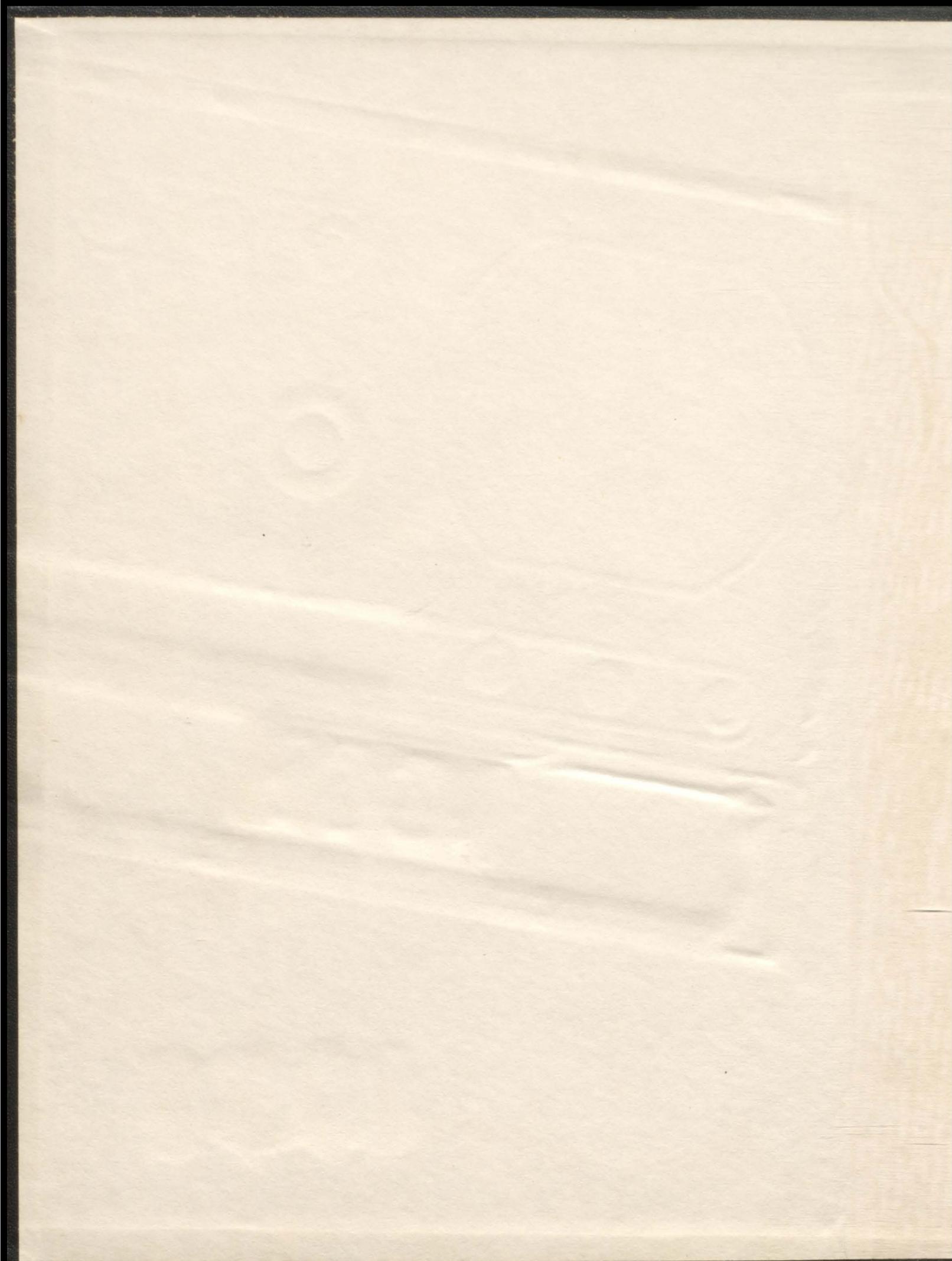
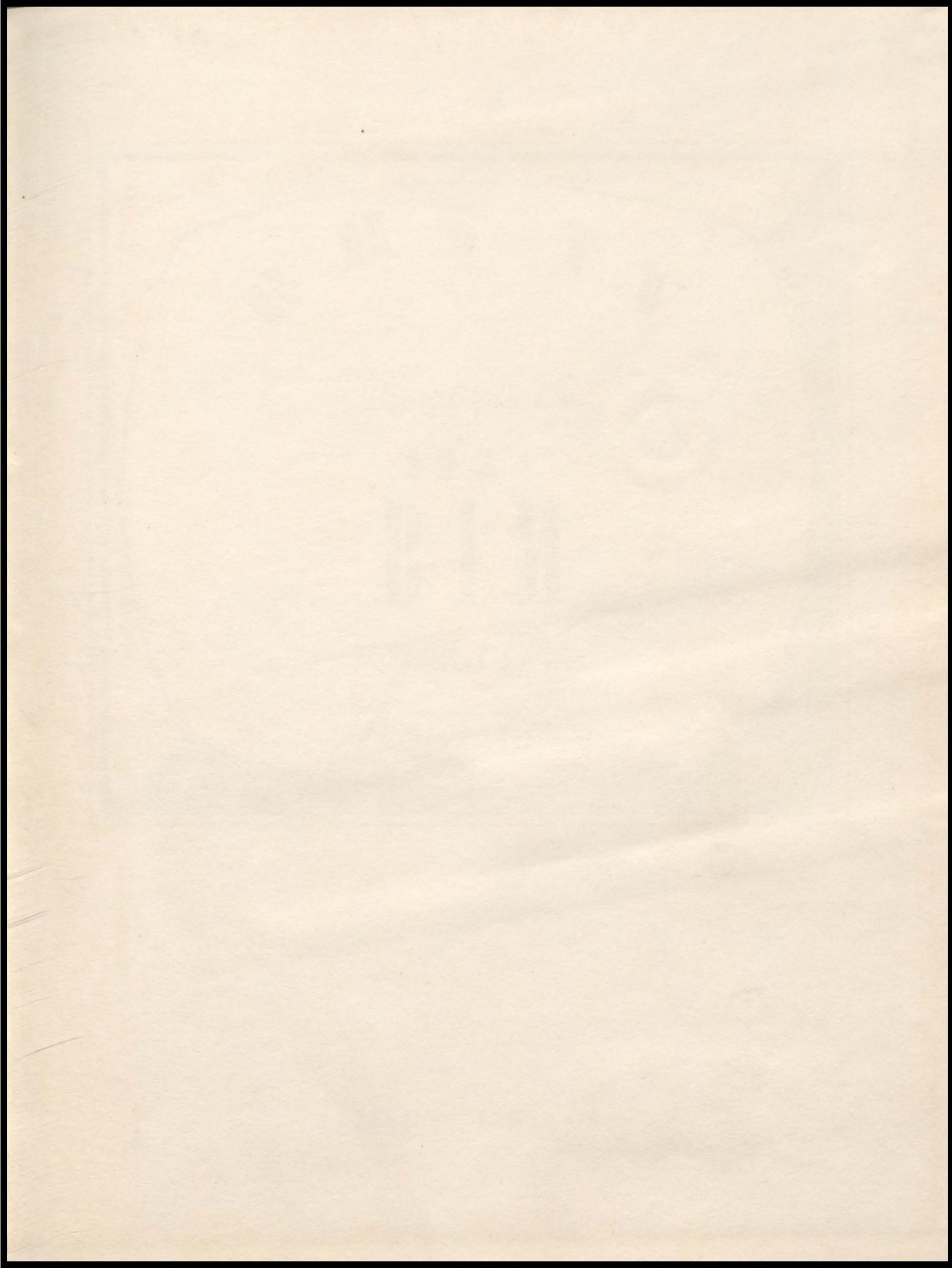
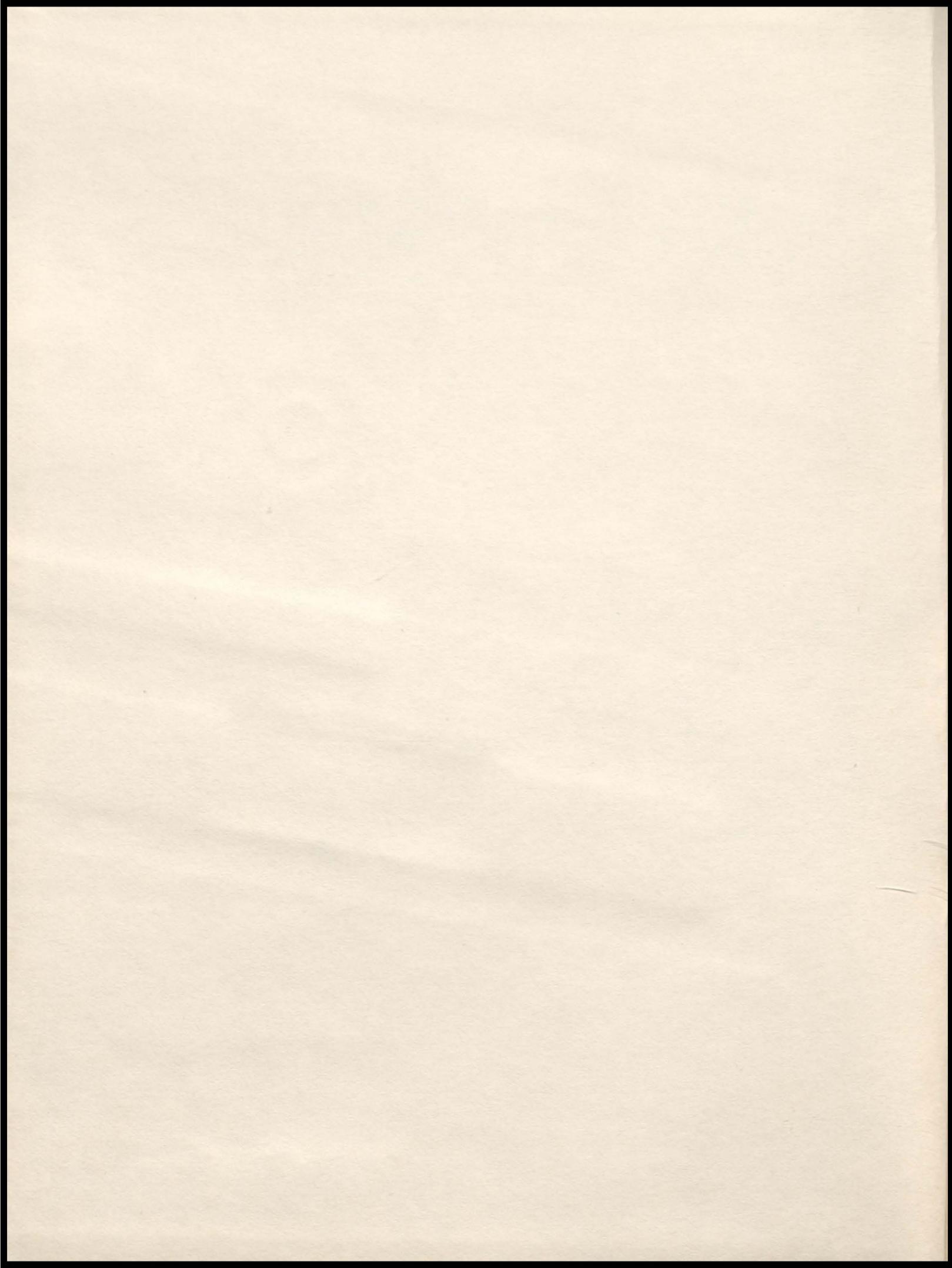


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## BOARD OF EDUCATION

Any TV station must have able and interested producers. B.H.S.-TV had just such men. They were:

*First row:* Mr. A. E. Bodman (president), Mr. Howard Lamb (secretary), Mr. Ralph Moery Jr., Mr. H. E. Eckstein.

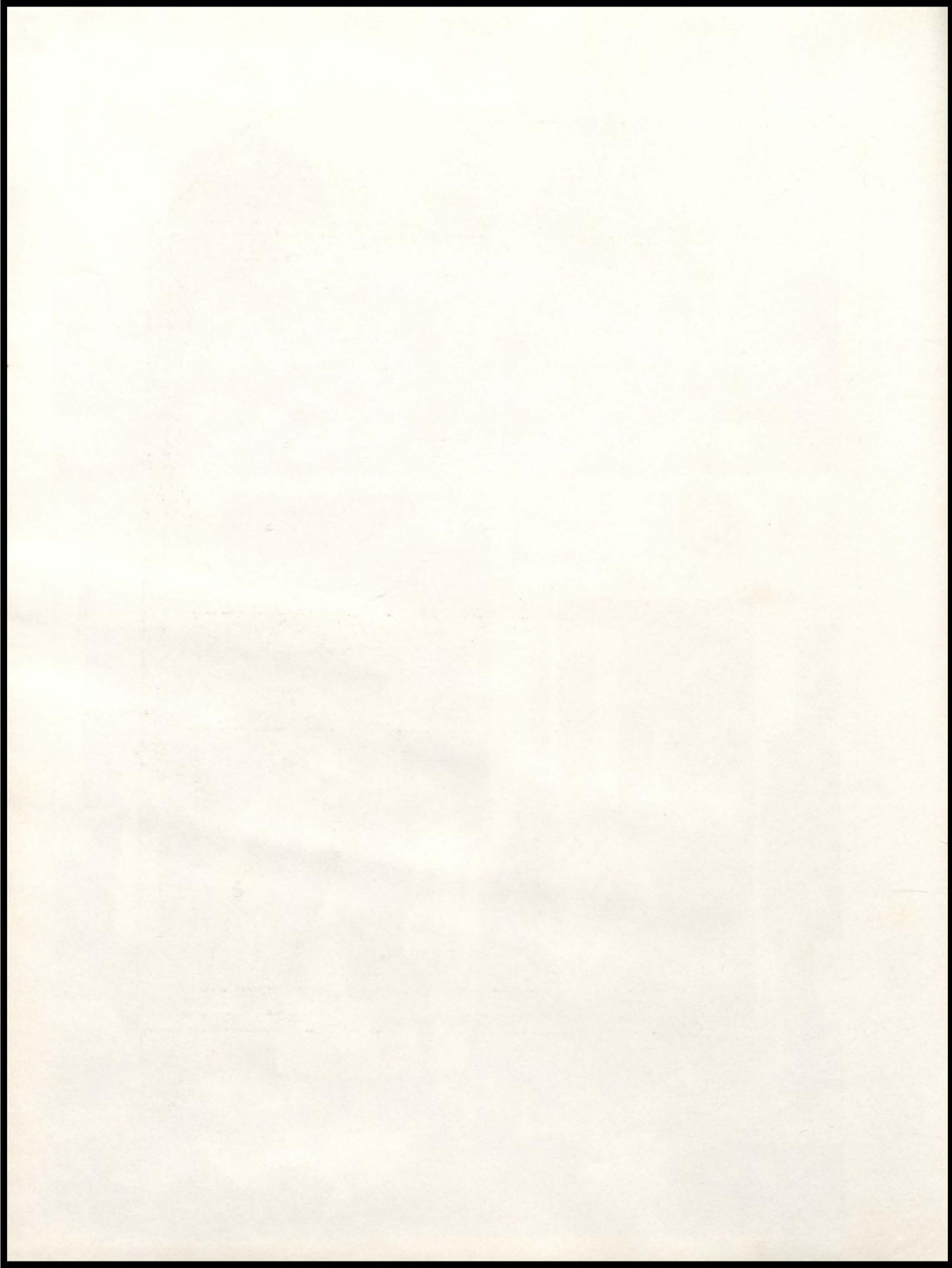
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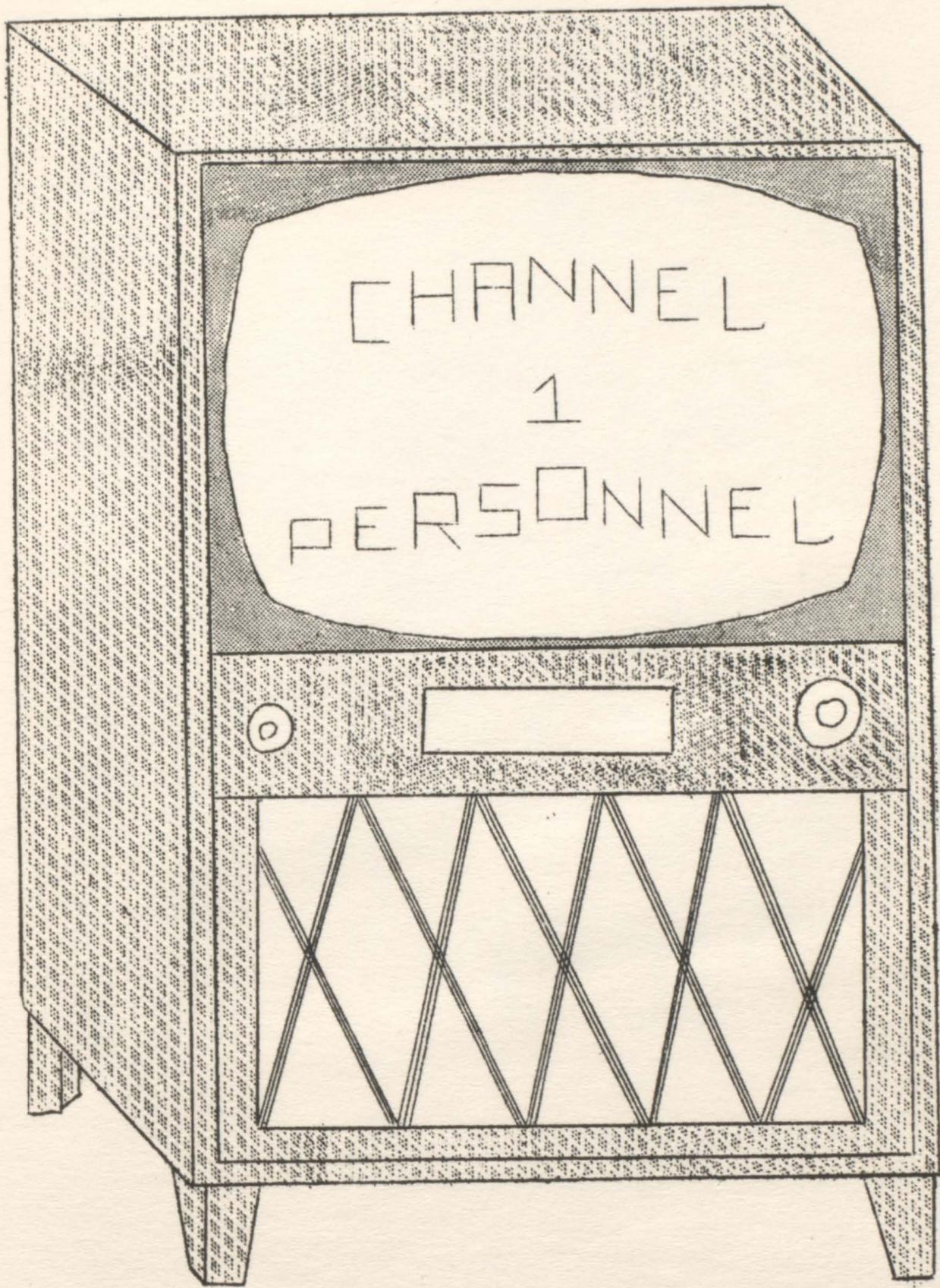
*Not in picture:* Mr. C. J. Tabaka

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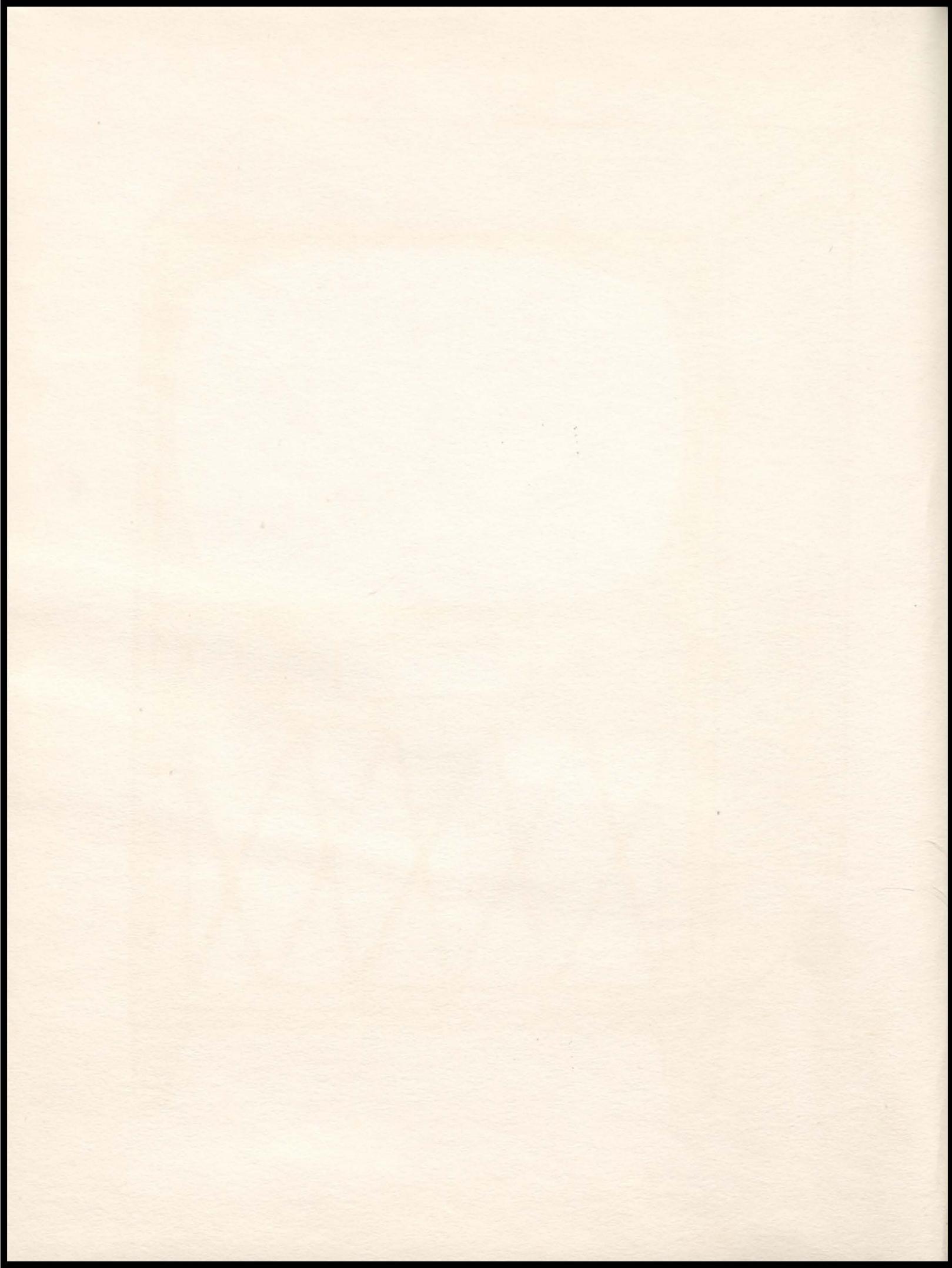
In this building the actors and actresses performed the many activities that will be recorded on the following pages. The cast was very fortunate to have such pleasant surroundings in which to perform.



