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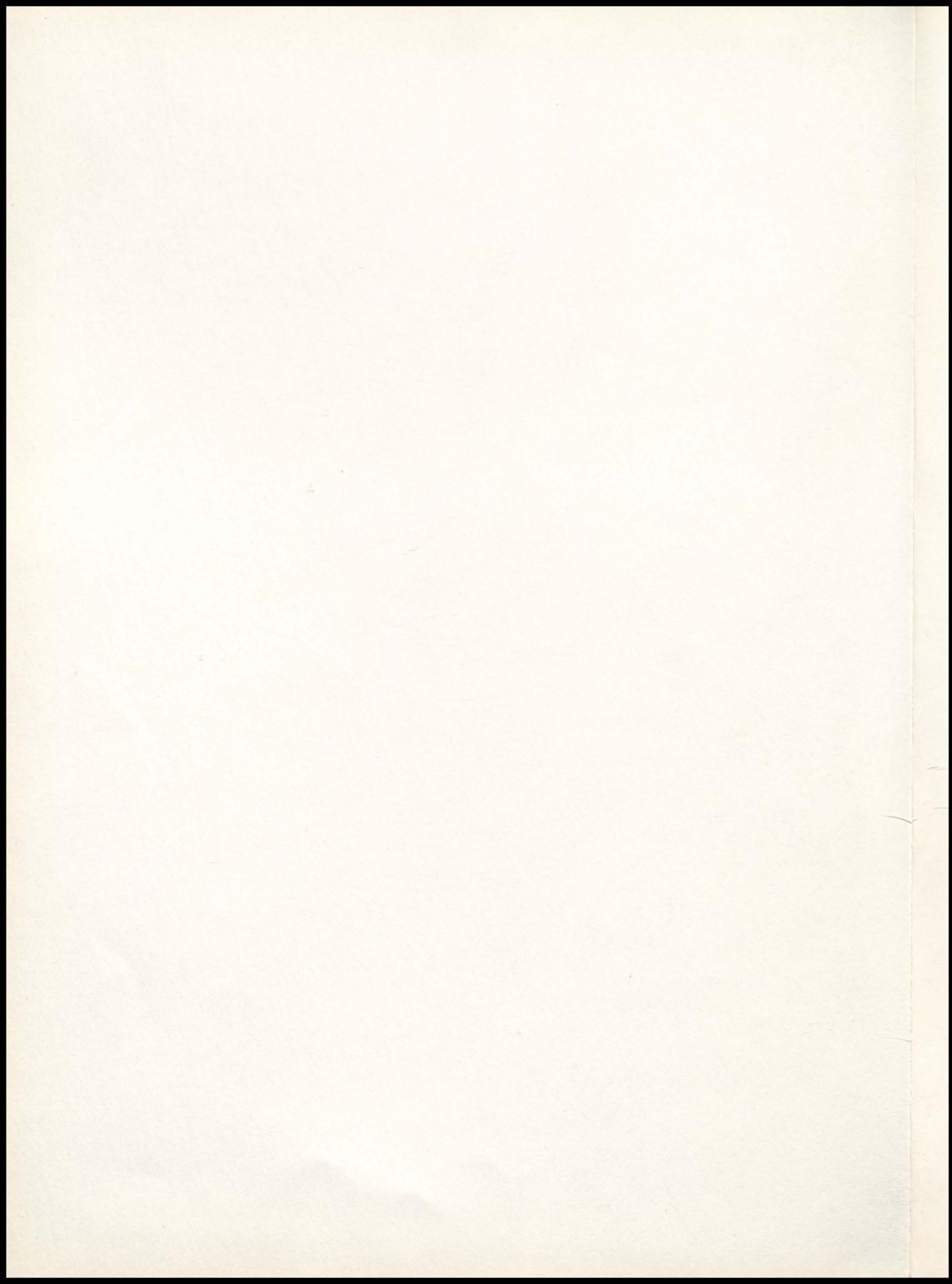


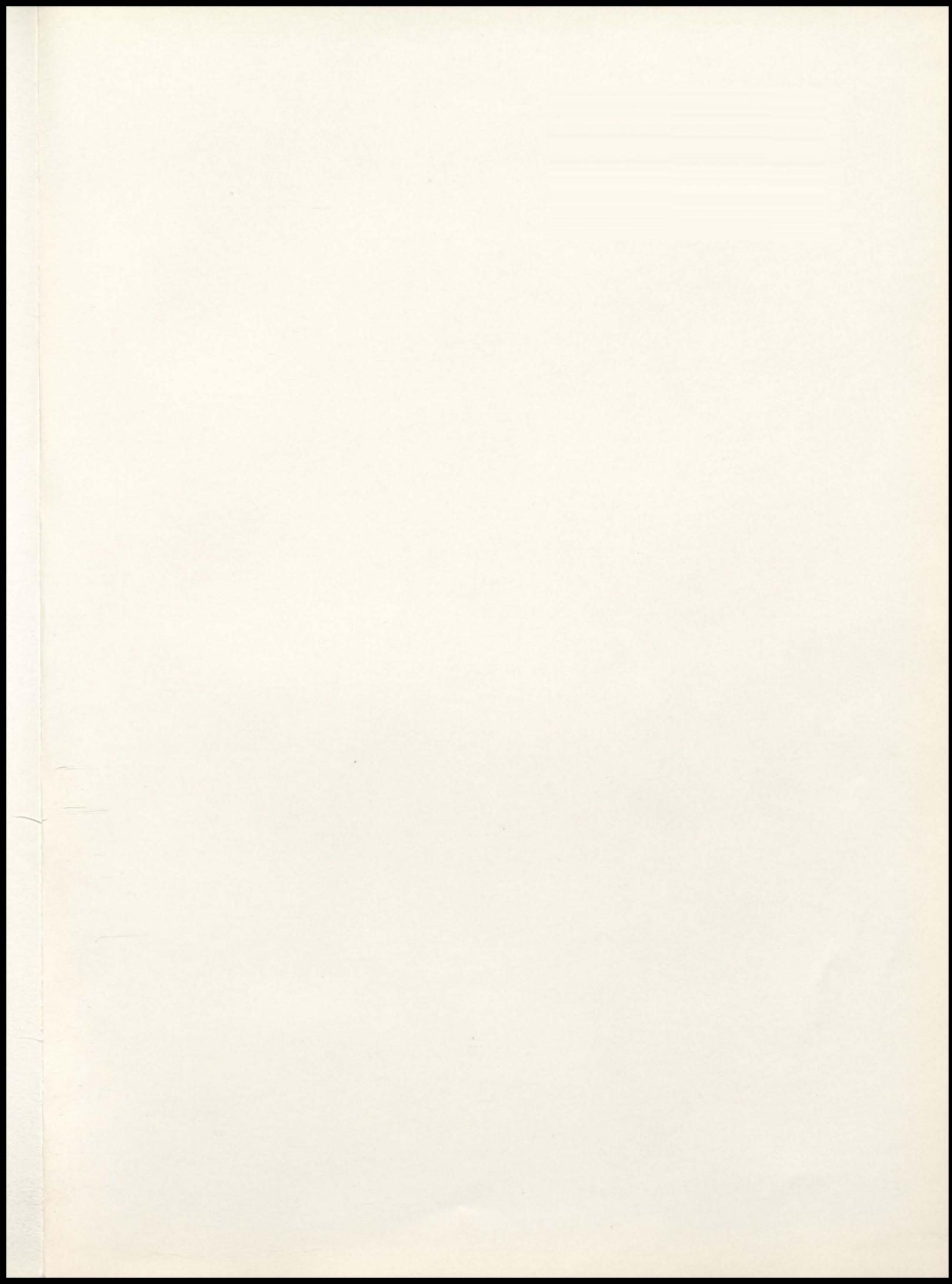
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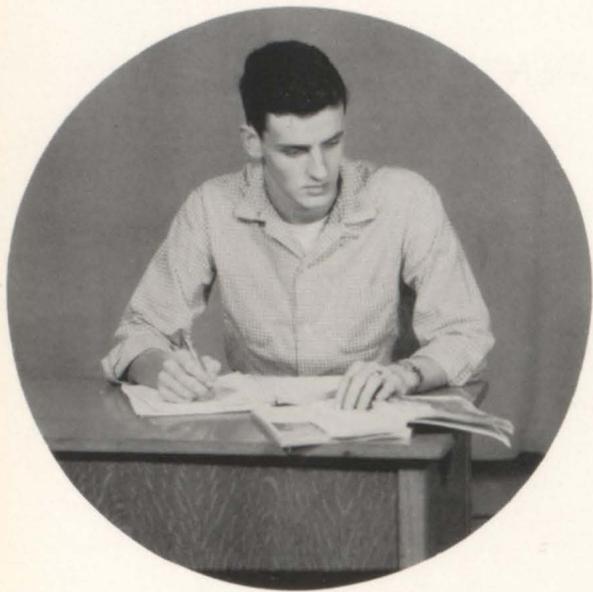
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of 1961. Present to You A Year



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In Deeds,

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Bement High School

Bement, Illinois

*We Dedicate
The 1961 B9M*

To

Mrs. Edna Hammond

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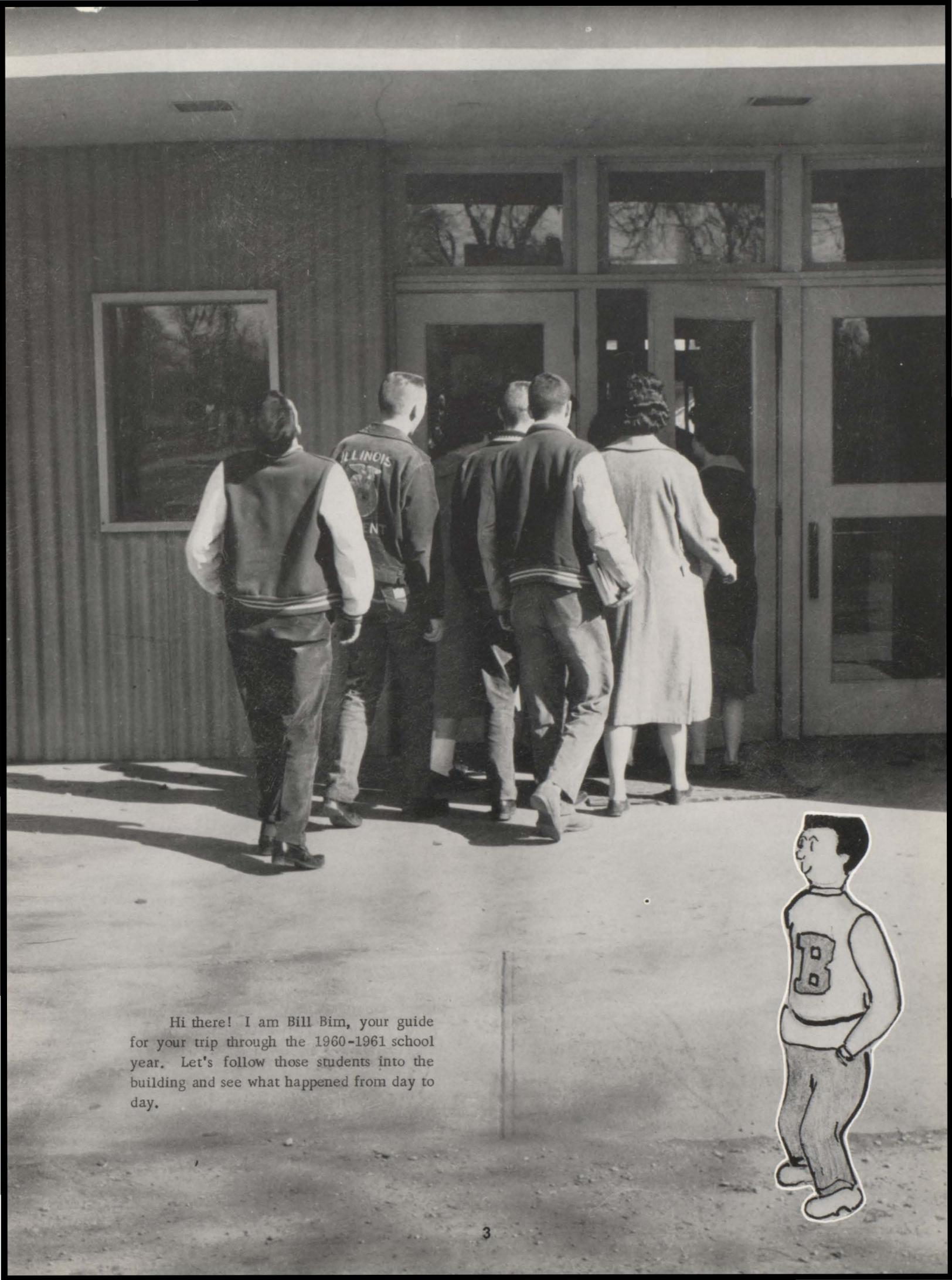
Mr. H. E. Slusser



Mrs. Hammond, business education teacher at Bement High for twenty eight years, has been enveloped into the hearts of all her students. She has been a constant source of assistance to anyone, either in school or in the community. Her room, a busy center of activity, readily illustrates her genuine interest in people. As she leaves us to face new challenges, the memory of her youthful attitudes and her abundant energy will remain with each of us.

Mr. Slusser, now retiring after twenty-five years of dedicated service in Bement High School, has long been regarded as a most capable person. After being the superintendent for nineteen years, he became a Bement merchant for ten years; however, his love for teaching brought him back to our school, where, for the past six years he has taught mathematics. He is an outstanding teacher, patient and understanding. His firmness and wisdom have won him the respect of all who know him.





Hi there! I am Bill Bim, your guide for your trip through the 1960-1961 school year. Let's follow those students into the building and see what happened from day to day.



Throughout The Year.

Copies of the '60 Bim were distributed at the Annual party in September. After refreshments, students went back to the small gym for an evening of autographing Annuals, visiting, and dancing.

Escorts and candidates look on as FFA President Bill Morris crowns Virginia Livingston FFA Sweetheart at the FFA-FHA party which was held in the small gym.

One of the performances at the Student Council Christmas party was a skit by Dan Doran about "The Great White Hunter." After gag gifts were presented and the Bimettes sang, the students moved downstairs for refreshments and dancing.

After enjoying a delicious meal at the annual football banquet, the guests turned their attention to the speaker of the evening, Leo Johnson, head track coach at the University of Illinois.

Enjoyment And Learning

A pep band, under the direction of Mrs. Dunscomb, livened up the half-time at the home basketball games on Friday nights.



Enjoying a delicious meal are the Okaw Tournament Champions at the basketball potluck. The trophy on the table represents four-hard-fought games. Emill Hesse, sports-writer for the Champaign-Urbana Courier, was the speaker for the evening.



The French II class prepared a real French dinner for themselves in the Home Economics room. The menu included Hors d'oeuvres, Boeuf Roti a la Bordelaise, Pommes de Terre Souffles, and Eclairs.



Came From Varied Activities.



To end the year, the GAA girls enjoyed a hamburger fry at the Forest Preserve Park. After playing softball, they grilled hamburgers on charcoal grills.



The Latin II class and guests were served a truly Roman style meal by the Latin I class, who were dressed as slaves for the occasion.

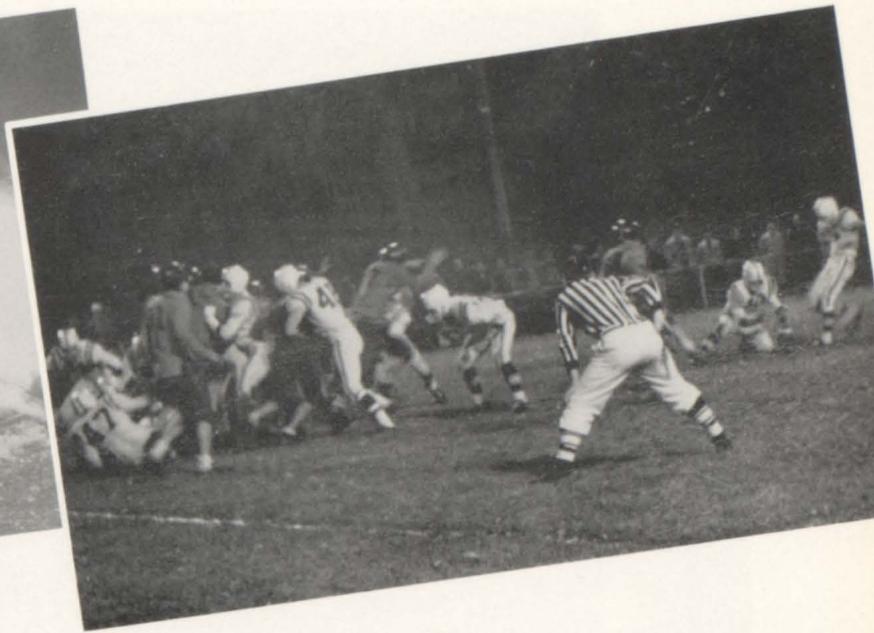


The Eastern Illinois Gymnastics team, while on their Spring Tour, gave an exhibition for the BHS students in the big gym. Bob Ferguson, a BHS alumnus and member of the team, is seen going over the Swedish vaulting box.



