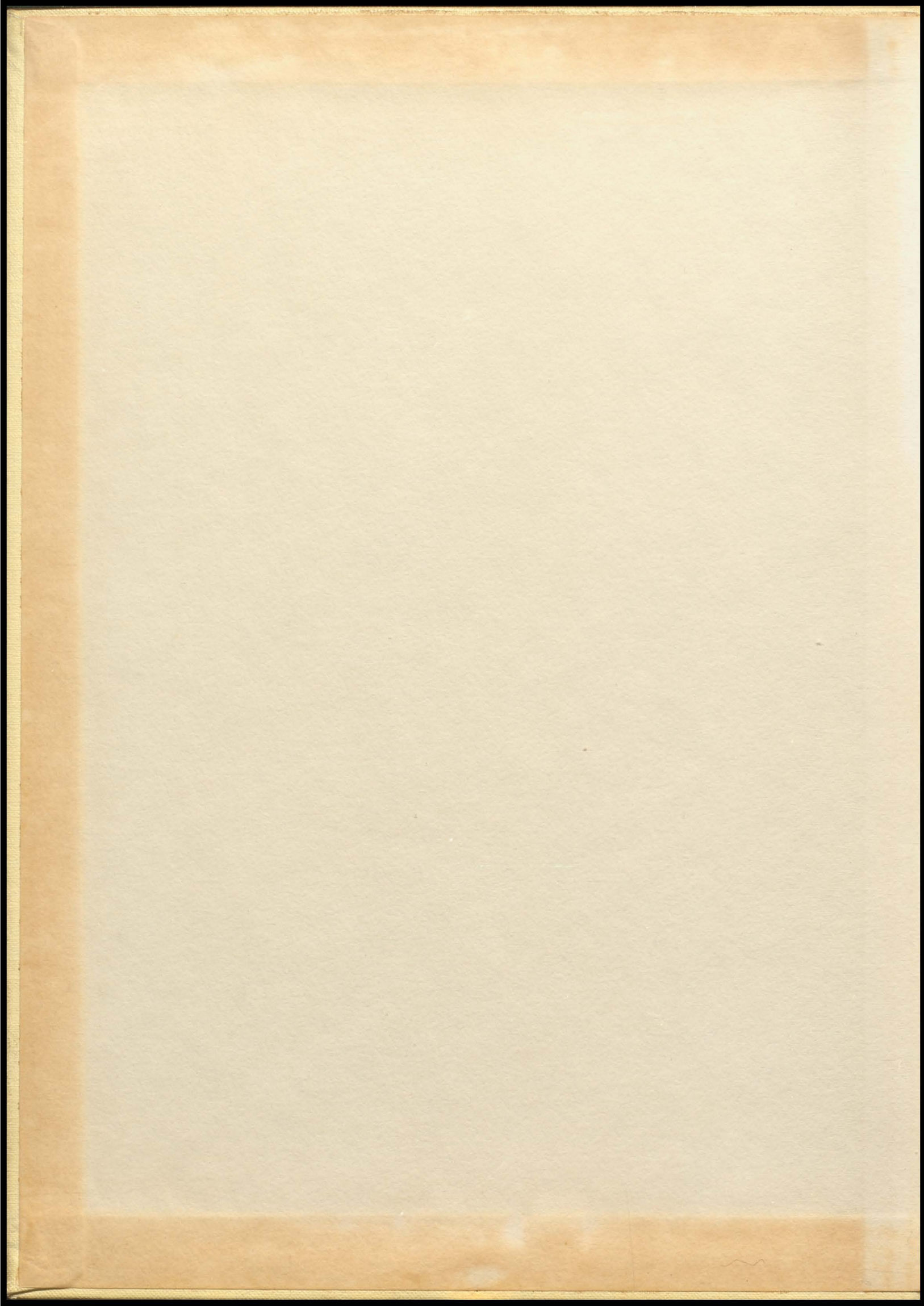
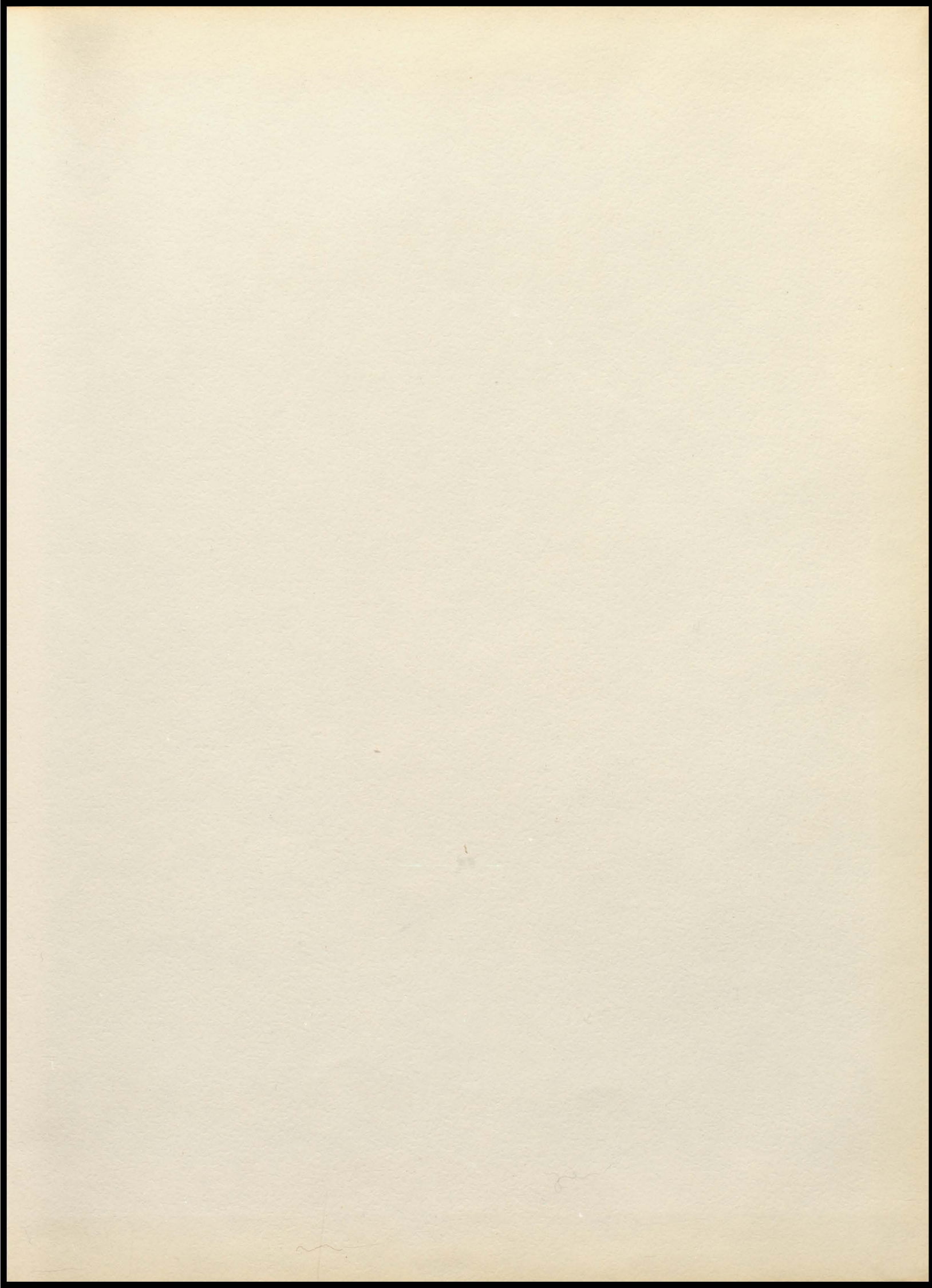


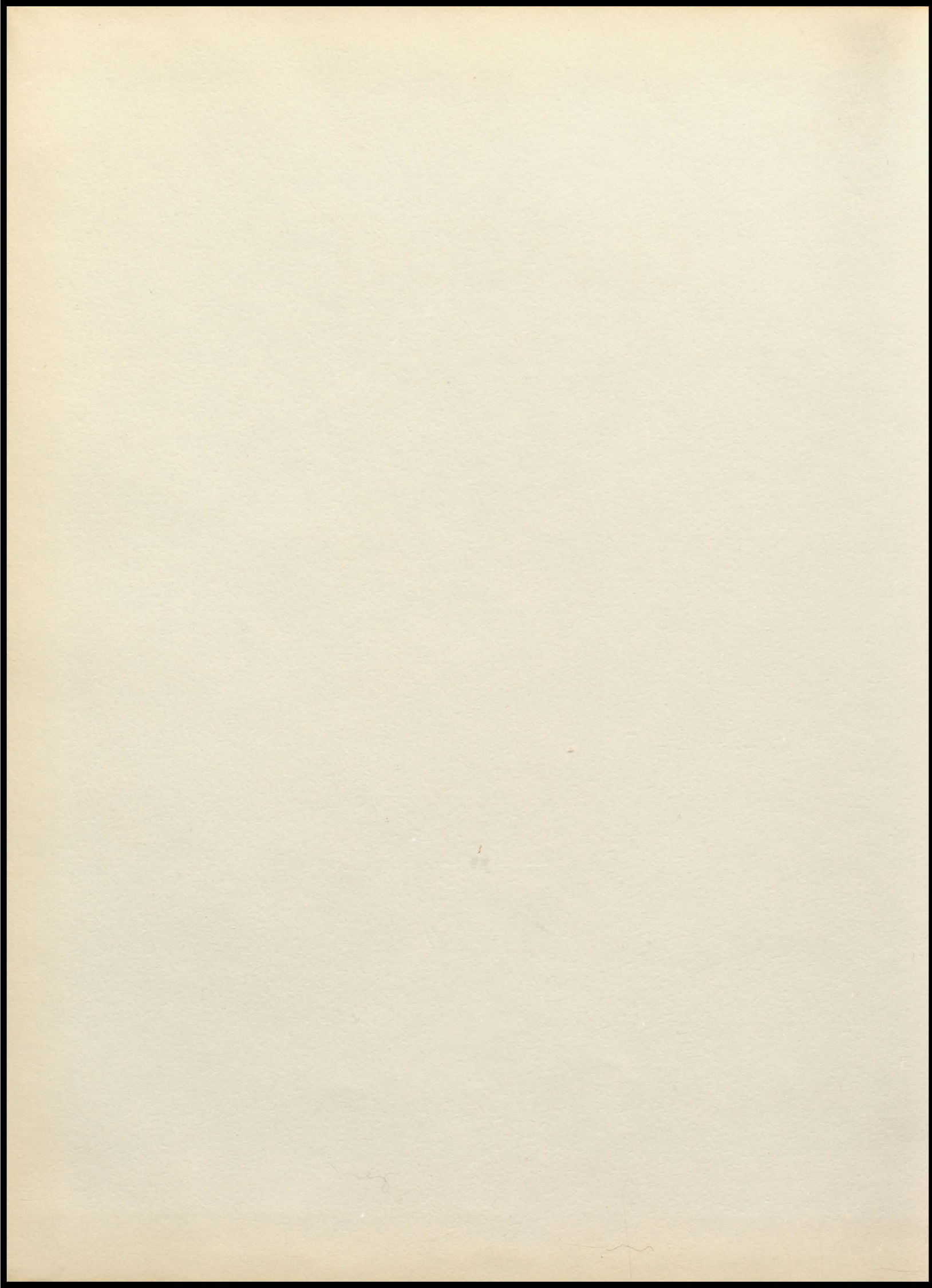


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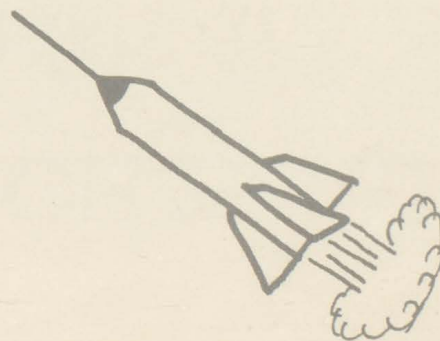
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. . . for the students



1959 Found Man on the Threshold of a New Age,

The school year 1958-59 was indeed the Dawn of a New Era. The seniors were leaving behind one of the most memorable eras of their lives. The underclassmen were also leaving behind the old and embarking upon a vast new adventure.



In the world it was a time of trouble and conflict. The world was on a volcano that was threatening to erupt. The United Nations worked overtime to avert a third world war.

The world was also on the threshold of space. After a series of failures, so many satellites were launched that space resembled a California freeway.

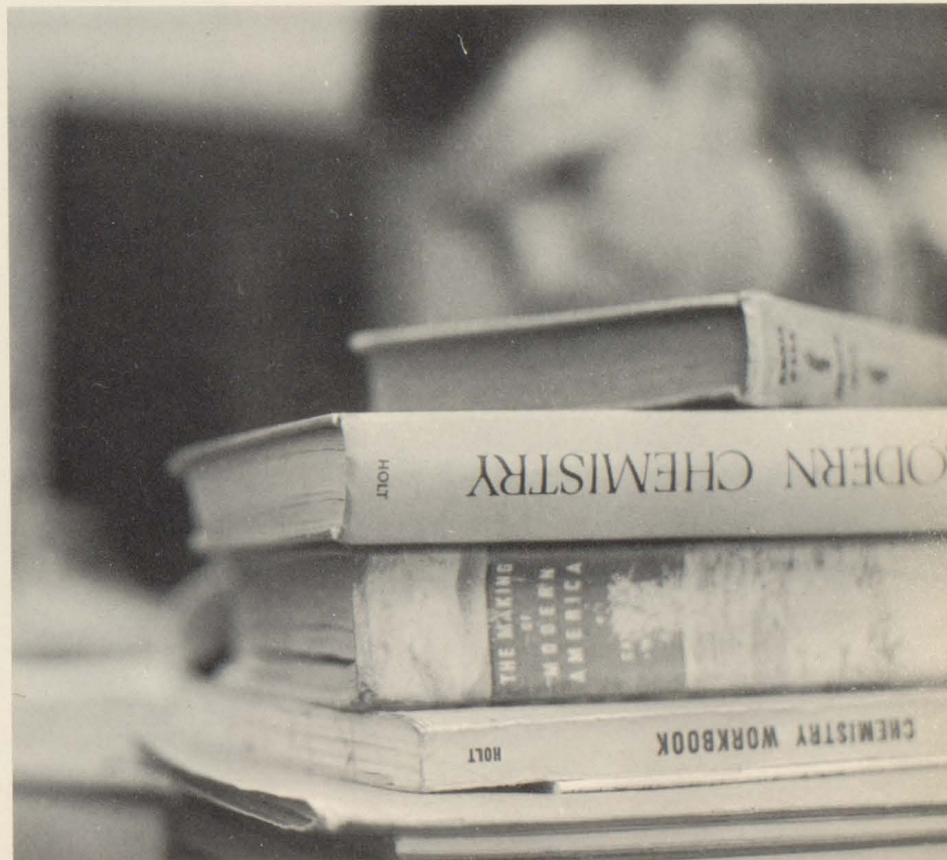


but Still Plagued by the Same Age-old Questions.



But most of the seniors couldn't help but think with misgivings that this was their last year. It seemed as if every time they turned around the thought occurred to them that this would be the last time they would be doing whatever they happened to be doing--the last football or basketball game, the last band concert, even the last "Good morning, folks!"

In the school, amid the joy and laughter, there were to be heard some dissenting moans. The reasons were clear: homerooms and studyhalls were dropped, students were required to take five subjects, graduation requirements were raised, and, most important of all, the girls had suddenly disappeared into dresses appropriately called "sacks."



Willkie Students, on the Threshold of Maturity Wonder



cars on a crisp autumn day that was Homecoming. There was the Panther Band which, even with new soundproofing in its practice room, still made it hard to take a test while it was rehearsing. Then there were the sounds of banging lockers and noisy, cheerful voices in the halls, and the traditional warning to visitors, "If a bell rings while you're in the halls, lie flat against the wall or you'll be trampled!"

But school was predominantly a time of happiness, and these thoughts and misgivings didn't last long. There were too many things to do--dances, basketball games, football games, activities, and homework which was usually hard but very necessary. There were all the sights and sounds of school life: the colorful dresses on lovely girls, the flashing batons of high-stepping majorettes, the beautifully decorated



If Theirs Will Be the Generation to Find the Answer.

But for all the reminiscing, there was a great deal of looking forward also. There were plans of college, possible marriage, and, for the boys, a military obligation. For all the things that had been done for the last time, there were many more things to be done for the first time. There were wonderful things waiting to be done in every field of human experience.



Indeed it was the Dawn of a New Era in our lives, and the students at Wendell L. Willkie High School, armed with the knowledge and experiences gained there, were willing and eager to take part in it.



EVENTS — 1959



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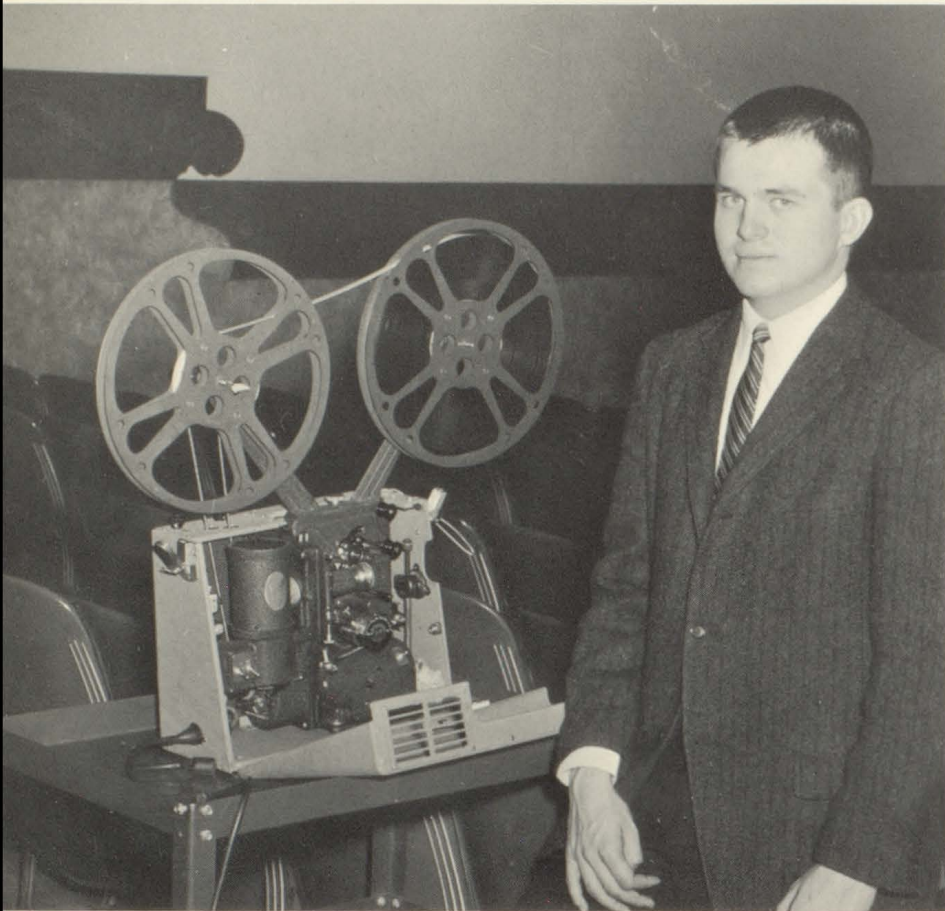


Events of 1959 Included: Plays, Dances, and Concerts;

School days are filled with so many seemingly meaningless happenings which add to school life and give each day a true depth. Big events, such as the prom and homecoming, will always be remembered through pictures and souvenirs, but the insignificant incidents are more readily forgotten.

Some things we do remember. We recall pizza parties, cutting up in class, and occasionally talking seriously with other teen-agers or adults about the problems of growing up. We remember piling in an over-loaded jalopy for a blessed ride home, and, of course, we remember studying. Report cards had a way of sneaking up at the least expected times.

One of our auditorium program speakers, Mike Sumner, prepares to show a film on his trip around the world in 1956.



Before Classtime at Willkie High:

The freshman, having previously prepared his lesson, sits quietly.



The sophomore catches up on that last minute reading.



and Also Themes, Cards, Tests, and Teen-age Crushes.

Most of all we remember our friends--the teen-agers with whom we have grown up. Though we may wander separate ways later on in life--sometimes never to meet again--we will not forget each other.

Where there are teen-agers, there are puppy loves, and this is true at EHS. Some of these will go astray; yet others will not. They will grow as we grow.

These are valuable times. They are times we will treasure always. In order to remember them better they are being recorded here in this, our own memory book, for us to look at and reminisce in the years to come.

Loyal Elwood fans back their beloved Panthers to the last cheer or tear.



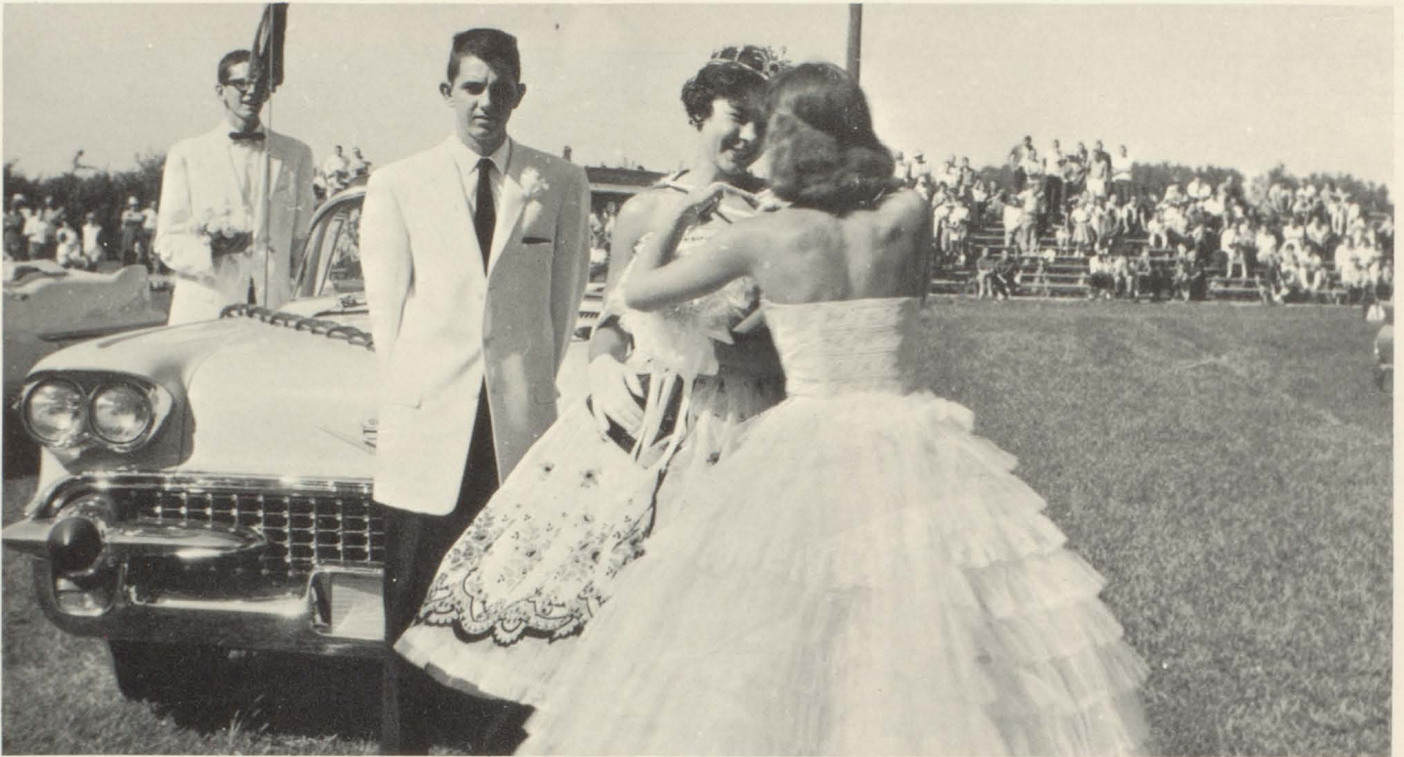
Juniors would rather talk than study on lessons.



The senior--well, the senior has other things on his mind.



A Spectacular Parade, a Lovely Queen, and a Dreamy Dance



"Pretty Eileen for Homecoming Queen" was a dream come true for the Juniors as Miss Eileen Plummer was crowned Queen of 1958 by Miss Barbara Klein.

Homecoming is a magical word that instantly brings to mind visions of a crisp autumn afternoon, colorful floats, sparkling bands, football, and beautiful candidates for Homecoming Queen. And, of course, the alumni return home to renew old friendships.

This year's Homecoming was no exception. The weather was beautiful, and while the mighty Panthers bowed to a tough Tipton squad by the score of 13-6, for Elwood's first Homecoming loss, there was football good enough to please any fan.

Lovely Miss Judy Harting was the popular Senior candidate.

"Regina Means Queen" was the cry of the sophomores for Miss Regina Litsey."



Were Shadowed by Our First Homecoming Loss



Shedding tears of joy, Queen Eileen smiles happily with her crown, trophy, and regal robe as the Panther Band escorts her in the Queen's Parade.

The beautiful girls were also in evidence. After a closely contested campaign, Miss Eileen Plummer was crowned as Homecoming Queen. Her court was made up of equally charming and lovely girls; Miss Judy Harting, senior candidate; Miss Regina Litsey, sophomore; and Miss Robinpat Tam, freshman.

To add the final touches to an almost perfect day there was the annual Homecoming Dance. It brought to a close a day that was filled with those wonderful experiences that would be remembered as a part of Homecoming, 1958.

The class of '62 chose Miss Robinpat Tam as its first Homecoming candidate.

The Queen of '57, Miss Barbara Klein, is seated after crowning Eileen.





Dave Small and Jon King give last minute instructions before the big race.

Sadie Hawkins Day Is D-Day for Senior Boys

Sadie Hawkins's Day is an annual event planned by the senior class and based on the newspaper cartoon of Li'l Abner.

At the sound of a gun the boys scattered over the Panther Den. At the second gun the girls gave chase. No holds were barred as the girls often formed gangs to drag the boys across the victory stripe.

Once across the line, the boys were pledged to "marry" their captors. The boys didn't mind though as they quickly bought kissing licenses.

Each year a member of the junior class is chosen to be Marryin' Sam. Jon King was the culprit all of the boys were after this year.

The girls close in for the capture of an unlucky male.

Sponsor Ross Sharp gave the girls a hand by carrying a reluctant male.

John Waymire vainly pleads for his freedom before Marryin' Sam.





Tragedy strikes the Maxwell home, as Steve Fettig returns from school sporting a black eye.

And the Senior Play Is Entertainment for Everyone.

The Senior Class Play, "Dear Diary," was based on the day dreams of an overly imaginative, but otherwise typical, teen-ager.

Much work goes into the presentation of a play, but the enjoyment gathered from such an experience greatly outweighs the work.

Sharon Wilburn makes up Sherry Frazier before the first performance of the play.

Steve Fettig and Chris Pantos are a mischievous pair in the play.

Ted Schuck and Jerry McCoy tangle during rehearsal.



The New Semester Brought a "Winter Fantasy,"



While the cold winds blew and the white snow swirled outside the Panther Den on January 22, Willkie High students danced in a somewhat warmer "Winter Fantasy." Members of the Crescent staff did not have to decorate too much to create the feeling of winter as students had to brave a severe Indiana winter to attend the dance.

A queen reigned over "Winter Fantasy." The traditionally senior court, nominated by the civics classes, included Misses Annie Orbaugh, Alice Swackhamer, Sandy Robison, Esteleen Arnold, Sherry Beasley, and Mary Combs.

Everyone attending the dance was eligible to cast a vote for his favorite candidate. After the votes were counted, the Willkie High Combo played a fanfare as Bill Mosbaugh, Crescent sports editor, crowned pretty Miss Sherry Beasley 1959 Crescent Snow Queen.

Dancers swirled to the music of the Willkie High Combo.

Queen Sherry smiles happily as her court looks on. The Snow Court consisted of Mary Combs, Annie Orbaugh, Alice Swackhamer, Esteleen Arnold, and Sandy Robison.

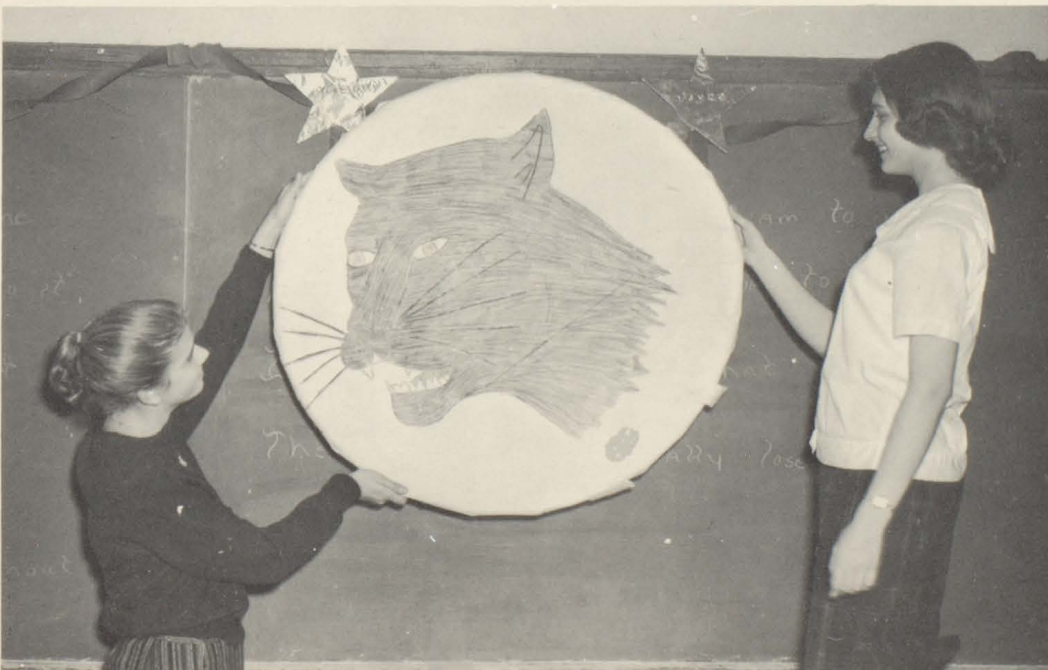


and a Heart-breaking Sectional Loss to Pendleton.