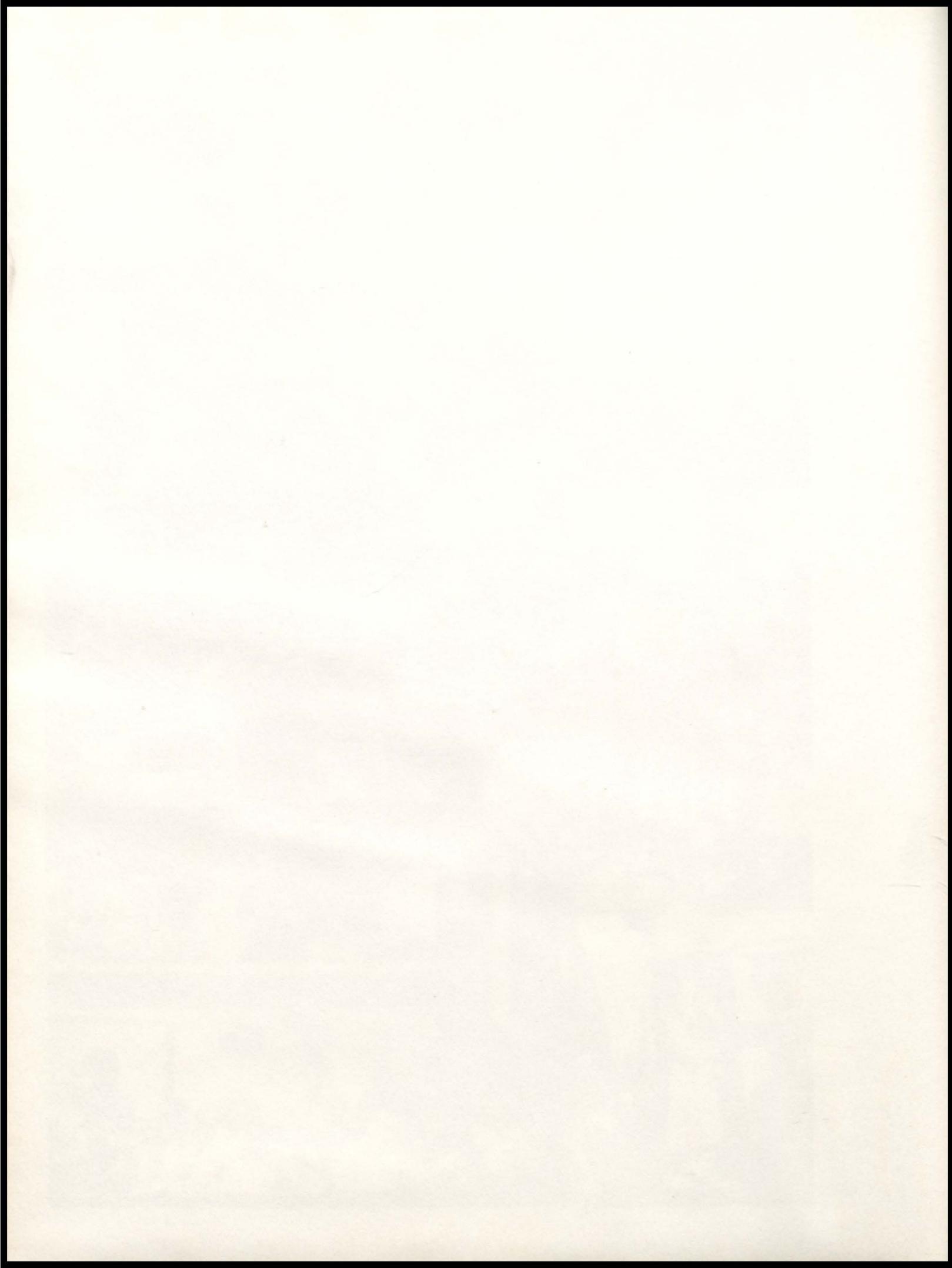




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PERSONNEL







## PERSONNEL

*As our camera swings into action, we see the personnel who make up our staff. The directors (faculty), cast (students), and other staff members (cooks, bus drivers and janitors), all did their part in the smooth operation of our station. These people are formally introduced on the following pages.*

## DIRECTORS

(Faculty)

*Clockwise from top left:*

Mr. W. G. Chandler  
Social Science  
Football  
Track

Miss Charlotte Glenn  
Vocal Music

Mr. James Coleman  
Industrial Arts  
Algebra

Miss Betty Fowler  
Girls P. E.

Mr. Robert Taylor  
Instrumental Music

Mrs. Helen Christopher  
Art

Mr. Richard Mills  
Mathematics  
Baseball  
Assistant Football

Miss Pearl Swaim  
English  
Latin

Mr. Albert Tucker  
Science

Miss Isabelle Houston  
English  
Librarian

Miss Janet McCollum  
Office Secretary

Mr. Joe Foster  
Agriculture

Mrs. Edna Hammond  
Business Education

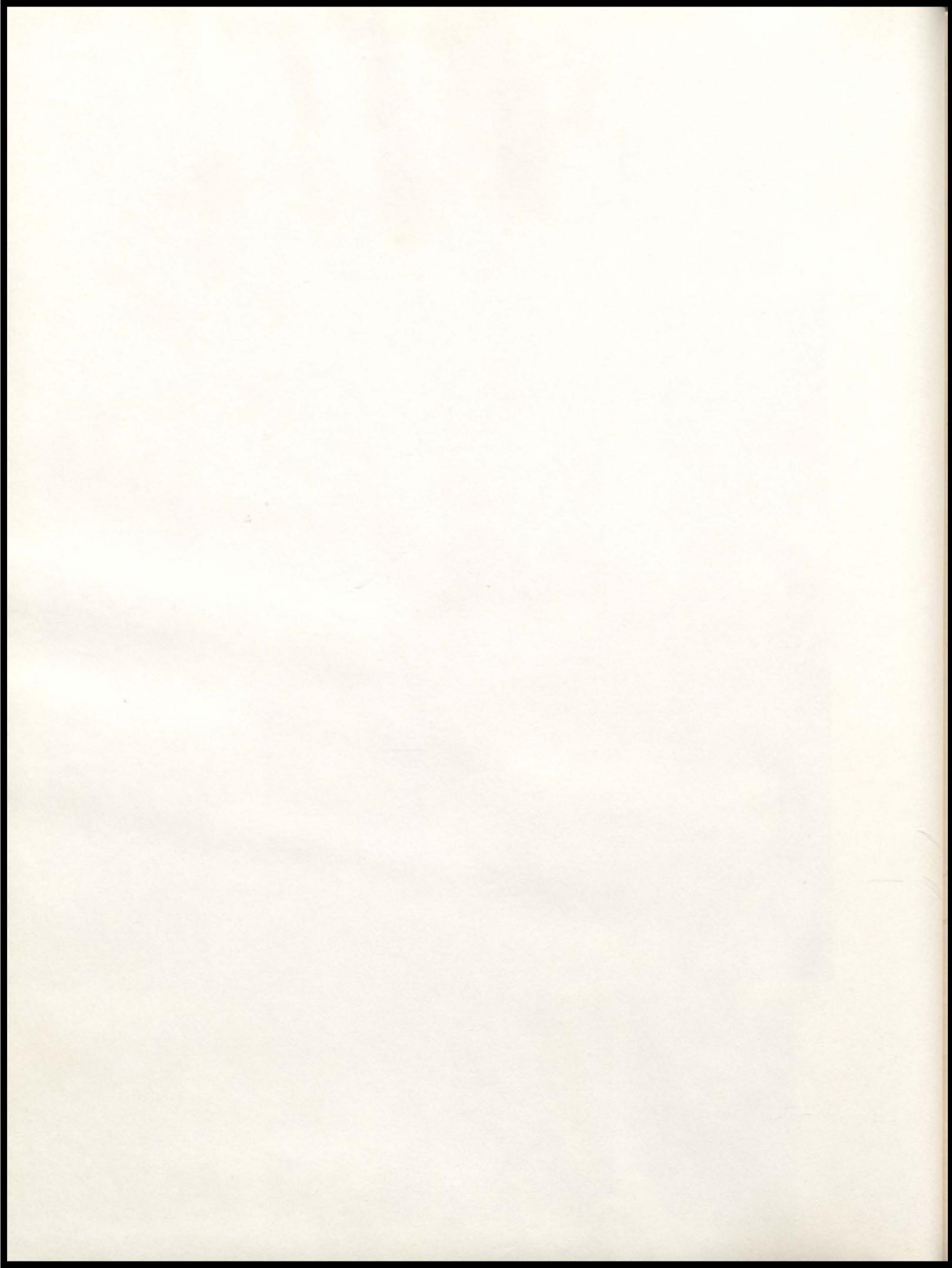
Miss Marjorie Johnstone  
Home Economics

*Inset (left to right):*

Mr. Walter Slater  
Superintendent  
Physics

Mr. Donald Woodard  
Principal  
Social Science  
Basketball





## DIRECTORS

The people behind the scenes did a wonderful job on our production this year. They were always around when problems arose. Not only problems concerning the production but also personal problems of the actors and actresses were handled by the directors. When help was needed at any event, the directors were willing to step in. Their guidance and understanding were appreciated by the entire cast.

## BUS DRIVERS

*Left to right:* Paul Miles, Frank Byron, Lynn Crook, Lee Barnhart, Keith Bell, Bob Foran, Huse Phillips.

Transportation to and from the studio for our rural actors was handled by these men. Weather was no opposition to them and the busses never missed a day of running.

## JANITORS

Lloyd Hill

Orville Rucker

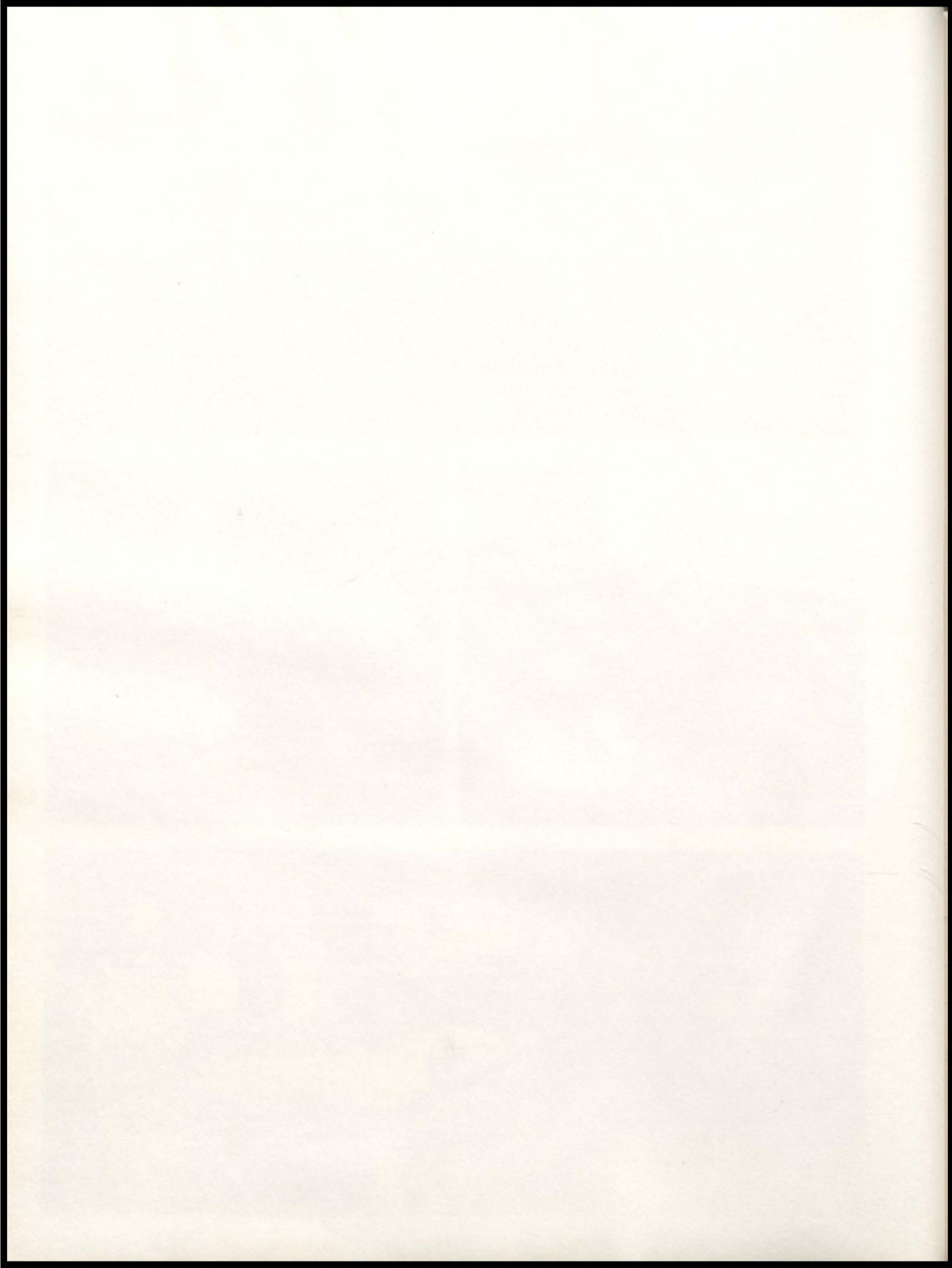
These men are responsible for the clean, attractive appearance of the studio. "Bunk" and "Jimmie" also added their sparkling personalities to the place.

## COOKS

Miss Clodfelter, Mrs. Still, Mrs. Rucker, Mrs. Born, Mrs. Olinger, Mrs. Scott.  
*Not in picture:* Mrs. Liestman.

After a tough morning before the cameras, the cast is naturally hungry. A hot, delicious meal, prepared by these ladies, puts them in fine shape again.





## INTRODUCTION TO CAST

Here is a close look at the people who worked before the cameras. The stars (seniors) and understudies (underclassmen) are formally presented. All have learned a lot and have had many happy experiences in presenting these shows to you.

## STARS

(Seniors)

Chalmer Hinton—"Dynamite"—S.A.R. award winner—"Don't rush me! I'll get it done."

Sue Hannon—"Suzie"—Twirling and singing are her favorite pastimes—an attractive colleen from Ivesdale—anybody know her phone number?

Dave Spearman—"Cap'n Dave"—Bunk's right hand man—"I'll do it after the game."

Bob Gallivan—"Pego"—His favorite subject? Sleep—"Where are my brothers?"

Ray Tate—"Luigi"—Ladies' man—Boy, just look at that '54 Plymouth shine—Neat and nice.

Peggy Randall—"Botch"—D.A.R. award winner—What smiles—Everybody's friend.

Joe Olinger—"Joseph"—Our star bookkeeper—Industrious—Earning while learning to assist him to get more learning.

Jo Ann Fendley—"Squirt"—A sparkling stone on her left hand—The model secretary—Pleasant to know.

John Sebens—"Satch"—Heart trouble, and more heart trouble—Quite the athletic type.

Sandra Metzger—"Sandy"—Never dull a moment—Everyone is her "Bebe"—A natural artist.

Don Stout—"Grandpa"—Loyal Democrat—Interested in politics and a woman—Bunk's spare man—"Stop the world and I'll get off!"

Mary Robeck—Bashful? Well, maybe—A lady makes no noise—"Oh, my love for Ivesdale!

Robert Bradley—"Bob"—Temper? Sometimes, but a smile to go with his curly hair—"That's the way the ball bounces!"



○ Sue Hanson ○



○ Chalmer Hinton ○



○ Bob Gallivan ○



○ Paul Spelman ○



○ RAY TATE ○



○ Joe Allinger ○



○ Peggy Randall ○



○ Jo Ann Fendley ○



○ John Sebens ○



○ Sandra Metzger ○



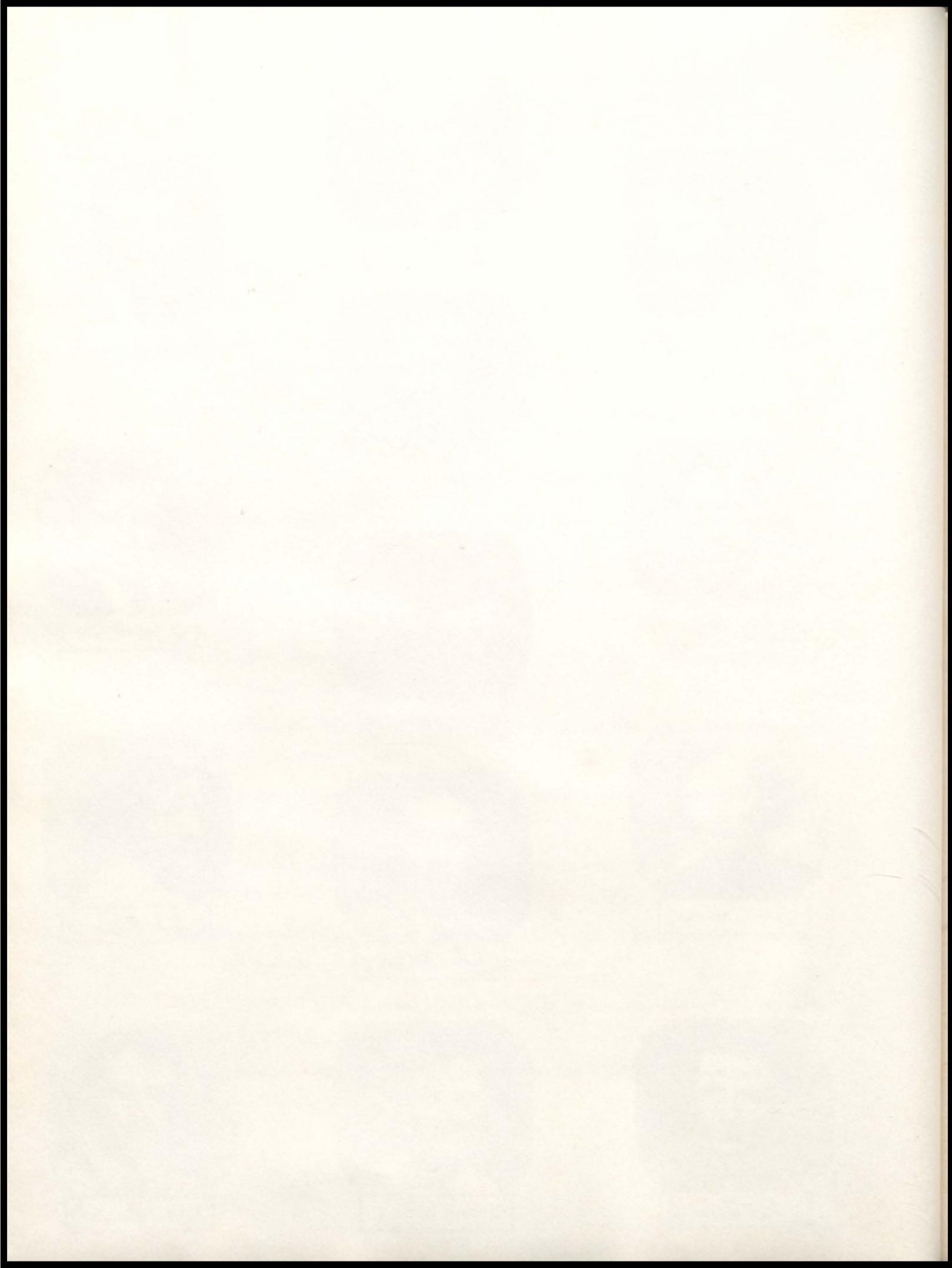
○ Don Stout ○



○ Mary Adick ○



○ Robert Bradley ○



# SENIOR HISTORY

In the fall of 1950, forty-one Freshmen were the last class to come across the alley into the high school.

They chose Peggy Randall, president; Ray Tate, vice-president; Don Stout, secretary-treasurer. Chalmer Hinton and Shirley Zane were elected members of the Student Council.

With the help of their advisors, Miss Council and Mr. Anderson, they gave their first class party. As King and Queen of this Valentine party they chose John Sebens and Shirley Zane.

In 1951 thirty-four Sophomores elected Charles Bartison, president; Corky Carlin, vice-president; Ray Tate, secretary-treasurer; Don Hooker and John Sebens, Student Council members. Their advisors were Miss Prange and Mr. Anderson.

On March 31 they enjoyed a Saint Patrick's Day party.

Thirty-six members of the class, now upperclassmen, entered high school in 1952. They chose Corky Carlin, president; Chalmer Hinton, vice-president; Joe Olinger, secretary-treasurer; Peggy Randall, Dick Dancey, and Ray Tate, Student Council members. Their advisors were Mr. Hodam, Miss Lefever, Mrs. Hammond, and Mr. Smith.

The Seniors entertained the Juniors at a "Coney Island" party on November 21. April 18 was a big night for the Juniors as well as the Seniors. The theme for the prom was "Moonlight and Roses".

In September, 1953, twenty-eight Seniors stepped into Bement High School. Their officers were president, Chalmer Hinton; vice-president, Don Hooker (first semester), Bob Gallivan (second semester); secretary-treasurer, Sue Hannon; Student Council members, Peggy Randall, Dave Spearman, Joe Olinger, and Corky Carlin (first semester), Ray Tate (second semester).

This year was the final performance for the Seniors. The highlights of the show were the "Barn Dance" party, magazine sales, the publishing of the Annual, the class play, the prom, and commencement.

On May 6 the Seniors presented a three act comedy, "Here Comes Charlie". Members of the cast were:

Charlie Hopps .....	Sue Hannon
Uncle Aleck Twiggs .....	Dave Spearman
Larry Elliott .....	Joe Olinger
Ted Hartley .....	Don Stout
Mrs. Fanny Farnham .....	Marjorie Bolsen
Mrs. Caroline Smythe-Kersey .....	Barb Bolsen
Vivian Smythe-Kersey .....	Rachel Day
Mortimer Smythe-Kersey .....	Chalmer Hinton
Nora Malone .....	Violet VanLandingham
Officer Tim McGrill .....	Harry Porter

Sunday, May 23, baccalaureate services were held. The final curtain for twenty-six seniors was brought down at the close of commencement exercises on May 26.

## STARS (Seniors)

Barbara Bolsen—"Barb"—If only classes were held in Bunk's room—"Jist tell old Barb!"

Harry Porter—"Hezzie"—Has fun just living—Life of the second hour book-keeping class—"My vibrator (Ford) will get me there."

Marjorie Bolsen—"Marge"—Upstairs office secretary—Enjoys crashing those cymbals—Full of pep—Always busy.

Clyde Perry—"Pedi"—Always looking for a green truck—Nothing worries him—"Come on, let's go huntin'."

Rachel Day—"Rach"—Voice for music—Eyes for "barns"—A giggle for everything—"I've lost my purse again"—Arion Award winner.

Don Hooker—"Percy"—An underclassman in his eye—Not much talk.

Paul Larimore—"Daddy"—Once you know him he's full of fun—Lovington interests.

Violet Van Landingham—"Vi"—There'll be a wedding soon—If she sets her mind to do something, she'll do it—"Hey! Wait for me."

Kenneth Phipps—"Tootie"—Always has a reply—"There's time enough—I'll do it when I'm old."

Roderick Carlin—"Corky"—Always happy—Full of fun—Brains? He has them—"Ho! Ho! That was funny."

Joan Thomas—"Button"—Short and sweet—Never sees a stranger—Her love for P.E. will never die.

Harold Lieb—"Joe"—Corky's pal—As unpredictable as March weather—Easy going.

Sharon Clow—The quiet, silent type—If she's lost, look in the commercial room.