On the Parent-Son night, the mothers and fathers of the FFA boys enjoyed their sons' cooking of grilled hamburgers. After the meal, awards were presented to the FFA boys who had earned them.

"Over The Rainbow"



The 1960 Homecoming began with a roaring bonfire the night before the game. On Friday afternoon, November 4, the colorful parade, led by the Band, the queen candidates in convertibles, and the football players, began at the school and went through the streets of Bement. The football game that night fulfilled our anxious anticipation as the Bulldogs defeated Cerro Gordo 48-7. The band, under Mrs. Dunscomb's direction, put on a novel half-time show with the queen candidates introduced during the show. After the game, a breath-taking coronation took place against a rainbow setting in the big gym. Co-Captains Denny Ferguson and Bill Morris crowned Donna Steidinger queen. Dancing to the music of Danny Martin's orchestra followed in the small gym, which had been transformed into a gold and white ball room.

HOMEcomings COURT--Sunny Strohl, Bob Burton, Virginia Livingston, Keith Bolsen, Tommy Tiffin, Denny Ferguson, Donna Steidinger, Kathy Harper, Cindy Lust, Bill Morris, Linda Bolsen, Sandy Strohl, John Strack.



The Queen and Her Court



•DONNA STEIDINGER
DENNY FERGUSON

Reigned Over The 1960 Homecoming



VIRGINIA LIVINGSTON, KEITH BOLSEN



LINDA BOLSEN, BILL MORRIS



SUNNY STROHL, BOB BURTON



SANDY STROHL, JOHN STRACK

"Moonlight And Roses" Filled The Evening With



On the evening of April 22, the Junior class entertained the seniors and faculty at the 1961 banquet and prom.

The guests were first served a delicious meal at six o'clock in the big gym with entertainment provided throughout the banquet by members of the Junior class.

At 8:30, the guests, juniors, and their dates, gathered in a moonlit, rose-filled garden (small gym) and danced to the music of Ray North and his orchestra. Streamers of lavender crepe paper decorated the walls and ceiling while a large silver moon hung from the center. A bird bath full of roses was placed at one end, and a wishing well, from which punch could be drawn, was placed at the opposite end.

The dancing ended at 11:30 when the romantic strains of "Goodnight Ladies" told everyone their memorable 1961 Prom was over.



A delicious dinner which preceded the Junior-Senior Prom was prepared in the afternoon by the mothers of the Junior class.

Fun And Romance At The Junior-Senior Prom.

PROGRAMME

- MOONLIGHT--"Moonlight and Roses".
The Rosettes
- R--Rendezvous Ed Walsh
- O--Overture to Juniors Bob Burton
- S--Silly Sentiments Bill Corum
- E--Evening to Remember Ed Walsh
- S--Serenade Nancy Livingston



During the evening of dancing, the juniors and their guests paused frequently at the wishing well where refreshments of cookies and punch added to the enjoyment of the evening.



FIRST ROW: Keith Bolsen-Alonzo E. Polzenby; Leland Still-John Morgan; Cathy Wilcox-Flicky; Sandy Strohl-Betty; Alice Fay-Joan; Sunny Strohl-Betty; Mrs. Hammons-Director; Suzanne Gadbury-Mrs. Vander-venter. SECOND ROW: Bob Harper-Bill; Denny Ferguson-Silas; Virginia Livingston-Miss Pidgie; Mary Jo Glennon-Antonia; Barbara Busey-Mrs. Garino; Mike Ball-Willie; Donna Steidinger-Evalina.

Seniors Present

"Off The Track."

Silas wonders how Miss Pidgie's bird will survive in all the confusion.



The stage hands, David Dial and Bob Burton, were responsible for scenery, lights, and sounds. The services of Vivian Alexander and Bob Pruitt, the student directors, were constantly needed for various jobs.



"Is the train coming?" The travelers are getting weary of their diet of pickles.



Betty, a threat to Evalina's hold on Willie, is trying to give him a drink of water.



Activities

Those special events were pretty interesting; weren't they? Now come with me and we will find what activities the students took part in for both pleasure and profit.



Student Council



STANDING: Virginia Livingston, President. FIRST ROW: Mary Burgess Nancy Livingston, Secretary-treasurer; John Strack, Dick Rodgers, Pat Knowles, Richard Hall. SECOND ROW: Mr. Slater, Advisor; Mr. Hargrave, Advisor; Bob Harper, Vice-President; Warren Hendrix, Sharon Hendrix, Sue Fisher.

The students are taking a few minutes to rest and drink pop during a coke dance, one of the many activities sponsored by the Student Council.



This year's Student Council members elected officers at the first meeting, and then plunged into the activity of Homecoming. When Homecoming was over, there was no rest for them. An all-school party, the Christmas program, and several coke dances were among their projects the first semester.

The Student Council sponsored both football and basketball cheerleader elections, plus varsity football cheerleader elections in the spring. The spring election was a new policy inaugurated this year.

Firsts for the Student Council this year were being honored on the Hop on WCIA and helping to organize the Okaw Valley Student Council of which Virginia Livingston was elected president.

The second semester's activities were concluded with an all-school party and the annual picnic.

For Voicing The Students' Opinions.

This year Bement High School was saluted on the Hop on WCIA TV. A film was shown featuring the many activities of the Student Council. After a day of taking movies, the Student Council officers and advisors are discussing the details with the WCIA cameraman, John Dillman.



Ten couples went to the Hop at the WCIA studio for an hour of dancing and fun. During the Salute to BHS, Virginia Livingston, president of the Student Council, was spokesman for our school. Our principal, Mr. Hargrave, was presented a trophy to bring back to Bement High School.



The BHS students and faculty enjoyed the annual end-of-school picnic on May 29 at the Forest Preserve Park. Rousing games of softball and volleyball were played before supper. Then came the rush for the meal, seniors being first and freshmen last. Each class provided one course and the drink was provided by the Student Council. After everyone was sufficiently stuffed, more games were played until the picnic broke up at 7:30.



News Staff

For Telling Our Story



CENTER: Donna Steidinger, Editor. TOP: Nancy Livingston, Judy Depew, Rose Eades, Virginia Livingston, Typists. LEFT: Toni Coffey, Correspondence Editor; Mrs. Dare, Advisor; Gretchen Vandercreek, Assistant Editor. BOTTOM: Sandy Strohl, Senior Editor; Mary Hinton, Freshman Editor; Carolyn Spearman, Junior Editor; Helen Bowen, Sophomore Editor. RIGHT: Kay Fisher, G.A.A. Editor; Danny Doran, Varsity Sports Editor; Alan Fay, Intramural Sports Editor.

In The Bulldog's Bark

Readers of THE BEMENT REGISTER are familiar with the interesting features and informative columns that make up THE BULLDOGS BARK, the high school page in the weekly paper. Now, with a whole page to fill, the News Staff is kept busier than ever.

Organization and co-operation are the keys to their success. The staff is made up of various divisions according to the different features in the paper. Each division is composed of an editor and a staff that works on that particular department only. Because of this type of setup, each article is proofread and polished before it reaches the press.



During their tour of the newspaper office, Mrs. Vandercreek, editor of the Bement Register, shows the News Staff members how to set up type.

FIRST ROW: Sharon Horn, Linda Bolsen, Betty Jones, Sunny Strohl, Marcia Dobson. SECOND ROW: Janice Funk, Glenna Gorrell, Claris Smith, Nancy Hargrave, Frances Redman, Sue Steidinger. THIRD ROW: Steve Marker, Jerry Allen, Gary Gallagher, Glen Kitson, Steve Ball, Roger Moery, Art Cox. FOURTH ROW: Melinda Marker, Mary Brennan, Carolyn Fogel, Joanne Pembroke, Kathy Fisher, Julia Thornton, Sharon Hendrix.



F. F. A.



F.F.A. OFFICERS -- Mr. Woodard, Advisor; Ron Bilbrey, Reporter; Dick Pruitt, Secretary; Larry Larimore, Treasurer; Keith Bolsen, Vice-President; Bill Morris, President; Ed McCollum, Sentinel.

On September 28, 1960, seven new members were initiated into the Future Farmers of America. They, along with the present members, enjoyed an active year.

For the first time the Bement Chapter participated in the Section 16 parliamentary procedure contest in which Bill Morris tied for first place.

Through the sale of pecans and flower seeds, money was earned to finance a trip to Chicago for the FFA in the 1961-62 school year.

At the annual FFA-FHA party in December, Virginia Livingston was crowned FFA Sweetheart by President, Bill Morris.

In the spring, the boys entertained their parents at a parent-son banquet. The successful year was ended by the FFA play-night.

FIRST ROW: John Morris, John Riddle, David Fay. SECOND ROW: Tom Tracy, Dave Woodcock, Bob Davis, Dick Halterman, Tom Fogel, Gary Harper, Charles Zoch, Bob Knowles, John McCullough, Dave Morris, Bill Jamison, Carl McCullough, Alfred Hill, John Scott.



For Promoting Interest In Agriculture



PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE TEAM--Sixth place in Sectional. Bill Morris tied for first place chairman. KNEELING: Dick Pruitt, Bill Morris, STANDING: Ron Bilbrey, Keith Bolsen, Gary Harper.



KEITH BOLSEN, who was selected as the Star Farmer of Section 16 in the Illinois FFA Organization, received the award on the basis of his ag projects, scholastic standing, and participation in school and community activities.

In the above picture, Keith is shown shearing his sheep. His extensive sheep project is just one phase of his general FFA program.



LAND JUDGING TEAM--Eighth place in Sectional. KNEELING: Bill Morris, Dick Pruitt. STANDING: Ed McCollum, Keith Bolsen, Junior Hill.



DAIRY JUDGING TEAM--Fifth place in Sectional. KNEELING: Dick Pruitt, Bill Morris. STANDING: Ed McCollum, David Fay, John Morris.



FATSTOCK JUDGING TEAM--Did not place in Sectional. KNEELING: Gary Harper, Larry Larimore. STANDING: Junior Hill, Keith Bolsen, Carl McCullough.

Future Homemakers of America For



FIRST ROW: Linda Larimore, Cathy Wilcox, Karoline Fogel, Evelyn Hinton, Nancy Hillard, Carolyn Carlin, Judy Hendrix. SECOND ROW: Sandy Strohl, Evelyn Dick, Sandra Shonkwiler, Diane Morgan, Alice Fay, Suzanne Gadbury. THIRD ROW: Linda Bolsen, Margaret Fairbanks, Sharon Brittenham, Glenda Miles, Carolyn Stine, Patty Stoerger, Stella Breen. FOURTH ROW: Judy Depew, Mary Lou Schuchman, Juanita Danenhower, Virginia Livingston, Sue Bentley, Phyllis Stiverson, Rose Eades, Doris Jamison. FIFTH ROW: Carol Davis, Pat Fritz, Frances Redman, Pamela Hixson, Brenda Tieman, Karen Hall, Jean Ater.



OFFICERS--Pat Knowles, Historian; Vivian Alexander, President; Marcia Dobson, Vice-President; Betty Jones, Parliamentarian; Sunny Strohl, Degrees Chairman; Becky Dobson, Public Relations; Gretchen Vandercreek, Treasurer; Miss Husted, Advisor; Sharon Horn, Secretary.

Adding Sugar And Spice To Home Ec.



Among the FHA activities was a Chili supper, a new project for the FHA. The supper was held in the cafeteria, where chili, oyster stew, and pie were served to the public in order to make money to finance a trip to Chicago.

The girls' sewing abilities were displayed on May 4 at "A Calendar Parade," the FHA style show. Several models representing each month exhibited many different articles of clothing which would be appropriate in different seasons.



The annual FFA-FHA party was held in the small gym on December 16. Games and dancing were followed by refreshments of doughnuts and hot chocolate.

Latin Club For Doing As The Romans Do.



FIRST ROW: Carolyn Galivan, Maureen McHale, Donna Taylor. SECOND ROW: Steve Marker, Martha Moxley, Danny Harper. THIRD ROW: Sharon Hendrix, Charlene Alblinger, Sandra Busey, Margaret Poling. FOURTH ROW: Warren Hendrix, Glen Kitson, Gus Wall. FIFTH ROW: Nancy Marshall, Sue Hillard, Fran Harshbarger, Abbie Morris. SIXTH ROW: Irvin Foran, Bob Carpenter, Jerry Allen. SEVENTH ROW: Ruth Perry, Betty Hess, Sharon Thompson, Mary Daugherty.

This year, for the first time, the membership of the Latin Club was limited to only those students presently in Latin classes. Previously, all students of Latin that were still in school were eligible; but the increasing size of the Latin classes made the club too large.

In March the Latin Club went to the Monticello theatre to see "The Last Days of Pompeii", a movie depicting Roman Civilization.

On April 27, the annual initiation and Roman banquet was held. At the banquet, the reclining Latin II students and guests, dressed in togas, were served a Roman meal by the harried slaves.

FIRST ROW: Toni Coffey, Kay Fisher, Mary Brennan, Teena Thornton, Mary Hinton, Glenna Gorrell. SECOND ROW: Sue Steidinger, Roger Moery, Gary Gallagher, Paul Smith, Lowell Bentley, Allan Fay, Steve Ball, Marsha Stanton. THIRD ROW: Janice Funk, Janet Taylor, Melinda Marker, Claris Smith, Helen Bowen, Mary Poling, Virginia Livingston, Linda Burton.

STANDING: Art Cox, Vice-president; Mrs. Dare, Advisor; Sue Fisher, Secretary. SITTING: Mary Burgess, President.



Library Club For Service To The Students.

Members of the Library Club, under the supervision of Miss Houston, are in charge of our school's library. During any study period, they may be seen searching through the card catalogue, hunting for a book requested by a student, looking for the right issue of a particular magazine, or checking books and magazines in or out. Use of the new vocational file frequently calls for the services of the librarians. The bulletin board in the library is changed often to display books of special interest. At Christmas time, the Library Club decorated the shelves with branches of evergreen and other Christmas decorations.

Extra "behind the scenes" duties of the librarians are preparing new books to be put on the shelves and keeping the book shelves and library neat.

SITTING: Kathy Koester, Kathy Fisher, Donna Steidinger, Secretary; Linda Bolsen, President; Carolyn Spearman, Vice-president; Miss Houston, Advisor; Glenna Gorrell.
STANDING: Jean Ater, Carolyn Stine, Abbie Morris, Mary Hinton, Sharon Brittenham, Joanne Pembroke, Sharon Thompson, Toni Coffey, Diane Morgan, Stella Breen, Diane Stine.



Girls' Athletic Association



FIRST ROW: Judy Hendrix, Abbie Morris, Fran Harshbarger, Nancy Livingston, Judy Depew, Julia Thornton, Marsha Stanton. SECOND ROW: Mary Hinton, Joanne Pembroke, Linda Larimore, Sandy Strohl, Alice Fay, Linda Bolsen, Virginia Livingston. THIRD ROW: Helen Bowen, Sue Bentley, Kay Fisher, Karoline Fogel, Charlene Alblinger, Sharon Hendrix, Carolyn Spearman.



OFFICERS--TOP ROW: Sunny Strohl, Badminton Sporthead; Sandy Mardis, Vice-president, MIDDLE ROW: Marcia Dobson, President; Nancy Hargrave, Softball Sporthead; Evelyn Dick, Individual Sports; Pat Knowles, Point Chairman; Mrs. Dunscomb, Advisor. ON FLOOR: Donna Steidinger, Bowling Sporthead; Betty Jones, Volleyball Sporthead; Cathy Wilcox, Secretary-treasurer, Rose Eades, Basketball Sporthead.

For Joining Sports And Fun.

The G.A.A. met every Tuesday evening after school to participate in badminton, basketball, softball, bowling, volleyball, and individual sports.

Between Thanksgiving and Christmas, the club sold fruitcakes to replenish their treasury. Mrs. Dunscorn gave a party in the home economics room for all of the girls who sold at least five pounds of fruitcake. Sharon Brittenham, top salesman, was awarded a stuffed animal.

On Saturday, April 8, the Bement G.A.A. were hostesses to seven schools at the district Spring Play-day. A hot lunch, which was served in the school cafeteria, was planned and prepared by the members.

A Mother-Daughter Tea was held on May 1. The new officers were installed at that time.

The G.A.A. activities continued into summer, as Joanne Pembroke and Sandy Mardis represented Bement's organization at G.A.A. camp.



