council 51.

## MANOFSKY, DOROTHY

Science Club 52; FHA 50-53; Scrapbook 50, Vice President 52, President 53, Area III, 2nd Vice President 53; FHA State Delegate 52, Junior and Chap. Degree of Achievement; Student Council 51-53, Secretary 53; FLC 52-53, General Committee 53; Pep Squad 50-52; Interscholastic Typing 51; Who's Who Runner-Up 52; Homecoming Nominee 53; Commercial Club 50-51.



## MAYBERRY, SHIRLEY

Y-Teens 50-51-52-53, Cabinet 52-53, Devotional 52, Program Chairman 53; Commercial Club 51; Annual Staff 52-53; Choral 51; A Cappella 51-52-53, Secretary 52-53; Band 51-52-53; Junior Class Favorite; Lionette; Senior Class 1-Act Plays; Senior Class Officer; Rice Festival Queen Contestant 51-53, Duchess 53; Homecoming Queen Nominee 51; Junior and Senior OAT; 30 CT Certificate; Ten Most Beautiful Girls 53.

## MEADOR, MINNIE

Pep Squad 50-51-52-53; FHA 51-52-53; Basketball 53; Cat's Tale Staff; Commercial Club 50; Junior OAT Certificate; 40 CT Certificate.

## MENDIOLA, KATY

Pep Squad 49-51; FLC 50-52.

## MENDIOLA, PAULINE

Pep Squad 49-52; FLC 49-53.





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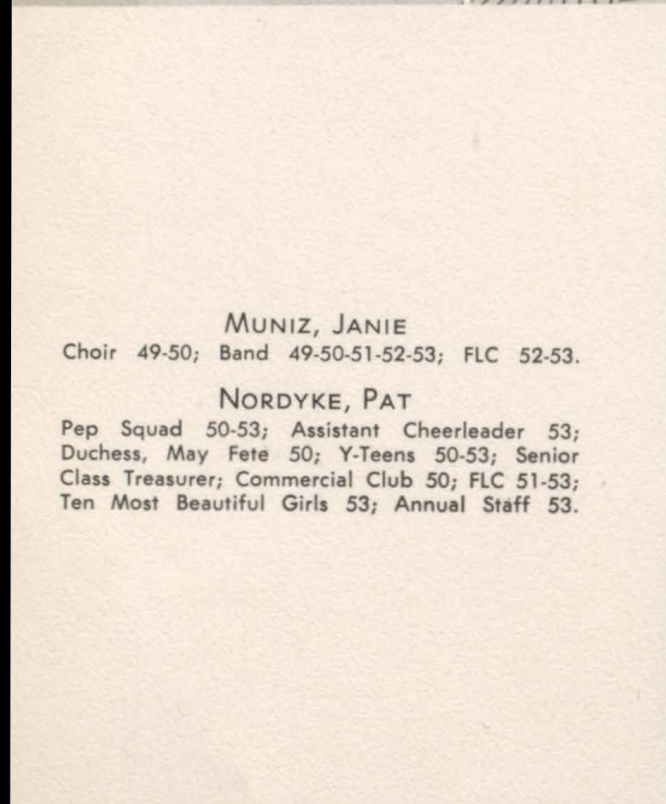


MORRIS, BOBBY

Football 51-53; Track 53; FFA 50-51; 50 CT Certificate.

MOTE, WINNIE

FHA Club 50-53; Pep Squad 50-53; Choral Club 50; Commercial Club 50-51; Basketball 52.



MUNIZ, JANIE

Choir 49-50; Band 49-50-51-52-53; FLC 52-53.

NORDYKE, PAT

Pep Squad 50-53; Assistant Cheerleader 53; Duchess, May Fete 50; Y-Teens 50-53; Senior Class Treasurer; Commercial Club 50; FLC 51-53; Ten Most Beautiful Girls 53; Annual Staff 53.



PALENBERG, HORST

Science Club President 53; FHA Chap. Beau 53; FLC 53; 1-Act Play 53; Senior Committee; Tennis 53.

PALMER, LUETTA

FHA 51-52; Band 52-53; Pep Squad 50-51.





# SENIORS

## PRUITT, HENRY

Photography Club 50-51; Slide Rule Club 49-50; FFA 49-52; Cat's Tale 51-52; Junior and Senior OAT; 40 CT Certificate.

## REED, JOE

Track 51-52-53; Basketball 51-52-53; Baseball 52-53; FLC 52.



## RICHERS, REGINA

FHA Club 50-51; Pep Squad 50-51.

## RICHERS, SHERWOOD

Science Club 50-52; Commercial Club 50-52; Baseball 51-52; Parliamentarian Science Club 53; Slide Rule Club 53.

## ROBERSON, CLAUDIE

Junior and Senior OAT; 30 CT Certificate; FHA 51-52; Science Club 51-52; Pep Squad 51.

## ROBERTSON, EUDORA

Band 50-51-52-53; Choral Club 50; FHA 50-51-52; Senior Plays 53; Junior and Senior OAT; 30 CT Certificate.



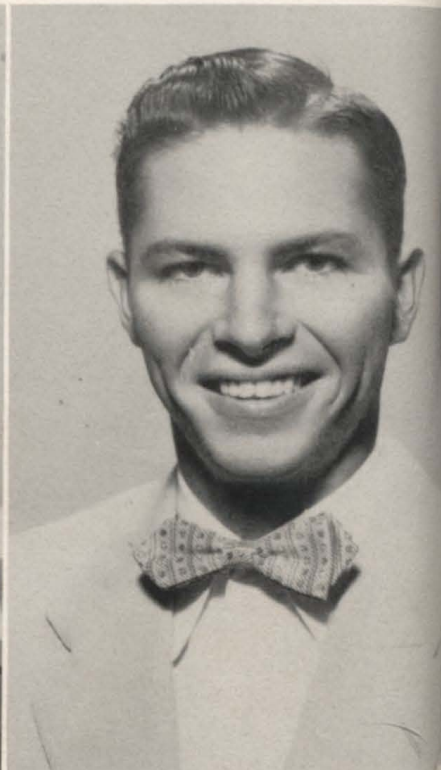


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**ROCHA, DIANA**  
 FLC 49-50-51-52-53; Pep Squad 49-50-51-52-53;  
 Commercial Club 50-51; Choir 52-53.

**RODRIGUEZ, DELFINA**  
 Pep Squad 49-52; Choir 49-50; FLC 50-52.



**RYMAN, FRANCES**  
 FHA 50-53; Pep Squad 50-51; Science Club 51-53; Aeolian Choir 51; Commercial Club 53.

**SAVAGE, GALEN**  
 FFA 50; FFA Vice President 51; FFA Vice President 52; A Cappella Choir 52-53; Science Club 53; Tennis Club 51; CAP 52-53.



**SCOTT, GENE**  
 Choral Club 50; FFA 52 and 53, Junior Treasurer and Senior Rep.; Who's Who 50; FLC 50, 51, 52, 53, Program Chairman 53; Student Council 52-53; Reporter, Cat's Tale 52; Senior 1-Act Plays 53; A Cappella 53; Arts and Crafts Club 53; Science Club 52.

**SCOTT, JAMES**  
 FFA 50-52, Secretary 51; Band 50-53; Choral Club 50; Choir 51-53; Boys' Quartet 52; "Dixie Landers" 52-53; 1-Act Play 53; Slide Rule Club 53.



# SENIORS

## SMITH, EARLENE

Basketball 51-52; 4-H Club 49-50-51-52; Commercial Club 49; 1-Act Play 53; Pep Squad 49-50-51-52; Volleyball 49-52.

## SMITH, GENE

FLC 49-50; FLC Reporter 52-53; Cat's Tale Staff; Annual Staff; Senior 1-Act Play 53; Junior and Senior OAT; 40 CT Certificate.



## SONNIER, LOIS

Y-Teens 50; FHA 50-51-52-53; Pep Squad 50-51-52; Science Club 52-53; Homecoming Queen Runner-Up 52; Junior and Senior OAT; 30 CT.

## STEWART, SCOTT

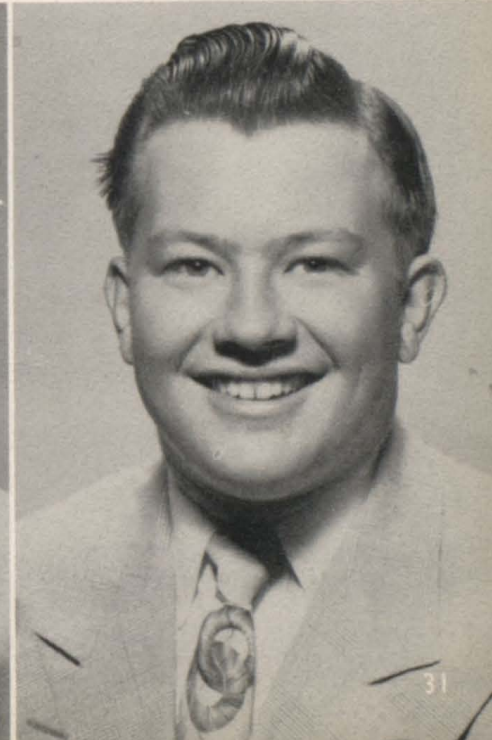
Football 51-53; Baseball 52-53; Treasurer Freshman Class 50; President Senior Class 53; Student Council 52-53; FLC 51-53; Science Club 50-52; Commercial Club 51; Slide Rule Club 53; 1-Act Plays 53.

## SUMNERS, JACK

Football 50-52; A Cappella Choir 50-53; Commercial Club 49.

## SUMP, LADELL

A Cappella Choir 51-52-53; Science Club 50; Football 51-52-53; Basketball 51; Cat's Tale Staff 53; 1-Act Play 53.





# SENIORS

**SWANSEY, ELSIE**

Pep Squad 50-51; Science Club 50-52; FLC 50; FHA 52-53; Commercial Club 51-52; Junior and Senior OAT.

**SWINFORD, PATSY**

Pep Squad; Cat's Tale Staff; Secretary Science Club; Commercial Club; FFA Club.

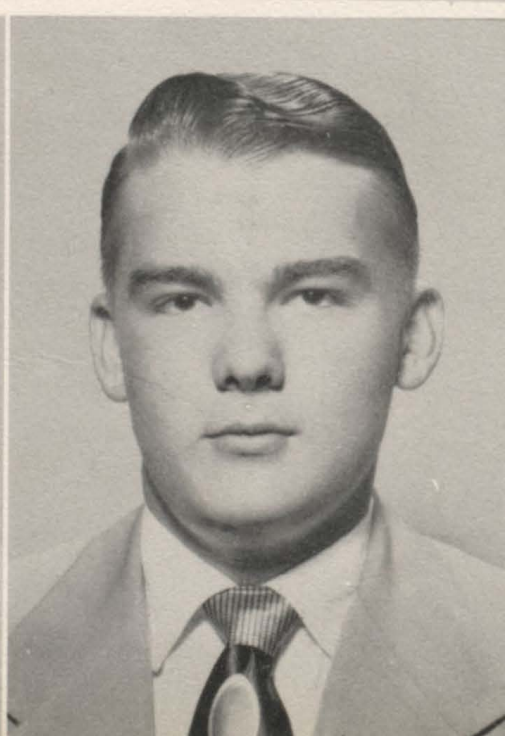


**TAYLOR, VERNIE LEE**

Commercial Club 50; Choral 50; FHA 51-53; Pep Squad 50-53; Science Club 51-52.

**TENBERG, HARVEY**

Science Club.



**TEUTSCH, CHARLES**

Tennis Club 51; President Arts and Crafts Club 52; Student Council 52; Science Club 52; A Cappella Choir 53; 30 CT Certificate.

**TURNER, BOBBY**

Football 51-52-53; Baseball 51-52-53; A Cappella Choir 52-53; FLC 50-51; Science Club 50-51-52-53.



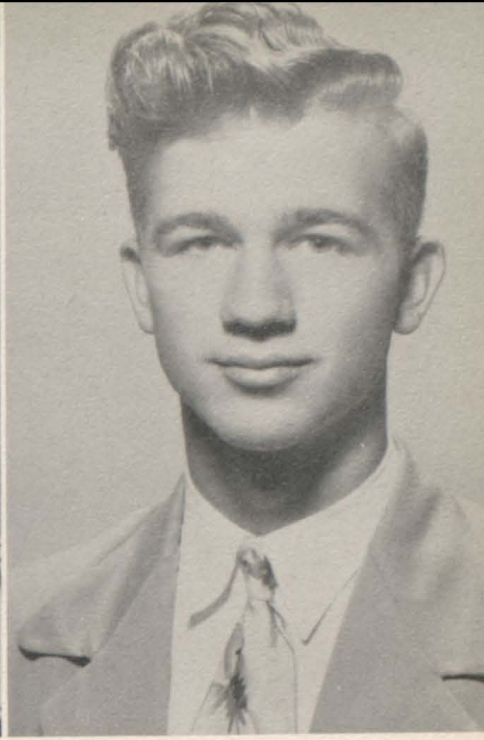
# SENIORS

## VICTERY, ALMA DELL

Y-Teens 50-51; FHA 50-51-52-53, Secretary 53; FLC 51-52-53; Pep Squad 50-51; Treasurer Sophomore Class; FFA Sweetheart 50; Assistant Annual Editor 52; Annual Editor 53; Cat's Tale Staff 53; Junior FHA Achievement Degree 51; Chap. FHA Degree 52; FHA State Meeting Representative 52; Junior and Senior OAT.

## WAINNER, GEORGE

Science Club 50-51; Football 51-52-53; Basketball 51-52; Baseball 51-53; Cat's Tale 53; Secretary Junior Class.



## WILKINSON, JEAN

Choral Club 49-50; A Cappella Choir 51-52-53, Council 52-53; First Alto Section Chairman 52-53; FLC 52-53, General Committee 52-53; FHA 51-52-53; Y-Teens 50-51-52-53; Pep Squad 50-51-52-53; Annual Staff 53; Senior 1-Act Plays 53.

## WILLIAMSON, MILTON

Most Dependable Boy Runner-Up 53; Freshman Class Reporter 50; Student Council 50-51-52-53, President; Science Club 50-51-52-53; Football 51-52-53; Baseball 51-53; FLC 51-52-53; Commercial Club 52; Who's Who 51-52; Annual Staff 52-53; Boys' State 52; Cat's Tale Staff 53; 1-Act Plays 53.

## WALLECK, KOLETA

FHA Club 50-53; Scrapbook Editor 52; Pep Squad 50-53; Choral Club 50; Commercial Club 50-51; Basketball Manager 53.

## WHITE, NELLAVEE

Y-Teens 50-53; Pep Squad 50-51; FLC 50-53, Secretary-Treasurer 53; A Cappella Choir 52-53; Student Council 51-52; FHA 52-53; Annual Staff 53; Junior and Senior OAT; 30 CT Certificate.







# BLACK CAT POLL

## FAVORITE SPORT

Best Football Player  
 Best Basketball Player (Boy)  
 Best Basketball Player (Girl)  
 Best Track Man  
 Best Baseball Player  
 Best Tennis Player (Boy)  
 Best Tennis Player (Girl)  
 Best Volleyball Player (Girl)  
 Best All-Around Athlete  
 Hardest-Working Athlete  
 Brightest  
 Best Writer  
 Best Fish  
 Two Chummiest (Boys)  
 Two Chummiest (Girls)  
 Best-Dressed  
 Best-Built (Boy)  
 Most Polite  
 Best Personality  
 Funniest  
 Most Admired (Boy)  
 Most Admired (Girl)  
 Most Likely to Succeed  
 Most Studious  
 Most Conscientious  
 Most Ambitious  
 Favorite Subject  
 Best Dancer  
 Most Appropriate Nickname  
 Done Most For School

## FIRST CHOICE

### FOOTBALL

Barrett  
 Barrett  
 Ruthie Fikes  
 Watkins  
 Barrett  
 Huitt  
 Ruthie Fikes  
 Hughes  
 Barrett  
 Steinmeyer  
 Jas. Scott  
 McKelvy  
 King  
 Mosley, Knight  
 McKelvy, Edmondson  
 Steinmeyer  
 Gregory  
 Palenberg  
 Lyle  
 Sump  
 Barrett  
 Lyle  
 Finch  
 Jas. Scott  
 Lyle  
 McKelvy  
 Physical Ed.  
 Finch  
 "Cootie"  
 Huitt

## SECOND CHOICE

### BASKETBALL

Ashcraft  
 Craft  
 June Ragus  
 Genzer  
 Harris  
 Anderson  
 Jeanie Jeanes  
 Glenn  
 Ashcraft  
 Finch  
 Lankard  
 Lankard  
 Cox, Hearn, Liston  
 Steinmeyer, Ashcraft  
 White, Wilkinson  
 Barbara Lane  
 Steinmeyer  
 Finch  
 Conerly  
 Craft  
 Finch  
 Davenport  
 Conerly  
 Burr  
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 Algebra  
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 "Modesta"  
 McKelvy



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Gerald Kennedy

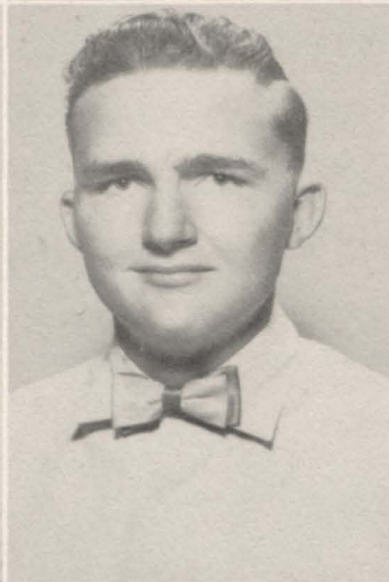


Gerald Kennedy, President; Taylor Steves, Vice President; Ann Burr, Secretary; Peggy Jean Dierlam, Treasurer; Jackie Edmondson, Reporter; Leon Callihan and Patricia Dickerson, Sponsors.



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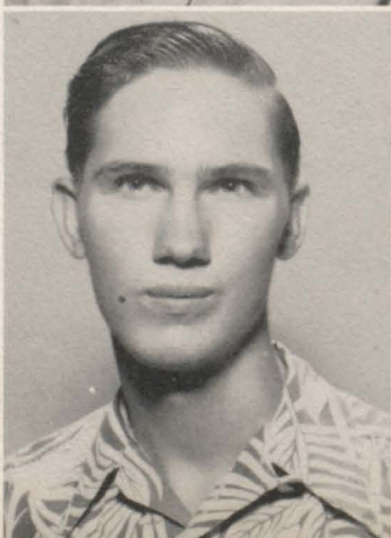
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BORING, MARY JANE  
BROUGHTON, MARTHIERLE



BROWN, BRYAN  
BRYANT, CLIFTON  
BURR, ANN



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CARROLL, CHARLES

CHAPMAN, WILLA DEAN



CONERLY, CHARLSIE

COOLIDGE, CAROLYN

CURTISS, PATSY P.



DAVIS, JANELDA

DIERLAM, PEGGY JEAN

DODD, JOHN



DOSS, BILLY

DOSS, BUDDY

DUNLAP, LOTTIE JO





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DYE, DICKY  
EDMONDSON, JACKIE  
FRANK, LOUIS

FRICKE, MICHAEL  
GARRISON, SHIRLEY  
GARTRELL, JIMMIE

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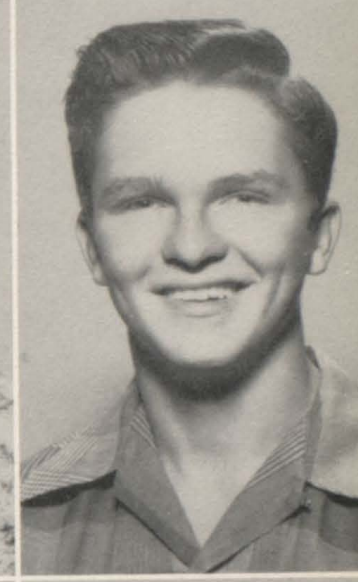


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KENNEDY, GERALD  
KING, JANIECE  
KNIGHT, KLINE



KUBENA, JOHNNY  
LANE, BETTY  
LONG, BOBBIE JEAN





# JUNIORS

LYLE, CLAIRE

McCULLOUGH, DICKIE

MARROW, HOMER LEE

MARTINEZ, TIM

MATTHEWS, BYRON

MIELSCH, JOANNE

MITCHELL, JOYCE

MOSLEY, CHARLES

NEUMANN, MARILYN

PERRY, BOB

PIERCE, JEAN

PORTER, KATHRIEN SUE



# JUNIORS

POWELL, NANCY  
RAY, SAMMIE  
RHODES, ROYCE



RICHERS, GUS  
RODRIGUEZ, DELMITA  
ROMINE, EMILY



SANCHEZ, TONY  
SANSING, IRENE  
SELLERS, ELIZABETH



SHERRY, SHIRLEY  
SLATER, CHARLES  
SMITH, MYRNA





# JUNIORS

SMITH, WAYNE  
STEGALL, JACK  
STEINMEYER, GENE

STEPHENS, JAMES  
STEVES, TAYLOR  
WALTERMIRE, J. B.

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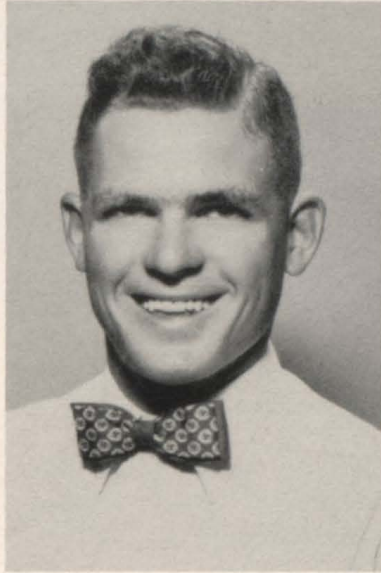


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WINTERS, LEO  
WORKMAN, G. A.  
YBARRA, JOE JOHN



YEAMANS, ASA  
YEAMANS, JEANNINE  
ZEPEDA, JAMES



LIONETTES—Vanita Davenport, Shirley Mayberry, Virginia Conerly, Willa Dean Chapman, Patricia Smith, and Martherle Broughton.



Mrs. Clarice Ottis and Laverne Shafer discuss a "dress in the making."



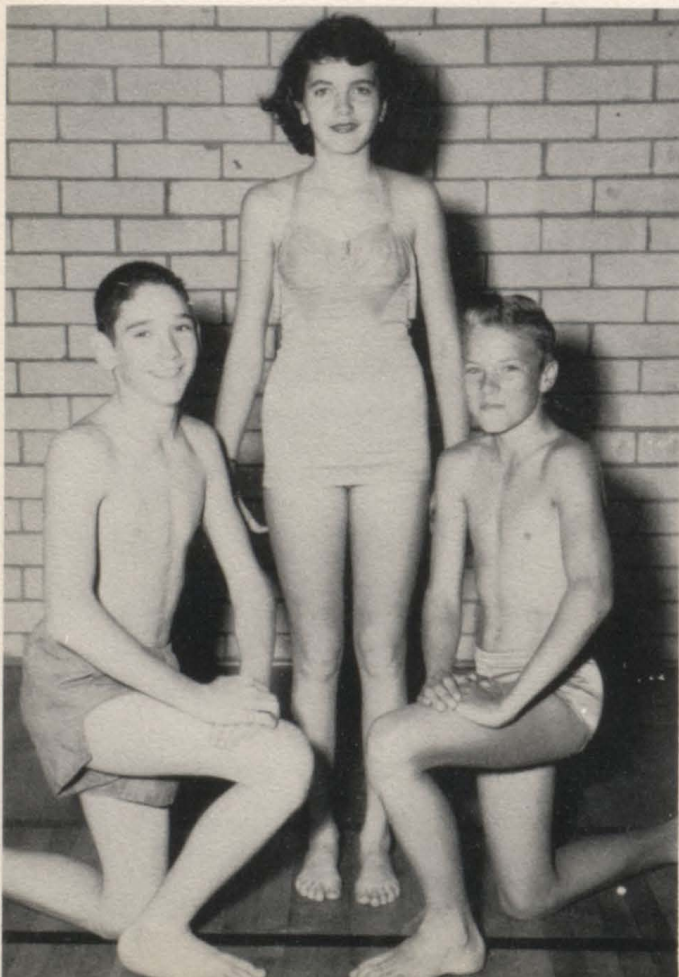


## SWIMMING

TIM HARDY—5th place, breaststroke—Southern States Junior Olympics, Senior Division; TOMMY CASHION—3rd place, diving—Golfcrest State AAU Meet; PATRICIA HARDY—2nd place, freestyle, 3rd place, breaststroke, Southern States Junior, 4th place, breaststroke, Olympics, Intermediate Division.

BOBBY HAUK—2nd place, freestyle—Crystal Pool State AAU Meet. JIMMY CASHION—3rd place freestyle—Texas City State AAU Meet. TIM HARDY—3rd place—breaststroke—Golfcrest State AAU Meet.

RAY NOBLE FINCH, JIMMY CASHION, LAWRENCE EVANS, BOBBY HAUK—3rd place, freestyle relay, Texas City.





## SOPHOMORES

### PRESIDENT



CLARENCE GENZER

### OFFICERS



John Reinke, Treasurer; Shirley Darby, Vice President; Clarence Genzer, President.  
Not pictured: Ruthie Fikes, Secretary; James Bissett, Reporter.



# SOPHOMORES

Albrecht, Lavonia

Amos, Bobbie

Anderson, Billy

Arsola, Crispin

Baker, Charles

Baker, Janet

Baker, Janis

Barr, Jimmy

Bissett, James

Broughton, Linda

Cain, Grace

Caldwell, Gene

Carr, Charlene

Carr, Joe Bert

Carter, Virginia



# SOPHOMORES

Cartwright, Howard  
Cashion, Billy  
Cerny, Dorothy



Collins, Glenn  
Conerly, Harry  
Darby, Shirley



Dement, James Ray  
Dornak, Georgiann  
Douget, Mary



Edwards, Neil  
Elkins, Thomas  
Ezell, Gary



Falks, Ollie  
Fansler, Jean  
Fanson, Peggy





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Fikes, Ruthie  
Fisher, Barbara  
Gasaway, Steve



Gasch, William  
Genzer, Clarence  
Gonzalez, Humberto



Hall, Shirley  
Hardy, Tim  
Hauk, Bobby



Hawes, Ray  
Henderson, Joan  
Holubec, Clarence



Horn, Audrey  
Hubbard, Patsy  
Janise, Margaret



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Janise, Shirley  
Jeanes, Jeanie  
Jordan, Glenda



Kennedy, Wayne  
Kirby, Jerry  
Kovar, Jimmy



Kreschke, Rose Marie  
Kristynik, Jeanette  
Laird, Bryan



Lane, Jeff  
Langham, Lindsay  
Lowe, Macella



Luna, Ronnie  
McCrosky, Donna  
McIntosh, Helen





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Maden, Jean

Matthews, Frances

Mendiola, Fred

Montoya, Dorothy

Myall, Judy

Navarro, Mary

New, Nannie Bell

Ottis, Edward

Ottis, G. P.

Palmer, Patsy

Parker, Bobby

Pavlik, Tony

Petrucha, Jackie

Quinney, Martha Mae

Ragus, June



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Ramirez, Raymond

Ramirez, Richard

Reinke, John



Roberson, Mary

Rogers, Linda Nell

Roland, Bobby



Rutherford, Joe Wayne

Ryman, Randolph

Sanchez, Sam



Schutz, Kenneth

Sellers, Helen

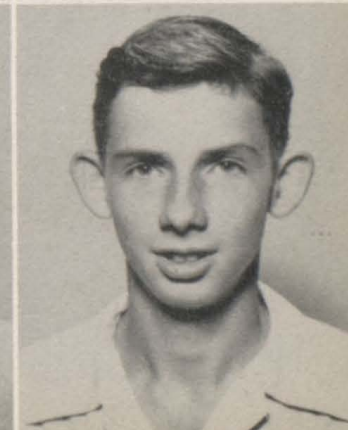
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Simons, Bryan

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Sonnier, Jimmy

Spencer, W. L.