○ Carl Balen ○



○ Rachel Day ○



○ Corky Carlin ○



○ Harry Porter ○



○ Don Hooker ○



○ Joan Thomas ○



○ Marjorie Balson ○



○ Paul Barimor ○



○ Harold Lieb ○



○ Clyde Perry ○



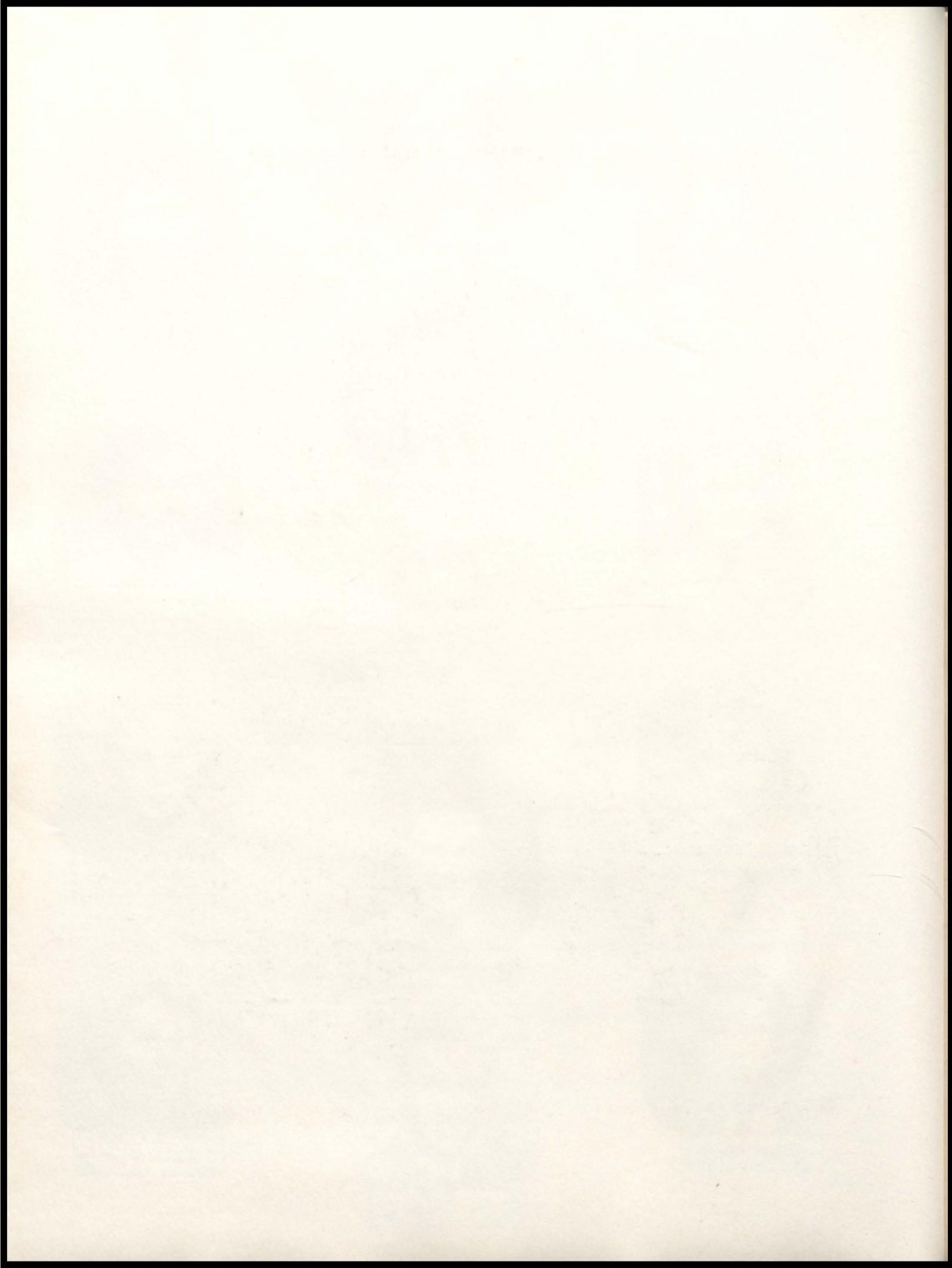
○ Ollie Van Lambingen ○



○ Sharon Clow ○

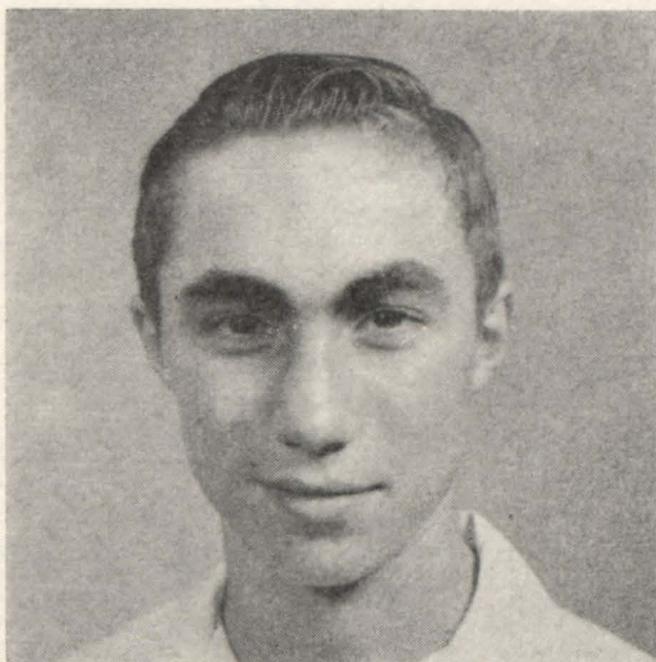


○ Tom Higgins ○



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IN MEMORIAM



LARRY KNAPP



WALTER LASH



ROBERT FAIRBANKS

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## SENIOR ACTIVITIES

- Barbara Bolsen—Chorus 1, 2, 3; Octet 3, 4, State Contest 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 3, 4; Latin Club 2, 3; News Staff 4; Pep Club 2, 3; Class Play 4.
- Marjorie Bolsen—Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Clarinet Quartet 1; Drum Ensemble State Contest 2, 3; Chorus 1, 2; F.H.A. 2, 3, 4, Secretary 4; Latin Club 2, 3; Annual Staff 4; Class Play 4.
- Corky Carlin—Class Vice-President 2; Class President 3; Student Council Vice-President First Semester 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice-President 3, President First Semester 4, Ag. Judging 1, 2, 3; B-Club 3, 4, Vice-President First Semester 4; Annual Staff 3; Homecoming Escort 4.
- Robert Bradley—Football 1, 2, 4, Varsity 4; Band 1, 2; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; B-Club 4.
- Sharon Clow—Chorus 1, 2, 3; G.A.A. 1, 2; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; News Staff 3, 4; Annual Staff 4.
- Rachel Day—Homecoming Attendant 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary-Treasurer 4; B $\flat$  Clarinet Quartet 1, 2, 3, 4, State Contest 1, 2, 3; Mixed Clarinet Quartet 1, 2; "Hungry Five" 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; All-State Chorus 2, 3, 4; Vocal Solo 1, 2, 3, 4, State Contest 2, 3, 4; Sextet 1, 2, 3, 4, State Contest 1, 2; G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Camp 2, President 4; Latin Club 2, 3; News Staff 4; Annual Staff 4; Pep Club 2, 3; Class Play 4.
- Jo Ann Fendley—Monticello 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; G.A.A. 2; F.H.A. 4; Library Club President 4; Annual Staff 4.
- Bob Gallivan—Class Vice-President Second Semester 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 2, 3, 4, Co-Captain 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, Varsity 3; Baseball Varsity 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. 2, 3, 4; B-Club 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice-President 3; Homecoming Escort 3, 4.
- Sue Hannon—Class Secretary-Treasurer 4; Football Cheerleader 4; Homecoming Attendant 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Octet District Contest 3, 4, State Contest 3; Twirling 1, 2, 3, 4, District Contest 3, 4; Twirling Ensemble State Contest 4; G.A.A. 1; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; News Staff 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Pep Club 2, 3; Class Play 4.
- Chalmer Hinton—Class Vice-President 3; Class President 4; Student Council 1; Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 2, 3, 4, Honorary Captain 3, Captain 4; Baseball Varsity 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 3; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice-President 4; Mixed Octet 4; Boys' Octet 1, 4; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4, President Second Semester 4; Grain Judging 2; Poultry Judging 1, 3, 4, State Contest 3, 4; State Dairy Judging 1, 2; B-Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Class Play 4.
- Don Hooker—Class Vice-President First Semester 4; Student Council 2; Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; Track Varsity 1, 2; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3.
- Paul Larimore—Football 1, 2; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; State Fat Stock Judging 1, 2, 3; Library Club 3.
- Joe Lieb—Ivesdale 1, 2; Football Varsity 3, 4; B-Club Sergeant At Arms First Semester 4.

## SENIOR ACTIVITIES—Continued

- Sandra Metzger—Football Cheerleader 4; Basketball Cheerleader 4; Homecoming Attendant 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Clarinet Quartet 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3; Solo District Contest 2; Girls' Sextet 4; G.A.A. 2, 3; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; News Staff 3; Annual Staff 4; Pep Club 2, 3.
- Joe Olinger—Class Secretary-Treasurer 3; Student Council 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 4; Track Varsity 1, 2; Football Manager 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Brass Quintet 2, 3, State Contest 2; Brass Quartet 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; All-State Chorus 2, 4; Mixed Octet 1, 2, 3, 4, State Contest 1, 3; Boys' Octet 1, 4; Boys' Quartet 2, 3; Latin Club 2, 3, Secretary 3; District Latin Contest 3; B-Club 1, 2, 3, 4; News Staff 1, 2, 3, 4, Assistant Editor 2, Editor 3; Annual Staff 4; Class Play 4.
- Clyde Perry—Football 1, 2; Track 1; F.F.A. 3.
- Ken Phipps—Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 4, Varsity 2, 4; Chorus 2, 3; F.F.A. 3, 4, Vice-President 4; B-Club 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4.
- Harry Porter—Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; B-Club 3, 4, President First Semester 4; Class Play 4.
- Peggy Randall—Class President 1; Student Council 3, 4; Homecoming Queen 4; Chorus 1, 2, Librarian 2; G.A.A. 1, 2; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Vice-President 3, Section 16 Projects Chairman 3, President 4; Annual Staff 4.
- Mary Robeck—Ivesdale 1, 2; F.H.A. 3, 4, Vice-President 4; Pep Club 3.
- John Sebens—Student Council 2; Football Varsity 1, 2, 3, 4, Co-Captain 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 2, 3, 4; Track Varsity 1, 2, 3; Chorus 3; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Treasurer 3, 4; B-Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Homecoming Escort 3, 4.
- Dave Spearman—Student Council President 4; Football Varsity 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; Track Varsity 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary-Treasurer 3, President 4; Boys' Octet 1, 4; Mixed Octet 2, 3, 4; Boys' Quartet 3; Vocal Solo 1, 2; Latin Club 2, 3; B-Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 2; News Staff 2, 3; Annual Staff 4; Homecoming Escort 4; Class Play 4.
- Don Stout—Class Secretary-Treasurer 1; Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, Varsity 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; Track Manager 1; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 2; Latin Club 2, 3; B-Club 3, 4; News Staff 2, 3; Annual Staff 1, 3, 4, Editor 4; Class Play 4.
- Ray Tate—Class Vice-President 1; Class Secretary-Treasurer 2; Student Council 3, Second Semester Vice-President 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4, Varsity 3, 4; Track 3, 4; Chorus 3; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4, Secretary 3, 4; State Dairy Judging 1, 2; State Poultry Judging 1, 2, 3, 4; B-Club 3, 4, Secretary 4; Annual Staff 4.
- Joan Thomas—Central High School, St. Louis, Missouri 1; Lynwood, California 1; Central High School, St. Louis, Missouri 2; G.A.A. 3, 4; F.H.A. 4; News Staff 3; Pep Club 3.
- Violet VanLandingham—Chorus 1, 2, 3; G.A.A. 1; F.H.A. 2, 3, 4, Public Relations Chairman 4; Library Club 4; Class Play 4.

## WILL

I, Barb Bolsen, will my interest in the hit parade to Louise Mundy.

I, Marjorie Bolsen, will all my honor of usually being the first girl in the lunch room to Mary Kay Stoeger.

I, Corky Carlin, will my extensive knowledge of science to Stan Courson.

We, Robert Bradley and Harry Porter, will our supply of jokes to Glenn Bolsen.

I, Sharon Clow, will my shy and quiet manner to Patty Doyle.

I, Rachel Day, will my place in the music department to Bill Hannon.

We, Jo Ann Fendley and Sue Hannon, will our secretarial ability to Jack Corum.

I, Bob Gallivan, will my place on the wrestling team to Charlie Helm.

I, Chalmer Hinton, will my slow and easy manner to Sharon Morton.

I, Don Hooker, will my place on the south stairs to Jim Fendley. The girl doesn't go with it!

We, Paul Larimore and Joe Lieb, will our seats in Bunk's room to Louie Strack and Nancy Allison.

I, Sandra Metzger, will my flowing light brown hair to Frances Dick.

I, Joe Olinger, will my place at the end of the lunch line to Bill Goodmon.

I, Clyde Perry, will my love for hillbilly music and guitar playing to Simone Drake.

I, Ken Phipps, will my loyalty to dear ol' Milmine to Jay Poling.

I, Peggy Randall, will my interest in the F.H.A. to all the Ag. boys.

I, Mary Robeck, will my desk in the commercial room to Dave Gallivan.

I, John Sebens, will my height and stature to Tony Redman.

I, Dave Spearman, will my crew haircut to Ronald Durbin.

I, Don Stout, leave the Democratic Party's affairs in the hands of Sandra McVicker. She follows Adlai madly!

I, Ray Tate, will my '54 Plymouth to . . . What am I saying?

I, Joan Thomas, will my friendly disposition to Leon Phipps and Jim Wildman.

I, Violet VanLandingham, will my love for the country to Lois Fleming.

# PROPHECY

JULY 31, 1974

A large crowd has gathered here at Bradley's Acres southwest of Bement for the launching of the first rocket ship to the moon. Robert Bradley graciously consented to let scientists Corky Carlin and Dave Spearman launch their rocket ship on his farm. The general contractors who supervised building this rocket ship, *The Marilyn*, were Paul Larimore and Harry Porter. Financier for *The Marilyn* was Ken Phipps, wealthy Milmine stock broker, who is here today with his secretary, Sue Hannon. Sue is one of the highest paid secretaries in the country because of her amazing ability to take dictation at two hundred fifty words per minute.

We see many familiar and famous names on the passenger list of those making the excursion to the moon and back. Among them are Don Stout, Democratic Senator from Illinois, hoping to win more aspirants for the Democratic Party should there turn out to be life on the moon; Madam Sharon (Clow), world renowned hat designer, searching for new designs for her hats; Peggy Randall, a top notch lawyer from the Randall-Robeck Law Firm, taking the trip to settle her nerves while Mary Robeck, her partner, handles their business until Peggy returns; and Ray Tate, agriculture professor at the University of Illinois, going to test soil on the moon.

Barb Bolsen, Sandra Metzger, and Clyde Perry have been hired to provide entertainment throughout the rocket's flight. Barb and Sandy sing together over WTVP, Decatur, and are known as the Silhouettes. Clyde can be heard strumming his guitar each day over WSM, Nashville, Tennessee. Metropolitan Opera star, Rachel Day, and her agent, Chalmer Hinton, will also be aboard. Chalmer thinks the high altitude may help Rachel's laryngitis.

Dietitian in the rocket's cafeteria is Marjorie Bolsen, who has been spending much time checking supplies with her chief cook, Joe Lieb. Assisting Joe in preparing the meals will be Violet VanLandingham and Joan Thomas, famous for their delicious "home cookin'."

Among those here to see *The Marilyn* launched are Don Hooker, a multi-millionaire after finding oil on his farm; Bob Gallivan, the operator of a dude ranch near Ivesdale; John Sebens, better known as "Curly the Wrestler", idol of the TV wrestling fans each Saturday night; and Joe Olinger, New York Times editor, with Jo Ann Fendley, his secretary, to cover this historic event for the metropolitan newspaper.

## JUNIORS

*Reading from left to right:*

*Top row:* Marilyn Timmie, David Gallivan, Lois Ann Fleming, Elizabeth McCabe, Warren Bartison, Lois Cantrell.

*Second row:* James Hunter, Patty Doyle, Dave Goodmon, Eugene Clifton, Charles Helm.

*Third row:* Barbara Marshall, Jacque Zindar, Stanley Courson, Shirley Lindstrom.

*Fourth row:* Lee Lawson, Don Burgess, Nancy Allison, Louis Strack, Robert Jeffers.

*Fifth row:* Simone Drake, Sandra McVicker, Frances Dick, Sandra Primmer, Nancy McCollum, Louise Mundy.

*Sixth row:* Nancy Hainey, Mary Kay Stoeger, David Livingston, Beverly Corum, Frances Kurr, Glenn Bolsen.

## JUNIOR CLASS HISTORY

On September 2, thirty-one enthusiastic junior members of the cast met in the new gym to organize and to begin their role as upper classmen. At this first meeting, which was under the able direction of Mrs. Hammond, Miss Johnstone, Mr. Coleman, and Mr. Tucker, the class elected Dave Goodmon, Stan Courson, and Doris Mull as president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer. For representatives to the Student Council they chose Nancy Allison, Louie Strack, and Dave Livingston.

At this first meeting, the class decided to engage in several different money making ventures to finance the Junior-Senior prom. Preparations were made to operate one of the stands at the Okaw Basketball Tournament, to run the concession stand at all home football games, and to sell Homecoming novelties. Everyone worked energetically and diligently to turn these projects into the successes they were. Enough money was made for a fine prom, which was staged April 24.

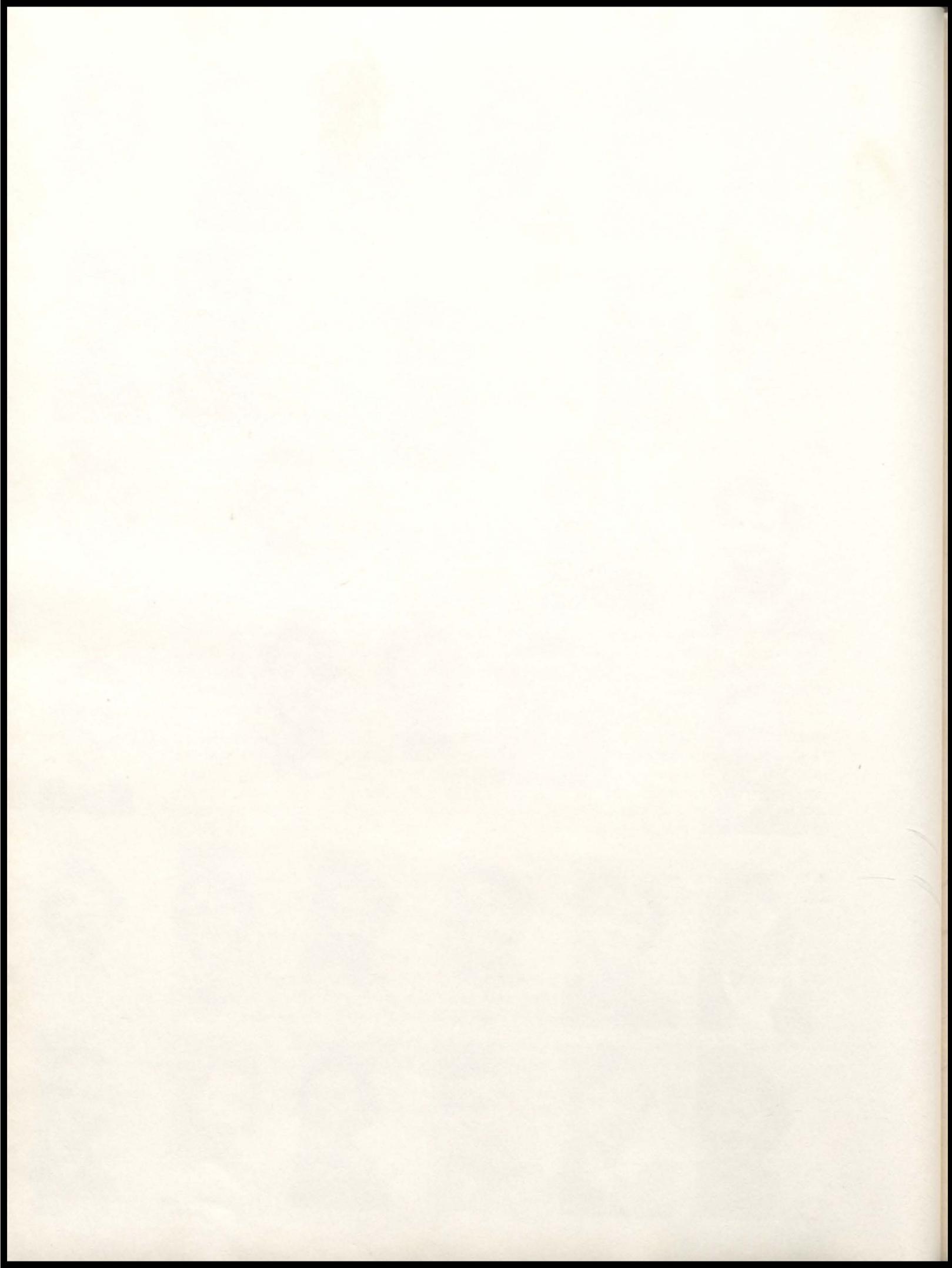
The Juniors were the honored guests of a very gracious Senior class at a "Barn Dance" party held in the old gym on November 20. Several "hayseeds" showed up and prizes were awarded to the boy and girl with the most appropriate costumes.

After the semesters, the class was very sorry to lose two members, Doris Mull and Warren Bartison. As Doris was secretary-treasurer, an election was held to fill this office. Jacque Zindar was selected to finish out the year. Also, at this meeting, Don Burgess was elected to the Student Council.

The class was proud of its members who took an active part in the sports, music, and club activities and won a good deal of recognition in them.

As the camera turns away from this year's show the Seniors of 1955 are looking forward to next year when they will be the "stars" of the show.





## JUNIOR-SENIOR BANQUET AND PROM

On the evening of Saturday, April 24, the Seniors were royally entertained in Parisian fashion by the Junior class.

As the guests entered the old gym, they found themselves in gay, exotic Paris in April. The once familiar auditorium was now the scene of a colorful street, a sidewalk cafe, and the Eiffel Tower, all straight from the "city of light". The dark blue false ceiling gave the effect of being under the open sky; and with the fragrance of flowers, background music, and a hint of spring in the air, it all seemed very real. The whole setting was as full of life, color, and excitement as Paris itself in the spring.

When all were seated in the "Parisian Cafe", Dave Goodmon welcomed the guests and Chalmer Hinton made the response for the Seniors. After the invocation by Bob Gallivan, The French menu was served, consisting of Jus de la pomme d'amour (tomato juice), Bifsteck de la swissesse (swiss steak), Haricot vert (green beans), Pommes de tene cuit an foui (twice baked potatoes), Salade de gelatine et amamas (jello salad with pineapple), petit pain (rolls), Gateau de la ange et creme glacee (angel food cake, ice cream, and strawberries), and care or lait (coffee or milk). After the meal a few clever Juniors presented a program that consisted of "prophesying and reminising". Everyone enjoyed, also, Patty Doyle's vocal solo, "April in Paris."

At the completion of the program, dancing began to the smooth strains of Gary Wilson's orchestra. During the course of the evening, the orchestra played novelty dances, special numbers, and music with a Paris theme. All present joined in the dancing and had an enjoyable time. When 10:45 came around, everyone left with happy memories of an evening spent in gay Paree.

## SOPHOMORES

*Reading from left to right:*

*First row:* Evelyn White, Jim Yockey, Ronald Laughlin, Sharon Morton, Jerry Stout.

*Second row:* Bill Spencer, Karen Lux, Jack Bolsen, Phyllis Shumard, Jack Corum.

*Third row:* Margaret Zoch, Jim O'Hara, Richard Harvey, Loren Phipps, Dick Jones, Irene Alexander.

*Fourth row:* Larry Medaris, Carol Sue Hinton, Bill Goodman, Lloyd Durbin, Lenna Schwartz, Sam Clark.

*Fifth row:* Patsy Byron, Jim Fendley, Connie Rahn, Jim Wildman, Sally Born, Bill Hannon.

*Sixth row:* Bob Rodgers, Virginia Eades, Jay Poling, Judy Redman, John Strater, Phyllis Redman.

## SOPHOMORE HISTORY

Thirty-four Sophomores returned to the studio of B.H.S.-TV for another year of their high school career.

At the first class meeting they elected their officers for the coming year. Mr. Mills and Miss Fowler were their advisors. Ronald Laughlin, Jim Yockey, and Sharon Morton were chosen for president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer respectively. Evelyn White and Jerry Stout were to represent the class as Student Council members.

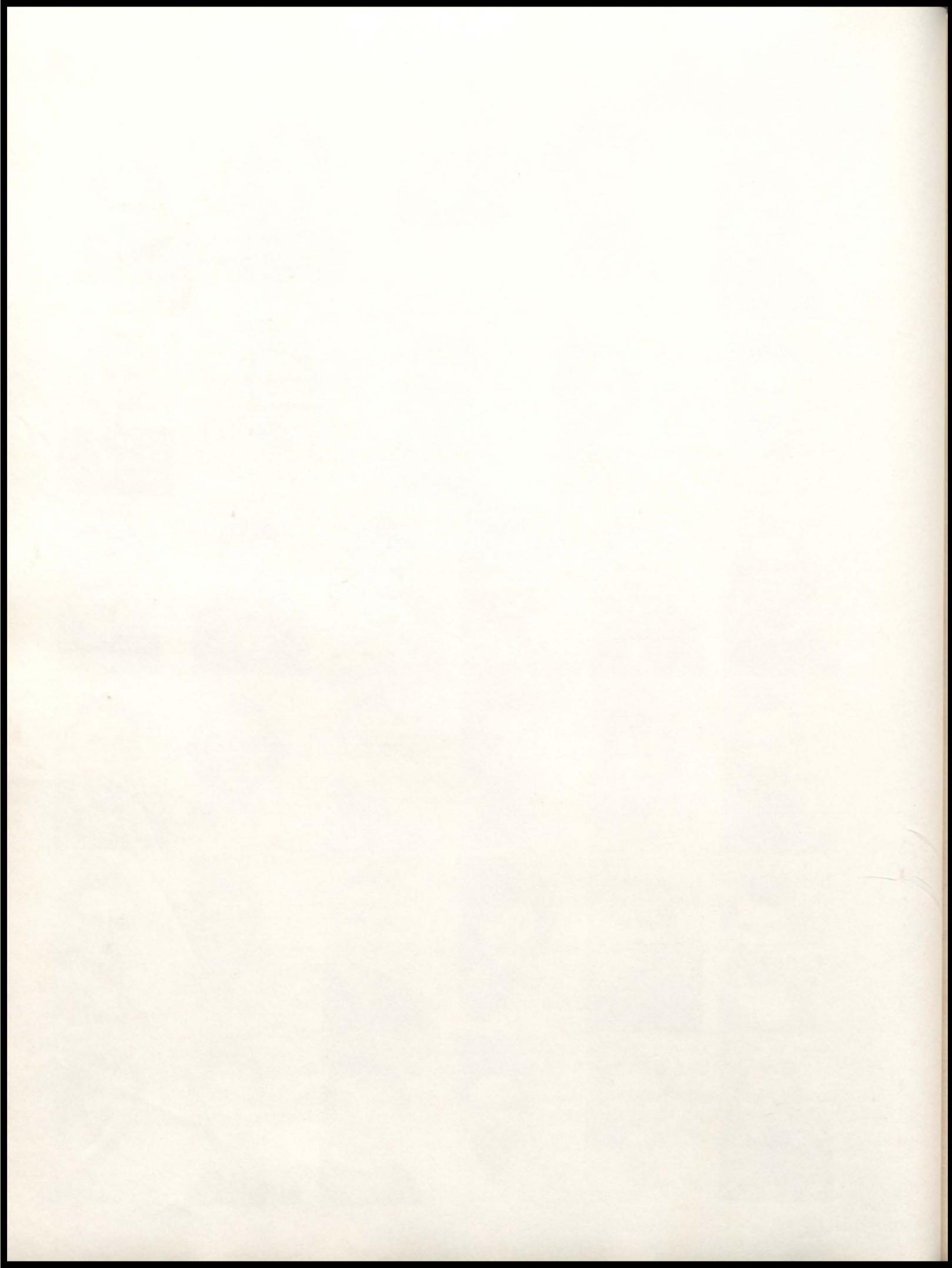
Arrangements were made at their class meeting of October 4 for the Sophomore party. All the committees were appointed at this meeting for the March 26 affair.