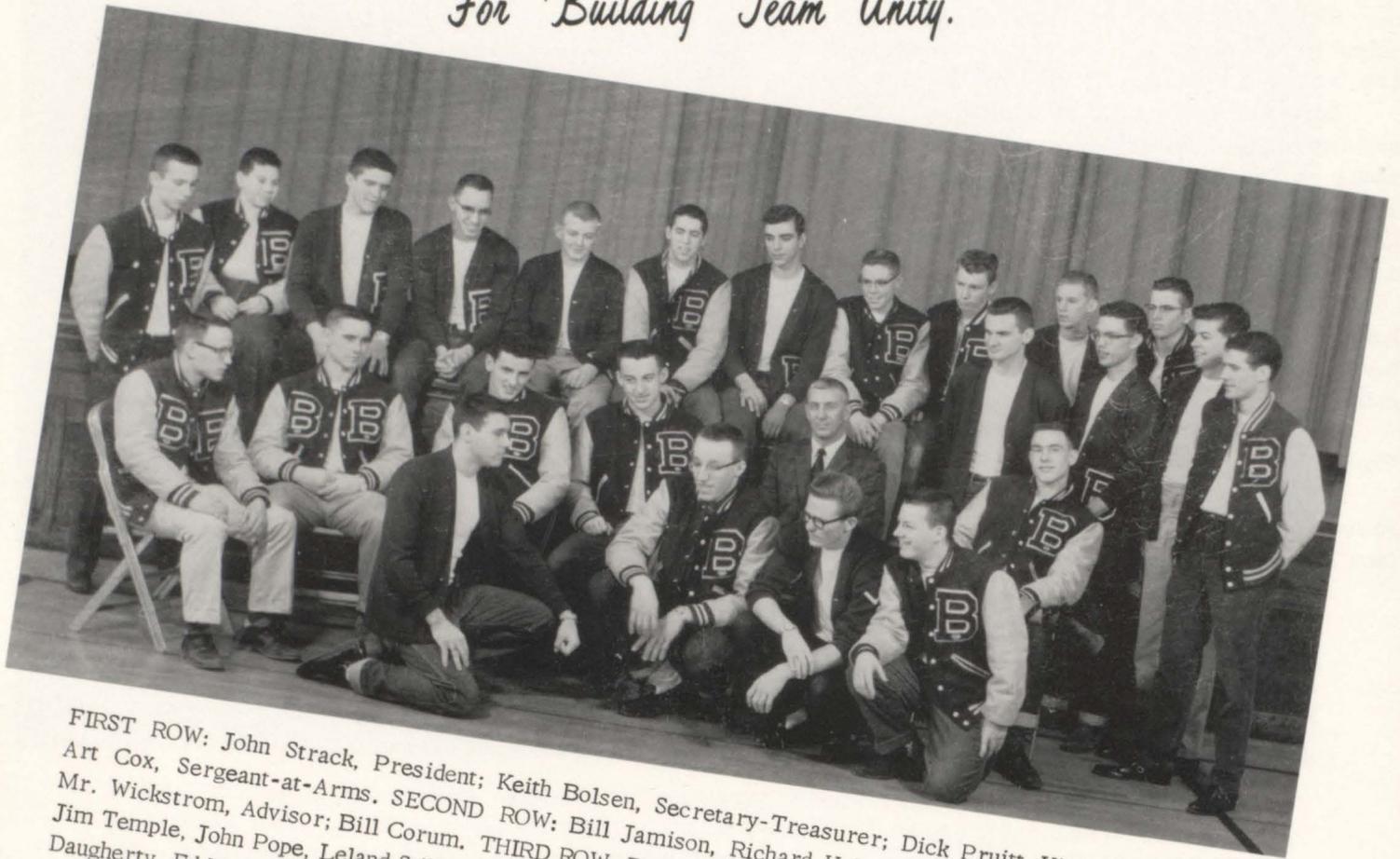
Will it be a strike--or a gutter? These were the thoughts of the GAA girls as they spent six weeks bowling this winter.

FIRST ROW: Sharon Brittenham, Karen Hall, Sue Fisher, Melinda Marker, Glenna Gorrell, Sue Steidinger, Jean Ater. SECOND ROW: Pamela Hixson, Marjorie Buckner, Mary Poling, Doris Jamison, Margaret Poling, Kathy Fisher, Teena Thornton, Janet Taylor. THIRD ROW: Becky Dobson, Vivian Alexander, Mary Jo Glennon, Evelyn Hinton, Donna Taylor.

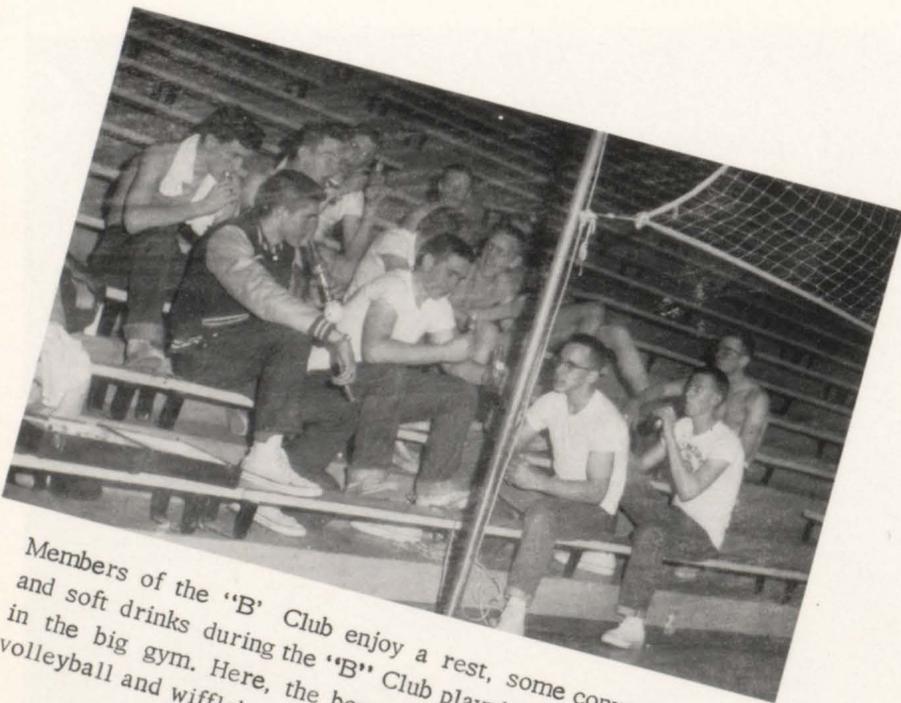


"B" Club

For Building Team Unity.



FIRST ROW: John Strack, President; Keith Bolsen, Secretary-Treasurer; Dick Pruitt, Vice-President; Art Cox, Sergeant-at-Arms. SECOND ROW: Bill Jamison, Richard Hall, Bob Harper, Gene Carpenter, Mr. Wickstrom, Advisor; Bill Corum. THIRD ROW: Roy Radmaker, Jerry Allen, Dick Rodgers, Ed Walsh, Jim Temple, John Pope, Leland Still, David Fay, Bob Burton, Bill Morris, Mike Ball, Denny Ferguson, Jim Daugherty, Ed McCollum, Tony Strohl.



Members of the "B" Club enjoy a rest, some conversation, and soft drinks during the "B" Club playnight which was held in the big gym. Here, the boys are shown relaxing between volleyball and wiffleball games.

The 1960-61 "B" Club became the most active "B" Club of recent years. The money which the club received from operating the refreshment stands at two basketball games plus the fines which were collected by Sergeant-at-Arms, Art Cox, from members who did not wear either a letter sweater or a letter jacket on Fridays was used to finance the club's activities.

One of the "B" Club's projects was the purchase of a new fifty star flag for the big gym, which President John Strack presented to Mr. Slater in behalf of the "B" Club at the Arcola basketball game on February 24.

A "B" Club Playnight, which gave the members an opportunity to play basketball, volleyball, and whiffleball, was held in the big gym on April 28 to end the year's activities.

Science Club

For Satisfying Curious Minds.



SITTING: Sue Steidinger, David Fay, Vice-President; Mr. Hensley, Advisor; Bob Pruitt, Director; Diane Stine, Bob Hinton. STANDING: Danny Doran, Public Relations Officer; Toni Coffey, Robert Doolen, Kay Fisher, Judy Hendrix, Jim Temple.

To encourage future scientists and engineers is the chief aim of the Science Club.

The Future Scientists of America initiated the idea of the science show that people of the community saw during the PTA open house. Advised by Mr. Hensley and working hand in hand with the chemistry, physics, and biology departments, the students put together many very interesting displays.

In addition to this, the club sponsored the trip to the University of Illinois for the Engineering Open House. This trip was attended by approximately fifty students.

Merrily Making Music.

FIRST COLUMN: Roger Moery, Bob Harper, Art Cox, Steve Ball, Alice Fay, Kathy Fisher, David Fay, Kay Fisher.

SECOND COLUMN: Virginia Livingston, Gene Carpenter, Helen Bowen, Mike Ball, Sue Fisher, Glenna Gorrell, Nancy Livingston, Abbie Morris.

THIRD COLUMN: Frances Redman, Mrs. Dunscomb, Director.

Activity was the theme of the band members as they participated in various functions at school.

The band began the year under the direction of Mr. Joseph Bearden. When Mr. Bearden resigned near the end of football season, Mrs. Mary Ann Dunscomb became the band director and was in charge when the marching band performed at Homecoming.



"The Band Played On."



FIRST COLUMN: Jan Funk, Betty Jones, Vivian Alexander.

SECOND COLUMN: Margery Buckner, Mary Jo Glennon, Danny Doran, Melinda Marker, Mary Daugherty, Cynthia Dare, Donna Steidinger, Sue Steidinger.

THIRD COLUMN: Danny Harper, Bob Carpenter, Steve Rittenhouse, Judy Hendrix, Nancy Marshall, Gus Wall, Richard Hall, Sandy Strohl.

Following the football activities, the concert band was organized to prepare for the next event, the Christmas Concert.

Band projects also included a pep band which was formed to boost basketball spirit by playing at all Friday home games.

The year was climaxed by a Spring Concert which was held in the big gym and featured the combined talents of both high school and grade school music departments.

Their Voices Blended To Fill

Through the combination of talent and practice, this year's mixed chorus received a first rating at the state contest held in Decatur. This chorus, under the direction of Miss Charolette Glenn, was the first Bement mixed chorus to achieve that rating since 1941.

Besides contest, the mixed chorus also took part in presenting the Christmas and Spring Concerts.



FIRST ROW: Miss Charlotte Glenn, Director; Jean Ater, Glenna Gorrell, Mary Burgess, Mary Lou Schuchman, Gary Gallagher, Mike Cody, Rose Eades, Diane Stine Frances Redman, Linda Burton, Jan Funk. SECOND ROW: Carolyn Spearman, Donna Steidinger, Mary Hinton, Sue Bentley, Gretchen Vander creek, Marvin Fairbanks, Warren Hendrix, Eddie Gulliford, Raymond Dick, Margaret Fairbanks, Nancy Marshall, Carolyn Stine, Sharon Hendrix, Doris Jamison. THIRD ROW: Sue Fisher, Sharon Brittenham, Claris

The Air With The Sound Of Music.

At the Christmas Concert they, along with the band, did much toward arousing the Christmas spirit in the community. Several lively and interesting numbers were presented by them at the Spring Concert. Their final appearance of the year was at the Baccalaureate Service where the choristers lent their talents to beautiful religious songs.



Smith, Carolyn Gallivan, Betty Jones, Melinda Marker, Charlene Ablinger, Robert Doolen, Irvin Foran, Suzanne Gadbury, Nancy Hargrave, Patty Stoerger, Stella Breen, Nancy Livingston, Pamela Hixson. FOURTH ROW: Evelyn Dick, Sue Hillard, Becky Dobson, Cathy Wilcox, Evelyn Hinton, Richard Hall, Leland Still, Gene Jeffers, Danny Doran, Diane Morgan, Fran Harshbarger, Karoline Fogel, Abbie Morris, Judy Hendrix.

Musicians Build Skills And

SOLOISTS--FIRST ROW: Sue Steidinger, Third in District; Glenna Gorrell, Third in District; Judy Hendrix, Third in District. SECOND ROW: Danny Doran, Second in District; Sandy Strohl, Second in District; Gus Wall, Fourth in District; Abbie Morris, not pictured, Third in District.



Donna Steidinger was this year's recipient of the Arion award which is based on musical ability and cooperation. The award was presented at the Spring Concert by Linda Peterson, the 1960 recipient.

TROMBONE DUET--Margery Buckner, Danny Harper, Second in District.



CORNET TRIO--Danny Doran, Helen Bowen, Art Cox, Second in District.



BRASS SEXTET--Mary Jo Glennon, Virginia Livingston, Gene Carpenter, Bob Harper, Steve Rittenhouse, Helen Bowen, Second in District.



GIRLS SOLOISTS--SITTING: Gretchen Vandercreek, Jean Ater. STANDING: Suzanne Gadbury, Judy Hendrix, Carolyn Stine, Carolyn Spearman. These soloists all received second rating in District.

Improve Talents Through . . .



SAXOPHONE TRIO--Alice Fay, Sue Fisher, Nancy Marshall. First in District.

DRUM TRIO--Frances Redman, Steve Ball, Melinda Marker, Second in District.



TROMBONE DUET--Roger Moery, Virginia Livingston. Second in District.



FLUTE TRIO--Sue Steidinger, Kay Fisher, Sandy Strohl. Second in District.



WOODWIND QUARTET--Richard Hall, Glenna Gorrell, Kathy Fisher, Donna Steidinger. Second in District.



BOY'S ENSEMBLE--FIRST ROW: Gene Jeffers, Warren Hendrix, Robert Doolen, Mike Cody. SECOND ROW: Leland Still, Richard Hall, Danny Doran, Eddie Gulliford. Third in District.

Practice, Competition, And Performance.



FIRST ROW: Steve Ball, Nancy Livingston, Mike Ball, Donna Steidinger, Sue Fisher, Alice Fay, Mrs. Dunscomb, Nancy Marshall. SECOND ROW: Bob Harper, Virginia Livingston, Gene Carpenter, Danny Harper, Danny Doran, Helen Bowen, Steve Rittenhouse.



LES CHANTEUSES--Suzanne Gadbury, Judy Hendrix, Linda Burton, Nancy Hargrave, Carolyn Gallivan, Claris Smith. Second in District Contest.

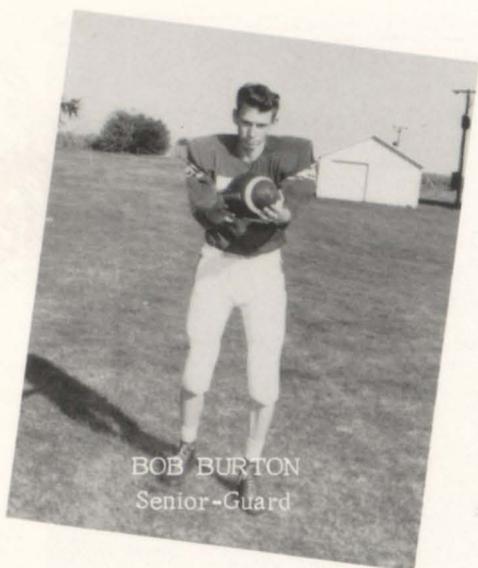
BIMETTES--Carolyn Stine, Jean Ater, Donna Steidinger, Mary Sue Burgess, Frances Redman, Glenna Gorrell. Second in District Contest.



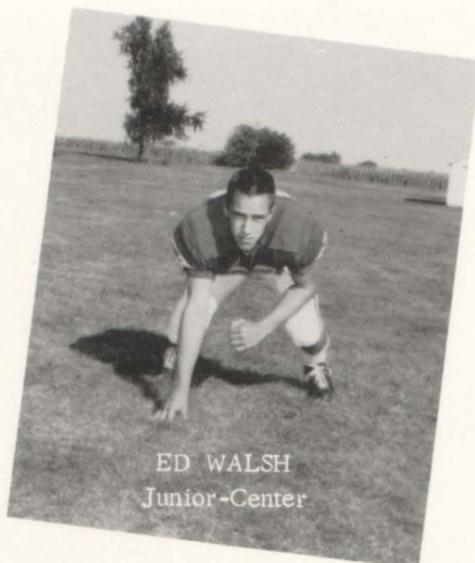
Sports

This was an unusually productive year for our athletic teams. There were the terrific football season, the Okaw Basketball Tournament Championship, and the successful track and baseball records. Well, enough talk for now. Let's go in and see how our athletes performed.