Last night my team went down--so narrowly,
When I had thought that we would have won so easily,
Indeed, I dreamed of a length of swift successes,
Glorified by fabulous play and high heroics.
But then--of a sudden--it was over,
And we were out, eliminated (awful word!)--
I was held fast in the cold arms of defeat,
Til hardly could I breathe;
The victor's shouts and laughter, like lashes,
Whipped the raw flesh of my misery--
Mocking, deriding, exulting.
Indeed, I wished that I were dead.
I sought the sanctuary, the cloak of night,
Even the stars looked down to mock my awful shame.
And I wished again that I were dead.
Someone, to soften and console, with arm about my shoulder said,
"We'll show them all--next year."
But next year is so very far away.
By then I could be dead; I hoped I would be dead.

That--all that was yesterday.
This morning I awoke to the barking of my dog,
Cavorting about my bed.
He was as glad to see me as before,
Sensed not the bitterness of my defeat.
Outside my window a new bird of spring,
Shrilled out his ancient song of joy;
The sun rode up the sky, dignified and serene,
Warming alike the winners and the losers,
And I was glad I was alive.

Donald Brown



The backing of the fans plays an important role in sectional crowns. This year Elwood was undefeated in spirit. During Red and Blue Week students such as Janie Bykowski and Jane Marty decorated the halls and rooms.

The Panthers lost a heart-breaking overtime game to Pendleton in Elwood's first game. But all of Elwood was immensely proud of their Panthers.

Just a Buck Brought a Panther Band "Spectacular,"



The finale of the Varieties was the "Gay Nineties" routine by the Willkie Majorettes.



Lovely Diane Etchison was accompanied by the Willkiettes.

Pretty Trudy Land of Windfall thrilled the audience with her singing.

The Feature Twirlers kicked up a "Redskin Ramble."

Ann Kincaid was outstanding in "Spotlight on the Piano."



With a roll of drums and a clash of cymbals, the curtain swung back on the 1958 Panther Band Variety Show, the first of its kind to be held in Elwood.

No one among the 2,800 people who saw the Varieties could imagine how much work had gone into it. Plans for the show were drawn up in December and everyone had been working hard since then.

But the crowd did know that what it saw was worth far more than the buck admission price. Show-stopping acts were the Dixieland Five, the trombone section's "Shoutin' Liza Trombone," Mr. Brugger's "Sixteen Tons," Ann Kincaid's "Spotlight on the Piano," and the beautiful backlight effects.

The Panther Band had two guest performers. Miss Trudy Land captured the hearts of her audience. Little Selita Sue Smith, national six-year-old twirling champ, was outstanding.

Elwood and Willkie High were certainly proud of the Panther Band and the Band Parents that night.

and Half-a-Buck Brought a Terrific Junior Class Play



Mr. Donald Brown directs a tense scene during the dress rehearsal.



Everything went wrong when the Albrights tried to entertain Stephen Dunberry.

Mary Jo Brown tries to console Bill Hobson after he fell in a water tank.

Judy Harting sighs as she hears another idea of Ann Orbaugh.

The make-up committee worked overtime preparing the cast for the play.



but the Highlight of the Year Is the Prom



The highlight of the evening was the crowning of the queen, Miss Brenda Johnson, by the Junior Class Treasurer, Jerry Elledge.

The planning and preparation of a Prom is a tremendous task. After hectic weeks of seemingly endless work, the efforts of the Class of '59 were rewarded.

The Panther Den was transformed into a castle ball room, using the colors of blue and silver. The north end was decorated with roses while the south end had a picture of Cinderella.

Weeks of hard work went into the '58 Prom. Dick Spitzmesser and Ted Shuck were just a few who worked on it.

When the big night finally arrived, everyone was entranced as they danced in a castle fantasy.



and "Some Enchanted Evening" Will Never Be Forgotten.



An Enchanting Queen reigned over Some Enchanted Evening. Queen Brenda, with escort David Sigler and her court, is enthralled.

As the evening progressed, time drew near for the 1958 Prom Queen to be crowned. Lovely Miss Brenda Johnson, escorted by David Sigler, was crowned by Junior Class Treasurer Jerry Elledge. Carefully selected gifts were presented to Queen Brenda by the Junior Class.

When the clock struck twelve, the castle suddenly grew quiet as the visitors went to the smorgasbord at the Country Club.

May 16, 1958, is an evening to be long remembered by all who attended the 1958 Prom for an Enchanted Evening.

Dancers swirled to the music of Tom Moyarity and his band.

Terry Small was one of many who attended the service clubs' smorgasbord at the Country Club after the Prom.





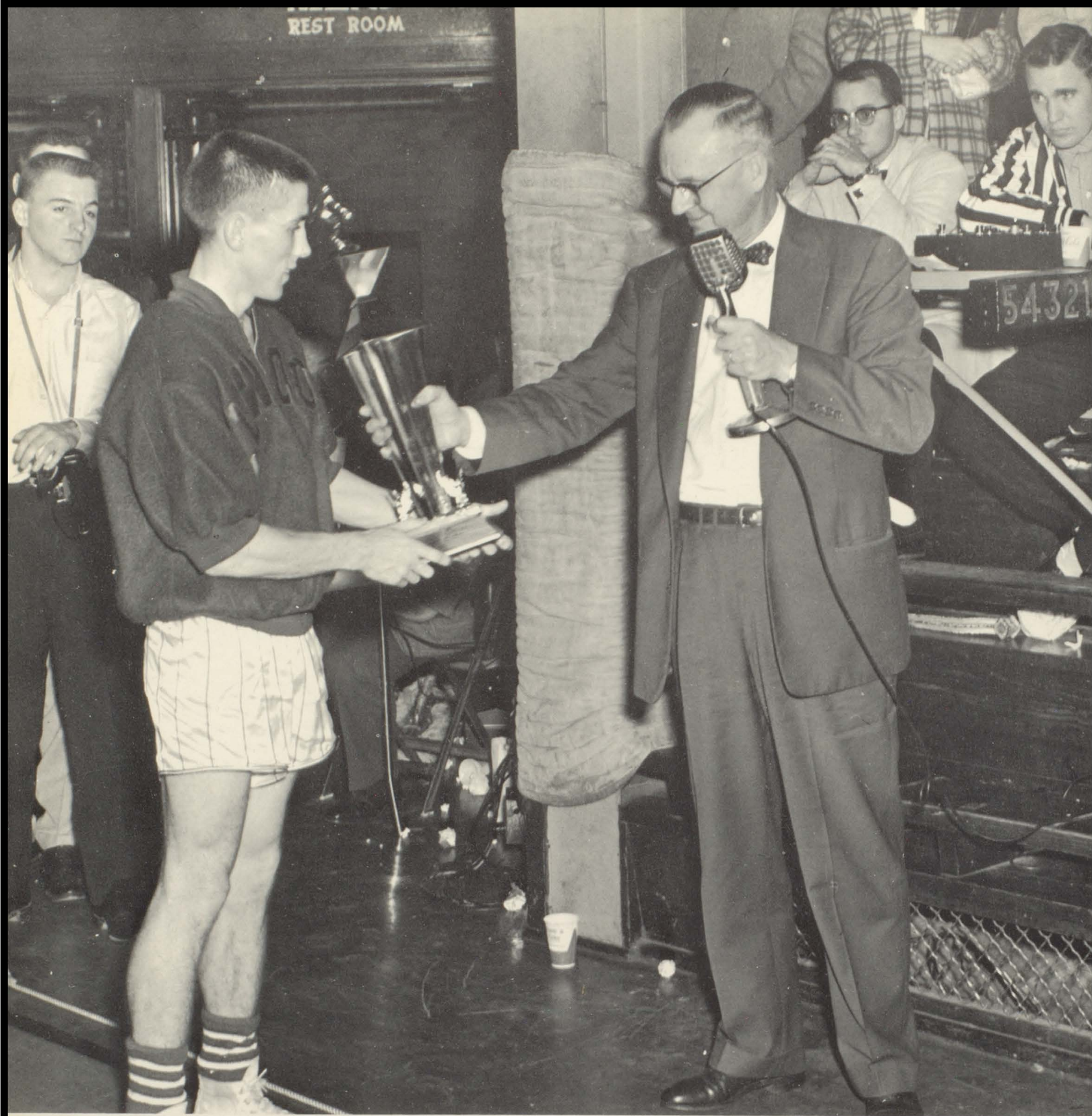
Miss Eileen Plummer

1958 HOMECOMING QUEEN

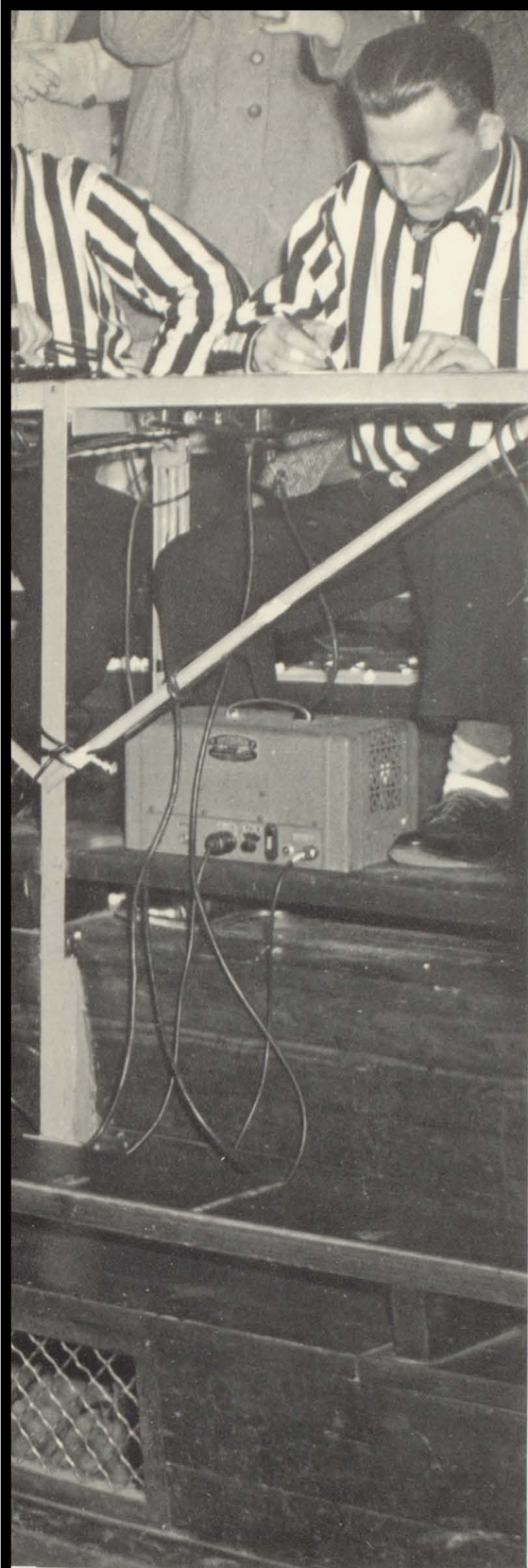


Miss Sherry Beasley

1959 CRESCENT SNOW QUEEN



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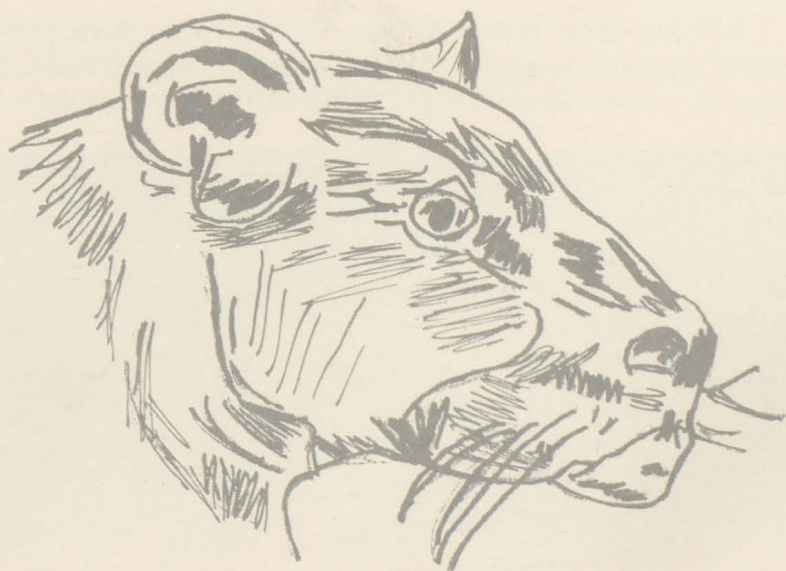


THEY'RE

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YES SIR!



Cries of Victory from Our Four Cheerleaders

"Let's go, Elwood!" is a cry that has echoed throughout the state. While the Mighty Panthers were racking up victory after victory, the "Two S's Plus Two J's" were busy giving the boys the support they needed. Dressed in white sweaters with sharp "Panther-E's" and red and blue skirts, the girls led the Booster Club in brand new yells, like "Give Me the Beat!" and "Team, Team, Rah Rah, Team." The girls did more than just lead cheers; they also decorated hoops for the team to enter through and entertained visiting cheerleaders at halftime. It will be hard to replace Sherry and Sheila, but with Joyce and Jeanine back next year Elwood will continue to be known for its fighting spirit.



Gathering around "Big Blackie," the Panther mascot, are the varsity cheerleaders, Sherry Beasley, head; Joyce Morris, Jeanine Lightfoot, and Sheila Hevron.

A cheerleader's work never ends. The girls must make up new yells and motions, keep the spirit high among adult as well as student fans, and do other things that are a part of victory. For the first game of the basketball season the cheerleaders made this hoop to send the team on its way to a successful season.



and Famous Boosters Echo Throughout the State.



Wilkie High's Booster Club proudly shows off its red sweaters, white collars, and blue E's.

"After the season they give the team a testimonial dinner. I think they should give a dinner to the Booster club too. As hard as those girls work for the team, they deserve some special recognition."

This was the opinion of a typical adult fan concerning Elwood's famous cheer block. The fan said this after the New Castle game when the Booster Club had backed the team through trying moments to a great upset victory.

The Booster Club is an integral part in the success of the Panthers. The one-hundred girls seem to yell loudest when Elwood is behind.

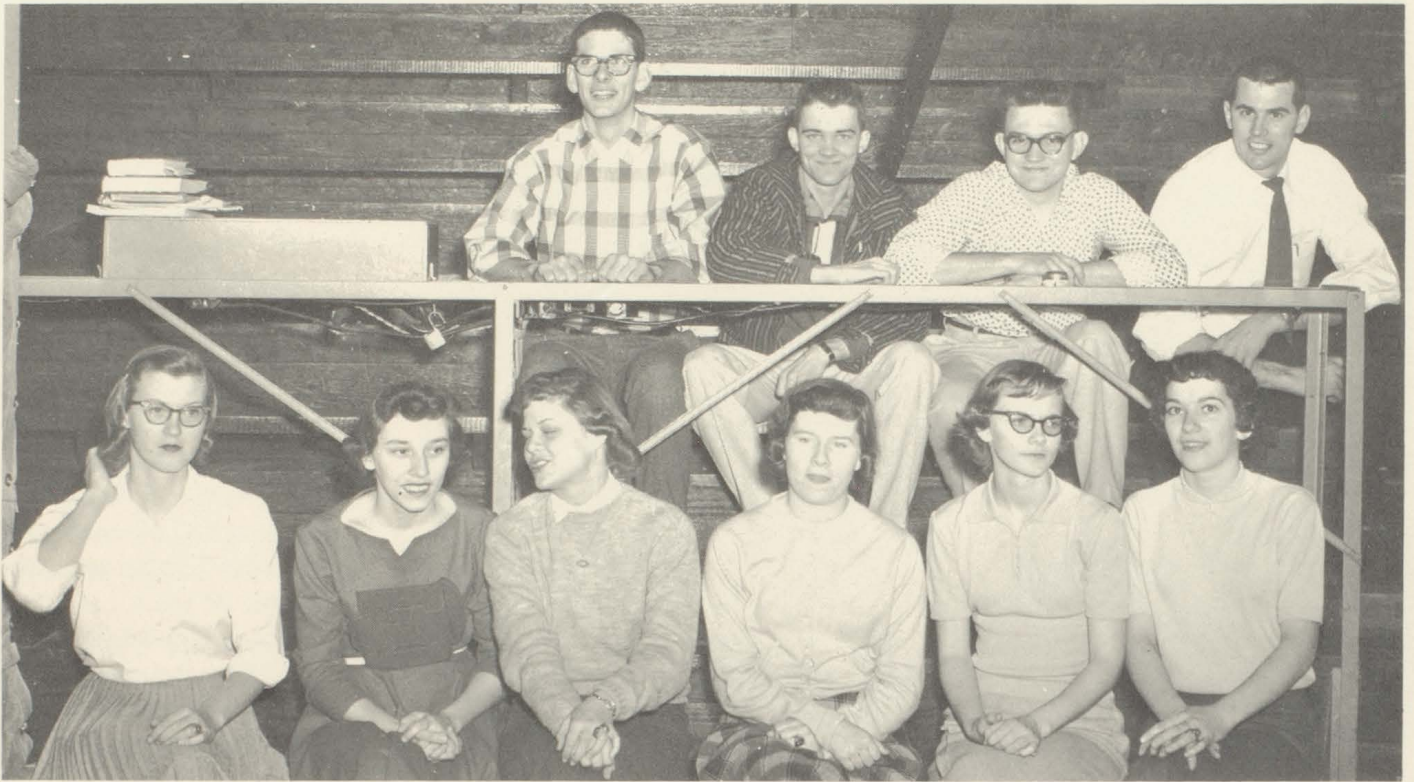
Visiting fans are always delighted at the sharp way the Boosters spell out their name. At the Holiday Tourney the girls spelled out "Happy New Year" with flashlights in the darkened gym.

Wherever the Panthers are, there, too, is the Booster Club.

These candid pictures were taken during the Holiday Tourney and are typical of the support which the Booster Club gives the Mighty Panthers.



What Would We Do Without Those Thrilling Pep-Sessions,



PEP COMMITTEE, FIRST ROW: Joyce Morris, Joyce Rominger, Sheila Hevron, Jeanine Lightfoot, Sharon Hasecuster, and Sherry Beasley. SECOND ROW: Joe Bilby, Bill Mosbaugh, Jerry McCoy, and Coach McNulty.

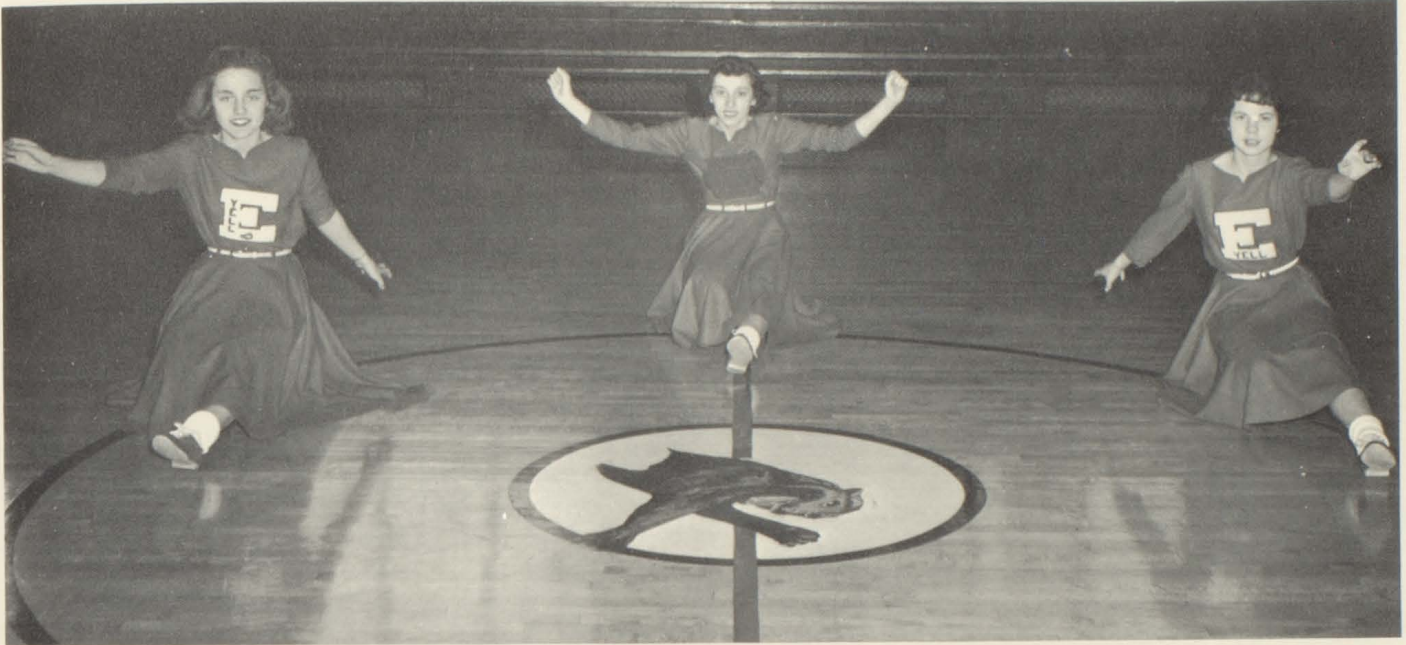
Pep is virtually the backbone of a school. School spirit gives a school its character and holds the students together despite their difficulties and disagreements. The Pep Committee's duty is to keep this pep

alive. This spark of life backs the EHS athletes. It has proved a difficult job to keep the entire student body peppy and enthusiastic, however.

Happy Panther fans clap their hands over the Komeback Kids at a pep session.



and the Open House and Has Been-Will Be Games?



The B-team cheerleaders, Carole Robertson, Joyce Rominger--head; and Eileen Plummer, put in many hours of after-school practice. Their experience usually enables them to become varsity cheerleaders later on.

Elwood's "E-Men" represent for the most part the broadest shoulders in high school. These are the boys (men) who have earned letters by participating in an athletic sport. These are the boys who train, sweat,

and struggle to give Elwood a name in the sports field, and who play their hearts out not only because they are trying to achieve this fame, but also because they love the game.



Longest Winning Season Streak in Madison



1958 PANTHER VARSITY: 1st ROW, Don Graham, Dave Richards, Chuck Phenis, Phil Morgan, Merle Harting, Danny Fuller, Dave Small, Jack Headley, Jimmy Gross, Jimmy Lowder, Bob Dowling, Butch Mitchell, Dick Spitzmesser, Eddie Stage. 2nd ROW, Asst. Coach Rod Shaw, Darrell Murray, Eddie Jones, Terry Small, Ronnie Runyan, Bob Dellinger, Jerry Priest, John Waymire, Tom Peters, Richard Floyd, David Haas, John Graham, Coach Frank Bykowski. 3rd ROW, Ranny Simmons, Jon King, Jerry Robison, Steve Leathers, Charles Blankenship, Pat Wolf, Paul Durm, Delbert Downing, David Thrawl, Phil Alexander, Mike Adams.

"Over-powered, but not out-fought," "full of fight and aflame with desire and determination," "fighting for every yard on the gridiron" --these were just a few of the phrases which the press used to describe the 1958 Panthers. Although the team was unable to gain Willkie High's 13th consecutive winning season, the spirit of the team was that of a champion. Elwood was a team that fought harder when the breaks went against them. The final season record was 3 wins and 7 losses.

As the Panther Band struck up Orange Bowl, the

Panther team took the field against Western on Labor Day. Elwood struck early and often as the Red and Blue wave rolled up a 34-7 victory for Elwood's sixth straight football win. That string was broken in the next game, however, as the Panthers were unable to score against West Lafayette. The Red Devils captured a 20-0 win.

In the next game, Elwood's chances of winning an historic third consecutive CIC title took a nose dive as the defending champs were upended by Tipton, 13-6. This was also Elwood's first Homecoming loss.

County Snapped at Twelve Straight Years



Panther fullback Chuck Phenis is brought down by the Western Panthers. Elwood scored a lop-sided 34-7 victory in the Labor Day opener.

Elwood bounced back strongly after these two straight defeats to trounce Alexandria, 24-6. This was Elwood's 17th straight win over the Tigers.

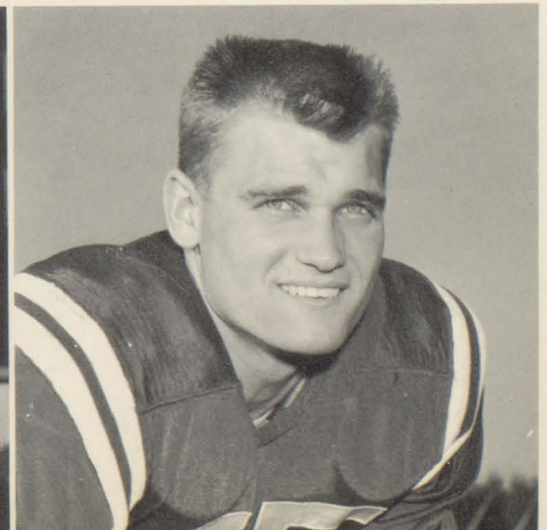
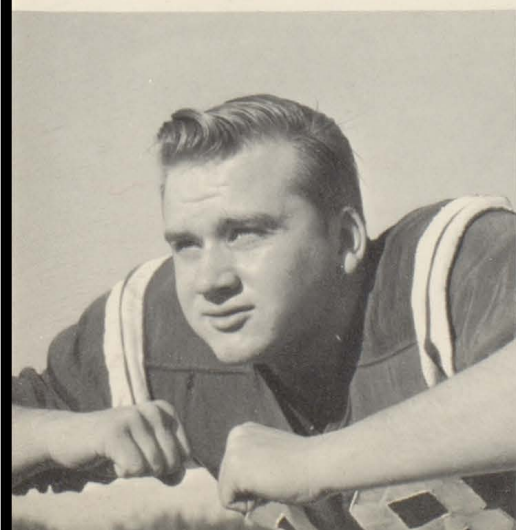
In the best game played at Callaway Park this year, Elwood's fired-up Panthers grabbed a 7-6 half-time lead before bowing to the powerful Kokomo

Wildcats, 31-7. Elwood held the Wildcats for three periods but could not cope with Kokomo's bench strength. Although the team gave it everything they had, by the fourth quarter they were too tired to stop the Wildcats.

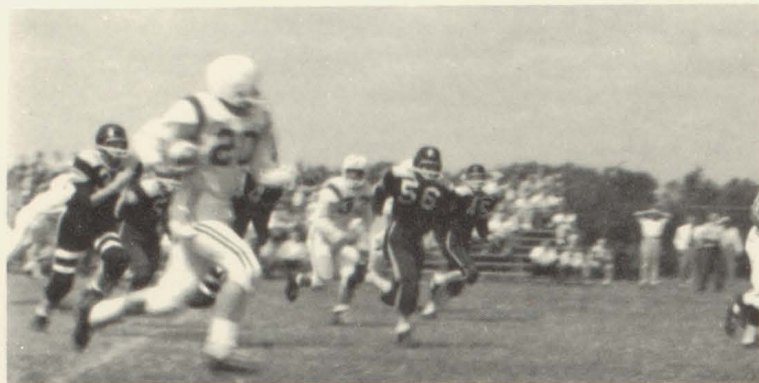
Jack Headley, Captain

Delbert Downing

Bob Dowling



Grid Season Highlighted by Sensational



Phil Morgan, Elwood's leading scorer, breaks loose for another touchdown against Western.

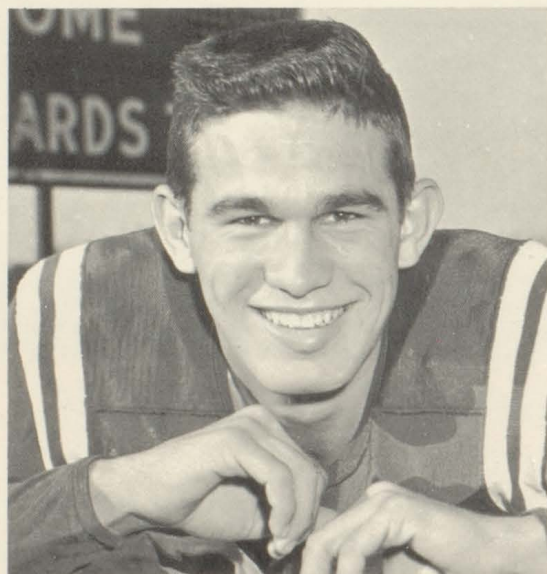
After the excellent showing of courage and determination against Kokomo, the Panthers bowed to North Central, 33-7, in an extremely mediocre showing. Halftime was brightened by shows of both the Elwood Panther Band and the North Central Panther Band.

Things went from bad to worse as Elwood's Panthers were defeated by a last minute Warsaw touchdown. The Tigers came out ahead 13-12.

Scoring early and often in the Panthers' final home game of the season, Elwood defeated the Hartford City Airedales 34-6. Elwood scored the first three times they had the ball to send Panther fans into hysterics.

Elwood's season record now stood at 3 wins and 5 losses. The fans and the team realized that the Red and Blue must win both of their remaining games in order to capture that 13th straight winning season. Accordingly, a large delegation of fans, led by the Panther Band, followed the team to Anderson and backed the team.