Spitdowski, Minnie

Spitdowski, Ruth

Spoonemore, Anita

Starnes, Glenda Gail

Talafuse, Paulina

Thompson, Billy Joe

Thornton, Anne

Villanueva, Celia

Voyles, Marcia Anne



# SOPHOMORES

Watson, Garland

Watson, Travis

Werlla, Jane



Wilde, Janie

Williams, Freddie

Zepeda, Paul



Billy Joe Thompson, C. A. Shuttlesworth, and Anita Spoonemore.



Allan Franz, Milton Williamson, Shirley Mayberry, Pat Nordyke, and Moselle Lankard.



Jane Werlla, Horst Palenberg, Sammie Ray, Jackie Edmondson, and Merideth McKelvy.



Asa Yeamans, Bobby Roland, Bo Gregory, and Jim Ray Fondon.





Lois Sonnier and Ruthe Blackwell.

COKE TIME!



Louise Fikes, Warren Conerly, Claire Lyle, and Jackie Edmondson.

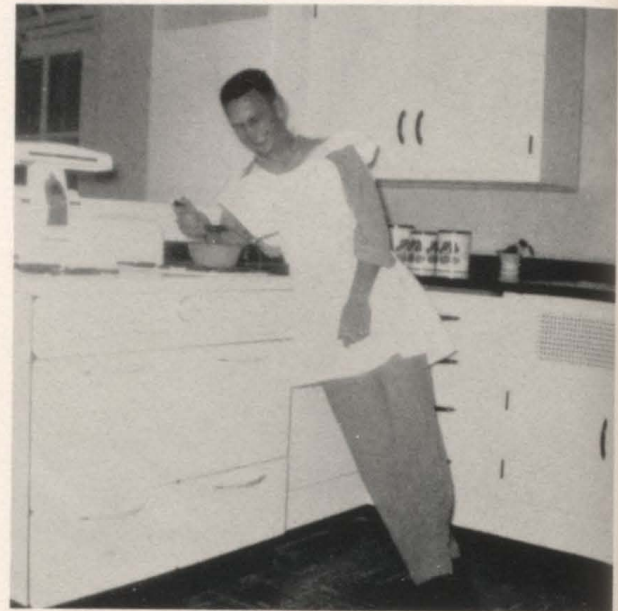
IN HAPPY MOOD

# OFF



Billy Ray Cogburn and Jennie Jo Chappell.

"IT MIGHT AS WELL BE SPRING"



Allan Franz

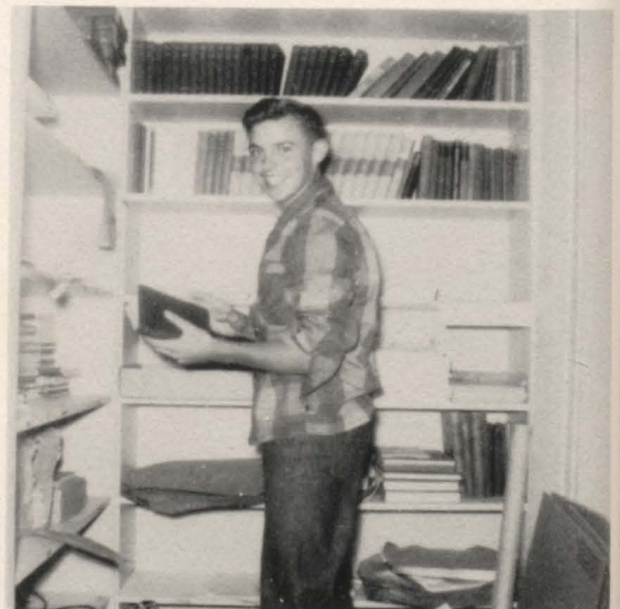
HIS OWN COOKING?

# MOMENTS



Shirley Hall and Jackie Henderson.

DUPLICATING PROCESS



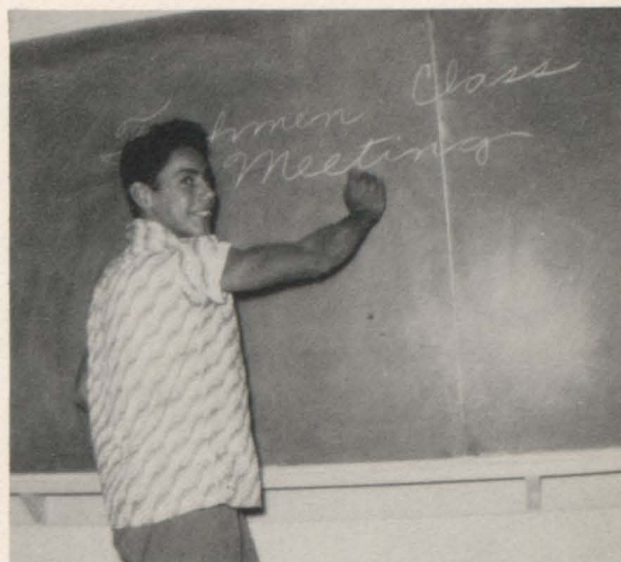
Rufus Young

CAUGHT—OFF-GUARD?



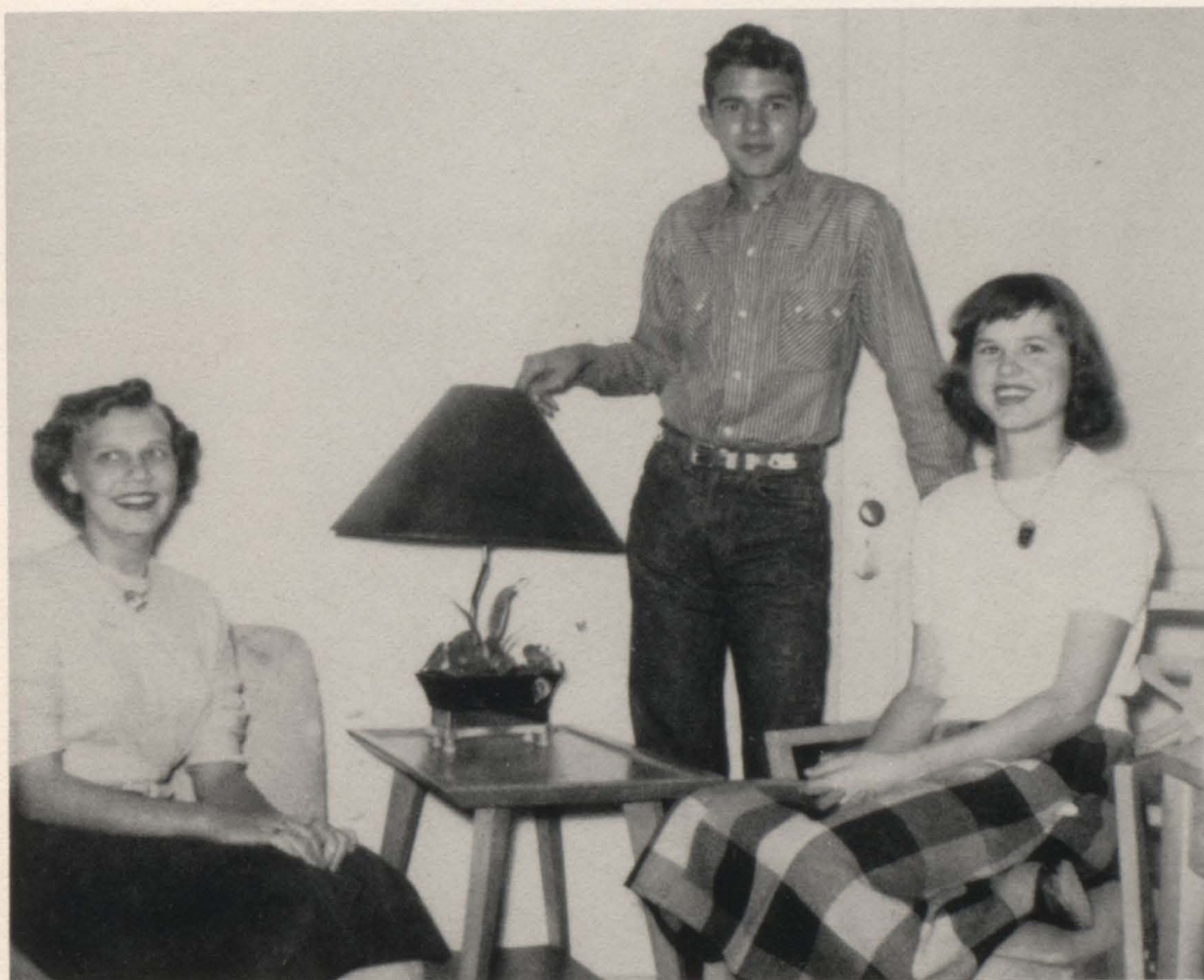
# FRESHMEN

# PRESIDENT



Anthony Acosta

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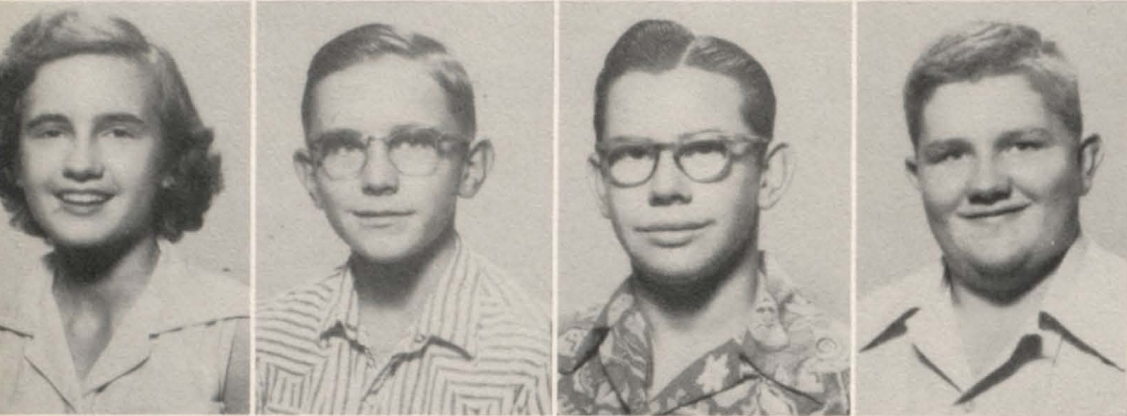
Francis Savage, Vice President; Sammie Garrison, Secretary-Treasurer; Joyce King, Reporter.



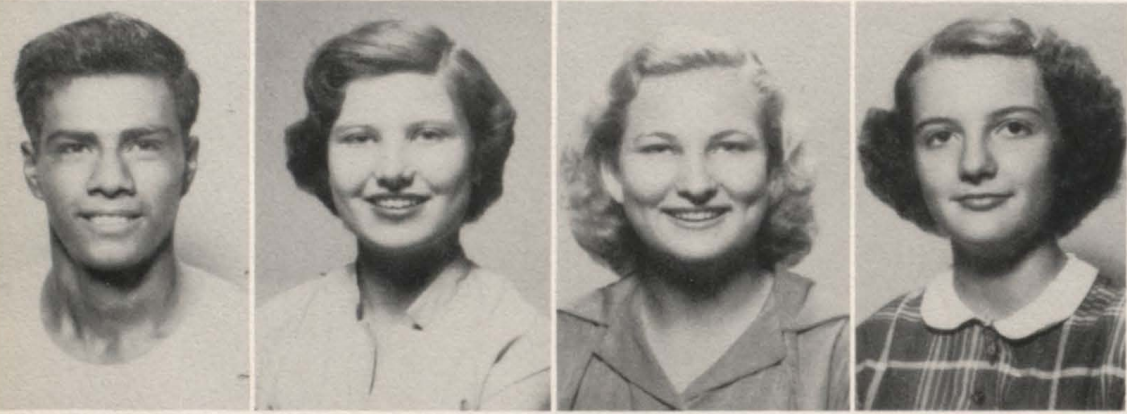
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Acosta, Anthony  
 Allen, Billie Jean  
 Arias, Robert  
 Armstrong, Patsy



Autrey, Edith  
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 Barbour, James



Benavides, Tommy  
 Bickham, Lois  
 Bissett, Norma Jean  
 Blackman, Dorothy



Brown, Barbara Sue  
 Brown, Betty  
 Bryant, James  
 Calloway, Lester



Cantrell, Bobby  
 Cerny, Gloria  
 Charles, Daniel  
 Cheatham, William



# FRESHMEN

Cochran, Carol Sue  
 Coleman, Betsy  
 Conerly, Warren  
 Coolidge, Jo Ann



Cox, Dorothy  
 Cox, Judy  
 Cox, Raymond  
 Culver, Joseph



Curry, Charley  
 Dodd, Dorothy  
 Dykes, Jimmy  
 Elkins, Jimmie



Elkins, Margaret  
 Ellis, Betty  
 Evans, Lawrence  
 Fayle, Rita

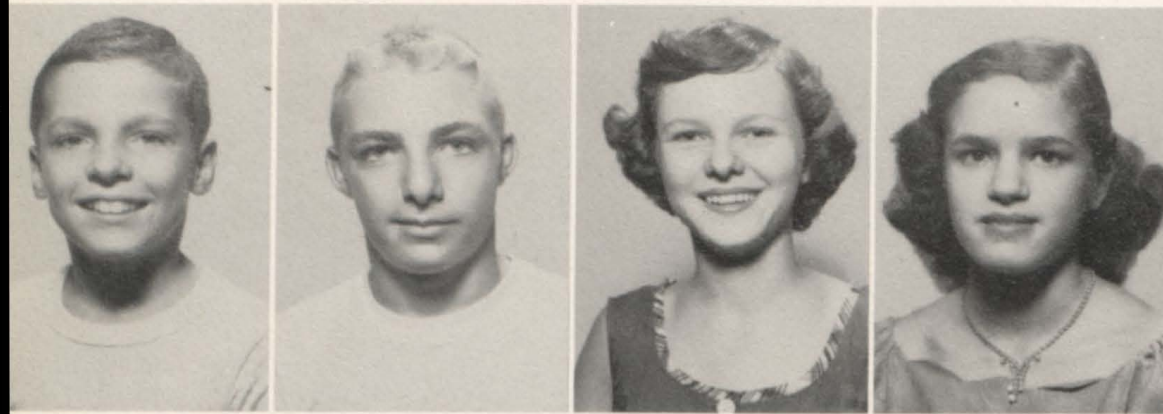


Ferguson, Dorothy  
 Fields, Tommy  
 Figueroa, Ofelia  
 Fischer, Richard G.





# FRESHMEN



Fischer, Robert F.  
Foote, John  
Fox, Bonnie Sue  
Garcia, Dora



Garrison, Sammie  
Graham, Bernard  
Halleman, Fay  
Hammock, Betty



Hammond, June  
Hansen, Alton  
Hatchett, Cynthia  
Hearn, Lee Roy



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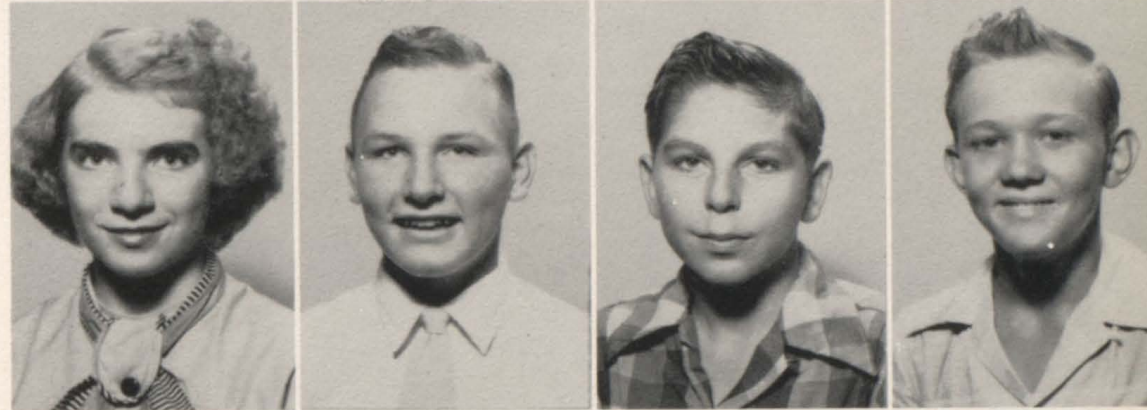


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Ludwig, Gerald



McAfee, Patricia  
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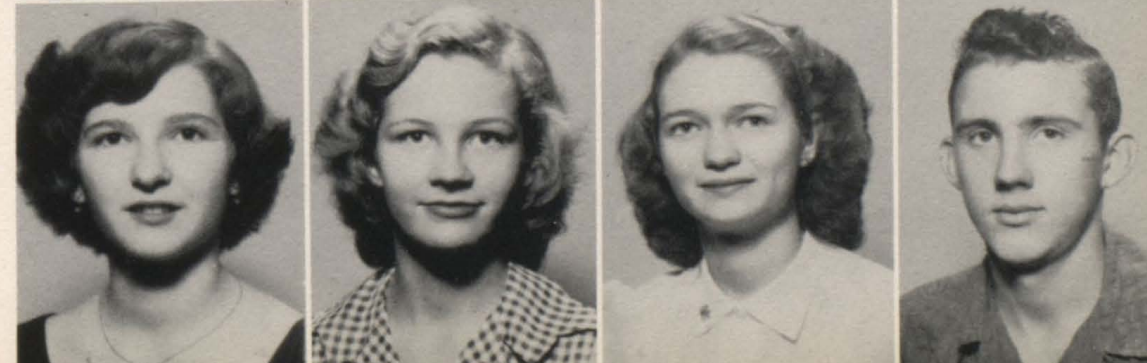
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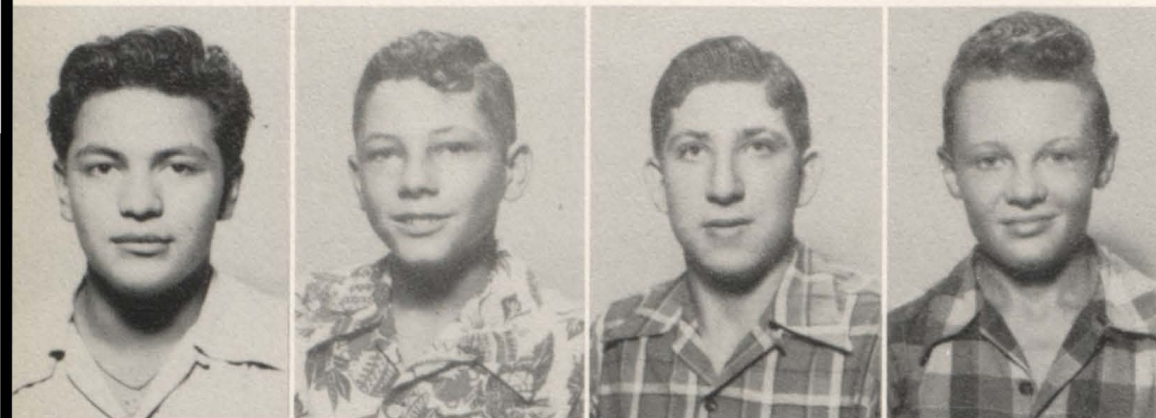


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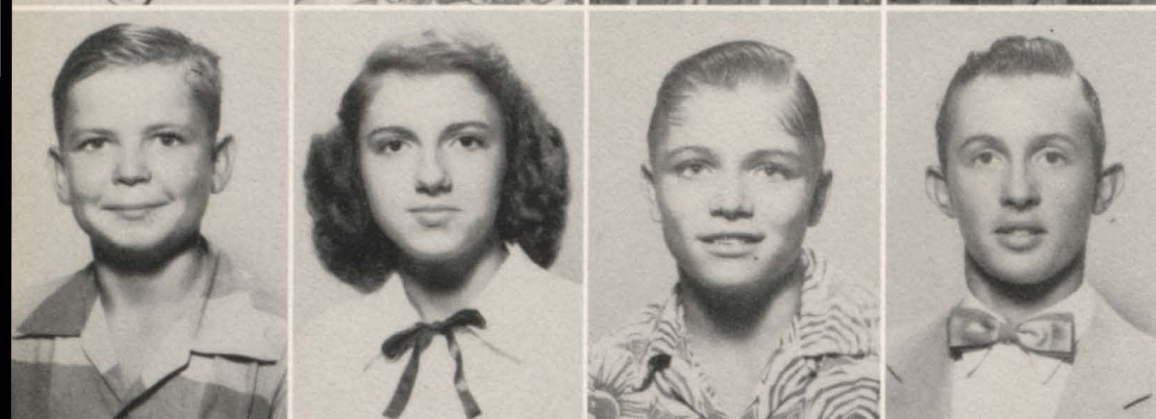




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 Ottis, Michael  
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 Pollard, Charles



Ray, Steve  
 Reeves, Cloreta  
 Richers, Charles  
 Riggs, William



Robertson, Martin L.  
 Rogers, Paula Gay  
 Rose, Ira  
 Rother, John



Salter, Julia  
 Savage, Francis  
 Savage, Irving  
 Schulz, Peggy



Sebring, Jo Ann  
 Seifert, Martha  
 Shaw, James Lee  
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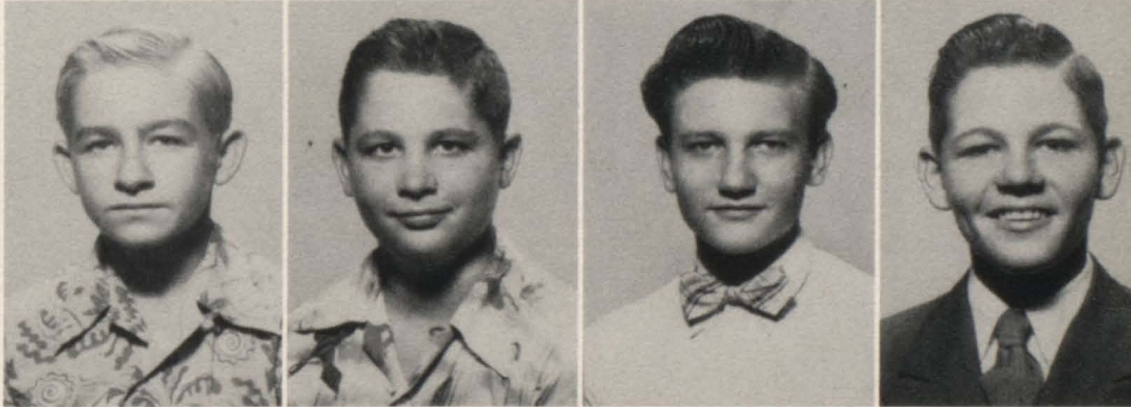
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 Spillar, Henry V.  
 Spoonemore, Bobby



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 Townsend, William

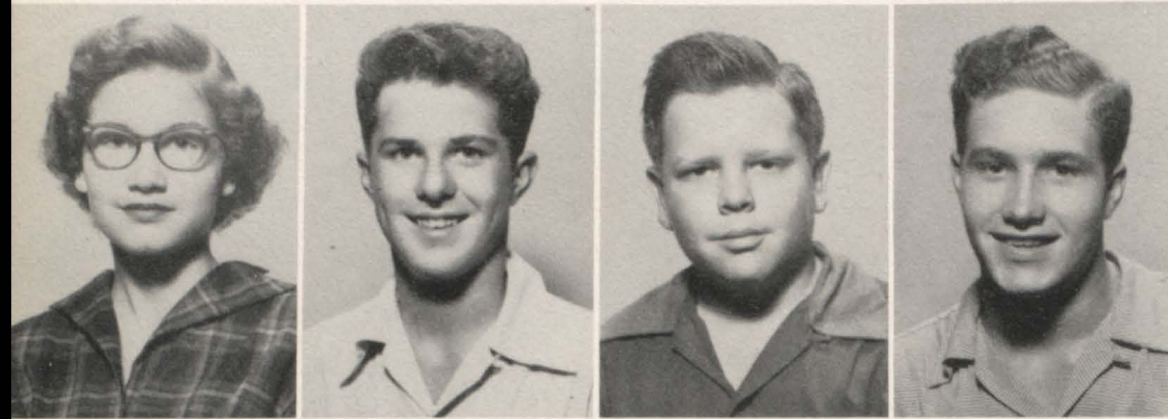


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 Williams, Jackie



Williams, Julian  
 Williamson, Mike  
 Ybarra, Connie  
 Zavala, Lupe



DRUM MAJOR—Barbara Lane  
 TWIRLERS—Gayle Hart, Anna Ruth Birkner,  
 Glenda Gail Starnes, Bobbie Amos, Mary  
 Jane Boring and Barbara Slone.



John Paul  
 Greenwalt

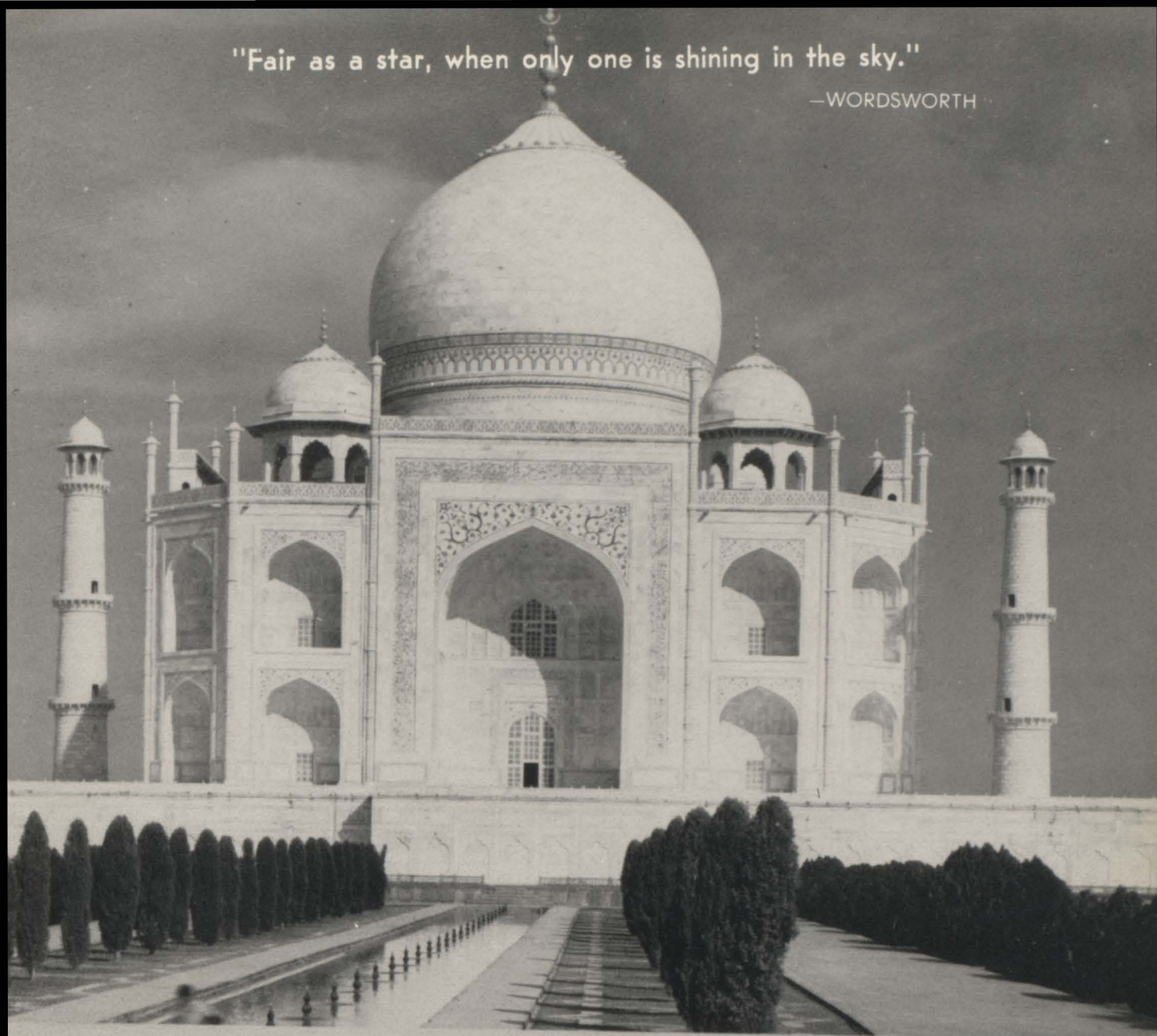
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"Fair as a star, when only one is shining in the sky."

