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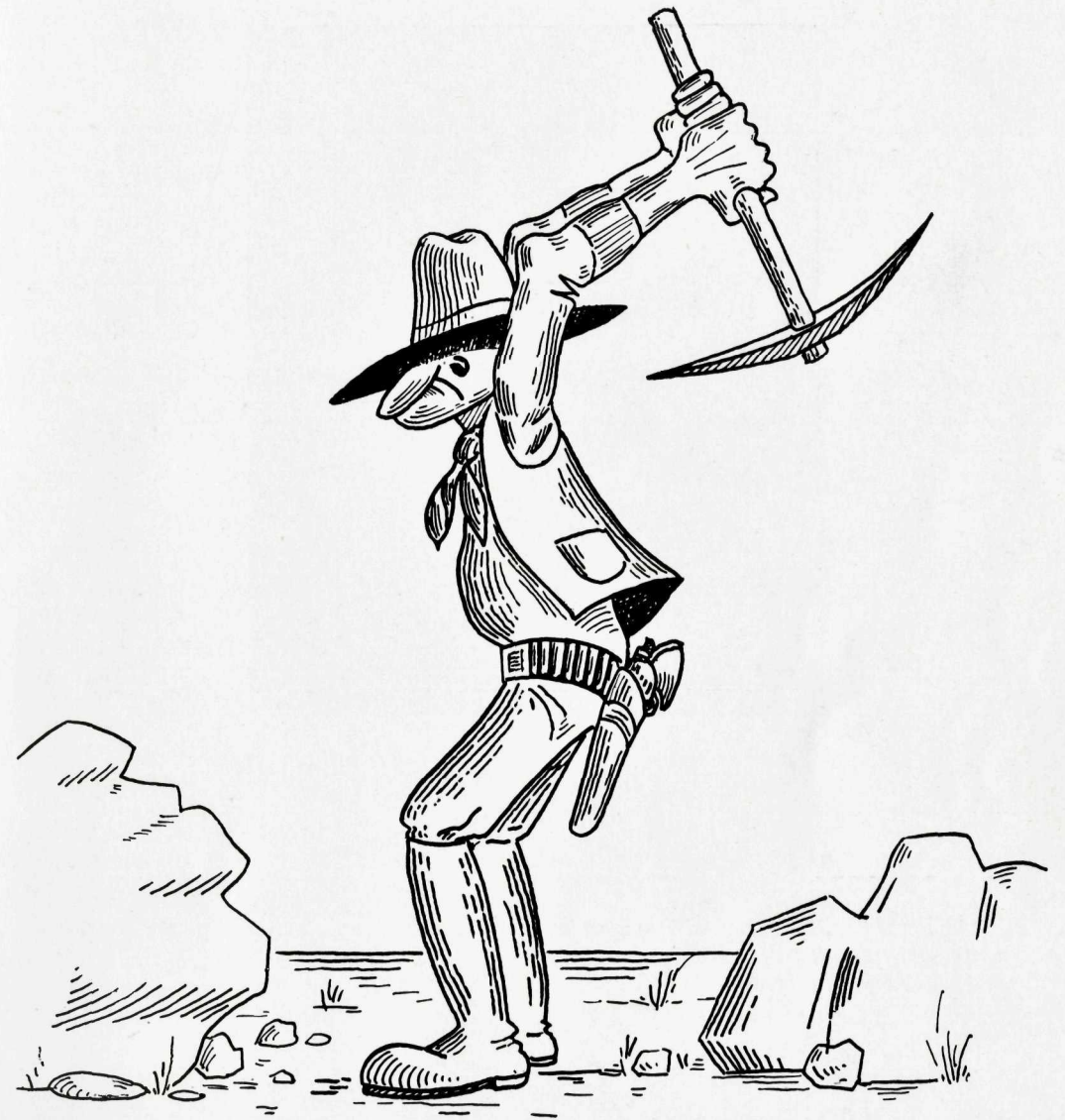
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#### TO THE SENIORS:

On June 9th, 1949 you will receive recognition for four years work in Mt. Pleasant High School. This recognition is in the form of a diploma which signifies that you have completed the fundamentals of your education and are now ready to go out into society and earn a living or further your education.

You are living in a scientific age, an age of competition, an age in which all your talents and abilities will be challenged to the limit and in order to meet that challenge further your education if you are able.

It has been a pleasure to work with you and I congratulate you upon your graduation. It is my sincere wish that you will cherish the memories of your high school days and as you go out into life success will be yours.

RUSSELL LeCRONIER



#### TO CONGRATULATE THE CLASS OF '49

The work of planning and editing a record of class accomplishments as represented by this edition of Annuals, The "Forty-Niner," is worthy of praise. The value of such a publication increases as the years go by. The next generation, viewing the pictures herein may exclaim: "How funny, just look at that hair-do, those clothes; did those events really happen?" Yes, that is an authentic record of affairs with which the "Forty-Niners" were very much concerned and in which each played a part.

Every owner of this publication, the last official word from the "49ers" will prize and cherish the record. It will serve to recall many happy events of the years spent in M. P. H. S. It will help to bind more closely than any other instrument the associations and friendships here formed. Among the memory books it will have top rating, a ready reference of years of fun, study, growth and preparation for adult life.

The "Forty-Niners" did it.

L. C. W



## Faculty of Mt. Pleasant High School

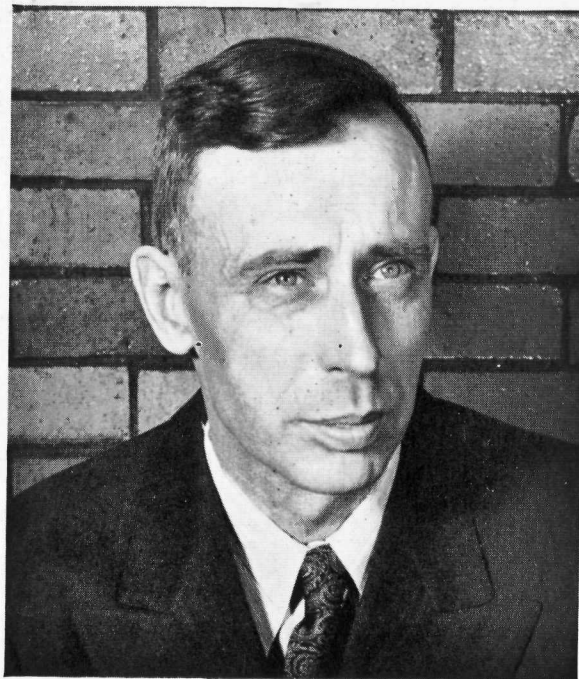


FIRST ROW—Constance Stegenga, Forrest Williams, Lewis Wendt, Lois Walmsley Sally Scott, Mary Russell, Vera Smeltzer, Arnold Koch, Edward Grambau, Fred Goodell.

SECOND ROW—Ethel LaMore, Windsor Dunbar, Ray Rosevear, Josephine Montague, Lorraine Dalzen, Marian Haller, Frances LeCronier, Robert Wardrop, Leland Jones, Sadie Woodruff.

THIRD ROW—Lindsey Morris, Gerritt Muyskens, John Wiley, Paul Grimm, Raymond Kesler, L. J. Ross, John Scott, Irving Kidd, Victor Iams.

NOT SHOWN IN PICTURE—Rex Hewlett, Lester Orcutt, Max Yeley, Carlo Barberi.