Everyone enjoyed himself at the party. The students found the gym decorated with banners and flags. The Olympic theme was carried out with such games as high jump, shot put, and hundred yard dash. Dancing followed the recreation and refreshments of pop corn balls and punch.

Six boys received basketball awards for finishing the Frosh-Soph season. The Sophomores were well represented otherwise around school. They showed up in various activities such as athletics, F.F.A., F.H.A., and music groups.

Finally another year was brought to a close. The Sophomores can look forward to being far more experienced actors and actresses in the coming year.





## WHO'S WHO IN 1970

Sam Clark .....	Second Harry James
Sally Born .....	Woman pilot
Jack Bolsen .....	Noted scientist
Irene Alexander .....	Farmer's wife
Jim O'Hara .....	Professional football player
Ronald Laughlin .....	Weight lifter
Dick Jones .....	Owner of dog kennel
Carol Sue Hinton .....	Night club singer
Bill Hannon .....	Midget in side show
Evelyn White .....	Hat checker
Jim Yockey .....	Undertaker
Margaret Zoch .....	Cigarette girl
Jim Wildman .....	Kindergarten teacher
John Strater .....	Radio announcer
Bob Rodgers .....	Elevator boy at Marshall Fields
Judy Redman .....	Race horse owner
Larry Medaris .....	Surgeon at Mayo Brothers
Karen Lux .....	Noted opera singer
Sharon Morton .....	First lady president
Phyllis Shumard .....	New York taxi driver
Jim Fendley .....	Crooner
Phyllis Redman .....	Disk jockey
Patsy Byron .....	Lady wrestler
Bill Goodmon .....	F.B.I. Agent
Jerry Stout .....	Movie producer
Connie Rahn .....	Lady barber
Jay Poling .....	Fashion designer
Jack Corum .....	Professional wrestler
Lenna Schwartz .....	Beauty operator
Virginia Eades .....	Bus driver
Loren Phipps .....	Football coach
Bill Spencer .....	Truant officer

## FRESHMEN

*Reading from left to right:*

*Top row:* Junior Kirby, Wayne Hill, Karen Strack, Ellen Hannon, Wilma Hinton.

*Second row:* Gene Deering, Marilyn Smith, Sue Coon, Ruth Pembroke, David Hill.

*Third row:* Linda Doyle, Ronald Durbin, Rosemary Durbin, Larry L. Durbin, Lester Jamison, Lela Ard.

*Fourth row:* Gene Holloway, Shirley Shonkwiler, Bob Tracy, Jeanabelle Lash, Nancy Musick, Richard Westfall.

*Fifth row:* Alyeen LeCrone, Tom Stanton, Madonna Foran, Tom Brittenham, Donna Sebens, Carleen McCullough.

*Sixth row:* Jim Bales, Frances Pierce, Don Fogerson, Sarah Woodcock, Ethel Dick, Ronald Robbins.

*Seventh row:* Christine VanLandingham, Stanley Dawson, Mary Swaim, Tony Redman, Winifred Poling, Sonya Wimer.

*Eighth row:* Glen Spearman, Mary Jo Arndt, Jim Defore, Mary McCabe, Louise Born, Larry A. Durbin.

*Ninth row:* Opal McCabe, Dean Brown, Becky Morris, Mike Gallivan, Barney Camden, Pat Westray.

## FRESHMAN CLASS HISTORY

On September 2, 1953, B.H.S.-TV signed fifty-four supporting players for their first season. The class soon learned that Miss Swaim and Mr. Foster were to be their class advisors.

At their first class meeting on September 4, they got down to the business of electing class officers. The following members were chosen to lead them through the season: Karen Strack, president; Wayne Hill, vice-president; and Ellen Hannon, secretary-treasurer. Wilma Hinton and Junior Kirby were elected to represent the class as members of the Student Council.

The nine Freshmen boys who finished the football season attended the football banquet on November 17 as guests. They were joined by Wilma Hinton and Linda Doyle, who won letters as cheerleaders, and Glen Spearman and Ronnie Robbins, who won their letters as managers.

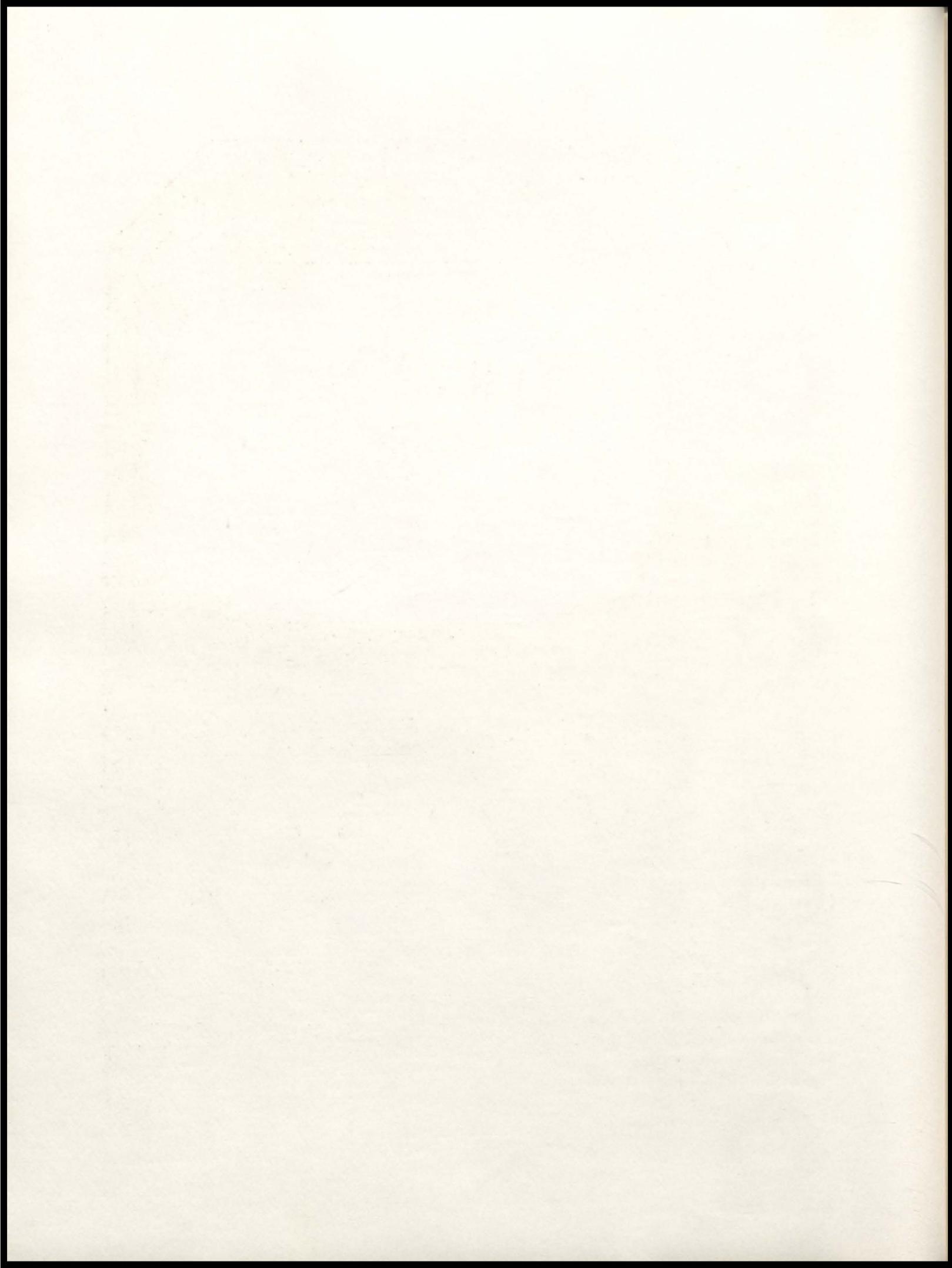
Nearly every Freshman took advantage of the privilege of joining various organizations and clubs and participating in certain activities. Among those organizations entered were F.F.A., F.H.A., G.A.A., news staff, music, and noon-hour activities.

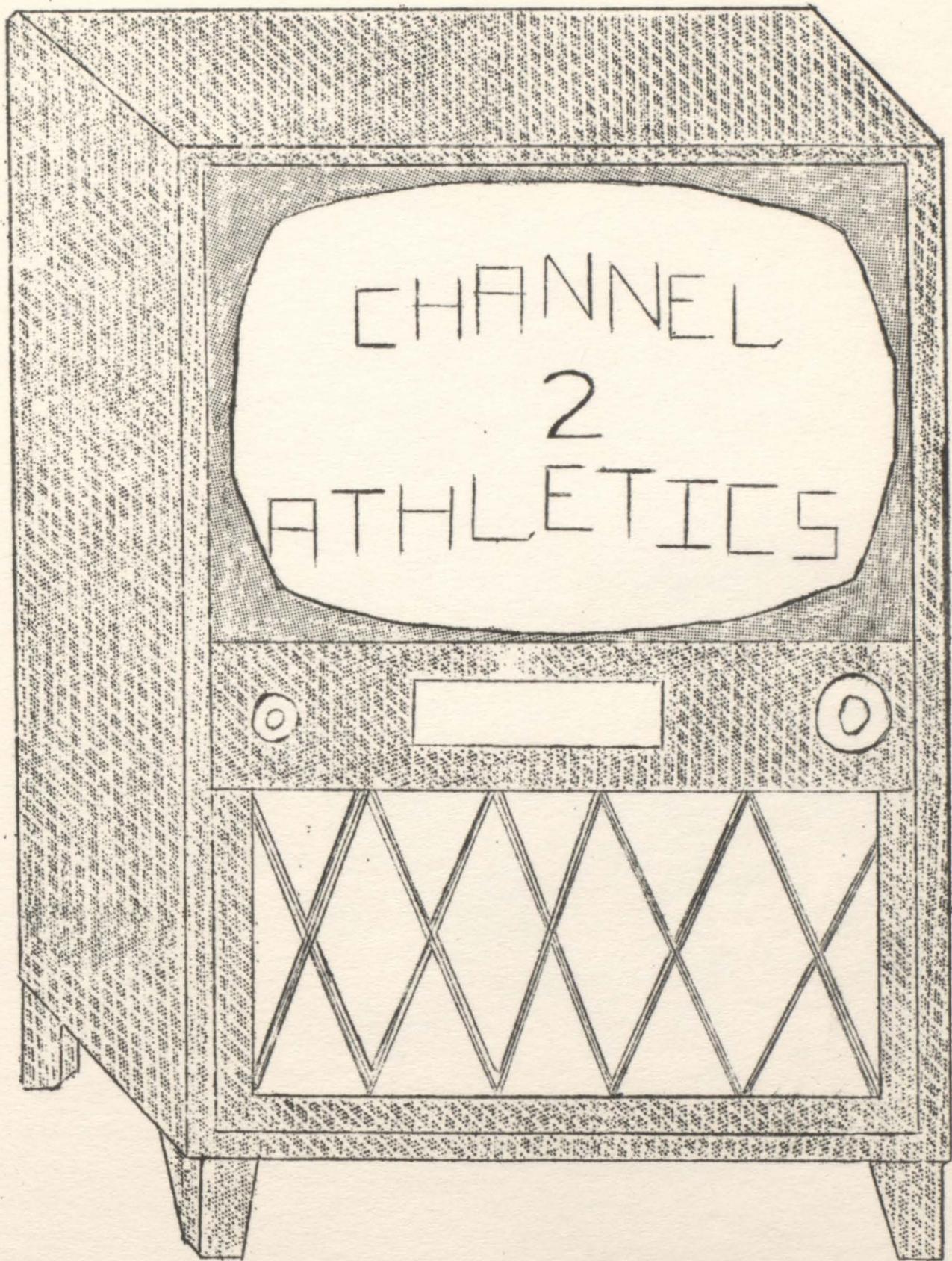
On March 16, the Freshmen held their first class party, carrying out a St. Patrick's Day theme. The evening was spent dancing and playing games. Cokes and cookies were served for refreshment.

During the year Sue Coon, transferring from Monticello, became a member of this class, while Dean Brown moved away.

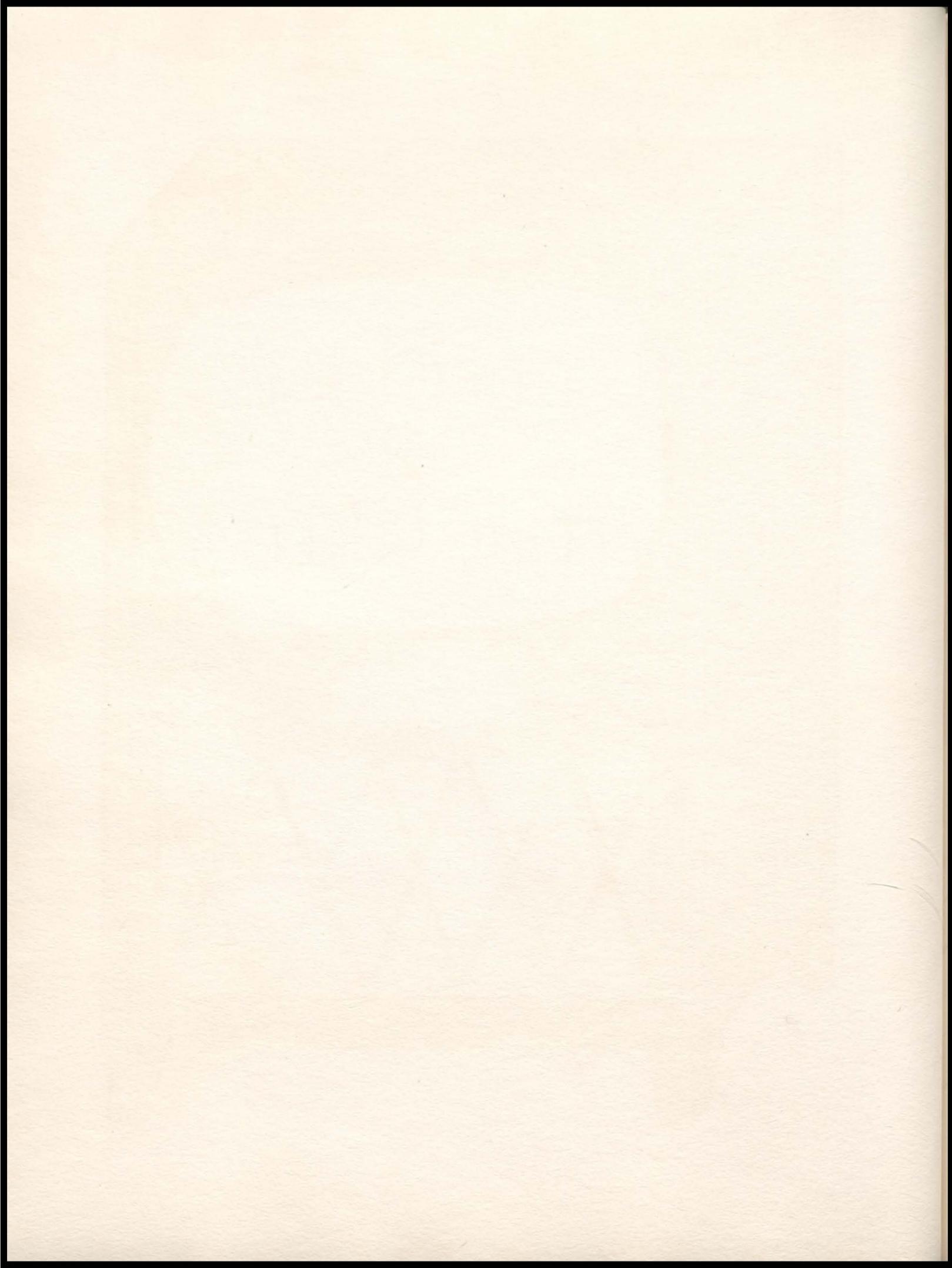
After completing their season as rookies, the Freshmen are ready to become more experienced members of the cast next year.





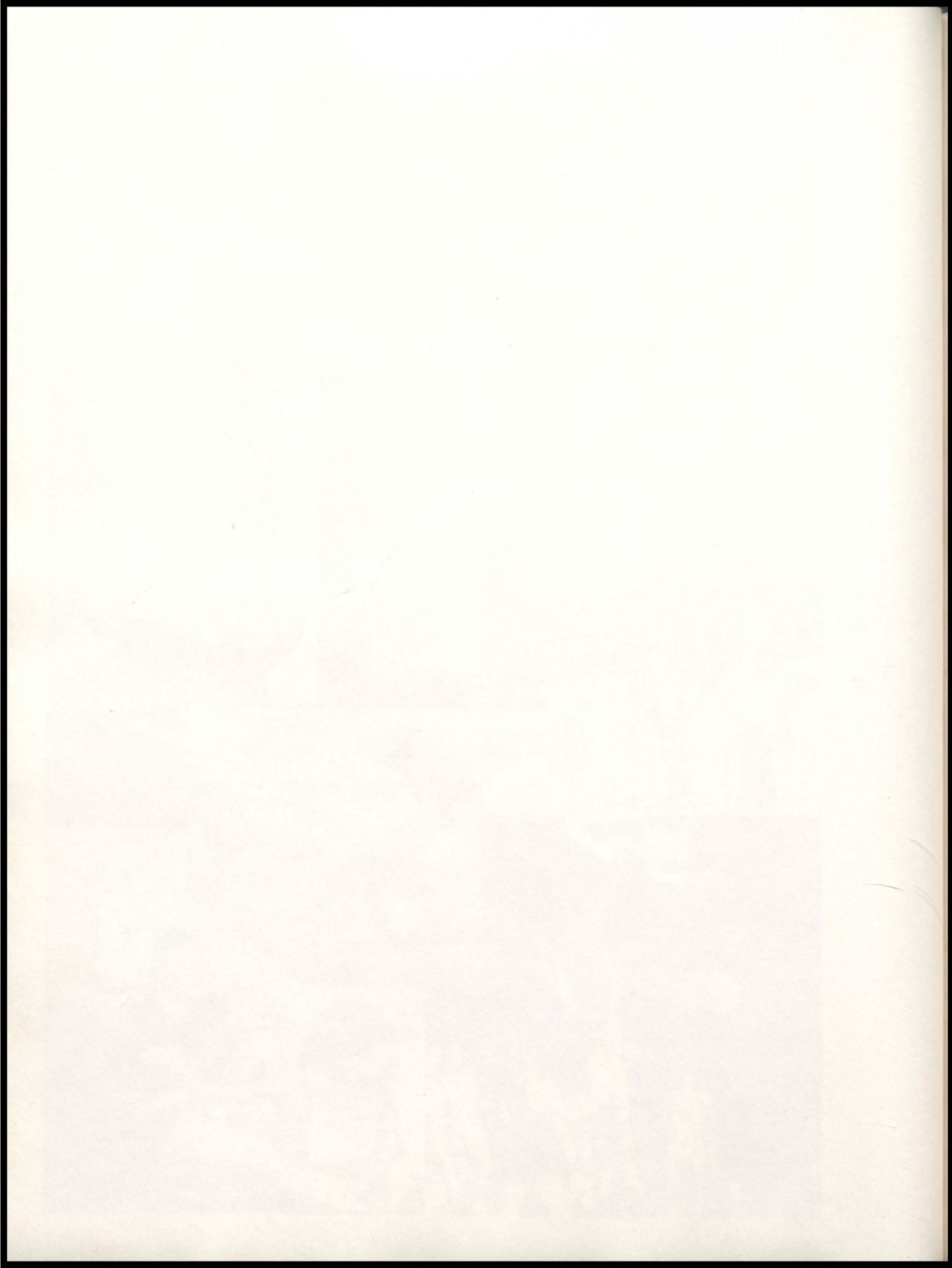


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ATHLETICS





THE FIRST ABBEY KNIGHTS BULLETIN



## ATHLETICS

*Our field camera covered many sporting events. BHS-TV cameras were present at football, basketball, and spring sport events. Here are the people who took part in these events and the recapitulation of these events.*

# FOOTBALL

## FRESHMAN-SOPHOMORE FOOTBALL SQUAD

*First row:* Camden, Wildman, Laughlin, Yockey, Stout, Hannon, Poling.

*Second row:* Coach Mills, Defore, L. A. Durbin, Goodman, O'Hara, Fendley, Bales, Coach Chandler.

*Third row:* W. Hill, Brittenham, Kirby, Gallivan, L. L. Durbin, Holloway, D. Hill,

### Managers

*First row:* G. Spearman, Corum, Robbins.

*Second row:* Olinger, Clark.

### VARSITY

CORKY CARLIN—Small but aggressive; a standout in Bement's forward wall; a hard worker.

KEN WESTFALL—Big, rugged, an asset to the squad.

BOB GALLIVAN—Co-captain; made All-Okaw and East-Central first teams and Little All-State; a great leader; a great defensive player.

JOHN SEBENS—Hampered by injuries but came through when needed most; Co-captain.

DON STOUT—Called signals like an All-American; could pass and run with great ability.

KEN PHIPPS—Great on offense and defense—could snare a pass thrown anywhere near him.

JOE LIEB—It doesn't matter about the size; the fight is what counts; great driver.

CHALMER HINTON—"Dynamite" is his nickname and when he runs, he explodes like dynamite; a battler all the way.

RAY TATE—Could step in at various places; always there when needed; played bang-up ball.

ROBERT BRADLEY—A good runner; quick and aggressive; a threat all the time.

HARRY PORTER—The center of a rugged line; great on defense; big and always ready.

DON HOOKER—A powerful runner; would bull his way for extra yards; hampered by injuries.

DAVE SPEARMAN—Voted most valuable by team mates; made All-Okaw and East-Central first team.

LOUIS STRACK—Co-captain elect; a great competitor.

DAVE GOODMAN—An accurate passer; played good defensive ball; a hard worker; co-captain elect.

STAN COURSON—A worthy substitute at either end; a defensive standout; a good pass catcher.

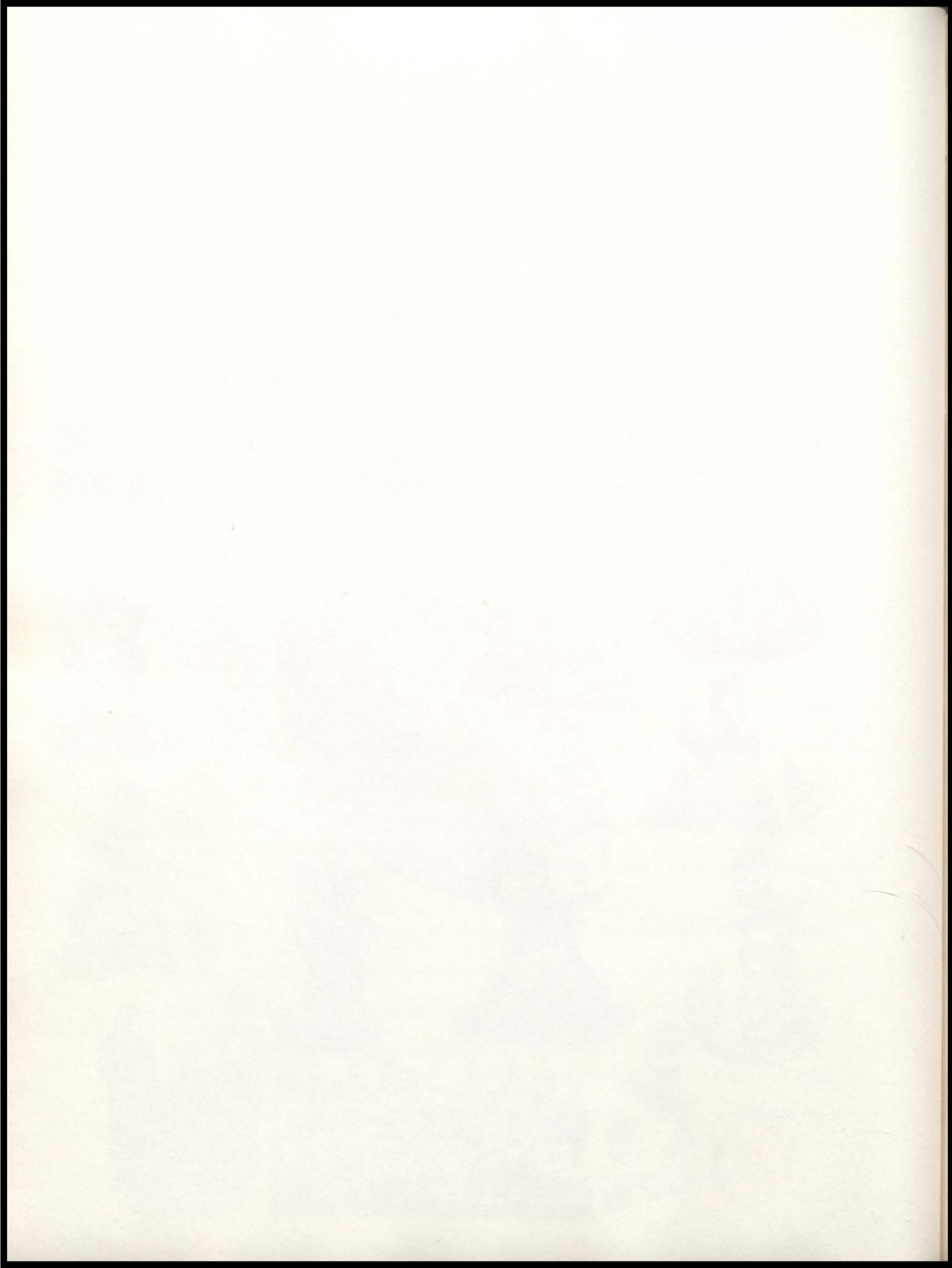
DON BURGESS—Fast runner; played in defensive backfield; good on quick opening running plays.