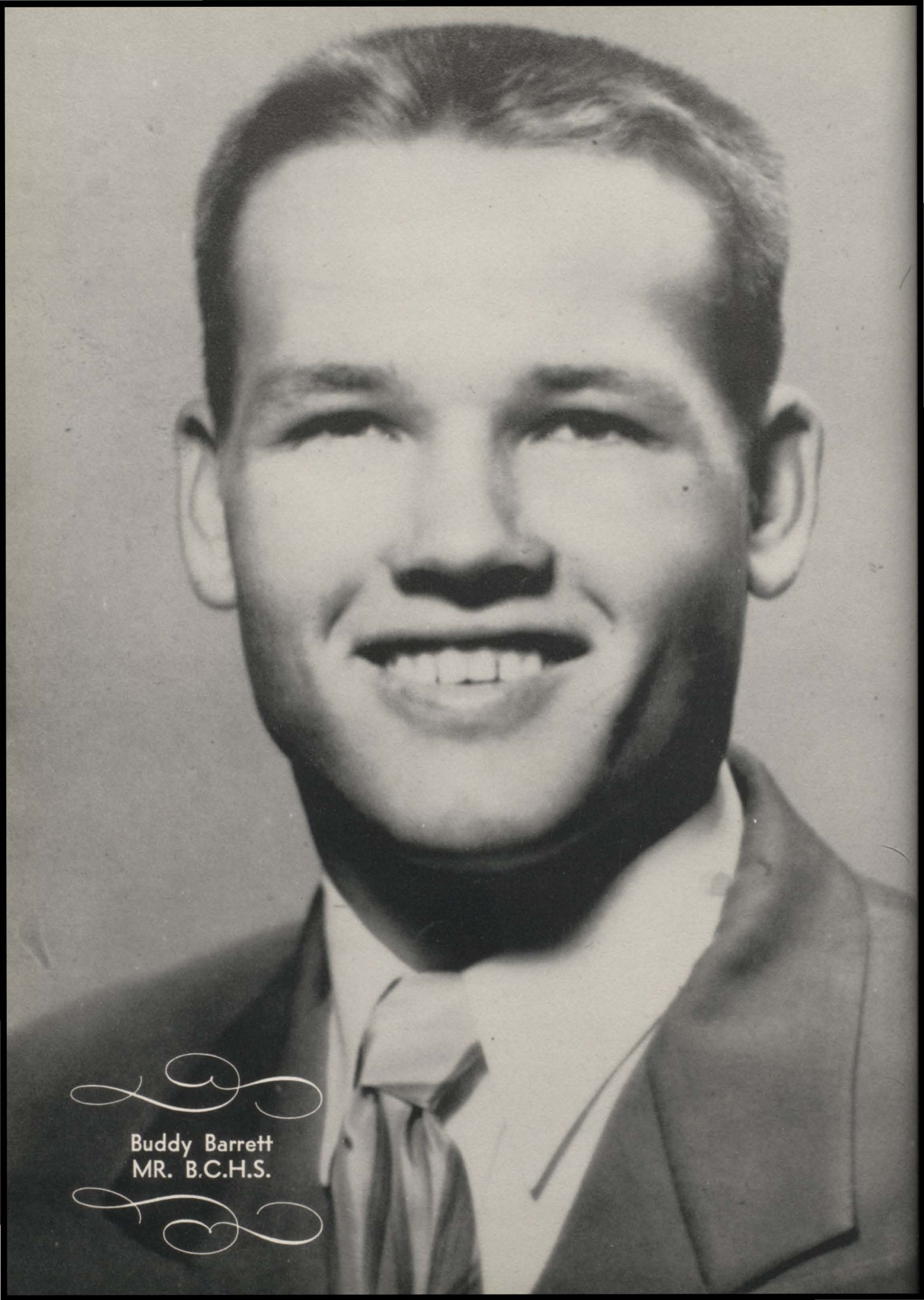
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FAVORITES

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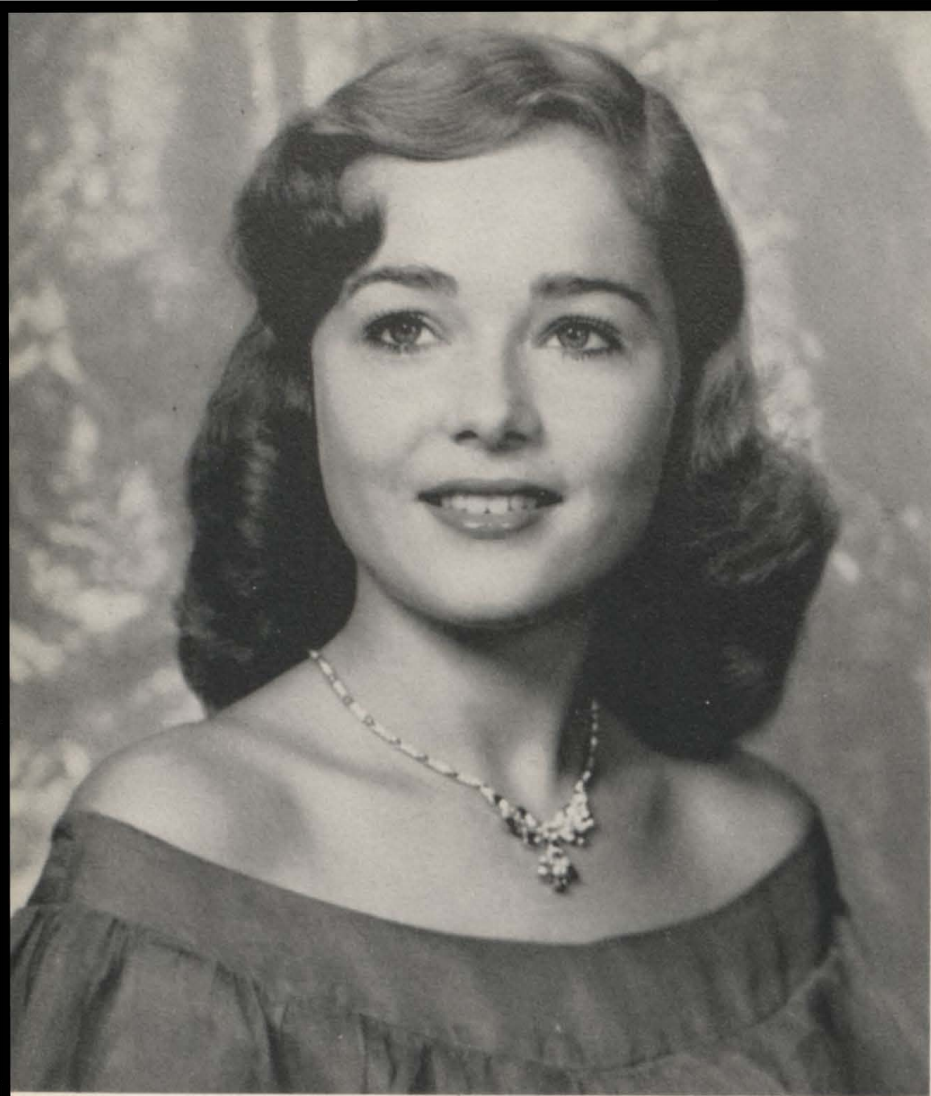




Virginia Conerly  
MISS B.C.H.S.







Mr. Harry Conover's Choice

VANITA DAVENPORT

Martherle Broughton



Virginia Conerly



Janiece King



# MOST BEAUTIFUL GIRL AND RUNNERS - UP



Barbara Lane



Claire Lyle



Shirley Mayberry



Pat Nordyke



Kathrien Sue Porter

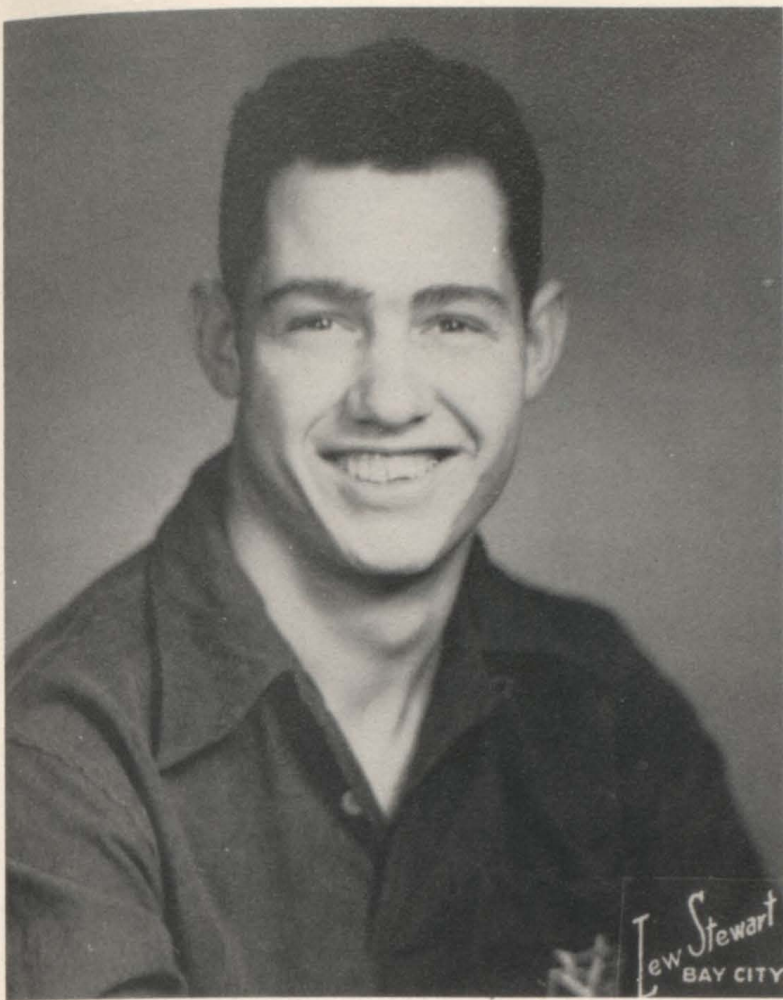


Glenda Gail Starnes



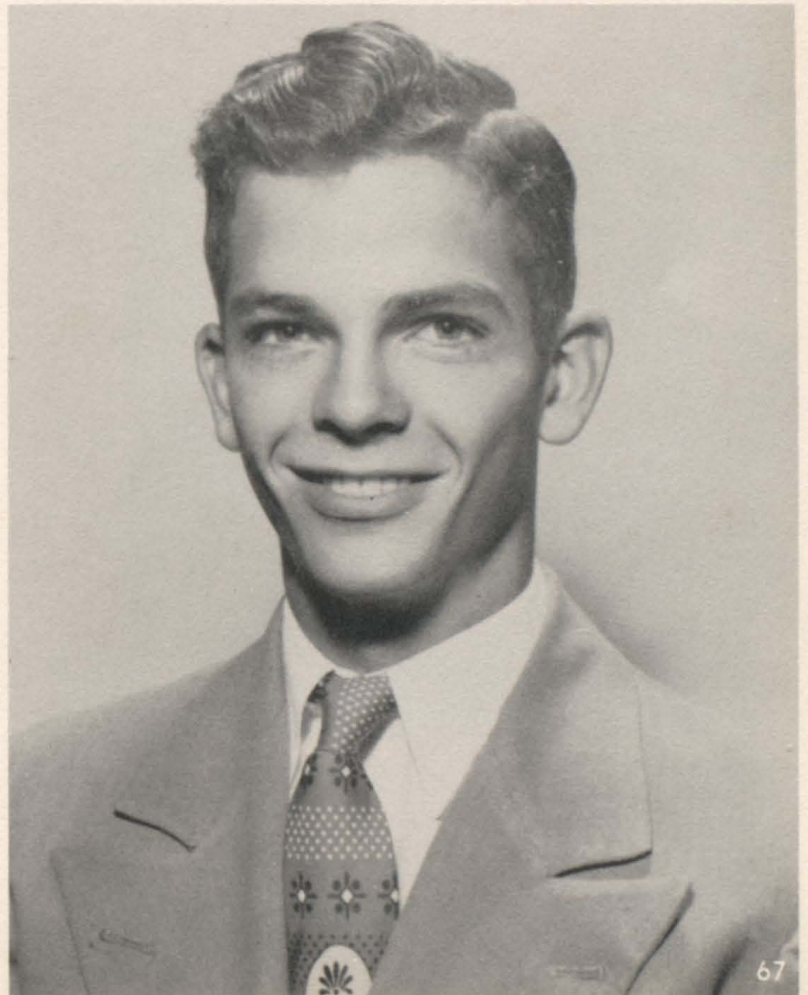
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JIM RAY FONDON



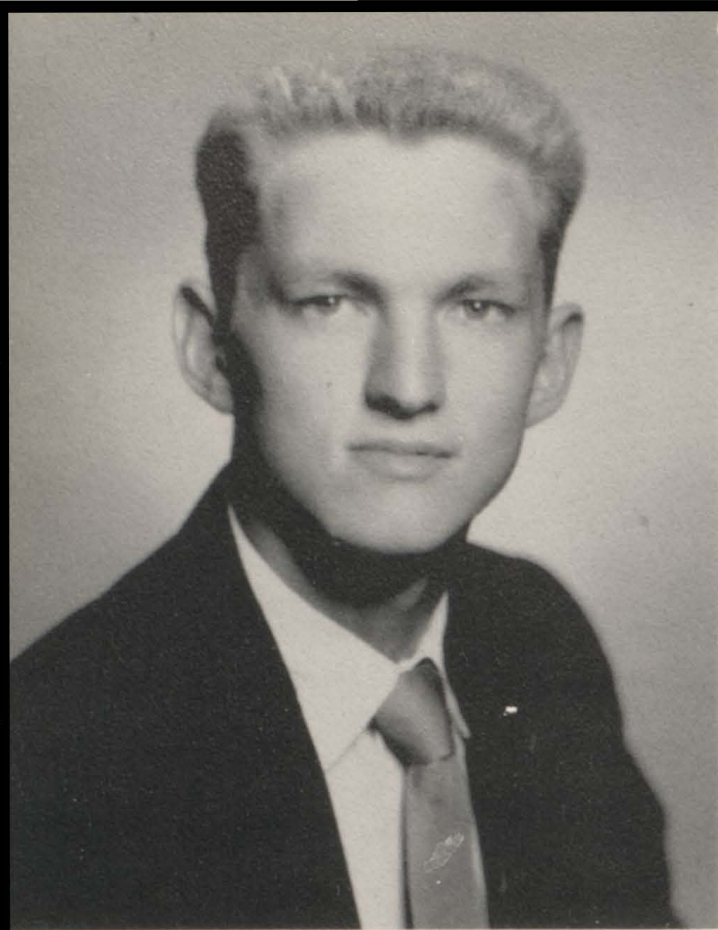
# RUNNER - UP

KERRY KELLER





# SENIOR CLASS FAVORITES



BOBBY CRAFT

LOUISE FIKES





# JUNIOR CLASS FAVORITES



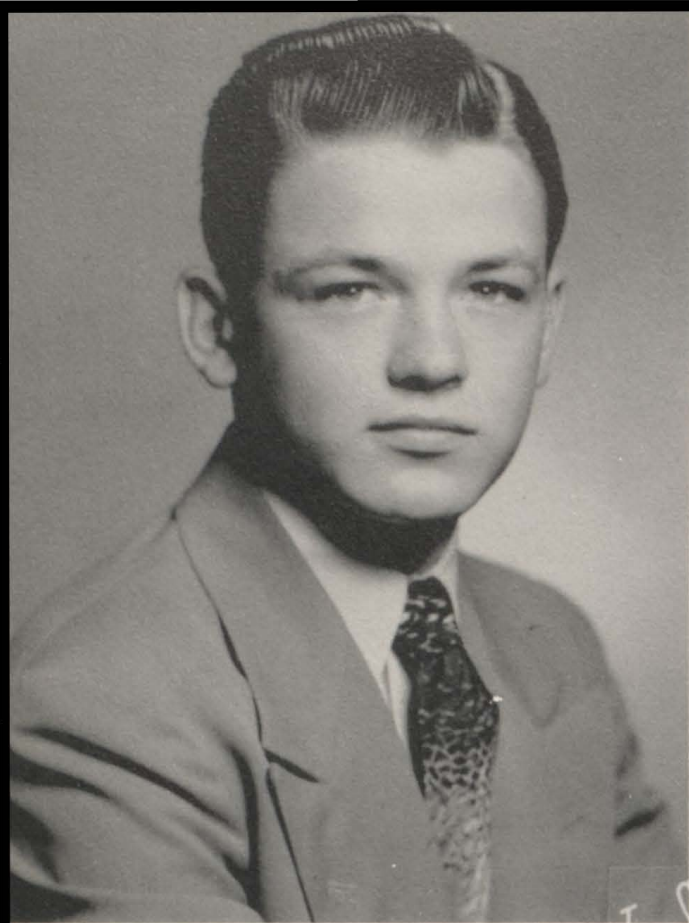
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CLAIRE LYLE







CLARENCE GENZER

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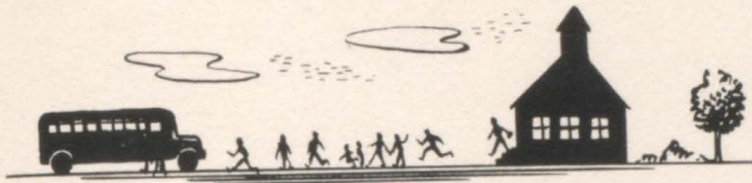


RUTHIE FIKES





# FRESHMAN CLASS FAVORITES

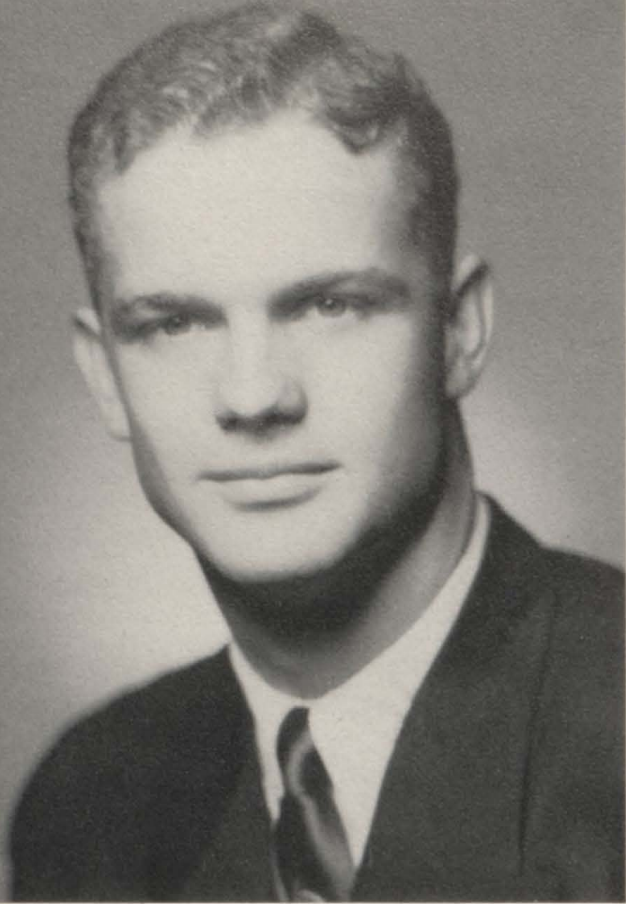


JOYCE KING

BILLY M. HUITT







RAY NOBLE FINCH

MOST DEPENDABLE BOY

MILTON WILLIAMSON

**RUNNER-UP**





MOST DEPENDABLE GIRL



BARBARA LANE

CLAIRE LYLE

RUNNER-UP





**VALENTINE  
SWEETHEART**

PATSY PALMER



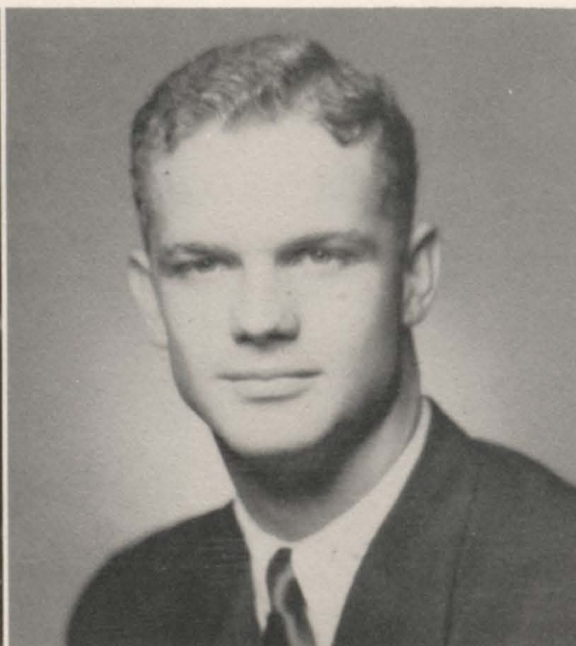
**HOMECOMING  
QUEEN**

**BAND —  
PEP SQUAD  
FAVORITE**

**FOOTBALL  
SWEETHEART**



VIRGINIA CONERLY



RAY NOBLE FINCH



MOSELLE LANKARD



"Earth proudly wears the parthenon  
As the best gem upon her zone."

—EMERSON

OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

By EWING GALLOWAY





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# VALEDICTORIAN

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MOSELLE LANKARD  
Average: 95.67



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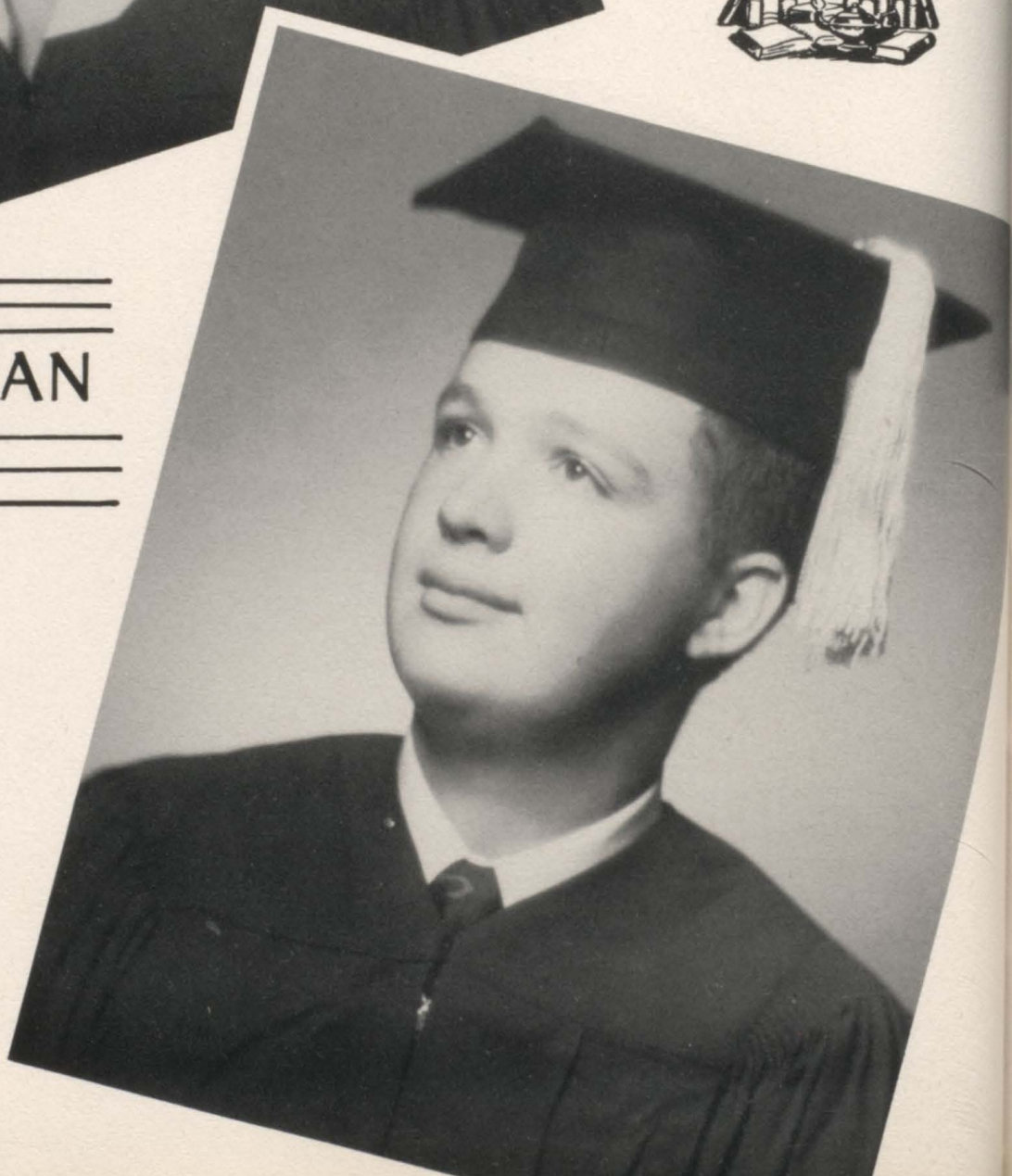
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# SALUTATORIAN

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JAMES SCOTT  
Average: 95.59





# NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

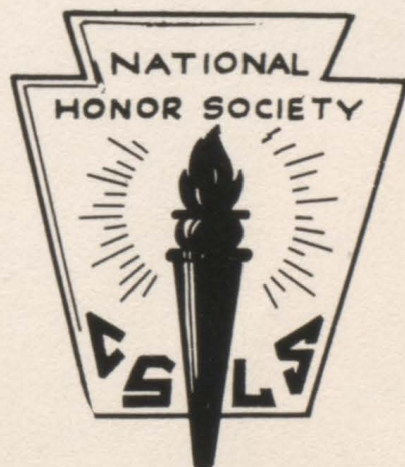


Seated  
Left to right

James Scott

Ira Anderson

Ray Noble Finch



Standing  
Left to right

Anna Ruth Birkner

Ann Elkins

Dorothy Manofsky

Barbara Lane

Moselle Lankard



# WHO'S

VIRGINIA CONERLY  
RAY NOBLE FINCH



JOYCE HUGHES  
BARBARA LANE

MOSELLE  
LANKARD

DOROTHY  
MANOFSKY

MERIDETH  
McKELVY



SCOTT STEWART  
MILTON WILLIAMSON





# WHO



LEWIS ANDERSON  
ANN BARR



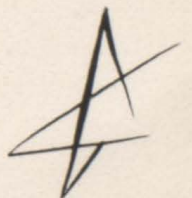
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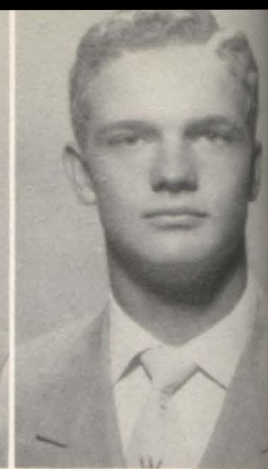
CLAIRE LYLE  
PEGGY RUTH FANSON



CLARENCE GENZER  
JOHN REINKE







**BARBARA LANE**  
D.A.R. Award — "The Good Citizen of B.C. H.S., through Her Qualities of Dependability, Leadership, Service and Patriotism."