Full of fight and determination, the underdog Elwood Panthers came within eleven seconds of doing the "impossible" against the powerful Anderson Indians. The game was a scoreless tie until there were eleven seconds remaining in the game when the Red-skins scored the only touchdown for both teams. Even though the

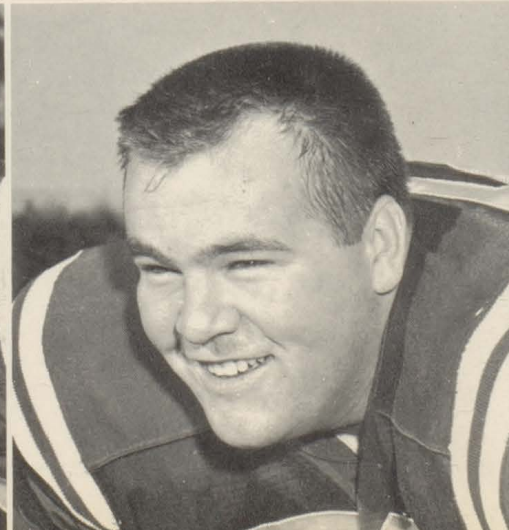
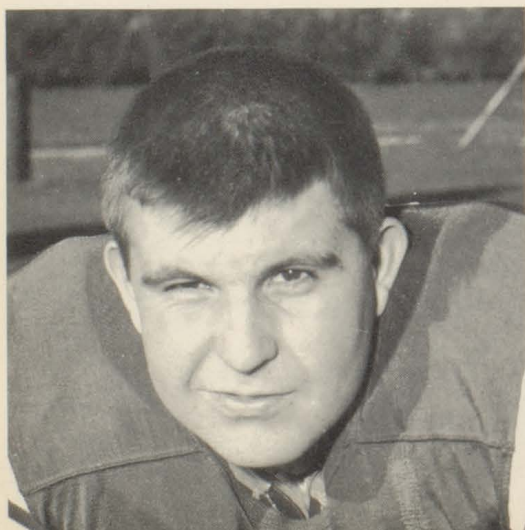


Danny Fuller

Jim Gross

Merle Harting

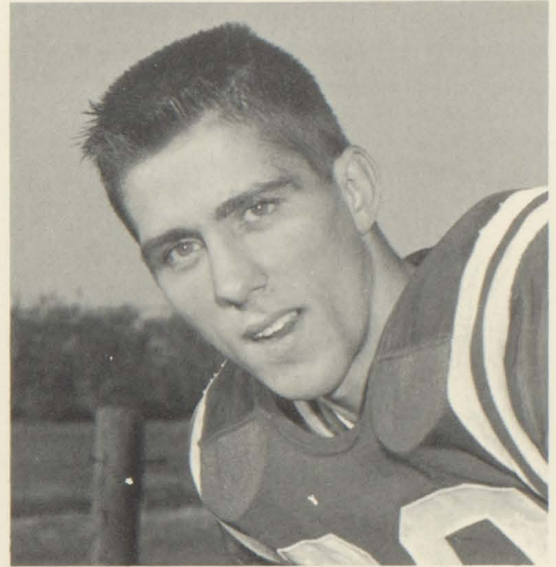
Jim Lowder



Performances Against Kokomo, Hartford, Anderson



Butch
Mitchell



Phil
Morgan

Panthers lost, Elwood fans could not help but be proud of the boys for the terrific game they played.

Elwood completed its poorest football season since 1945 with a dismal 25-0 loss to Peru.

Elwood wound up seventh in the CIC with a 2-3 record. Jack Headley was named to the All-CIC first team while Phil Morgan earned a rating on the All-CIC second squad.

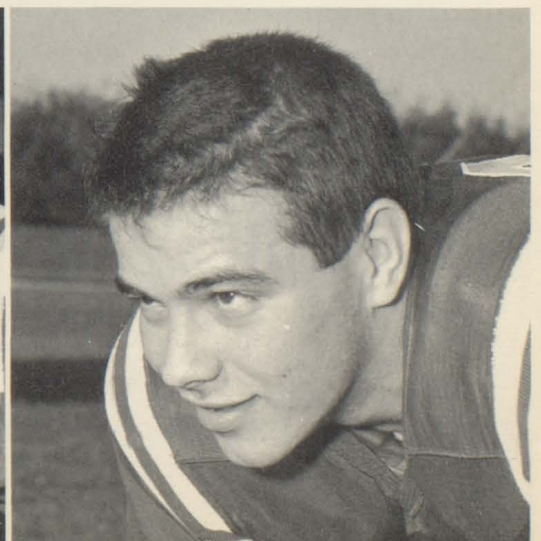


Elwood tries in vain to stop the North Central Panthers from scoring again.

Chuck Phenis

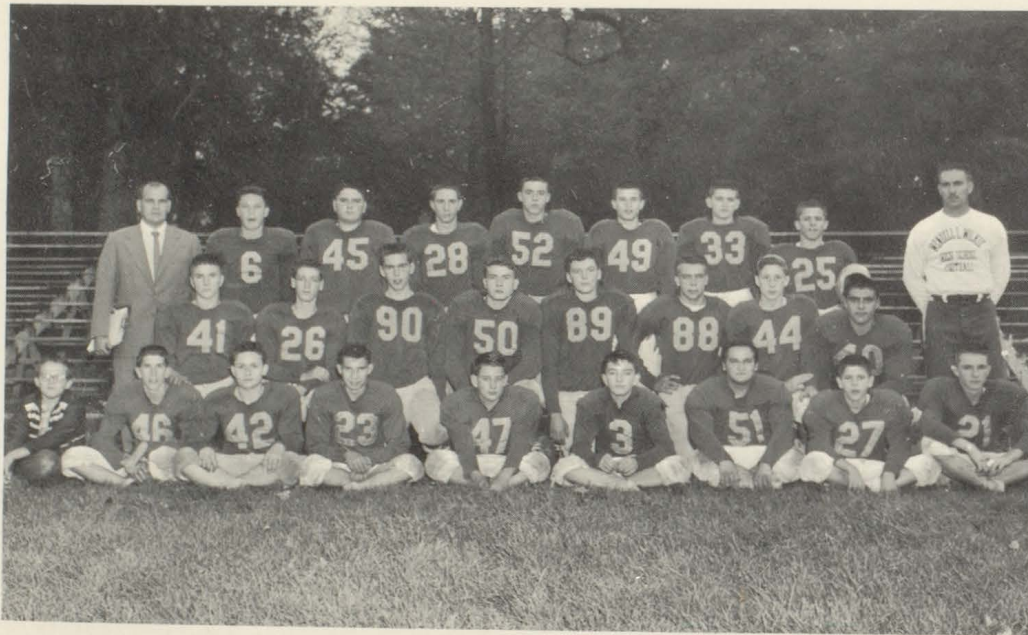
Ranny Simmons

Dave Small



The B-Team and Frosh Gain Valuable Experience,

B-TEAM: 1st ROW: R. Runyan, M. Stover, D. Horton, J. Arnold, D. Haas, B. Lewis, T. Pedro, C. Riser. 2nd ROW: B. Bunch, P. Alexander, D. Hancher, E. Jones, T. Small, L. Holiday, R. Gammon. 3rd ROW: Coach Rod Shaw, D. Thrawl, J. Robinson, P. Durm, C. Blankenship, S. Niverson, S. Leathers, Coach Carl McNulty.

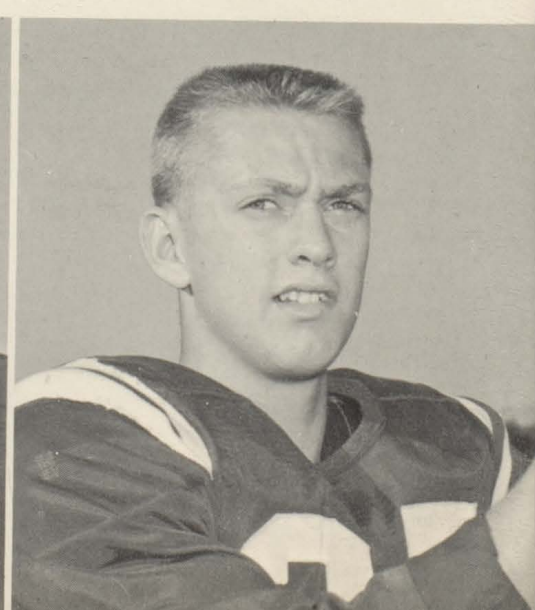
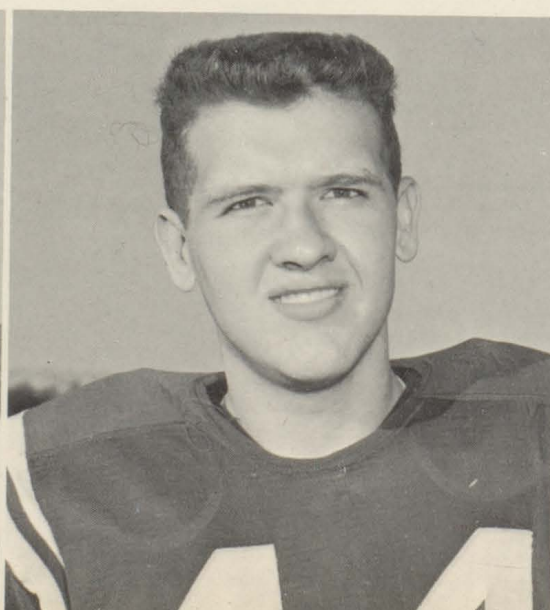
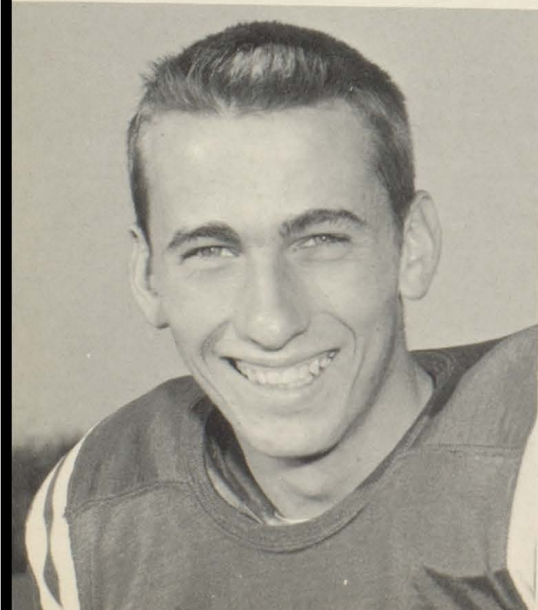


FROSH: 1st ROW: T. Robinette, B. Pearce, L. Chase, E. Yates, D. Alexander, T. Graham, J. Wood, J. Hocker, D. Powell. 2nd ROW: R. Niverson, M. Clary, R. Klein, B. Parker, D. Cline, M. Morris, J. Shull, D. Gillum, Coach Ross Sharp. 3rd ROW: Coach Farris Boston, B. Hill, S. Courtney, R. Nance, J. Adams, C. Loser, S. Hurst, L. Hocker.

Dick Spitzmesser

Dave Richards

Johnny Waymire



While Panther Harriers Dash Over the Country-side

Elwood's cross-country team, coached by John Ward, opened their season by bowing to the Frankton Eagles, 18-37. Other losses suffered during the season by the thinlies were to Pendleton Irish, 15-51, Mississinewa Indians, 27-28, Tipton Blue Devils, 17-43, and once again to the Frankton Eagles, 21-46. The Panthers won their lone victory at the expense of the Peru Tigers, 17-43.

The Elwood harriers placed sixth in the Central Indiana Conference meet at Peru while the Warsaw Tigers captured the CIC Championship.

In the IHSAA Sectional at Anderson, Elwood placed seventeenth. Muncie Central won the team title with the Anderson Indians placing second. The victorious Bearcats went on to win the State Championship.

The Panthers ended their season with a 1-4 mark.



Rod Birkinbine and Bill Etchison are shown during running practice around the gym floor.

The cross-country team included: FIRST ROW: Coach John Ward, Ted Robinette, Danny Huntsinger, Rod Birkinbine, Bill Etchison. SECOND ROW: Gordon Simmons, Tom Giselbach, Jan Goodwin, Bob Widmeyer, Bob Kelley, Danny Jolliff.





Butch Mitchell scores against the Burriss Owls. Elwood gained revenge over the Muncie team and bolstered its CIC lead.

Mighty Panthers Capture 2nd Straight C. I. C. Title

Refusing to fade after a poor start, Elwood's Mighty Panthers climaxed a sensational comeback with the Central Indiana Conference championship.

Elwood started poorly with four straight losses. However, Coach Carl McNulty, in his third year at Willkie High, built the team into a powerhouse. Once they tasted victory, the Panthers seemed to enjoy it as they won eight straight games before falling to rugged Fort Wayne Central. Included

in that eight-game streak were victories over New Castle and Huntington, and the Elwood Holiday Tourney championship.

In the CIC, Elwood refused to die after heart-breaking losses to Monticello and Rochester. The Panthers blasted the Plymouth Pilgrims in the season finale to win Elwood's sixth CIC title and their second straight crown. Following the Plymouth game, the Booster Club led a victory parade on the gymnasium floor.

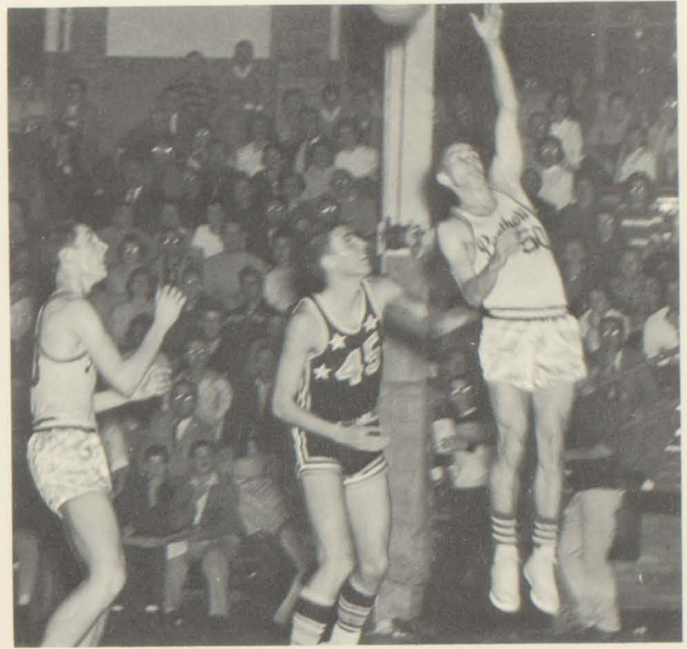
The Elwood Panthers opened the season by giving talented and experienced Madison Heights a stiff battle before bowing, 66-57. The inexperienced but potentially tough Panthers once led by eleven points, but the Pirates used torrid .480 shooting to win.

At Sheridan, the Panthers stayed close until the second half when the Blackhawks took advantage of Elwood errors to win, 66-49. Errors and inexperience cost the Red and Blue another game as they fell to North Central, 62-49.

Perhaps the thriller of the season was the game in which Kokomo clipped the Black Felines in an overtime, 64-56. Elwood led at the half and had an eight point lead with less than three minutes left in the game. However the Kats took advantage of costly Elwood errors and won in the overtime.

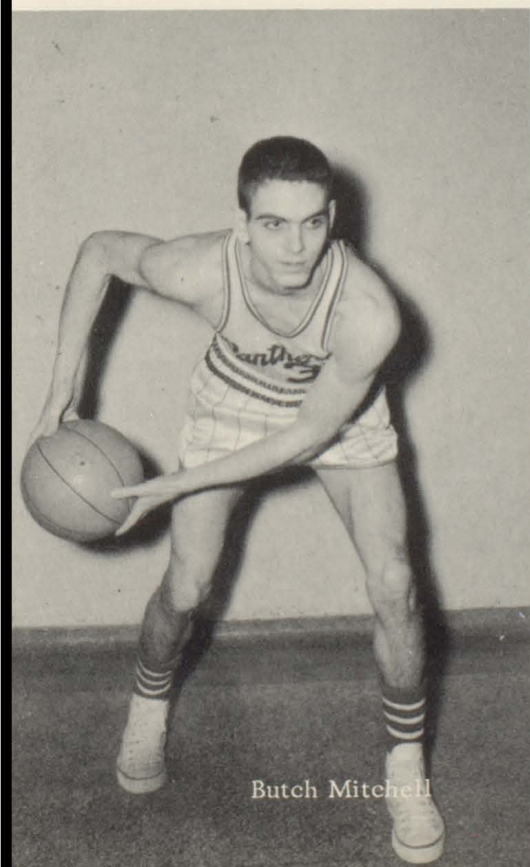
Elwood got its first taste of victory when it toppled the tough Tipton Blue Devils in the first CIC game.

Elwood fell back into the losing column again as Bedford quarried them, 75-65. The Stonecutters fired .469 to win.

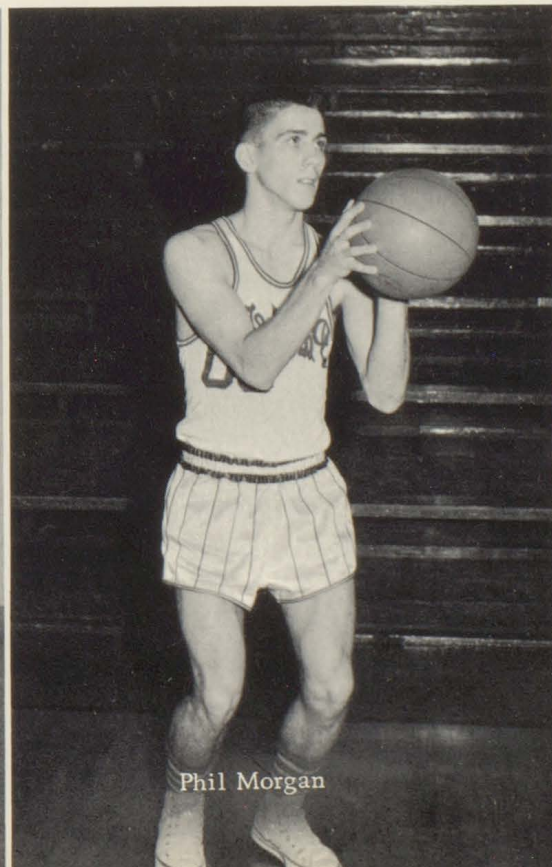


Phil Morgan, Elwood's "Little Mighty Panther," bats the ball to waiting Darrell Murray in the Panther's 82-51 conquest of the Noblesville Millers.

The defending CIC Champs outclassed the hapless Warsaw Tigers to gain a 2-0 conference record. That record was upped to 3-0 when Elwood conquered the Hartford City Airedales. This was the first time this year that an Elwood squad won two straight games. Elwood then proceeded to win eight straight.



Butch Mitchell



Phil Morgan



Danny Huntsinger

After a Slow Start, Elwood's "Komeback Kids"



Tom Leavell

The Panthers were the cream of the crop in their own invitational tourney as they put the Hartford City Airedales in the doghouse, 74-58, and crushed the Noblesville Millers, 82-51, in the title game. Elwood fired .529 in the final game.

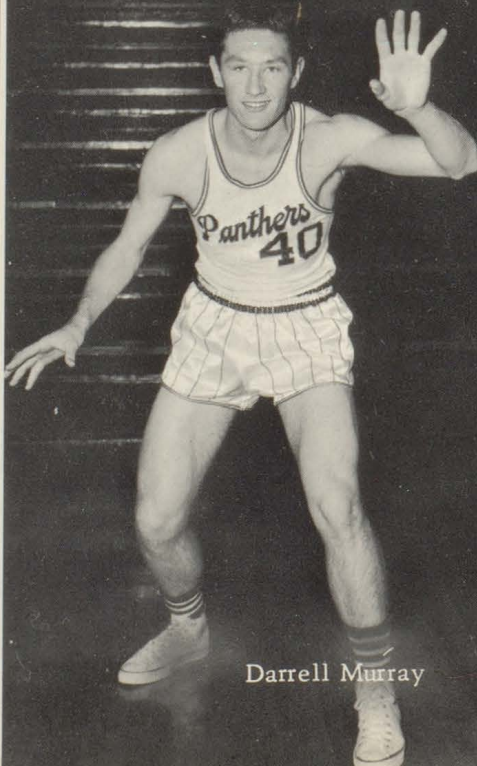
In their best game of the year, the Mighty Panthers downed the eighth-ranked New Castle Trojans, 68-63. Following that great victory, Elwood took the CIC lead and the Silver Horseshoe by beating Huntington, 60-56.

The Komeback Kids scalped the Mississinewa Indians and held the Peru Tigers to take an eight game winning streak into the Fort Wayne Central game. Although trailing by 21 points at the end of the third quarter, Elwood staged a tremendous comeback to fall, 82-77.

The Monticello Tioga Indians upset the Panthers, but Elwood bounced back with wins over Alexandria and Burriss once more to lead the CIC. But an attempt to win the Horseshoe back from Rochester, failed as Elwood went down to defeat, 71-69, in a sudden death double overtime.



Rod Hicks



Darrell Murray



Jerry Priest

Take the Holiday Tourney and C. I. C. Crown

Rebounding from that heart-breaking loss, Elwood warmed up for the Sectional by crushing the Plymouth Pilgrims, 59-47, and winning the CIC.

Elwood had balanced scoring the entire season with four boys averaging in double figures. Phil Morgan was high-point man, followed by Darrell Murray, Butch Mitchell, and Rod Hicks.

The predicted "off-season" for the Panthers proved to be just the opposite because of the determination of the team and the coaching ability of Carl McNutly.



These Elwood and Huntington players may yet make the Who's Who in basketball. The Panthers set the Vikings adrift to take the CIC lead and the Silver Horseshoe.



Rod Birkinbine

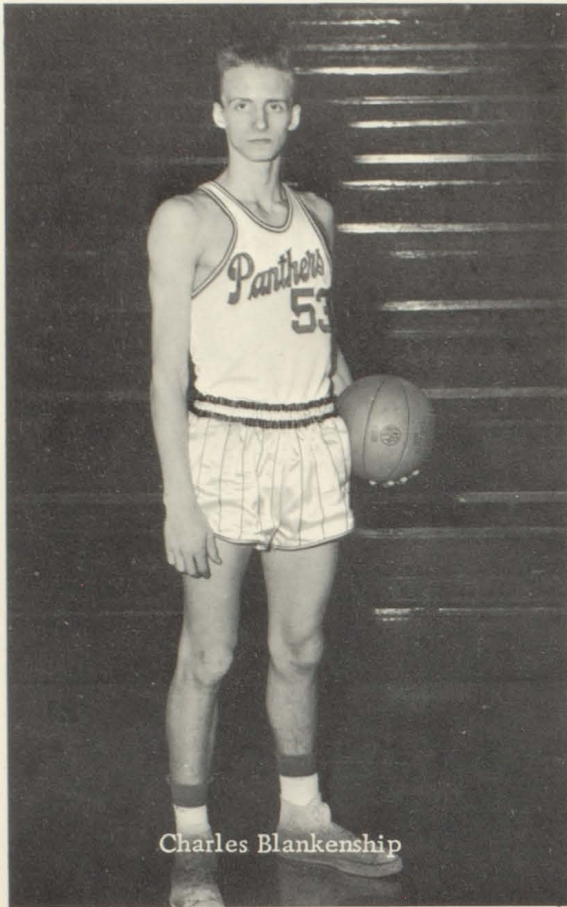


Bob Widmeyer

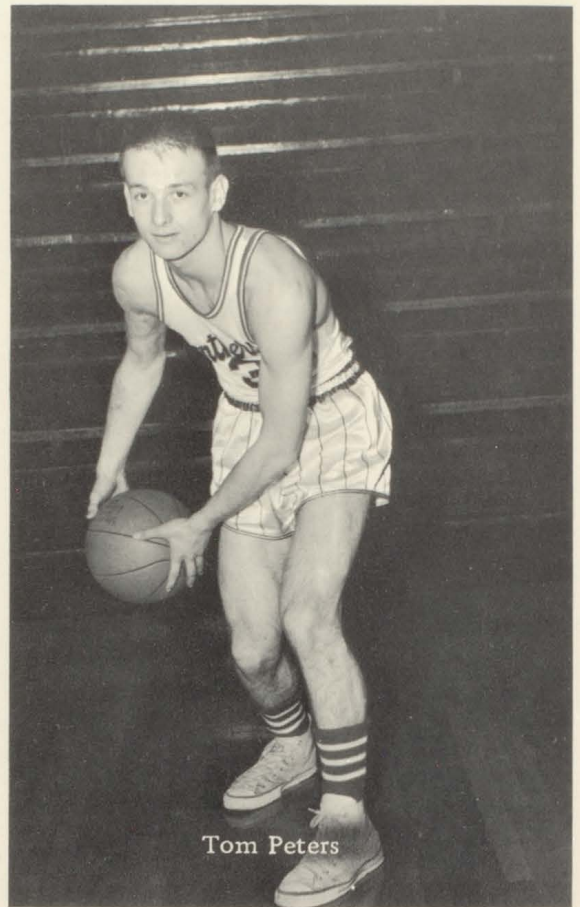


Joe Bilby

Ability, Desire, and Determination Paved the Way to Great

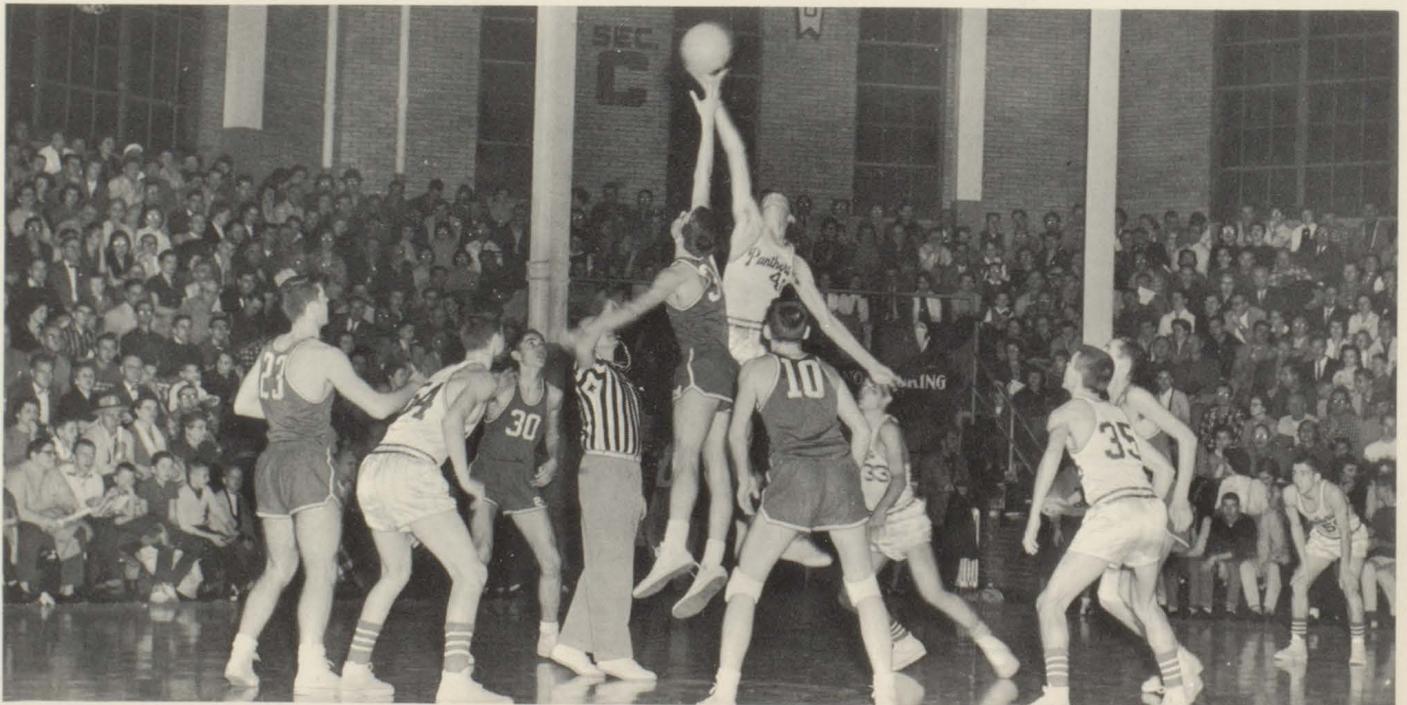


Charles Blankenship



Tom Peters

Tension is evident on the faces of players and fans alike at the tip-off of the New Castle game. Elwood scored a tremendous upset over the eighth-ranked Trojans, 68-63.