RON LAUGHLIN—A great tackler; when he hit you, you knew it; a scrapper.

BILL HANNON—Big and full of fight; another hard hitter; Bement will rely on him in the future.

JIM O'HARA—Hit like a tank; bulled his way through any line; a valuable defensive man.





## FOOTBALL FLASHES

September 18—Bement's rugged defense stopped Farmer City's opening drive on Bement's 33 yard line. A few plays later Dave Spearman ran 65 yards for a T.D. Spearman also scored on a 2 yard run in the fourth quarter. Final score: Bement 13, Farmer City 6.

October 2—After a two week lay-off, the Bulldogs traveled to Newman only to be upset by the score of 14 to 8. Chalmer Hinton skirted end on the third play of the game for 54 yards and a Bement touchdown. A safety in the second quarter finished Bement's scoring.

October 8—The Atwood Rajahs invaded Bement only to stumble and were sent home nursing a 26 to 6 defeat. Bob Gallivan was, as usual, outstanding on defense.

October 16—The Bulldogs were host to the defending Okaw Valley Champions, the Oakland Oaks. Early in the game an Oakland punt rolled dead on Bement's 1 foot line. Two plays later Dave Spearman ran 97 yards off tackle for a touchdown. Bement won, 19 to 0, before a pleased homecoming crowd.

October 23—Bement vs. Staunton. This team proved to be probably the most outstanding team the Purple faced all season. The Bement staunch goal-line stand in the dying minutes of the first half saved a tying touchdown, and the Bulldogs went on to eke out a 13-7 victory.

October 30—Bement's final home game saw Dave Spearman, behind excellent blocking, run the opening kickoff 93 yards for a touchdown. Sullivan never threatened, while Bement went on to score four more touchdowns the first half. Final score, 30 to 0.

November 6—Bement journeyed to Cerro Gordo and made it five wins in a row as they ran over the Broncos, 31 to 12. After a close first half, Bement exploded for four touchdowns during the final half.

November 11—With Bement leading 7-6, Monticello scored a touchdown and added the extra point in the waning seconds to win, 13 to 7. Both teams played good ball, but defense was the outstanding factor in the game. This loss gave Bement an overall record of 6 wins and 2 losses.

## BULLPUPS

The Bullpups had a very successful season under the coaching of Mr. Mills. They won four games straight before tying one and losing one. In view of this fine record, Bement's football fortunes seem to be secure.

# BASKETBALL

## FRESHMAN-SOPHOMORE BASKETBALL SQUAD

*First row:* Durbin, B. Goodmon, Clifton, Poling, Helm, Courson.

*Second row:* Coach Chandler, Stout, Camden, Brown, Hannon, Medaris, Coach Woodard.

*Third row:* W. Hill, Gallivan, Tracy, Fendley, Brittenham, Holloway, Kirby, D. Hill.

## VARSIITY

Chalmer Hinton—Senior; captain; most valuable player; a great scorer; selected on both Okaw Valley and East Central Illinois first teams.

John Sebens—Senior; did well under the boards; an ample scorer for the purple and white; an all-around player both defensively and offensively.

Ken Phipps—Senior; had a deadly jump shot; worked well around the basket; could run with the best of them.

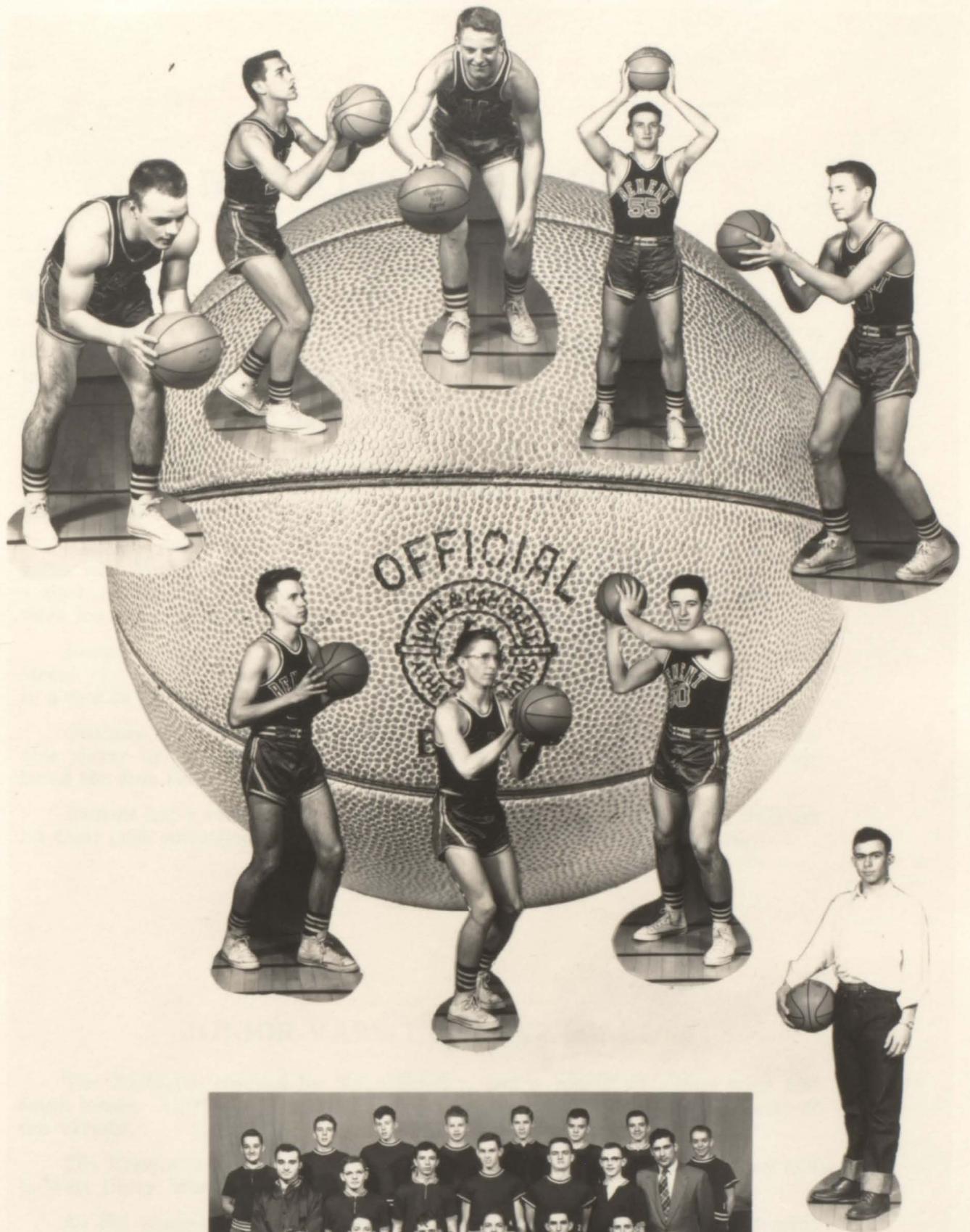
Ray Tate—Senior; a valuable man at any position; saw plenty of action and proved himself as a capable player; had a nice touch on the ball.

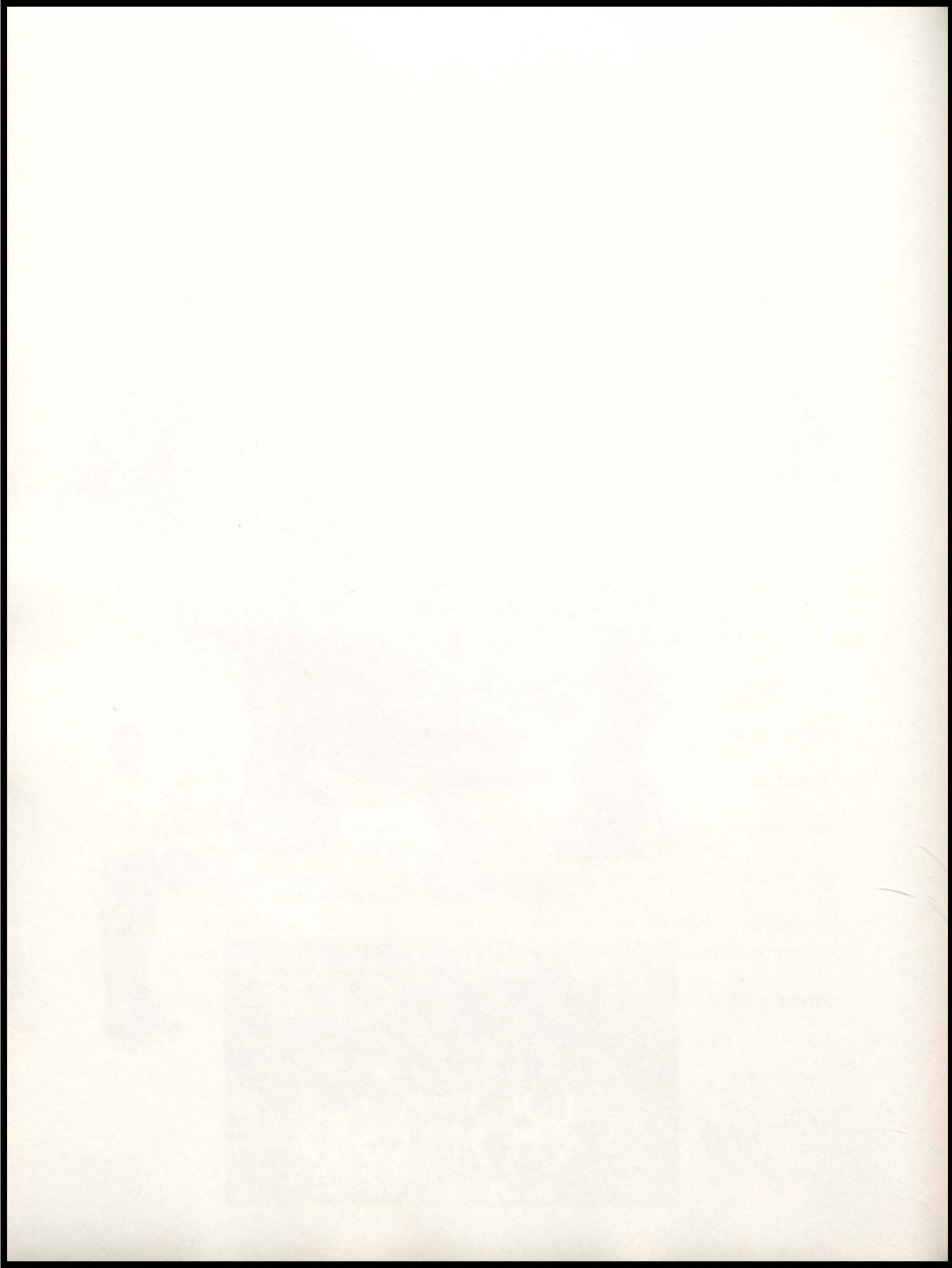
Joe Olinger—Senior; a hard worker; tallest man on the squad; had a fine hook shot; good defensive man; a great competitor.

Dave Spearman—Senior; team's defensive ace; good out shooter; a hustler.

Louie Strack—Junior; could rebound like a demon; had a jump shot that he used often; plenty of spirit; a real hustler.

Dave Goodmon—Junior; a hard driver; had a good shot from outside; a reliable substitute; should be of great help next year.





## BASKETBALL FLASHES

The cagers of Bement High started out with a roar, but like March, went out like a lamb. Bement's final record was eleven wins and fifteen losses.

Here are a few flashbacks of the 1953-54 season. Bement captured third in the Arthur Holliday Tournament and fourth in the Okaw Valley Tournament. In the first round of the regional tournament they were beaten out by Unity. One of the finest scoring exhibitions ever put on by a Bement team occurred during the second quarter of the Bement-Arthur game in the first round of Okaw Tournament. With the score at the end of the first quarter 12 to 9 in Arthur's favor, Bement cut loose for thirteen points while Arthur failed to collect one. The Bulldogs were beaten by Sullivan in the semifinals and lost to Cerro Gordo in the battle for third place.

Another game that will dwell in the minds of the players and fans was the game with Wells of Chicago. Wells, with their great Abe Booker, put on quite a show before the game and during the game. The boys from the Windy City were too classy for the Bulldogs and went in to win 78 to 39.

Bement ended the season with four straight defeats, the longest losing streak of the year. The longest winning stretch they could muster up was three in a row at the beginning of the season.

Chalmer Hinton, besides taking scoring honors, was chosen the most valuable player by his team mates. For the third year in a row, John Sebens captured the free throw crown with a .680 average on his gift shots.

Bement had a comparatively small team, but had a lot of fight. The Bulldogs hit their peak sometimes, and when they did, the fans saw good basketball.

## JUNIOR-VARSITY BASKETBALL

The Bullpups, coached by Mr. Chandler, had a record of eleven wins and seven losses. All the boys will be back next year and will form the backbone of the varsity.

The Freshmen had a rough time as they dropped all their starts. They lost to West Unity, Monticello, and Sadorus.

At the annual Freshmen-Sophomore Tournament at Cerro Gordo, Bement lost to a sizzling Cerro Gordo five, 52 to 49, and to Lovington, 64 to 53.

## BASEBALL

*First row:* Clark, Poling, Corum, Medaris, B. Goodmon, J. Stout, Courson.

*Second row:* D. Stout, Hinton, Gallivan, Spearman, R. Dancey, Woodcock, Tate,  
Coach Mills.

## TRACK

Stanton, Sebens, D. Goodmon, Tate, Hannon, Strack, Bartison, Hinton, Wildman,  
Spearman, Yockey, Burgess, Dan Dancey, Dick Dancey, D. Gallivan, Bales,  
Fendley, Clark, Coach Chandler.

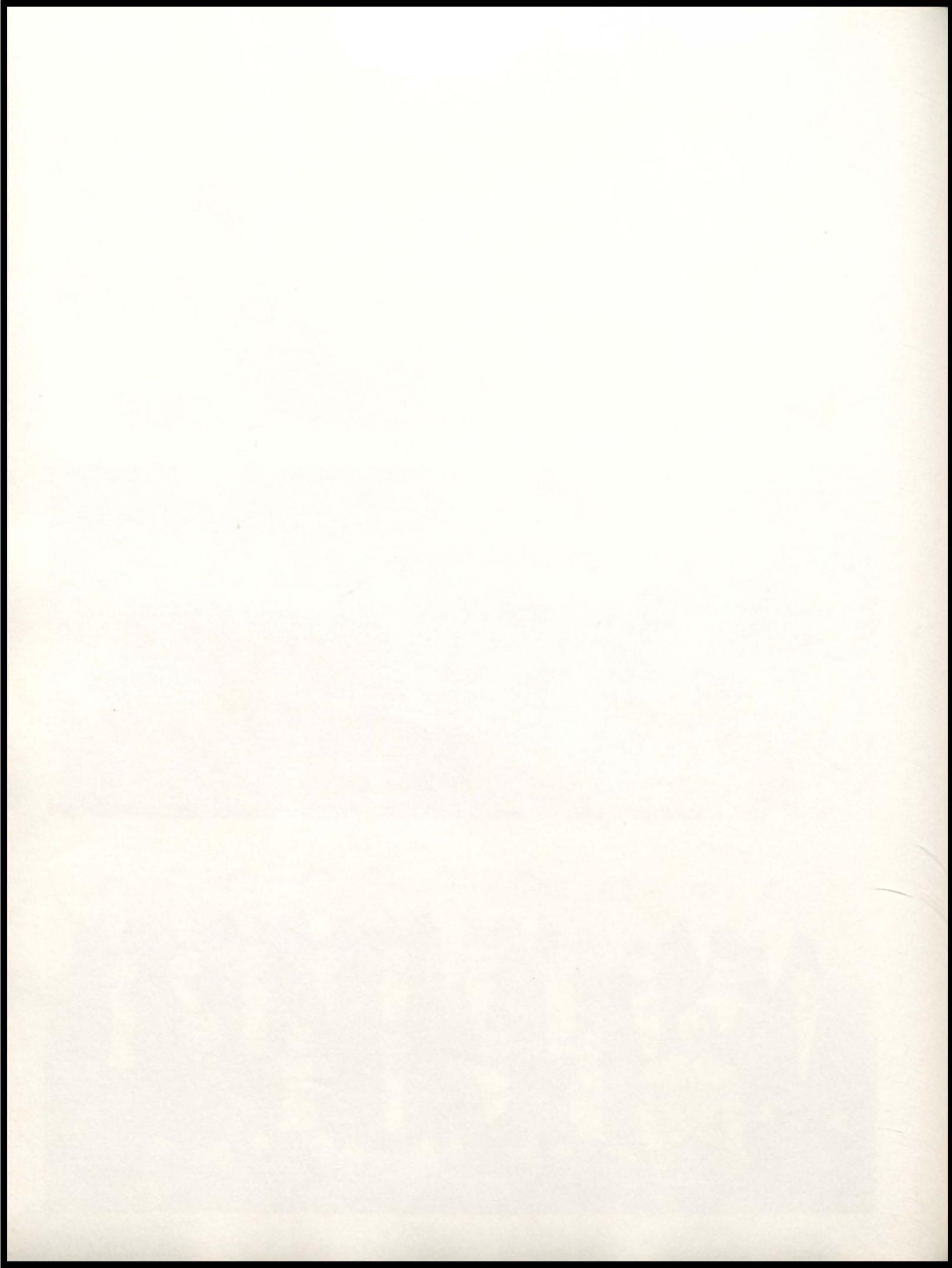
## "B" CLUB

*First row:* Mr. Mills, Lieb, Carlin, Porter, Tate, Mr. Chandler.

*Second row:* G. Spearman, Clark, B. Gallivan, Stout, Burgess, D. Spearman, D.  
Gallivan, Bradley, Laughlin, Corum.

*Third row:* Hinton, O'Hara, Jeffers, Goodmon, Olinger, Phipps, Sebens, Strack,  
Hannon, Courson.





# SPRING SPORTS

## BASEBALL

The 1953 baseball team, with three returning lettermen, compiled a record of four wins and three losses. Bolstered by seven Juniors and two Seniors, the team was a hard hitting and hard fighting squad. Bement lost their only district appearance when Mattoon hammered out a 17 to 4 victory.

### Lettermen Batting Average

<i>Player</i>	<i>AB</i>	<i>H</i>	<i>Ave.</i>	<i>Player</i>	<i>AB</i>	<i>H</i>	<i>Ave.</i>
Woodcock .....	25	6	.240	Gallivan .....	28	7	.250
Hinton .....	27	9	.333	Strater .....	15	3	.200
Stout .....	18	1	.056	Clark .....	6	1	.167
Tate .....	21	2	.095	Courson .....	7	1	.143
Spearman .....	19	4	.210	Dancey .....	11	1	.091
Hannon .....	17	6	.353				

## TRACK

The attentions of nineteen boys were turned to track as the 1953 track season opened. John Sebens and Dave Spearman were the only lettermen returning, but Bement showed a lot of depth by placing high in the meets they took part in.

The larger meets which the Bulldogs took part in were the Okaw Valley Meet, the Mattoon Relays, and the Urbana Open. John Sebens collected the bulk of Bement's nine points scored in the Okaw Meet. He placed second in the discus, fourth in the low hurdles, and fourth in the high hurdles for a total of eight points. The only other point scored was by Don Burgess, who placed fifth in the 220. Sebens also placed fifth in the high hurdles at Mattoon. The Bulldogs failed to score in the Urbana Open.

None of the nineteen boys graduated, and the track outlook for 1954 was bright.

## "B"-CLUB

The "B" Club is made up of varsity letter winners. Their purpose is to aid in promoting and conducting athletic events.

This club gets its funds in several different ways. During the 1953-1954 Okaw Valley Basketball tournament, the club had a coat and hat check stand. They also sold programs at the Homecoming football game.

These funds are to be used to buy extra improvements for the athletic department.

## G. A. A.

*First row:* Shumard, Sebens, LeCrone, Redman, F. Dick, Shonkwiler, Thomas.

*Second row:* Hainey, Strack (point chairman), Morton (vice-president), Fowler (advisor), Day (president), Marshall (secretary), Corum.

*Third row:* Foran, E. Dick, Zindar, Stoerger, Lux, Schwartz, Morris, Woodcock.

## G. A. A.

The G.A.A., with the help of Miss Fowler, has had another successful year.

These vigorous girls have done everything to make this year a happy one. On October 27, they initiated the new members. This was the first initiation in several years. During the year, they have had several cookouts at the Forest Preserve Park.

On March 12, they gave a demonstration for the public, playing volleyball and basketball and presenting some tumbling acts. On March 16, they were guests of the Monticello G.A.A. at a swimming party which was quite a treat for the girls.

During the year they have played volleyball, basketball, tennis, tumbling, badminton, softball, and archery.

A few of the girls represented the club in G.A.A. play days at Farmer City and Maroa and also went to Illinois State Normal University for G.A.A. instruction.

To top off the school year, two girls will be chosen to represent their organization at the G.A.A. summer camp at Bloomington.

## CHEERLEADERS

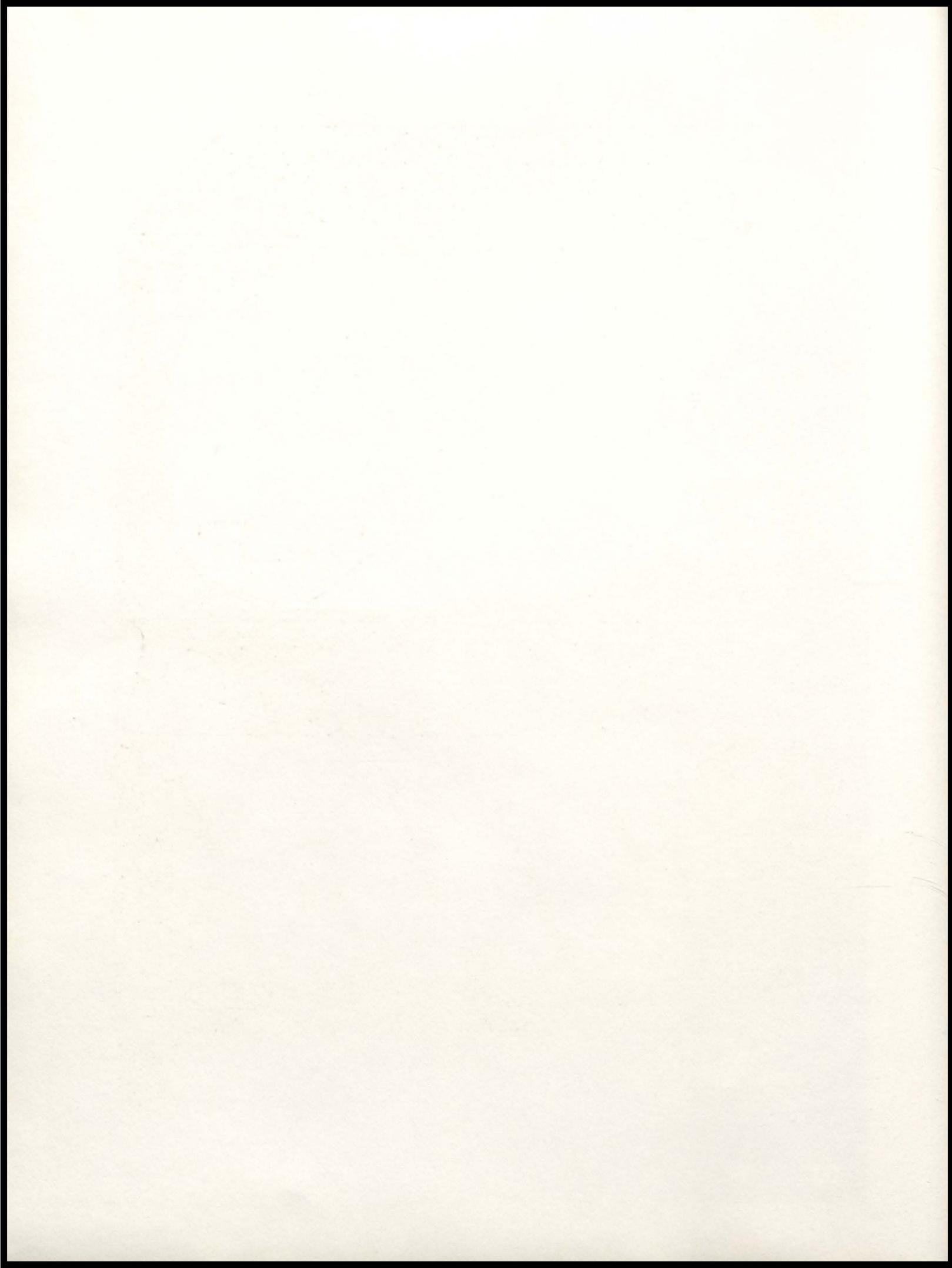
Football Cheerleaders from top to bottom: Hinton, P. Doyle, Allison, Metzger, McVicker, Hannon, L. Doyle.