**DOROTHY MANOFSKY**  
Highest American Legion Award; State F.H.A. Degree; National Latin Honor Society.

**SCOTT STEWART**  
Highest American Legion Award.

**MOSELLE LANKARD**  
Second American Legion Award.

**RAY N. FINCH**  
Second American Legion Award.



**TRAVIS CARTWRIGHT**  
F.F.A. Award — Most Loyal, Dependable, and Efficient.

**BRYAN LAIRD**  
F.F.A. Award — Greatest Number of Projects.

**IRA ANDERSON**  
National Latin Honor Society.

**PEGGY FANSON**  
National Latin Honor Society.

**JEANIE JEANES**  
National Latin Honor Society.



**BOBBIE J. LONG**  
National Latin Honor Society.

**BUDDY BARRETT**  
Football All-State 2nd Team, '52; Tribune Trophy—"Most Valuable Player."

**PIER LEE**  
Third High Individual Scorer, Third Annual Black Cat Relays; Third Place, High Hurdles, State Meet.





KATHERINE CALK  
Gregg Shorthand Medalist

JIMMY BARR  
Typing Medalist  
First Place, District

JANIS BAKER  
U.I.L. Typing Contestant



GRACE CAIN  
U.I.L. Typing Contestant

JEAN MADEN  
U.I.L. Typing Contestant

LINDA NELL ROGERS  
U.I.L. Typing Contestant

## TYPEWRITING AND SHORTHAND

*Shorthand Class Team Winners of Blue Seal Honorable Mention  
in World Annual O.G.A. Contest*

JOYCE HUGHES  
U.I.L. Shorthand Contestant  
Red-Seal Superior Merit Certificate  
Annual O.G.A. Contest

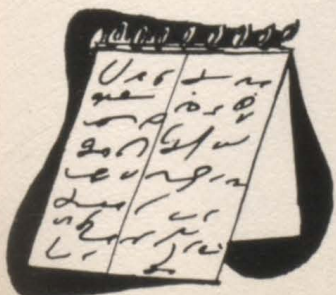
ANNA RUTH JIRKNER  
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BARBARA LANE  
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NELLAVEE WHITE  
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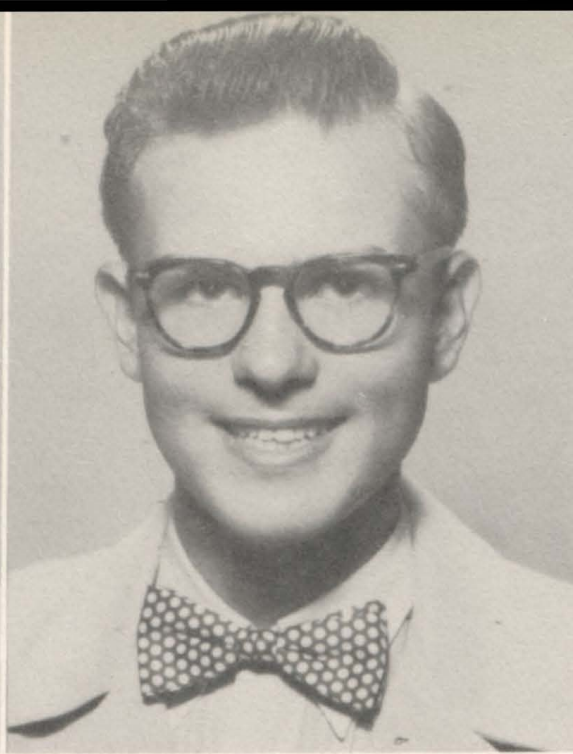
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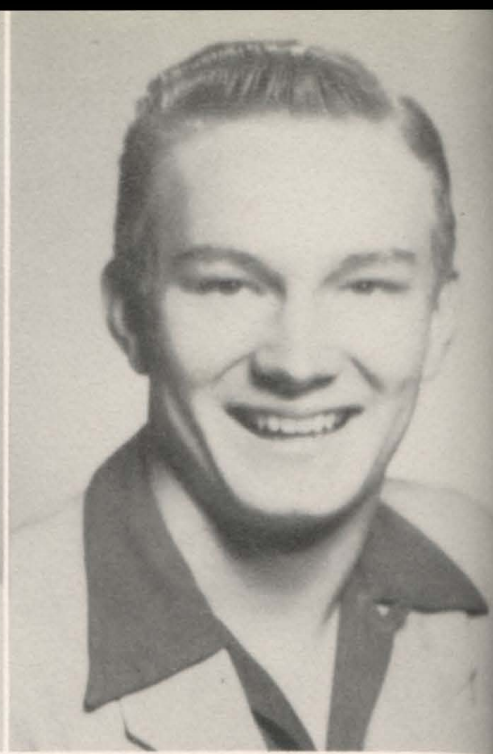




BETTYE JO JACKSON  
1st Rating, Bass Clarinet



GERALD KENNEDY  
First Rating, Bass Horn



JOHN REINKE  
1st Rating, Trombone

### OTHER REGIONAL WINNERS

#### FLUTE TRIO

2nd Rating  
Anna Ruth Birkner  
Charlene Carr  
Brooks Liston

#### CLARINET QUARTET

1st Rating  
Jackie Henderson  
Vanita Davenport  
Linda Nell Rogers  
Bobbie Jean Long

#### CLARINET QUARTET

2nd Rating  
Tim Hardy  
Glenda Jordan  
Glenda Starnes  
Bobbie Amos

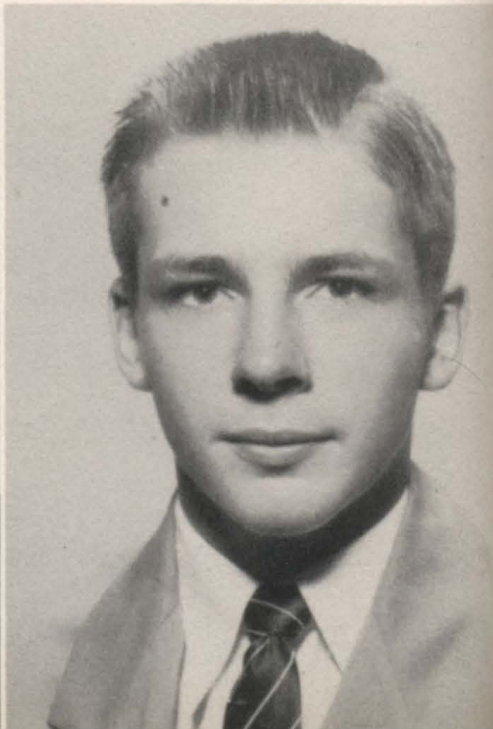
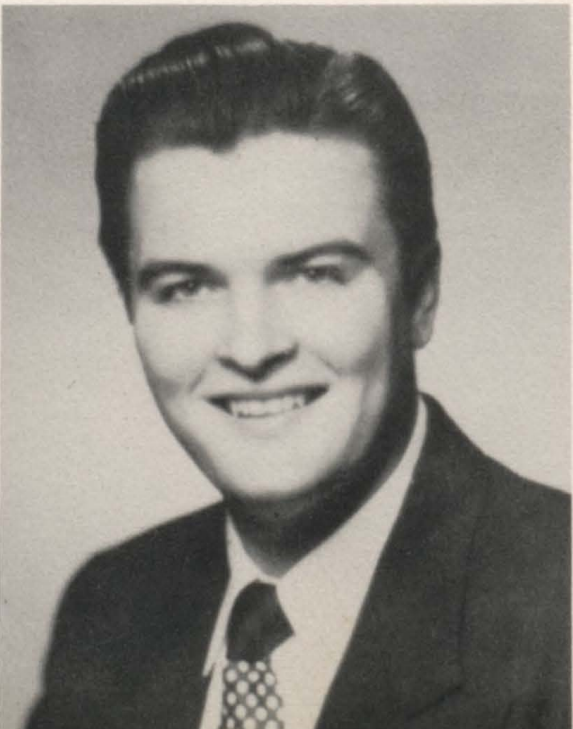
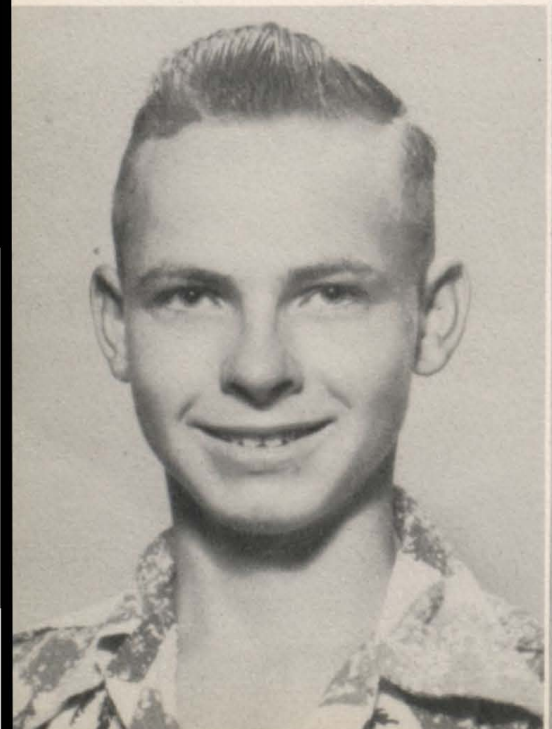
#### CLARINET QUARTET

3rd Rating  
Marilyn Neumann  
Neil Edwards  
Gevonna Hickey  
Ann Thornton

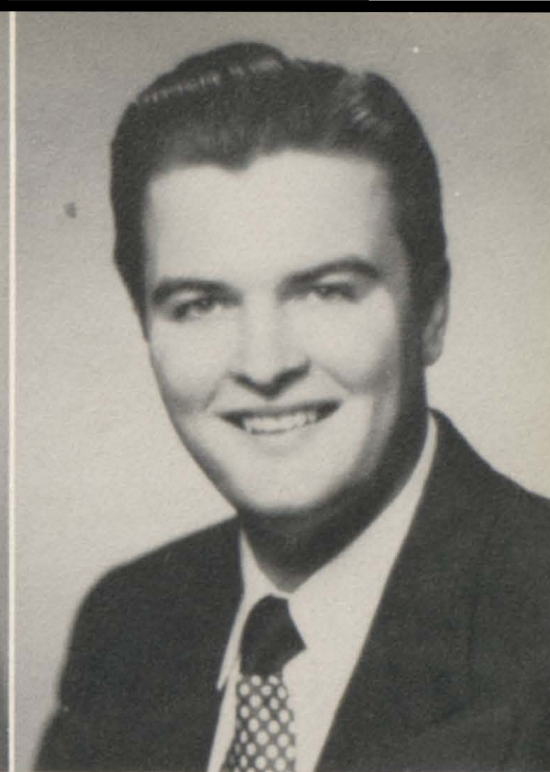
LESTER CALLOWAY  
1st Rating, Bass Horn

IRA ANDERSON  
1st Rating, French Horn

JOHN PAUL GREENWALT  
3rd Rating, Bass Clarinet







JAMES SCOTT  
All-State Chorus

JERRY CLARK  
All-State Chorus

IRA ANDERSON  
All-State Band

BILLY RAY COGBURN  
Hardest-Working Athlete, Track and  
Field Team, *The Bay City News*  
Trophy.

MARILYN NEUMANN  
Representative to Bluebonnet Girls'  
State, 1953.

JOHN REINKE  
Bay City Junior Lodge No. 24,  
I.O.O.F. Representative to United  
Nations.





ROY GARRISON  
1st Place Model Airplane  
Contest.

JOE JOHN YBARRA  
2nd Place, Model Airplane  
Contest.

GENE SMITH and  
MERIDETH McKELVY  
3rd Place, Journalism, Regional  
Meet.

KERRY KELLER  
Commercial Medal.

MOSELLE LANKARD  
Priddie Scholarship — "One in  
Texas."

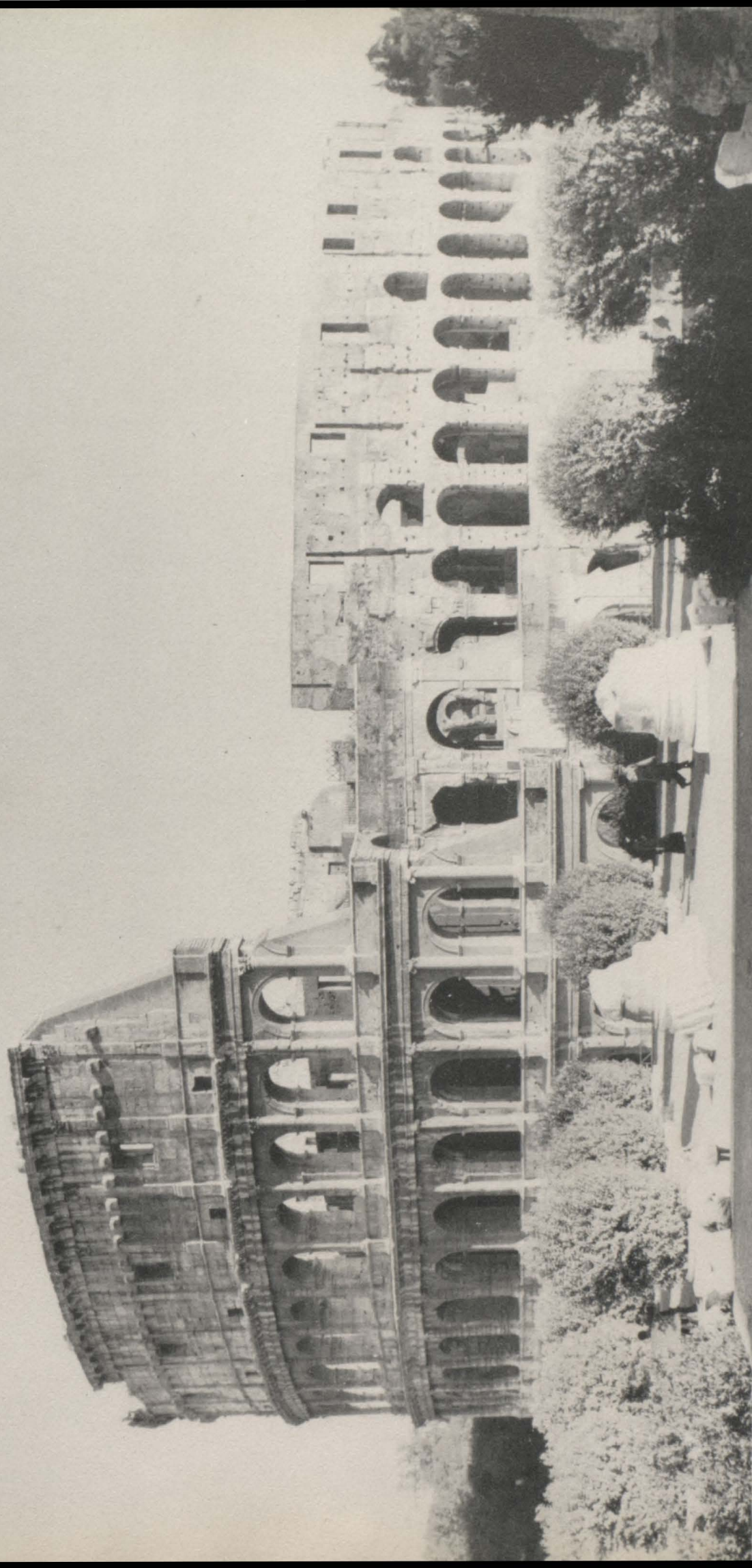
HOMER L. MARROW  
and BILLY M. HUITT  
4-H Out-of-State Awards Trip.

E. M. HUITT,  
LEWIS ANDERSON  
and TAYLOR STEVES  
Lone Star Boys' State, for "train-  
ing in the functional aspects of  
citizenship."



"Keep coming back — and if at last you  
Lose the game of right  
Let those who whipped you know at  
Least they, too, have had a fight."

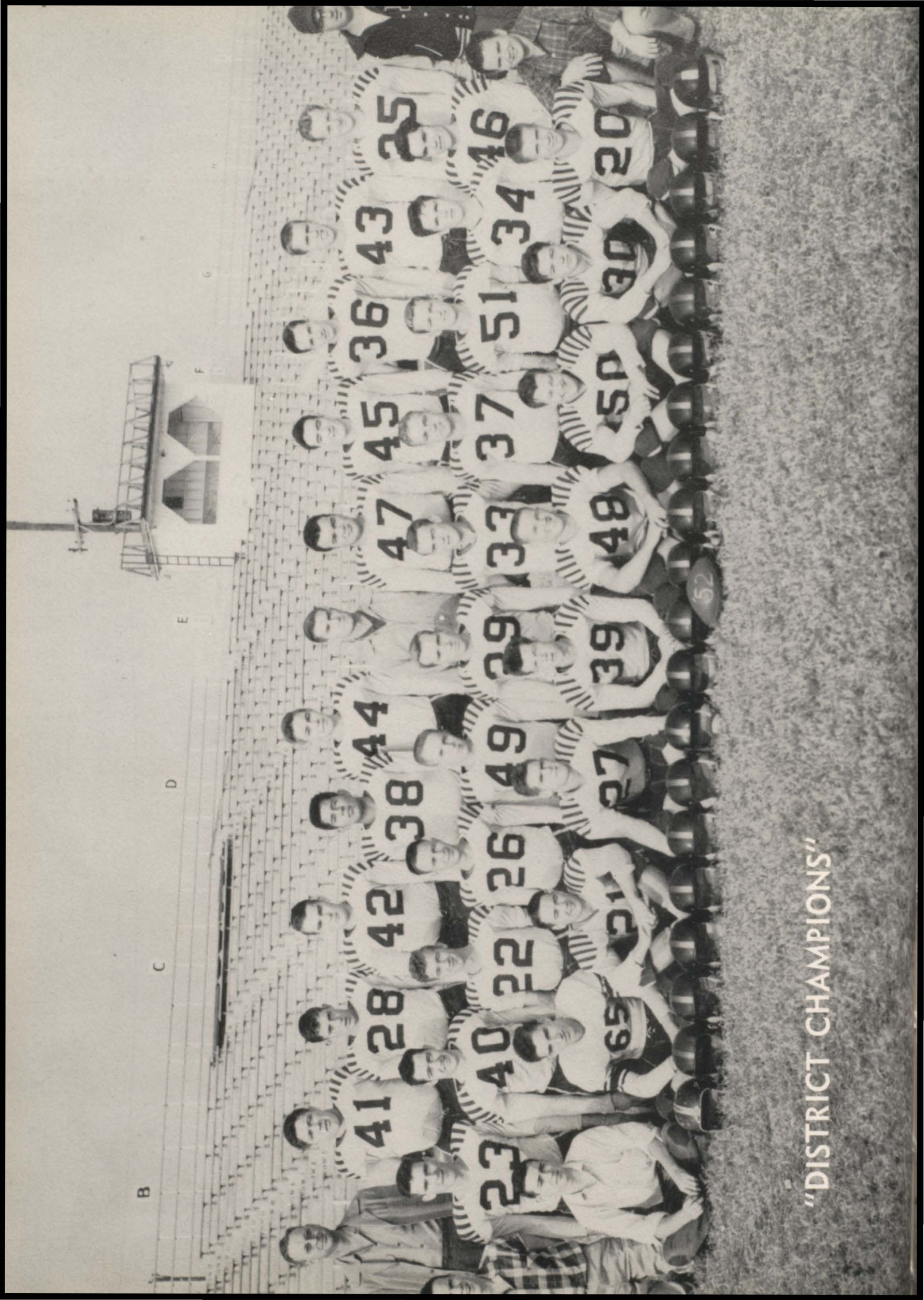
—RICE



By EWING GALLOWAY

SPORTS





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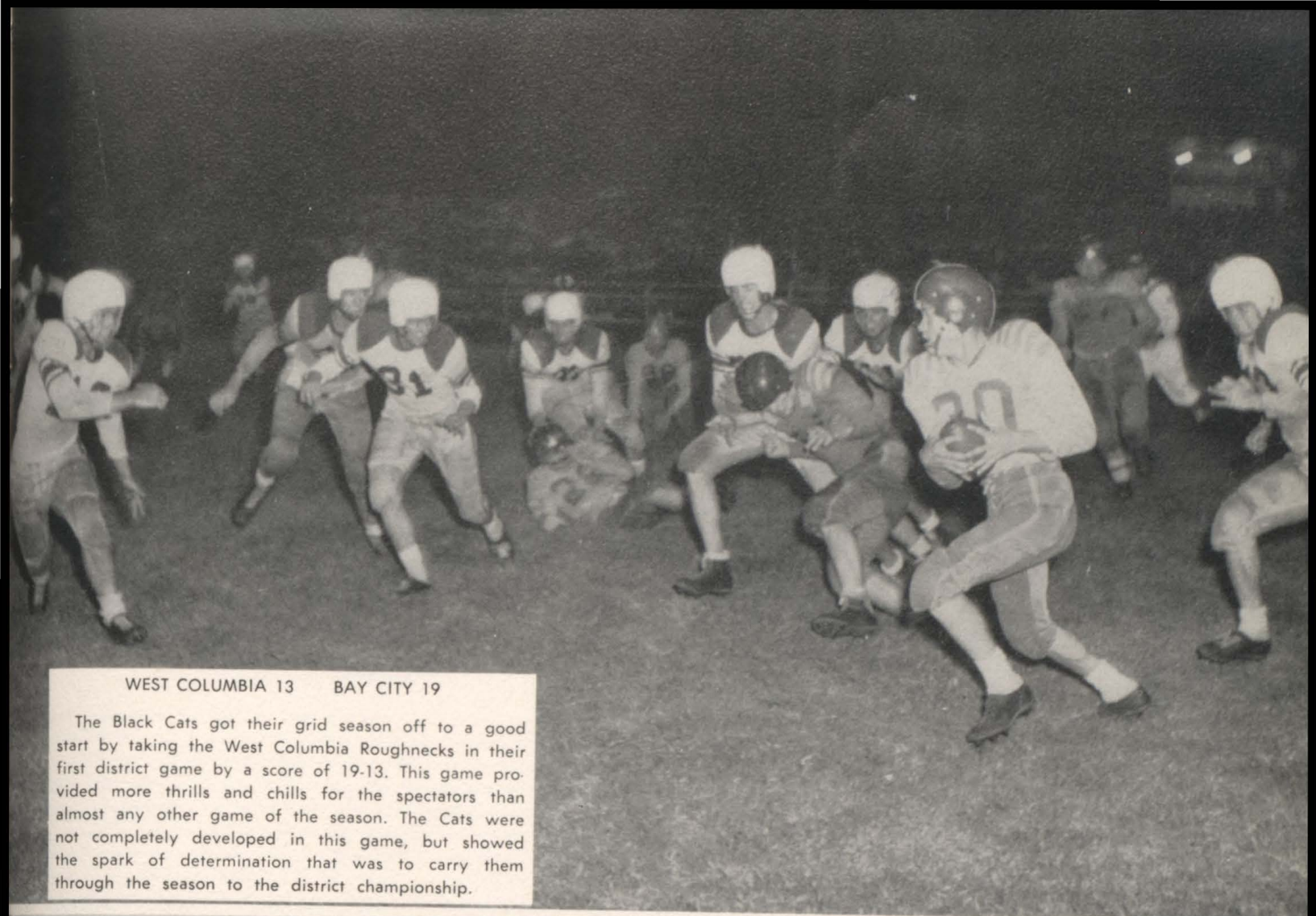
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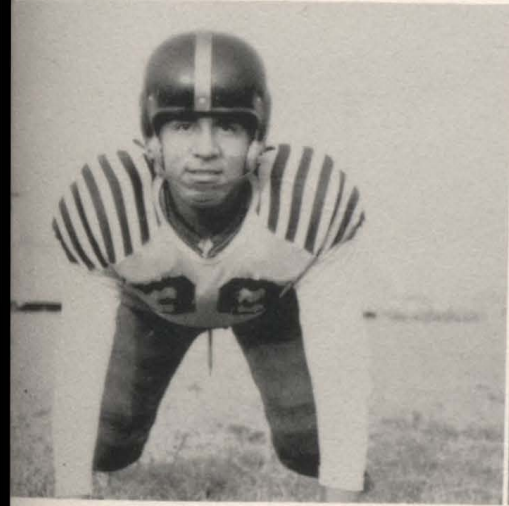
"DISTRICT CHAMPIONS"





WEST COLUMBIA 13    BAY CITY 19

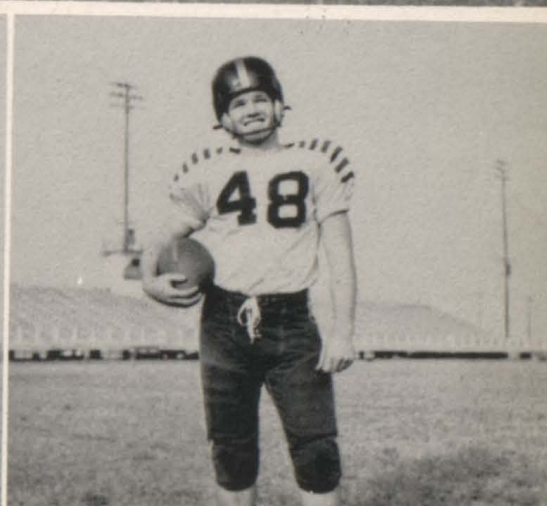
The Black Cats got their grid season off to a good start by taking the West Columbia Roughnecks in their first district game by a score of 19-13. This game provided more thrills and chills for the spectators than almost any other game of the season. The Cats were not completely developed in this game, but showed the spark of determination that was to carry them through the season to the district championship.