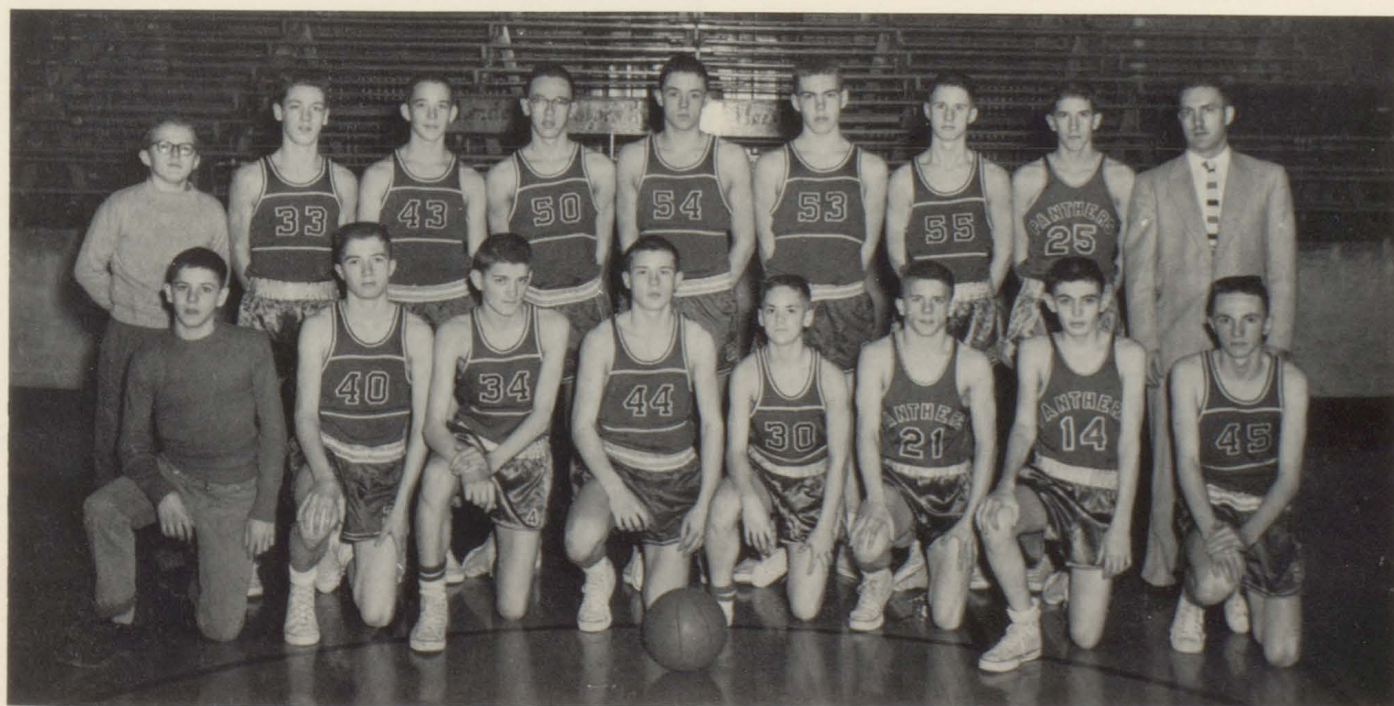


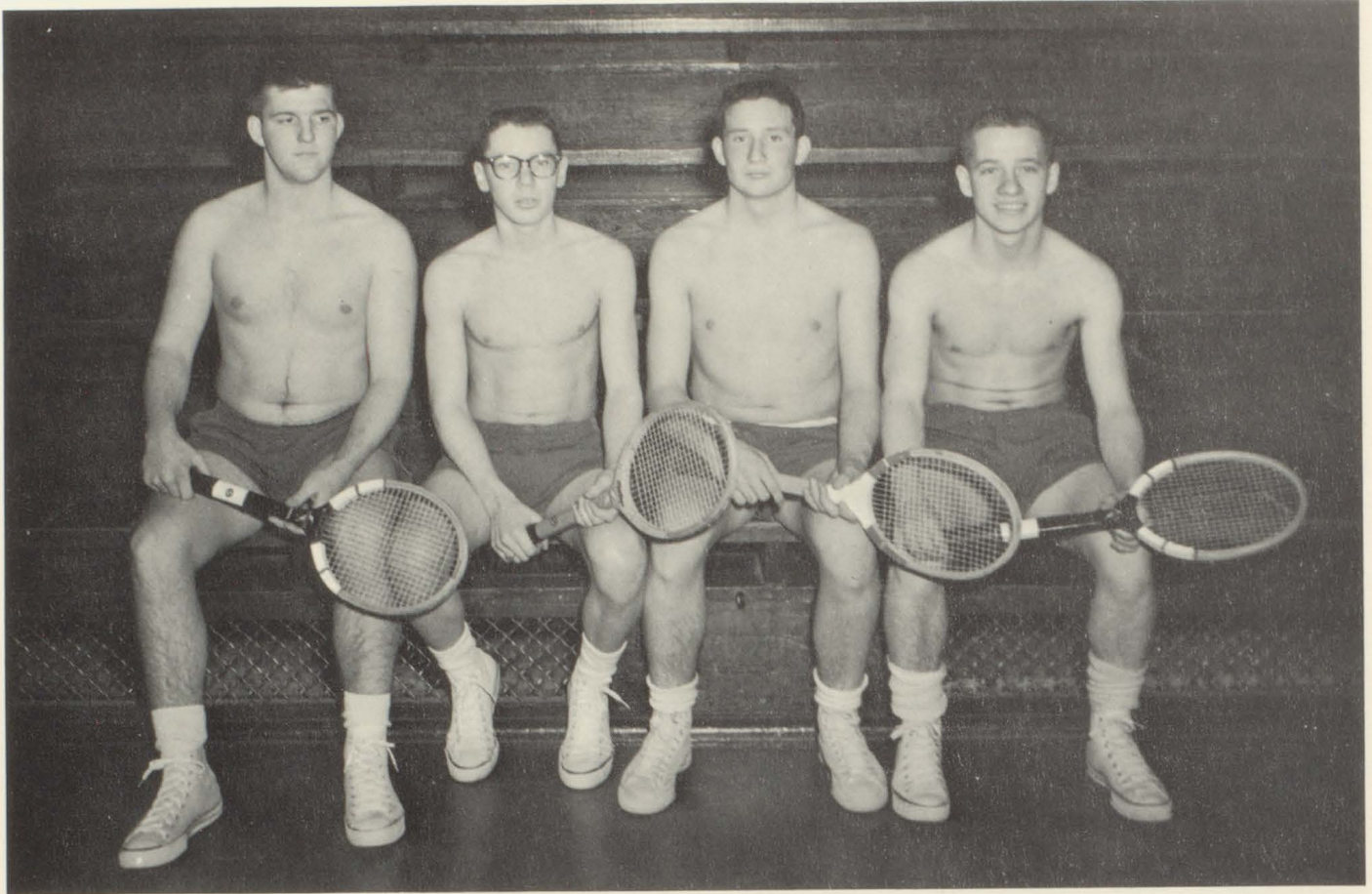
Victories Over New Castle, Huntington, Burriss and Plymouth



The Panther Cubs won 15 games while losing only 5. 1st ROW: Tom Hartzler, manager; Rich Floyd, Bob Merida, Coach Rod Shaw, Whitey Horton, Ed Jones, Phil Orth. 2nd ROW: Bruce Lewis, Tom Peters, Bob Dellinger, Charles Blankenship, Jerry Robinson, Larry Holliday, Paul Durm, Ronnie Runyan, and Dave Connors.

The freshman team, composed of Jerry Hocker, Tom Fogerty, Steve Hurst, Chuck Loser, Max Hoppel, Larry Hocker, Mike Holtzclaw, Dave Powell. 2nd ROW: Ted Robinette, Mike Clary, Bill Bozell, Jerry Justus, Jim Adams, Ronnie Klein, Mike Leeson, Bob Pearson, and Coach Roscoe Sharp, won twelve games while dropping five.





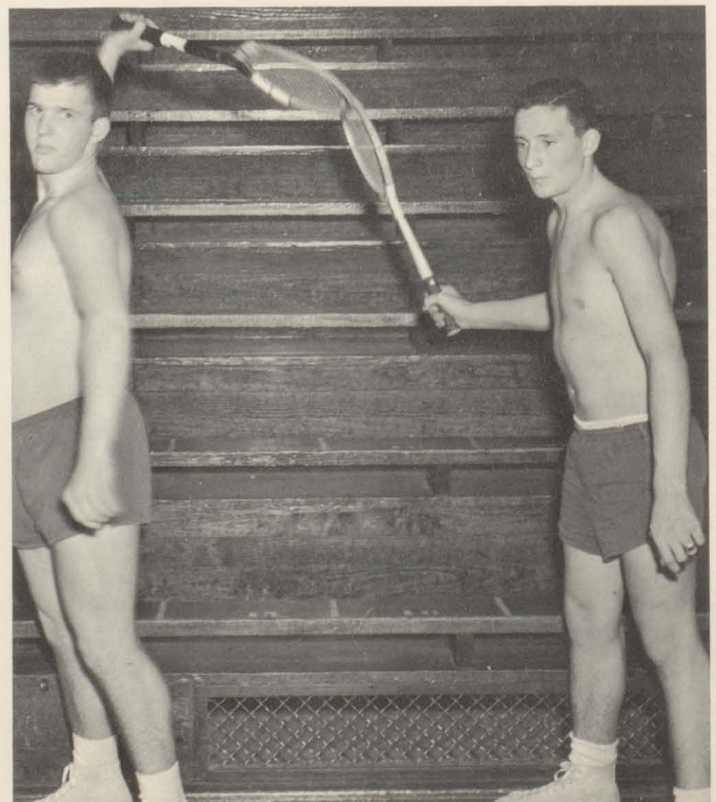
During bad weather the tennis team practices in the gym. Team members include Keith Beatty, Jim Arnold, Phil Berry, and Bob Widemeyer.

Tennis Gains in Popularity at Willkie High

Rackets became a popular piece of equipment in April of 1958 when Elwood started its first tennis team.

The first year for any team is always a rough one and it was no exception for the racketmen. The Panthers found the going extremely rough as they were unable to win a single match and did not even place in the CIC. However, Coach Frank Bykowski is confident that with the growing enthusiasm in tennis the racketmen will soon be able to uphold Elwood's reputation as the finest in athletics.

When bad weather forced the tennis team inside Phil Berry was one of the boys affected.





Willkie High's golf team pauses on the school lawn on their way to practice. Coach John Ward joins lettermen Jeff Mays, Joe Bilby, and John Graham.

While Our Divot Diggers Become a C. I. C. Contender

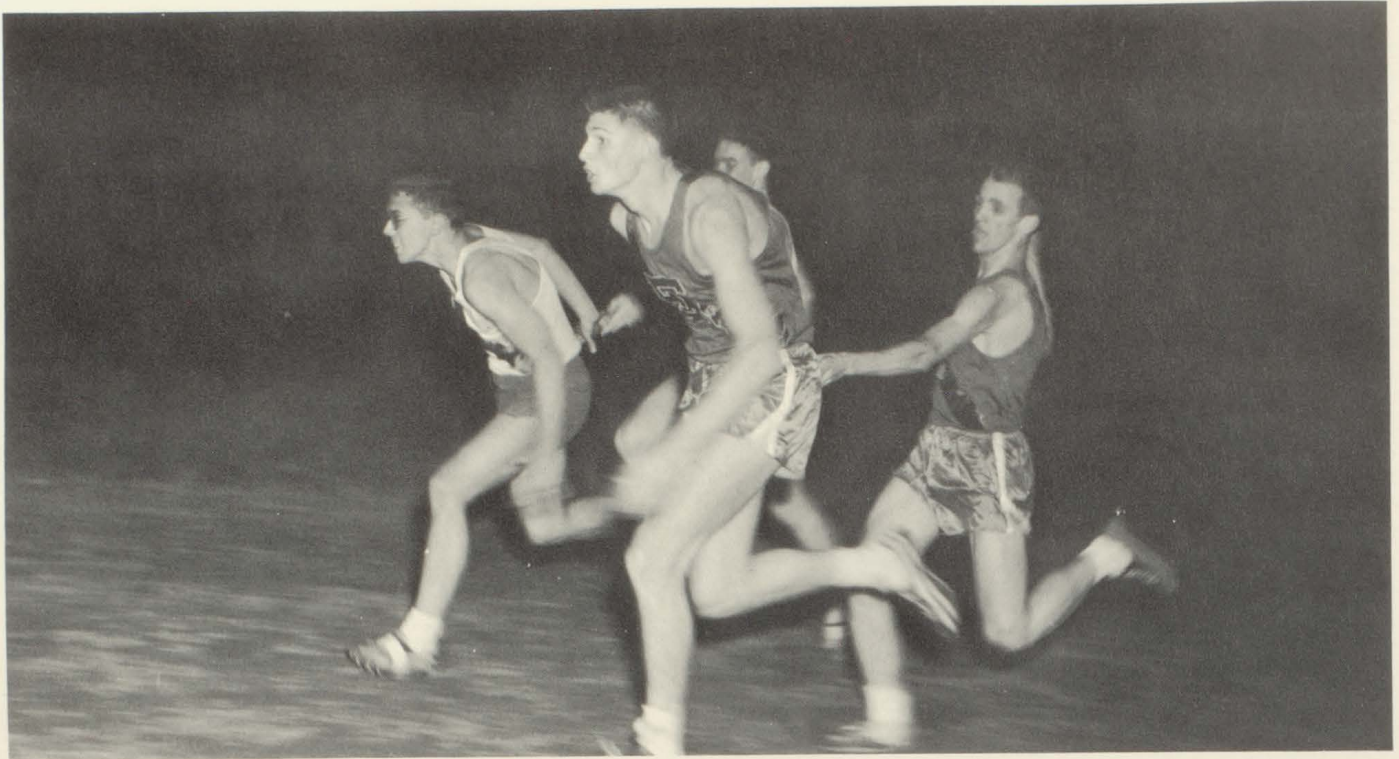


The finest golf team Willkie High has ever fielded brought fame for the Red and Blue in the spring of 1958 when it won 11 matches while losing 8.

The team consisted of five boys, three of which were lettermen. Jeff Mays, one of the finest golfers in Madison County, once more led the team in scoring. He was followed by Joe Bilby and John Graham.

The Panthers started practice about the first of April at the Country Club. Hard work paid off for the Black Cats when Elwood took fourth place in the CIC meet (the highest Willkie High has ever come) and placed among the top 15 teams in the 70 team field at the sectional.

Jeff Mays was Elwood's highest scorer for the second straight year.



Elwood's All Star cager, Darrell McQuitty, also starred on the track team as he paced the team. Fifteen points are required to earn a varsity letter in track, but Darrell earned a letter in every meet.

1958 Track Squad Plagued by Hard Luck

Lady Luck seemed to shun the fighting Panthers of Willkie High, but the rebuilding program in track grew in spite of it. Elwood's stars seemed to run out of luck in the big meets as Dave Henn was the only Elwoodite to qualify for the regional. One of the Panther's big point makers, Darrell McQuitty, missed the sectional due to illness. McQuitty had participated in almost every event in track and field.

The Panthers still were more successful than in the past. Coach Ross Sharp was rebuilding track as

a major sport at EHS last year. He faced an extremely rugged job as interest in the sport was at an amazing low. But he was able to encourage a large number of boys to come out for the track team. The result was Willkie High's first track victory in several years. But the boys ran out of luck in the big meets as Elwood came in 17th in the sectional and last in the CIC. With that low finish in the Conference came the loss of an unprecedented All Sports Trophy.

Underclassmen Pace Panther Nine to 500 Season.



This is Elwood's 1958 Panther baseball team: 1st ROW: Jerry Robison, Bob Dellinger, Rod Hicks, Darrell Murray, Rod Birkenbine, Danny Huntsinger, Tom Peters. 2nd ROW: Bruce Lewis, Dave Small, Jack Headley, Bob Widmeyer, Terry Small, Dave Hass.

The 1958 Willkie High baseball team captured its third straight winning season. Elwood has never had a losing baseball season.

Although starting slowly, the team finished with an upset win over the previously unbeaten Walnut Grove Wolves. The Panthers finished third in the Northern Division of the Tri-County League.

Under Coach Ross Sharp, the team gained vic-

tories over the Windfall Dragons and Walnut Grove while losing to the Westfield Shamrocks and dropping the first game to the Wolves. The game with Carmel was suspended.

With the Little League and Pony League feeding into the varsity, Elwood should become a baseball power, especially since Elwood's Little League was fourth in the state in 1958.

G. A. A. Offers Girls a Chance at Sports



These girls, under the leadership of Mrs. Watson, meet every Monday night.

Basketball and volleyball practices are necessary as preparation for play days, where the Elwood GAA meets in competition with GAA organizations from other schools. The GAA also traveled to Ball State this year to view the Finlands, an olympic gymnastic team.



Path of the Black Cat"

BASKETBALL

	E.	OP.
Madison Heights	57	66
Sheridan	49	66
North Central	47	62
Kokomo	56	64OT
Tipton, CIC	60	44
Bedford	65	75
Hartford City, CIC	63	55

ELWOOD HOLIDAY TOURNEY

Hartford City	74	58
Noblesville	82	51

New Castle	68	63
Huntington, CIC	60	56
Mississinewa	89	58
Peru, CIC	55	40
Fort Wayne Central	77	82
Monticello, CIC	47	49
Alexandria, CIC	51	47
Burris, CIC	70	61
Rochester, CIC	69	71DOT
Plymouth, CIC	59	47

SECTIONAL

Pendleton	50	52OT
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CROSS COUNTRY

Frankton	37	18
Peru	17	43
Pendleton	51	16
Mississinewa	28	27
Tipton	43	17
Frankton	46	21
Peru	160	27
Anderson	488	37

FOOTBALL

	E.	OP.
Western	34	7
West Lafayette	0	21
Tipton	6	13
Alexandria	24	6
Kokomo	7	31
North Central	7	33
Warsaw	12	13
Hartford City	34	6
Anderson	0	7
Peru	0	25

BASEBALL

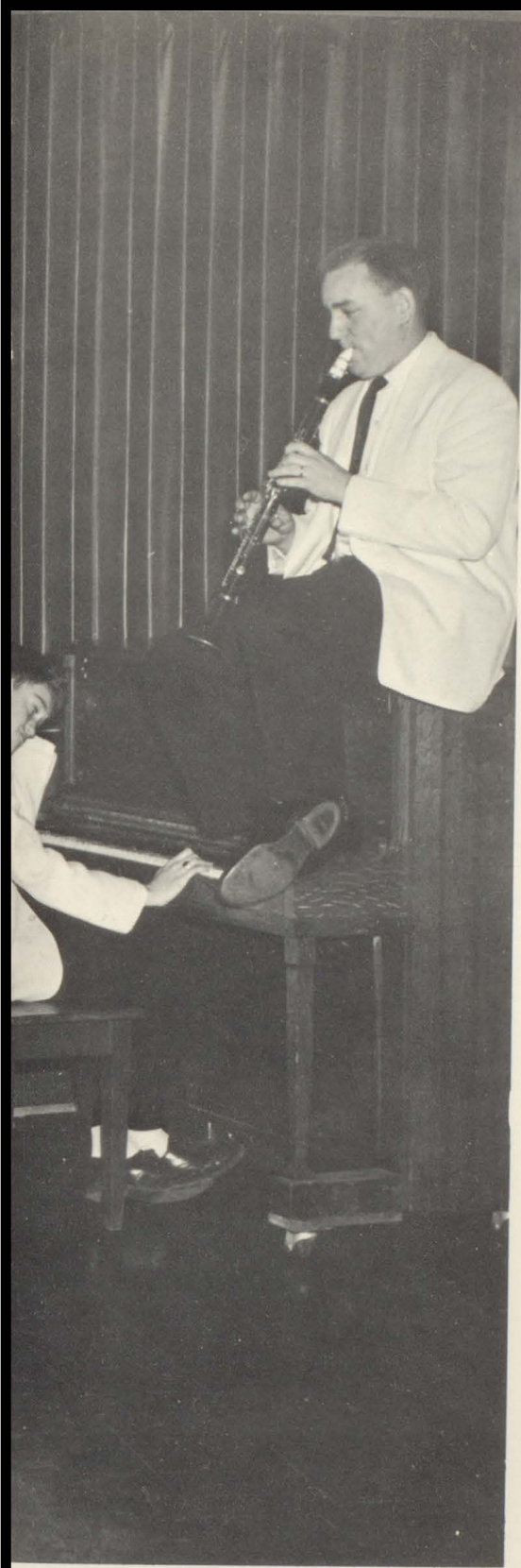
Windfall	12	8
Carmel	6	6
Westfield	6	12
Westfield	0	3
Walnut Grove	2	3
Windfall	12	1
Walnut Grove	4	2

TRACK

Elwood	37.50
Noblesville	79.50
SHERIDAN	34.00
Tipton	67.00
ELWOOD	42.00
Alexandria	17.00
Pendleton	74.25
ELWOOD	63.75
Elwood	82.00
Hartford City	27.00
Rochester	59.00
ELWOOD	50.00
Peru	54.50
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Madison Heights	39.83
Highland	12.66



ACTIVITIES — 1959



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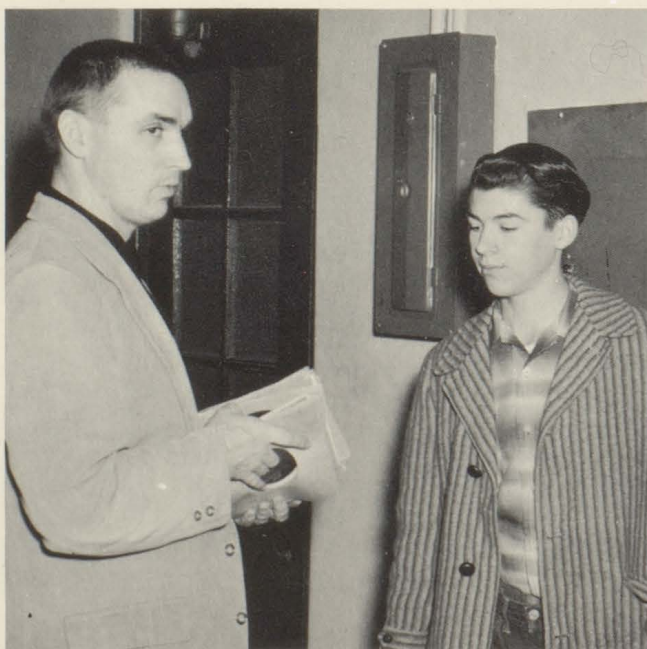
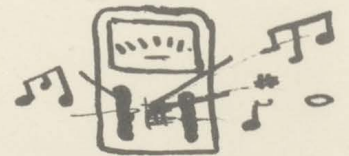


Council and Faculty Settle Den Problems



This year's Student Council faced many grave problems but was able to surpass each one with flying colors.

Mr. McVickers, sponsor, and Jerry Elledge, president discuss which records to put in the Panther Den juke box after vandals destroyed the others.



Seldom has a Student Council been plagued with the problems which this year's Council was. The first problem was how to elect representatives. This was solved by having the Council represent the second period classes.

The next great problem was the difficulty over who was eligible to come to the Panther Den. The Council combined forces with the faculty in solving this problem.

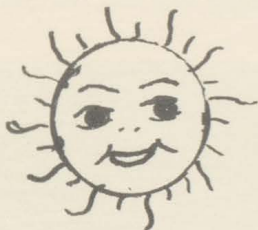
Perhaps the greatest achievement of the Student Council was speakers for the juke box in the Den. After vandals smashed the juke box, the Council and the administration installed speakers for the juke box which was moved to the lounge.

The 1959 Student Council has certainly done a fine job.

Sunshine Sponsors "White Gift" Charity



One of the finest organizations at Willkie High is the Sunshine Society.



"Would you like to buy your Christmas cards from the Willkie High Sunshine Society?"

Many Elwoodites were asked that question last fall when over seventy-five pretty girls made their annual drive for funds. All of Elwood responded generously for they knew that the Sunshine Society was one of the finest charity organizations in town.

The money gained from the Christmas card sale was used to buy "White Gifts," such as foodstuffs, which were given to needy families at Christmas time.

The Society also has other activities such as a mother-daughter banquet and a semi-formal dance each year. A new activity this year included a tea in honor of the Senior Sunshine members sponsored by the under-class members.

Carolyn Scott wraps a gift for some needy family in the White Gift project.



Crescent Staff Divides Activities



Hurrying to meet a deadline are Dixie Clark, assistant editor, and Jane Ann Seright, editor-in-chief.

"Has the Band page been laid out?" Will this picture go in the album?" "How many spreads will be done this deadline?" "Has the copy been turned in yet?" "Run up to Mr. Sharp's room and type in the caption for this picture."

These were familiar quotes to members of the 1959 Crescent staff. There always seemed to be work to do every day until that wonderful day of March 2 when all of the book had been sent to the printer.

The 1959 Crescent was born during the first week of June when the new editors held their first meeting. The theme, 1959-Dawn of a New Era, was chosen then. After looking at other issues of the Crescent and other yearbooks, the staff decided what they wanted in their yearbook.

At Indiana University's Journalism Institute four members of the staff, Jane Ann Seright, Dixie Clark,

Sorting out pictures are the Crescent editors, clockwise: Ann Orbaugh, art; Mrs. Chapman, sponsor; Karen Seely, layout; Jane Ann Seright, head; Keith Balsar, business; Bill Mosbaugh, sports; Jerry McCoy, literary; Dixie Clark, assistant; Doug Singer, photography; and Sharon Hasecuster, clerical.



Between Old Crescent Room and Library

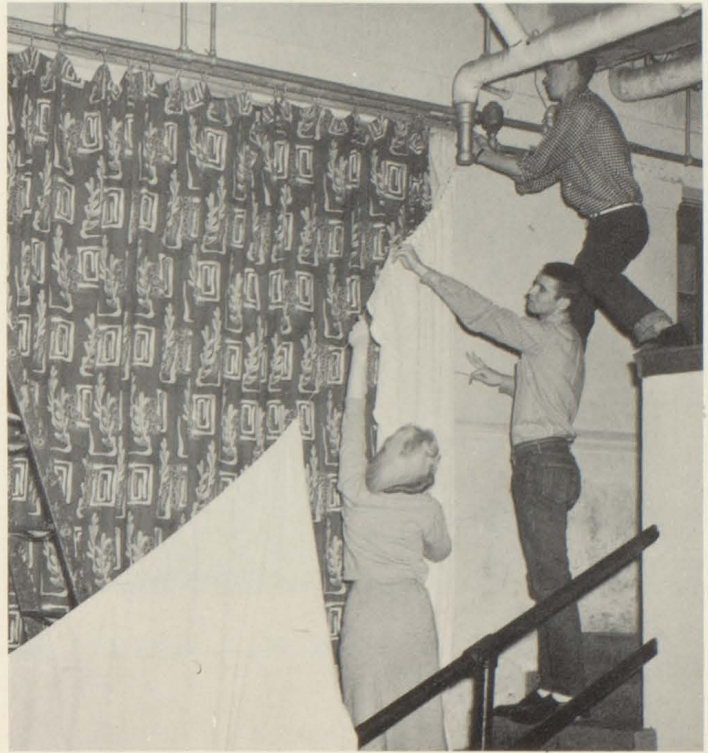
Karen Seely, and Doug Singer, learned how to lay-out a yearbook, how to write and edit copy, and how to find and take interesting pictures.

As soon as school started, the business staff began selling ads. No sooner was that done than it was time to sell subscriptions.

At different times during the year album, senior, and activity pictures were taken by Reid's Studio, Muncie.

At last the job was finished. All of the Crescent had been sent in to the American Yearbook Company in Hannibal, Missouri. The staff now waited for the day when the Crescents would arrive and they could see their work in print.

The Crescent is the story of a school, Willkie High, and of the people in it. Therefore the Crescent is your story.



Hanging sheets may not seem like part of making a yearbook but those sheets played an important role as background for group pictures. Dixie Clark and Rod Hicks help Gene McPhearson put the sheets up in the Den.

This is the 1959 Crescent staff who made this book for you.





The Megaphone Staff smiles for the Crescent photographer. The staff, headed by Loie Bohlander, put out a newspaper every month.

“Colorful” Megaphone Completes Its 29th Year

Presenting everything from a gossip column to the latest CIC standings, Willkie High's Megaphone celebrated its 29th birthday this year.

Under the outstanding leadership of Loie Bohlander, the Megaphone had several new features. Two of the more outstanding issues were those at Christmas and the sectional. The Christmas issue was in red and green while the red and blue sectional issue went all out in boosting the team to victories.

The Megaphone had several new columns in addition to the traditional "Hall Clock."

Mr. Donald Brown, sponsor, and Loie Bohlander, editor, sort out an issue of the Megaphone.



"Gentleman Joe Palooka" Thrills Student Body



The annual project of the Projection Club is a movie to entertain the student body. This year that movie was the exciting "Gentleman Joe Palooka."

Boxing matches, racketeers, and love at first sight were just a part of the Projection Club's film, "Gentleman Joe Palooka." While entertaining the student body, the Club also made money to finance them.

The Communications Club is exactly what the name implies--a group of boys learning about the various means of communications. Of particular interest to them are radios.

Mr. George Smith is the capable sponsor of the Communications Club.



D. C. E. Ushers Establish Good Relations with Public

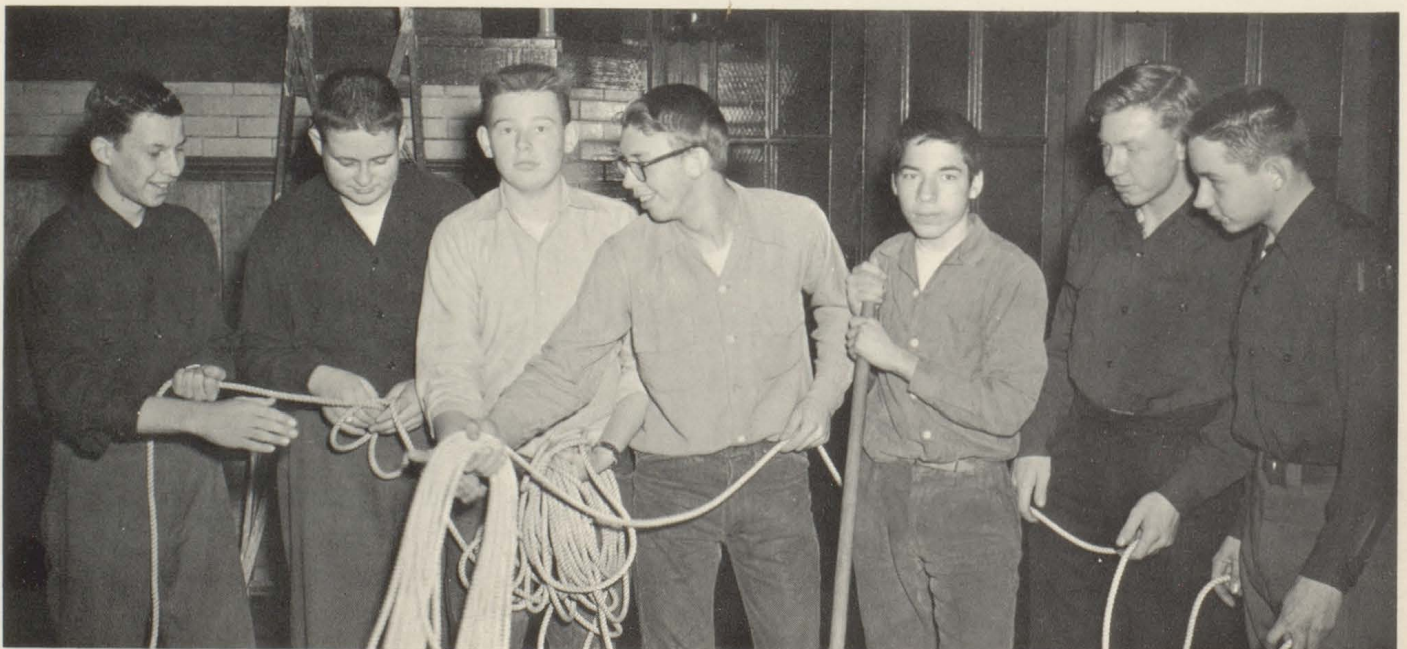


Because of there being a morning and an afternoon DCE Club, we have two pictures of this group.