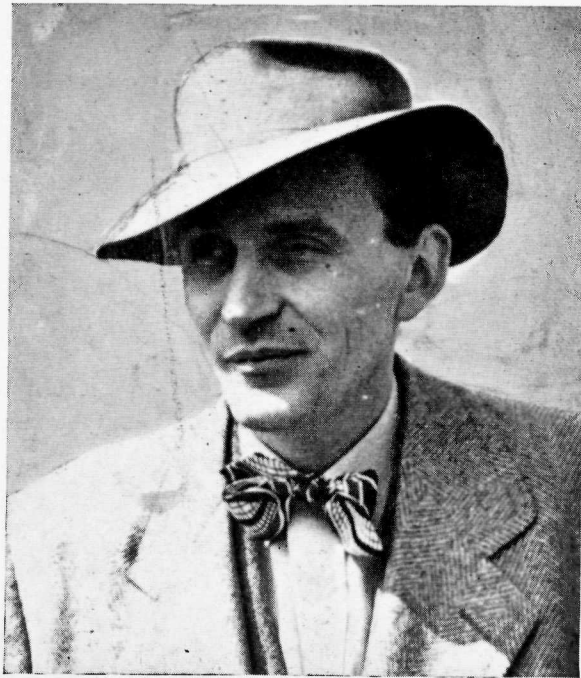
*In Appreciation*  
WINDSOR DUNBAR  
Class Adviser

## Annual Staff



The Senior Annual, composed independently for the first time since 1932, was compiled entirely by the Seniors. Sincere gratitude is given to Mr Dunbar, our advisor, and other members of the faculty for the help given us. We hope that the coming graduating classes may continue the annual without some of the difficulties we experienced.





## In Memoriam

We, the editorial staff of the "49er," remembering his keen interest and loyal support given to all student publications, gratefully dedicate this volume to our friend, "Monty"



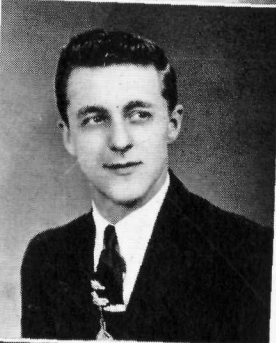
## SENIORS





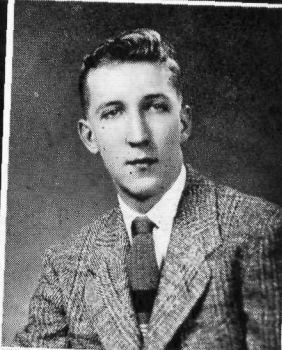
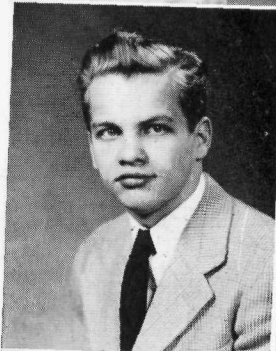
HAROLD JOSEPH VOISIN—"Dimples"  
*The world owes me a living and I'm broke*

MARY LOU VOISIN  
*With her, laughter is a virtue.*



MARION K. GETCHELL—"Marion"  
*She's engaged, she's lovely*

PATRICK HENRY MCGUIRK—"Pat"  
*He would be a lady's man if he would give them a chance.*

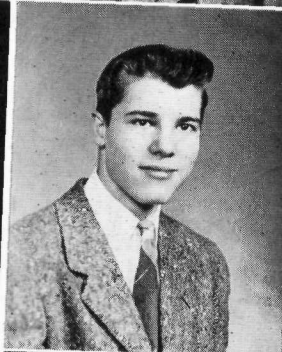


DOROTHE E. BENNETT—"Ellyn"  
*I vont to be alone.*

JOHN BIXBY—"John"  
*All is Mary in John's house.*

PATRICIA FATE—"Patty"  
*Good things come in small packages.*

MARY E. FOX—"Mary"  
*Reserved but very nice.*

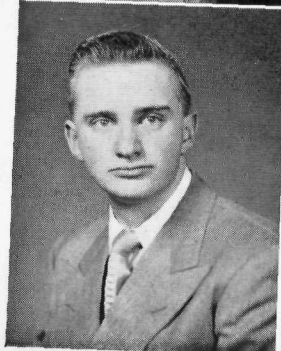


RICHARD LEE NEIER—"Dick"  
*I like work; it fascinates me. I can sit back and look at it for hours.*

HERBERT R. PRIOR—"Herbie"  
*I specialize in figures.*

EUGENE NEIER—"Gene"  
*School ruins the whole day*

RAE JUANA MATLOCK—"Rae-Rae"  
*Some days it just doesn't pay to get up.*



BEVERLY J GOULD—"Bev"  
*Her interests are many, we've just failed to see them.*

GORDON CRAIG SHARP—"Gordy"  
*The strong, silent type.*

JERALDINE LOWTHER—"Jerry"  
*Oh! mind of mine, where are you roaming?*

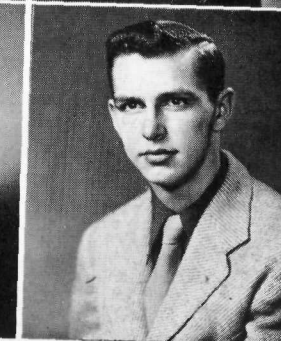
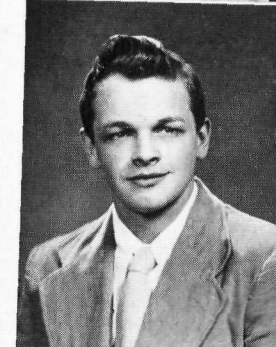
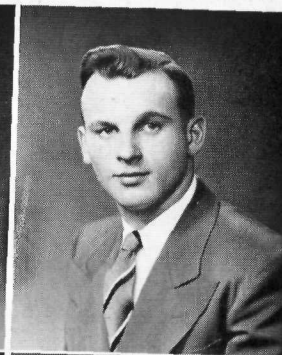
MARY K. BOWER—"Mary K."  
*A friend to all who know her*

RICHARD J BURDICK—"Dick"  
*Silence isn't his only virtue.*

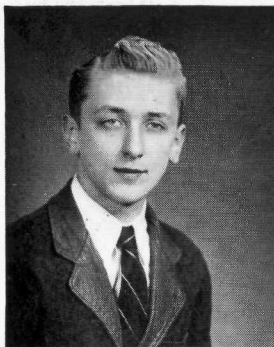
STUART FORDYCE—"Stu"  
*He has a car; the question is, will it run?*

FAYE MARGARET JOHNSTON—"Faye"  
*I didn't come to school to study*

RICHARD LEON REED—"Dick"  
*Take life easy, you live but once.*



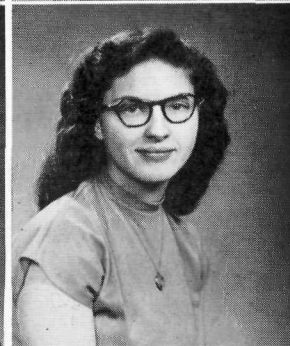




ART STINCHCOMBE—"Art"  
*A good disposition is more valuable  
than riches.*



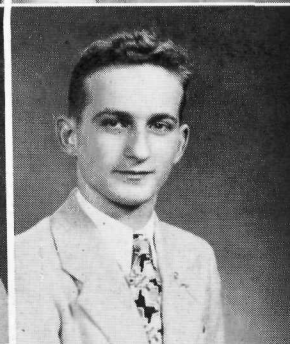
MARCELLA ANN EDDY—"Mousey"  
*For her there's an open season  
on "dear" hunting.*



HELEN WOOD—"Helen"  
*The devil can't have all the luck.*  
BETTY JEAN MACHUTA—"Betty"  
*Her tendency is to keep quiet when  
all the rest are otherwise.*



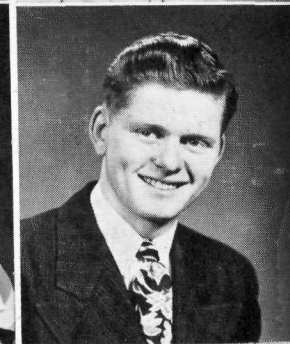
MARJORIE McLACHLIN—"Marge"  
*Silence is golden.*



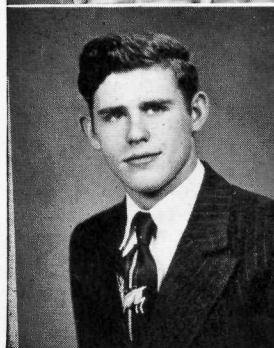
DAVID KOCH—"Dave"  
*All great men are dead and I don't  
feel so good myself.*