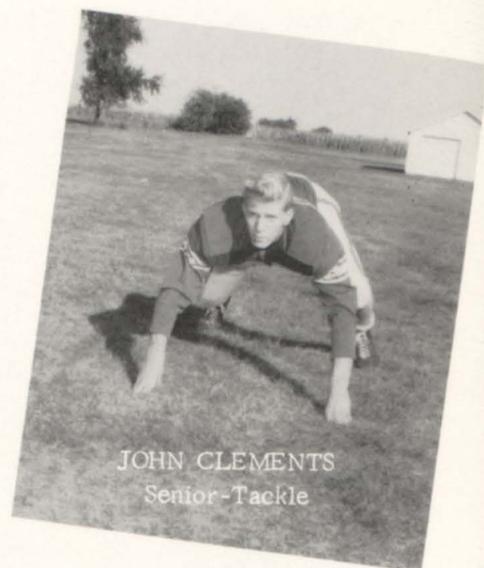
Sparked By Speed And Desire.



BOB BURTON
Senior - Guard

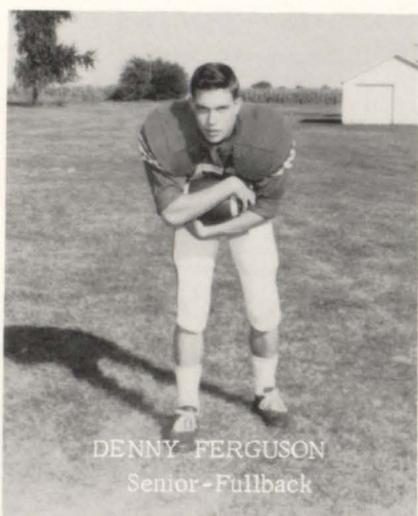


ED WALSH
Junior - Center



JOHN CLEMENTS
Senior - Tackle

CO-CAPTAIN



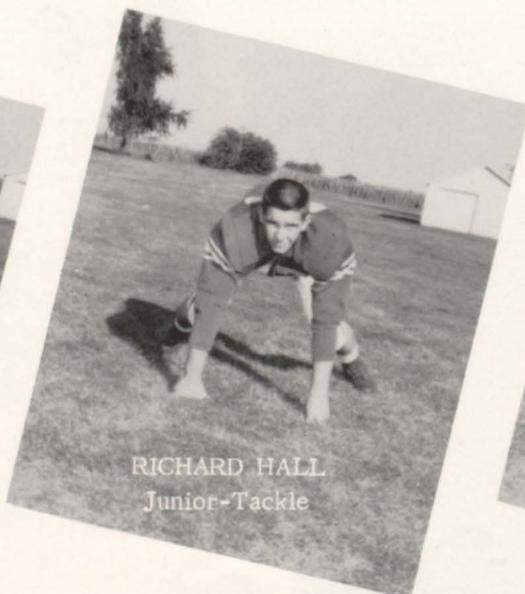
DENNY FERGUSON
Senior - Fullback

Under the leadership of head coach, Mr. Lester "Skip" Mathieson, Bement's 1960 gridiron season was the most successful in many years. Mr. Mathieson, assisted by Mr. Mills and Mr. Wickstrom, provided Bement football fans with a team which was outweighed in most games but never outfought.

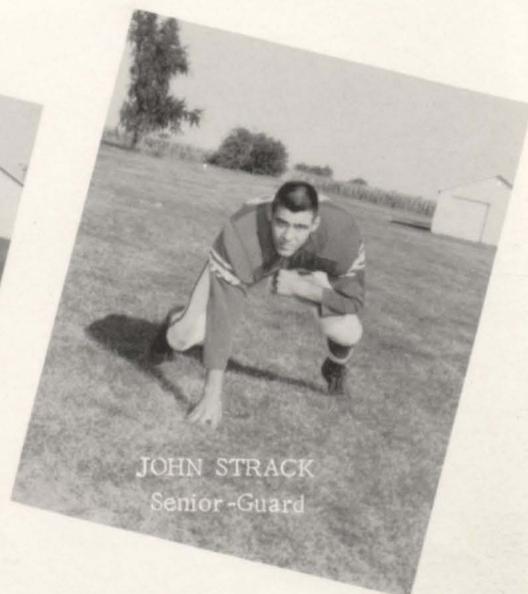
Led by all-conference quarterback Bill Morris, all-conference guard John Strack, and all-conference end Dick Rodgers, the Bulldogs compiled an excellent 5-2-1 season. Defensive play sparked a close 6 to 0 win over Villa Grove, but the offense shone when Cerro Gordo crumbled before the Bulldog attack, 48 to 7. However, the highlight of the season was not a win but a tie with one of the Okaw's co-champions, Sullivan. After a tremendous effort by both teams at Sullivan, the game ended a 13 to 13 deadlock.



DICK PRUITT
Senior - Halfback

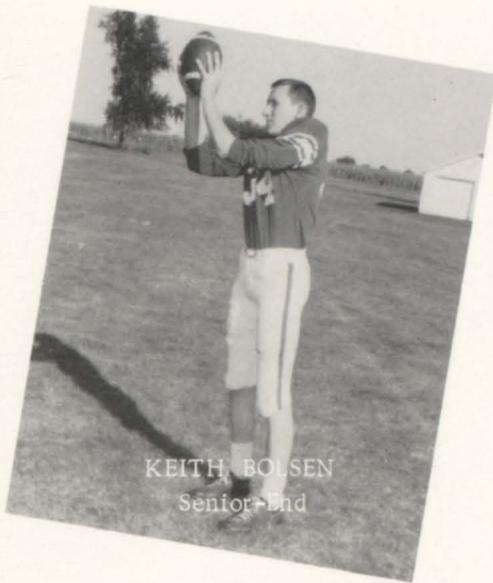


RICHARD HALL
Junior - Tackle

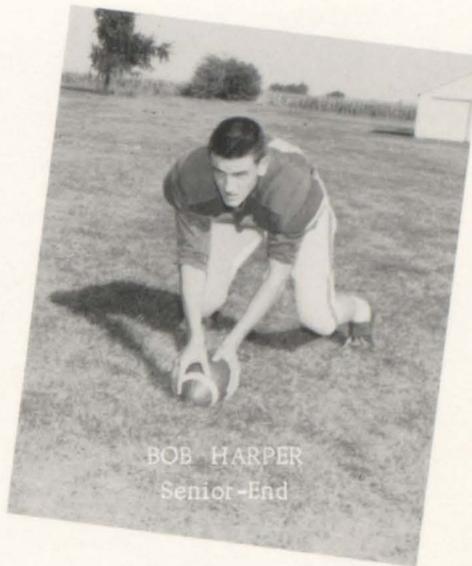


JOHN STRACK
Senior - Guard

Lettermen Led The Bulldog's To



KEITH BOLSEN
Senior-End



BOB HARPER
Senior-End



JOHN POPE
Junior-Halfback

SEASON'S RECORD

| Bement | Opponents | |
|--------|-------------|----|
| 7 | Heyworth | 6 |
| 6 | Villa Grove | 0 |
| 13 | Arcola | 6 |
| 6 | Unity | 13 |
| 0 | Monticello | 6 |
| 12 | Atwood | 7 |
| 13 | Sullivan | 13 |
| 48 | Cerro Gordo | 7 |

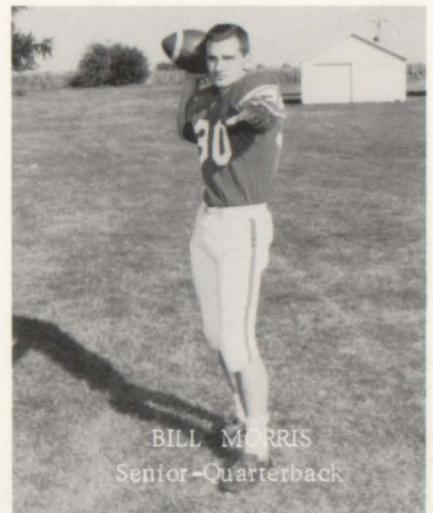
Most Valuable Player - Bill Morris
Best Blocker - John Strack

LEADING GROUND GAINERS

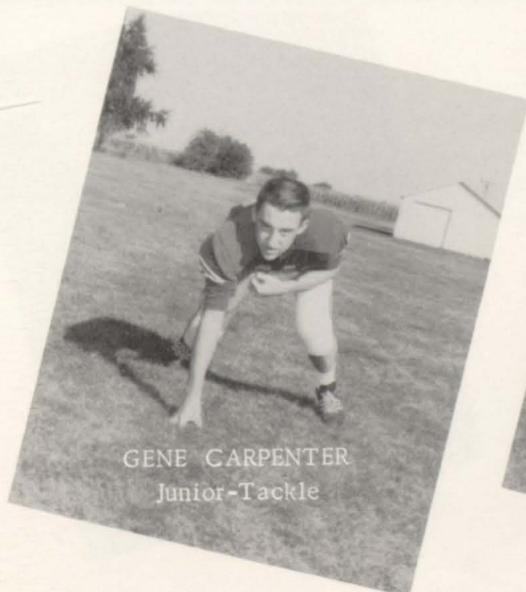
| | Yardage | Average |
|----------------|---------|---------|
| Bill Morris | 506 | 6.6 |
| Denny Ferguson | 164 | 5.7 |
| John Pope | 349 | 5.7 |
| Dick Pruitt | 198 | 4.3 |

LEADING TACKLERS

| | Tackles |
|--------------|---------|
| Richard Hall | 58 |
| Bill Morris | 51 |
| John Strack | 44 |
| Keith Bolsen | 38 |
| Dick Rodgers | 33 |



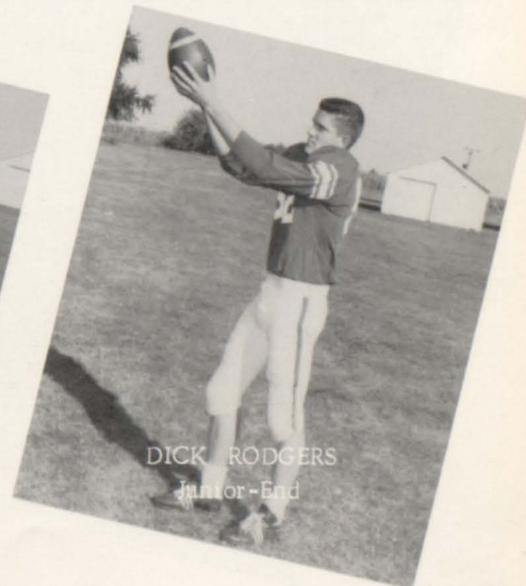
BILL MORRIS
Senior-Quarterback



GENE CARPENTER
Junior-Tackle

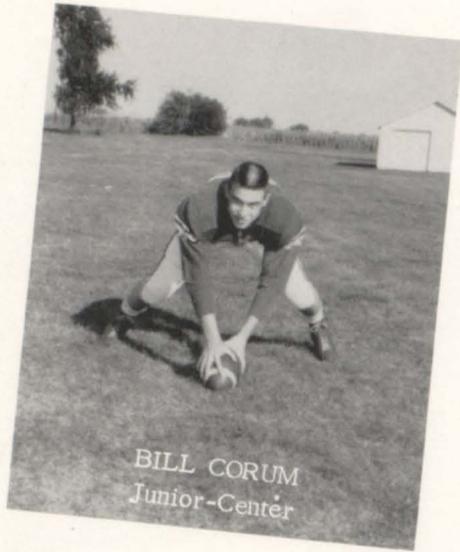


TONY STROHL
Senior-Halfback

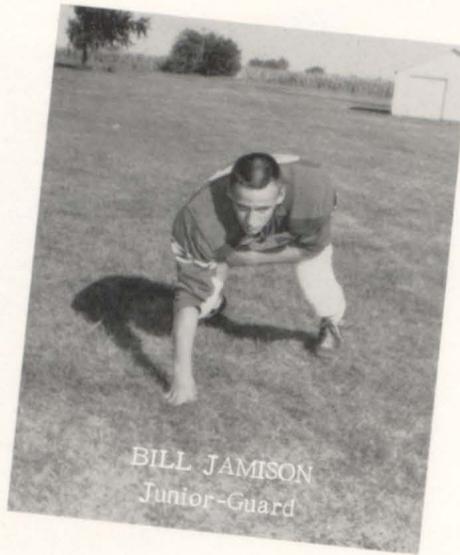


DICK RODGERS
Junior-End

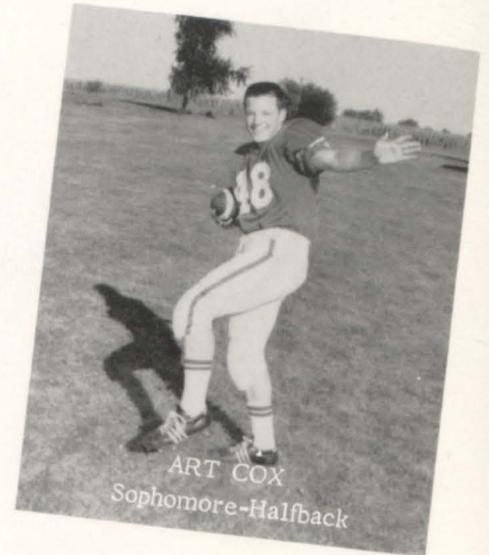
Varsity Victories For Successful Season.



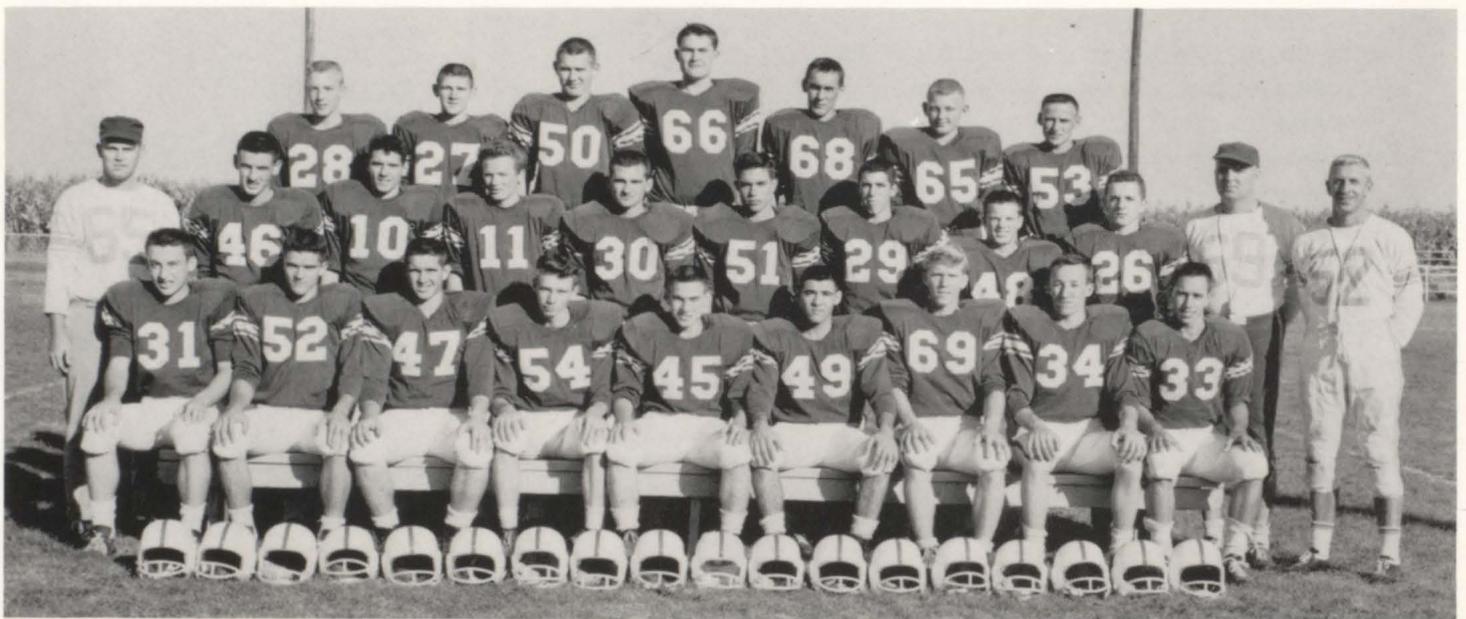
BILL CORUM
Junior-Center



BILL JAMISON
Junior-Guard



ART COX
Sophomore-Halfback



FIRST ROW: Gene Carpenter, Dick Rodgers, Richard Hall, Bob Burton, Bill Corum, John Strack, John Clements, Keith Bolsen, Ed Walsh. SECOND ROW: Coach Mathieson; Bob Harper, Tony Strohl, Dick Pruitt, Bill Morris, Denny Ferguson, John Pope, Art Cox, Danny Doran, Assistant Coaches, Mills, and Wickstrom. THIRD ROW: Warren Hendrix, Glen Kitson, Larry Larimore, Steve Rittenhouse, Alfred Hill, Jim Temple, Bill Jamison.

Mike Ball, senior trainer, has been very essential to the welfare of the team this season. Many an ankle has been saved by his expert wrapping.



Bullpups Strive To Be Bulldogs.