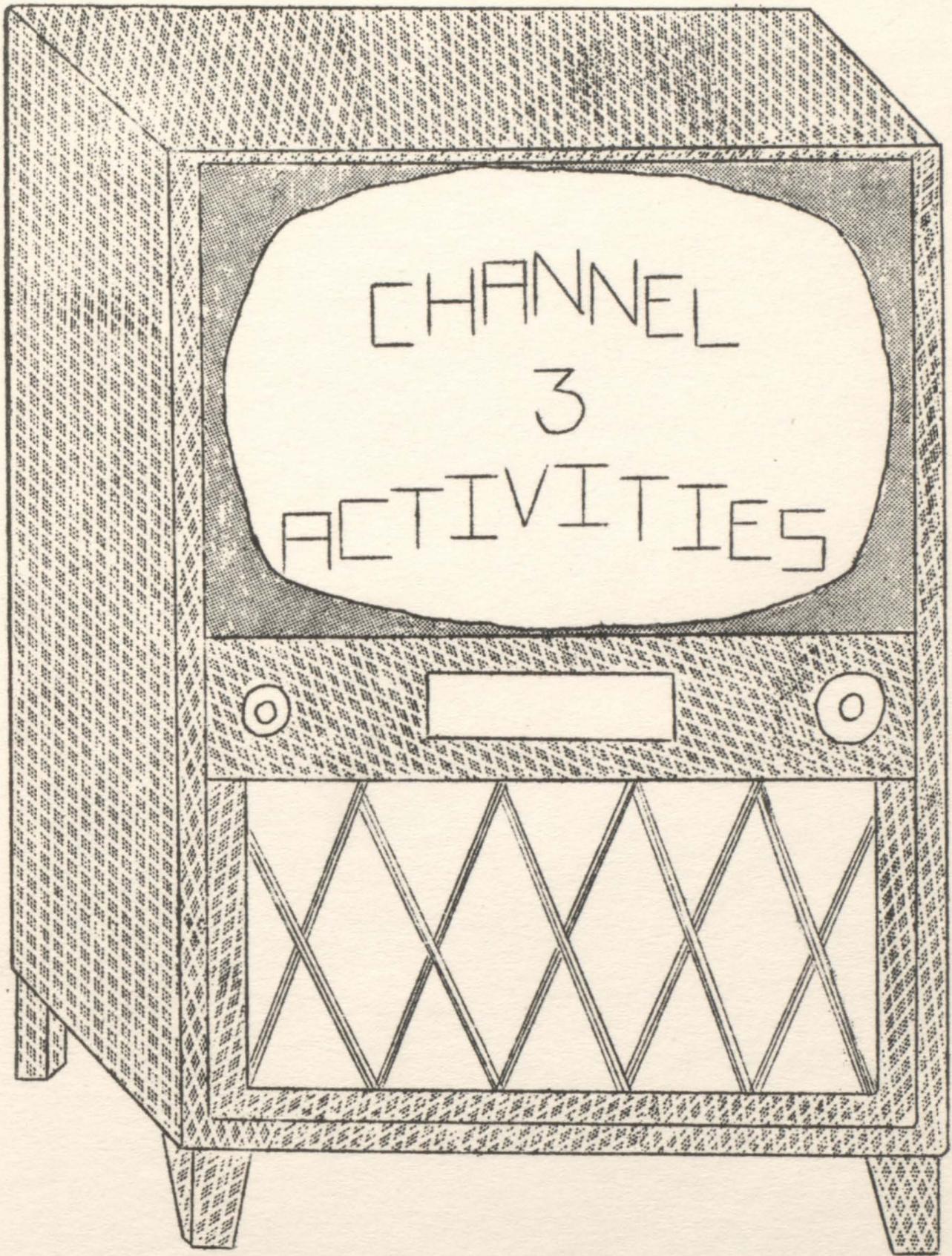
Basketball "B" Team Cheerleaders: Doyle, Hinton, Morton.

Basketball Varsity Cheerleaders: Allison, Metzger, Drake, Doyle.

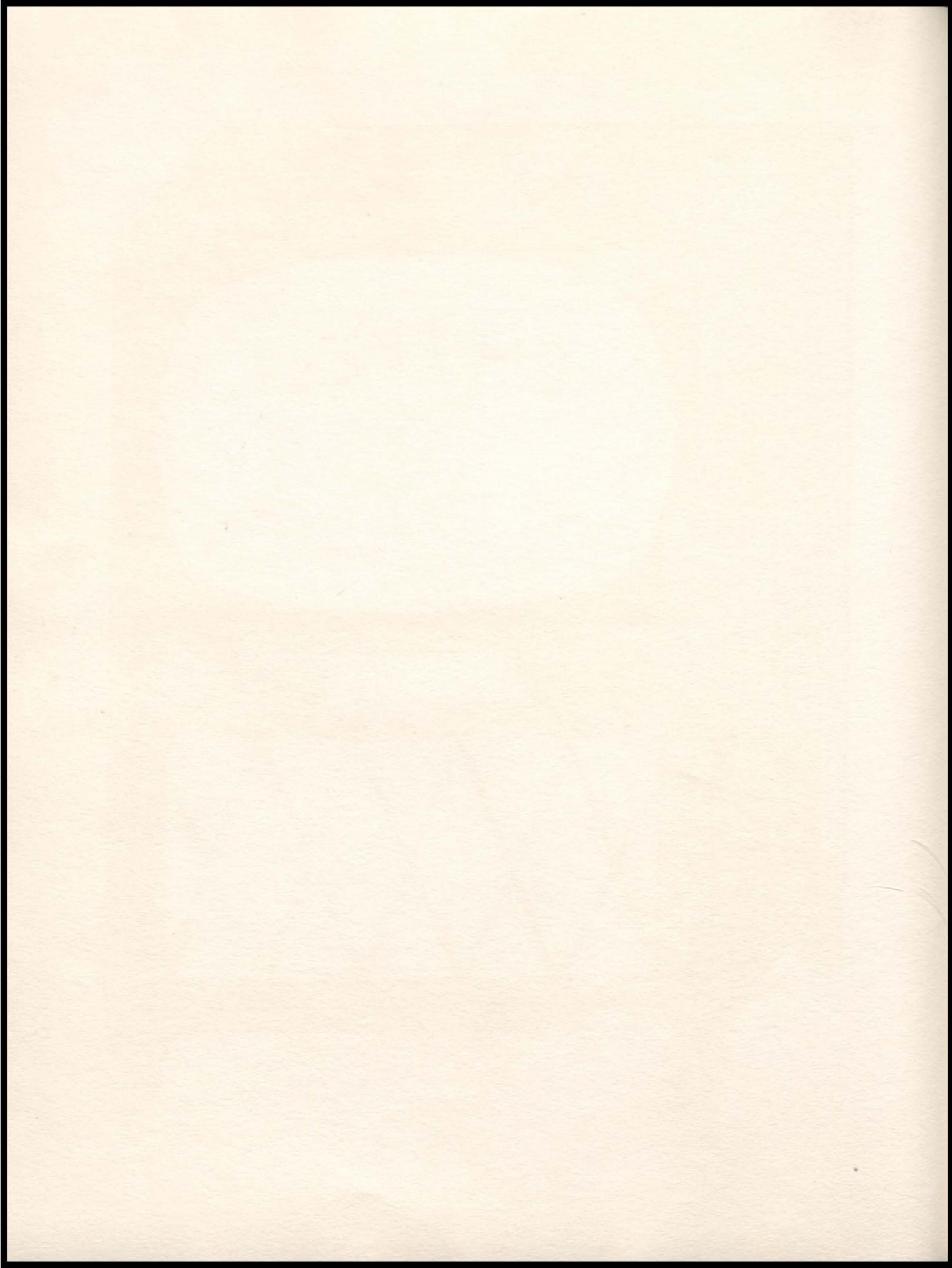
The 1953-1954 cheerleaders added color and enthusiasm to the games. They worked out new yells and routines which were enjoyed by all. Throughout the year, well planned pep meetings helped to arouse the school spirit.



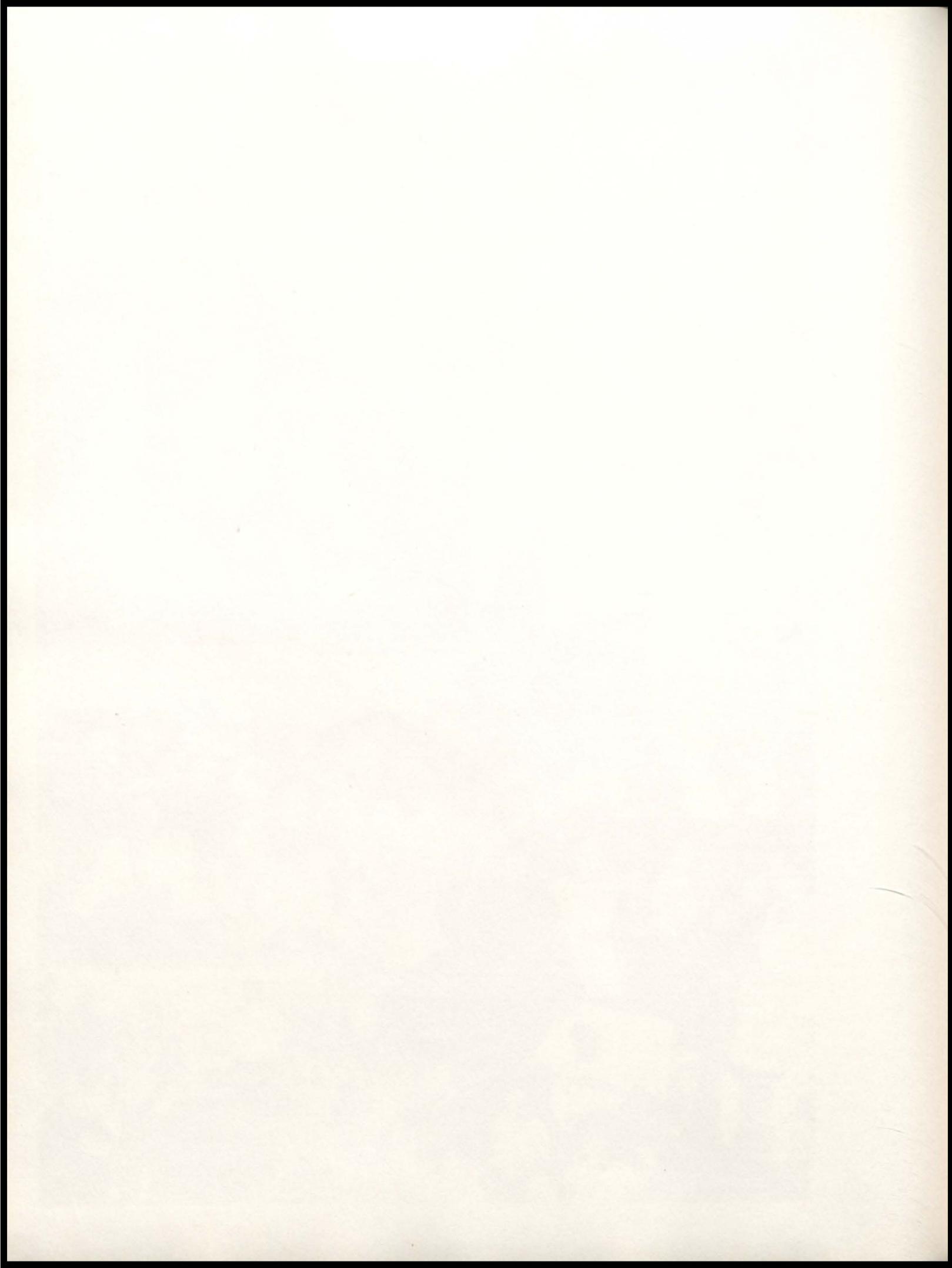




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## ACTIVITIES

*The cast took part in various activities.  
The cameras of BHS-TV were on the job  
recording these activities to present to you.*

## F. F. A.

*First row:* Mr. Foster (advisor), Strack (reporter), Tate (secretary), Carlin, Hinton (president), Sebens (treasurer), Hannon (sentinel).

*Second row:* Redman, Kirby, Tracy, R. Gallivan, Bradley, Strater, Harvey, Laughlin, Clark, Rodgers.

*Third row:* Brittenham, Bartison, Burgess, Medaris, Yockey, Clifton, Durbin, Courson, D. Gallivan, Lawson, Wildman.

*Fourth row:* O'Hara, Jeffers, J. Bolsen, Larimore, Goodmon, Phipps (vice-president), G. Bolsen, Brown, Helm, Bales.

## STUDENT COUNCIL

*Sitting:* Hinton, White, Tate (vice-president), Mr. Woodard (advisor), Spearman (president), Allison (secretary-treasurer), Randall.

*Standing:* Stout, Kirby, Olinger, Strack, Burgess.

## F. H. A.

*First row:* P. Doyle (degrees chairman), F. Dick (treasurer), Robeck (vice-president), Randall (president), M. Bolsen (secretary), VanLandingham (public relations), Miss Johnstone (advisor).

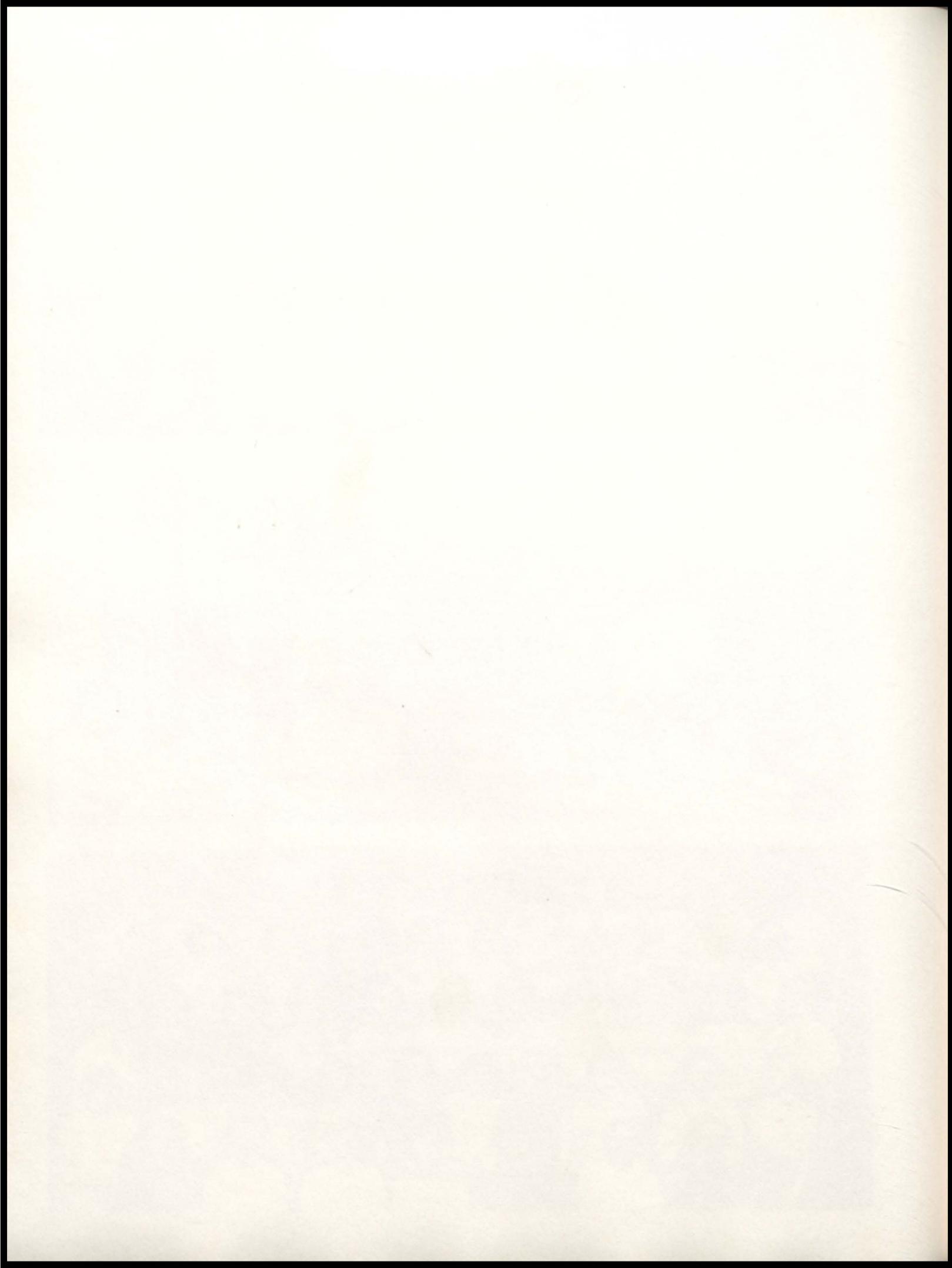
*Second row:* Shumard, E. Hannon, White, Musick, Mundy, Fleming, Westray, McCullough, Fendley, Thomas.

*Third row:* S. Hannon, Woodcock, Shonkwiler, S. Hinton, Foran, L. Doyle, Clow, Sebens, Wimer, Morton, W. Hinton.

*Fourth row:* E. Dick, Lindstrom, LeCrone, Redman, McCollum, McVicker, Metzger, Morris, Alexander, Byron.

*Fifth row:* Allison, Bowyer, B. Bolsen, Eades, S. Born, Drake, Lux, L. Born, Primmer, Rahn, Pembroke.





## F. F. A.

The Bement chapter of Future Farmers of America has, for the past year, been supervised very successfully by our new teacher, Mr. Joe Foster. He has started the idea of giving the Dekalb award to the senior with the best project, and of giving an award to the student member who has raised his grades the most in all subjects during the year.

This was an active year for the Future Farmers. Five members went to WKID in Champaign to give a report on farm safety. Later three members went to Decatur to appear on Al Pigg's television show over WTVP. Early on December 5, most of the chapter members and the physics class went to Chicago to see the International Livestock show and the Museum of Science and Industry. During the Okaw Tournament some of the F.F.A. members ran a pop stand.

The new members were formally initiated into the F.F.A. on the evening of January 18. The following day they came to school in unusual garb.

## STUDENT COUNCIL

The Bement Student Council is an organization made up of representatives from each class—four from the Senior class, three from the Junior class, two from the Sophomore class, and two from the Freshman class. They are set up to sponsor all school activities.

The 1953-54 Student Council sponsored a few "coke" dances, the Homecoming dance, the State Tournament contest, an all-school party, and the school picnic at the end of the year. They also drew up a constitution for the Council.

## F. H. A.

The F.H.A. girls, with Miss Johnstone as their advisor, began a very active year by choosing Mrs. Chandler to be Chapter Mother and by honoring the mothers at a mother-daughter potluck.

Five girls attended a House of Delegates Meeting in Farmer City. The club held their annual Christmas party in the Home Economics room. There was an exchange of gifts and two large baskets were given to the needy. In January was initiation of the Freshmen and new members.

The F.F.A.-F.H.A. party was held in February. Everyone came dressed as kids and had a lot of fun.

At our March meeting Mrs. Hammond presented films with an interesting talk on living conditions in Alaska as she saw them.

Five girls attended Section Sixteen rally in Newman.

Officers for the coming year and delegates to go to summer camp were elected at the April meeting.

Another successful F.H.A. year closed with a spring social activity honoring the mothers.

## BAND

*First row:* Day (secretary-treasurer), Morton, Metzger, M. Hinton, Glennon, Moore.

*Second row:* Lux, S. Hinton, Fleming, Durbin, Bob Morris, Jones, Ferguson, McCollum (librarian), Strohl, Alexander, Zoch, Goodmon, J. Stout.

*Third row:* Born, LeCrone (librarian), Wilkinson, D. Bolsen, Speltz, Livingston, D. Stout, Olinger, Robbins, Clark, Slater, D. Goodmon (vice-president), Tracy, Burgess (president), W. Hinton (librarian), P. Doyle, B. Bolsen.

*Fourth row:* M. Bolsen, Jeffers, L. Doyle, Holloway, Mr. Taylor (director), Becky Morris, Brittenham, Lawson.

## CHORUS

*First row:* Shumard, White, W. Hinton, Morton, G. Spearman, Miss Glenn (director), Hill, Hannon, P. Doyle, Mundy.

*Second row:* Arndt, Byron, S. Hinton, Zindar, Kirby, Robbins, Alexander, Redman, Shonkwiler, Sebens.

*Third row:* LeCrone, McCollum, Morris, Clark, D. Spearman (president), Brittenham, Holloway, Rahn, McVicker, Foran.

*Fourth row:* Eades, Drake, Day, Medaris, C. Hinton (vice-president), Olinger, Camden, Durbin, Lux, Stoerger, Lash.

## SEXTET

*First row:* Day, Metzger, Morton.

*Second row:* Fleming, Redman, McCollum.

## OCTET

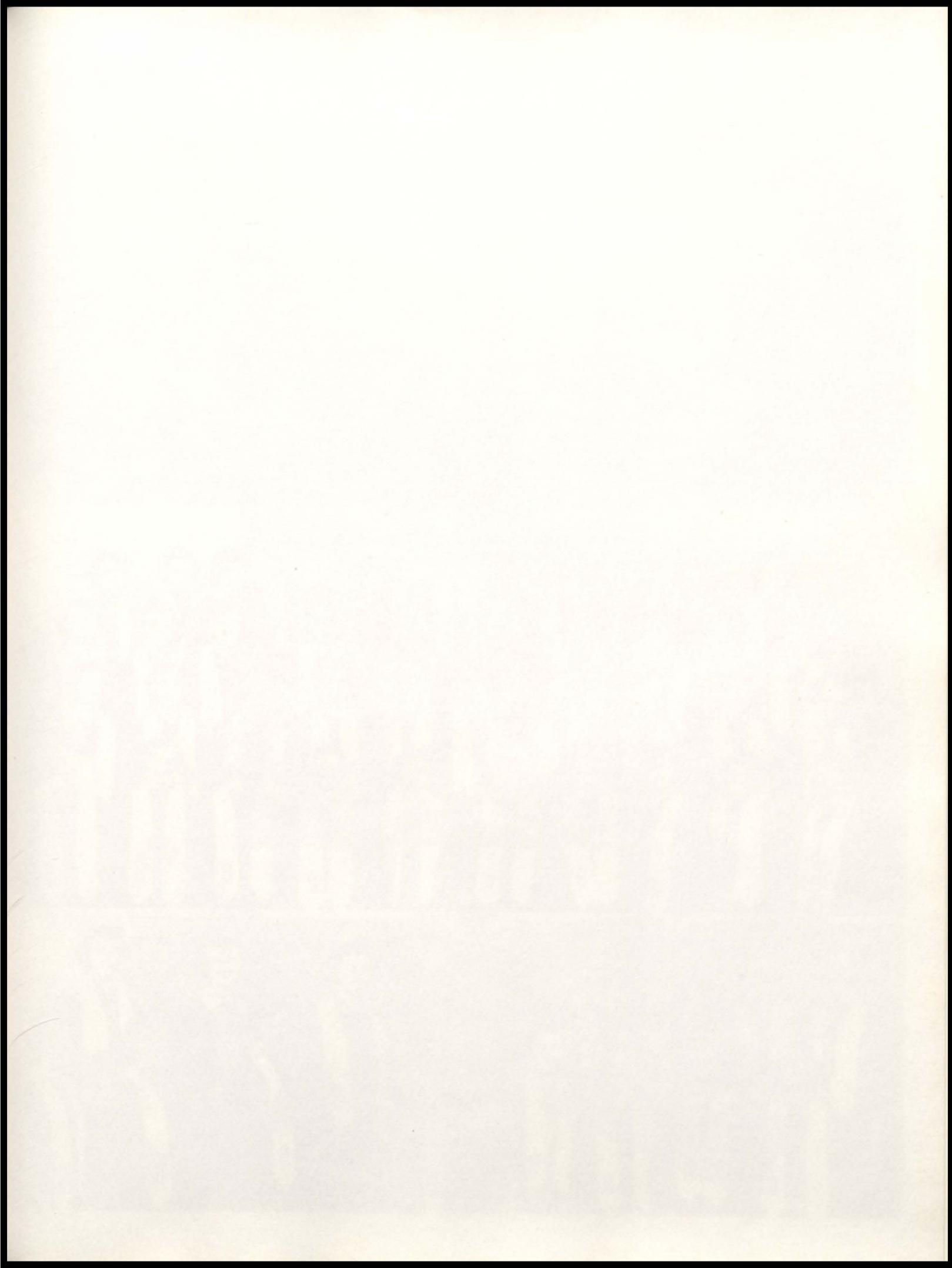
*First row:* Doyle, Foran, Hannon, Bolsen.