BARBARA JANE PETERS—"Barb"  
*Don't try to estimate what's in  
a quiet person.*



ROBERT G. HEINLEIN—"Bob"  
*Smile for us Bob.*



ERNEST G. PITTS—"Ernie"  
*Nothing is really work unless you would  
rather be doing something else.*



THELMA SUE WILLIAMS—"Sue"  
*With a future destined.*

GEORGE ELIAS—"Whooly"  
*Gee coach, if I could only read and write.*

HELEN M. GORBY—"Helen"  
*A friend to everyone, an enemy to none.*

MORRIS V HUTCHINS—"Hutch"  
*We hear rumors of his future.*

RICHARD E. BARNARD—"Dick"  
*It's not only the soil he stirs up.*

BETTY JANE SMITH—"Smitty"  
*Her achievements are great,  
her friends many*

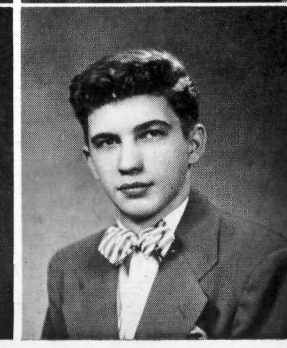
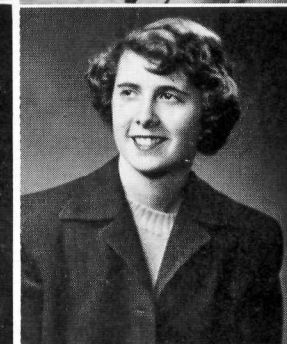
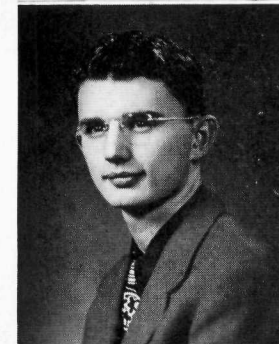
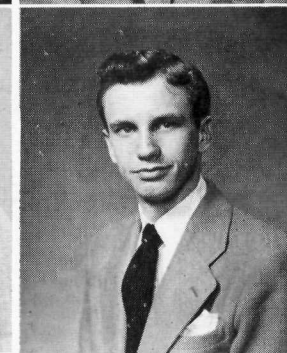
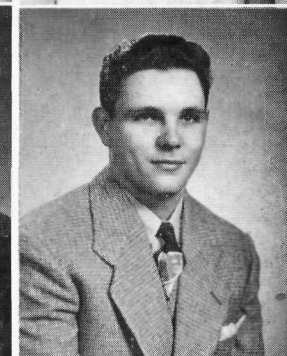
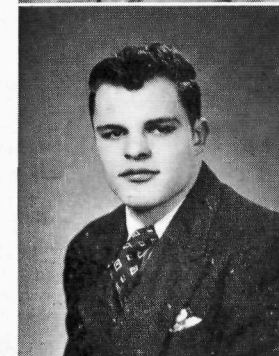
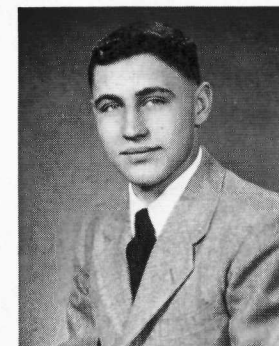
STANLEY RICHARD SHANER—"Stan"  
*With him, silence is a virtue.*

ROBERT A. BUTTERFIELD—"Bob"  
*Some people look at pictures  
he takes them.*

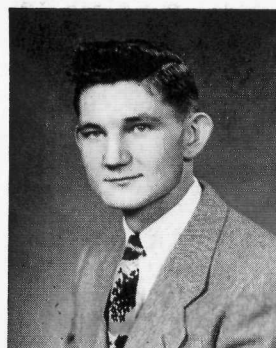
NANCY JEANNE PEW—"Jeanne"  
*Life is what you make it.*

ROSE MARIE SOWERS—"Rosie"  
*Her hair brings out her highlights.*

NORMAN S. KIGAR—"Norm"  
*He stays up nights trying to find out  
ways of getting more sleep.*

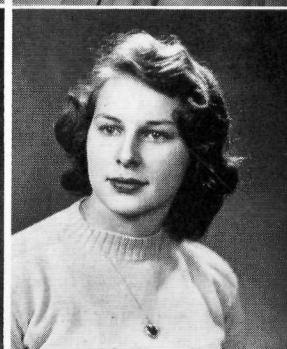






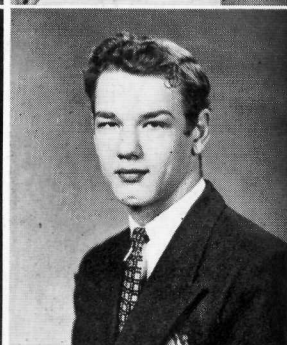
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*Ready for work, ready for fun.*

HELEN E. MACHUTA—"Helen"  
*Her work is done in silence.*



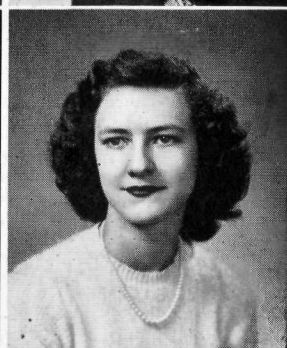
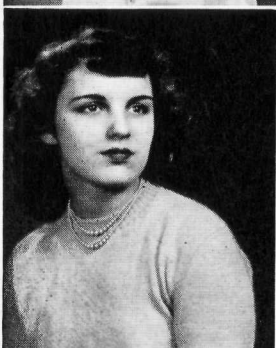
MARILYN JANE VANCE  
*She is quiet, she is shy, but there's mischief in her eye.*

IRENE COPPENS—"Irene"  
*We wish she'd speak up.*



BONNIE ANSBAUGH—"Bonnie"  
*Better to be short and shine, than to be tall and cast a shadow.*

DONALD WOOSTER—"Don"  
*He'll draw his way to fame.*



MARVELLA JANE SMITH  
*I just sit back and take notice.*

EVELYN L. CLULEY—"Evelyn"  
*I see something besides her eyes sparkling.*



ELWIN D. BRASINGTON—"Bud"  
*Quiet like the calm before the storm.*

JEANNE F. STUTTING—"Stut"  
*The best of life is conversation.*

LAURENCE E. SHELDON—"Humphry"  
*Travel east, travel west but he thinks Clare is best.*

JO ANN WILSON—"Joey"  
*Full of pep, puns and punch.*

JACQUELINE LOVE—"Jackie"  
*Life was made to be enjoyed  
Oh! don't I know it.*

JOE JOHN MARCHIANDO—"Joe"  
*He's what you'd call hot-rod happy*

HAROLD C. NICHOLS—"Nick"  
*So cute and shy, he should be the apple of someone's eye.*

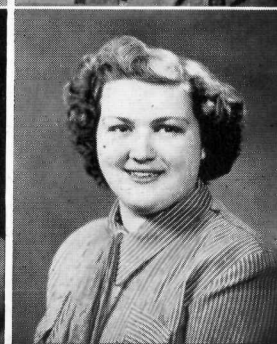
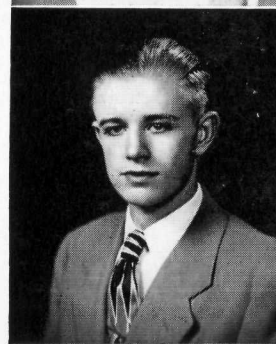
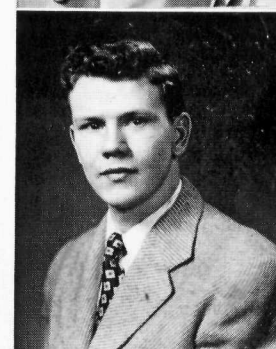
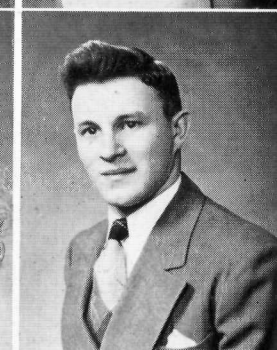
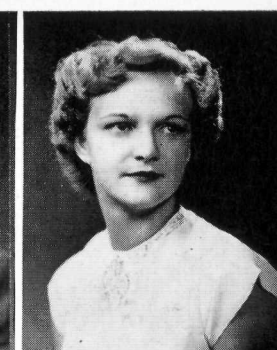
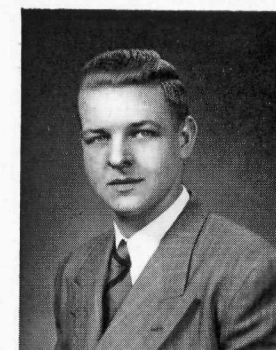
MARY JO CHILDS—"Joey"  
*Saying is one thing, doing is another*