FIRST ROW: Jim Fuqua, Bob Carpenter, Paul Smith, Steve Rittenhouse, Bob Knowles, Gary Harper, Lowell Bentley. SECOND ROW: Mr. Mills, Coach; Glen Kitson, Eddie Jo Gulliford, Irvin Foran, Tom Fogel, Warren Hendrix, Marvin Fairbanks, Gary Gallagher, Mr. Wickstrom, Coach. THIRD ROW: Art Cox, Tom Tracy, Gus Wall, Don Shumard, Steve Marker, Roger Moery.

An inexperienced junior varsity team, comprised mainly of freshmen, found their opponents to be just too big and too experienced. Coached by Mr. Mills and Mr. Wickstrom, the junior varsity steadily progressed through the season reaching their peak as they tied Monticello, 7 to 7.

These three managers-Jerry Allen, Dave Fay, and Steve Ball-were kept busy throughout the season. They were responsible for taking care of equipment and uniforms.



Bulldogs Capture Okaw Journey



VARSITY TEAM--KNEELING: John Pope, Dick Rodgers. SECOND ROW: Art Cox, Danny Doran, Coach Wickstrom, Keith Bolsen, Bill Morris. THIRD ROW: Dave Fay, Assistant Coach Mathieson, Leland Still, Richard Hall, Denny Ferguson.

The six days from January 23 through January 28 proved to be the highlight of the 1961 basketball season. It was during this period that the tournament team of ten boys traveled to Tuscola four times and returned the fourth time with the Okaw Tournament Championship.

The first team to stand between Bement and the championship was the Purple Riders of Arcola, but they fell, 62 to 51. The Bulldogs' next opponents were the Arthur Knights, who were humbled, 72 to 39. In the semifinal round, Bement defeated Tuscola by a score of 68 to 60 to earn the right to meet their arch rivals, the Monticello Sages, for the tourney crown.

In the championship game, the Sages were no match for the precision teamwork displayed by the victorious Bulldogs who won, 57 to 41.



Rugged action marks championship game.



Up goes the confetti, and down go the Sages.

To the victorious Bulldogs, belong the spoils.



To Highlight Winning Season

| Bement | Opponents | Bement | Opponents | | |
|--------|-------------|--------|-----------|---------------|----|
| 56 | Argenta | 71 | 54 | Atwood | 35 |
| 60 | Cerro Gordo | 55 | 66 | Deland-Weldon | 61 |
| 36 | Monticello | 60 | 51 | Arthur | 44 |
| 89 | Mansfield | 42 | 55 | Arcola | 46 |
| 54 | Newman | 55 | | | |
| 58 | Lovington | 37 | | | |
| 72 | Mt. Zion | 68 | | | |
| 96 | Moweaqua | 69 | | | |
| 53 | Unity | 62 | | | |
| 55 | Sullivan | 59 | | | |
| 55 | Oakland | 59 | | | |
| 56 | Mahomet | 76 | | | |
| 59 | Tuscola | 67 | | | |
| 67 | Villa Grove | 66 | | | |

OKAW TOURNAMENT

| | | |
|----|------------|----|
| 62 | Arcola | 51 |
| 72 | Arthur | 39 |
| 68 | Tuscola | 60 |
| 57 | Monticello | 41 |

REGIONAL TOURNAMENT

| | | |
|----|------------|----|
| 54 | Monticello | 65 |
|----|------------|----|

Most Valuable Player-Dick Rodgers
Free Throw Award-John Pope -73%

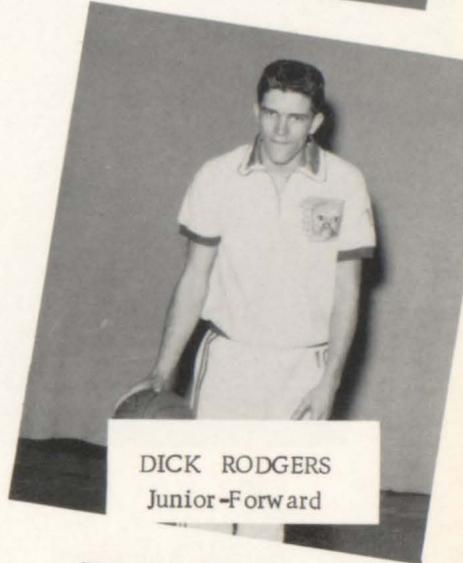
The 1961 Bement basketball team became the fifth BHS team since 1937 to finish with a winning season. The 14-9 record compiled by this year's squad included four consecutive wins in the Okaw Conference Tournament which enabled them to capture the tournament championship.

Coached by Mr. Burney Wickstrom, who was assisted by Mr. Mathieson, the Bulldog cagers fought their way through a standout season which included such events as a one point loss to the conference winners, Newman, and a final team effort which produced four victories out of the last five regular season games.

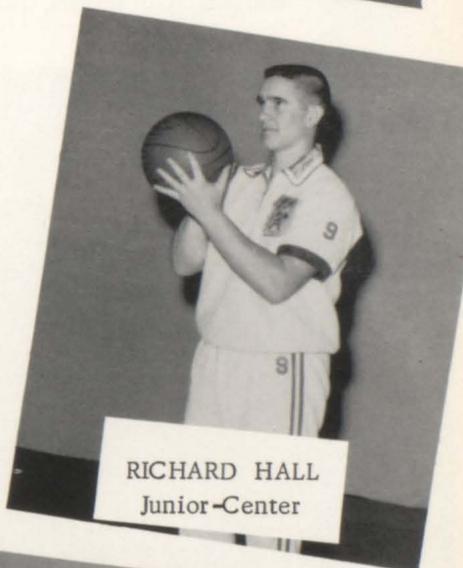
Individual honors were received by Keith Bolsen, John Pope, and Dick Rodgers who were on the Okaw Tournament Team which was selected by the Tuscola Review. Dick Rodgers was also a member of the Okaw All-Conference team as selected by the coaches.



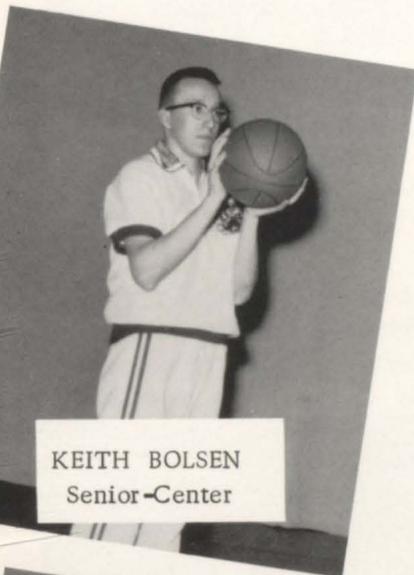
LELAND STILL
Senior-Forward



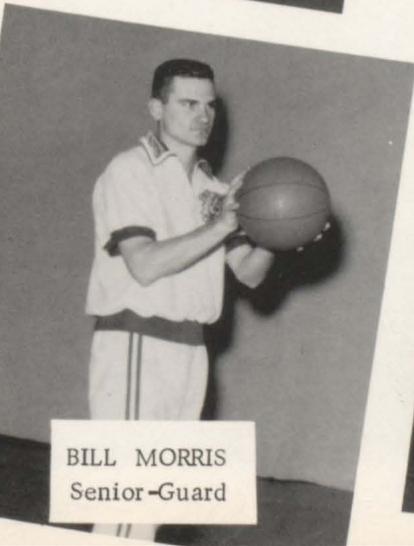
DICK RODGERS
Junior-Forward



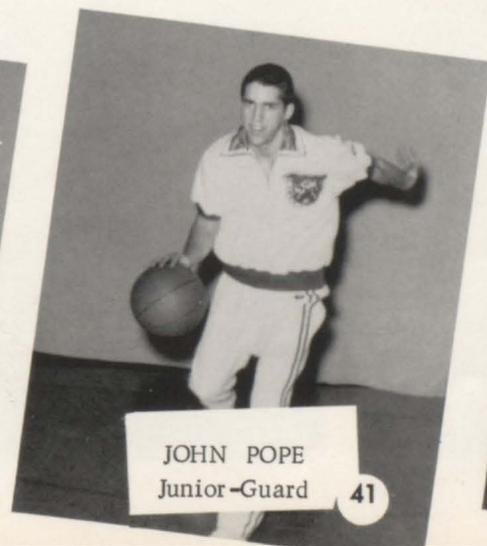
RICHARD HALL
Junior-Center



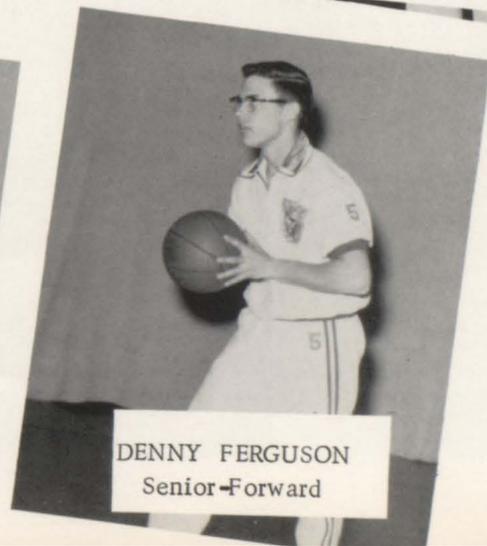
KEITH BOLSEN
Senior-Center



BILL MORRIS
Senior-Guard



JOHN POPE
Junior-Guard



DENNY FERGUSON
Senior-Forward

Junior Varsity Builds to Strong Finish



FIRST ROW: Mr. Mathieson, Coach; Glen Kitson, Lowell Bentley, Ed Walsh, Warren Hendrix, David Fay, Art Cox. SECOND ROW: Eddie Gulliford, Marvin Fairbanks, Steve Marker, Roger Moery, Gary Harper, John Morris, Bob Knowles, Alan Fay, Roy Slagle, Terry Taylor.



These managers - Mike Ball, Steve Ball, and Irvin Foran - found that the team room was almost a home to them before the season was finished. "Work well done deserves recognition."

After starting slowly, Coach Mathieson's Bullpups, with additional strength from the varsity, began to build to a season's climax of winning four of their last five ball games.

FRESHMEN WIN TOURNAMENT

Following the regular season, Be-ment's freshman team, guided by Mr. Mathieson, won the Unity Invitational Tournament by defeating Monticello and Unity.

Cheerleaders Kept The Spirit High



VARSIY FOOTBALL--KNEELING: Sandy Strohl, Linda Bolsen, Sunny Strohl. STANDING: Virginia Livingston, Nancy Livingston.

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL--IN FRONT: Sharon Hendrix, Mary Hinton. IN BACK: Helen Bowen, Fran Harshbarger.



JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL--IN FRONT: Sue Steidinger. IN BACK: Mary Hinton, Helen Bowen, Sharon Hendrix.

VARSIY BASKETBALL--KNEELING: Nancy Hargrave, Donna Steidinger. STANDING: Sandy Strohl, Linda Bolsen, Sunny Strohl.



Trackmen Lower Times



FIRST ROW: Danny Doran, John Strack, Richard Hall, Coach Mills, Keith Bolsen, Bill Corum, Bill Jamison. SECOND ROW: Bob Burton, Denny Ferguson, Tony Strohl, Roy Radmaker, John Pope, Bob Pruitt, Bill Morris. THIRD ROW: David Fay, Bob Durbin, Jim Daugherty, Joe Royal, Gene Carpenter, Dick Rodgers, Ron Bilbrey. FOURTH ROW: Raymond Dick, Roy Slagle, Jim Fuqua, Alan Fay, Glen Kitson, Don Shumard, Roger Moery.



This year's track team continued Bement's enviable record of seventeen consecutive triumphs in dual and triangular meets. Included in the five victories this year were wins over every conference opponent.

Victory, however, proved to be elusive in the major meets. Early in the season the Bulldogs attempted to defend their class B crown at the Paris Relays but finished a strong second.

Although Bulldog hopes for a second consecutive Okaw Valley Track Championship were crushed when Arcola edged Bement by two points, the meet did produce several outstanding performances. Bill Morris became the first Okaw athlete to win the same event four years in a row when he won the 440.

ROY RADMAKER, Bement's star pole vaulter, set three records this year and was the only BHS track man to go to the State Track Meet. Roy set a new school record and a new Okaw record by pole vaulting 12 feet at the Okaw Track Meet. He also set a new school record in the low hurdles with the time of 21.9 seconds.

And Reach New Heights.

OKAW Winners and Record Breakers



Bill Morris - 440 Yard Run
First place - Okaw Track Meet - 52.7

John Pope, Dick Rodgers - High Jump
Both tied school record - 5' 10"
Pope - First place, Okaw Track Meet - 5' 10"



Mile Relay--New School Record--3:36.2
FIRST ROW: Keith Bolsen. SECOND ROW:
Bob Pruitt, Jim Daugherty. THIRD ROW:
Bill Morris.



880 Relay--New School Record--1:37
FIRST ROW: Keith Bolsen. SECOND ROW:
Bob Pruitt, John Pope. THIRD ROW: Jim
Daugherty.



Strong Defense Highlights Baseball Season.



FIRST ROW: Tony Strohl, Bob Burton, Keith Bolsen, Coach Mathieson, Roy Radmaker, John Strack.
 SECOND ROW: Art Cox, Gary Gallagher, Ed Walsh, John Pope, David Fay, Eddie Gulliford, Lowell Bentley, Bill Corum.

Unfortunately for Bement's baseball fans, the 1960-61 Bulldog baseball team played only one game at home while playing five on the road. The team, coached by Mr. Mathieson, compiled a 3-3 record which included two games in the District Baseball Tournament at Argenta. In the tournament Bement beat Deland-Weldon to advance to the championship game, but a fine Clinton team proved to be too strong as the Bulldogs went down in defeat.

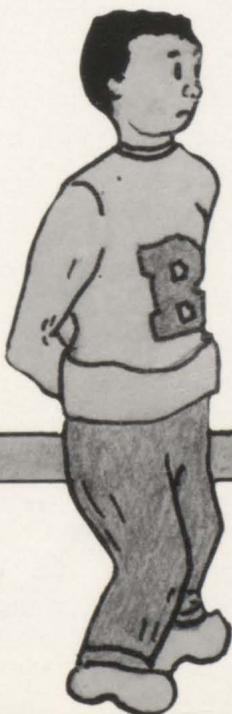
Highlight of the year was a fine no-hit pitching performance turned in by Bement's Roy Radmaker as he shut-out Lovington, 4 to 0.

SEASON'S RECORD

| Bement | Opponent | |
|---------------------|---------------|----|
| 1 | Mt. Zion | 2 |
| 8 | Villa Grove | 1 |
| 4 | Lovington | 0 |
| 3 | Sullivan | 5 |
| District Tournament | | |
| 10 | Deland-Weldon | 0 |
| 0 | Clinton | 11 |

Administration

Behind every good school is a good administration. Although at times we may feel they are a little strict, we still believe they are the greatest. Come on now, and I'll introduce you to them.



The Administration

MR. WALTER SLATER

During his thirteen years as superintendent, Mr. Slater has put forth an untiring effort to retain Bement High School's position as one of the best in this area. His interest in each of us has won our sincere respect. He is always ready to offer advice or guidance whenever we seek it.

MR. J. E. HARGRAVE

Friend, counselor, peacemaker, and teacher--who else but Mr. Hargrave, our dedicated principal. Besides being busily engaged with his administrative duties, he also teaches American Problems.

His kindness gives us encouragement; his firmness keeps us from going astray.



Keeps Our Standards High.

Board of Education



MR. A. E. BODMAN, President



MR. CLARENCE LEFEVER, Secretary



MR. RUSSELL RODGERS



DR. W. H. COOPER



MR. ALBERT HARSHBARGER

MRS. BETTY MILLER, School Secretary

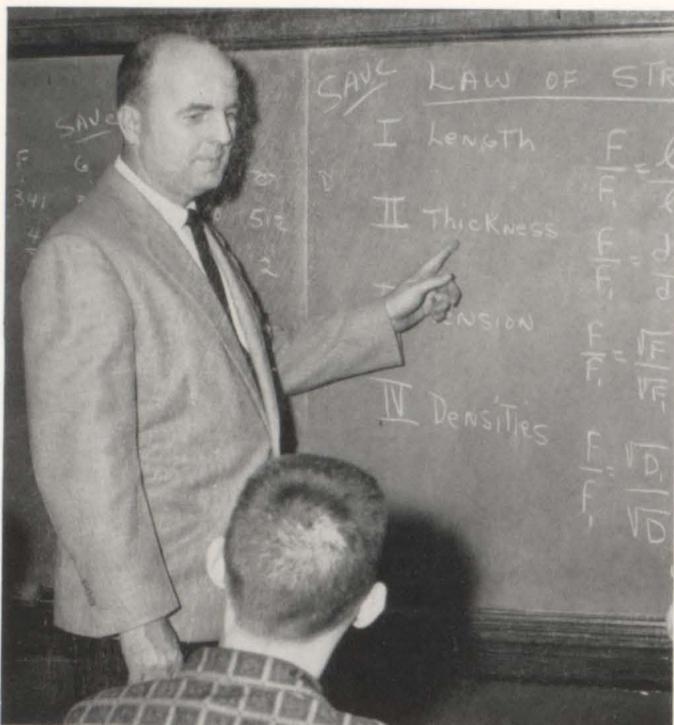


MR. HOWARD LAMB



DR. WILLIAM SCOTT

Teaching From Knowledge



MR. RICHARD MILLS explains the complexities of physics to the class. Besides teaching physics, algebra I, and general science, he is assistant football coach and head track coach. In addition to his other duties, he also serves as Sophomore class advisor.