"May I help you, sir?" This phrase is winning Willkie High School new friends among the adults of Elwood. Students taking DCE are holding down jobs in town and getting valuable experience. But most important they are being great ambassadors of the American teenager to the adult world.



A familiar sight at Panther ball games are the Ushers. Dressed in red and blue outfits, these boys make visitors and Elwoodites comfortable with their courteous smiles and friendly directions.





Willkie High's Advanced Choir is one of the finest in Indiana. Among other performances was their caroling in the halls at Christmas. Along with the Glee Club the Advanced Choir took part in the choral festival at Highland.

Rex Jenkins Is New Director of Willkie Choir

Every sixth period the student body is serenaded with beautiful strains drifting from the Band room. These strains come

from the Advanced Choir. Under the direction of Mr. Jenkins, the Choir has made great advances in 1958-59.

Mr. Rex Jenkins, new Choir director, gives Susan Allen, accompanist, some pointers.



Shirley Scott and Bill Hobson have the job of passing out new music.



Glee Club Makes Friends "With a Song and a Smile"



The Girls' Glee Club pauses during a rehearsal in the band room to smile for the Crescent photographer.

"With a Song and a Smile" is the very appropriate theme song of the Glee Club. Although it is just two years old, the coral-sweatered group is already one of the finest in Central Indiana.

Under the direction of Mrs. Scircle, the Glee Club won friends far and near. The girls sang for numerous church activities. They also sang for school affairs.

All of Willkie High will remember their delightful arrangement of "Thirty-two Feet and Eight Little Tail of White" at the Christmas Concert.

Perhaps the highlight of the year is the trip to the County Choral Festival in April. This year the Festival was held at Highland High School. Willkie High was very well represented by the Girls' Glee Club.

One of the highlights of the year is the Glee Club's performance at the Christmas concert.

Betty Padgett, a Glee Club member, passes out music for rehearsal in class.





Many hours of practice at the Edgewood School and at the Den were responsible for the Marching Panther Band's success at the Fair.

Panther Band Wins Seventh Place at State Fair

Giving smiles as pretty as any toothpaste ad are the 1959 Willkie Majorettes: Robinpat Tam, Diana Bozell, Karen Dooley, Barbara Miller, Julie Hennegan, Ann Wolf, Annie Orbaugh, Head Majorette Dixie Clark, Feature Twirler Winnie Shaw, Flag Twirlers Linda Groover, Grace Ann Kennedy, Beverly Smith, Mary Combs, Jo Ann Hodson, Sandy Smith, and Feature Twirler Marianne Swenson.



From Rugged 5th Period Practice Come Dazzling



Julie Hennegan, a Willkie Majorette, adds a bit of polish before a show.

Featuring everything from hula hoops to hoboos, the 1959 Panther Band completed another successful year. Perhaps the outstanding achievements of the Band were the State Fair victory and the Variety Show. Just as important were the parades and half-time shows. It was here that the Band proved itself as week after week it presented a tremendous show. Highlights of the football season were shows entitled "Hula Hoop-De-Do" and "How the Panther Band Found 'Georgia Camp Meeting.'" Basketball fans were thrilled with "Roaring Twenties," "Christmas Fantasy," and "Hobo Holiday."

Members of the Panther Band had a "brand-new" room to practice in as the old band room was remodeled to accommodate the growing Panther Band.

The Panther Band also welcomed a new assistant director, Mr. Rex Jenkins.

The 1959 Panther Band started its career by winning seventh place at the



Shows and Concerts, Winning Acclaim from All.



The Panther Band has many important facets among which is the Varsitonian Dance Band.

Indiana State Fair and then put the icing on the cake with the spectacular Varieties.



Romans, Sombreros, Ex Temp, and Berets Are



The Latin Club is one of the largest clubs in Willkie High. Under sponsor Mrs. Doris Waymire, the Club has many activities. An annual event is the initiation of freshmen candidates. The initiation becomes worse each year as each class adds to the penalties. Also the Latin Club presents a play in the spring. The cast is made up of sophomores who usually manage to bring down the house.

Members of the Speech Club have accomplished much under the leadership of Marty Ring.



Presenting a play, taking part in oratorical contests, delivering addresses, and just plain making speeches are part of the work of the Speech Club.

The Speech Club ably represented Willkie High at contests bringing home many first place ribbons.

Mrs. Howard McVickers took over the reins of the Speech Club this year. Assisting her was president Marty Ring.

Familiar Phrases to the Language Clubs

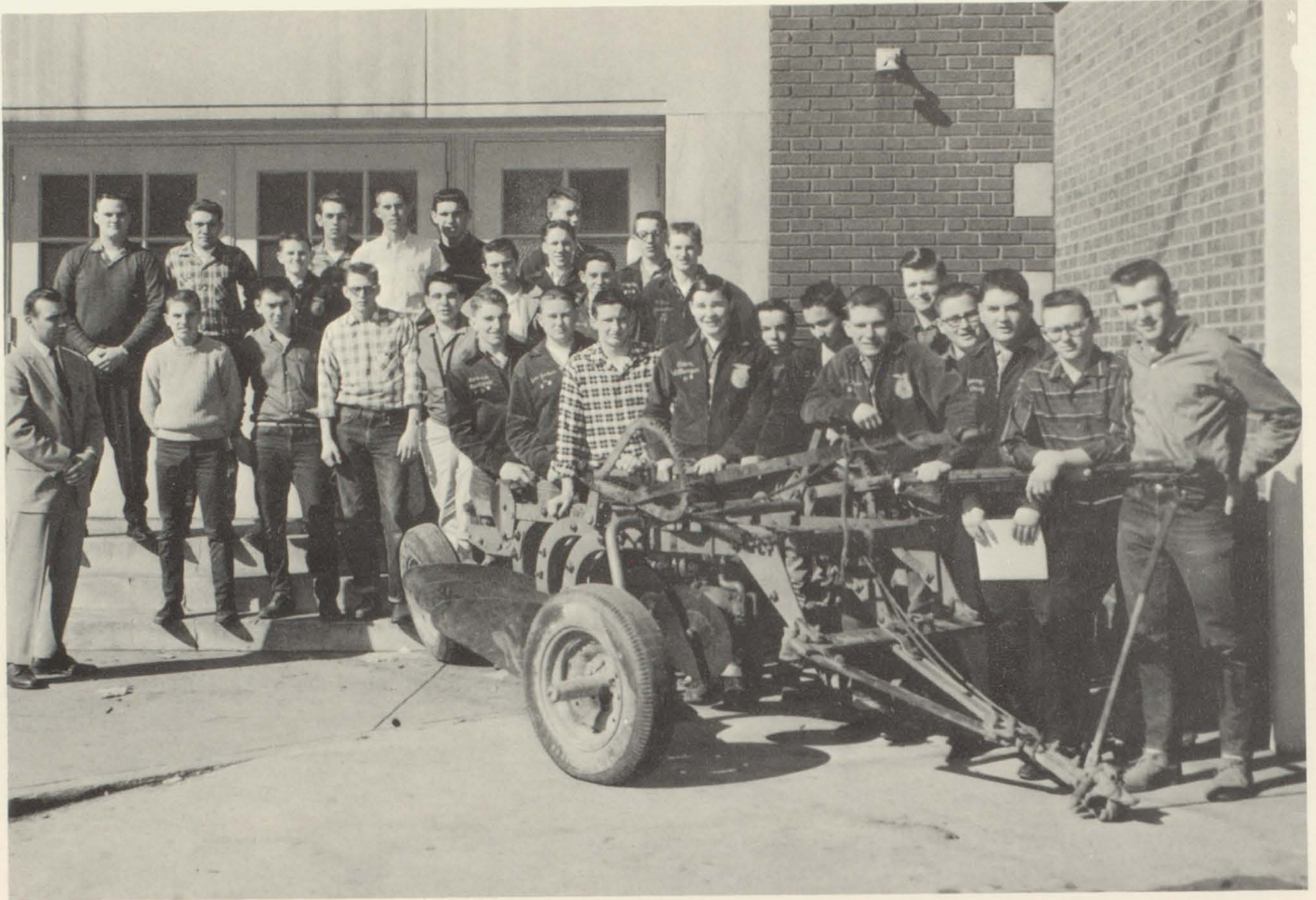


"Here's an apple for teacher," says a smiling freshman and a faculty member realizes that the Spanish Club initiation is in progress. Giving apples to teachers is only one of the ordeals which a freshman must endure in order to join this club. But once he is in he feels that membership was worth going through the rugged initiation. The Spanish Club has many other activities besides initiation.

Willkie's newest club is the French Club.

The baby of the language clubs is the French Club which is only in its second year. Although it is only a yearling, it has a great future as more and more students are enrolling in French classes. The French Club, as well as the Spanish Club, gained a new sponsor at mid-term. When Mrs. Records suffered her unfortunate accident, Mrs. Forst took over as sponsor and has done a splendid job.





Mr. Ebbert, FFA sponsor, demonstrates the repair of a plow for the FFA members.

National F. F. A. Offers Progress in Agriculture

FFA members Bob Widemeyer, Richard Floyd, Bill Fields, and John Waymire learn to detect various weeds.

The growth and spread of better farm methods has raised the quantity and quality of this nation's farm products to the highest agricultural output in the world. New methods and ideas are still developing.

The Future Farmers of American are being trained in these new developments. They may someday have to grow more food on less land in order to provide for our growing civilization. They are learning the techniques now.

FFA also provides a certain amount of social recreation along with the educational learning.





FIRST ROW: Dixie Clark, Alice Swackhamer, Nancy Mraz, Darlene Rodgers, Jane Ann Seright, and Mary Ann Cannon. SECOND ROW: Sherry Beasley, Ann Orbaugh, Karen Stack, Lela Underwood, Barbara Wisehart, Joyce Doan, and Sharon Hasecuster. THIRD ROW: Richard Weismiller, Kenneth Knauer, Phil Sharp, Jerry McCoy, Richard Floyd, and Keith Balser.

Honor Society Is Goal of Juniors and Seniors

Sherry Beasley, Honor Society President, finds study a necessity for success.

Study, study, study. That word is the watchword of the National Honor Society. While other students may let their grades drop a little, Honor students do not dare neglect their subjects for even one night.

Probationary members of the Honor Society are selected by a faculty committee in the fall. The juniors and seniors then strive to remain in the Society until they become permanent members upon graduation.

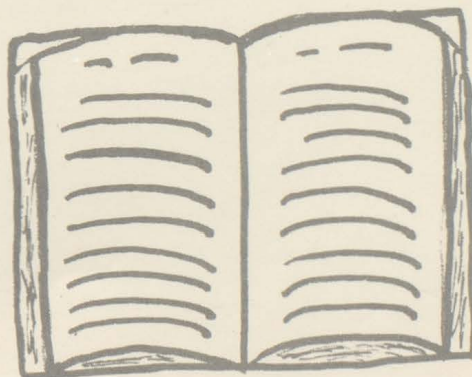




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Wendell L. Willkie High School Salutes



We, in public education, have great faith in our high schools as symbols of democracy and instruments for the strengthening of our people individually, that they may carry forward for another generation the endless struggle to liberate and dignify the human spirit.

I am extremely proud of the achievements of our high school. It has served us well. To be sure our school is imperfect; the need to improve is always with us. The way to improvement lies in doing more of the good things already under way, in refining procedures now in the pioneering stage, in making available to more students the advantages currently enjoyed by those enrolled in the best of our schools. These are the things which I hope will come to the students of our High School.

Keith Scott

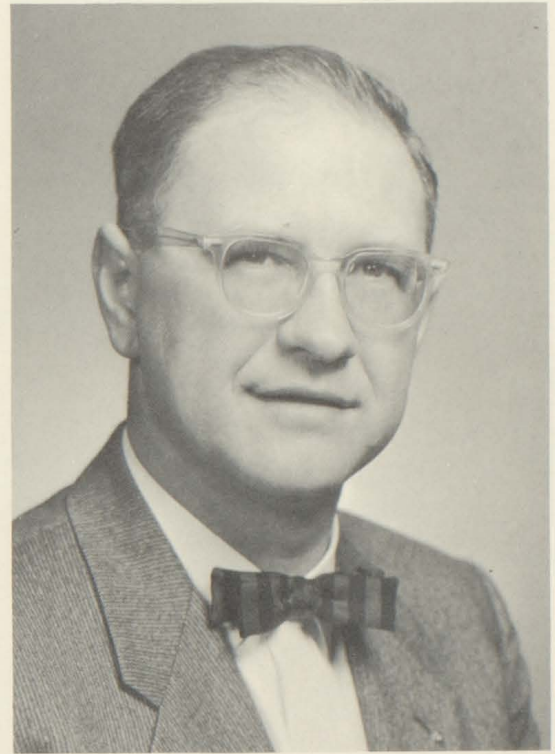
Members of the Board of School Trustees: Wayne Jones, president; Joe Wright, secretary; Dr. C. C. Parker, treasurer; and, standing, Riley Sharp, attorney, discuss one of the many problems confronting the board each year.



Her Administration and Her Faculty



M. A. COPELAND
Principal



BLAIR SULLIVAN
Assistant Principal

The warm smile and cheery voice of Mrs. Edith Gardner, high school secretary, are well-known to every Willkie High student.

Mrs. Imogene Collier and Mrs. Lillian Mikels, financial secretary carry out their duties in the superintendent's office.



The Purpose of High School Is Primarily Education . . .



DONALD BROWN
English Department Head,
Math
HILDA E. CHAPMAN
Librarian
BLANCHE DIGEL
English
ESTHER KOONS
English

ERMA GENE MCVICKER
English
MARY RECORDS
English, French, Spanish
DORIS WAYMIRE
Latin, Math

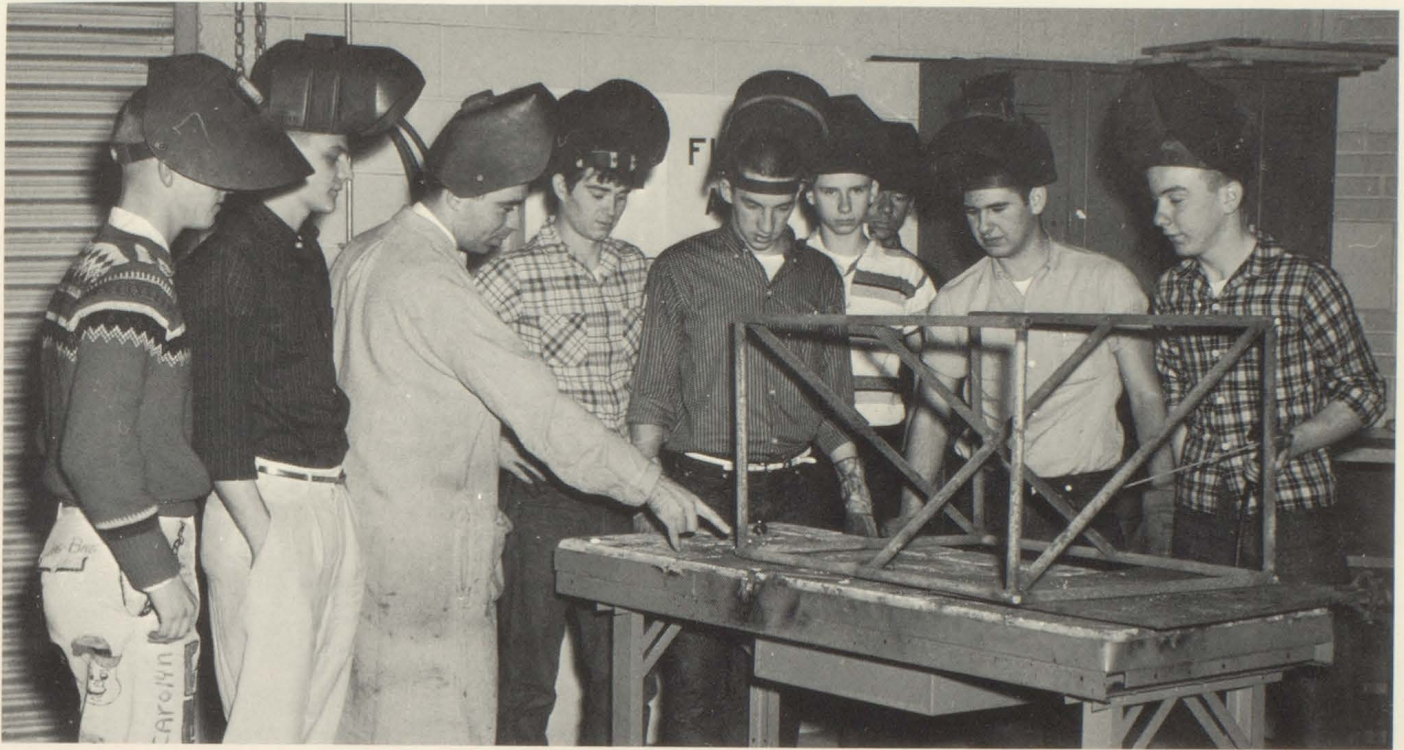
Because language is the universal method of communication, it is a necessity to every individual. Every student is required to have at least three years of English while French, Spanish, and Latin are also offered. Not only do foreign languages give you a

better understanding of the people who speak these tongues, but also foreign languages create a better understanding of English. Language can never be over emphasized.

The term paper required in Senior English means plenty of hard work as Joyce Doan soon finds out.



. . . And Education Is the Teacher's Main Job . . .



Farm shop students learn welding from Mr. Ebbert.

America depends on highly trained men in the field of industrial arts. Willkie High should be proud of its industrial arts department which is one of the most outstanding in Indiana.

Willkie High offers one of the best farm courses in the state. The Elwood department is complete with a farm shop where boys may learn the most recent methods of farming.

WILFRED G. DUDLEY
Industrial Arts
JOHN HINDS
Supervisor of
Practical Arts
GEORGE KINTZEL
Industrial Arts
HOWARD McVICKER
Printing and DCE



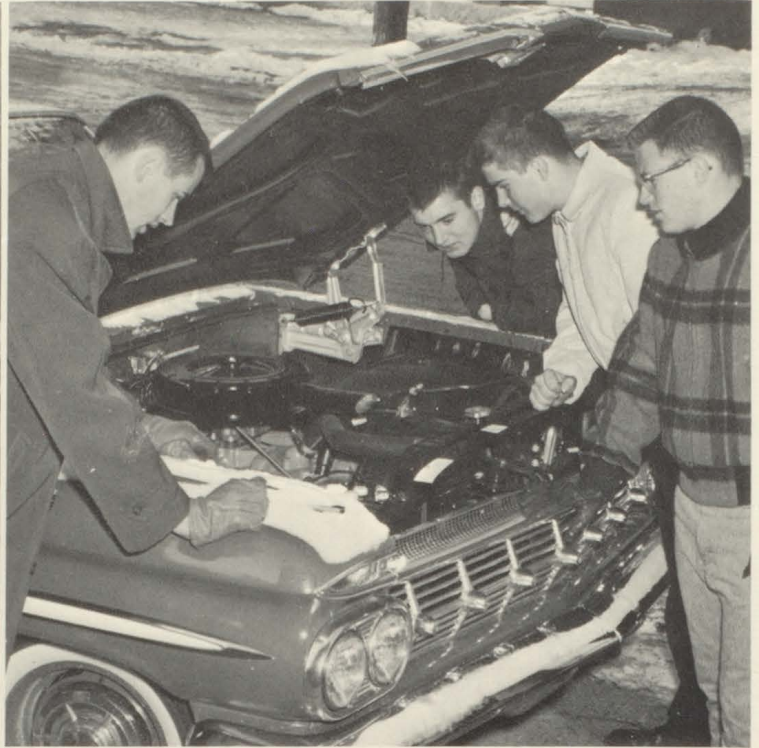
GEORGE REESER
Voc. Machine Shop
Industrial Arts
CASEY TUCKER
Industrial Arts
MARVIN EBBERT
Vocational
Agriculture



... But Their Work Does Not End at 3:31,



A girls' gym class poses for the Crescent camera.



Mr. McNulty and three of his driver's training students are having trouble starting the car during a severe winter snow.

One of the requirements for every student is physical education. Developing one's body is just as important as developing one's mind. Coordination is not the only thing gained from gym. Through organized

games played in the gym, the students learn sportsmanship, which should make up a portion of every individual's character.



LORRAINE LEWELLEN
Health, Physical Education
CARL McNULTY
Head Basketball Coach, Driver's
Training, Health, Physical Education



JOHN WARD
Athletic Director, Social Science,
Physical Education
BETTY JO WATSON
Physical Education, Health
LILLIAN SULLIVAN
School Nurse

for They Are the Sponsors of Our Many Activities . . .

PAUL RAFFEL
Mathematics
GEORGE SMITH
Math Department Head
GERALD SULLIVAN
Chemistry, physics, physical
science.



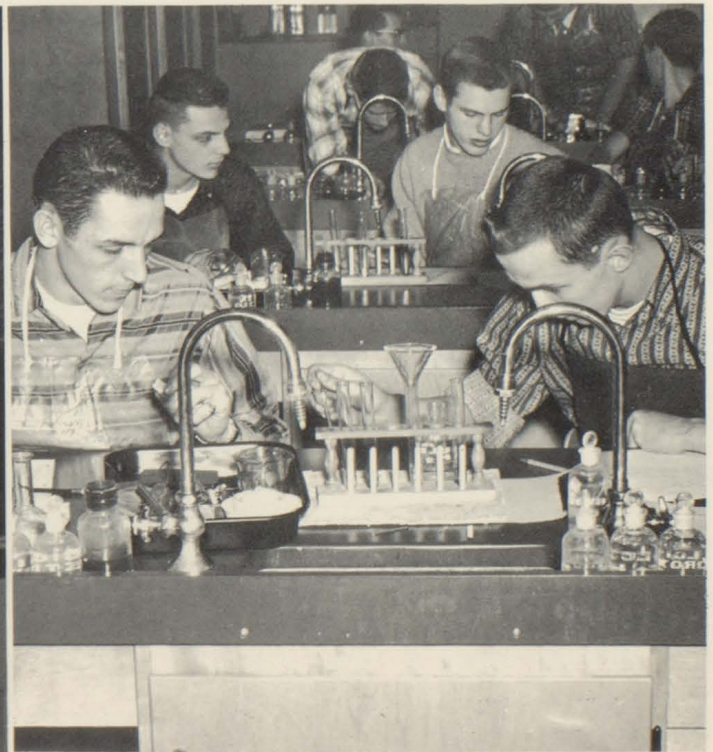
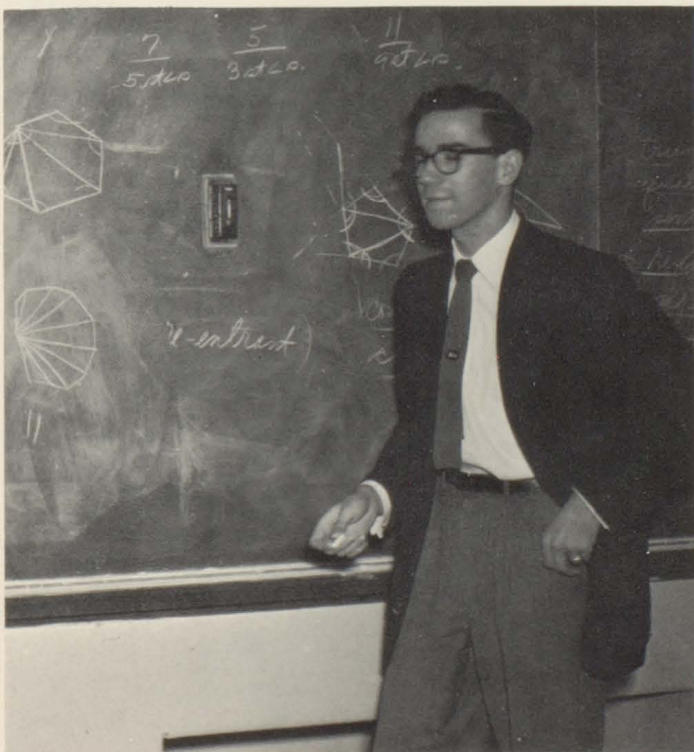
In this age of rockets, space satellites and atomic power, the scientist is rapidly rising to the top. Willkie High, with a completely rejuvenated lab, should provide inspiration for several budding scientists, or physicists, or technicians who aspire to help their country gain the goal of outer space.

America is on the threshold of the Atomic Age

and mathematicians are becoming indispensable to their country. Evidently, Willkie High Students realize this, because the response to several new math courses has been tremendous. It is indeed a far-sighted student who takes advantage of this golden opportunity.

Instruction during a trigonometry class is offered by Mr. Raffel. Trig is one of EHS's advanced classes composed mostly of juniors and seniors.

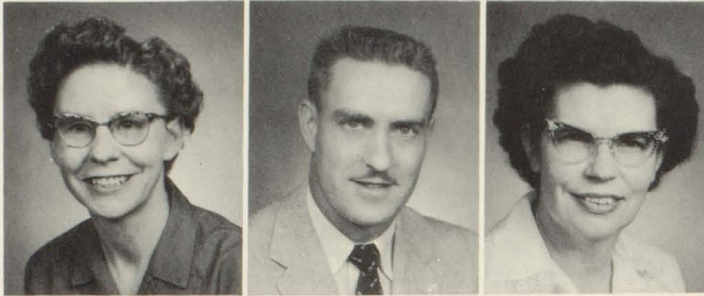
Bob Hartmen and Danny Huntsinger work on a delicate experiment during a laboratory in physical science class.



. . . They Must Direct Plays, Plan and Chaperone Dances,



JOHN FLANDERS
Bookkeeping, Selling, Typing
BETTY HOUSE
Commerce Department Head, Short-
hand, Office Machines
MILDRED GARNER
Home Economics



DORIS KINTZEL
General Business, Office
Machines
ROSS SHARP
Head Track Coach, Head Baseball
Coach, Typing Selling
ELVONA TOLLE
Supervisor of Cafeteria,
Home Economics

In America today hundreds of office workers are needed to keep pace with the fantastic rise of big business. Accordingly, Willkie High's business curriculum has been expanded and is one of our more important departments.

A new course in Home Economics was offered this year at Willkie High--cooking class for the boys. It has proven very successful. The Home Ec. department has proven its value in education.

Judy Harting pretends to interview two Willkie students, Esteleen Arnold and Carol Biltz, who are demonstrating the right and wrong ways to dress when applying for a job.



Take Tickets and Sell Concessions at Ball Games . . .



Two art students, Judy Rudig and Patty Clouser, are busy weaving scarves for Christmas presents.



Assistant band director, Mr. Jenkins, instructs Winn Miller on the xylophone while Keith Beatty picks up helpful hints.

In the past, few people have realized the value of our art department. Artwork gives the student a chance to express himself creatively and now consists of several facets, such as painting, sculpturing, wood-working, ceramics and others. This department is indeed an important channel in the complex network of Willkie High.

The Music Department includes the Band, Choir, and Glee Club. In turn, these respective organizations have many subdivisions. The last year has seen many changes, such as the new bandroom and newly organized a cappella choir. This is indeed a versatile department, and we should be very proud of its accomplishments.

CLIFFORD S. BRUGGER
Panther Band Director
REX E. JENKINS
Cadet Band Director, Assistant Panther Band
Director, Choir Director

JAY RINGER
Art
GAYLE SCIRCLE
Guidance Counselor for Freshmen and Sopho-
mores, Glee Club Director, English



We Salute Our Teachers — God Bless Them!



These two teenagers, Mark Hughes and Albert McPhearson, show their interest in the Middle East crisis by displaying newspaper articles on the civics bulletin board.

The importance of social science has been greatly degraded lately. With Sputniks and Explorers flying overhead and rockets sailing past the moon, there has been a trend among many people to "de-emphasize" social science and to "re-emphasize" science and mathematics. Willkie High was not a school to fall for the public's whimsy in this matter. The curriculum committee realized that the history of our nation and other nations was of vital importance to everyone.

The study of history and government is a must for every citizen who some day will exercise the right to vote. Although it is true that Russia teaches a stiff science course, she dares not give her students the education in social studies that the American receives. Communism would soon fall.

Willkie High recognizes the importance of history and government and offers a curriculum to meet that importance.

FRANK BYKOWSKI
Head Football Coach, History,
Drivers' Training

VIRGIL PEEBLES
Government, Psychology

CECIL STAFFORD
History





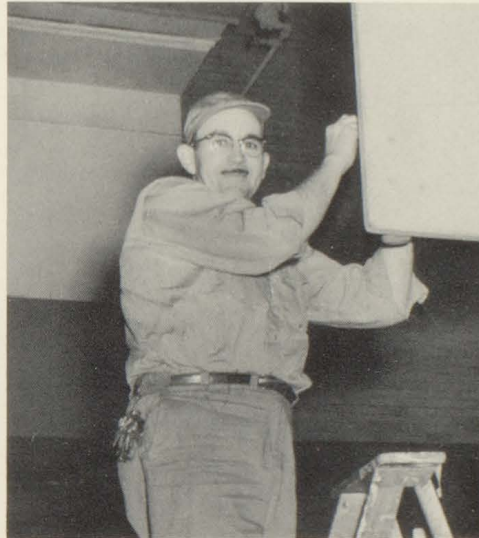
The School cafeteria cooks, Thelma Lowder, Hazel Warner, and Lucy Manis, arrive at school each morning about the same time the students do. Their main duty is to prepare each day's menu which is previously planned by Mrs. Tolle.

Hundreds of students use the cafeteria facilities daily, including Junior High and grade schools.

Behind the Scenes Workers Are Always on the Go

"Don't let Bill see you on the gym floor with your shoes on," is commonly heard being repeated by students who are aware of the meticulous care janitor Bill Brogden gives the gym.

Orville Schimmel, head janitor, is shown repairing lights. His jobs are varied and unlimited.



These two janitors, Clarence Burton and Pat Harrison, are familiar faces in the halls of EHS.

Working at different shifts, William Heath and Elliot McPhearson heat the building.