BARBARA JANE RENDER—"Barb"  
*I just sit back and take notice.*

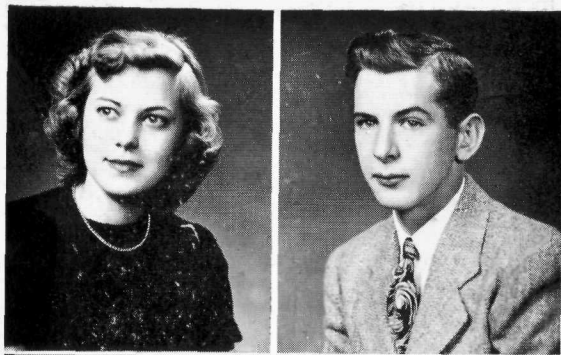
GROVER C. FREEZE—"Flash"  
*All the world's a stage and I'm doing my part by acting up.*

EMMETT J. VAN AUKE  
*Never estimate what's in a quiet man.*

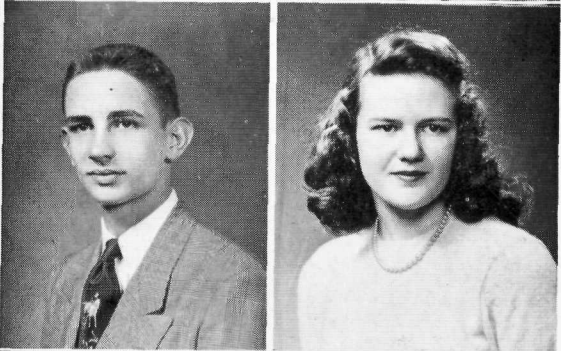
CELIA KIRKCONNELL—"Celia"  
*Her smile would cheer the saddest heart.*







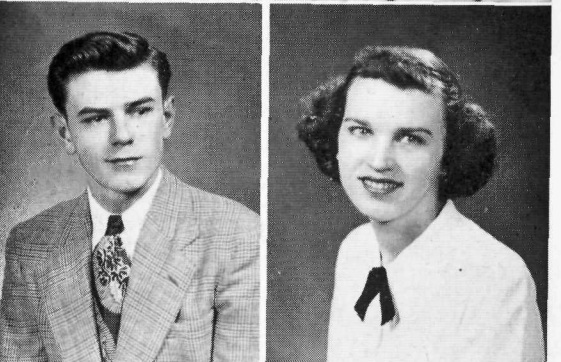
BETTY MARIE GRUBB—"Betty"  
*Too bad we didn't meet you sooner*



EDWARD MOSS—"Ed"  
*This learning, what a bore.*



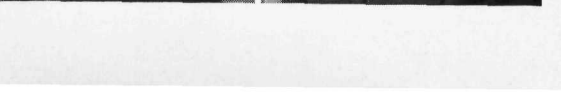
ROBERT E. CRAVEN—"Bob"  
*Many a night he's burned the candle  
but not for study*



JEAN MARIE DARROCH—"Duxie"  
*A rolling stone gathers no MOSS.*



AILEEN TRIBBEY—"Trib"  
*Tho I look like a toothpick, I'm a  
match for any one.*



JOE ROBERT NEWTON—"Joe"  
*Oh well, it takes all kinds to make  
a graduating class.*

JACK WEST—"Jack"  
*His speed is shown on the track  
as well as off.*

ELAINE B. BRAGG—"Elaine"  
*It's nice to be natural, when you're  
naturally nice.*

JEANNE A. ROETHLISBERGER—  
"Wiener"  
*She looks like an angel, she acts like one  
too, but you never can tell what  
an angel will do.*

ROBERT D. FOUST—"Robey"  
*I'm willing to be convinced but I'd  
like to see someone try it.*

ROBERT JAMES HARKINS—"Bob"  
*Facts are stubborn things.*

MARIANNE SCHLEMMER—"Marianne"  
*Graceful and useful in all she does.*

FRANCES JEAN STRAKA—"Jeanne"  
*To be a good sport is worth a million.*

DUANE REED JOHNSON—"Duane"  
*Why speak unnecessary words?*

MILDRED E. RECKER—"Millie"  
*There is a prize in shyness.*

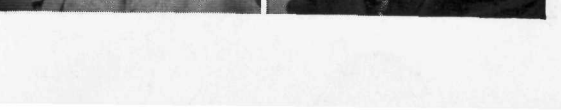
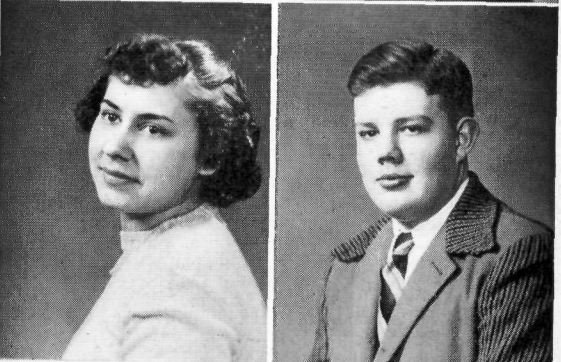
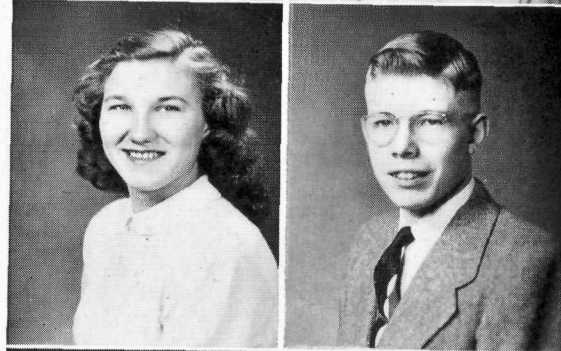
GEORGE P SPIRIS—"Gorgeous"  
*Too bad this is an all-boys school!*

BEVERLY FATE—"Bev"  
*Quiet of manner, peaceful of mind.*

GERALD L. ORCUTT—"Jerry"  
*A good steady worker*

DOROTHY RALSTON—"Dorothy"  
*Beware the fury of a patient woman.*

DONALD J COTTER—"Don"  
*He has lived among us for years,  
yet we know him not.*



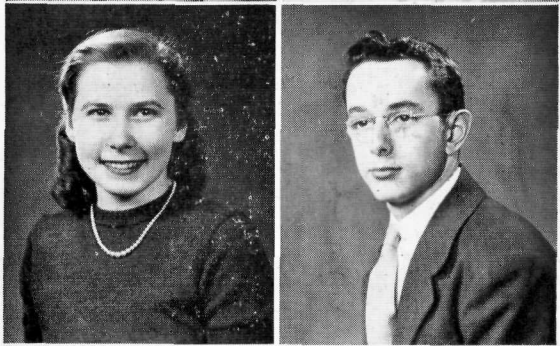




AGNES ANN HAMILTON—"Aggie"  
*A quiet gal but nice.*



HAROLD J WILMOT  
*It takes a smart person to cover  
up his intelligence.*



ROBERT A. BENEZETTE—"Benny"  
*Just as quiet as a small boiler factory*



JOYCE BOOMER—"Joyce"  
*A smile that's worth a million.*



JOAN M. MAY—"Joan"  
*She is gentle, she is shy, but there's  
mischievous in her eye.*