MISS CHARLOTTE GLENN, our vocal instructor, sits at one of the school's two new pianos. Under her skillful direction, our chorus and other vocal groups have been very successful.



MISS MARGARET HUSTEAD, home economics teacher, is showing the convenient features of the new electric stove. She is also the advisor of the F.H.A. and one of the Junior class advisors.

Counseling From Experience

MRS. MARY ANN DUNSCOMB, girls' physical education teacher, demonstrates the correct serving technique for badminton. In addition to girl's P.E. she has been teaching band since November 1 and is advisor of the Girls Athletic Association and the cheerleaders.



MRS. EDNA HAMMOND reviews the uses of various instruments when cutting a stencil. Our business education instructor teaches shorthand, typing, office practice, and bookkeeping, besides advising the freshman class. Mrs. Hammond also directed the senior play.

MR. LESTER MATHIESON is seen here showing one of his P.E. students the correct way to do chin-ups on a chinning bar. He also teaches driver's education and spends many hours as head football and baseball coach and assistant basketball coach. He is one of the Freshman class advisors.



Guiding Through Friendship



MR. H. E. SLUSSER, mathematics teacher, here demonstrates one of his unique teaching devices. Besides this diagram on a peg board, his other teaching aids include models of certain problems, various charts, and an enlarged slide rule. Mr. Slusser is also one of the Junior class advisors.



MISS ISABELLE HOUSTON collects tests papers from her English class. Besides teaching English III and IV, she is school librarian, advisor of the Annual Staff, and Senior class advisor.



MR. BURNEY WICKSTROM, who teaches social studies, points out on the map one of the trouble spots of the world. He is head basketball coach, assistant football coach, and advisor to the "B" Club.

Preparing Us For The Future

MISS JACQUELINE STEWART is smiling at a student's amusing reply to one of her questions. Miss Stewart teaches English I and II and advises the Sophomore class.



MRS. VIRGINIA DARE writes in the many English words derived from Latin roots. Besides teaching Latin, she teaches French and English I. She is advisor for the "Bulldog's Bark" and Latin Club.

MR. THOMAS HENSLEY is shown in the chemical supply room as he points out the various chemicals needed by the students in the laboratory. Mr. Hensley teaches both chemistry and biology, and is advisor to the Senior class and the Science Club.



These Are Our Teachers.



Mr. Richard Woodard explains the operation of a combine to his ag class. Advising the FFA is an enjoyable duty which takes up much of his time.

Mr. Richard Heath is pictured here instructing his industrial arts students in the classroom before they enter the workshop. His duties include teaching four years of industrial arts and acting as a Junior class advisor.



Among the many machines which boys in Industrial Arts III and IV learn to operate efficiently is the metal lathe, above. The only thing for these industrial arts boys at right to do in order to complete their projects is to add the finishing touches.



The Extras That Make Classes Interesting



Interest was added to typing classes by the race track on the bulletin board. Each typist was represented by a small car. Typing speeds were posted over the track on the little paper signs.

Mr. Hargrave is shown explaining to members of his American Problems class how to read and use the stock market section of the daily paper. He made a gift of ten thousand mythical dollars to each of his students to be invested. This excursion into the financial world proved to be very interesting as well as educational.



Miss Stewart's English I class turns momentarily artistic to make posters about various phases of Russian life. The purpose of this project was to help the class better understand a story concerning an immigrant from the U.S.S.R.



The squirrels that were found in a freshly chopped tree were brought to the science department of Bement High. Feeding of the squirrels became an interesting ritual in the biology room.

In this picture, Danny Harper is shown carefully feeding a baby squirrel as members of the biology class attentively watch.



Amiable Helpers Give Indispensable Service



COOKS

The six ladies pictured here devote their mornings to preparing lunches for the approximate four hundred students and teachers who eat at school each day.

Miss Mary Fern Clodfelter, Dietician; Mrs. Hazel Liestman, Mrs. Frances Adams, Mrs. Helen Jeffers, Mrs. Nora Buckner, Mrs. Marie Fogel.



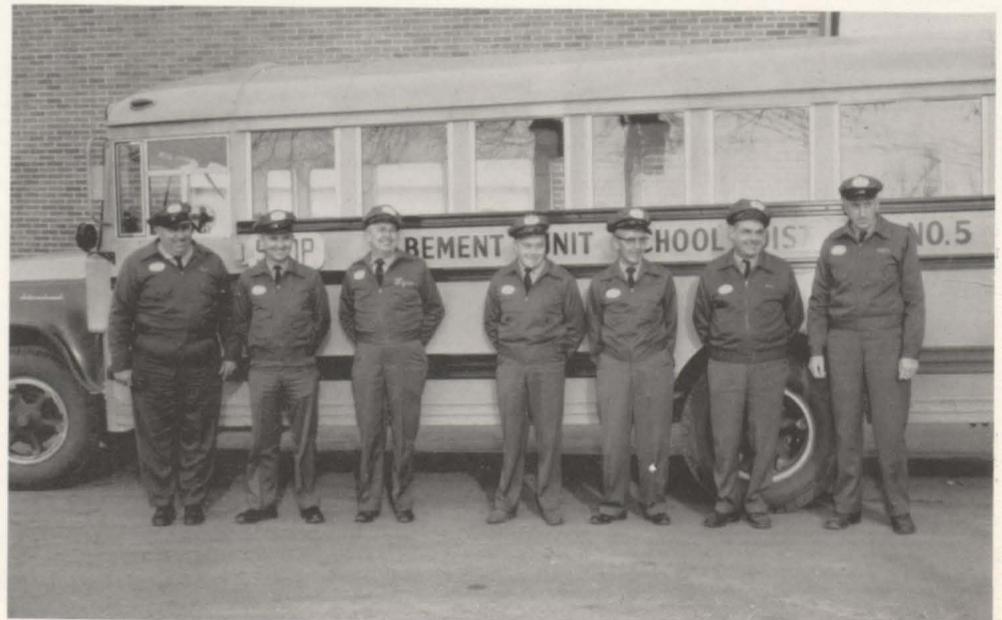
MAINTENANCE

Keeping our halls and classrooms clean the year 'round is only one of the jobs of the two BHS custodians, MR. LOYD "BUNKER" HILL, superintendent of maintenance, and MR. HERBERT HELM

BUSSES

Mr. Lynn Crook's busses are used not only to transport students to and from school, but also for the many activities that take numbers of students to other towns and schools.

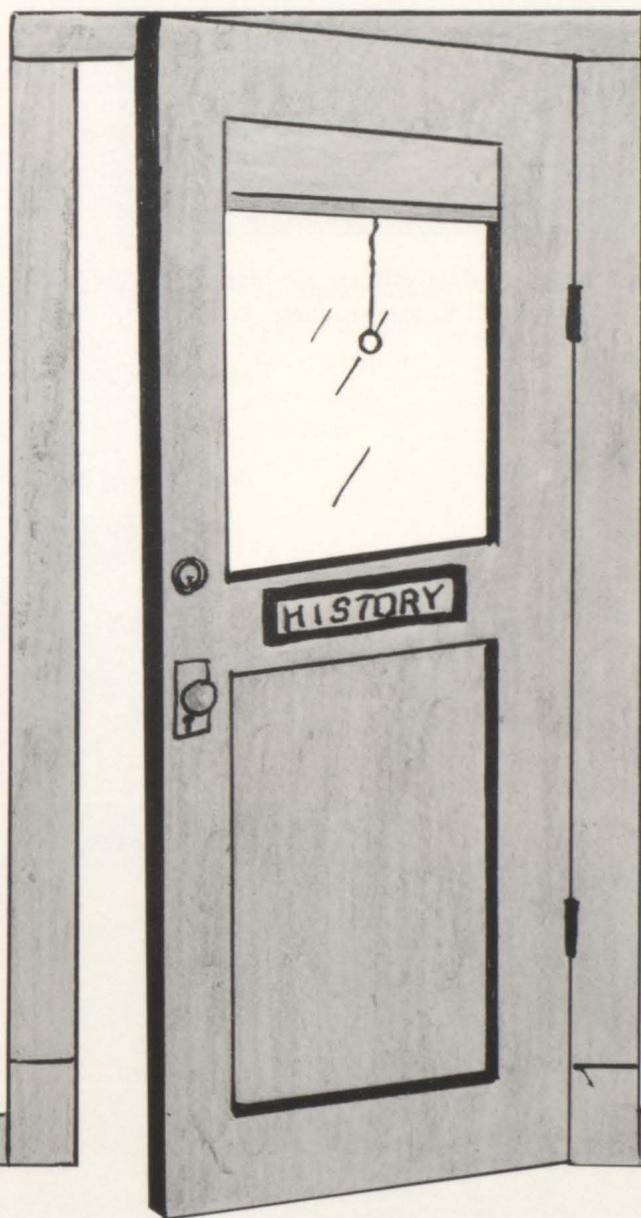
The Bus Drivers are Mr. Paul Miles, Mr. Dale Clow, Mr. Lynn Crook, Mr. Stanley Funk, Mr. Ralph Wright, Mr. Ira Woolridge, and Mr. Olin Day.



Classes

The student body, one hundred ninety strong, are the main reason for our school's existence. Be it freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior, everyone is equally accepted by all.

Let's meet the students.



Ambitious Freshmen Seek Favor



The Freshman class officers are Mary Hinton, Secretary; Alan Fay, Vice-President; Steve Ball, President.

Mary Hinton
Tom Tracy
Kathy Koester
Donnie Shumard

Bob Carpenter
Maureen McHale
Glen Kitson
Brenda Tieman
Allen Schwartz

Mary Poling
Gus Wall
David Woodcock
Pam Hixson
Alan Fay
Steve Marker

Paul Smith
Jim Fuqua
Carolyn Gallivan
Marvin Fairbanks
Mary Daugherty
Tony Hite

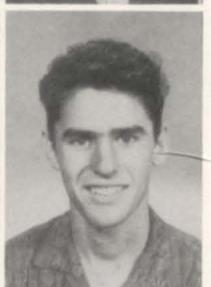
Tom Fogel



Abbie Morris
Franklin Jean



Jerry Allen
Sue Fisher
Danny Harper





Marsha Stanton
 Martin Poling
 Fran Harshbarger
 Marvin Haynes
 Sharon Hendrix
 Bob Knowles



Sue Hillard
 Irvin Foran
 Margaret Poling
 Lowell Bentley
 Doris Jamison
 Roy Slagle



Margery Buckner
 Mike Cody
 Bob Davis
 Diane Morgan
 Roger Moery
 Terry Taylor



Melinda Marker
 Gary Gallagher
 Evelyn Hinton
 Steve Ball
 Jan Funk



Nancy Marshall
 Mike Morgan
 Charlene Alblinger
 Charles Van Matre

One of the highspots for the freshmen this year was their class party, which followed an Easter theme. Though they were low on funds, they certainly were not low on fun, and the party was a great success.



Donna Taylor
 John McCullough
 Raymond Gulley



Steve Wildman
 Teena Thornton



Sophomore Status

Mary Lou Schuchman
David Fay
Betty Hess
Sue Steidinger
Robert Durbin
Kay Fisher



Karoline Fogel
Eddie Gulliford
Kathy Fisher
Art Cox



Steve Rittenhouse
Sandra Shonkwiler
Jim Shonkwiler
Ruth Perry



The sophomore class officers are Art Cox, President; Janet Taylor, Vice-President; and Helen Bowen, Secretary-Treasurer.

Glenna Gorrell
Bob Yeske
Sue Bentley



Jean Ater
Charles Zoch



Dave Morris



Brings New Confidence



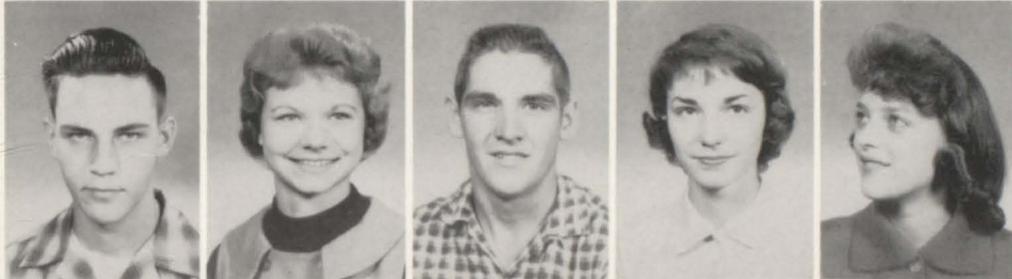
Stella Breen
Joanne Pembroke



Mary Brennan
Gary Harper
Patty Stoerger



Diane Stine
Jim Jordan
Sharon Thompson
Ron Bilbrey



Joe Royal
Mary Sue Burgess
Raymond Dick
Linda Burton
Margaret Fairbanks



Helen Bowen
Warren Hendrix
Janet Taylor
Martha Moxley
John Riddle



Claris Smith
Sandra Busey
Steve Varner
Glenda Miles
Toni Coffey
Ronald Van Vleet



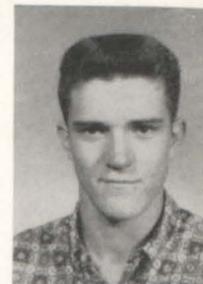
These sophomores are enjoying the dancing at their Valentine party. Some other features of the evening were pillow fights between blind-folded classmates and a contest to select the boy and girl with the cutest baby picture.

Juniors Jump Into A Year

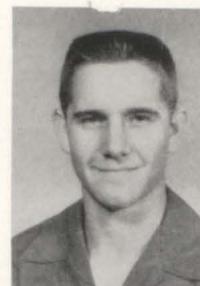
Of Fun And Hard Work



The Junior class officers are Ed Walsh, President; Nancy Hargrave, Secretary-treasurer; and Bill Jamison, Vice-president.



Dick Rodgers



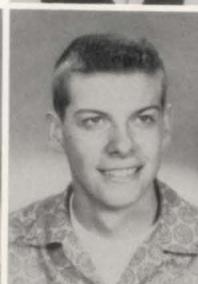
Richard Hall
Nancy Livingston



Gretchen Vandercreek
Ed Walsh
Nancy Hargrave



Carolyn Carlin
Ed McCollum
Ruth Burgett
Bob Shonkwiler



Dick Halterman
Betty Jones
Darrell Fritz
Sandy Mardis
Gene Carpenter



Jim Tempel
Phyllis Stiverson
John Varner
Julia Thornton
Gene Jeffers
Evelyn Dick



Pat Van Matre
Myrna Lamb
Robert Doolen
Carolyn Stine
Dave Fay
Judy Depew





John Morris
 Ruth Hill
 Ed Stiverson
 Bill Jamison
 Karen Hall
 David Pryor



Frances Redman
 Bob Alblinger
 Judy Pruitt
 Danny Doran
 Carolyn Spearman



Bob Hinton
 Sharon Brittenham
 Charles Pierce
 Judy Hendrix



Nancy Hillard
 Bill Corum
 Larry Larimore

In preparation for the Junior-Senior Prom, many hours were spent in diligent but enjoyable work such as these four juniors are doing in decorating the gym. Money was earned by the class through operating the refreshment stand during football season.



Linda Larimore
 John Pope



Carl McCollough



Rose Eades



Our Senior Year



JOHN STRACK

"Strackie"--No matter how his name is pronounced, it stands for a true friend, a good student, and a fine athlete--loves to go "coon-huntin'"--a knack for clever witticisms.

Student Council 4; Football 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Baseball 1,2,3,4; B Club 2,3,4; President 4; Homecoming Escort 4.



PAT KNOWLES

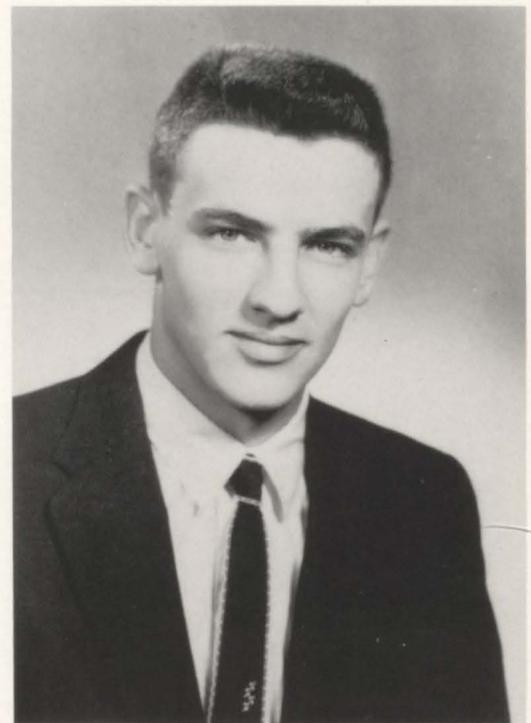
Mr. Hargrave's secretary---coal black hair and gleaming eyes has this girl--her friendly smile will be remembered--quietly efficient.