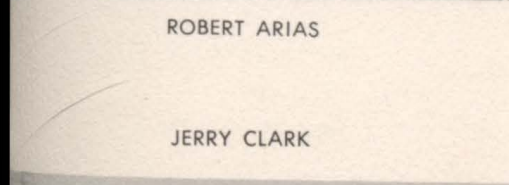
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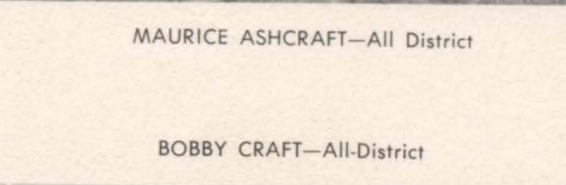
MAURICE ASHCRAFT—All District



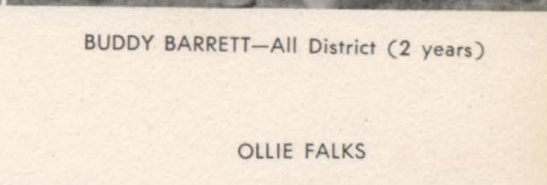
BUDDY BARRETT—All District (2 years)



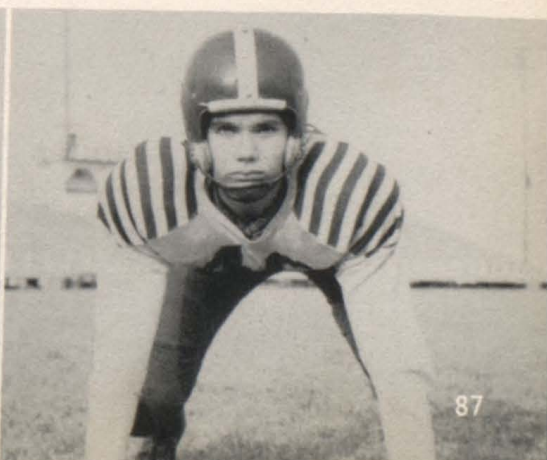
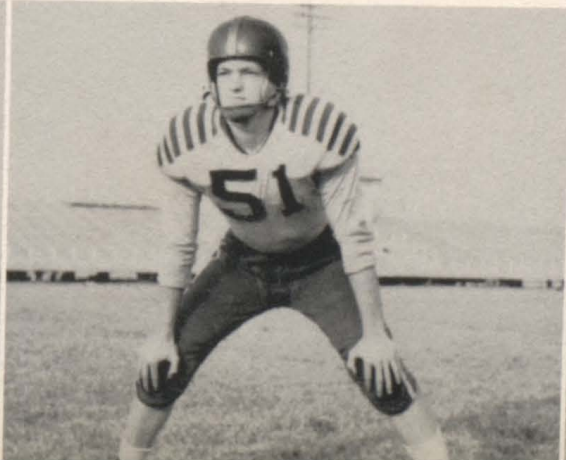
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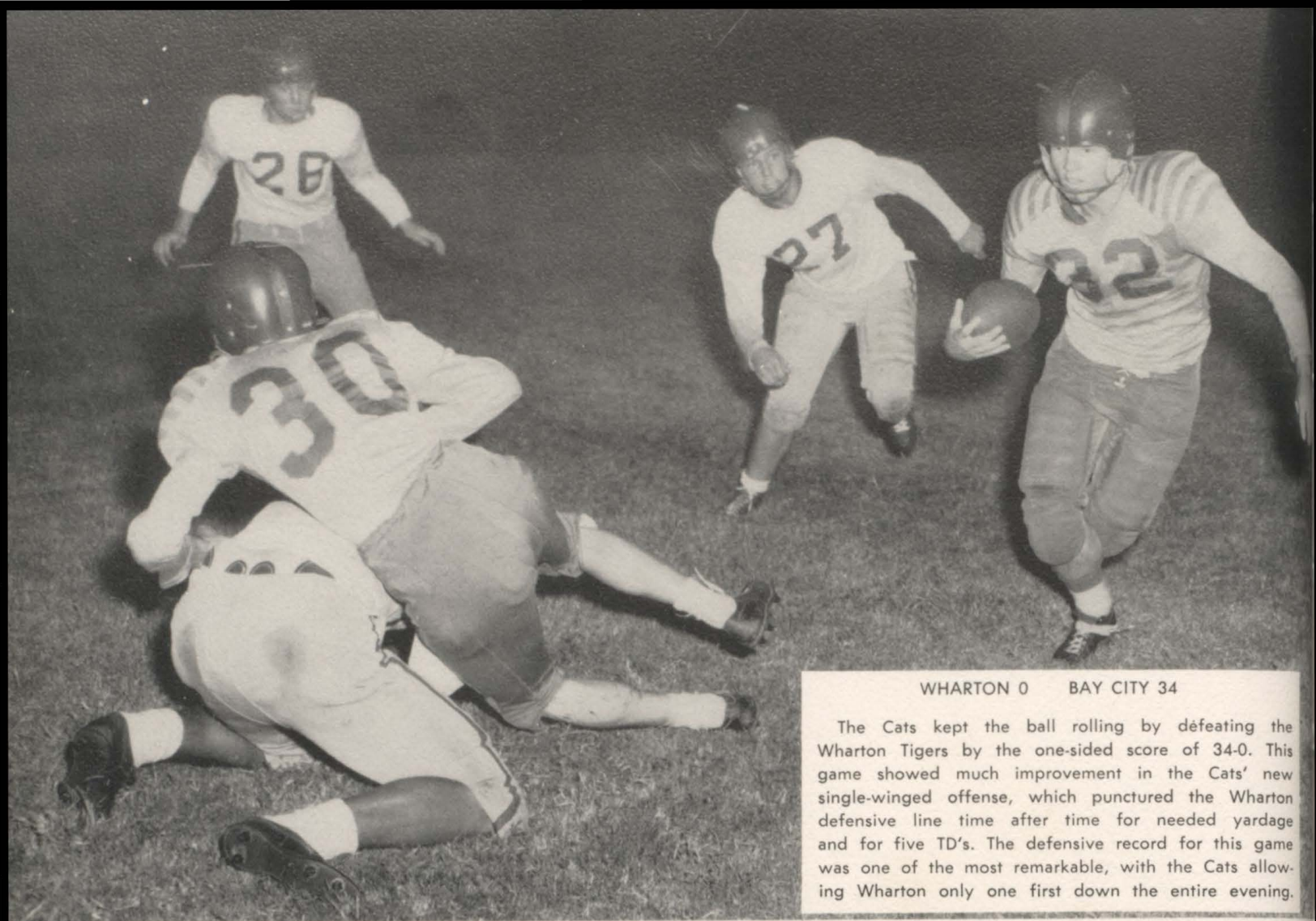
BOBBY CRAFT—All-District



OLLIE FALKS







WHARTON 0 BAY CITY 34

The Cats kept the ball rolling by defeating the Wharton Tigers by the one-sided score of 34-0. This game showed much improvement in the Cats' new single-winged offense, which punctured the Wharton defensive line time after time for needed yardage and for five TD's. The defensive record for this game was one of the most remarkable, with the Cats allowing Wharton only one first down the entire evening.



RAY NOBLE FINCH—All-District



JIM RAY FONDON



LOUIS FRANK

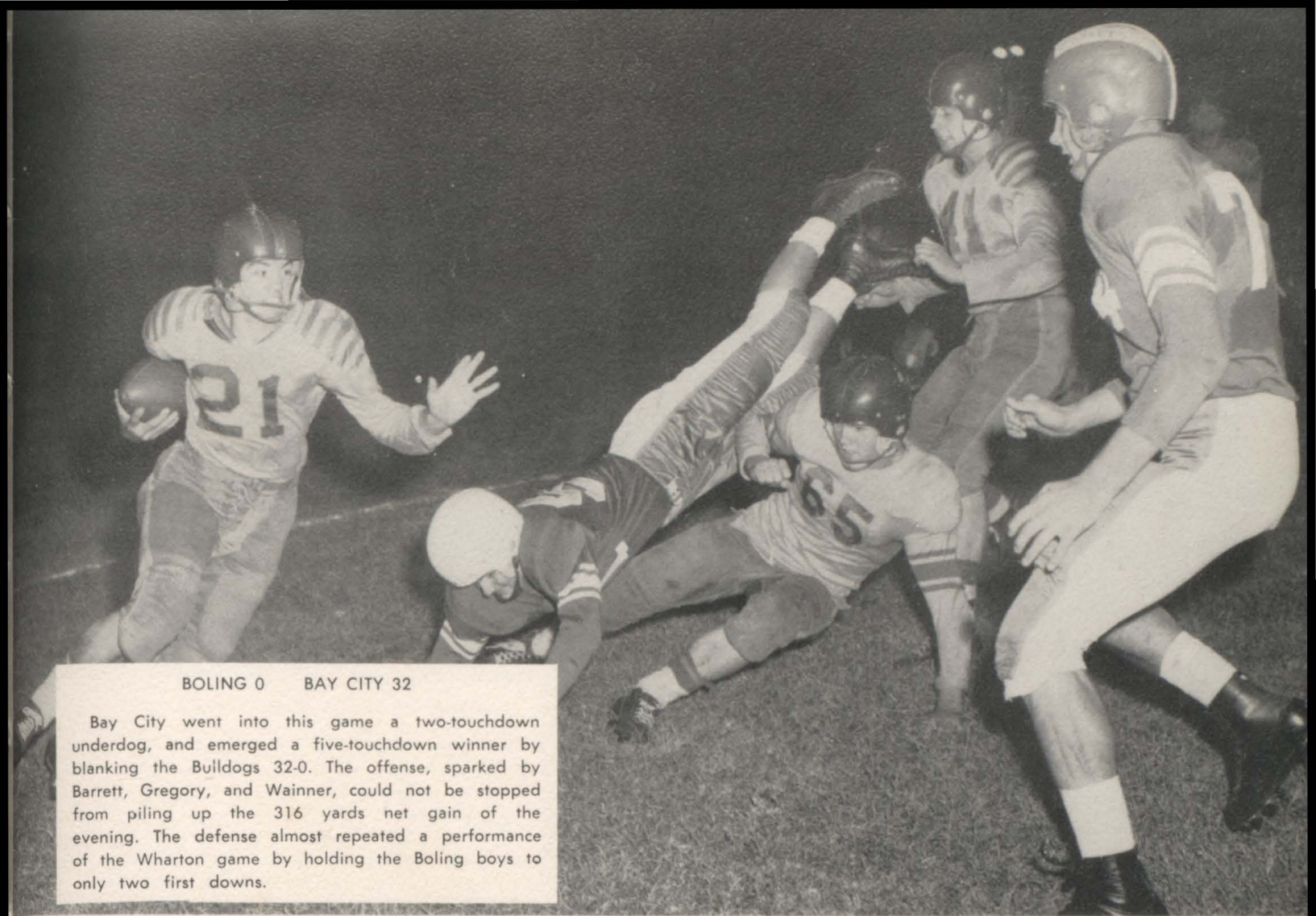
ALLEN FRANZ

CLARENCE GENZER

BOLTON GREGORY

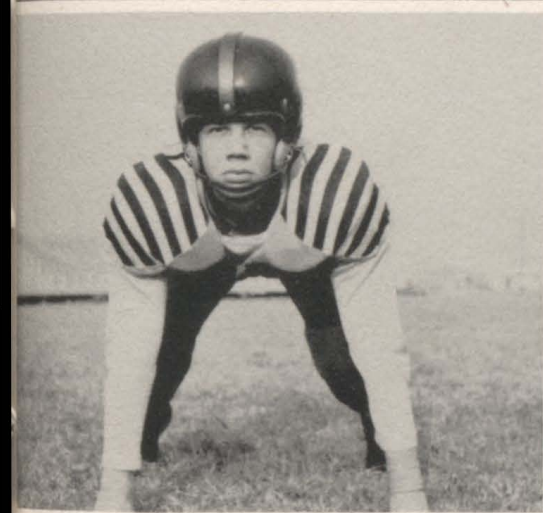






**BOLING 0 BAY CITY 32**

Bay City went into this game a two-touchdown underdog, and emerged a five-touchdown winner by blanking the Bulldogs 32-0. The offense, sparked by Barrett, Gregory, and Wainner, could not be stopped from piling up the 316 yards net gain of the evening. The defense almost repeated a performance of the Wharton game by holding the Boling boys to only two first downs.



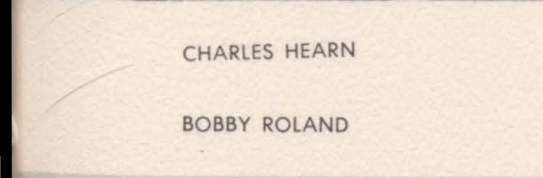
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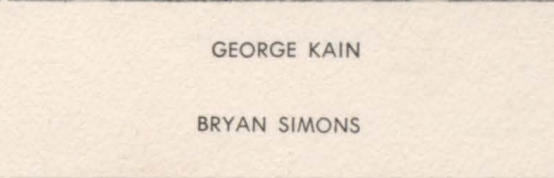
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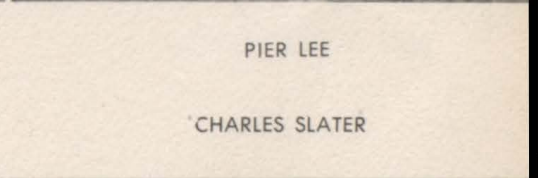
PIER LEE



BOBBY ROLAND



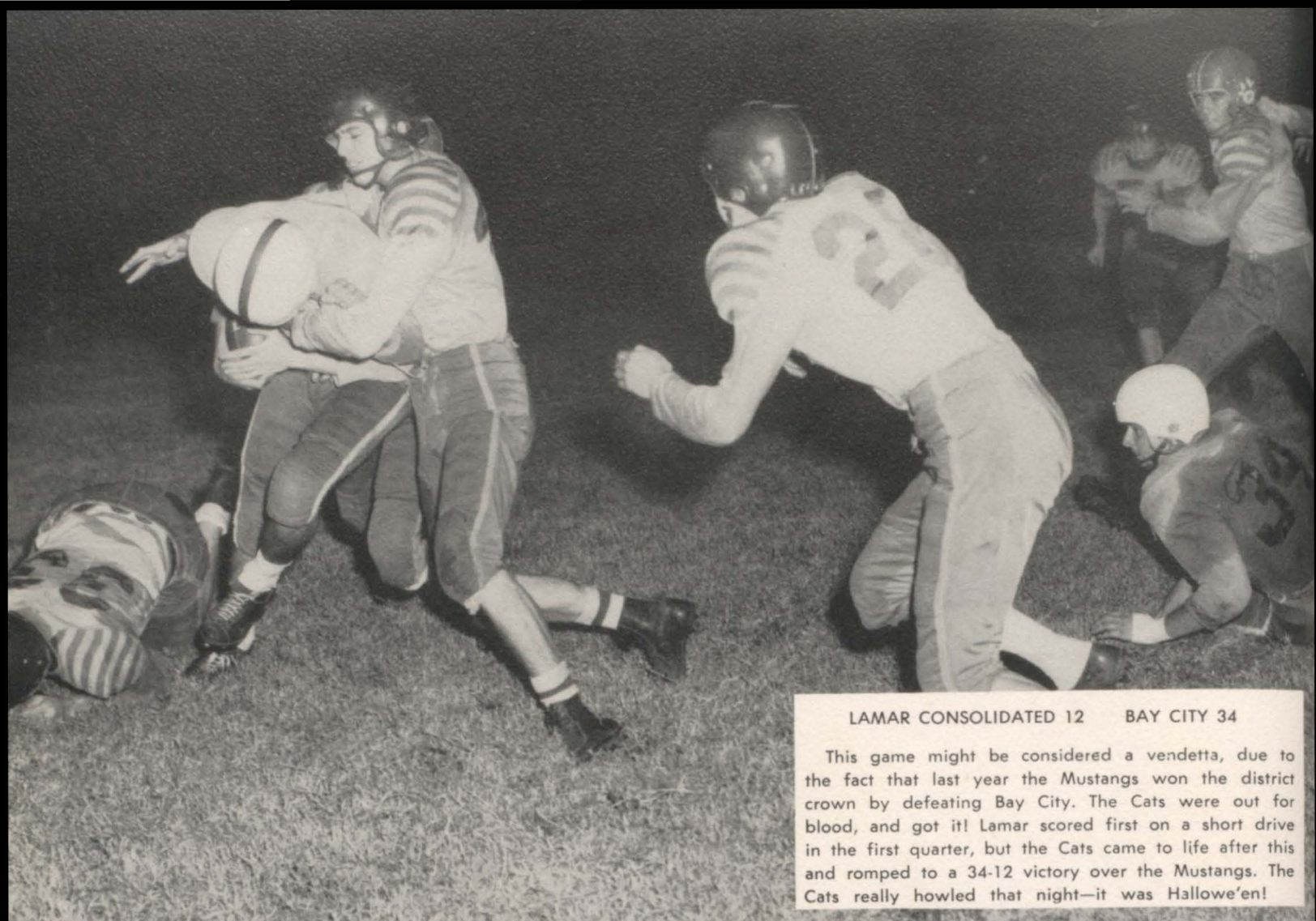
BRYAN SIMONS



CHARLES SLATER

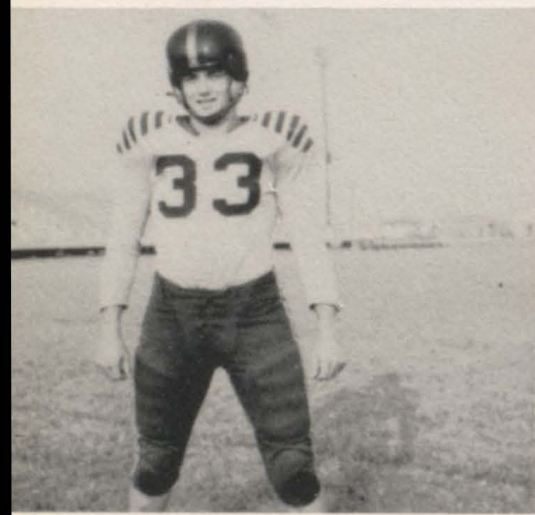




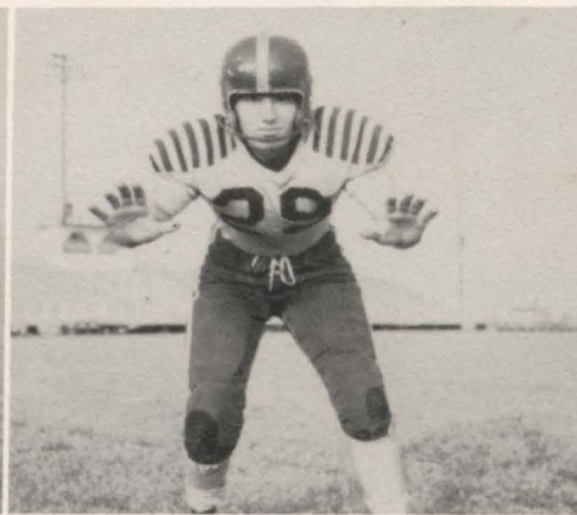


LAMAR CONSOLIDATED 12    BAY CITY 34

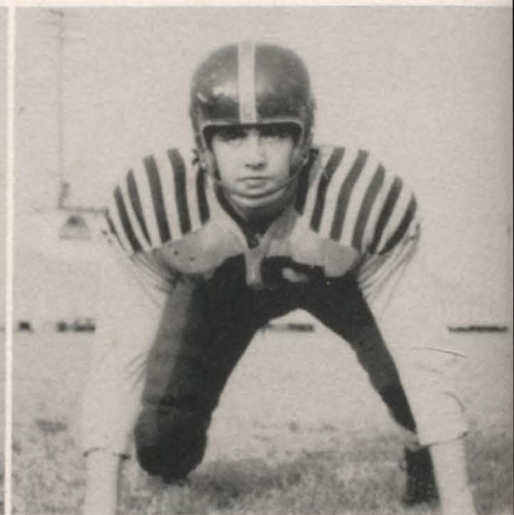
This game might be considered a vendetta, due to the fact that last year the Mustangs won the district crown by defeating Bay City. The Cats were out for blood, and got it! Lamar scored first on a short drive in the first quarter, but the Cats came to life after this and romped to a 34-12 victory over the Mustangs. The Cats really howled that night—it was Hallowe'en!



GENE STEINMEYER—All-District



SCOTT STEWART

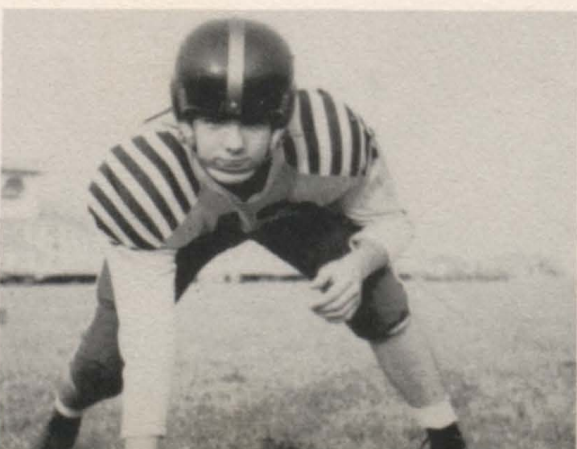


JACK SUMNERS

LADELL SUMP

BOBBY TURNER

GEORGE WAINNER

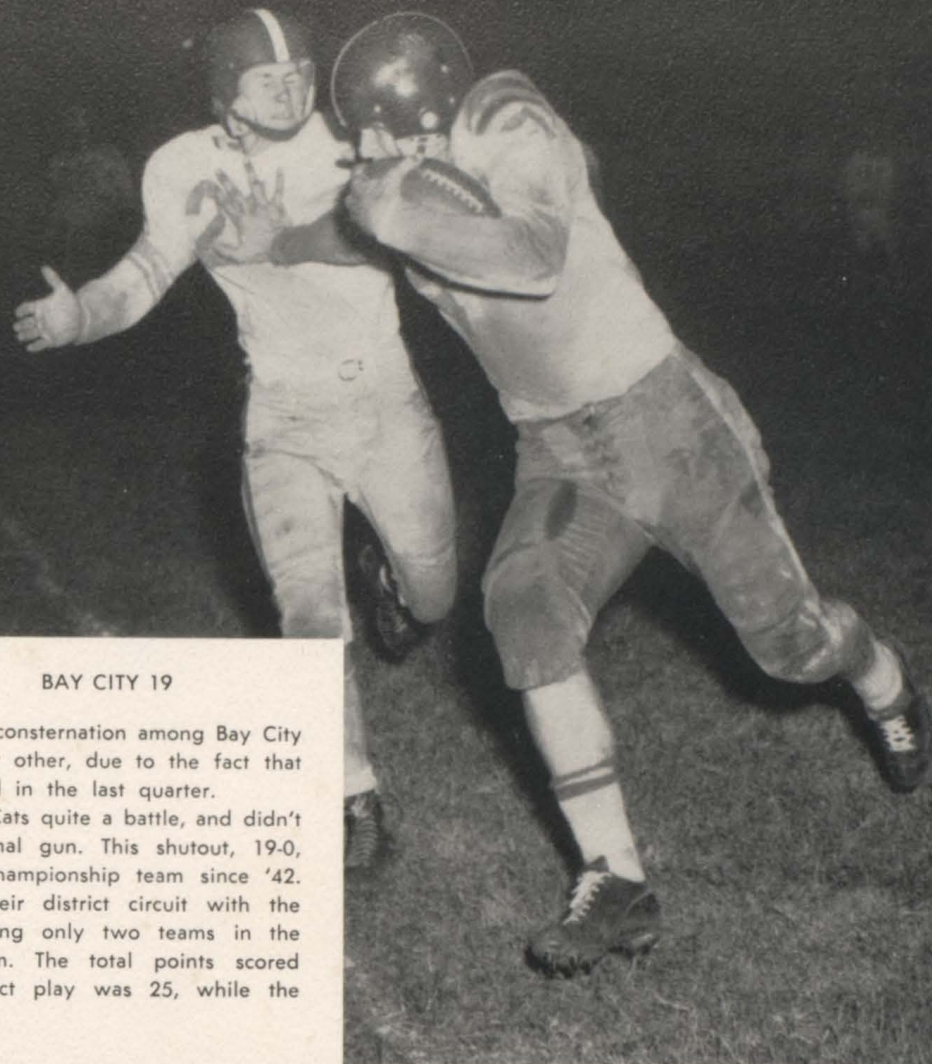




EL CAMPO 0 BAY CITY 19

This game caused more consternation among Bay City fans and players than any other, due to the fact that all of the scoring occurred in the last quarter.

The Ricebirds gave the Cats quite a battle, and didn't stop battling until the final gun. This shutout, 19-0, gave the Cats the first championship team since '42. The Black Cats closed their district circuit with the impressive record of having only two teams in the district to score on them. The total points scored against Bay City in district play was 25, while the Cats piled up 138 points.



J. B. WALTERMIRE



QUENTIN WATKINS



PAUL WHALEY

MILTON WILLIAMSON

ASA YEAMANS



Absent from this football section (in picture only!) are: Allen Ray Crow, Bobby Morris, and Cyril Shivers.



AND THEN . . .  
BI-DISTRICT!



BELLVILLE 7    BAY CITY 0

This is one game that will not soon be forgotten by Bay City supporters, for it showed that the Cats could take as well as dish it out. This game concerned the two most evenly matched teams that could have met. It was a close game until the gun sounded, because Bellville scored in the last few minutes of play. Although the Cats went down in defeat, they have nothing to be ashamed of, because they fought their hearts out right to the end.

*Co-Captains*  
BUDDY BARRETT and RAY NOBLE FINCH



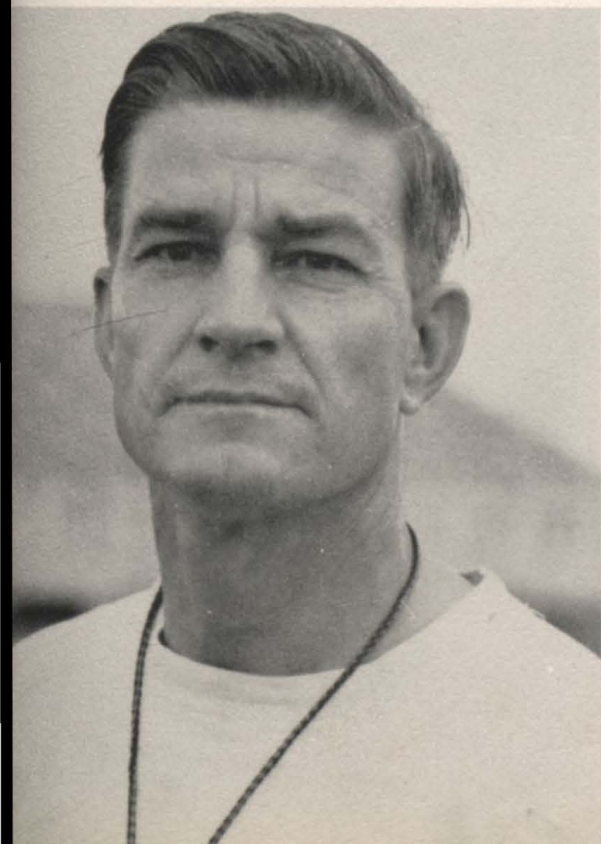


# BASKETBALL



1952 WHARTON COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE  
BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT TROPHY TEAM

*Captain*  
BUDDY BARRETT



COACH ROLAND





# GIRLS' BASKETBALL



Coach  
HAZEL BETH McCALL



# BOYS' AND GIRLS' TENNIS



# VOLLEYBALL





# TRACK TEAM



## BAY CITY WINS OWN MEET

By Kirk Hill  
POST SPORTS STAFF

Saturday, March 14, 1953. When the fragments of the many shattered records ceased falling on Memorial Stadium here Saturday afternoon, Coach Joe Rogers' Bay City thin-clads held possession of the championship trophy of the Third Annual Black Cat Relays.

A tradition that has marked the meet since it was established here three years ago continued to prevail, as the Bay City squad bested the Robstown High Cotton Pickers by a lone point, the Black Cats amassing  $21\frac{3}{4}$  to Robstown's  $20\frac{3}{4}$ .

In winning Saturday's relays, the Black Cats ousted the Brenham High Cubs that defeated them by a single point in the 1952 event. Bay City took the initial tourney from Brenham by the same one-point margin.

New records were established in nine of the fifteen events, as 22 top schoolboy track and field teams competed for the championship.

Trailing Bay City and Robstown in team scor-

ing was Refugio with 20; Brenham,  $19\frac{1}{2}$ ; Bowling's Bulldogs,  $16\frac{1}{2}$  points.

Pier Lee, with  $10\frac{1}{2}$  points, took third high individual scoring honors. Lee topped the 180 low hurdles in 21.2 to shave the record of 21.6. He finished second in the 120 high hurdles and third in the 100-yard dash, in addition to ending in a tie for fourth in the broad jump.

Other winners from Bay City besides Lee were: Jimmy Cashion, fourth in the 440-yard dash; team, second in the 440-yard relays; team, third in the 880-yard relays; Podie Slater, second in pole vault; Billy Cogburn, third in pole vault; and Jerry Clark, fourth in the high jump.

The Black Cats were presented the championship trophy, West Columbia the relay awards, and individual medals were given top performers by Miss Joyce Hughes, who ruled as Relay Queen.