ROBERT W. COLE—"Bob"  
*For him, every day is May Day.*

GERALD LEROY WELSH—"Jerry"  
*I'll just play when these darn books  
are put away.*

MARY ANN CHASE—"Mary Ann"  
*Hard work never hurt anyone.*

RICHARD E. LeCRONIER—"Dick"  
*One of our Ummmmmmmm men.*

NORMA JEAN WOODIN—"Norma"  
*Soft voice and many smiles.*

DONALD ANDERSON—"Andy"  
*Quiet in school, but oh! outside.*

DORIS WHITCOMB—"Dodie"  
*Her head is like the moon . . .  
there's a man in it.*

MAXINE ERVIN—"Mickey"  
*Oh! those green eyes.*

HARRIET M. HORN—"Henry"  
*Bashful, but not backward*

JEANNE KENNEDY—"Jeanne"  
*Hair of gold, eyes of blue.*

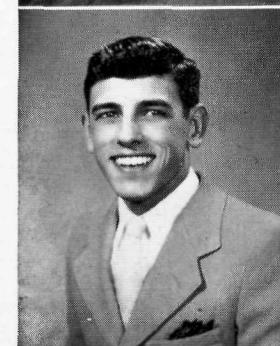
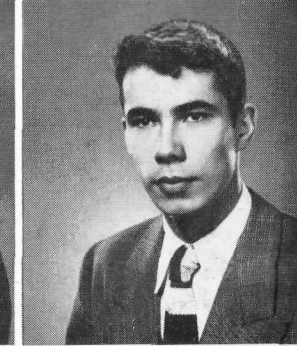
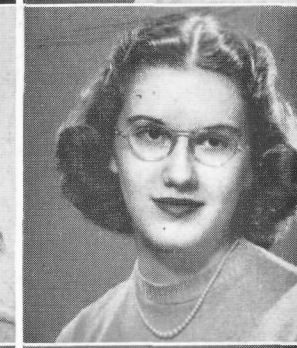
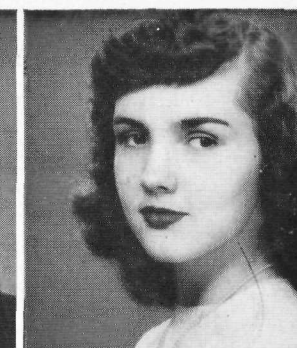
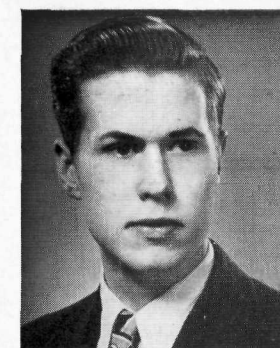
JAMES H. HUGGINS—"Hug"  
*He's game for anything.*

JOYCE A. LETHORN—"Joyce"  
*She dotes on idle chatter.*

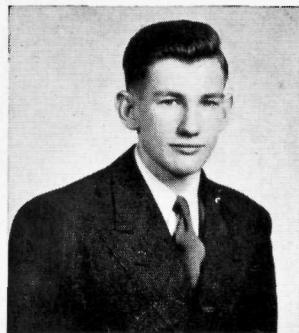
WILDA M. WILEY—"Wilda"  
*She is herself; that is enough.*

RONALD E. KIRKWOOD—"Kirk"  
*Little do we know his achievements.*

LOIS ELOISE STAHL—"Lois"  
*Words have little meaning for her.*







JESSE R. GILLETT—"Jess"

*Why study? The more you study,  
the more you forget.*

ELLA NORA TSCHAPPAT

*A jolly heart and peaceful mind.*



BETTY JEAN BARKER—"Betty"

*Someday when I need a secretary*

GLEASON F PRATT—"Glee"

*Give me my diploma and you give  
me liberty*

KENNETH R. WEAVER—"Ken"

*This learning, what a bore.*

TERRANCE J LYNCH—"Terry"

*I'm not lazy, folks; just in love  
with idleness.*

LEROY KULLMAN

*Veteran*

MAURICE F BUSH

*Veteran*

JOSEPH CRUZ

*Veteran*

LAVIER L. HATTER

*Veteran*

## Autographs



# CLASS WILL

HERB PRIOR lends his tall frame to Mac Bentley, hoping it will be appreciated and well used.  
 BOB BENEZETTE leaves his good understanding (his feet) to Eugene DePuy  
 BETTY GRUBB leaves her bottle of H2O2 to "Mike."  
 JEANNE ROETHLISBERGER wills her homecoming crown to next year's lucky senior  
 GERALD WELSH leaves his whiskers to Ron Finch.  
 ART STINCHCOMBE leaves his athletic ability to any coach who could cope with it.  
 GORDON SHARP wills his way with the girls to any fellows who can live up to the requirements.  
 JOE NEWTON leaves his "Bay City" trips to all "Sunday Drivers."  
 JESSE GILLET leaves his modesty to Bill Atha.  
 JO WILSON leaves her nervous wreck (one "Chevy") to Bonnie LeCronier  
 EVELYN CULEY, RAE JUANA MATLOCK and MARCY EDDY will their positions as Mr Wendt's right hand assistants to Mary Murphy, Connie Cole, Pat Clare and other aspiring young ladies who feel important enough to fill their places.  
 MARIAN GETCHELL leaves with John.  
 PATTY FATE wills her figure to Diane Decker  
 HARRIET HORN wills her quiet parties to Marilyn Crawford.  
 CELIA KIRKCONNELL leaves her cherry pies for all of us to enjoy  
 JACKIE LOVE wills her undying admiration for B. W. to next year's basketball team.  
 BONNIE ANSPAUCH wills her deep voice to Betty Miller  
 DOROTHY BENNETT wills her grammar to "Tiny" Lawther  
 JOYCE BOOMER wills her pep to Betty Cornell.  
 ELAINE BRAGG leaves her naturally auburn hair to "Tommy" Jolly  
 MARY ANN CHASE leaves her ability to get along with teachers to anyone with the patience.  
 EVELYN CULEY leaves with a diamond.  
 MAXINE ERVIN wills her theme song "When I'm Not Near the One I Love, I Love the One I'm Near" to Mary Murphy  
 JEANNE DARROCH leaves to spend the rest of her days on the farm.  
 MARIANNE SCHLEMMER wills her neatness to the Diehl Twins.  
 NANCY PEW leaves Mr Morris to Mary Murphy  
 ROSIE SOWERS bestows her dazzling red crown upon any Junior who cares to try the substitute.  
 JOAN MAY wills her soft voice to Alice Thompson.  
 MARJORIE McLACHLIN leaves her quiet ways to Tommy Jolly  
 BETTY SMITH wills her musical talents to "Mike."  
 RON KIRKWOOD wills his "ivories" to the Ipana Co. for commercial purposes only  
 JOYCE LETHORN leaves her (if you'll pardon the expression) humor, to Richard Pratt.  
 HELEN GORBY wills her ability to stay away from men to any girl with that much will power  
 BOB COLE wills his ability to go steady so long to all up and coming seniors.  
 FAYE JOHNSTON wills her ability to go with Rosebush guys to Laura Campbell.  
 MARVELLA SMITH leaves to spend many more good times at Coldwater  
 BOB HARKINS wills his job at the bowling alley to all other "eager beavers."  
 MARILYN VANCE wills her sweet personality to Celia Cook.  
 JEAN STRAKA wills her athletic ability to Anna Steinbauer  
 NORM KIGAR leaves "N. S. K." to anyone who can drive with one hand.  
 BOB BUTTERFIELD leaves with his camera.  
 DAVE KOCH just leaves.