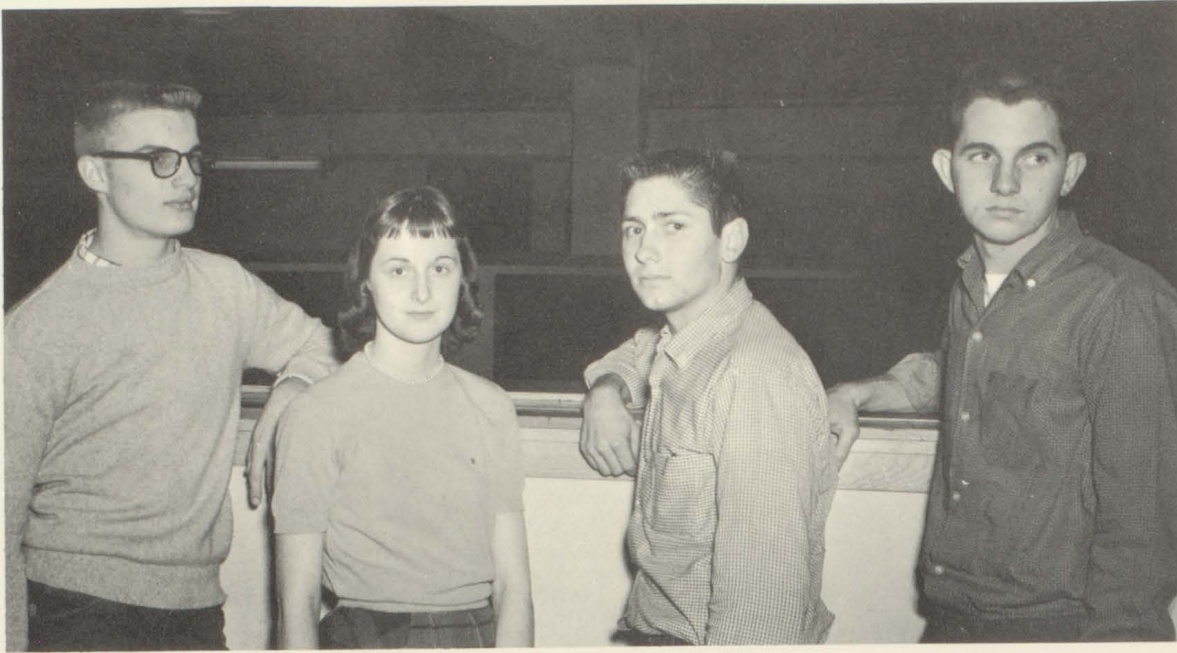


STUDENT BODY — 1959



**“THE
HOPE
OF OUR
COUNTRY”**





Junior Class officers: Phil Sharp, president; Linda Courtney, secretary; Richard Weismiller, vice-president; and Tim Gordon, treasurer.

Juniors Once More Follow the Leadership of Phil Sharp

The major item on the junior class agenda, is of course, the Junior-Senior Prom. Other activities included the Homecoming and many money-making projects.

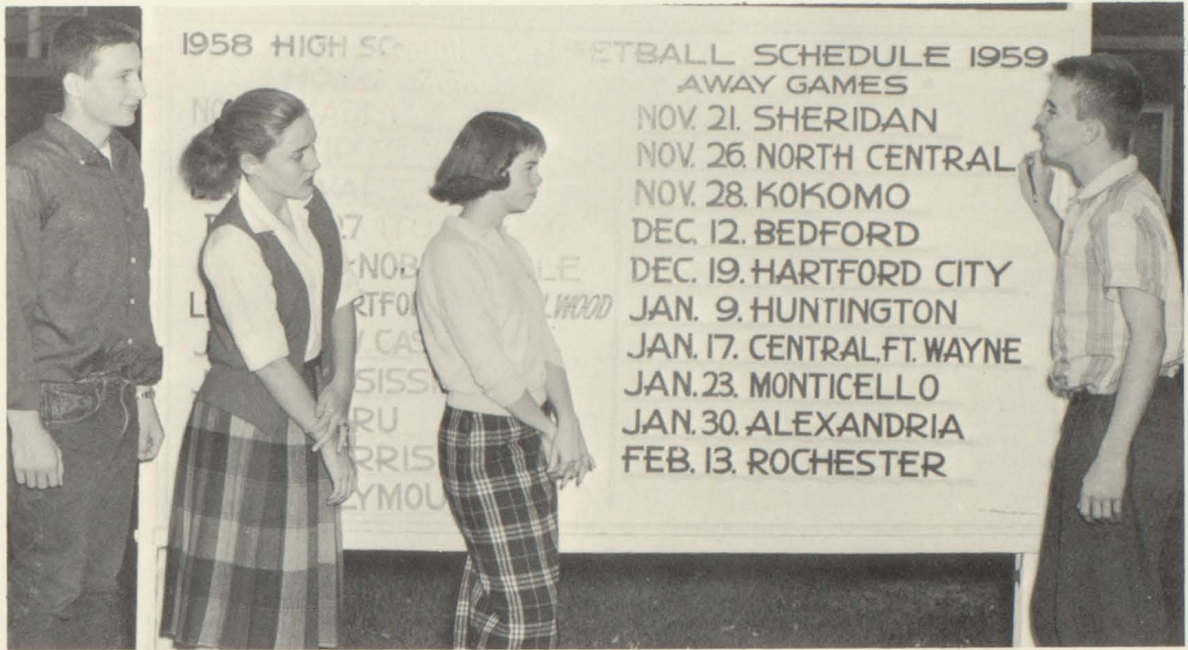
The Junior officers include: Phil Sharp, president; Richard Weismiller, Vice-president; Linda Courtney,

Secretary; and Tim Gordon, Treasurer.

This year the class of '60 ordered and received their class rings. The rings were a little different this year than in previous years. The juniors also upset a senior tradition by winning the Homecoming contest.

The newly arrived class rings receive oh's and ah's from juniors Diana Bozell, Marianne Swenson, and Winnie Shaw.





Sophomore Class officers: Phil Berry, vice-president; Carol Robertson, secretary; Judy Cherry, treasurer; and John Graham, president.

John Graham Becomes First President of the Class of '61.

The sophomore class, electing officers for the first time, chose John Graham as president, Phil Berry as vice-president, Judy Cherry as secretary, and Carol Robertson as treasurer. The class of '61 is busy with several money-making schemes in order to pay for the Prom its Junior year.

Traditionally, the freshman class is not allowed to organize. But they can elect student council representatives. The Class of '62 spent much of its first year in becoming accustomed to high school life and in avoiding those seniors who were constantly on the lookout for them.

The freshman representatives, Kathy Oldag, Mickey Beasley, and Jack Armstrong, talk over class problems.





Nervous, Coach? Nope! Elwood fans were entertained not only by the Panthers but also by Coach McNulty's card-chewing and other nervous antics.

Jim Adams
David Alexander



Linda K. Alexander
Linda M. Alexander



Marie Anderson
Jack Armstrong



Richard Ball
Michele Beasley



1958-59 Has Been a Great Year from Start to Finish . . .



Arlen Beeman
Robert Beeman
Mary Beth Benedict
Jerry Benefiel
Tom Bennett
Kay Bethay



Danny Blake
Richard Boll
Ann Bomersback
Kenneth Booher
Bill Bozell
Dennis Bradley



Mary Bray
Bob Buis
Pauletta Burton
Gwendolyn Bushey
Jane Bykowski
Lynn Chase



Danny Cline
Larry Cline
Rebecca Cloud
Ramona Coe
Virginia Cogan
Clarence Cole



Bob Combs
Annette Coons
Mae Coons
Mary Ann Cooper
Janet Copus
Janice Copus



Jetta Courtney
Sammy Courtney
Imogene Creech
Bonnie Crouse
Sandra Davenport
Robert Davis



Vernajean Deep
 Anna DeHart
 Tina Denton
 Bob Detling
 Alma Dever

Pat Dooley
 Mike Duckworth
 Bob Edwards
 Martha Edwards
 Dennis Elledge

Carolyn Etchison
 Nancy Etchison
 Carolyn Everling
 Beverly Faucett
 Nina Fleener

Tom Fogerty
 Geraldine Fowler
 Raymond Fox
 Robert Fox
 Gregory Fuller

Class of 1962

... But We Remember Some Things More Than Others ...

Bil Galbreath
 Dotty Gallapoo
 Alex Gardner
 Donald Gillum
 Ronald Gillum
 Karen Goins

Karen Hampton
 Ricki Hanshew
 Nancy Hardebeck
 Norma Hardebeck
 Estel Harney
 Janalyn Harney

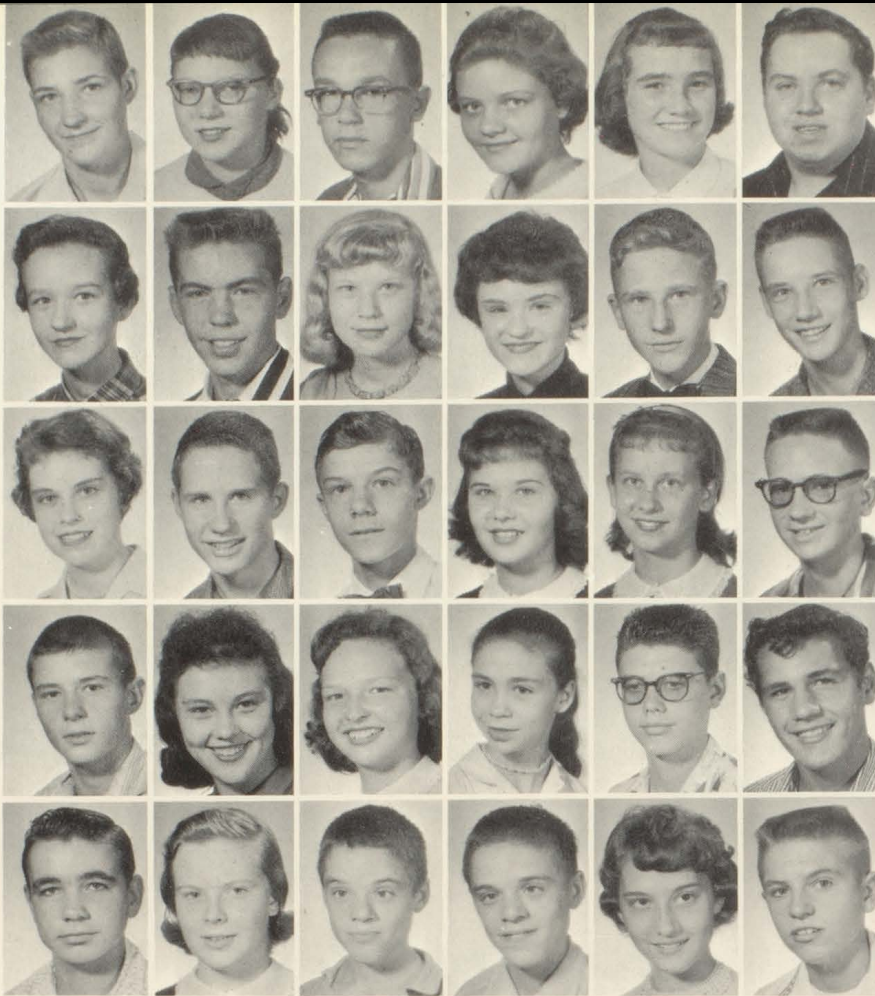
Janice Harris
 Karen Hartley
 Dellino Hartman
 David Hasket
 Welza Haskett
 Wilma Haynes

Rita Hester
 Donald High
 William Hill
 Jerry Hobbs
 Becky Hobbs
 Jerry Hocker

Larry Hocker
 Larry Holtsclaw
 Mike Holtsclaw
 Max Hoppel
 Pat Howard
 Kenny Howerton

Linda Huntsinger
 Steve Hurst
 Sandra Johnston
 Garry Jolliff
 Edith Jones
 Elizabeth Jones





Ronald Jones
Sandra Jones
Jerry Justus
Carolyn Kelley
Patty Kiefer
Jerry Kincaid

Pat Kiser
Ronald Klein
Sharon Knopp
Margaret Koons
Mike Kroggel
John Laudeman

Karen Lee
Mike Leeson
Charles Lehman
Cheryl Lewis
Sharon Lilly
Riginald Lindsay

Charles Loser
Roberta Louderback
Diana Lynas
Diana McCorkle
Hershel McCorkle
Jerry McCorkle

Leroy McIntyre
Gloria McRoberts
Donald Maish
Ronald Maish
Jane Marty
Daniel Meyer

Class

... Such As Hula Hoops, the Panther Den the "Hall Clock," ...

Sharran Michael
Dwight Miller
Wynn Miller
Mell Morris
Vickie Morris
Jerry Moss

Pat Mountcastle
Sherry Munns
Elmond Neese
Margaret Nichols
Raymond Niverson
Mary Noone

Kathy Oldag
Richard Osborn
Bernie Parker
James Parker
Karen Patton
Sue Patton

Bob Pearson
Jan Pedro
Harold Poe
David Powell
John Powers
Gary Ramey

Catherine Reeves
Gloria Reynolds
Sandra Reynolds
Loretta Richardson
Tom Riggs
Cheri Riser



Ann Robertson
Charles Robinette
Ted Robinette
Buddy Rogers
Sharon Ross
Janet Sanders



Andrea Seely
Carol Sell
Dorothy Shinkle
Jesse Shull
Jan Smith
Karen Smith



Pamela Smith
Susan Smith
Carl Stage
David Stewart
Glen Stewart
Bill Stokes



Earlene Stone
Jim Stout
Sharon Stroud
Sue Swackhamer
Robinpat Tam
Richard Towner



Fred Troutman
Donald Tucker
Glenn Underwood
Diane Usfo
Lewis VanBlair
Shirley VanNess



of 1962

... And Coach McNulty Chewing on His 3 x 5 Cards ...



Ann Walker
Charlene Walsh
David Warren
Gene Webb



Sue Weddell
Bob Wells
Verona Wesley
Tim Wheeler



Jerry Whitaker
Ruby White
Mike Williams
Ronald Wilson



Meredith Wisler
Jerry Wittebort
Alida Wood
James Wood



Virginia Woolums
Martha Wooten
Edward Yates
Jack Young

Freshmen not pictured:
Michael Clary
Pat Davis
Tom Graham
Richard Nance
Judith Pedro
Susan Scea
Harold Tobey
James Vautaw



Carolyn Aldridge
Janis Allen
Marilyn Allen
Susan Allen
Ruth Ann Amos
Dale Anderson

Doug Anderson
Judy Baker
Nancy Balser
William Balser
Carolyn Berry
Phil Berry

Paulus Birch
James Blackford
Charles Blankenship
Phyllis Boruff
Jerry Bragg
Janice Brewer

Marilyn Brogdon
Vikki Brown
Saundra Brunson
Linda Byler
Patsy Carroll
Judy Cherry

Marilyn Clouser
Frances Collier
David Conner
Sharon Cotton
Kathleen Curran
Susan Dauenhauer

Class

... We Slowly Became Accustomed to No Homerooms ...

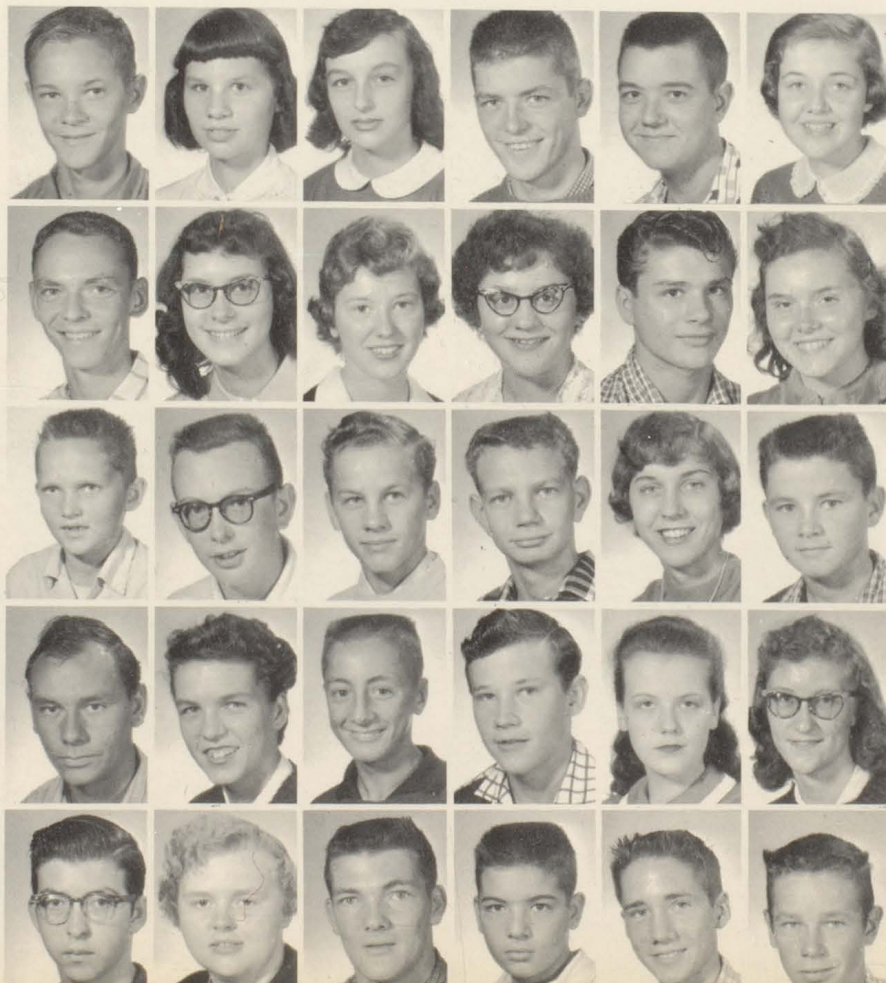
Edgar Davis
Nancy DeBethune
Joiceann Deep
Bob Dellinger
Robert Doan
Karen Downey

Steve Durr
Lois Jean Edwards
Judy Evans
Barbara Farr
Victor Farr
Linda Faulkner

John Faust
Charles Fernung
Pete Fettig
Kenny Fincher
Frances Fisher
Sam Fisher

Gerald Fite
Diane Franklin
Richard Frawley
Woodrow Friend
Bonnie Fromholz
Mary Frye

Donnie Fuller
Connie Funkhouser
Roy Gammon
Pete Garcia
Tim Gardner
Tom Garner



Jim Garrison
Ruth Gillespie
Judith Goings
Leland Goins
Helen Gordon
Donald Graham



John Graham
Linda Groover
Mary Gunn
Sharon Hahn
Donn Hancher
Jerry Hancock



Jimmy Hanlin
Joyce Hardebeck
Jerry Harting
Thomas Hartzler
Wayne Hasecuster
Mardis Heater



Brenda Heflin
James Hester
Kenneth Hewitt
Rodney Hicks
Rebecca Hillan
Jo Ann Hodson



Caroline Holliday
Larry Holliday
Lou Ann Hoose
Joyce Hoover
DeVonne Horton
Mary Houser

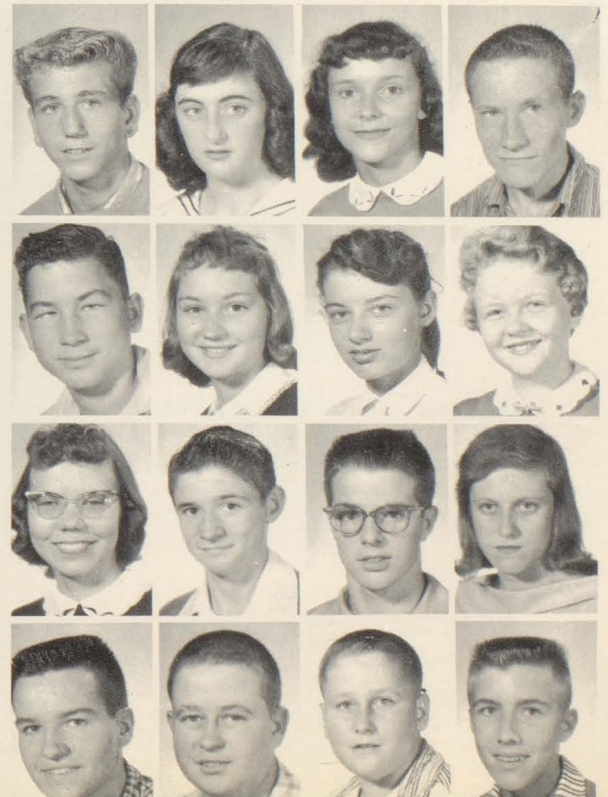


of 1961

... And Had to Catch Up on the Latest Gossip Elsewhere ...

Billy Hughes	Sharon Hunt	Joan Huntsinger	Ronnie Hussong
Herman Idlewine	Saundra Jackson	Lucille Jehlen	Jayne Jester
Emily Johnson	Lewis Jones	Edwin Jones	Gloria Jones
Richard Jones	Jimmy Jordan	Ray Jordan	Jerry Joseph

A hilarious night was afforded Den-goers when the Sub-Deb Club held their initiation.





Eloise Kapper
Robert Keller

Cathleen Kelley
Catherine Kilgore

David Kurtz
Cecelia Lambertson



Loie Bohlander finds that the behind-the-scenes work of a class play is just as rewarding as the actual performance. Loie is making up Steve Fettig.

**Class
of
1961**

... Although the Name of Our School Is Wendell L. Willkie,

Sue Ann Laub
Steve Leathers
Bruce Lewis
Jody Lewis
Regina Litsey



Mary Loser
Marlin Low
Janet Loyd
James McCorkle
Richard McElfresh
Bob Merida



Jerry Meyer
Michael Meyer
Barbara Miller
Karen Miller
Maria Moore
Mary Ann Moore



Linda Morrison
Wanda Murray
Byron Neese
Curtis Nickles
Steve Niverson
Phil Orth



Nancy Padgett
Tom Pantos
Dave Passmore
James Pedro
Patricia Perry
Susan Peters



Tom Peters
Henry Phillips
Tom Phillips
Suzanne Pool
Darryle Poole
Alan Pratt



Becky Pullen
Eugenia Ramey
Tom Rebeck
Gerald Reeves
Marcid Renie
Steve Reynolds



Susan Reynolds
Tom Richardson
Nina Ridge
Ronald Rieman
Carol Robertson
Jerry Robison



Terry Rockhill
Joyce Rominger
Richard Rominger
Judi Rudig
Deanna Runyon
Ronnie Runyon



Elizabeth Sanders
Delorma Sargent
James Shaw
Arnold Shepard
David Short
Gordon Simons



Students Still Fondly Refer to It as E.H.S. . . .



Judith Sizelove
Terry Small
Beverly Smith
Charles Smith
Dennis Sorrell
Joyce Sosbe



Diane Stanley
Max Stover
Joyce Sullivan
Linda Taylor
Donald Townsend
Larry Varner



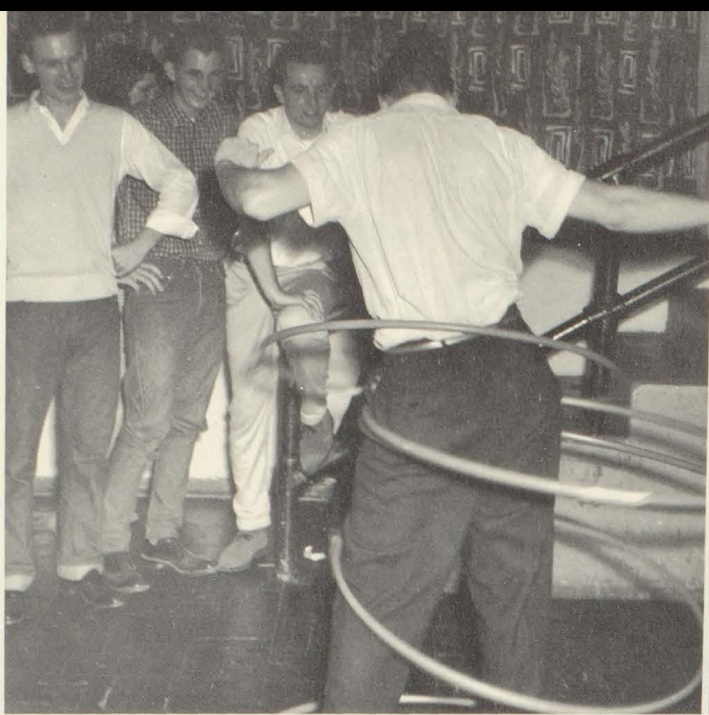
James Vice
Nancy Walkup
Cora Bell Wardwell
Donald Warner
Sonja Warner
Donald Wells



Jim Werline
Rita Wilhoit
Richard Wimmer
Sarah Wisehart
Kathleen Wisler
Eldon Wittkamper



Judy Wolfe
Rachel Wooten
Linda Wright
Barbara Young
Eugene McPhearson
Sharon Swihart



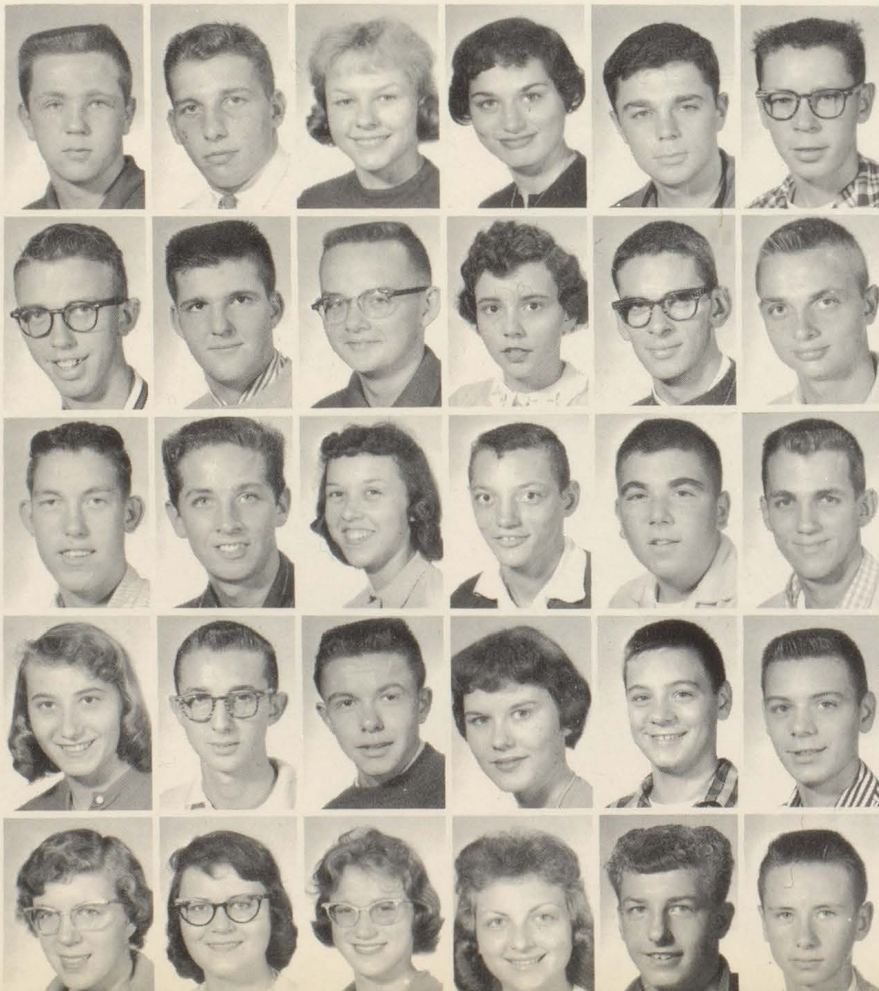
The hula hoop rage swept Willkie High as well as the nation. Rich Fihe won an exciting contest at the Den.



The first day of school is traditionally Senior Cord Day. Alice "Stinky" Swackhamer and Julie Henegan stopped for ice cream on the way home and proudly showed off their new cords.

Class of 1960

... The Audacity of Vandals Rocked the Student Body,



Mike Adams
Phillip Alexander
Judy Alumbaugh
Jennie Anderson
Larry Anderson
Jim Arnold

David Beamer
Keith Beaty
Keith Beckley
Judith Benefiel
Joe Bilby
Rodney Birkinbine

Roy Boruff
Jim Boyland
Diana Bozell
Ronald Bragg
David Buckheit
Robert Bunch

Lewana Gipson
Richard Burnette
Gregory Caldwell
Mary Ann Cannon
Donald Carmer
Ronald Carmer

Michelle Carter
Leslie Clark
Patty Clouser
Carolyn Coe
Dan Collins
James Collins



Kathryn Collis
Mickie Conley
Bob Cooper
Ted Cooper
Marlene Coryell
Linda Courtney

Marsha Courtney
Joyce Crull
Donna Davis
James Deck
Janice Decker
Marlene Dickey

Terill Dickey
Dennis Dietzer
Karen Dooley
David Dowler
Terry Downey
Jerry Duffey

Paul Durm
Billy Etchison
Jim Etchison
Ruth Fettig
Bill Fields
Sue Fitzpatrick

Richard Floyd
Genie Forst
Gary Fouts
Sherry Friend
Ray Fromholz
Roy Fromholz

And Elwood's "Komeback Kids" Rocked the State . . .