Class Vice-President 2; Student Council 4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Annual Staff 4.

VIRGINIA LIVINGSTON

"Sis"--a leader in any group--country girl at heart--a smile is her trademark.

Class Vice-President 1; Student Council 3,4, Secretary-Treasurer 3, President 4; Okaw Valley Student Council President 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Dance Band 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Football Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Basketball Cheerleader 1, 2, 3; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; News Staff 2, 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Latin Club 3,4; Homecoming Queen Candidate 4; Senior Play; F.F.A. Sweetheart 4.



BOB HARPER

Very Industrious, but lots of fun--ability and personality will carry him far in the engineering field.

Student Council 4, Vice-President 4; Okaw Valley Student Council 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Dance Band 4; Chorus 1; Football 2,3,4; Track 2; B Club 4; News Staff 1,2,3; Annual Staff Assistant Editor 3, Editor 4; Science Club, Public Relations Officer 2; Senior Play; S.A.R. Award.



Brought Memories of Past Years.



DENNY FERGUSON

"Ferg"--A better friend not to be found--neat, witty, full of fun--a laugh for every occasion.

Class Vice-President 4; Football 1,2,3,4; Co-Captain 4; Basketball 1,4; Track 1,2,3,4; B Club 2,3,4; Annual Staff 4; Homecoming Escort 4; Senior Play.



SANDY STROHL

Half of the twins--a few giggles here and there--artistic abilities--
"To know her is to like her."

Class Secretary-Treasurer 4; Band 1,2,3,4; G. A. A. 1,2,3,4; Football Cheerleader 4; Basketball Cheerleader 4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; News Staff 4; Annual Staff 4; Homecoming Queen Candidate 4; Senior Play.

SUNNY STROHL

The other half of the twins--Always poised; never caught off guard--neat and sweet.

Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 1; Band 1, 2,3; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Football Cheerleader 3,4; Basketball Cheerleader 2,3,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; News Staff 3,4; Annual Staff 2,4; Homecoming Queen Candidate 4; Senior Play.



BOB BURTON

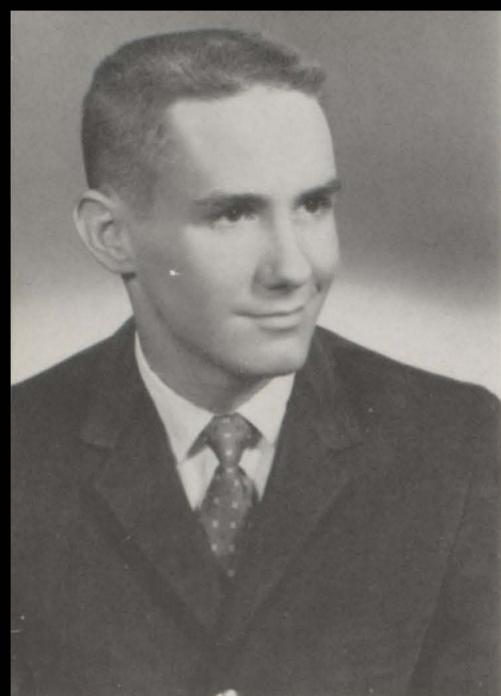
"Jasper"--On the road to success he'll travel far, but at his own pace--a likeable lad.

Class President 4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Track 1,2,3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; B Club 3,4; News Staff 1,2; Latin Club 1,2; Homecoming Escort 4.



Magazine Sales-

Homecoming-Speeches-



JOHN BARNETT

A natural-born comedian with a serious side--a ready answer to almost any question--his main purpose in life is to enjoy it.

Band 1,2; Football 1,2; Annual Staff 4; Latin Club 1,2,3; President 2; Science Club 2; Secretary 2.



SHARON HORN

Her intelligence, poise, and good judgment will pave her road to success--quietly charming.

Class President 3; Chorus 1,2,3; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Secretary 4; News Staff 2,3,4; Annual Staff 3; Latin Club 1,2,3.



DONNA STEIDINGER

A word and a smile for everyone --always on the go--reliability is one of her assets.

Class Vice-President 3; Student Council 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Dance Band 2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; Bimettes 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4, Secretary 3; Football Cheerleader 3; Basketball Cheerleader 3,4; News Staff 1,2,3,4; Assistant Editor 3; Editor 4; Annual Staff 4; Latin Club 1,2,3, Secretary-Treasurer 1; Library Club 1,2,3,4, Secretary 4; Homecoming Queen 4; Senior Play; D.A.R. Award.

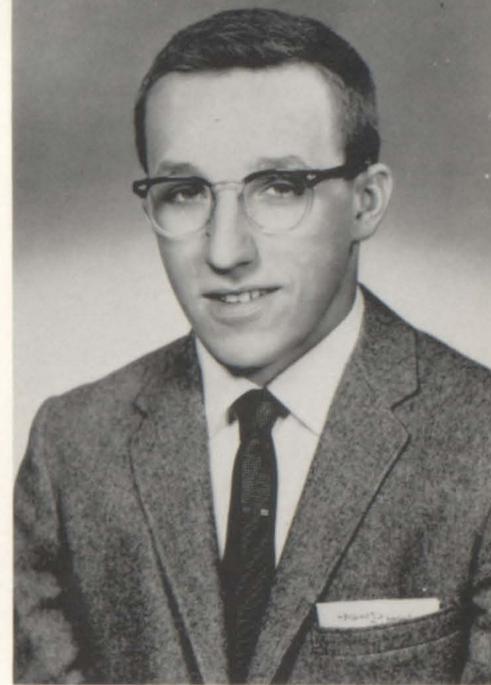


DICK PRUITT

Girls and this redhead do not mix-- he may be small, but he is brawn on the football field--a touch of bashfulness makes him interesting.

Football 1,3,4; B Club 3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Sentinel 3; Secretary 4.

Senior Play-Exams- Work On The B9M



KEITH BOLSEN

"K. B."--Dependability and earnestness are qualities which will pay off for him--outstanding in athletics and agriculture.

Student Council 3; Football 1,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; B Club 3,4, Secretary 4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4, Secretary 3, Vice-President 4; News Staff 1,2; Annual Staff 4; Homecoming Escort 4; Senior Play Chapter Star Farmer 3,4; Section 16 Star Farmer 4.



ALICE FAY

Banker's "Girl Friday" -- lively and quick as a wink--loves to sew --and talk!

Class Secretary-Treasurer 3; Band 1,2,3,4; Dance Band 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Football Cheerleader 2; F. H.A. 1,2,3,4; Annual Staff 4; Senior Play; Betty Crocker Award 4.



BOB PRUITT

"Sailor"--Girls and this redhead do mix--man without an enemy--a winner in track and life.

Basketball 1,2,3; Track 2,3,4; Baseball 1; Cross Country 3,4; F.F.A. 1; Science Club Director 4.

SUZANNE GADBURY

"Suzie"--Girl of many moods--enjoys drawing and singing, and is good at them, too!

Chorus 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,3; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Annual Staff 4; Senior Play.



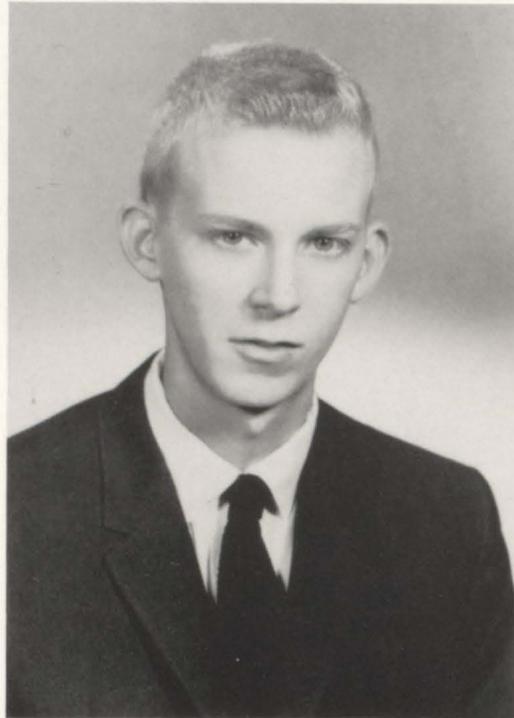
These Activities Hid From Us



MARY JO GLENNON

Never a dull moment with this one around--she has but one weakness--boys!--"Let's go to Monticello!"

Class Secretary-Treasurer 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1, 2,3,4; Latin Club 1,2,3; Senior Play 4.



MIKE BALL

Quiet and creative--destined to do great things--indispensable to our athletes--calm, cool, and collected.

Class President 1; Band 1,2,3,4; Dance Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Football Manager 1,2,3, Trainer 4; Track Manager 1,2,3; "B" Club 4; News Staff 1,2,3,4, Assistant Editor 2, Editor 3; Annual Staff 4; Latin Club 2, Vice-President 2; Science Club 2; Senior Play.

DAVID DIAL

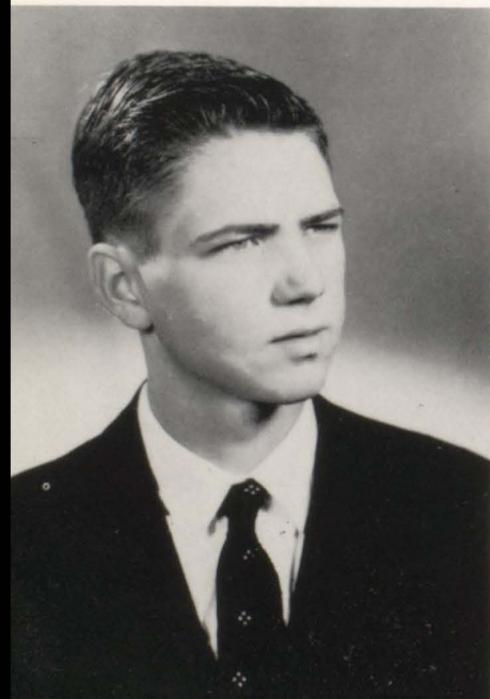
"Dave"--Car fan with radical taste --potential brain power that needs motivation--satirical wit.



BECKY DOBSON

A faithful friend--a sharp dresser-- "Better late than never."

Chorus 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,4; F.H.A. 1, 2,3,4; Latin Club 2,3.



The Passage of Fleeting Time.



VIVIAN ALEXANDER

"Viv"--A good-looking majorette--her sparkling eyes and sweet smile match her personality--adds charm to the H & M checkout counter.

Majorette 2,3,4; G. A. A. 1,2,3,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; Camp Delegate 3; President 4; F. F. A. Sweetheart Candidate 4.



ROY RADMAKER

"Bone" -- Baseball, girls, and dances are his true loves--frequently found in Monticello--Tony's pal.

Chorus 1; Football 2; Basketball 1,2,3; Track 1,2,3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; "B" Club 1,2,3,4.

DEWAYNE SHONKWILER

Easy-going and dependable--if silence paid dividends, he would be rich.



CAROL DAVIS

A whiz in the commercial room--"All good things come in small packages"--quiet but observant.

G.A.A. 1,4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; News Staff 1; Annual Staff 4.



As We Realized Our High



SALLY NOE

An all-around good sport--shy manner with an attractive smile.

Chorus 1,2,3,4; Majorette 2,3; G. A.A. 1,2; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4.



LELAND STILL

"Blinky"--He stands high not only in stature but also in achievements --firm in his beliefs--never hesitant to say what he thinks.

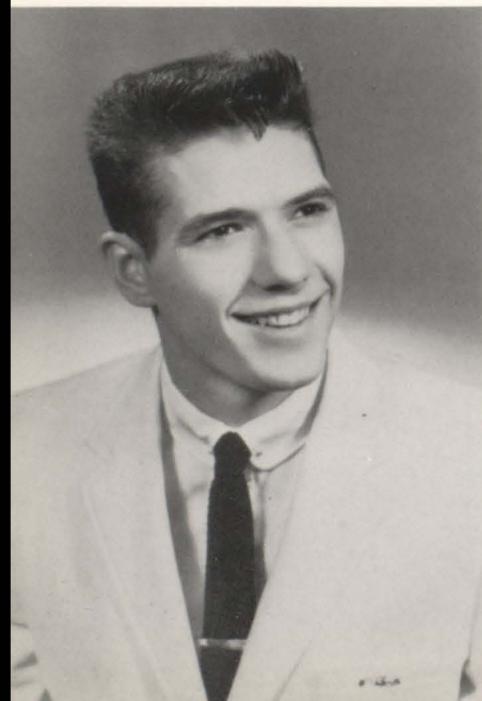
Chorus 4; Football 1,3; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3; "B" Club 2,3, 4; Newstaff 1; Science Club 2; Senior Play.



PAT FRITZ

Cute as a button--not much for "gab"; just laughs--considers everyone her friend.

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4.



TONY STROHL

"Wop"--Good looks plus alert mind plus a streak of mischief equals good company plus a touch of rebellion.

Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Track 1,2,3,4; Baseball 3,4; "B" Club 2,3,4.

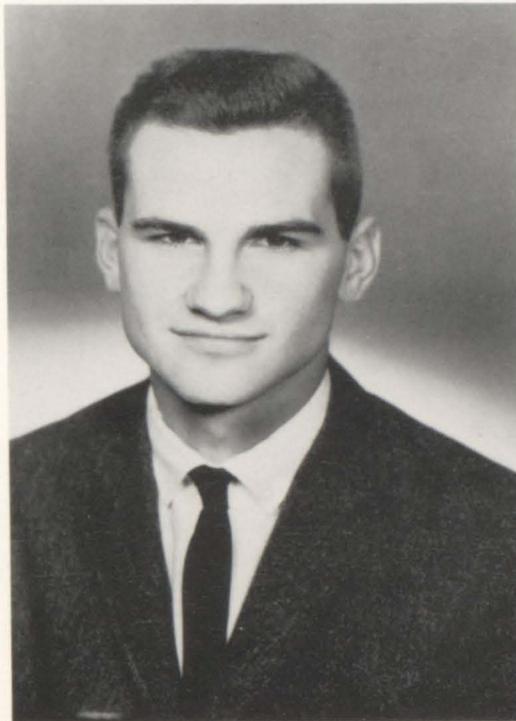
School Days Were Over.



CATHY WILCOX

Makes friends readily--inhabitant of Bunk's room--easily riled, but forgives and forgets.

Chorus 1,2,3,4; G. A. A. 1,2,3,4; Secretary-Treasurer 4; F. H. A. 1,2,3,4; Annual Staff 1,4; Library Club 3; Senior Play.



BILL MORRIS

Excellence in athletics will carry over into his later life--a leader among men--full of ambition.

Student Council 1,2; Football 1,2,3,4, Co-Captain 4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; B Club 1,2,3,4; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4, Secretary 2, Vice-President 3, President 4.

JOHN SCOTT

"Scottie"--Ivesdale man with an eye for fun--not easily swayed--his pet economy is money.

Class Vice-President 2; F.F.A. 1,2,3,4; Reporter 2, Treasurer 3; Kamera Klub 1.



JUANITA DANENHOWER

"Netie"--One of our Ivesdalians--pretty, practical, and pleasant--always busy.

F.H.A. 1,2,3,4.



We Stepped Forth



JIM DAUGHERTY

"Dusty"--Transfer student from Atwood--a penny for his thoughts would yield cars--the difficult doesn't stop him; try, try again.

Atwood 1; Band 1,2,3; Track 1,3, 4, B Club 4; F.F.A. 1,2; News Staff 3; Kamera Klub 2.



LINDA BOLSEN

"Lynn"--Lives for cheerleading--would like to dance her way to success--well-rounded personality.

Student Council 2,3; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Football Cheerleader 1, 2, 2, 4; Basketball Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4; News Staff 1,2,3,4; Library Club 2,3,4, Vice-President 3, President 4; Homecoming Queen Candidate 4.



MARCIA DOBSON

"Mart" -- Athletic interests--giggles easily--friendly and agreeable--"A blush is the color of virtue."

Chorus 2; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4, President 4; F.H.A. 1,2,3,4, Vice-President 4; News Staff 4.



STEVE LAMBERT

"Manfred"--Small in stature, large in personality--good natured--man of the outdoors.

Football 1,2,3; Track 1.

To Greet New Horizons.



ALFRED HILL

"Junior"--Always on the go--"Want to argue about it?;" then forgets to argue--Dick Merry's right-hand man at noon-hour.