DICK NEIER wills his vocabulary!! to Keith Welsh.  
 AILEEN TRIBBEY leaves her "little black book" to Pat Clare, hoping she'll find use for it.  
 STEWART FORDYCE wills his mechanical mind to Dana MacDowell.  
 MARY LOU VOISIN wills her coyness to Connie Cole.  
 JIM HUGGINS leaves his naturally curly hair to Keith Welch.  
 JERRY ORCUTT wills his paper route to Doug Loveday  
 BOB HEINLEIN wills his smile to Tom Grove.  
 BOB CRAVEN wills his fickleness to Jack Hayward.  
 RAE JUANA MATLOCK wills her golden tresses to Bill Coughlin.  
 GROVER FREEZE leaves his speed (on the field that is) to Jim Hotaling.  
 DUANE JOHNSON wills his bashfulness to Bill Chestnut.  
 HAROLD VOISIN leaves "Pat" to you lucky Juniors.  
 MORRIS HUTCHINS wills his sermons to Bill Richmond.  
 HUMPHRY SHELDON wills his dainty feet (size 15) to Mac Bentley  
 DICK LeCRONIER leaves his old bat (baseball that is) to the Beal City boys.  
 PAT McGUIRK wills his manly physique to Dayton Selby  
 EUGENE NEIER wills his dancing ability to Dick Freeze.  
 GEORGE ELIAS wills his dreamy eyes to Marshall Matlock.  
 GEORGE SPIRIS leaves his motor bike to Gale Zingery for his trips to Shepherd.  
 MARY FOX wills her gracefulness to Pat Westbrook.  
 JEANNE STUTTING wills her gift of gab to Dorthia Stahl.  
 SUE WILLIAMS wills her Paris Chapeaux to McDonald's dummies.  
 BETTY BARKER leaves her job with Mr Wendt to some poor unsuspecting Junior  
 NORMA WOODIN wills her part in "Mad Hatters" to Janice Metcalf.  
 JOE MARCHIANDO leaves his driving ability to anyone who can afford the insurance rates.  
 ED DECESS wills his position of center of the football team to his kid brother  
 MARY JO CHILDS' flirting goes to Miss Stegenga.  
 DODIE WHITCOMB decides she'll take everything with her including Don.  
 DICK BARNARD wills his harem to Mr Ross.  
 TERRY LYNCH leaves by the way of Rosebush and all points north.  
 BOB FOUST wills his physique to Harold Ernest.  
 STANLEY SHANER wills his quiet ways to Bill Potter  
 DON ANDERSON wills his "crew cut" to Bill Moore.  
 MARY BOWER wills her height to Marianne Zemko.  
 JACK WEST wills his ability to stand up under parties to Alfred Pritz.  
 IRENE COPPENS wills her ability to go steady to Carol Wood.  
 BUD BRASINGTON wills his first chair in band to Freddy Clabuesch.  
 BEVERLY FATE leaves her laughter for Rose Neely.  
 HAROLD NICHOLS wills his foolishness to Bill Potter  
 JEANNE KENNEDY wills her undying love for "Herbie" to anyone who can keep the torch lit that long.  
 JOHNNY WILMONT leaves to work at Ferris.  
 AGNES HAMILTON wills her nights spent at home to Mary Richmond.  
 DICK REED leaves his sly way with women to Dave Barnes to try out.

# MOCK ELECTION

PRETTIEST  
 MOST SCHOLARLY  
 MOST POPULAR  
 NICEST LIPS  
 PRETTIEST EYES  
 BEST DRIVER  
 MOST FUN  
 NICEST COMPLEXION  
 BEST FIGURE  
 SWEETEST SMILE  
 ATHLETIC ABILITY  
 PRETTIEST TEETH  
 BEST DANCER  
 CUTEST  
 GAYEST  
 MOST GRACEFUL  
 BEST WOLFESS  
 WITTIEST  
 PRETTIEST HANDS  
 NICEST LEGS  
 NICEST VOICE  
 BEST DRESSER  
 PRETTIEST HAIR  
 NEATEST IN APPEARANCE  
 MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED

Doris Whitcomb  
 Joan May  
 Jeanne Roethlisberger  
 Mary Fox  
 Marian Getchell  
 Jo Wilson  
 Jeanne Stutting  
 Mary Ann Chase  
 Doris Whitcomb  
 Joan May  
 Jeanne Straka  
 Jeanne Roethlisberger  
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 Doris Whitcomb  
 Aileen Tribbey  
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 Jackie Love  
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 Marianne Schlemmer  
 Rae Juana Matlock  
 Betty Smith  
 Joan May

Jeanne Roethlisberger  
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 Doris Whitcomb  
 Maxine Ervin  
 Mary Bower  
 Aileen Tribbey  
 Mary Lou Voisen  
 Marcy Eddy  
 Jeanne Roethlisberger  
 Celia Kirkconnell  
 Marcy Eddy  
 Jo Wilson  
 Patty Fate  
 Jackie Love  
 Betty Smith  
 Marcy Eddy  
 Jackie Love  
 Mary Ann Chase  
 Joyce Boomer  
 Norma Woodin  
 Agnes Hamilton  
 Betty Barker  
 Marianne Schlemmer  
 Harriet Horn

BEST DRESSED  
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 MOST FUN  
 CUTEST SMILE  
 BEST DISPOSITION  
 MOST BASHFUL  
 MOST MASCULINE VOICE  
 MOST PEP  
 BEST DANCER  
 MOST ATHLETIC  
 MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED  
 NEATEST IN APPEARANCE  
 PRETTIEST TEETH

Joe Newton  
 Don Wooster  
 Dick LeCronier  
 Gene Neier  
 Jim Huggins  
 Joe Newton  
 Laurence Sheldon  
 Gordon Sharp  
 Dave Koch  
 Gordon Sharp  
 Joe Marchiando  
 Joe Marchiando  
 Morris Hutchins  
 Dick LeCronier  
 Laurence Sheldon  
 Duane Johnson  
 Laurence Sheldon  
 Bob Benezette  
 Gene Neier  
 Joe Newton  
 Gordon Sharp  
 Herb Prior  
 Ron Kirkwood

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 Grover Freeze  
 George Elias  
 Harold Voisen  
 Don Wooster  
 Laurence Sheldon  
 Bob Foust  
 Pat McGuirk  
 Jim Huggins  
 Dave Koch  
 Bob Benezette  
 Bob Foust  
 Bob Craven  
 Bob Heinlein  
 Bob Butterfield  
 Jesse Gillett  
 Don Anderson  
 Joe Marchiando  
 Jim Huggins  
 Grover Freeze  
 Joe Newton  
 Joe Newton  
 John Bixby



# CLASS PROPHECY

BETTY BARKER is now L. T. Rockefeller's private secretary and we hear he just can't get along without her. Can't say as I blame him.

BOB BUTTERFIELD (with his camera of course) has taken Mr. Varga's position. Varga says, quote: "I'm getting too old to waste my time painting girls."

STUART FORDYCE now has a prominent position at the Ford Company. He finds all the lost screws and bolts that have fallen in the cracks of the floor.

GROVER FREEZE is now a famous dancer in the Ballet Russe.

MAXINE ERVIN just received her fourth divorce. She pleaded, "I'm always true to you darling in my fashion." Divorce granted.

JACKIE LOVE is now working as scrub woman to the famous coach, Bob Wardrop and family.

HERB PRIOR is now leading a campaign for the Prohibition Party.

HARRIET HORN is the proud holder of a nationwide reputation for her authentic reporting of the "trials and tribulations" of outstanding Hollywood personalities. Her intimate reports of the male population are most remarkable.

RON KIRKWOOD'S smiling face may be viewed in any Colgate toothpaste ad appearing currently in all national magazines.

EUGENE NEIER is now playing first washboard for Spike Jones and his City Slickers.

DON ANDERSON is now operating a junk yard and is running Ben Trainees out of business. His wife, the former DODIE WHITCOMB, has made a fortune from her invention of a device which quickly and efficiently wrecks autos.

DICK BARNARD is now playing catcher for the Washington Representatives.

JIM HUGGINS now is the proprietor of the Mt. Pleasant Bar, dairy that is.

JERRY ORCUTT and Kathleen Winsor have been married for some time. Jerry has remained married to the famous novelist longer than any of her seven previous husbands.