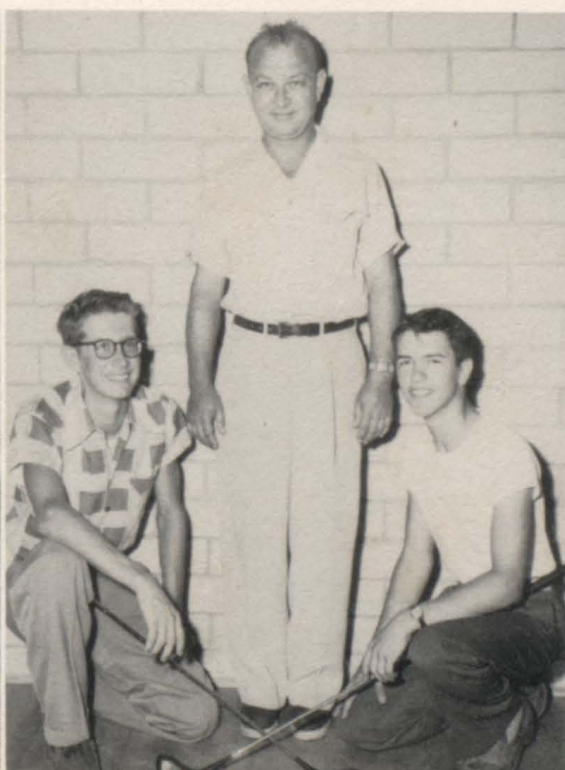
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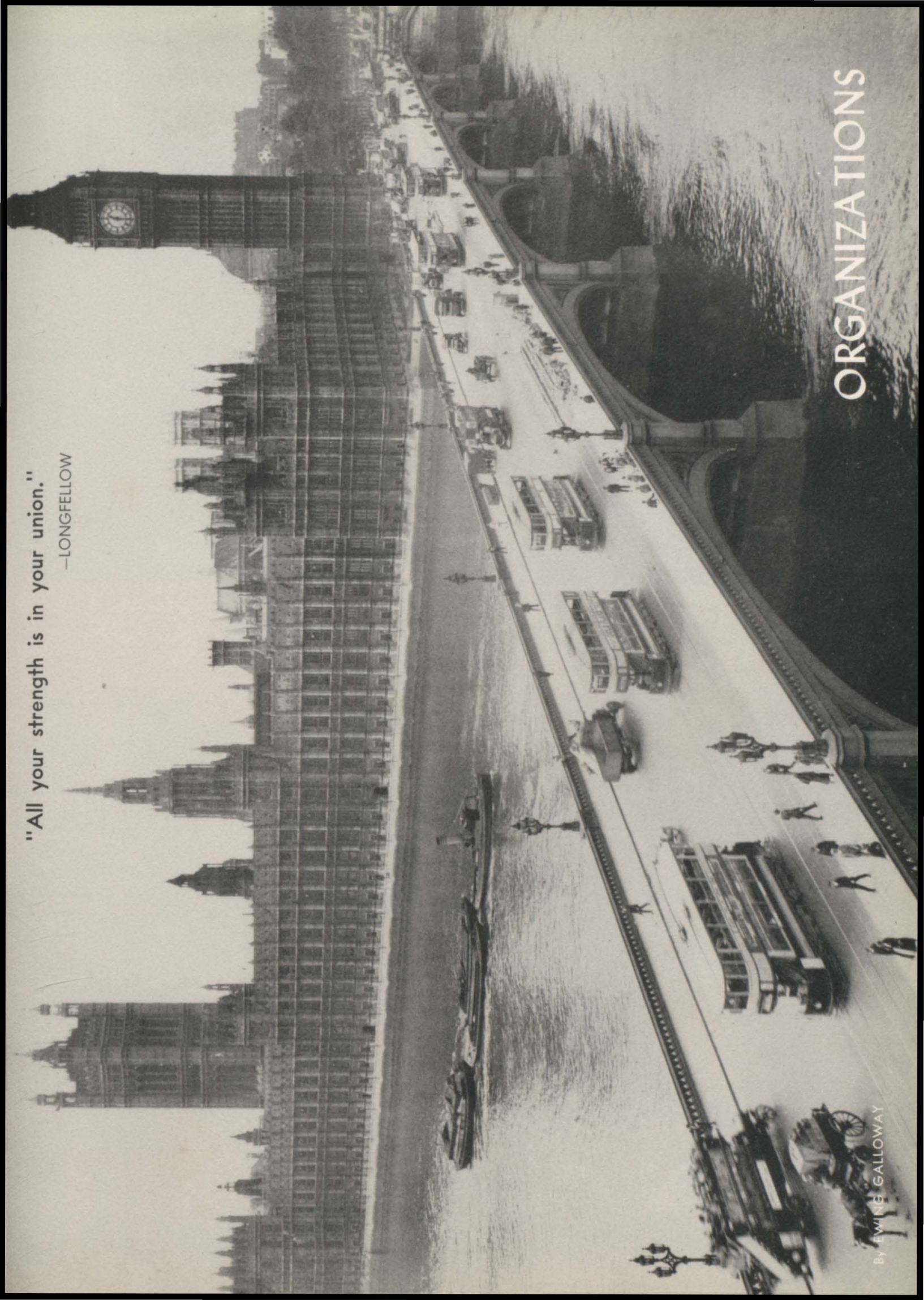


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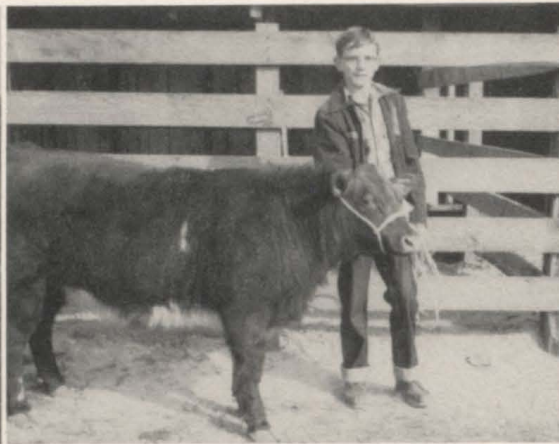
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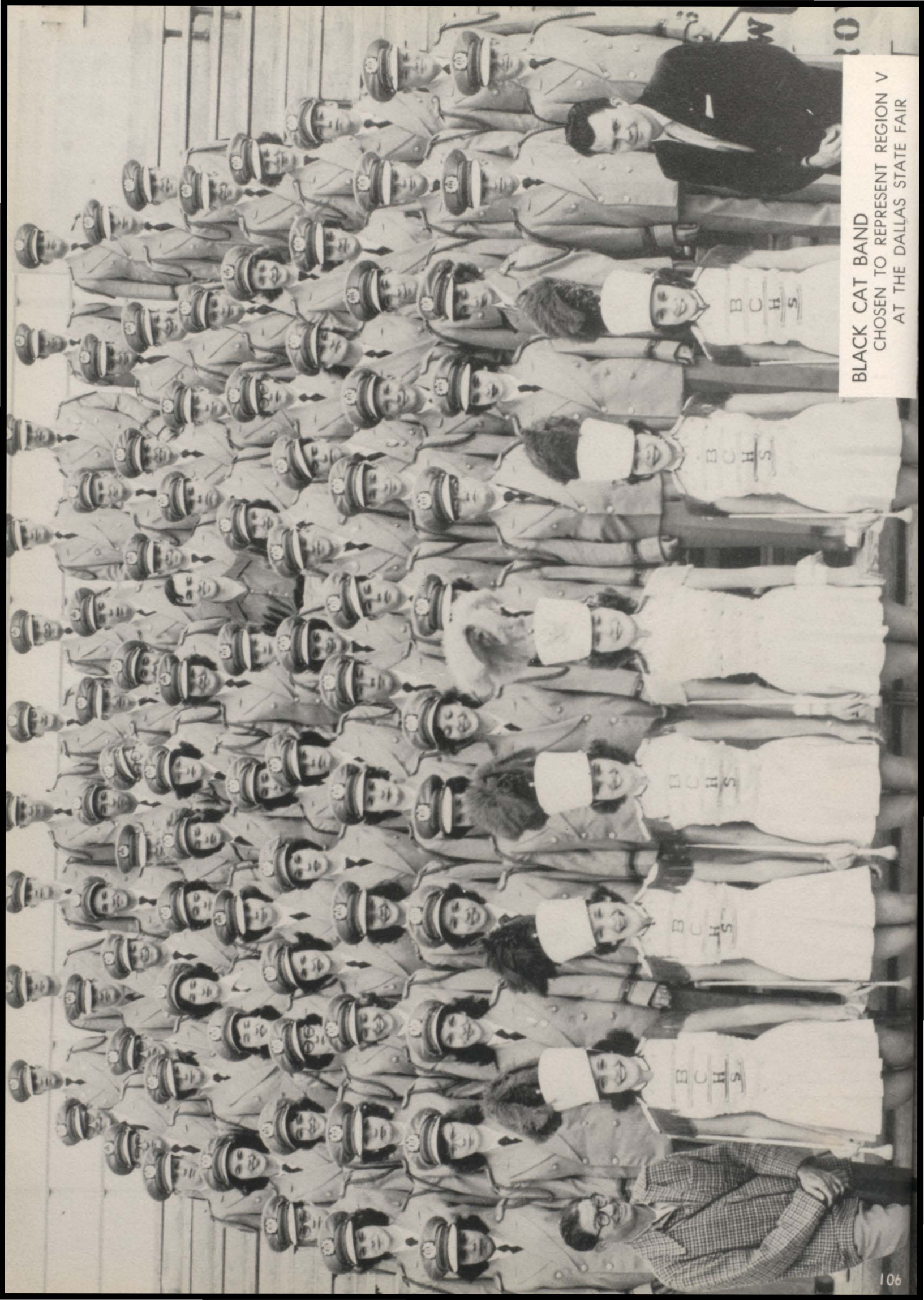
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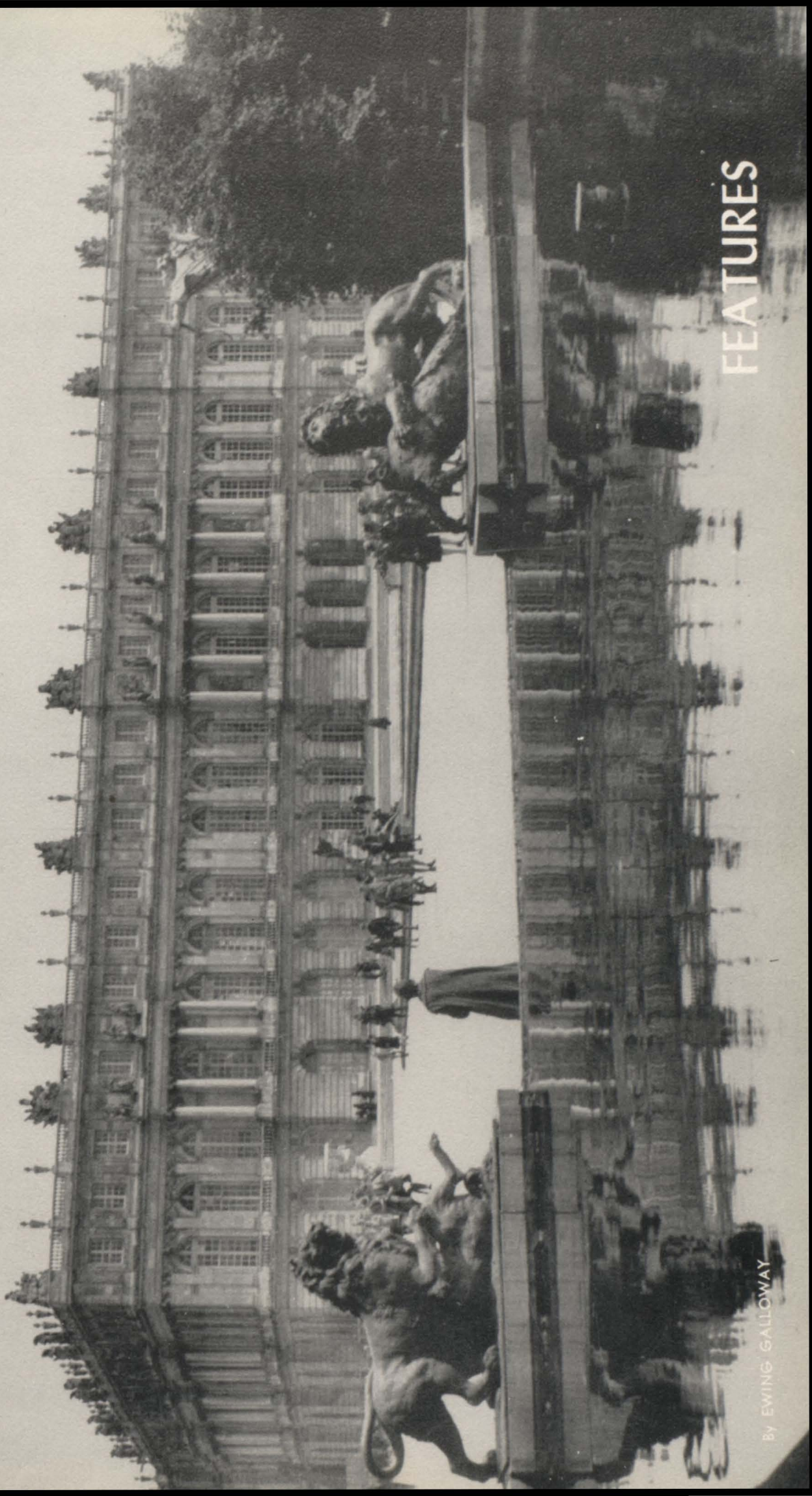


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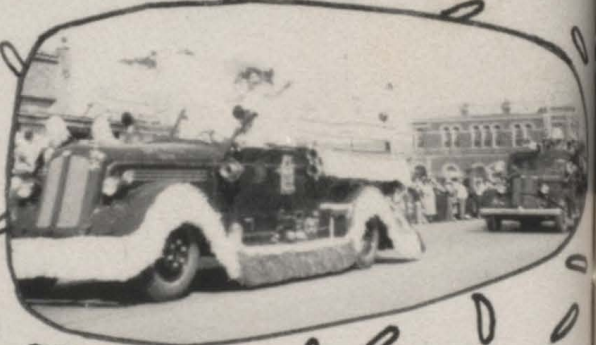
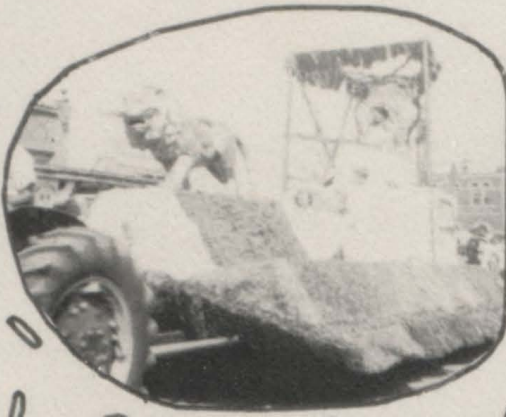


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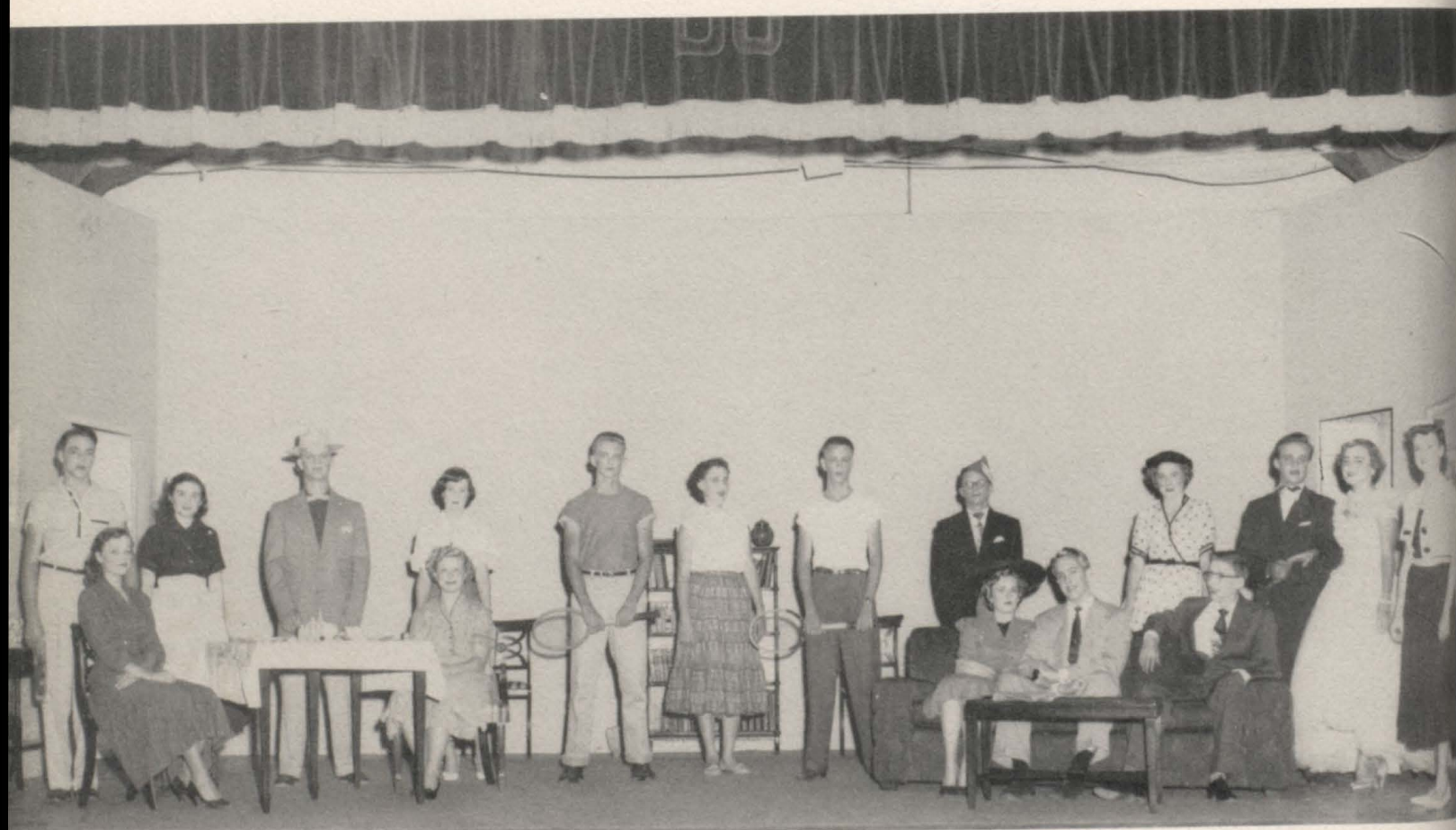




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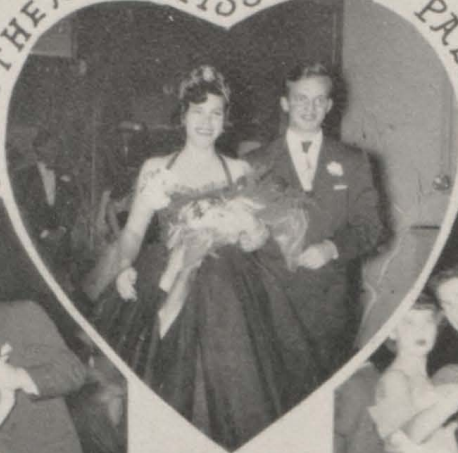


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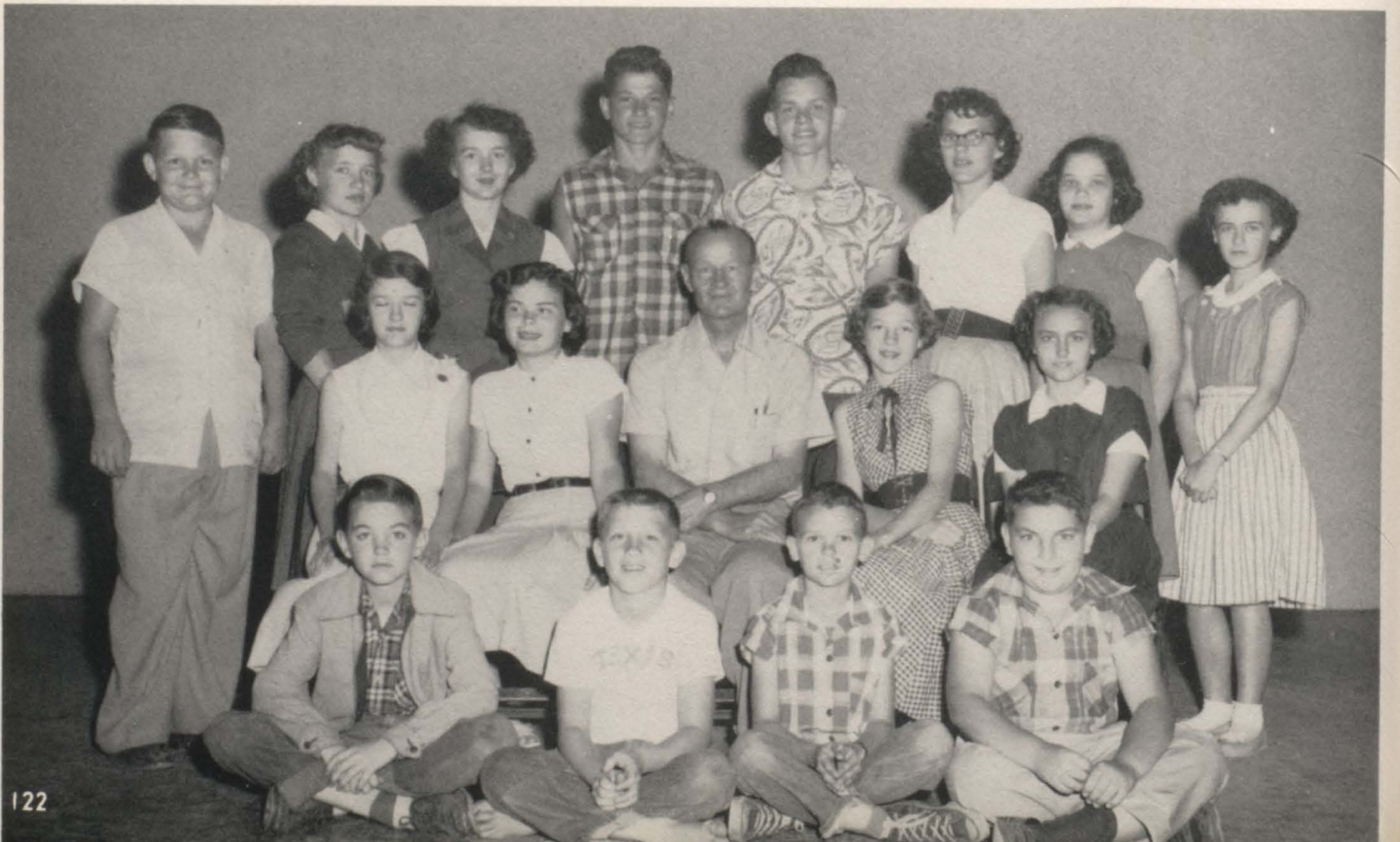
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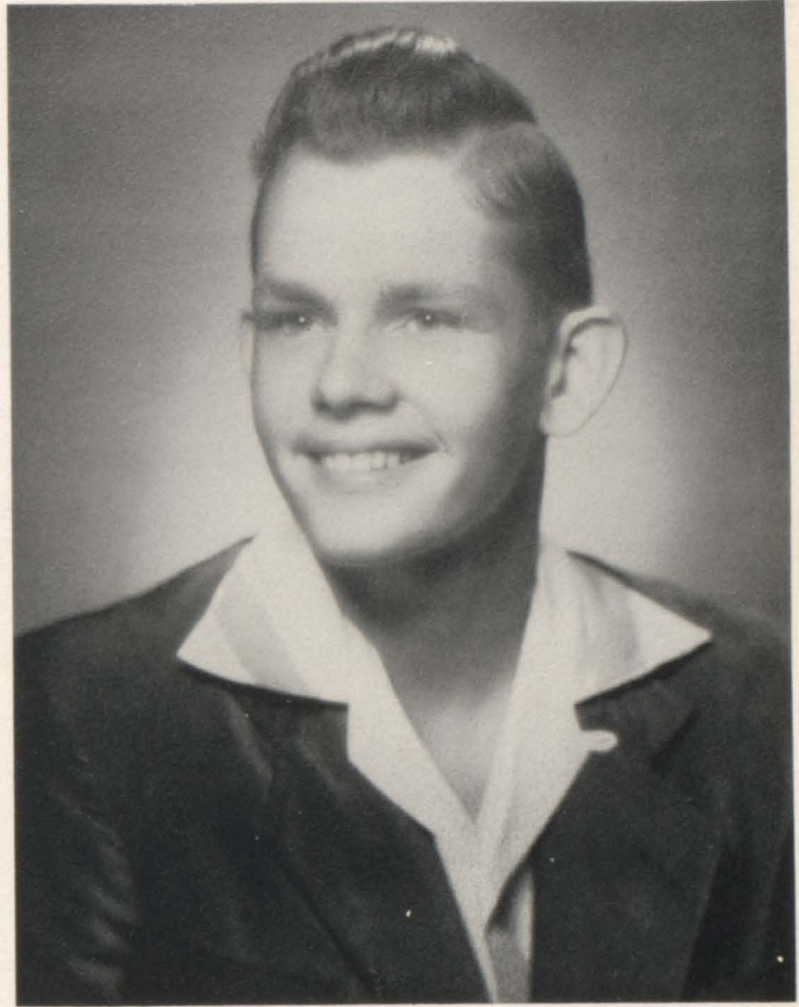




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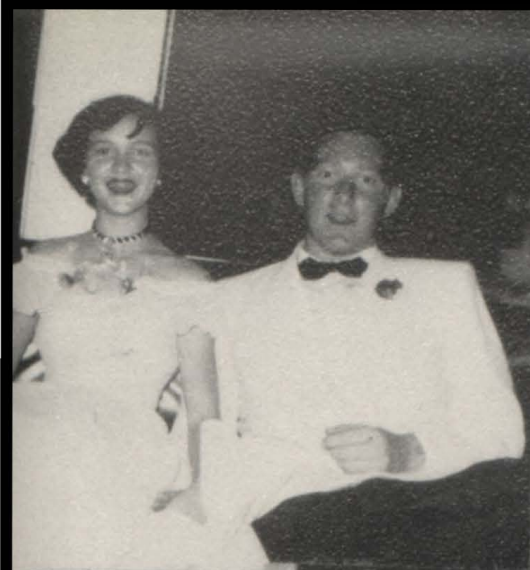


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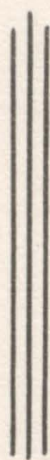
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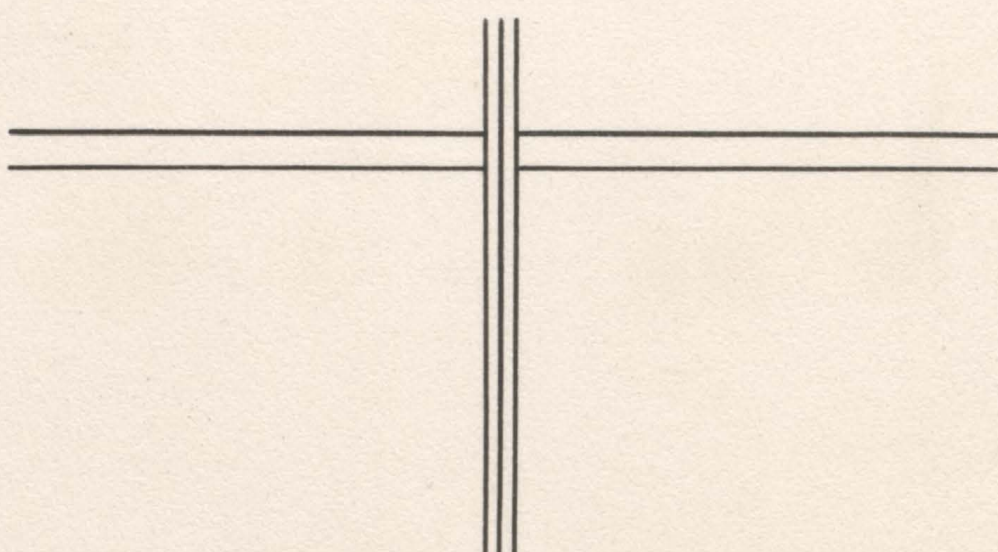




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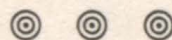