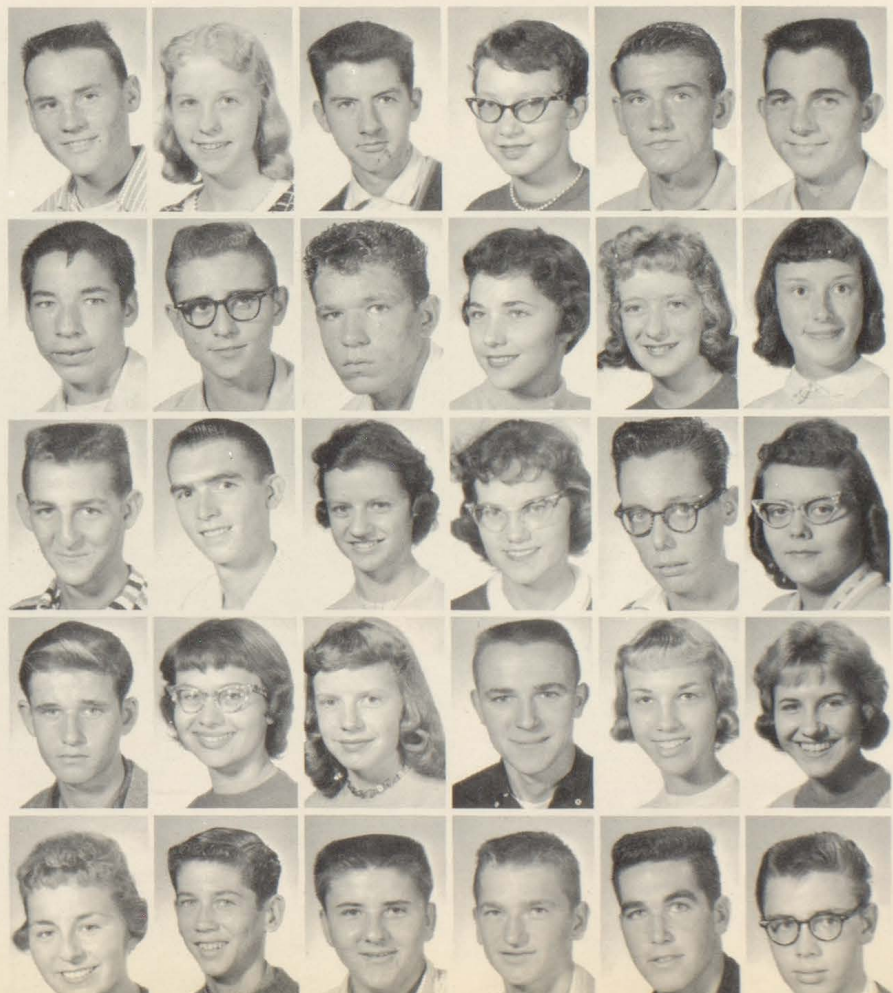
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Carol Glotzbach
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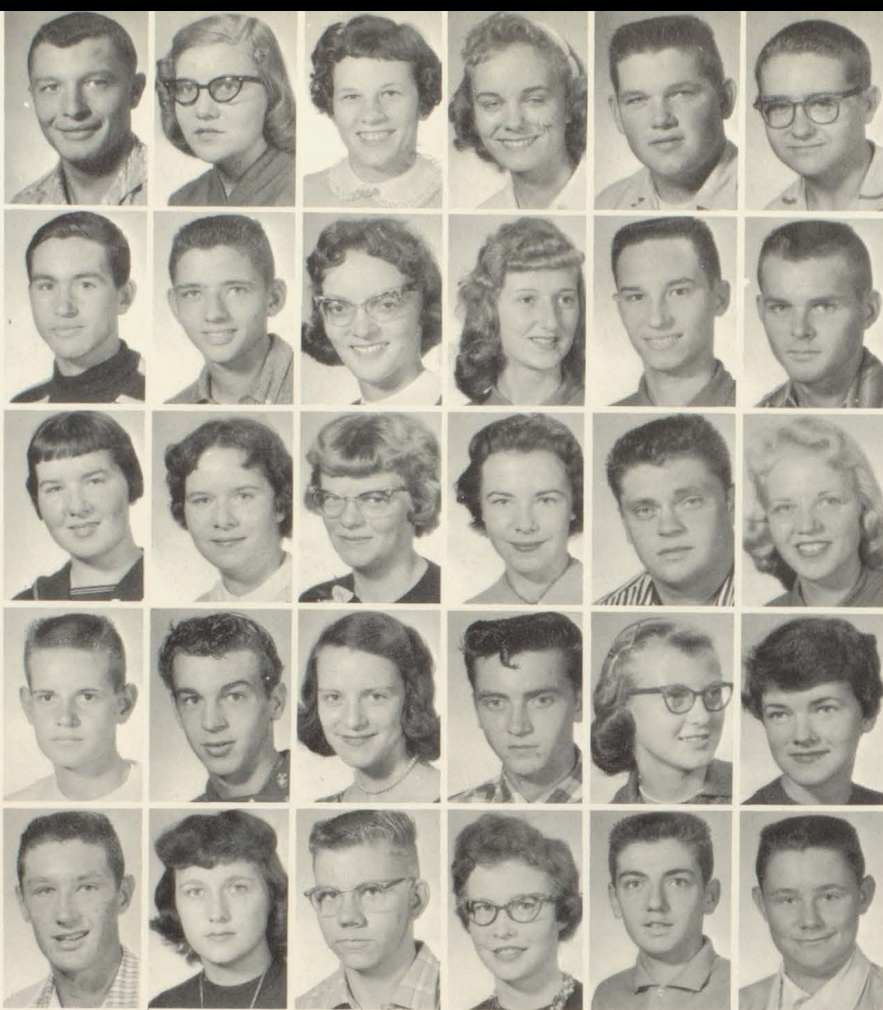
Melvin Groover
David Haas
Ralph Hahn
Patricia Halfin
Suzanne Hamer
Marjorie Hamilton

Tony Haneline
Robert Harrell
Judith Harris
Mary Harris
Robert Harting
Rebecca Havens

David Heater
Judy Heflin
Theresa Hibst
Tom Hillan
Laurel Hinds
Virginia Hocker

Mary Lee Hodson
Danny Holmes
David Hook
Alfred Jaenichen
Charles Jameson
Eric Johnson





David Jones
Sandra Joyner
Carolyn Kantner
Grace Kennedy
Jon King
Kenneth Knauer

Junior Knotts
Ronnie Lawson
Ann Leathers
Shirley Leavell
Richard Leeson
George Leisure

Jeanette Lightfoot
Jeanine Lightfoot
Linda Lindley
Pearl Lineback
Larry McFall
Virginia McQueen

Jeff Mays
Gerald Meier
Ruth Miller
Glen Morgan
Joyce Morris
Judy Mountcastle

Darrell Murray
Vickie Niverson
Charles O'Haver
Karen Ott
Joseph Overdoff
Jerry Owens

Class

... Pizza, Parties, Panthers, Problems and Puppy Loves,

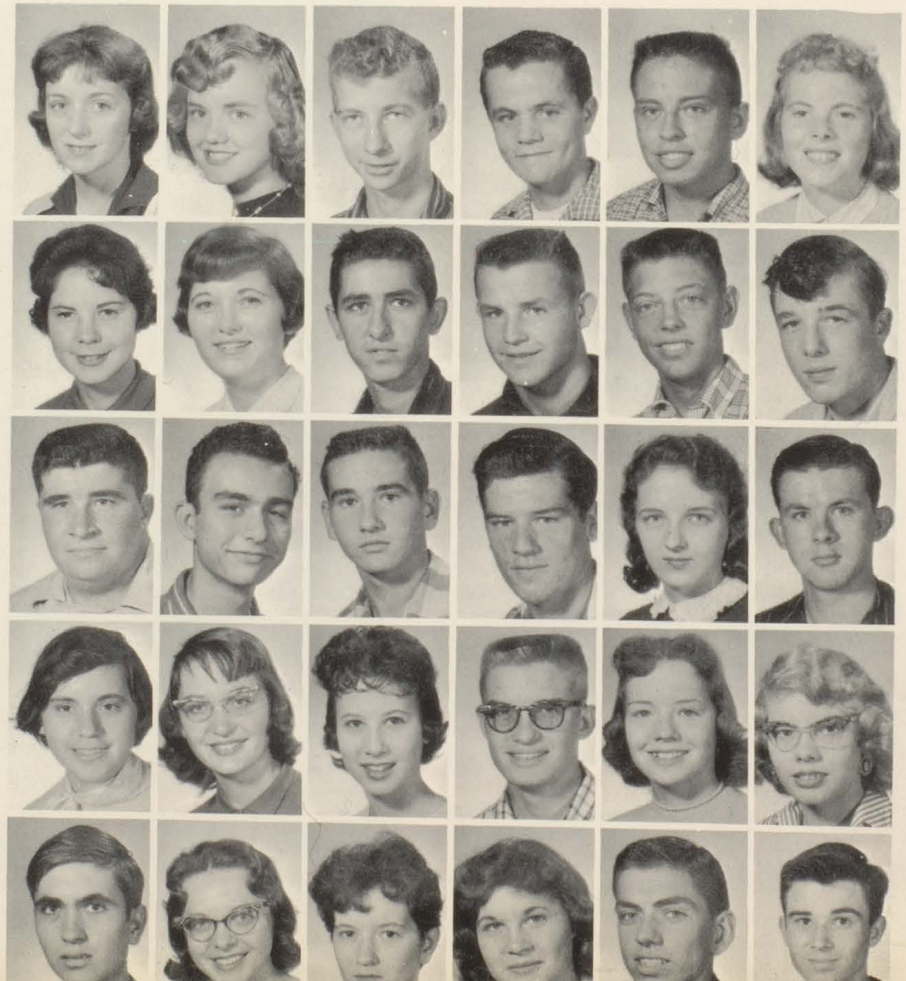
Betty Padgett
Joan Parker
Paul Parker
Sam Parker
Ted Pedro
Kathryn Phillips

Eileen Plummer
Kinda Poe
Bob Ponder
Jerry Priest
James Raney
Larry Reynolds

Tom Reynolds
Martin Ring
Charles Riser
Jerry Rittenhouse
Judith Robinette
James Rogers

Betty Avery
Rita Salisbury
Carolyn Scott
Phil Sharp
Winifred Shaw
Jewel Shinkle

Charles Short
Glenda Skillman
Sandra Skirvin
Sandra Smith
Eddie Stage
Duane Stansberry



Joan Stone
 Dave Stout
 James Strangeway
 Bill Sturtsman
 Marianne Swenson
 Deborah Tam



Linda Taylor
 Richard Thomas
 David Thrawl
 Mary Lou Tunnell
 Bill Tyner
 Lela Underwood



Bruce Van Buskirk
 Richard Vautaw
 Victoria Vos
 Janice Webb
 Richard Weismiller
 John Wheeler



Bob Widmeyer
 Judy Wilburn
 Phil Wilhelm
 Carolyn Wilhoit
 DeeAnn Wilhoit
 Joyce Williams



Margaret Wilson
 Barbara Wischart
 Marvin Wittkamper
 Pat Wolf
 William Wessler



of 1960

All Combined to Make 58-59 the Great Year It Was . . .



Mike Fogerty
 Danny Jolliff

College Day gave Willkie High juniors and seniors a chance to learn more about the college of their choice. Mr. Ted Whereatt talks about Indiana University with Sharon Hasecuster and Karen Stack.



Juniors not pictured:
 Judith Dauenhauer



SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS--Dave Small, secretary; Sherry Beasley, treasurer; Dixie Clark, vice-president; and Ted Schuck, president--leave the high school building.

... But for Us Seniors This Year Had Special Meaning,

Dave Small proudly inspects the Pantherhead presented by the seniors.



On September 7, 1955, the Class of '59 made its debut at Wendell L. Willkie High School. With the election of home room presidents and student council representatives, they settled down into the routine of high school life. Soon it was time for another election--that of electing a candidate for Homecoming Queen. Carolyn Koons was chosen to represent the freshman class. Among the highlights of 1955-56 was the Freshman Party with Santa Claus as guest of honor.

Becoming a sophomore gave these students the right to elect class officers and, under their leadership, to raise money by various projects. The sophomore officers were Dixie Clark, president; Judy Barber, vice-president; Julie Hennegan, secretary; and Sherry Beasley, treasurer. Many money-making projects, such as a bake sale and a paper drive, were used to raise money in support of their Homecoming candidate, Sherry Beasley. Other projects were carried out during the school term to build up the treasury. It was during this year, 1956-57, that



These Senior Steering Committee members are discussing graduation announcements. They include: Judy Harting, Alice Swackhammer, Loie Bohlander, Ronnie Boruff, Dick Spitzmesser, and Ann Wolf. Other members who are not present are: Darlene Rodgers, Bill Mosbaugh, Bill Hobson, and Doneta Yates.

for It Brought to a Close Our High School Days . . .

Carl McNulty started his coaching career in Elwood by winning the SECTIONAL. There was little school work in the following week as the Panthers were busy celebrating the victory and planning the trip to Butler Fieldhouse. In the spring of this memorable year, the members of the Class of '59 ordered class rings.

At last they became upperclassmen. A great deal of responsibility is attached to the junior year. The class elected Sherry Beasley, president; Sharon Hasecuster, vice-president; Ann Wolf, secretary; and Jerry Elledge, treasurer. The first job for the class was to select a candidate for Homecoming, Linda Green, prepare a float and plan all Homecoming events. The amateur actors of the class did a fine job in putting on the play "Susan Steps Out." Climaxing this eventful year was the junior-senior Prom, "Some Enchanted Evening." The class met and made successful all requirements of the junior year.

The final year of the Class of '59 began on September 4, 1958. Senior class officers were Ted Schuck, president; Dixie Clark, vice-president; Dave Small, secretary; and Sherry Beasley, treasurer. With Judy Harting as candidate for Homecoming Queen, a highly competitive campaign was carried on. A riotous night was spent on November 7 when the seniors held the Sadie Hawkins Day Party. Next on the schedule was the traditional class play, "Dear Diary." On December 5, the seniors presented the school with a beautiful Pantherhead in the gym. In the spring a beautiful Prom was given for the seniors by the junior class. Senior Week followed the Prom and finally it was time for the seniors to put aside those painted cords and don their caps and gowns. Baccalaureate and Commencement exercises sent the graduates on their own.

Good luck to all of you, Class of '59--and may God bless you!

... During Our Four Memorable Years at E. H. S. We



Keith Balsler

Science holds great interest for Keith as he attended the Science Institute at Indiana University last summer.



Judy Barber

Judy is the pretty mistress of ceremonies for the Panther Band as she displays her "Million Dollar Voice."



Sherry Beasley

As a loyal Elwood fan, Sherry displays the exulted energy that has backed each of her Panther cheers.



Jerry McCoy

Along with the role of Panther Band captain and student director, Jerry experienced the position of head band officer.



Bill Mosbaugh

Preparing to play a saxophone solo, Bill sets up his Varsitonian equipment for another evening's entertainment.

One of the highest honors Wendell L. Willkie High School can bestow upon a student is to name that person to the Ten Outstanding Seniors. This list, originated in 1956, has been the goal of many seniors. For this is an honor that will not be forgotten within a few weeks but will be remembered as long as the Crescent is remembered.

Followed the Leadership of These Outstanding Seniors . . .

The Outstanding Seniors were selected by the faculty. Only those with a "B" or higher average were eligible. The faculty made the selections on citizenship, leadership, and service. When the votes were counted by the faculty, the list of the top ten was given to the Crescent staff to report in the yearbook.



Dixie Clark

A sparkling personality and a "Pepsodent" smile makes Dixie the popular head majorette of the Panther Band.



Sharon Hasecuster

Sharon's sweetness along with her activities, such as Panther Den President, have made her a favorite among everyone at EHS.



Ann Orbaugh

Presenting the Stars and Stripes at the ball games is only one of Annie's many activities.



Darlene Rodgers

Darlene is known not only as Glee Club president but also for her radiant personality.



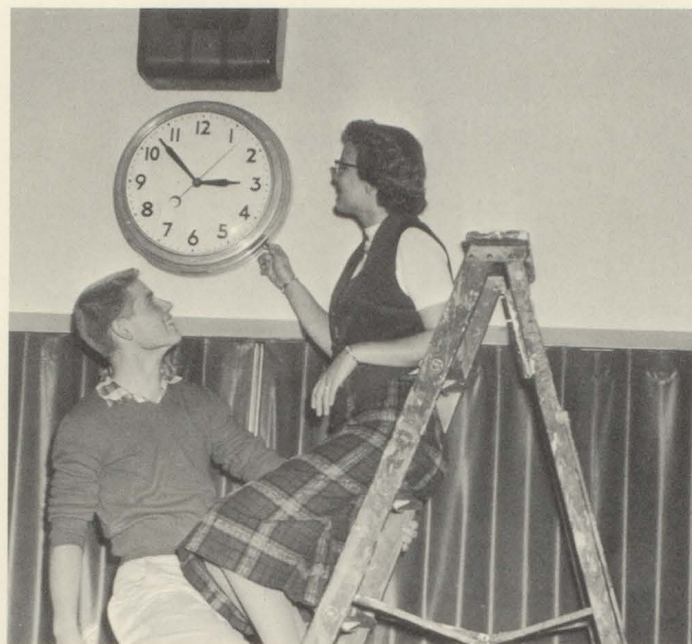
Jane Ann Seright

The creative writing ability of Jane Ann has led her to the editorship of the Crescent among other activities.

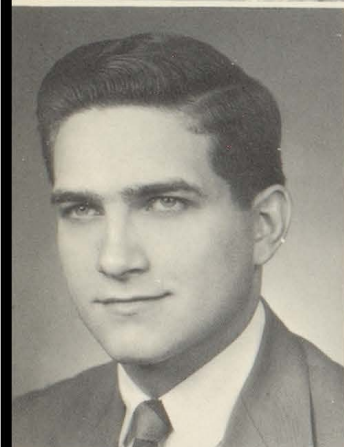
... As Freshmen, We Were Bright-eyed, Eager, and Lost,



DOROTHY AMICK



Frank Cain and Joan Caldwell turn the Den clock back to slow time, but they wish they could turn it back to the beginning of their high school days.



ERNEST AMICK



STEVE ARBUCKLE



ESTELEEN ARNOLD



KEITH BALSER



BETH BAMBROUGH



ROBERT BANNON



JUDY BARBER



SHERRY BEASLEY



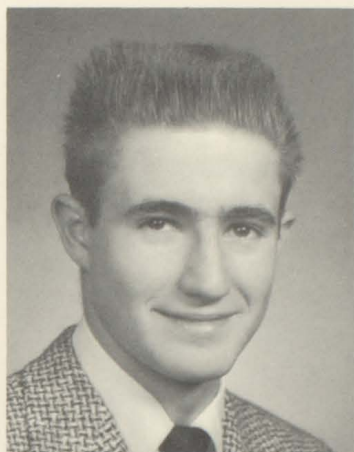
JANICE BENEFIEL

and Usually Fell for Every Senior Trick . . .

CHARLES F.
BERRY

PHILLIP
BERRY

CAROL
BILTZ



CAROL
BLANKENSHIP

LOIS (LOIE)
BOHLANDER

RONALD (RONNIE)
BORUFF



SAM
BOWER

JOYCE
BOYLAND

BILL
BROGDON



MARY JO
BROWN

LARRY
BURWELL

FRANK
CAIN



... As Sophomores We Joined Activities and Ordered Class Rings,



JOAN CALDWELL
NOAH CARPENTER
LARRY CHAMBERS



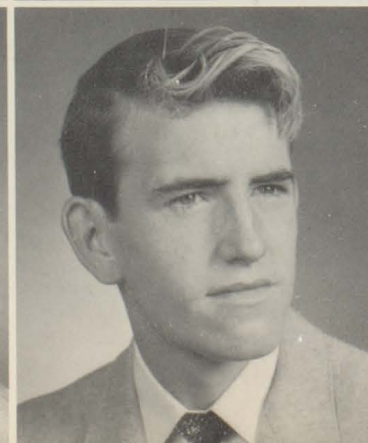
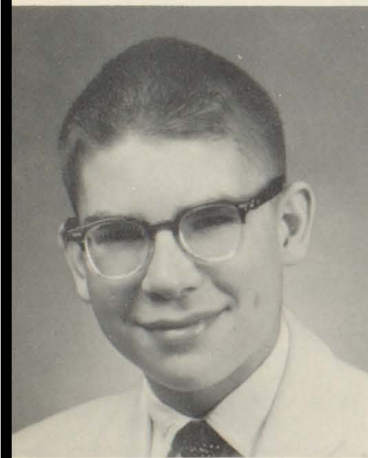
DIXIE CLARK
BILL CLARY
MARY COMBS

MICHAEL L. COMMONS

MARTHA COURTNEY

GEORGIA CROSTHWAITE

DANNY CULP

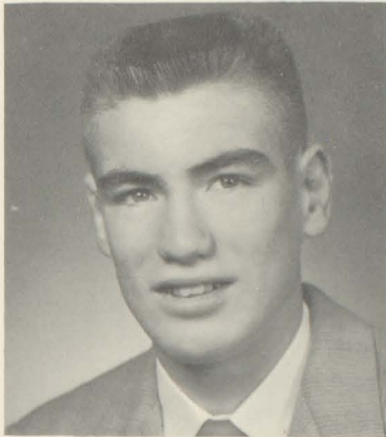


Paper drives were only one of many activities of the senior class to raise money.



and Cheered the Panthers on to the Sectional Title . . .

PATRICK
CURRAN



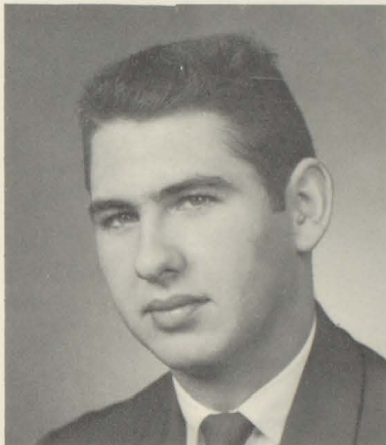
MICHAEL
CURREY



RUBY
DALE



LAMONT (MONTY)
DAUENHAUER



PATRICIA ANNE
DAVIS



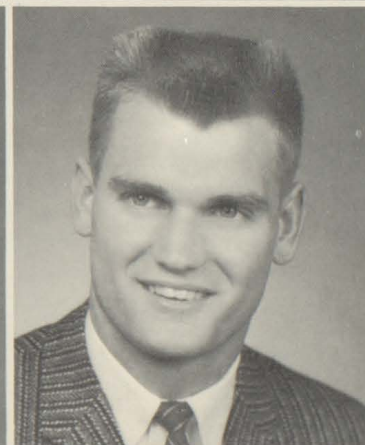
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DOAN



EMOGENE
DOWLER



BOB
DOWLING



BRENDA
DOWNEY



DELBERT DAVID
DOWNING



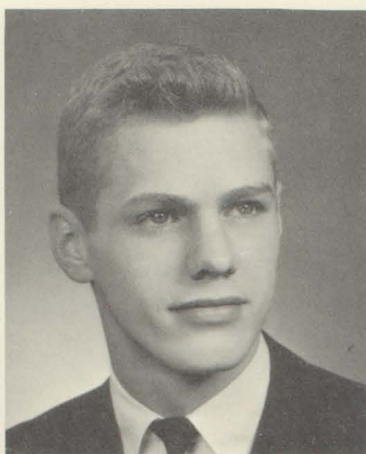
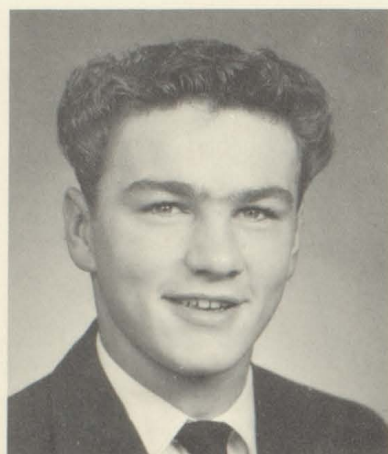
JERRY
ELLEDGE



PATRICIA ANNE
FARR



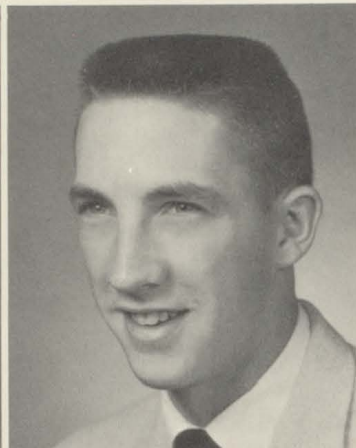
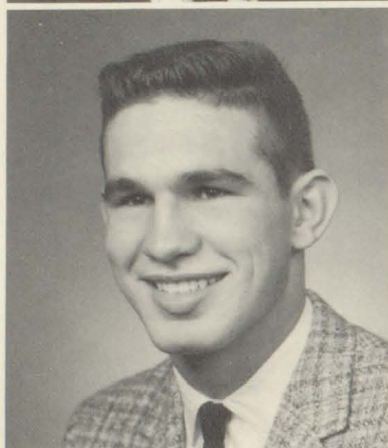
... As Juniors We Quickly Became Used to Being Upperclassmen,



STEPHEN A.
FETTIG

RICHARD
FIHE

SHERRY
FRAZIER



DANIEL (DANNY)
FULLER

GARY
GARRISON

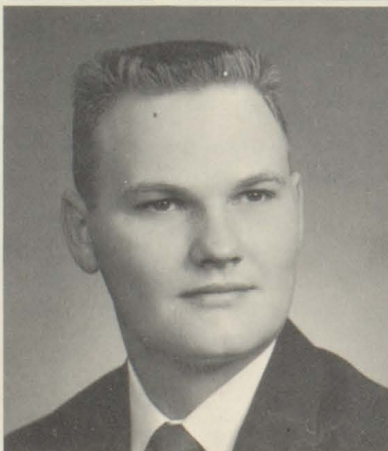
TOM
GISELBACH



JIM
GROSS

ERNEST
HARTING

JUDY
HARTING



MERLE
HARTING

JUDY
HARTLEY

BOB
HARTMAN

and Still Found Time to Sponsor the Prom and Homecoming . . .



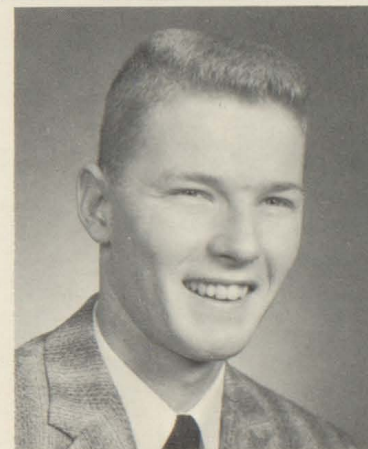
SHARON HASECUSTER
ANITA HASKETT
JACK HEADLEY
DANNY HEFLIN

JULIE HENNEGAN
SHEILA RAE HEVRON
PHILLIP HIBST



GEORGE (BILL) HOBSON
PHIL HOLLIDAY

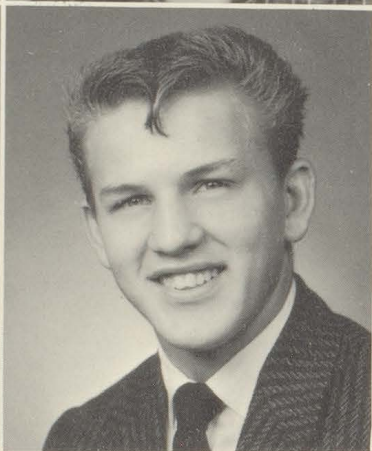
Elwood Safety Queen, Miss Darlene Rodgers, waves to spectators during the Safety Parade in Anderson.



NANCY HOLLOWELL



... Our Senior Year Meant Senior Cords, Privileges and Duties,



Seniors Judy Barber and Mary Combs are proud of the part their class played in raising school spirit.

CAROLYN HOLTSCLAW
MARILYN HUGHES

MELISSA SUE HUFFMAN
MARK HUGHES



DENNIS HUNT
DANIEL HUNTSINGER
DOYLE JARRELL



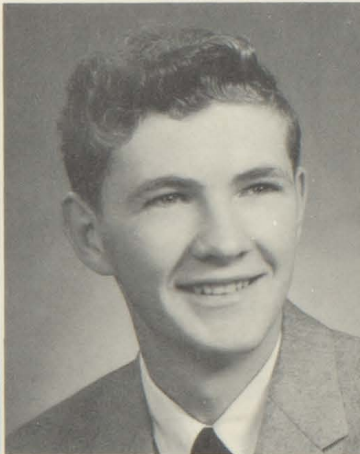
KAREN JARVIS
NORMAN KARCH
ROBERT (BOB) KELLEY

and the Realization That This Was Our Last Year . . .

MICHAEL
KLUMPP



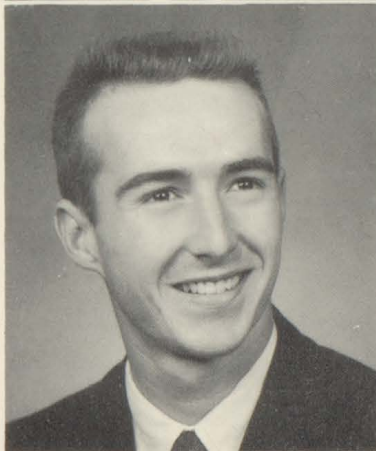
KENT
KLEYLA



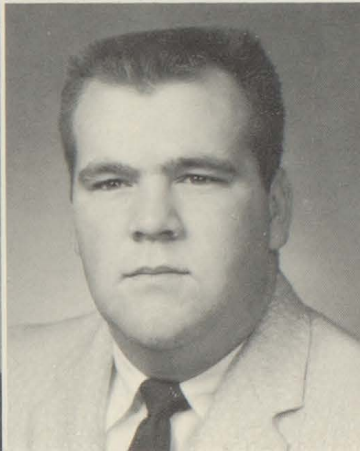
CAROLYN
KOONS



TOM
LEAVELL



JAMES
LOWDER



JOANNA
MARSH



TOM
McCLISH



RAY
McCORKLE



JERRY D.
McCOY



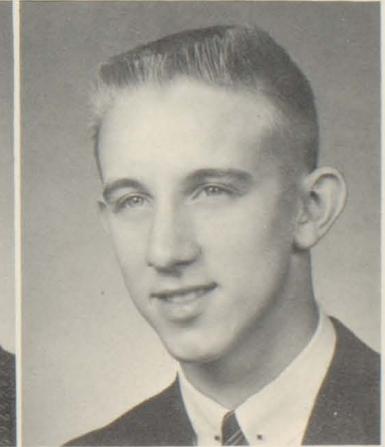
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McELFRESH



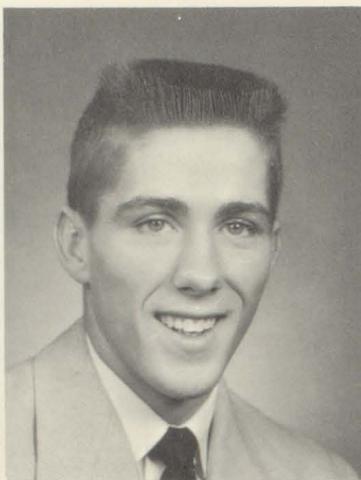
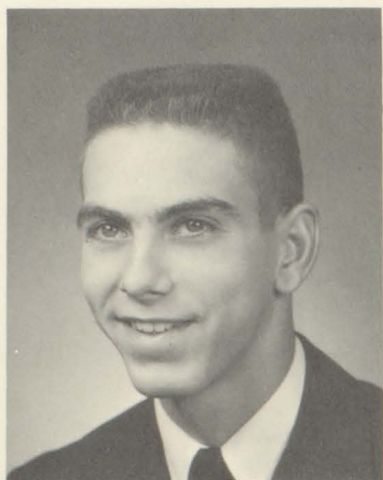
ALBERT
McPHEARSON



DAVID
MILLER



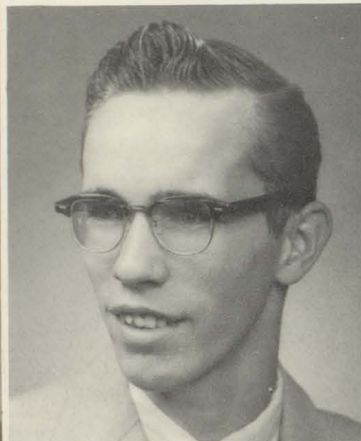
... We Have Played, Cried, Laughed, and Studied Together,



ERVIN (BUTCH)
MITCHELL

PHIL
MORGAN

WILLIAM
MOSBAUGH



NANCY
MRAZ

JAMES
NICKLES

ANN
ORBAUGH



CHRIS
PANTOS

MARILYN
PARKER

MARILYN
PENN



CHARLES (CHUCK)
PHENIS

MARY ALICE
POOL

HELEN
POWELL

and, in Other Moments, We Have Prayed Together . . .