JESSE GILLET is the newly elected president of "Hobos, Incorporated."

BOB HARKINS is head mechanic at DUANE JOHN-SON'S newly constructed Studebaker garage.

ART STINCHCOMBE is now manager and instructor to the famous boxer, Joe Lewis, Jr.

GORDON SHARP now is a featured pianist at the "Rainbow." We also hear of his coming audition with "Mike."

DON WOOSTER has a job painting "No Smoking" signs for the Olympia.

JOE MARCHIANDO is now running a "hack" business in Skid Row.

JO WILSON has written a sequel to the book by Dale Carnegie. It's titled "How to Win People and Influence Friends." She's making a fortune from it.

CELIA KIRKCONNELL and Clark Gable announced their engagement recently. It seems as if Clark just couldn't resist Celia's cherry pies.

BOB CRAVEN, after twenty years of study, has finally opened his doctor's office in Oklahoma City.

JOE NEWTON was recently named "Father of the Year" for his outstanding family of twenty-five handsome offspring.

JEANNE KENNEDY has just achieved her lifelong ambition of flying on an airline. She is an assistant stewardess on the Frank Sinatra Airlines Special.

JEAN STRAKA received an award recently from the New York Cab Drivers Association, of which she is a member, for her record of non-dented fenders.

SUE WILLIAMS has taken up designing tiny tots' clothes for her brood of three and for retail selling at her shop, "Sue's Tots and Teens," which she owns and operates.

ROSIE SOWERS and MARILYN VANCE are co-owners of the famed "Sowers' Flower Shop."

MARY ANN CHASE is rivaling Stinson's and Rush's as owner of the town's leading funeral parlor.

MARY FOX now has a fox farm on the outskirts of Midland and is raising little foxes by the dozens.

IRENE COPPENS always has her wires crossed since she became telephone operator in Mt. Pleasant.

HELEN WOOD is trying to unscramble people's mental links since she has become Mt. Pleasant's first psychiatrist.

JOYCE LETHORN is keeper of the monkey house at the Detroit Zoo.

LOIS STAHL, BARBARA PETERS and HELEN MACHUTA have recently replaced the Andrews Sisters on the air waves.

BETTY GRUBB under the direction of Al Capp has become an accomplished cartoonist and at present is doing Mr. Capp's own strip, "Little Abner."

EVELYN CLULEY has the greatest career of all, that of a modern housewife.

AGNES HAMILTON has endeared herself to the younger sets in America by her stories of childhood entitled "The Boobsy Twins."

MARVELLA SMITH and FAYE JOHNSTON are still the close friends they used to be despite the fact that Marvella is a missionary in Africa and Faye is taking polls for large concerns in the western states.

GEORGE ELIAS is now a prominent Rosebush city official—garbage collector.

PAT McGUIRK now operates a truck drivers' "drive-in" at Clare. One of his most frequent patrons is none other than Johnny Wilmont.

MILDRED RECKER has succeeded L. C. Wendt as principal of M. P. H. S. She also has taken over his third hour government class and has won the affection of all her students.

GEORGE SPIRIS is the proprietor of the Hash Haven Cafe in Oil City.

MARY K. BOWER is one of his most popular waitresses.

LARRY SHELDON won a prize at a state-wide baking contest for feathery, lighter-than-air biscuits.

MORRIS HUTCHINS is still using his sea-legs. He's operating a ferry which transports visitors to and from Island Park.

DICK LeCRONIER, the industrial tycoon, is now manufacturing "Dickie's Sticky Lollipops."

BUD BRASINGTON may now be seen serving his clientel shining shoes at the corner of Main and Broadway. His headquarters is the Blackstone.

NANCY PEW is now head nurse at a mental institution. They feel she is very well qualified for the position.

JEAN DARROCH and her husband George Moss are raising prize hogs for Armour & Company.

DICK BURDICK and wife, the former MARY LOU VOISIN, are hunting big game in Africa for the New York Zoological Gardens.

MARIANNE SCHLEMMER heads a chain of exclusive fashion shops across the country of Siberia.

BETTY MACHUTA, believe it or not, is prospecting for gold in Alaska.

BOB BENEZETTE has slowly but surely risen to the presidency of the Woolly Blankets Corporation.

MARCY EDDY, Mrs. America for 1953, is now helping her husband, EDGAR BRADIE DECESS, on their 160-acre chicken farm near Indian River.

JEANNE ROETHLISBERGER, our beauteous homecoming queen, is now chief model for FOUST Modeling Agency. At present there is a fiery romance blossoming between Jeanne and her boss.

RAE JUANA MATLOCK has become one of the most prominent radio actresses of the day. She has replaced Agnes Moorehead as "Merilly" on "Mayor of the Town."

DAVE KOCH is now chief tester at a concern that is attempting to extract alcohol from raspberries.

JOAN MAY has found it necessary to devote less time to her short story writing because of the increasing demands of her family and husband.

ROBERT M. COLE, wealthy contractor located in Denver.

BETTY SMITH has replaced Evelyn and Her Magic Violin in Phil Spitalny's orchestra. It is now "Betty and Her Mystic Trombone."

MARIAN GETCHELL and husband, JOHN BIXBY, are traveling extensively in Europe since John received a large inheritance from a forgotten relative.

NORMA WOODIN has been chosen president of the Board of Trustees of the Katharine Gibbs Secretarial School in New York City.

BEVERLY FATE atop a gleaming white charger, nightly circles the ring at the VAN AUKEER'S Variety Circus. NORM KIGAR is banker for the same concern.

BOB HEINLEIN, since the completion of the new hotel, has attained the distinguished position of chief bell boy.

HELEN GORBY'S life has been full of ups and downs. It seems that she's an elevator operator for Kane's Hardware.

GERALD WELSH may be heard weekly over a major network as M. C. for the popular program, Truth and Consequences.

ERNEST PITTS is associated with L. A. Boone for the American Tobacco Co. He has sold more tobacco than any other two auctioneers combined.

BEVERLY GOULD'S soothing voice may be heard by merely dialing for the weather report. She recently married the weather man.

ELAINE BRAGG employing her artistic talents, inserts the wicks in the candles produced by Shaner's Candle "Glo" Company.

TERRY LYNCH taught music at M. P. H. S. for a year, but due to a nervous breakdown, he was forced to retire.

JACK WEST is the biggest surprise of all to us. He now holds the title of "Reverend."

ED MOSS, RICHARD REED and GLEASON PRATT are forced to rise early. This is necessary, since they must have the streets swept clean before the first business man arrives every morning.

AILEEN TRIBBEY has established a night club in Alma exclusively for Alma patrons. Currently featured with DICK NEIER'S band, which plays there nightly, is ELLA NORA TSCHAPPAT.

BARBARA RENDLER is now supervisor of "Render's Relaxing Restful Retreat" for elderly ladies.

JEANNE STUTTING has recently replaced the retired Betty Hutton, the "Bombshell" of the movies. At the present time she is refilming the smash success, "Perils of Pauline."

WILDA WILEY is really "laying down the law." Seems she is a lady judge "Down Mexico Way."

MARY JO CHILDS has an establishment in Detroit. She runs a clip joint, "Joey's Barber Shop."

BONNIE ANSPAUGH is managing her own softball team, "Bonnie's Bruisers."

DON COTTER is working on atomic research for the government and at the present time he is revising Einstein's Theory of Relativity.

HAROLD NICHOLS is assisting Sherlock Holmes in solving his most baffling cases. Harold is planning on taking over the great investigator's position any day now.

ELLYN BENNETT, in the interest of public education, has accepted the job of city librarian for Coleman.

JOYCE BOOMER, since the death of her millionaire husband, HAROLD VOISIN, may be seen basking in the sun on the French Riviera.