Class Secretary-Treasurer 2; Chorus 1, 2; Football 1, 2; Basketball 1; Track 1; F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4.



BARBARA BUSEY

"Barb"--Everybody's friend--a sense of humor to be admired--loves to dance and draw.

Senior Play.



JOHN CLEMENTS

"Whitey"--Johnny on the spot" when Bunk needs assistance--can do what he sets his mind to.

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 2.

SENIOR SCHOLASTIC TOP TEN

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| Donna Steidinger | 4.97 |
| Mike Ball | 4.94 |
| Bob Harper | 4.86 |
| Virginia Livingston | 4.83 |
| Leland Still | 4.83 |
| Bob Pruitt | 4.59 |
| Pat Knowles | 4.42 |
| Sharon Horn | 4.36 |
| Keith Bolsen | 4.36 |
| Alice Fay | 4.35 |

Commencement Week Brought To A Close



FIRST ROW: Carol Davis, Barbara Busey, Pat Knowles, Donna Steidinger, Linda Bolsen, Mary Jo Glennon, Suzanne Gadbury, Pat Fritz, Juanita Danenhowe, John Scott. SECOND ROW: Vivian Alexander, Marcia Dobson, Steve Lambert, Sally Noe, John Barnett, Sharon Horn, Virginia Livingston, Dick Pruitt. THIRD ROW: Tony Strohl, Roy Radmaker, Sandy Strohl, Bob Pruitt, Becky Dobson, Denny Ferguson, Alice Fay, Bill Morris, Sunny Strohl. FOURTH ROW: Cathy Wilcox, John Strack, Dewayne Shonkwiler, Mike Ball, Junior Hill, John Clements. FIFTH ROW: Jim Daugherty, Bob Harper, Leland Still, Keith Bolsen, David Dial, Bob Burton.

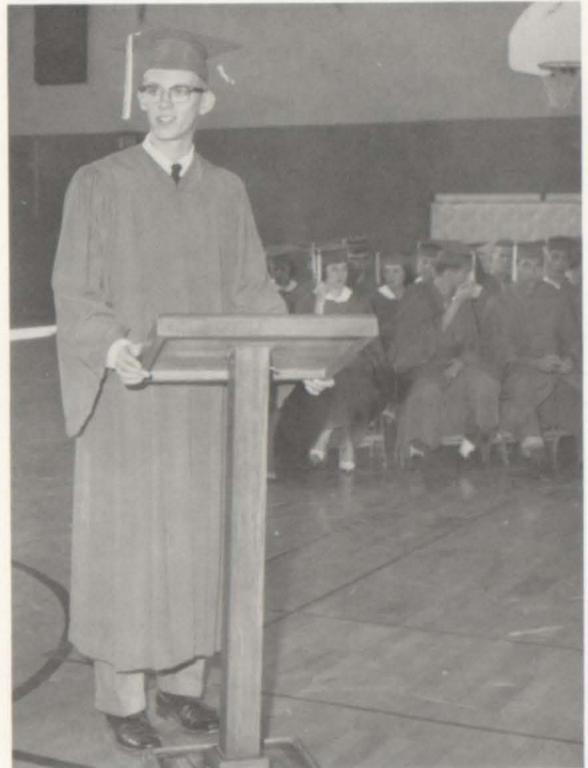


After Mr. Hargrave, our principal, presented the class, Mr. Slater, our superintendent, handed out the diplomas to the 1961 graduating seniors.

The High School Days Of The Class Of '61



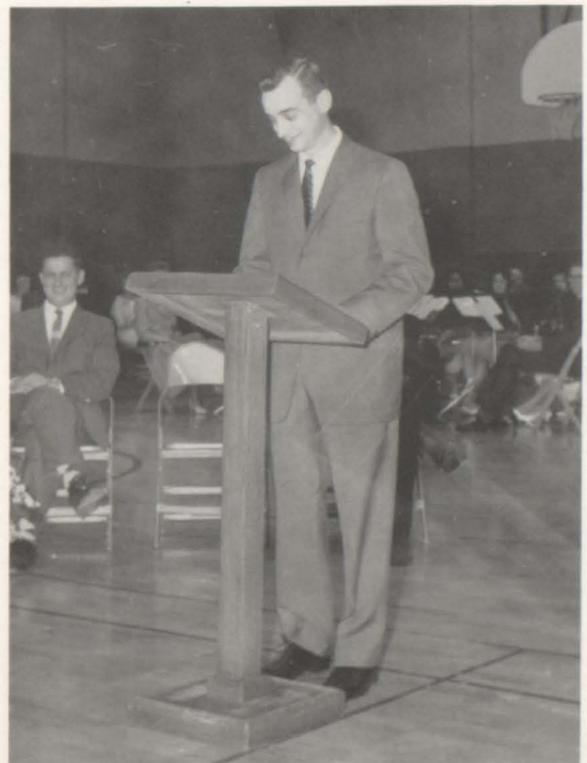
VALEDICTORIAN
Donna Steidinger



SALUTATORIAN
Mike Ball

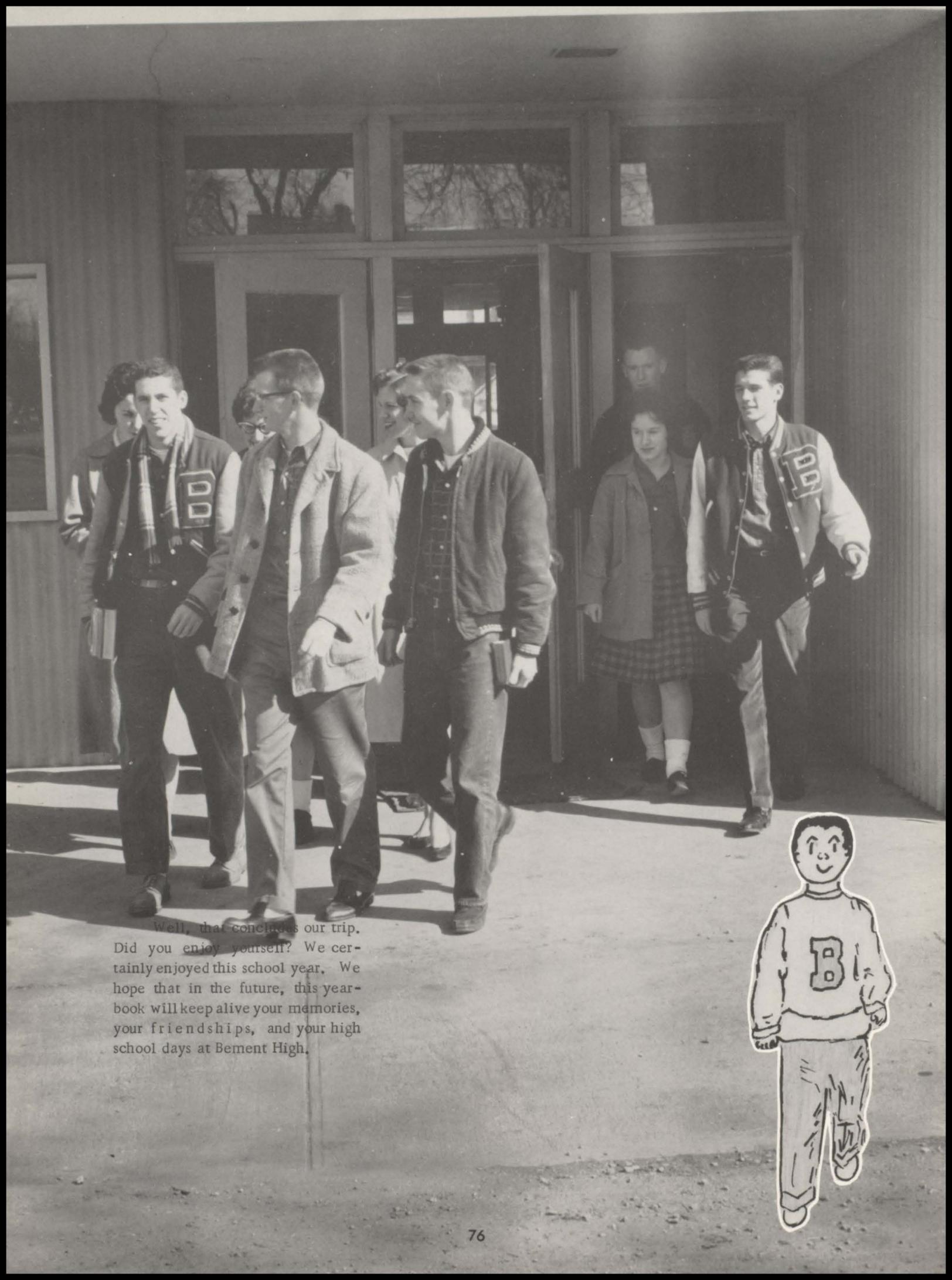


Mr. Glen Spearman



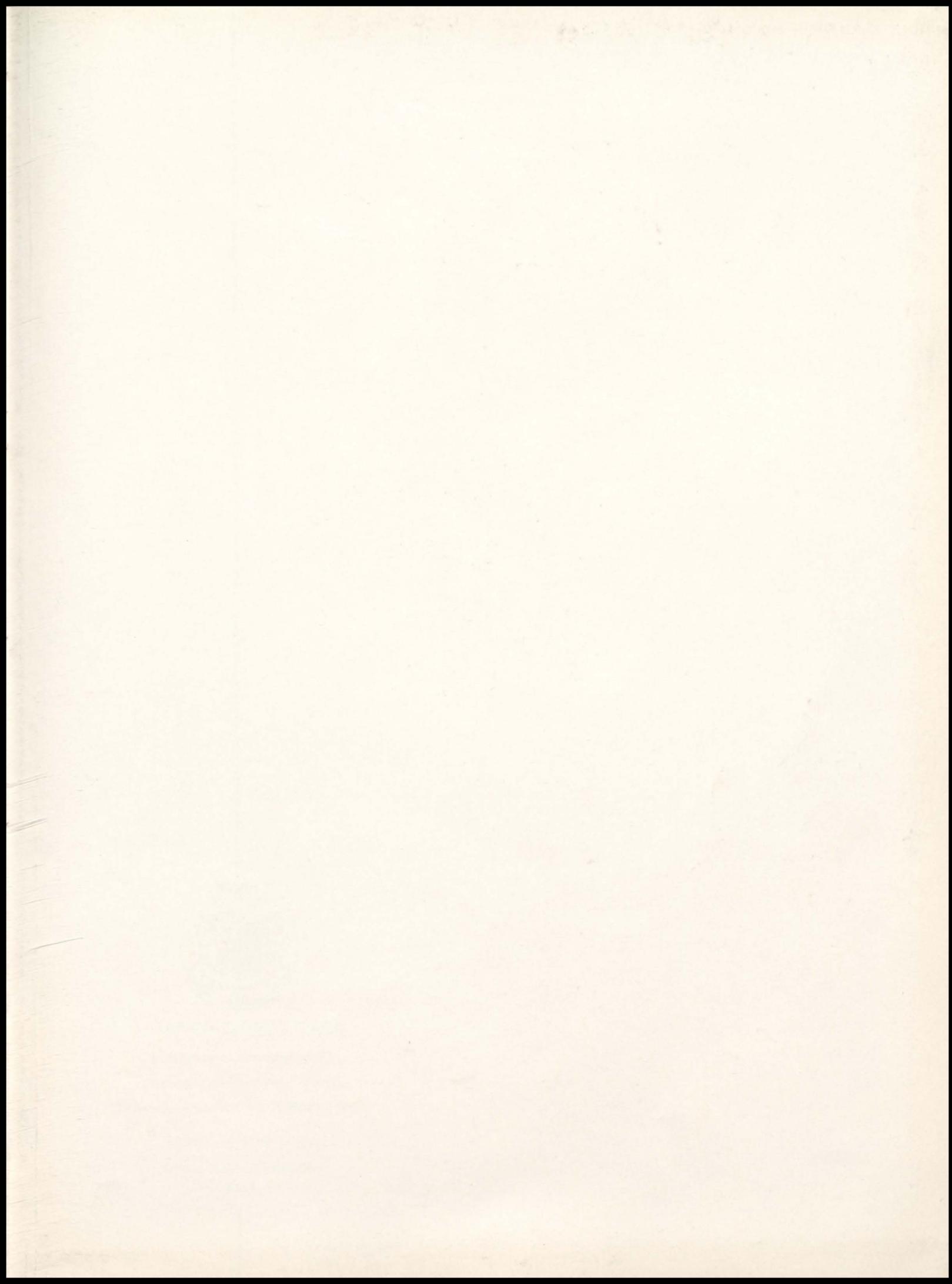
Mr. Bruce Still

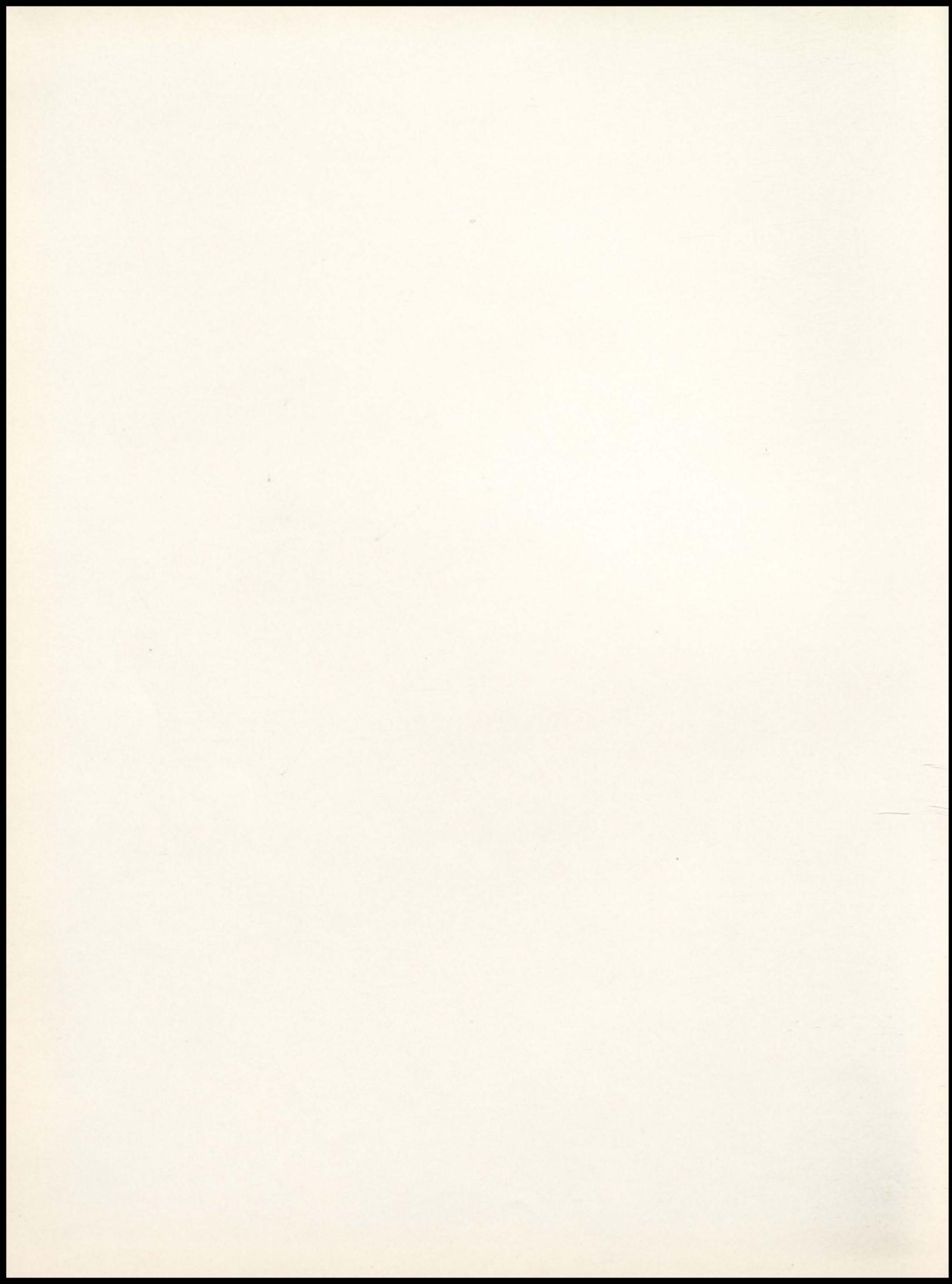
It was a privilege for the Class of 1961 to have as their speakers, Mr. Glen Spearman and Mr. Bruce Still, alumni of Bement High School. Mr. Spearman, graduate of the class of 1957, was the Baccalaureate speaker, and Mr. Still, graduate of the class of 1948, gave the Commencement address.



Well, that concludes our trip. Did you enjoy yourself? We certainly enjoyed this school year. We hope that in the future, this yearbook will keep alive your memories, your friendships, and your high school days at Bement High.









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