*Second row:* Hinton, Spearman, Olinger, Medaris.

## TWIRLERS

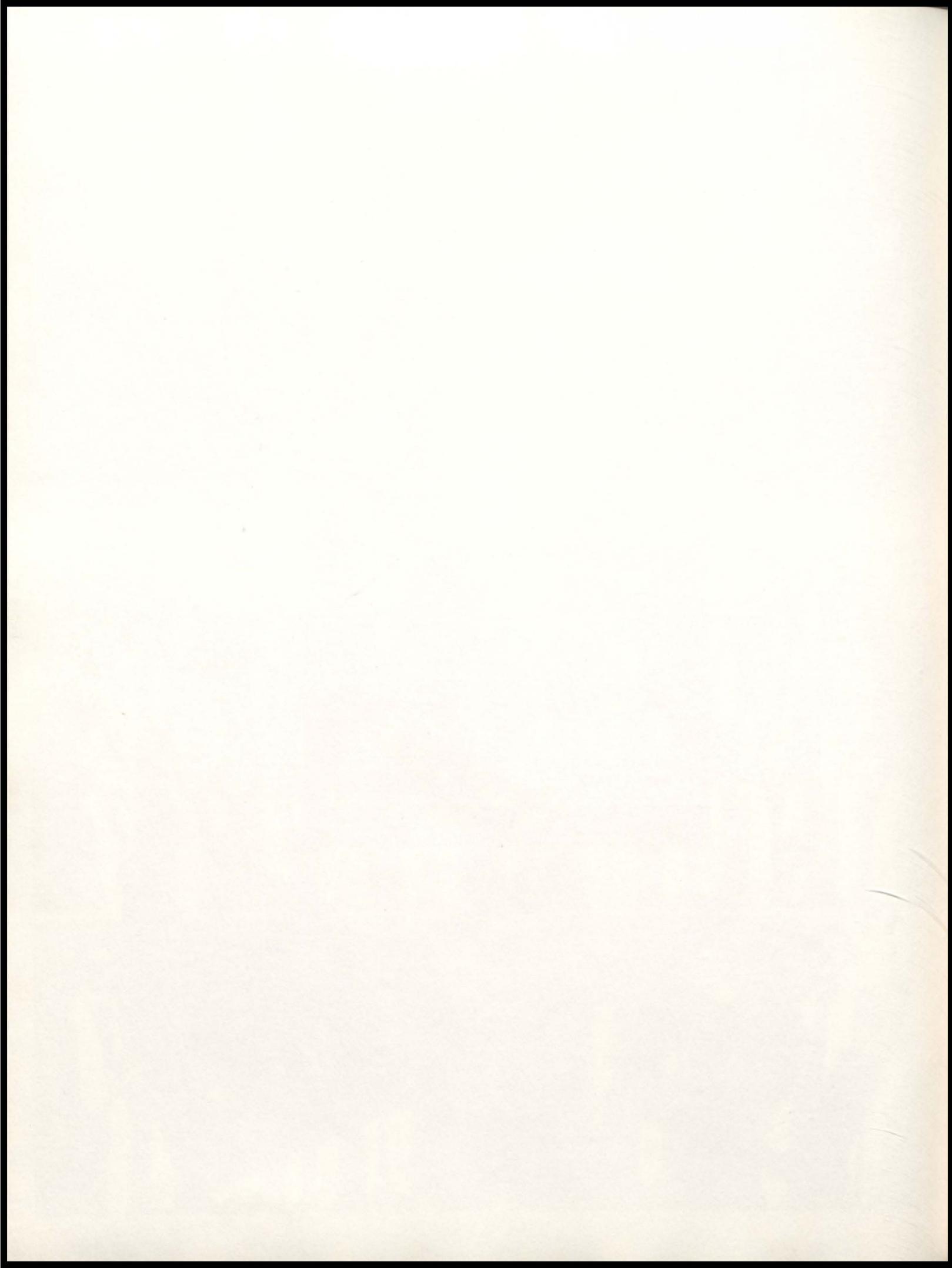
Hannon, Alexander, Shumard; Majorette, Day

Those who received a first division rating and were entitled to go on to the State Contest are Hannon, Day, twirling duet; Burgess, baritone; Hannon, Day, vocal solos.









## BAND

When school started in September, the band began practicing marches and entertained the crowds during the football games. They performed well on the field, presenting a different program for each game.

After football season, the band started working on concert numbers. Doing this requires a lot of practice on the part of every member. A practice chart was set up to provide for individual as well as group work on concert music.

Four students attended all state band and chorus on November 27 and 28. On December 4, the band took part in the annual Piatt County Music Festival held in Atwood. During the year, they presented two concerts, a Christmas concert and a spring concert. The Arion award, which is given each year to the outstanding senior music student, was presented to Rachel Day at the spring concert.

The band received a superior rating in the district contest on April 10.

During the second semester, a small novelty band was formed which performed at various occasions such as P.T.A. and the Lions' Club Variety Show.

The band's final performance for the year was on May 26 at the 1954 Commencement exercise.

## CHORUS

The mixed chorus, under the direction of Miss Glenn, met every fourth hour on Friday. To start the year off, these singers took part in the Piatt County Music Festival in Atwood. They also took a very active part in the Christmas and Spring Concerts.

The girls' chorus and the mixed chorus participated in the District Music Contest at Arcola. Both received a second place rating.

The chorus concluded the year by singing for the Baccalaureate services.

## CHORAL GROUPS

The girls sextet sang at Woman's Club, the Youth Meeting, Pre-World Day of Prayer Meeting, P.T.A., Football Banquet, and both the Christmas and the Spring Concert. They received a second place rating in the District Contest at Arcola.

The mixed Octet sang at P.T.A. They also took part in the Christmas Concert. They received a third place rating at the District Contest.

## LIBRARY CLUB

*Sitting:* Fendley (president), Miss Houston (advisor), Schwartz (vice-president), Corum (secretary).

*Standing:* Rahn, Mundy, Timme, Primmer, Hainey, Eades, Dick, VanLandingham, Redman, Spencer, Phipps.

During each period throughout the day, one of the student librarians was in charge of the library, checking books in and out, straightening and arranging books on the shelves, and aiding students in locating material. They also made a number of attractive posters to encourage reading.

From time to time committees from the club met with Miss Houston to help select new books for the library.

## NEWS STAFF

*First row:* Clow (typist), Olinger (business manager), Dick (assistant editor), McVicker (editor), Miss Swaim (advisor), Cantrell (typist).

*Second row:* Hinton (freshman editor), Shumard (sophomore editor), LeCrone (freshman editor), Spearman, Robbins (frosh-soph sports), Corum, Clark (varsity sports), White (news and features), Doyle (junior editor), Sebens (freshman editor).

*Third row:* Strack (news and features), Hannon (senior editor), Alexander (sophomore editor), Morris (freshman editor), Eades (news and features), Redman (G.A.A. reporter), Drake (news and features), Bolsen, Day (senior editors), Hainey (junior editor).

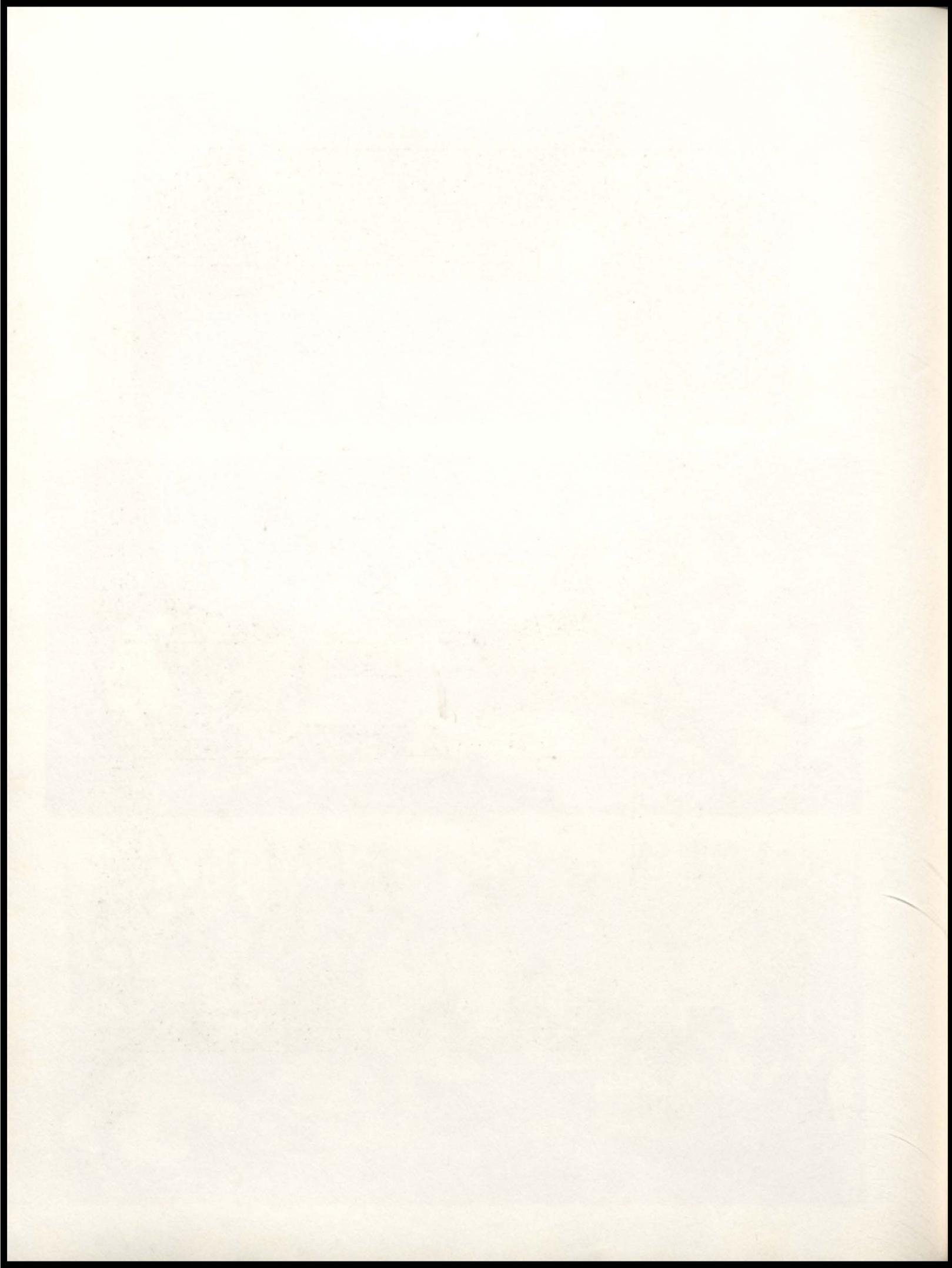
*Not in picture:* Zoch (news and features).

## ANNUAL STAFF

*Sitting:* Hannon (feature editor), White (sophomore editor), Randall (business manager), Fendley (typist), Clow (typist), Miss Houston (advisor), Stout (editor).

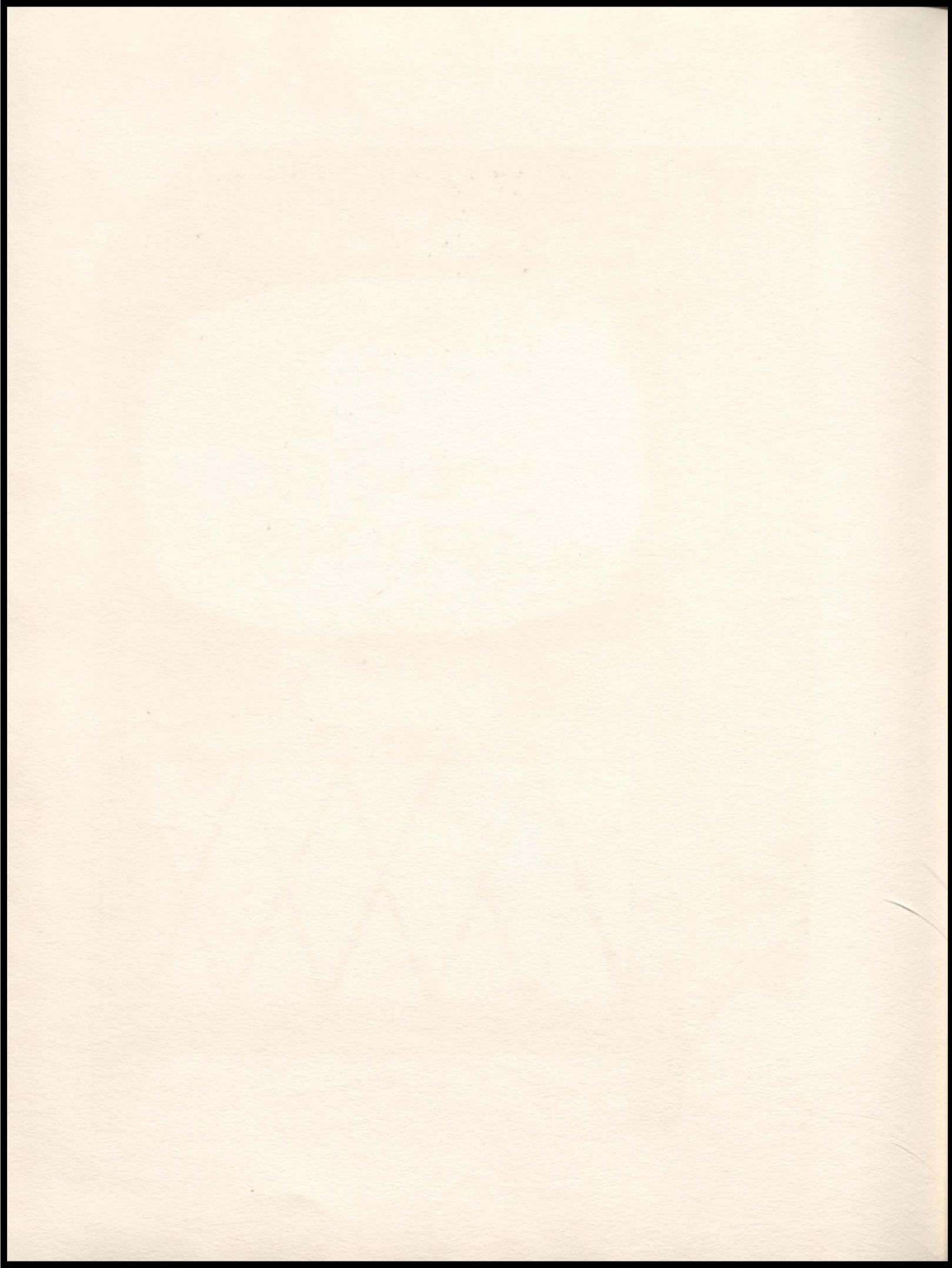
*Standing:* Tate (feature editor), Spearman (sports editor), Hinton (business manager), Metzger (art editor), Phipps (activities editor), Day (activities editor), Olinger (senior editor), Bolsen (senior editor), Goodmon (junior editor), Hill (freshman editor).



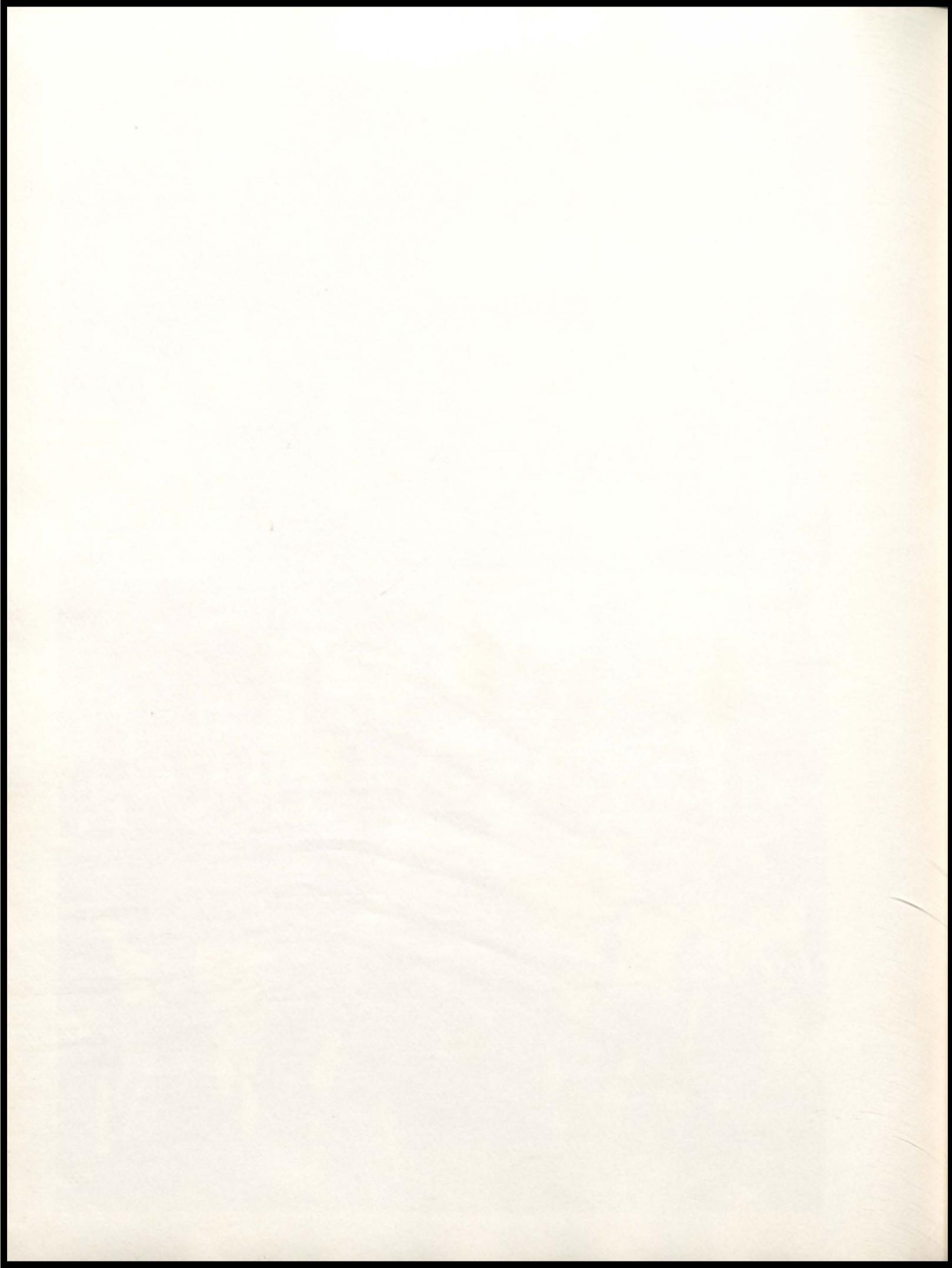




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## SPECIAL BROADCASTS

*What goes on behind the scenes? What are the little things that make the life of the cast enjoyable? The answers to these questions are on the following pages.*

## HOME COMING

Our 1953-1954 Homecoming celebration started early in the morning of October 16. The Juniors aroused the Homecoming spirit by selling mums, football pins, and purple and white football balloons. Cheers could be heard echoing through the halls. This was indeed a big day in Bement High.

A special attraction for our Homecoming was a beautiful purple and white float. This float was sponsored by the Student Council and built by volunteer workers from various classes.

In the afternoon the parade began at the school house. The cheerleaders led, with the band following. Next came the float on which rode the four senior Queen candidates. Immediately behind the float marched the cheering student body. Several students drove decorated cars. The parade stopped on main street where the cheerleaders held a rousing pep session.

During the half time period at the game, Simone Drake furnished amusement by appearing as Bement's Homecoming Queen of twenty years ago. As she left the field on a tiny bicycle, the 1953 float appeared on the field bearing the Queen candidates. The band formed a crown and played "A Dream Is A Wish".

After our thrilling Homecoming victory, everyone went to the old gym where the Coronation Dance was held.

Sandra Metzger, wearing a white waltz length gown, led the procession. She was followed by Sue Hannon, wearing a white floor length gown, and Rachel Day, wearing a mint green floor length gown.

Gary Hendrix, the crown bearer, preceded Peggy Randall, the 1953 Homecoming Queen. Peggy was wearing a white ballet gown trimmed in red roses, and the traditional purple and white robe. Her train bearers were little Glo Ann Hendrix and Brenda Morris. Co-captains Bob Gallivan and John Sebens placed a crown of purple and white carnations on the Queen's head and the crowning ceremony was completed as Peggy and her escort, Bob, stepped from the throne for the first dance to the music of Paul Douglas and his orchestra. The royal pair were soon joined by Rachel Day and John Sebens, Sue Hannon and Corky Carlin, and Sandra Metzger and David Spearman.

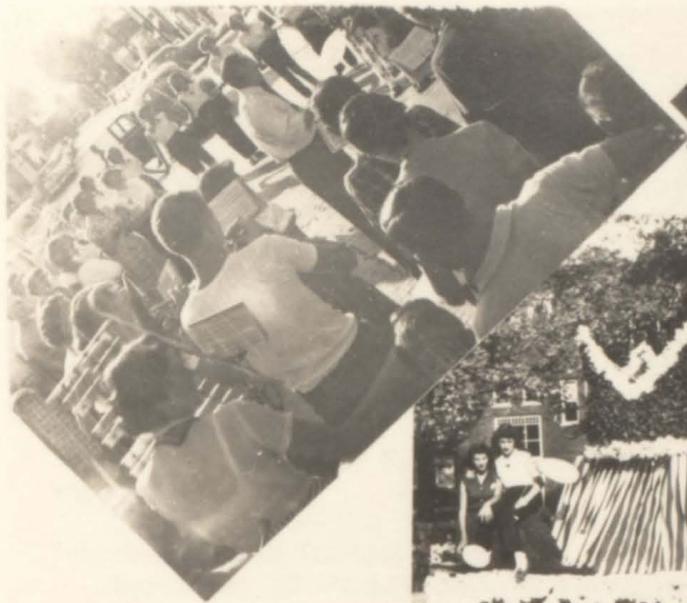
This was the closing of another truly successful Homecoming.