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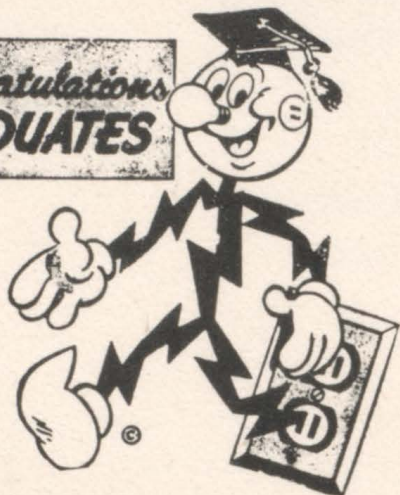


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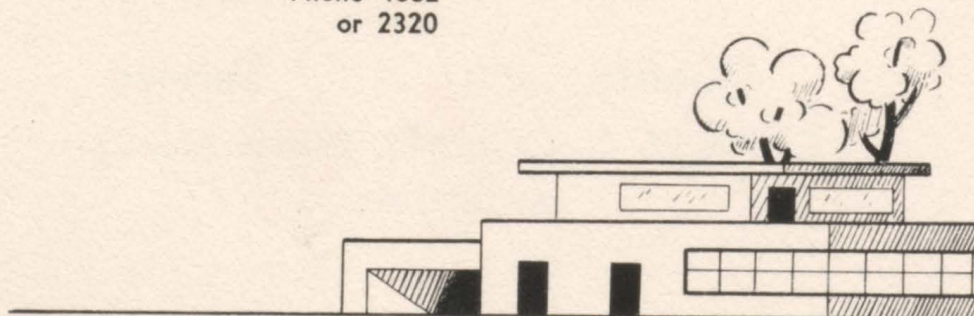
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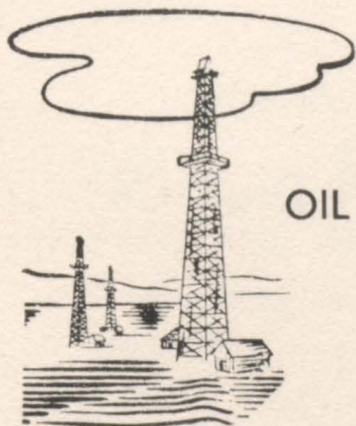
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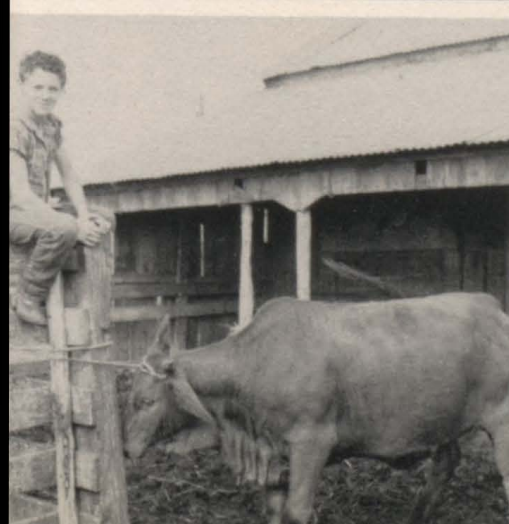
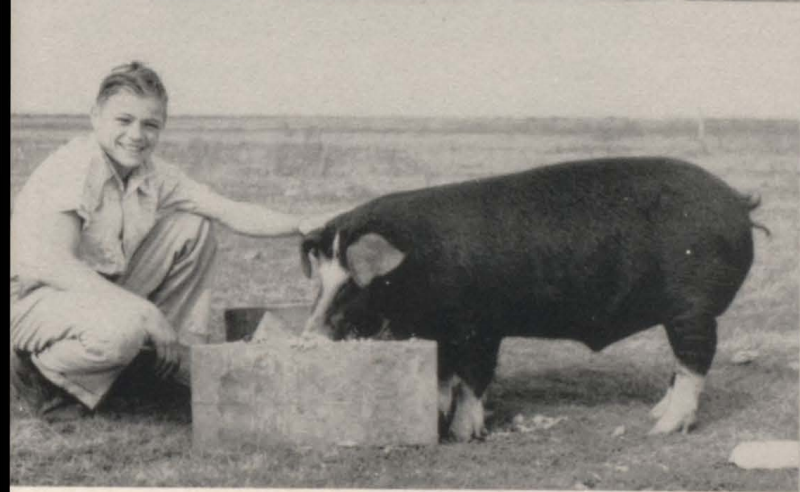
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## SENIOR WILL

- I, Billy Ray Cogburn, will my abilities, if any, to any young Junior, Sophomore, or Freshman who would be dumb enough to take them.
- I, Dorothy Manofsky, will my "jug-bottle" figure to the coke machine. May it develop a better one than I did.
- We, Gayle, Barbara, and Ann, do hereby will our crush on a certain blonde biology teacher to three lucky Freshmen who will have him next year.
- I, Gayle Hart, will my having to have my car pushed every morning and still getting to school on time, to anyone with an English Ford or a jalopy. I've had both!
- I, Merideth McKelvy, on passing through these halls, do hereby will all my good times at B.C.H. to two swell pals, Jackie Edmondson and Claire Lyle.
- I, Katy Mendiola, will my ability to give oral book reports in English IV to Delfina Rodriguez.
- I, Travis Cartwright, leave my loafing in class to William Gasch.
- I, Barbara Lane, will my love for "Corky" Frank to Janiece, Claire, Libby, Jackie, Mary Jane, Martherle, and anyone he may pick to tease.
- I, Shirley "Mitzi" Mayberry, will my Mitzi costume to Bobby McCullough, hoping it will fit!
- We, Nell, Pat, Lane, and Foote, will all our times of rejoicing at the River and neighboring cities, to the up-and-coming "Sophs" and Juniors, Darby and the group.
- I, Jean Wilkinson, will my afternoons at the river and beach and my favor with E. J. M., to those "River Rats" and "Beach Bums."
- I, Horst Palenberg, leave my Oxford accent to the future Senior English class of B.C.H.
- I, Lenore Erixon, will anything to anyone.
- We, Eudora Robertson and Bobby Craft, just leave.
- I, Vanita Davenport, will my roaming through the halls during fourth period to anyone stupid enough to try it.
- I, Tommy Booth, will my flirting with the girls to Corkey Green . . . and the ability to get along with Mr. McDonald to anyone.
- I, Lois Sonnier, leave my part in the Senior Play to anyone who can memorize five lines.
- I, Gene Smith, will my ability to argue with Mr. Spielman about Gen. MacArthur and not get kicked out of class, to everyone.
- I, Charles Hearn, will my fortune to get into trouble, to all boys who go on and graduate.
- I, Jo Ann Holloway, leave the gossip columns I've written to the next society editor; and here's hoping she doesn't get into as much hot water as I did!
- I, Joyce Hughes, will my fun in basketball to all who get to play, and my No. 9 Uniform to the gal it fits.
- I, Harvey Tenberg, will my ability to stay out late and get to school on time, to B. Brown, S. Ray, K. Schutz, Chas. Carroll, and C. Holubec.
- We, Alma Dell Victory and Betty Jo Conner, leave to Mr. Sheley, our journalism teacher, all back issues of the CAT'S TALE, on which we worked so hard and received so many compliments.
- I, George Wainner, will my fussin' and fightin' with Joan, and then making up in time for class, to Pody and Libby.
- We, Katherine Calk and Ruthe Kowis, leave our escaping book reports to L. Bickham and J. Stephens.
- I, Jimmy Scott, wills first chair in the saxophone section to Larry Hunt or Jimmy Sykes. May the best win!
- I, Joan Knott, leave my capacity for using the four minutes between classes to go to my locker, comb my hair, drink a Coke, and talk to George for two minutes, to anyone that fast.
- I, Regina Richers, give my brothers, Gus and Charles, the luck I didn't have playing hookey!
- I, Roy Garrison, being not so sound of mind, bequeath four miserable years to any Freshman wanting it.
- I, Jackie Henderson, leave my book reporting ability on books I've never read, to anyone dumb enough to try it.
- I, Allen Ray Crow, will my charm with the girls to Jimmy Williams.
- I, Charles Teutsch, give the school store to anyone interested in a paid vacation from school.
- I, Elnora Hazlewood, leave this school to the unfortunates not graduating this year.
- I, Ann Elkins, leave four fun-filled years to my sister Mickey. May she have as much fun as I've had.
- I, Louise Fikes, will to Ruthie Fikes all my unforgettable and wonderful times these last two years in high school. May she make the very most of every minute.
- I, Sue Green, leave the fun I had the short time I was here, to Ann Holmans.
- We, the "Jugs," Gayle, Vanita, Virginia, Louise, Ann, Foote, Pat, Shirley, Jean, Merideth, Nell Moselle, Barbara, and Anna Ruth, will our slumber parties and good times, and the friendship among us, to all the future "groups" of ole B.C.H.S.
- I, Pat Nordyke, will my ability to borrow football jackets and never return them, to any girl as cold natured as I!
- I, Anna Ruth Birkner, leave my twirling uniform to any girl dumb enough to work as hard as I did to get it.
- We, Luetta Palmer and Elsie Swansey (to anyone), Buddy Barrett (to Jimmy Williams), Jimmy Cashion (to those who get caught), Bobby Turner (to J. B. Waltermire), and Earlene Smith (to Martha M. Quinney), do hereby will our respective aptitudes for playing hookey and getting by with it.
- I, Pier Lee, will my ability of running track, and jumping off of the river bank to Pody Slater, without getting hurt.



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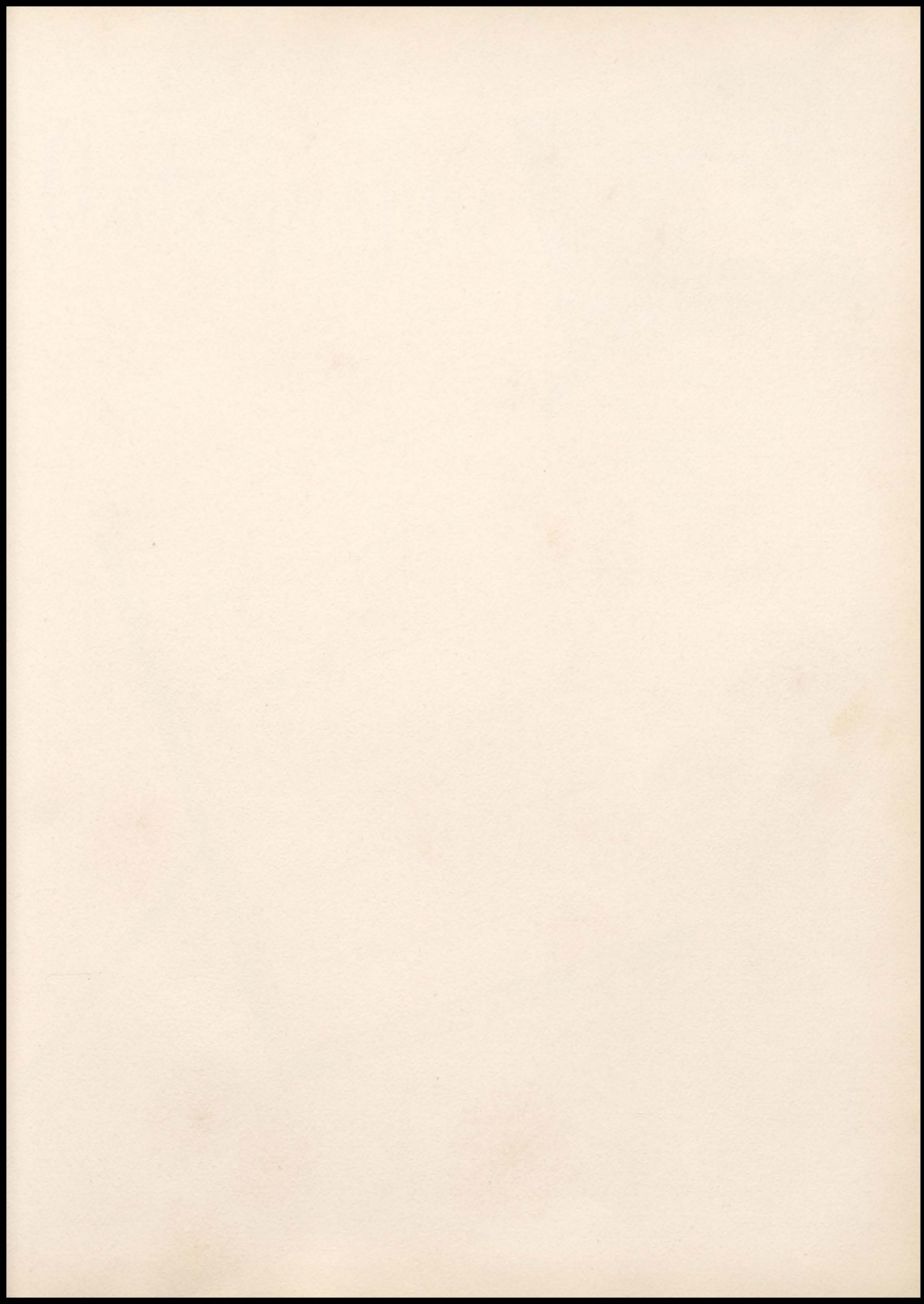
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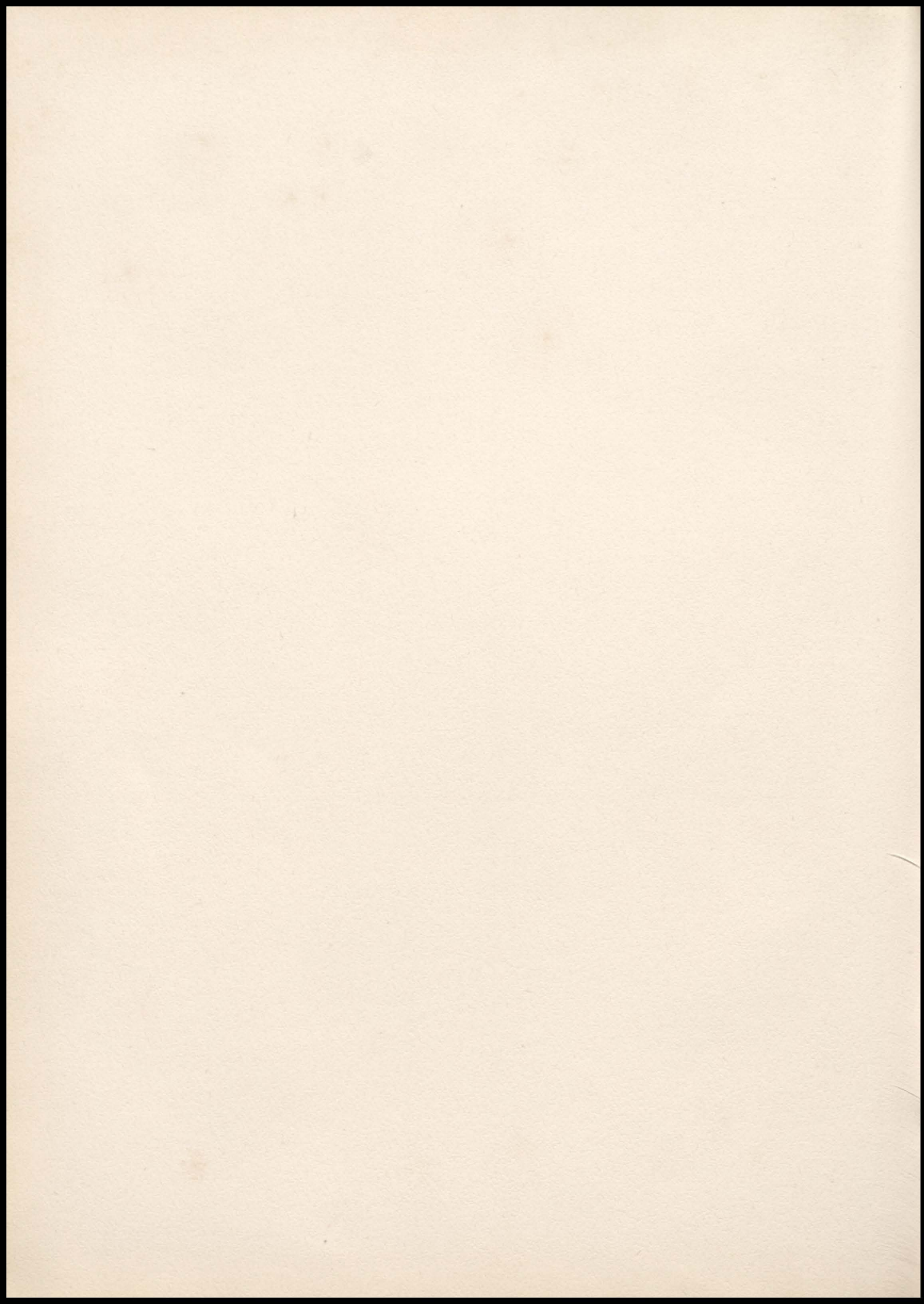
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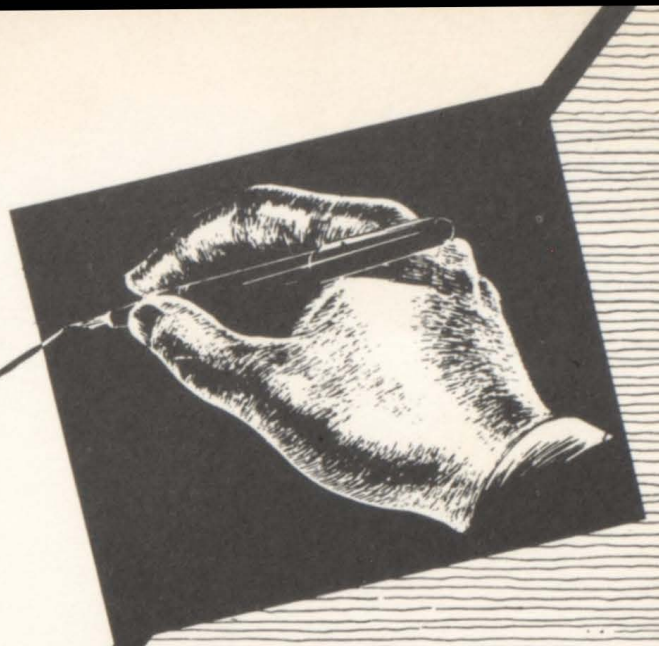








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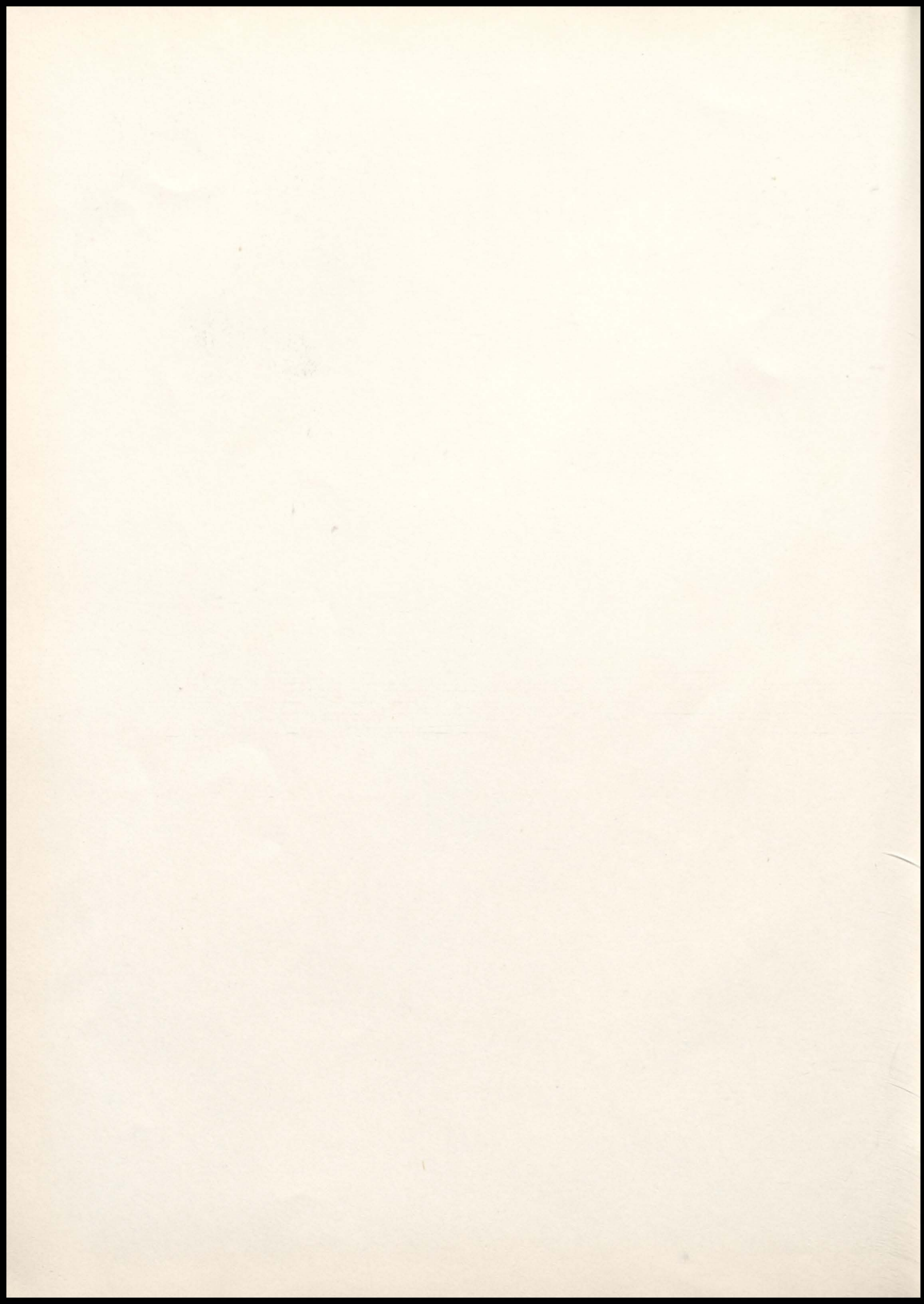
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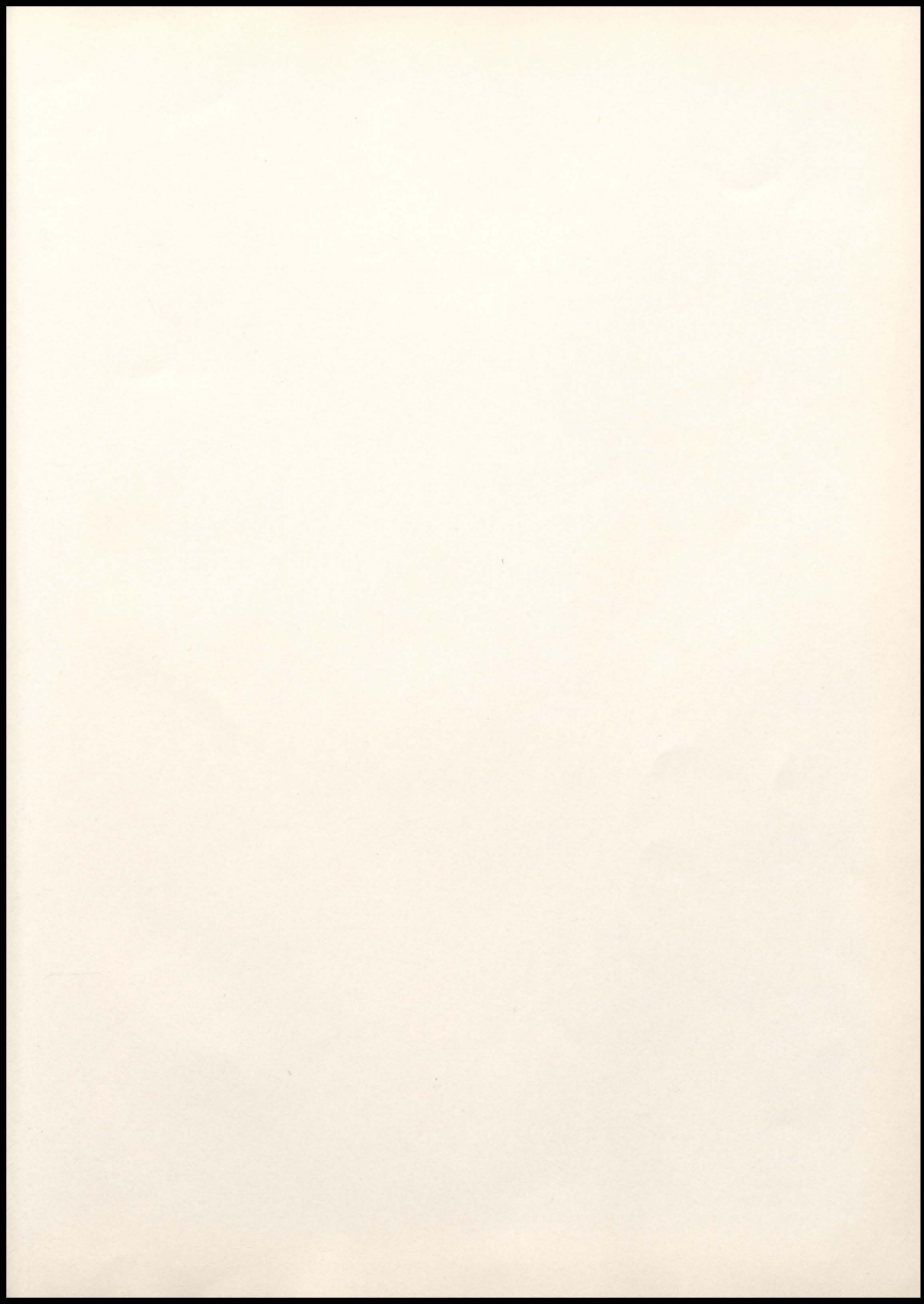
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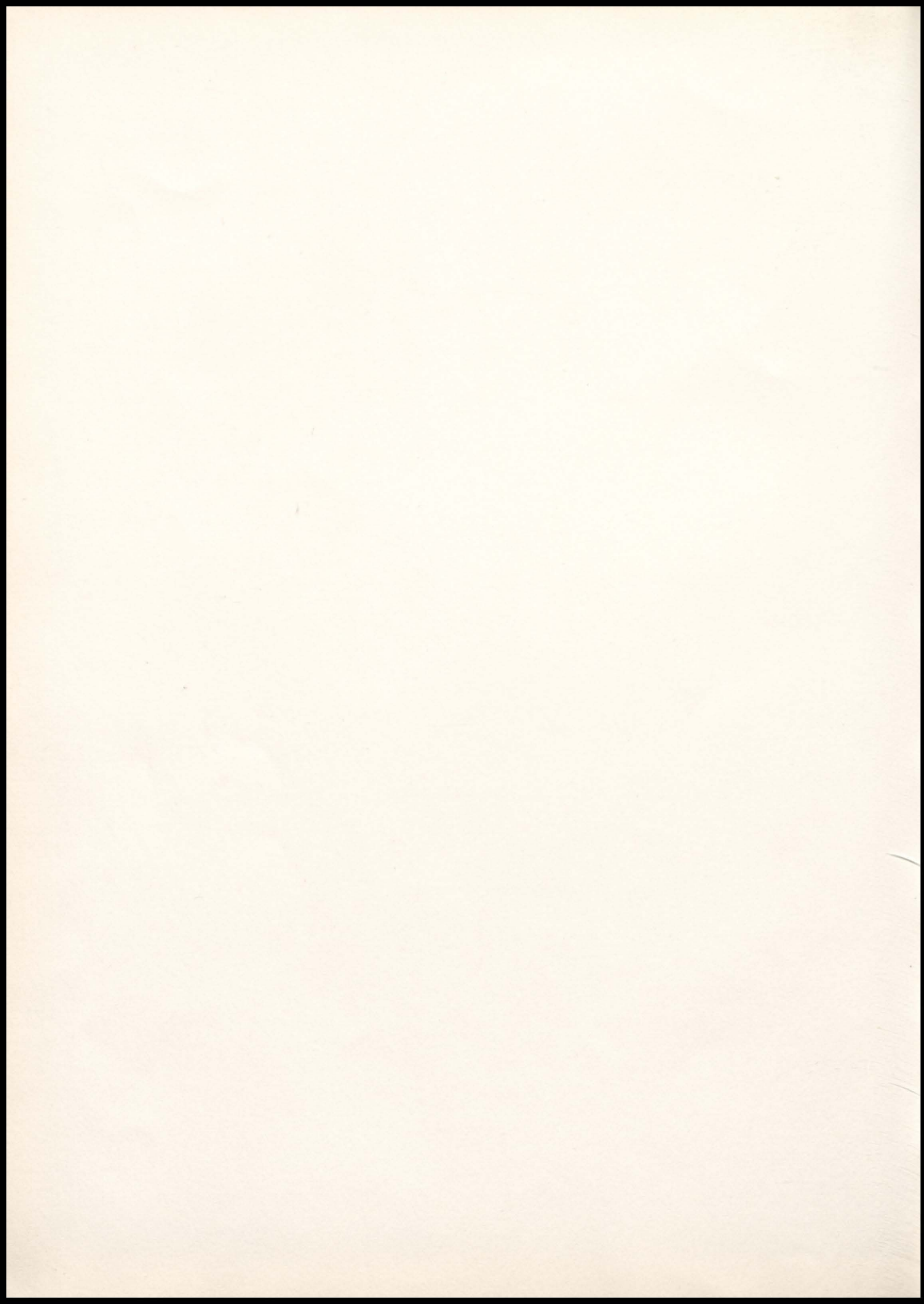