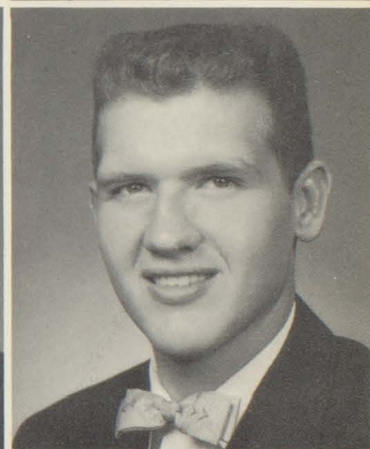
Although the days of initiation are over, senior Jim Lowder finds that freshmen, such as Mary Ann Cooper, still come in handy for carrying his books.



JUDY PRATT

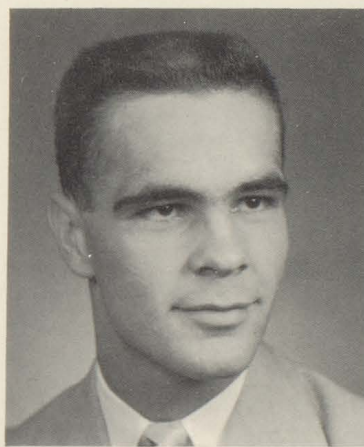


LINDA PRIEST

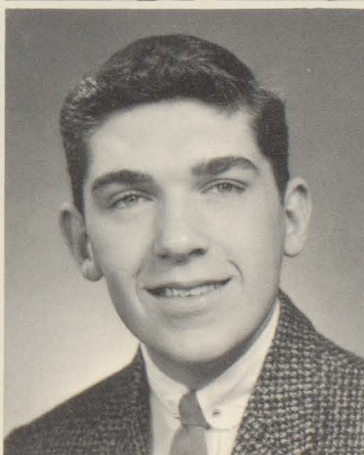


DAVID RICHARDS

ROBERT RILEY
JERRY ROBERTSON
SAUNDRA ROBISON



DARLENE RODGERS
TED SCHUCK
SHIRLEY SCOTT
SAUNDRA SCOTT



... And, As We Leave Willkie High and Go to New Places,



KAREN
SEELY

JUDY
SEIBOLD

JANE ANN
SERIGHT



BRENDA
SHEETS-SMITH

BURGESS
SHULL

CAROL
SILVEY



RANNY
SIMMONS

LARRY
SINGER

MELVIN DOUGLAS
SINGER



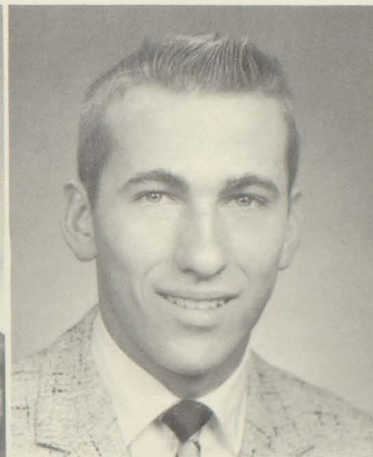
CECIL
SKEEN

DAVE
SMALL

PATSY
SMITH

We Will Take the Words of the Loyalty with Us . . .

JUDY SOUTHERN
RICHARD SPITZMESSER
KAREN STACK



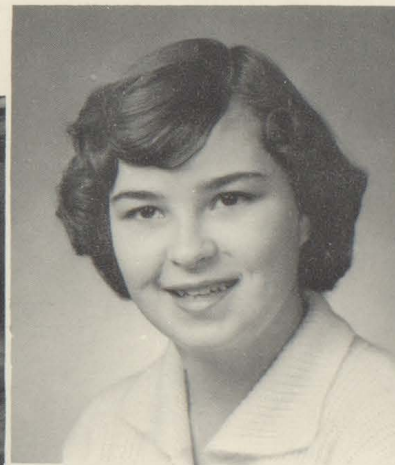
SUE STURTSMAN
ALICE SWACKHAMER
MARY SWIHART



NANCY TANCEY
ADRIENNE TOWNSEND

DAVID TOMPKINS
BETH ANN TRIMBLE

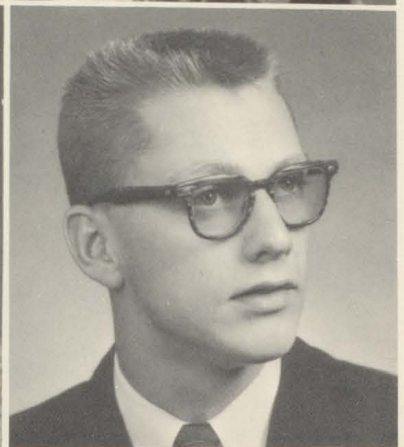
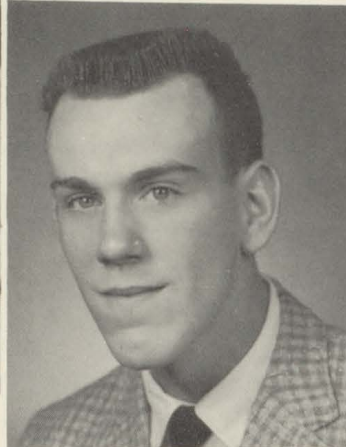
Painting senior cords is a tradition at EHS and Mary Jo Brown is working hard on hers in time for the first of school.



... "To Our Dear High School, We Will Always be True."



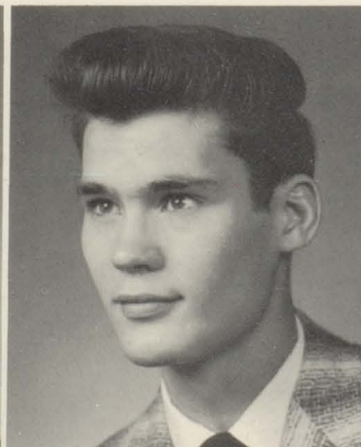
Linda McElfresh nostalgically remembers the four wonderful years of her high school life.



JERRY TROUT
LARRY VICE

MARLYN TROUT
JOHN WAYMIRE

CAROL WHEATLEY
LARRY WHETSEL
SANDRA WHITMORE



SHARON WILBURN
ANN WOLF
JUDY WRIGHT



DONETA
YATES

SHARON
BAKER

LINDA
GREEN



MAUREEN LLOYD

DANIEL McELFRESH



Alice Swackhamer, Annie Orbaugh,
Loie Bohlander, and Julie Henne-
gan keep in touch with Sally Hack
and often visit her at New Haven.



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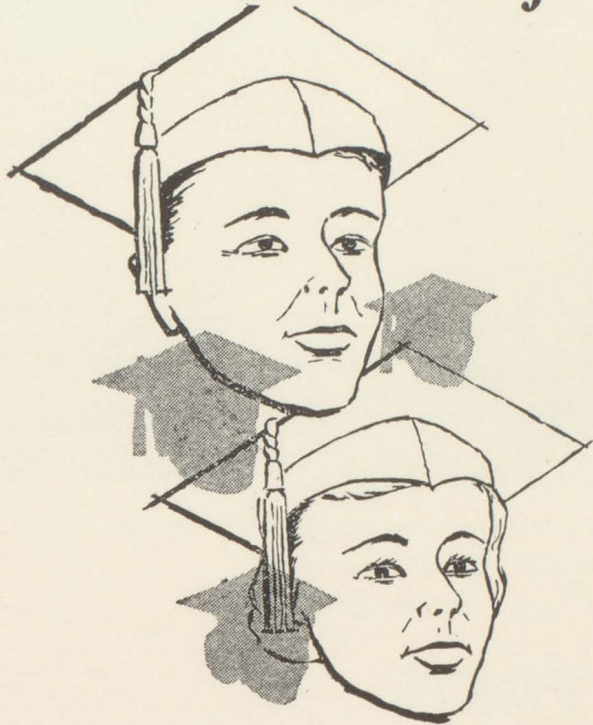
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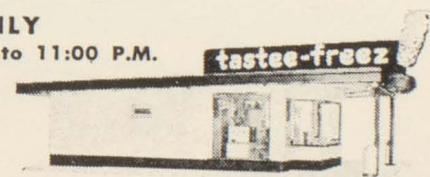
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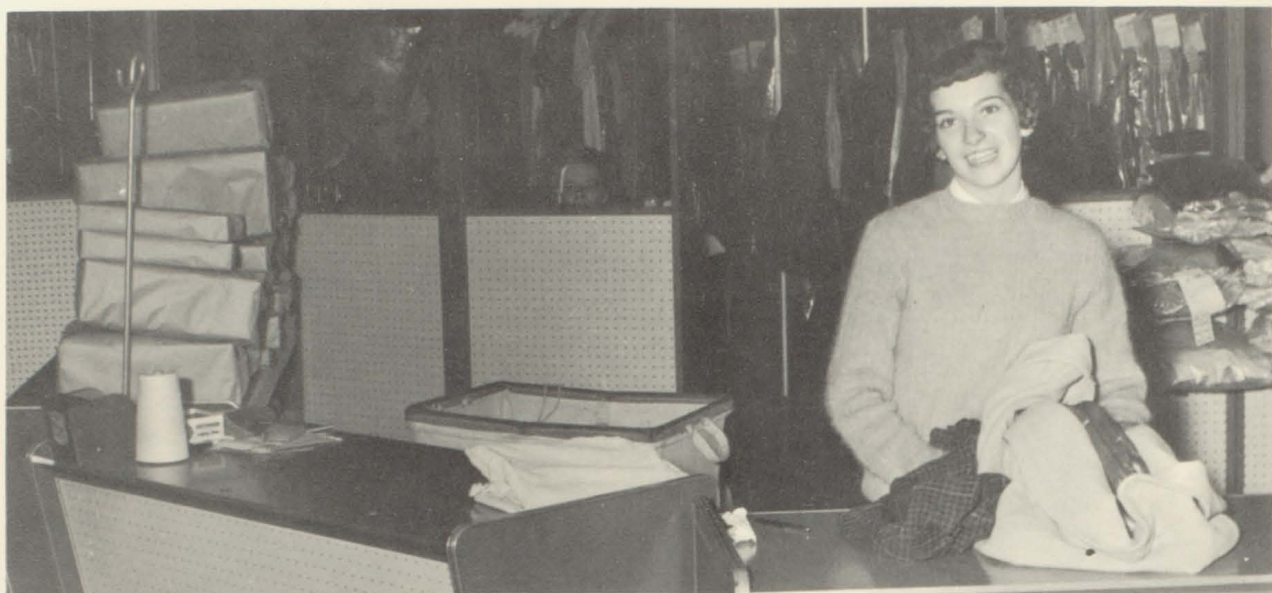
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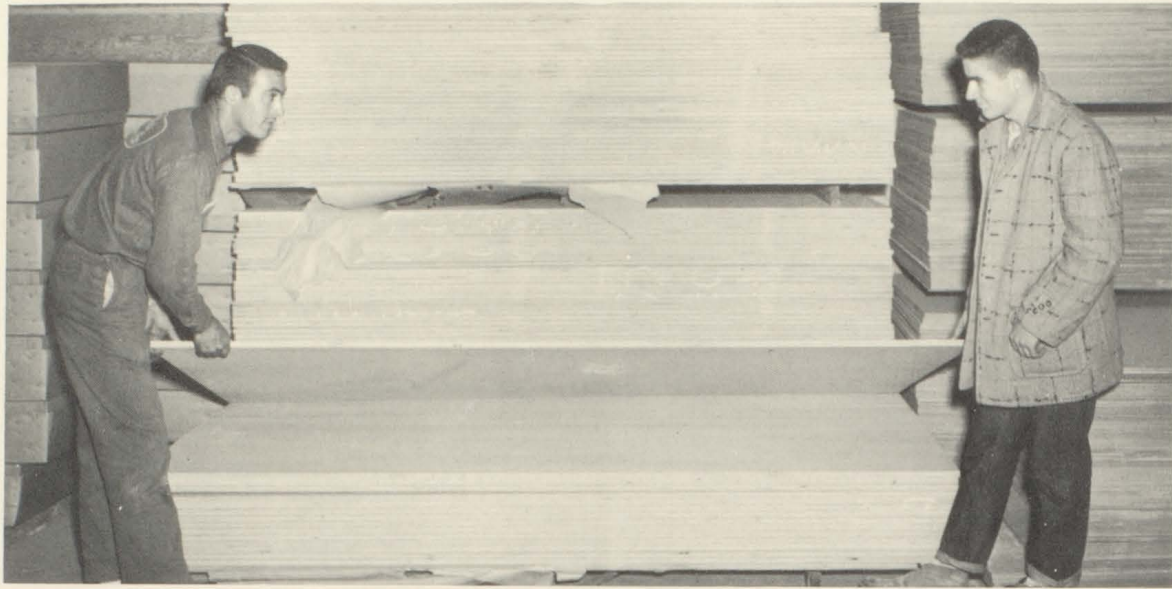
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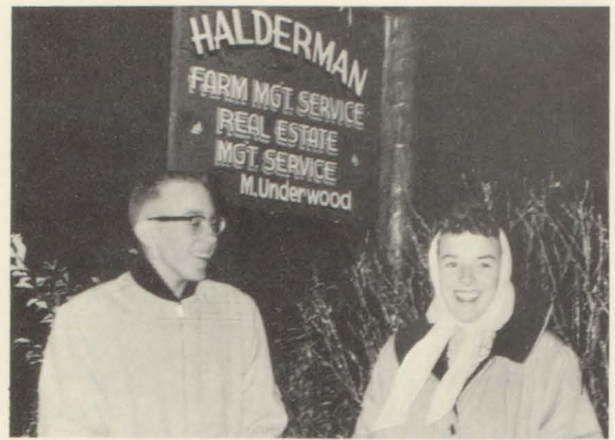
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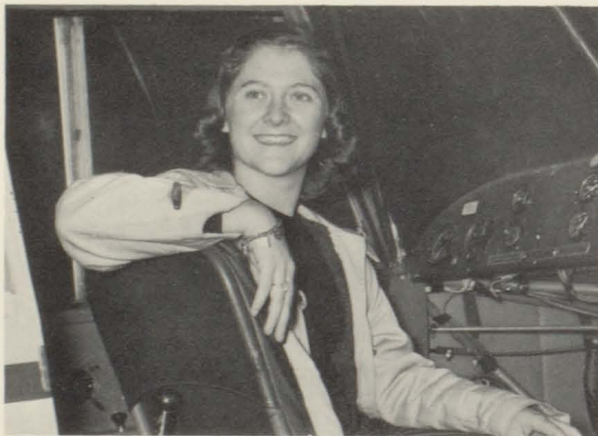
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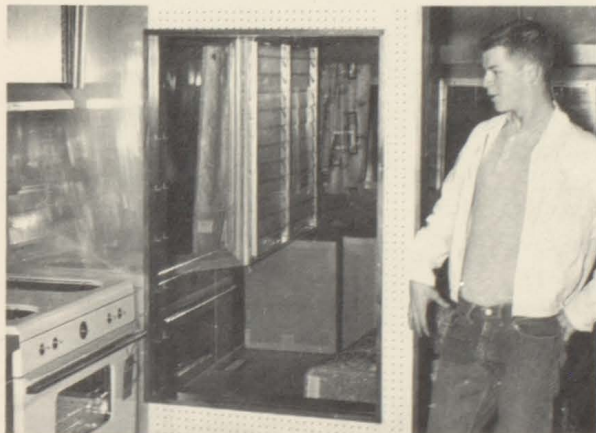


Jack Headley, Tom Giselbach, and Ruby Dale discuss school events over a Hinshaw coke.

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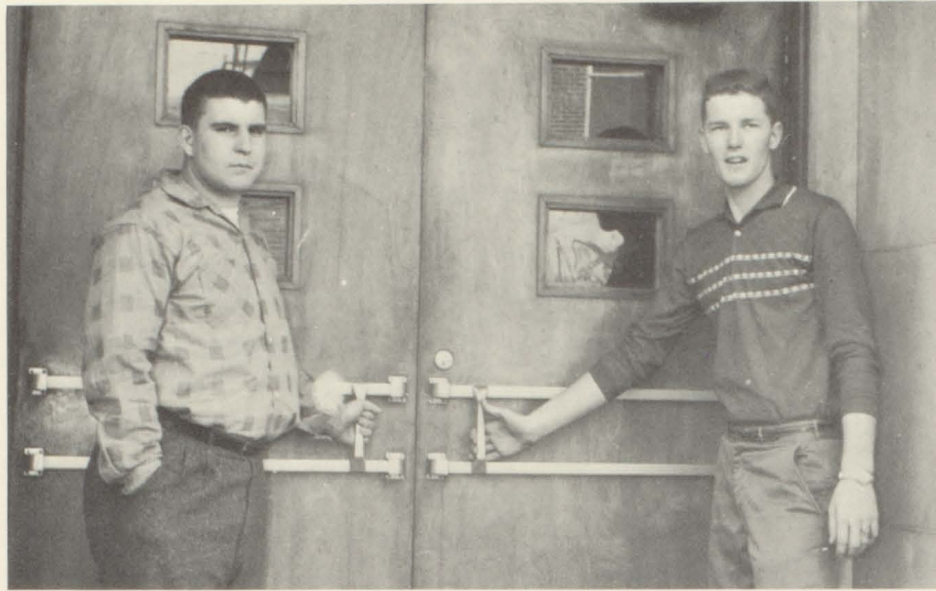
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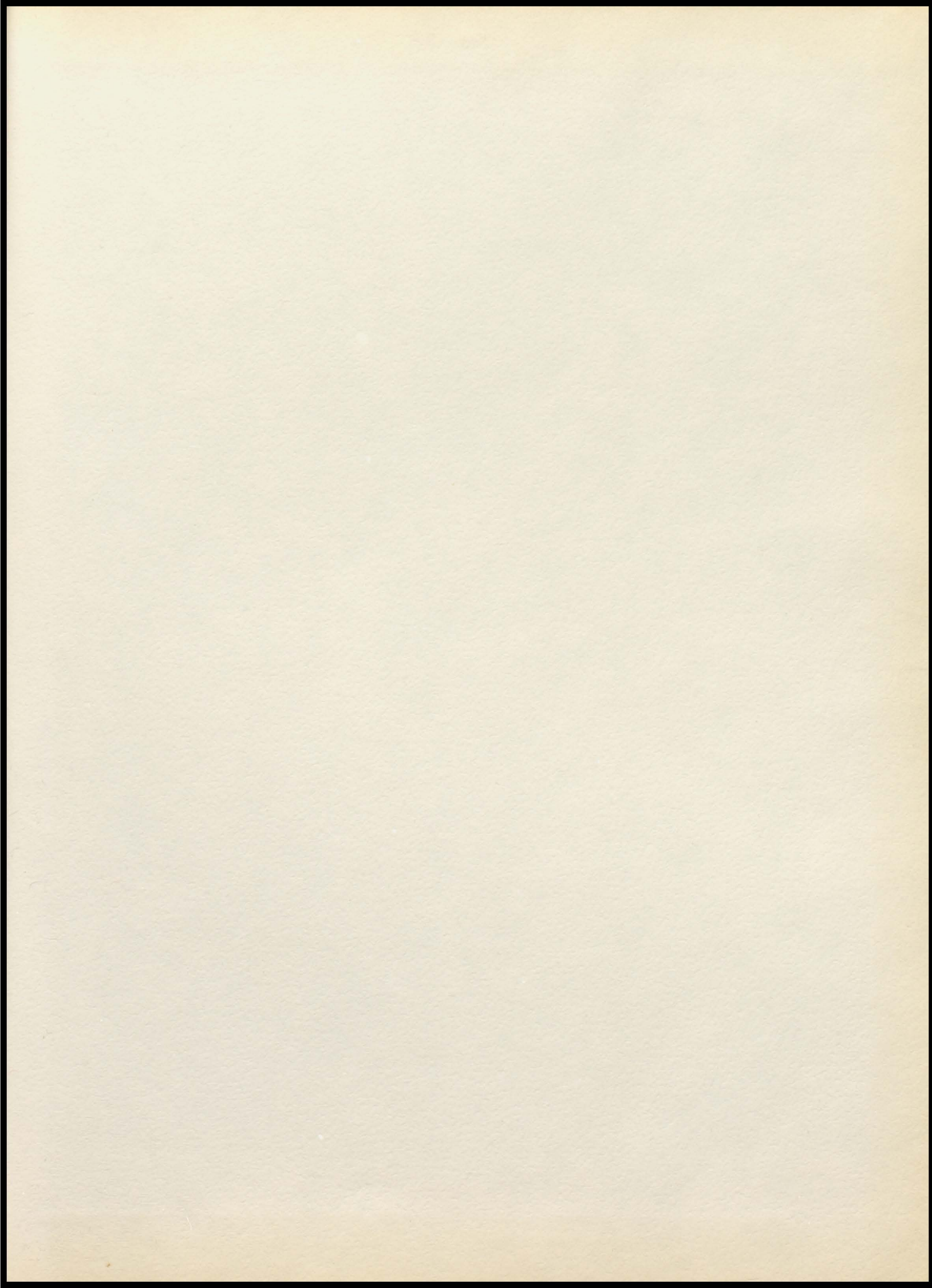
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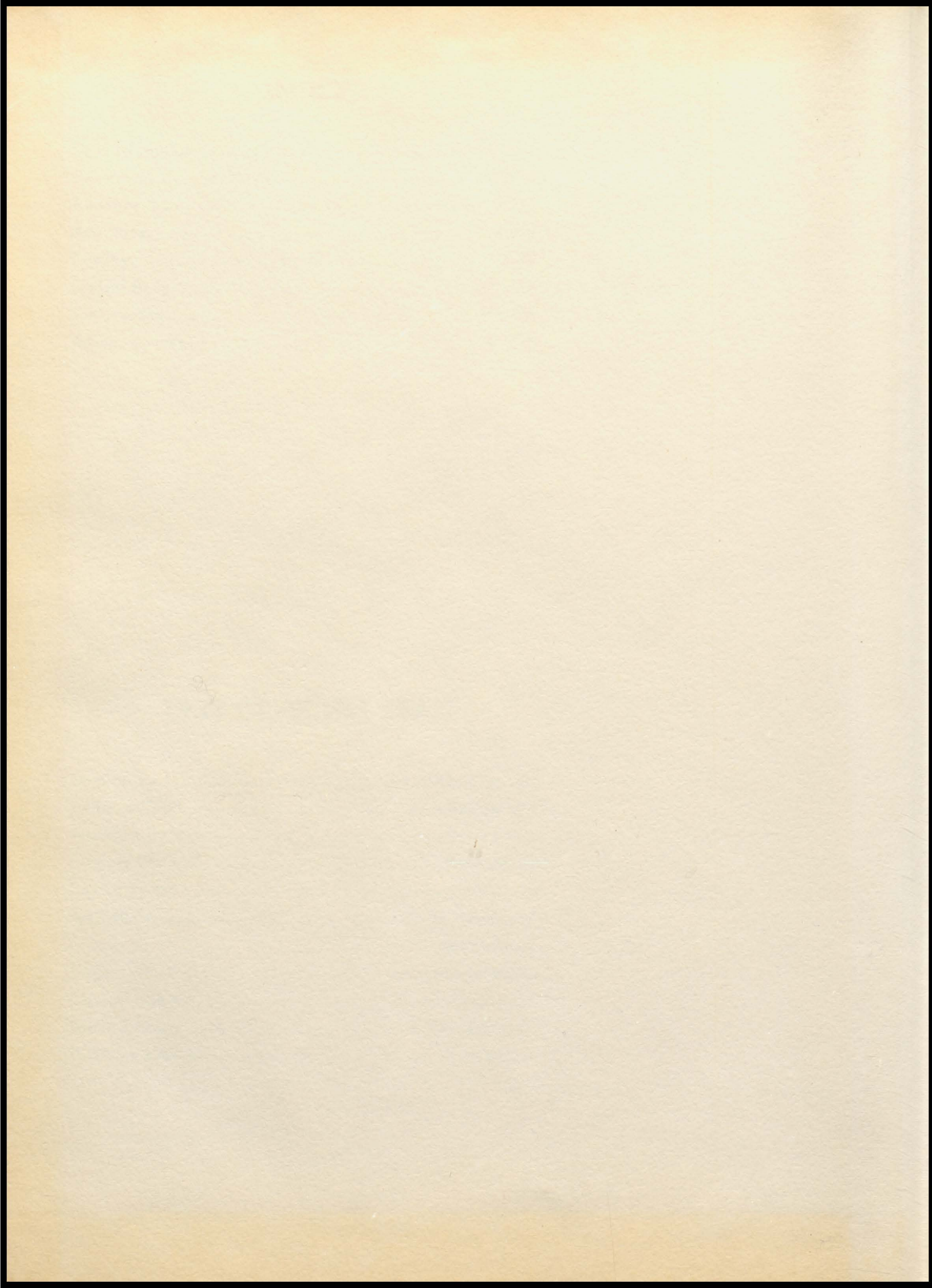
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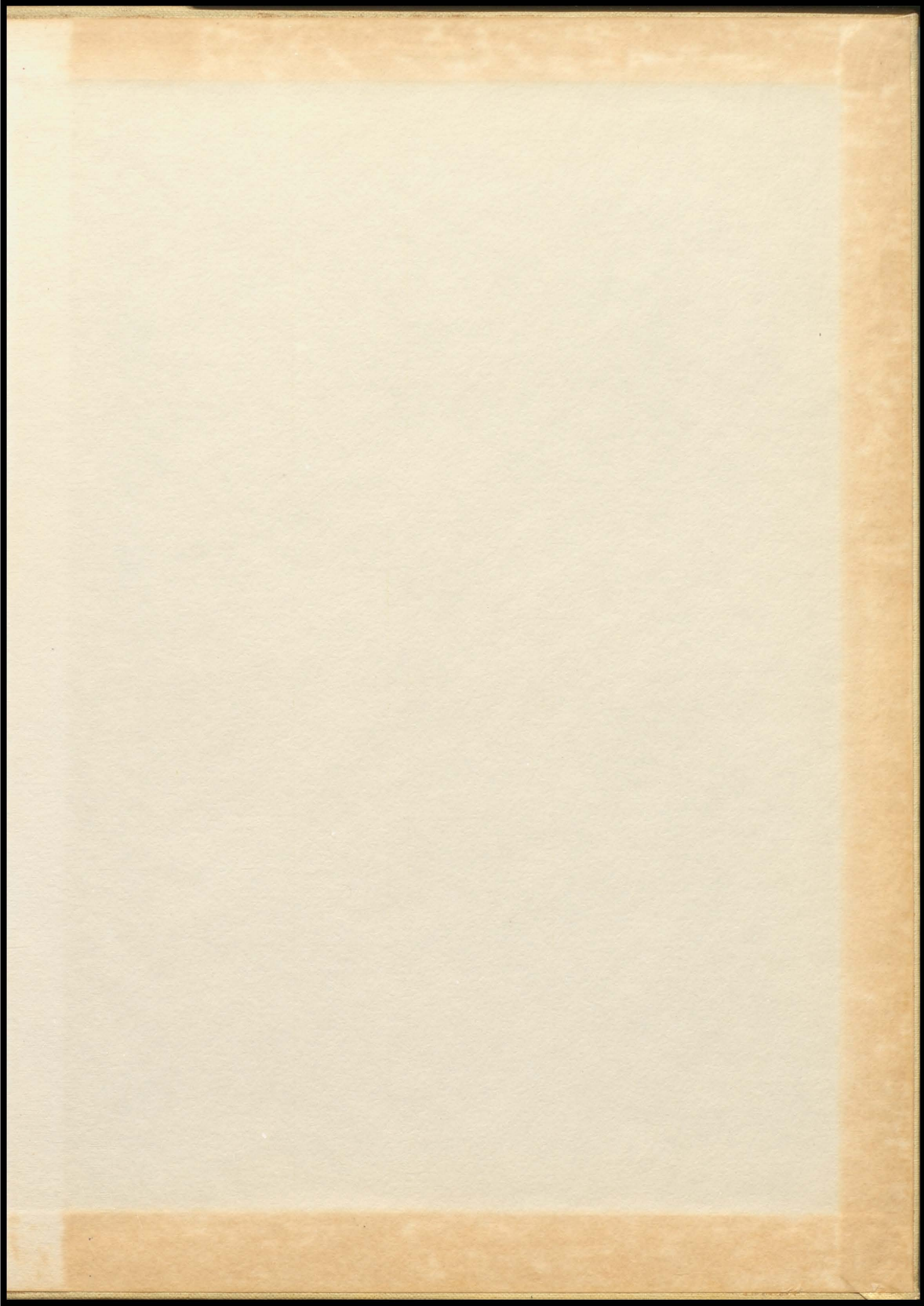
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