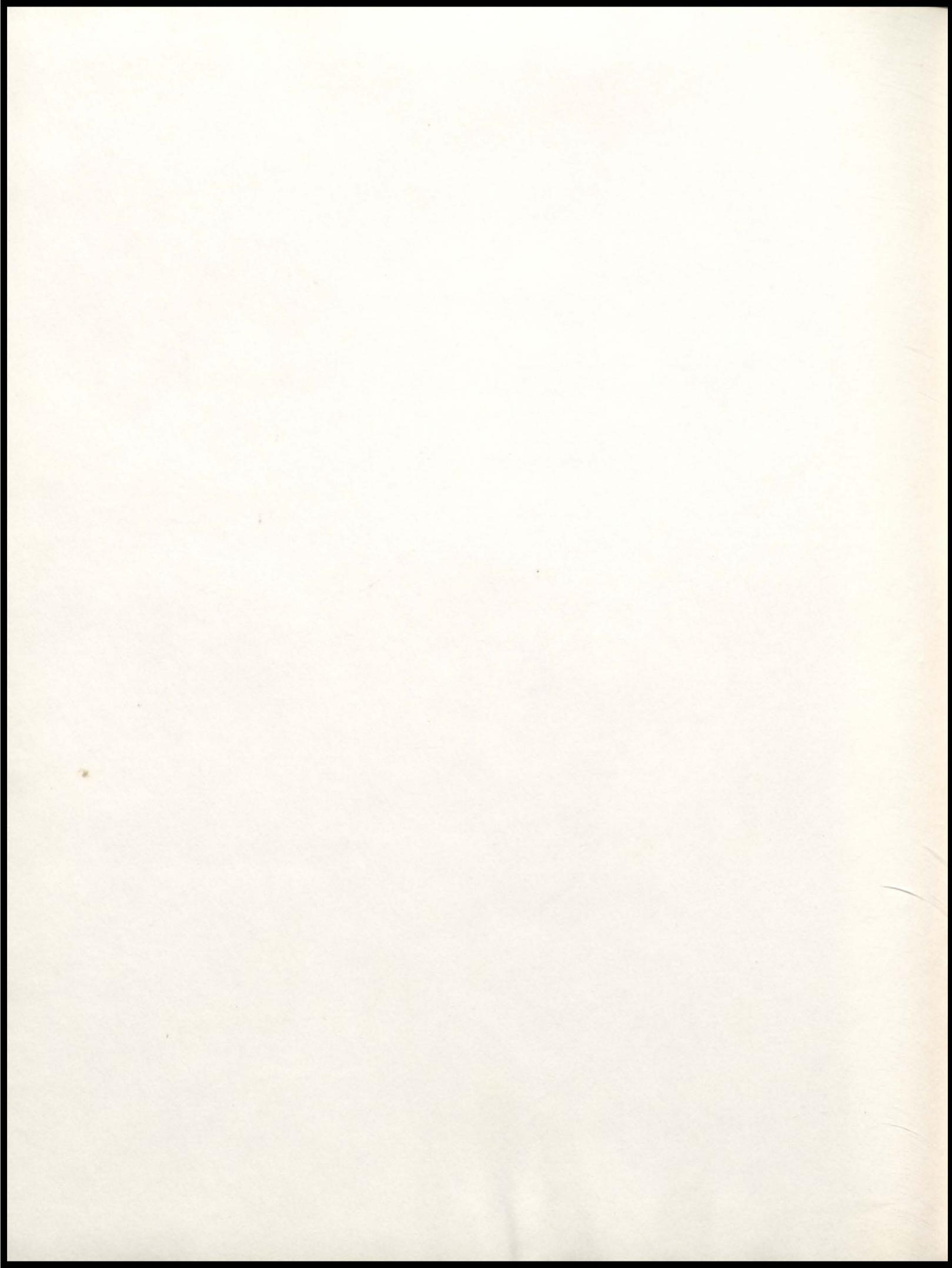
## FOOTBALL BANQUET

On the night of November 16, the football players, managers, cheerleaders, and coaches were honored at the annual football banquet sponsored by the Lion's Club.

After a delicious dinner served by Edward's Drive-in, Mr. David Marker, toastmaster, introduced Mr. Chuck Purvis, backfield coach of the University of Illinois, who was guest speaker. Mr. Marker then presented Coach Chandler, who awarded varsity letters. (See football picture page) Bob Gallivan and John Sebens, retiring co-captains, gave short speeches, followed by speeches from Louis Strack and Dave Goodmon, co-captains elect.

Movies of the Illinois-Minnesota game brought the curtain down on a very pleasant evening.





## SEPTEMBER

September 2—One hundred fifty-three students joined the cast at station B.H.S.-TV to begin a successful year. Four new directors were introduced to our staff: Mr. Woodard, principal; Mr. Foster, agriculture; Mr. Coleman, industrial arts; and Miss Johnstone, home economics.

September 5—Rah! Rah! was the cry of the girls that tried out for football cheerleaders. The Seniors started their magazine sales with a big bang.

September 20—Dave Spearman was elected president of the Student Council.

September 25—The Student Council sponsored an all school party honoring the freshmen.

The Seniors broke the record with their magazine sales and were rewarded with a free party.

September 26—The football boys spent an exciting afternoon watching the Illinois-Nebraska football game.

September 29—G.A.A. enjoyed a cookout at the Bement Park.

## OCTOBER

October 1—World Series Time! The blare of the radio could be heard from the study hall.

“Leon” Phipps, great manager of the Bulldogs, was injured while carrying water to the players of the team. What a blow to the managing staff!

October 5—B.H.S. started thinking about Homecoming with a float committee meeting.

October 6—F.H.A. officers enjoyed a day at a House of Delegates meeting in Farmer City.

October 7—Homecoming enthusiasm ran high as Queen candidates were chosen.

October 8—Bob Wood presented an assembly program where he illustrated his ability with chalk.

October 9—Teachers had a meeting. We were out again!

October 10—Mr. Chandler enjoyed apple pie some of the junior girls brought him.

October 15—Run-Scream-Yell! Everybody was exhausted when the pep rally was over.

October 16—The Queen was elected!! Big Homecoming parade!! Football win! Big dance! Successful Homecoming!

October 19—Seniors gathered for a weiner roast at the park to celebrate their triumphant magazine sale.

October 20—Mother-Daughter potluck, sponsored by F.H.A.

October 22—Smile everybody! Senior pictures were taken.

October 30—“Do I look like that?” Senior proofs were back.

## NOVEMBER

November 6—After the game some of the students enjoyed a coke dance.

November 8 — Miss Folley, from the Merle Norman Cosmetics Studio, demonstrated cosmetics for the F.H.A. girls.

November 11—Armistice Day! Oh! Boy! No school.

November 17—The football boys were honored at the '53 Football Banquet.

November 18—First and second team basketball cheerleaders were chosen.

November 20—The Seniors entertained the Juniors at a barn dance. More fun!

November 21—Did everybody listen to station WKID at 12:30 and hear some of the Ag. boys on the radio?

November 26—Vacation at last! We are thankful for Thanksgiving once a year.

## INTRAMURAL SPORTS

The intramural activities, which are only in their second year, are fast becoming an important part of the physical education program due to the efforts of Coach Chandler and the cooperation of the participants. The activities include volleyball, touch football, basketball, wrestling, badminton, and softball. Anyone is eligible who is not on the varsity team of that particular sport.

First row: Intramural wrestling champions—*first row*: L. A. Durbin, Laughlin; *second row*: Hill, DeFore, D. Gallivan, Camden, J. Bolsen, Brittenham, M. Gallivan, L. E. Durbin. Interscholastic wrestling team—*first row*: Coach Chandler, B. Gallivan, Bradley; *second row*: D. Gallivan, L. A. Durbin, Laughlin, L. Phipps, Perry, O'Hara.

Second row: Intramural basketball champions—*first row*: B. Gallivan, Redman; *second row*: G. Bolsen, Spencer, Holloway. Intramural touch football champions—*first row*: Jeffers, Poling; *second row*: Wildman, Clifton, D. Goodmon.

*Third row*: Intramural softball champions—*first row*: Laughlin, Medaris, J. Stout, Spearman, D. Stout; *second row*: K. Phipps, Woodcock, Poling, Strack, D. Goodmon, Clifton.

## AGRICULTURE JUDGING TEAMS

Grain judging team—*first row*: Laughlin, Clifton, Jeffers; *second row*: Helm, Courson, G. Bolsen (1954 District—first place).

Fourth row: Fat stock judging team—*first row*: Courson, Burgess; *second row*: Larimore, Carlin, Hannon (1953 District—second place). Poultry judging team—Bartison, Hinton, Tate, Lawson (1954 District—fourth place). Dairy judging team—*first row*: Clifton, Lawson; *second row*: Bolsen, Sebens (1953 District—seventh place).

## MUSIC AND LATIN CONTESTANTS

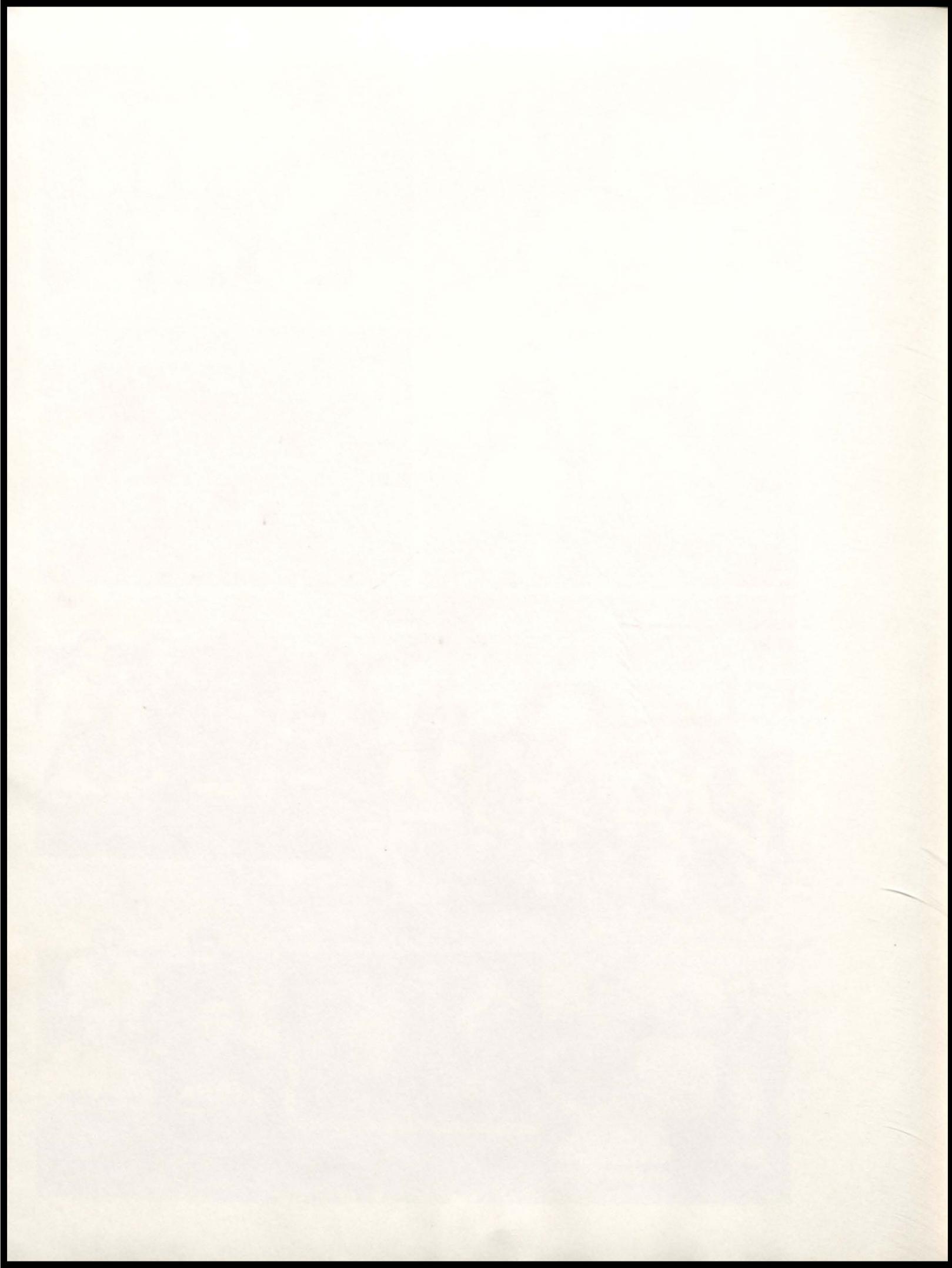
First row: Vocal solos—Doyle, Redman, Eades, Shumard. Each received second division rating. Instrumental solos—Born, Lux (third division rating), McCollum (second division rating), Robbins (first division rating). Latin Contestants—Louis and Karen Strack (first in District and Sectional Contests which entitled them to go to the State Contest on May 8).

Second row: Boys' Octet—Hill, Olinger, Medaris, Robbins, Kirby, Clark, Spearman, Hinton (second division rating); Cornet quartet—Robbins, Clark, Olinger, Stout (third division rating).

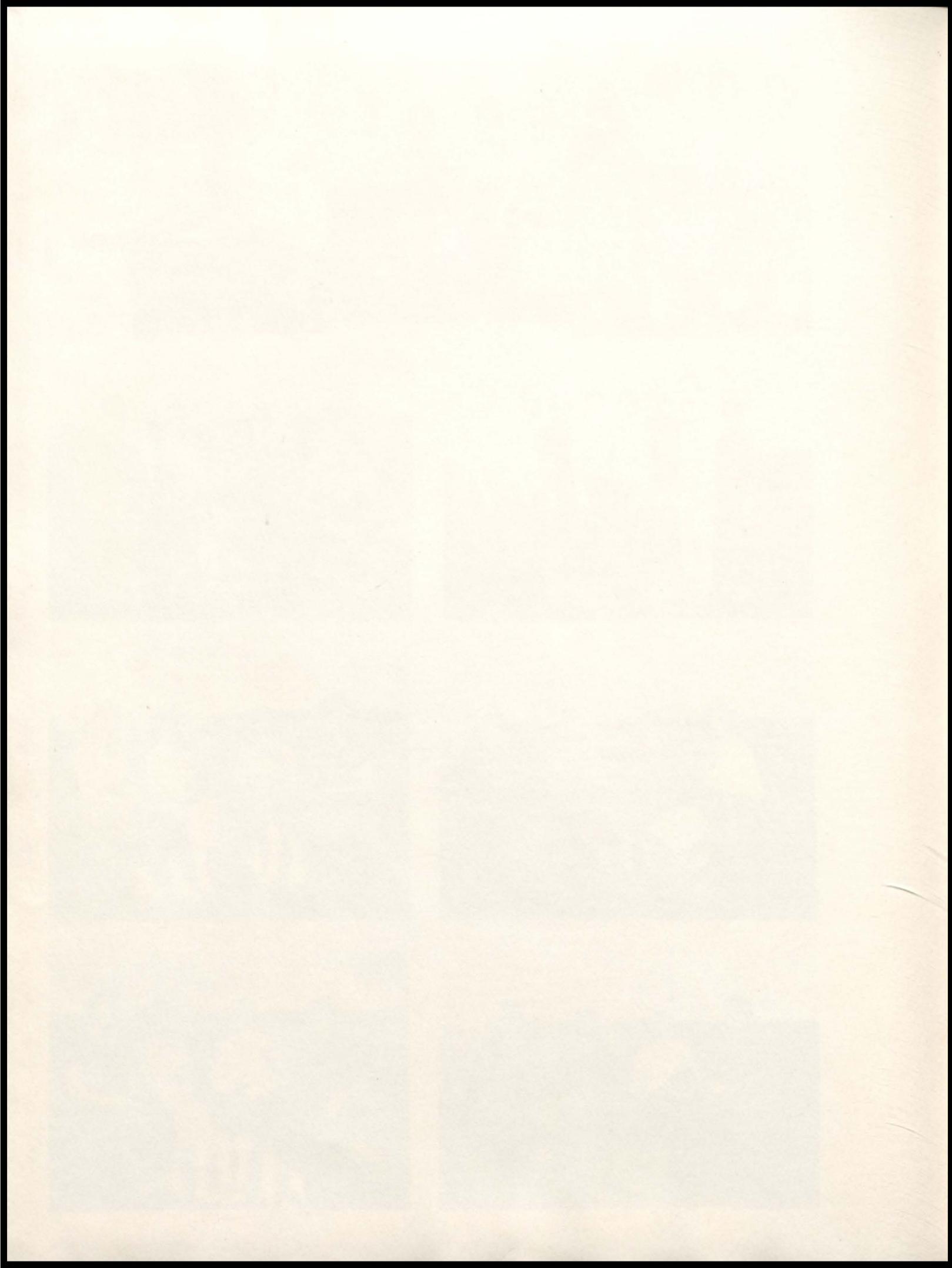
Third row: Saxophone quartet—Hinton, Morris, Goodmon, Stout (first division rating); Clarinet quartet—Day, Morton, Metzger, Hodam (first division rating).

Fourth row: Brass quartet—Burgess, Stout, Clark, Goodmon (second division rating); Mixed clarinet quartet—McCollum, Hinton, Born, Lux (second division rating).









## DECEMBER

December 1—The basketball boys showed up in new uniforms when they played Mansfield! Boy, did they look sharp!

December 4—Hey! The music students got out to practice for festival. This was one day everyone wished he was in chorus or band.

December 5—Some of the boys that are in physics or agriculture went to Chicago for two days.

December 7—Lucky us! The teachers go to school again! The Octet and Sextet entertained the teachers by singing for them.

December 10—P.T.A. meeting. The Octet sang a Christmas carol at the meeting.

December 11—Oh! No! Mrs. Hammond handed out the bookkeeping projects. She even asked for eighty cents for each one.

December 15—Boy! Do we have the Christmas spirit! Almost every room in school has been decorated.

December 18—Anyone like to trade with me? Senior pictures were passed out today.

December 23—School's out! The faculty treated everyone to pop and candy. Christmas vacation runs from noon today until January 4.

## JANUARY

January 4—Here we go again! Everyone is back in school after a joyous Christmas vacation.

January 8—The F.H.A. initiates furnished some strange sights in the halls of B.H.S.

January 15—Everyone enjoyed a coke dance after the victory over Cerro Gordo.

January 19—What! Again? The F.F.A. initiation was still taking place. The boys really looked cute in their costumes.

January 20—The Annual pictures were taken today.

January 25-30—Is everything ready? Bement is playing host to the annual Okaw Valley Basketball Tournament.

## FEBRUARY

February 1—Is spring here? It looks that way, as it is warm enough for people to be outside in shirt sleeves.

February 10—Are you upon your American ideals? Mr. Cummings gave us a very interesting talk to remind us of them.

February 12—What! No school? Today is Lincoln's birthday. No rest for the Ag. boys though. Today is judging day. The grain team won first place and the poultry team came through with a fourth place.

February 13—Has everyone got your sweetheart? Tonight is the Sweetheart Ball at Villa Grove. Peggy Randall represented B.H.S.

February 15—Isn't he or she cute? You guessed it. Tonight is the F.F.A.-F.H.A. kid's party.

February 18—Weren't they good? The poultry judging team, consisting of Chalmer, Lee, and Ray, was on television.

February 24—The Ag. Department had visitors. Students from the University of Illinois were here to observe Mr. Foster teach his classes.

February 24—In the first wrestling match of her history, the Bulldogs grappled with the Warriors at Tuscola. The boys didn't come back with a victory, but they made a fine showing.

## BETWEEN ACTS

Tony Redman scans the encyclopedia to find suggestions on how to grow taller.

Jim Wildman? You'll find him either in the gym playing basketball or in Bunk's room loafing.

John Strater goes up town every chance he gets. What's up there, John?

Patty Doyle? Hard telling where she is from one minute to the next.

Sharon Morton flirts a little in her spare time.

Louis Strack will always be found reading a magazine.

David Hill wanders around the halls looking for someone to tease.

Irene Alexander is always down at the west door talking to Don Hooker during her precious noon hours. She only wishes they were longer.

It is nothing unusual to see Glenn Bolsen and Sue Hinton walking up and down the halls together. You seldom see one without the other.

Wilma Hinton spends her time in study hall making eyes at the boys.

Margaret Zoch is usually in the girls' room combing her blonde locks.

Dave Livingston can be found looking through the newspapers for jokes. He claims they are the best source of entertainment.

Jack Corum spends all his spare time in the commercial room typing.

Barb Marshall is usually down in the gym talking with Miss Fowler.

## FAMOUS LINES FROM OUR CAST

Mary Jo Arndt—"Huh? Who? What did you say?"

Maldonna Foran—"Oh! Goody!"

Glen Spearman—"You want a bite?"

Sarah Woodcock—"Where's Button?"

Mary Kay Stoerger—"Oh! That scared me!"

Dave Goodmon—"That brother of mine!"

Jacque Zindar—"I jumped a foot!"

Nancy Allison—"I'm going to slug you."

Don Burgess—"Has anybody seen my books?"

Sue Hinton—"Where's Glenn?"

## MARCH

March 1—Something new has been added. The home economics and agriculture classes have changed courses for the coming two weeks.

March 6—Today was contest day for the solos and ensembles. They journeyed to Arcola.

March 12—The home economics and agriculture classes ended their venture. Did anyone notice any grey hairs on Miss Johnstone or Mr. Foster?

March 12—The G.A.A. held a demonstration that was open to the public. The B.H.S. girls are quite the athletes.

March 16—Freshman night. The Freshman class had their party.

March 17—A television set was installed in the study hall so that the students and the teachers could watch the State Basketball Tournament during their spare minutes.

March 19—The Senior class selected their class play, "Here Comes Charlie".

March 22—T.B. shots were given.

March 22—Spring must be here. Both track and baseball were started.

March 23—The Senior play cast was selected.

March 23—The chorus treated the band to a party as they lost the Christmas concert ticket sales contest.

March 26—The Sophomores held their party.

March 29—The basketball team and cheerleaders were feted at Kirwan's Cafe in Ivesdale.

## APRIL

April 1—Some strange tasting candy was being passed out. No wonder. Today is April Fool.

April 9—The band ventured to Arcola for the District Music Contest.

April 10—The chorus took part in the District Music Contest held at Arcola.

April 16—Good Friday! The halls of B.H.S. were silent as the students enjoyed a day of rest.

April 19—Spring vacation continued. No school for us today.

April 21—The band and chorus presented their annual spring concert.

April 24—The gala evening had arrived. The Juniors entertained the Seniors at their annual prom.

April 26—Several Seniors attended college day at Normal.

April 30—Rachel, Sue and Don Burgess represented B.H.S. at the State Music Contest.

## MAY

May 5—Dress rehearsal for the Senior Play was presented before the grade school students.

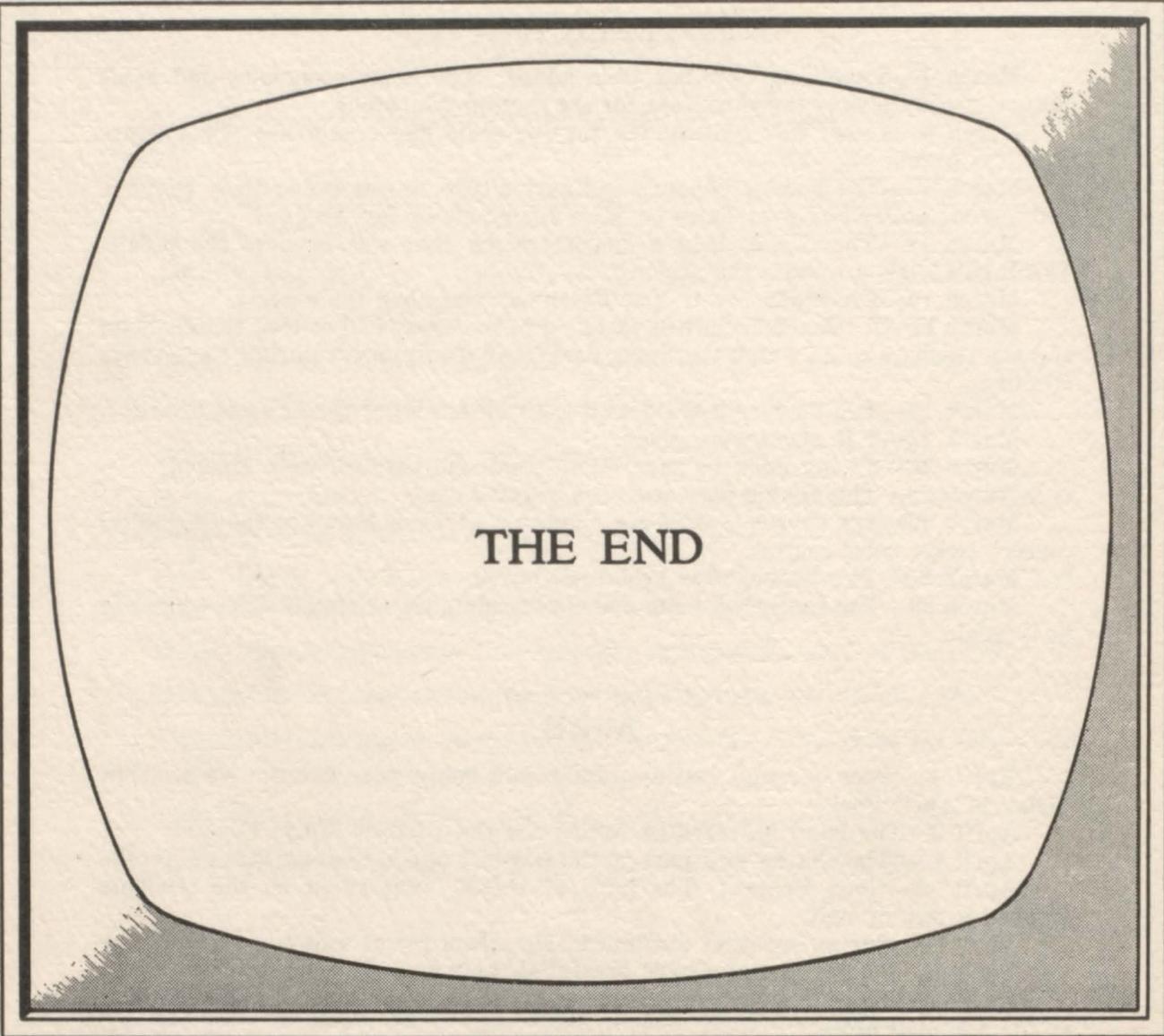
May 6—The Seniors presented their play.

May 20—Senior week began as the Seniors held a class picnic.

May 23—Baccalaureate. Rev. C. M. Elliot was the speaker.

May 26—All school picnic, the last social event of the '54 cast.

May 26—Commencement exercises were held for the graduating seniors. Mr. Robert Jamison, Dean of Commerce at Bradley University in Peoria, was the speaker.



THE END