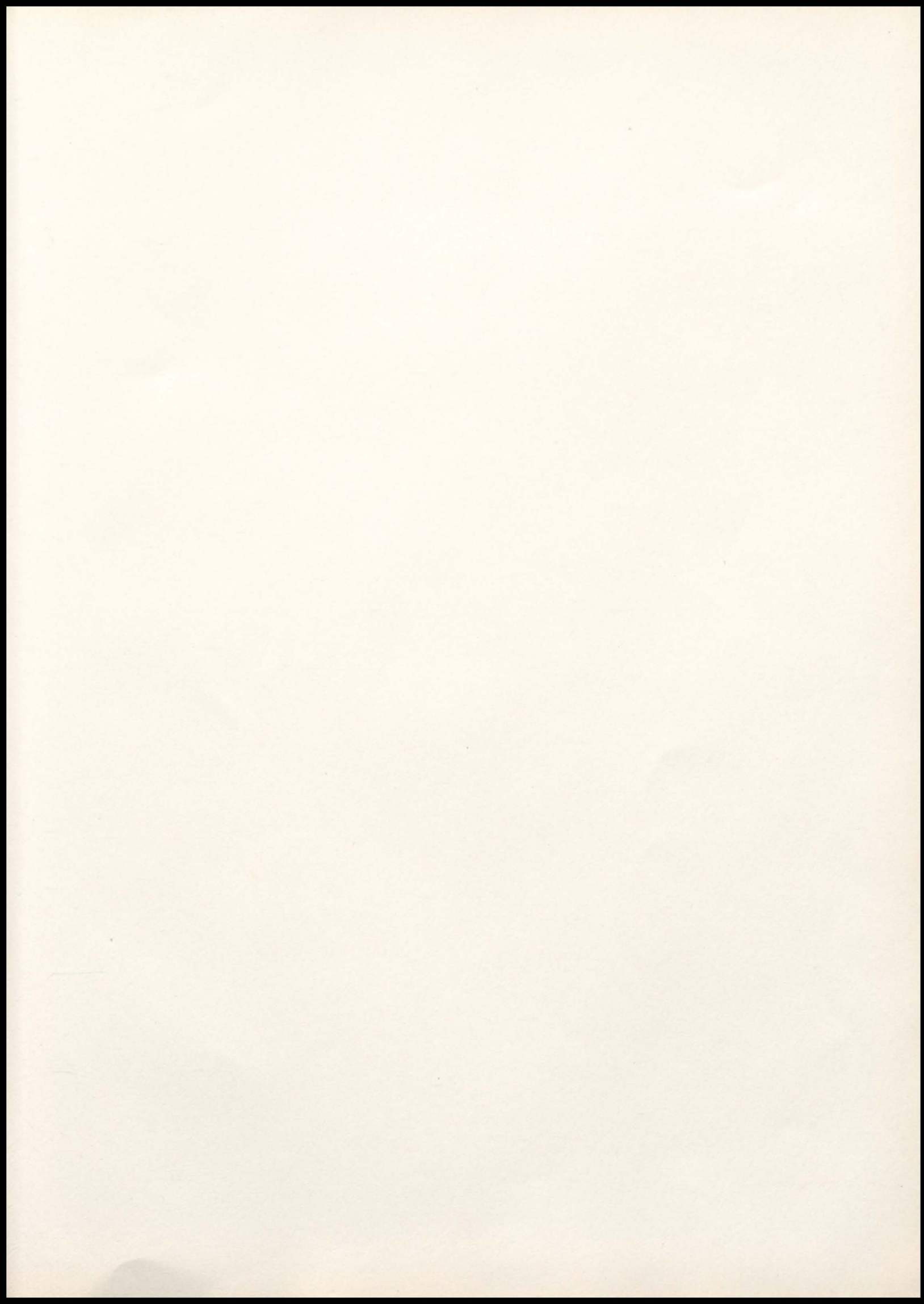




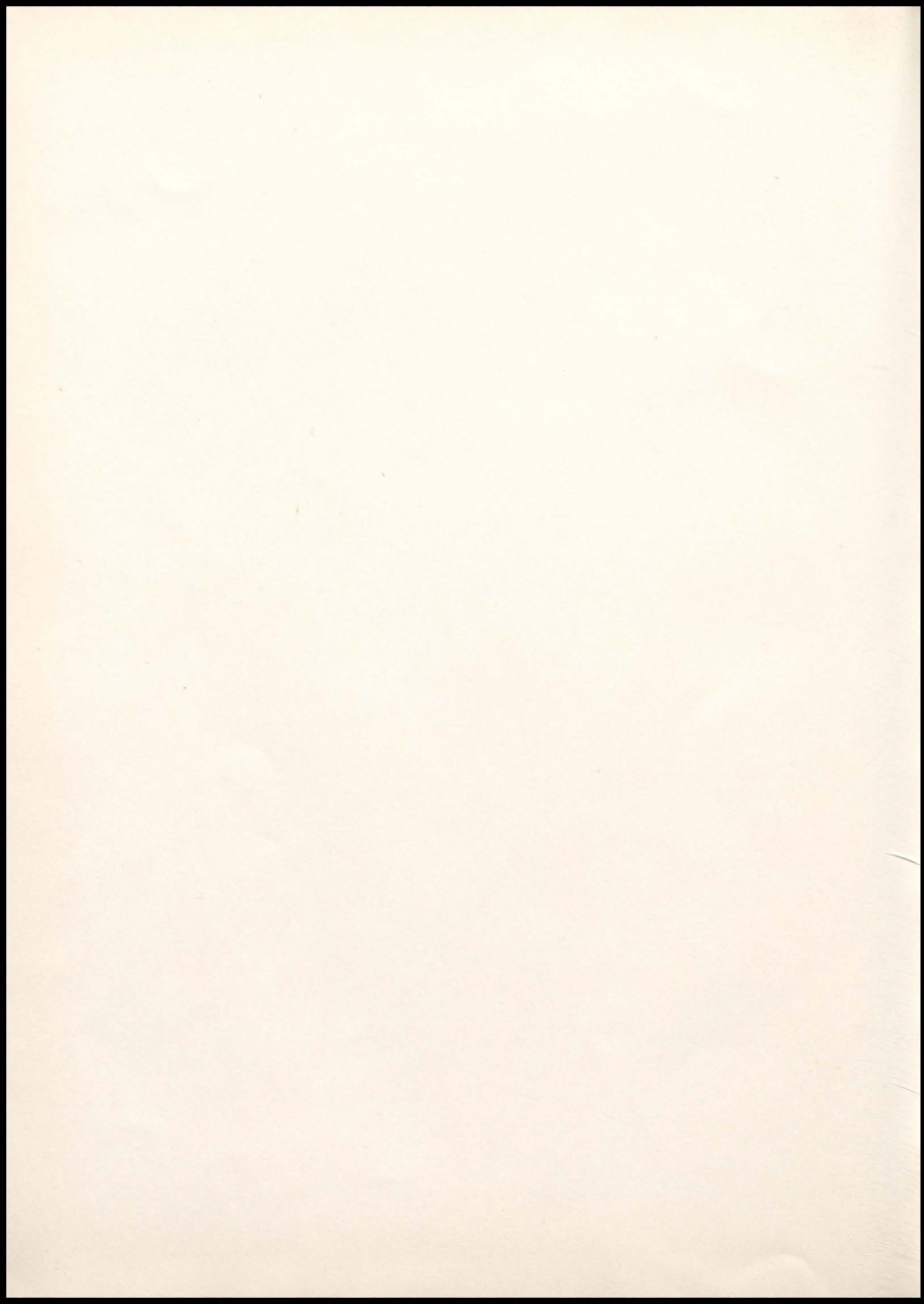




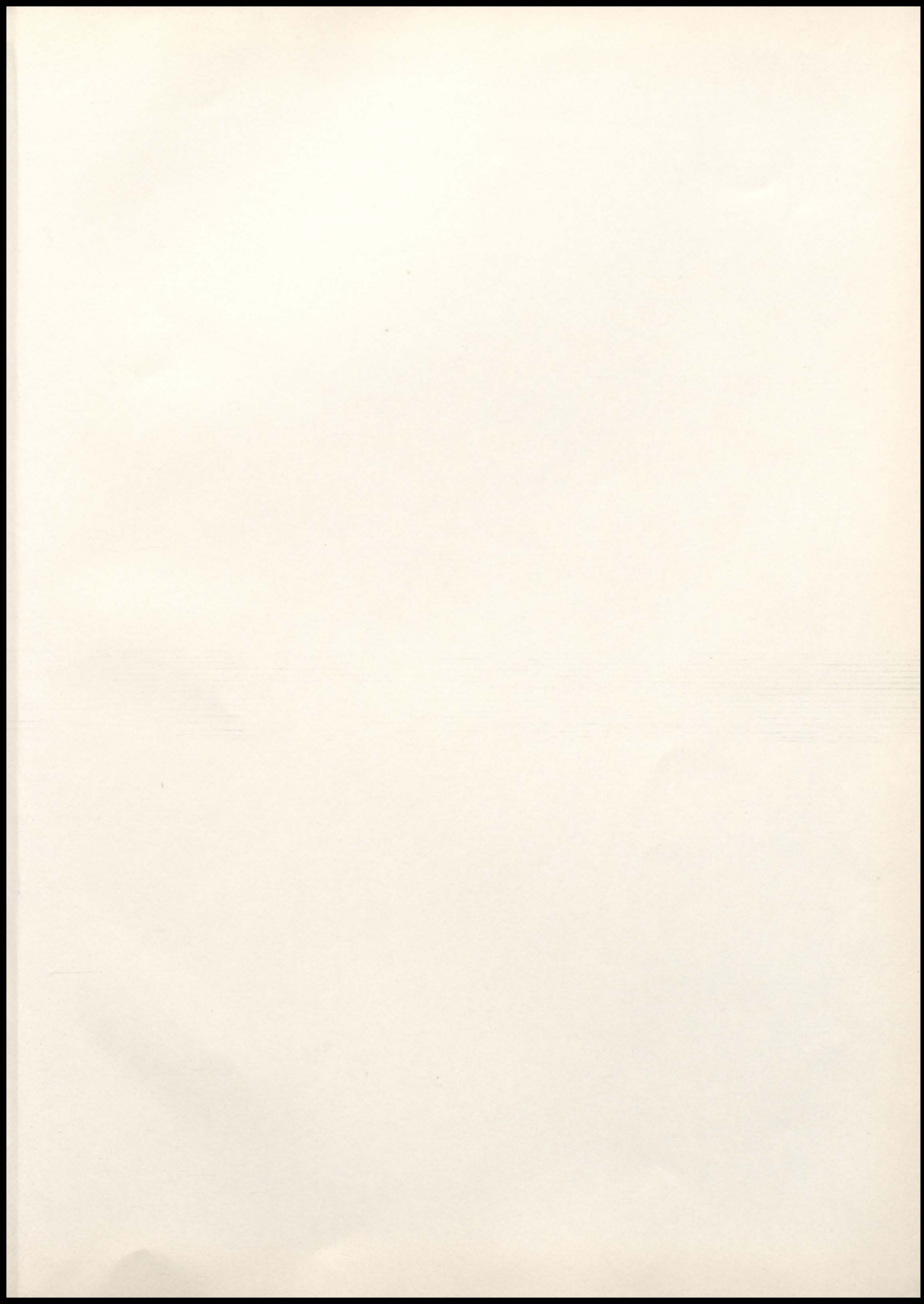




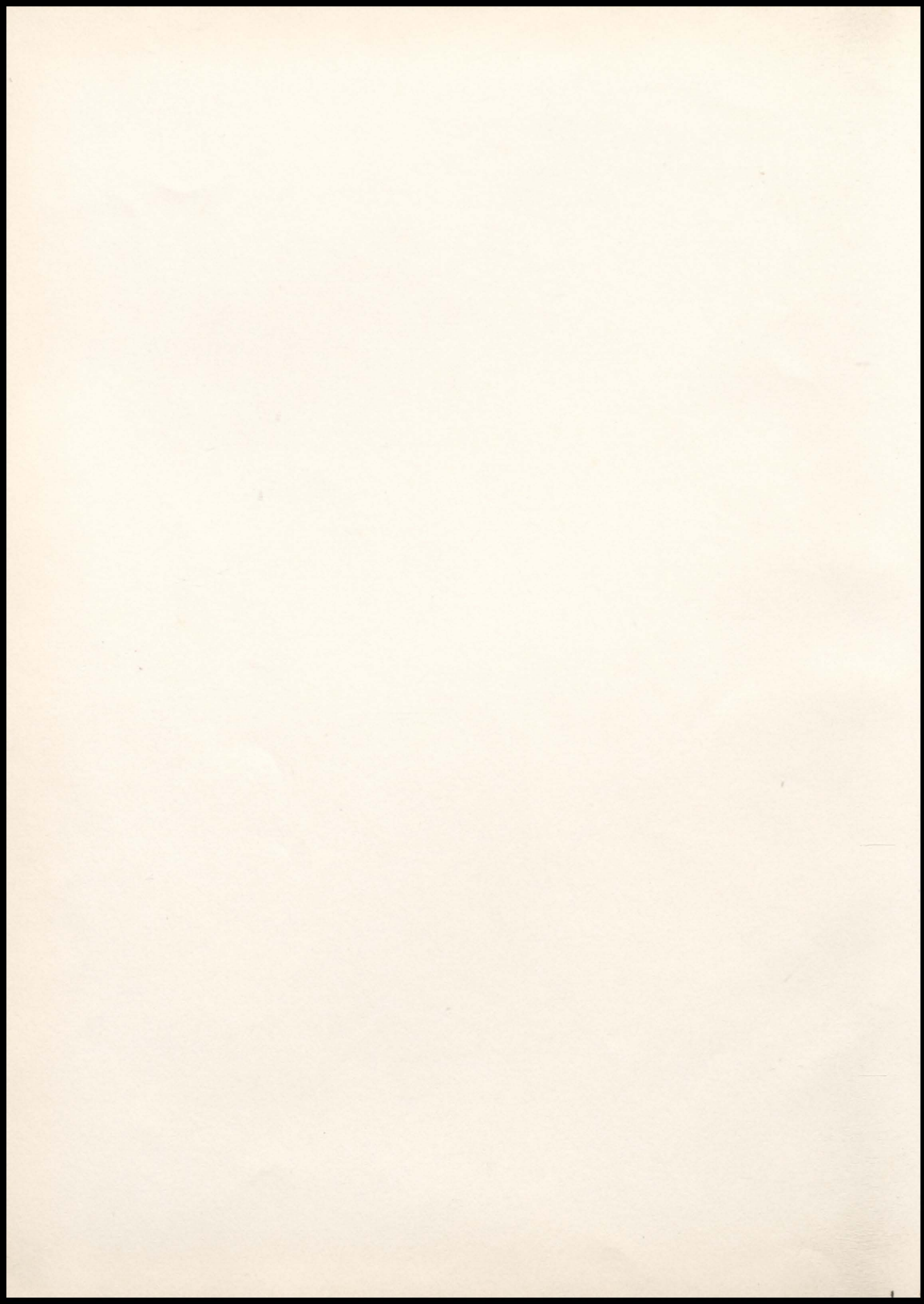




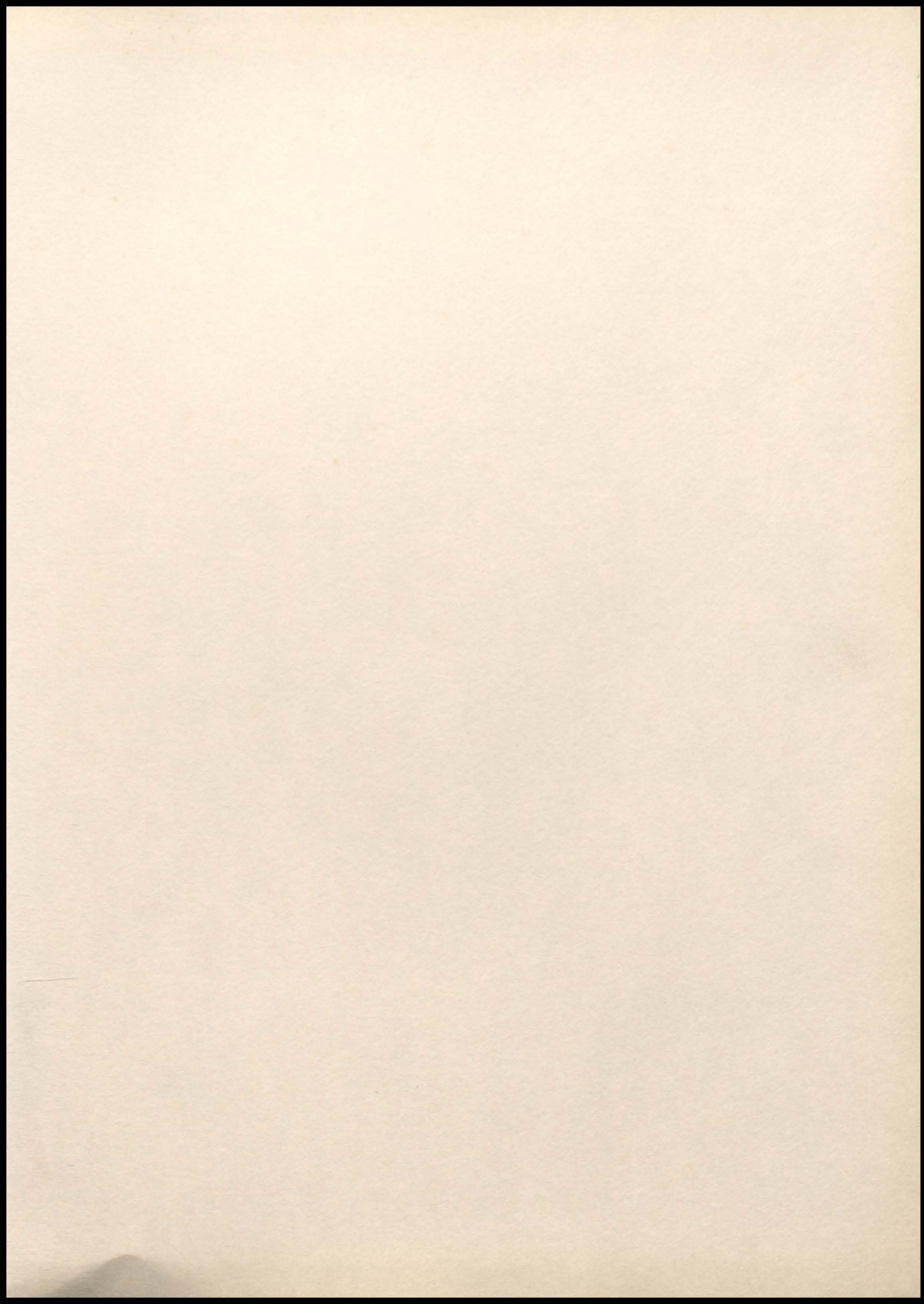




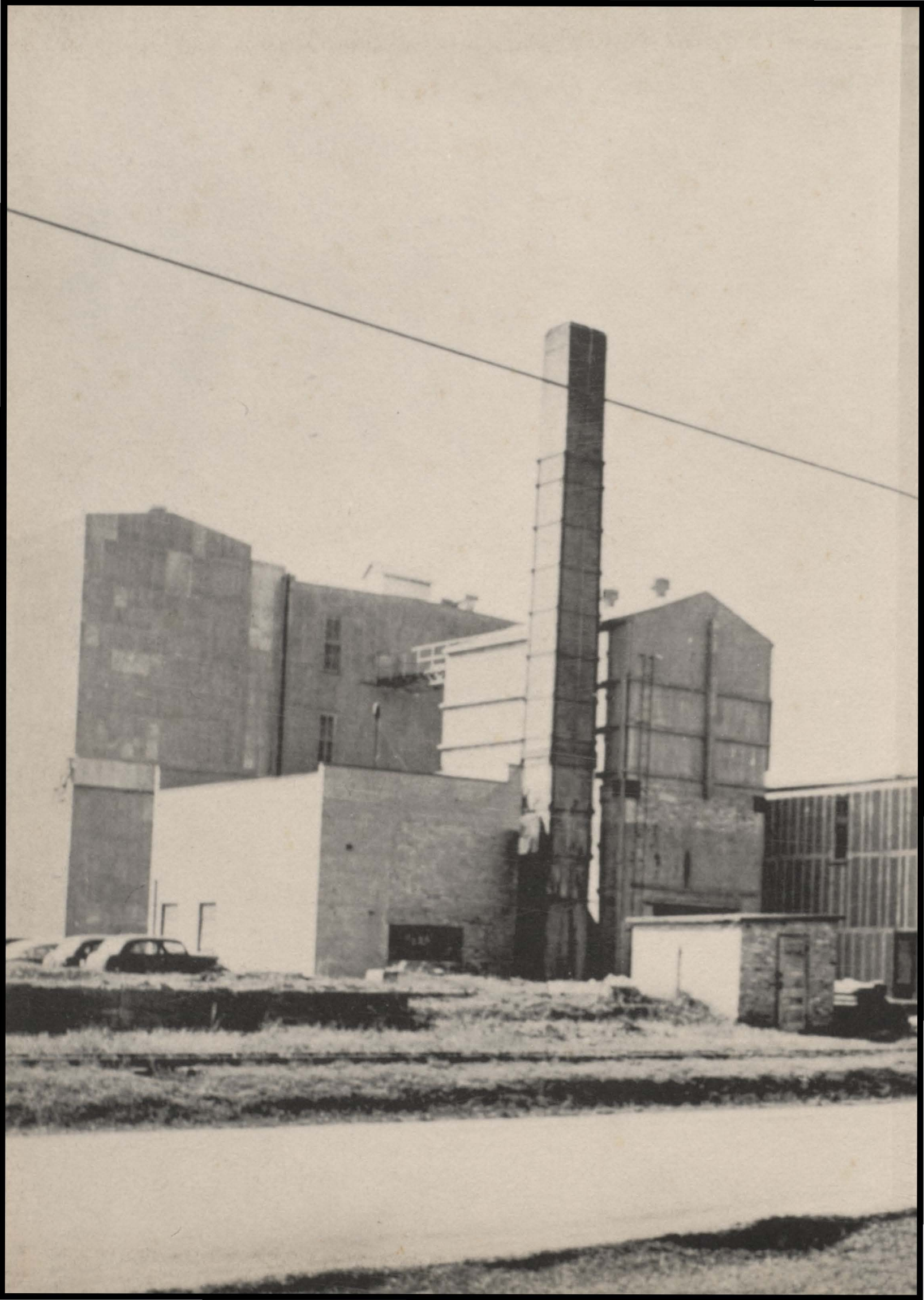








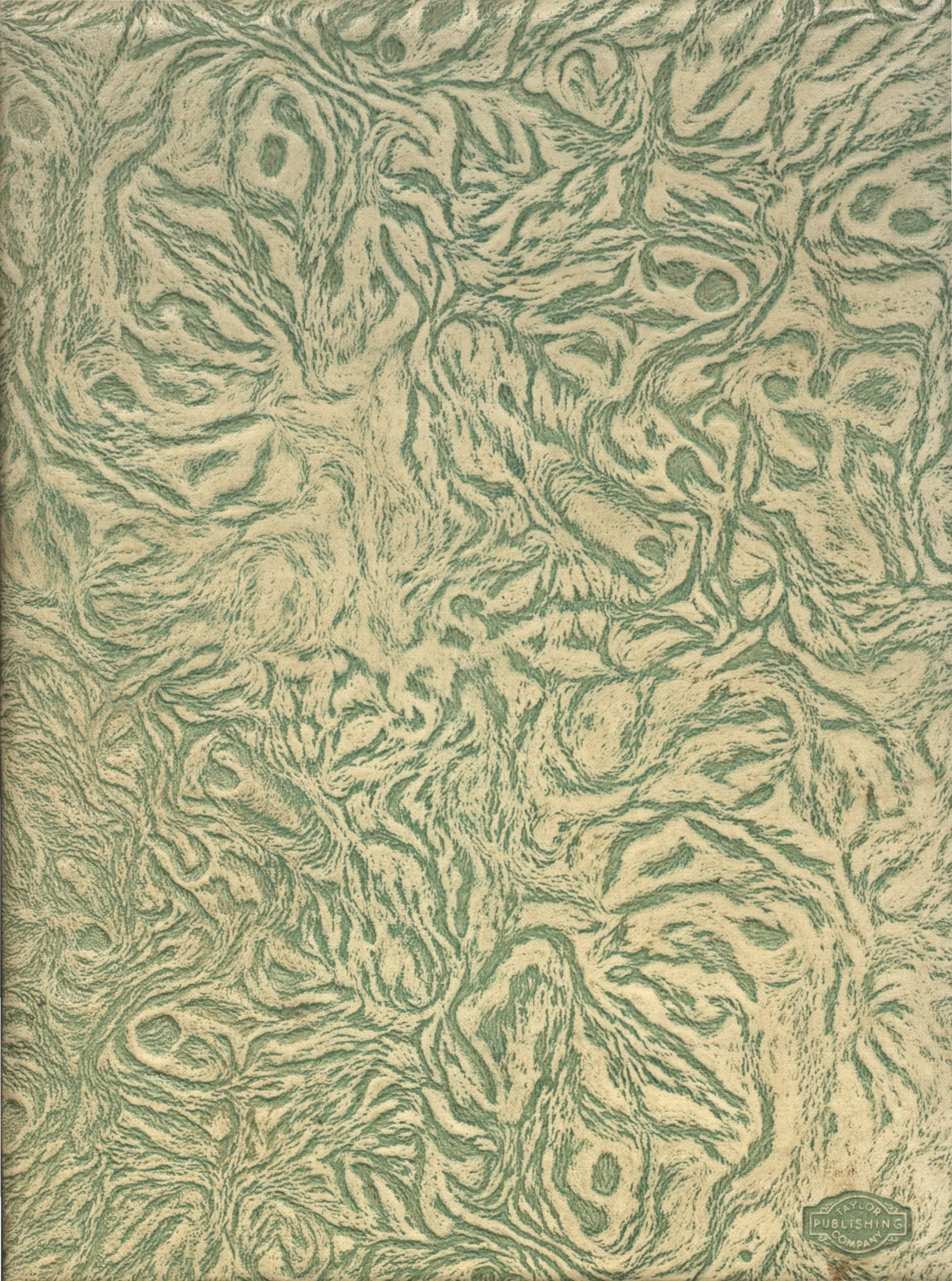












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