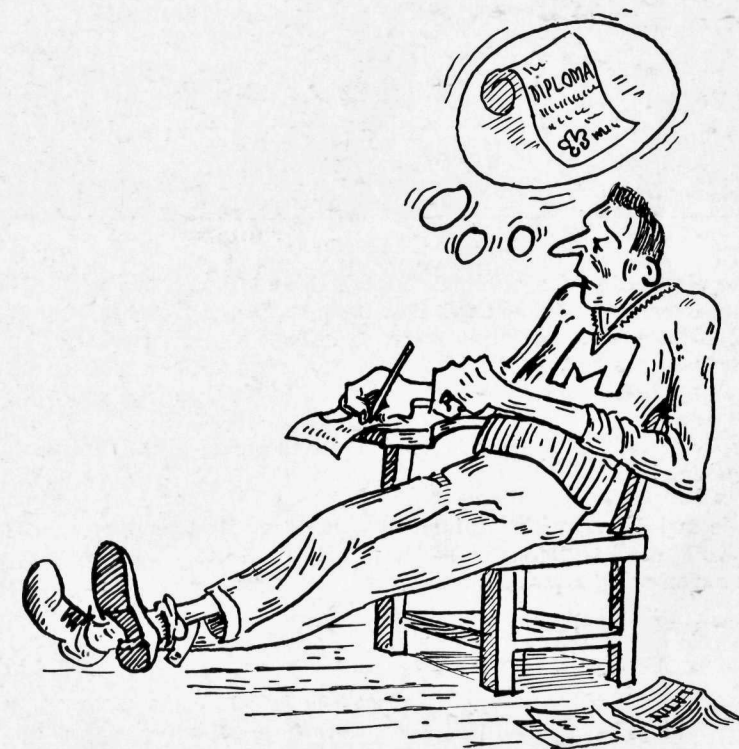
DOROTHY RALSTON recently shocked the medical world and her husband, KENNETH WEAVER, by giving birth to sextuplets.

JERALDINE LOWTHER has been hired by Michigan Consolidated Gas Company as a food consultant. She tells you how to turn on the oven.

PATTY FATE has replaced Vernell Davis as Chief of Police. There has been a marked decline in crime since her ascension to this important position.

MARGIE McLACHLIN has gone into the antique business. Mustache cups and foot warmers are her specialties.





## UNDERCLASSMEN



## Junior Class



The Junior class enjoyed a profitable year under the leadership of their elected officers and councilors. At the helm was Dave Bonnell, ably assisted by Ronnie Finch, vice-president; Barbara Westbrook, secretary; and Diane Decker treasurer. Mr. Lindsey Morris acted as class advisor and Miss Constance Stegenga as councilor. To represent the class in Student Council, the juniors elected Laura Campbell and Bill Atha.

Mary Murphy served in the Queen's Court at Homecoming as the representative of the eleventh graders.

The semi-formal J-Hop, with "Autumn Serenade" as its theme, was successfully carried off. Dave Bonnell was general chairman for this dance. Funds were raised for this activity by sponsoring after school sales.

## Sophomore Class



The Sophomore class was led this year by president Bob Hafer; vice-president, Mac Bentley; secretary, Eva Curtis; and treasurer, Carol Wood. The advisor for the class was John Scott, with G. D. Muyskens as councilor.

Bonnie LeCronier was elected to attend the Homecoming queen by popular vote. The sophomore class also provided a float for the homecoming parade.

The sophomore dance, with "Tea for Two" as its theme, was a big success under the guidance of Bob Hafer, general chairman.



## Freshman Class



At the head of the Freshman class this year stood Bob Brasington, president; Danny Allis, vice-president; Lona Miller secretary and Ann Butterfield, treasurer

Our Queen attendant was Doris McLachlin.

The student Council representatives were Gwen Loveday and Dave Goodell.

The Freshman Frolic was held on May 6, to the tune of "My Old Flame." Gwen Loveday was the social committee chairman.

The class advisor this year was Mr Kesler.

## Eighth Grade

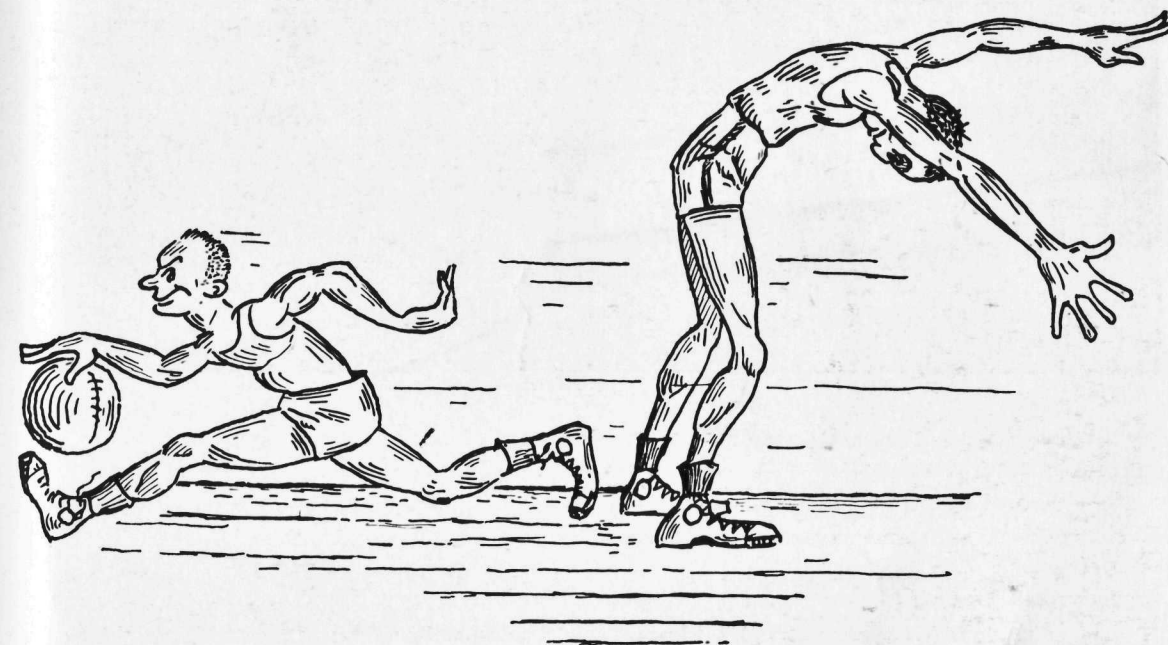


The Eighth graders, the Junior High group at Mt. Pleasant High School, enjoyed a very successful year. At the first official class meeting, the members elected the following officers: Tom Pishos, president; Phil Foltz, vice-president; Larry Beadle, treasurer, and Phyllis Peters, secretary. These officers have had a very successful year due to the fact that the students extended their full cooperation. Mr Jones was appointed class advisor and Miss Scott class councilor.

To start off the year a get-acquainted, out-door party was held at Island Park. This was followed by a dance in February, and roller skating occupied one evening in March. Also on the class schedule were a College Elementary and Junior High dance for the month of May and a class trip in June.

The Eighth grade basketball team enjoyed a very respectable record of seven wins and five losses to out-of-town teams. They won the championship of the Eighth Grade Big Rapids Invitational Tournament, by defeating Ludington and Big Rapids in the finals.





# SPORTS



## Football



The Mt. Pleasant Oilers had an enviable season last year by winning the North Central Championship for the second year in a row.

The Oilers won their first seven games, but lost to Alma in the last game of the year on a desperation pass with 30 seconds left in the game.

The Oiler record was as follows:

|    |              |    |               |
|----|--------------|----|---------------|
| 26 | Mt. Pleasant | 6  | Fremont       |
| 26 | Mt. Pleasant | 19 | Godwin        |
| 20 | Mt. Pleasant | 7  | Ludington     |
| 13 | Mt. Pleasant | 0  | Cadillac      |
| 26 | Mt. Pleasant | 6  | Big Rapids    |
| 42 | Mt. Pleasant | 0  | Manistee      |
| 40 | Mt. Pleasant | 6  | Traverse City |
| 12 | Mt. Pleasant | 14 | Alma          |

Mt. Pleasant placed four men on the All-Conference team. They were Dick Barnard, tackle; Pat McGuirk, guard; Grover Freeze, halfback; and Joe Newton, quarterback.

The following won letters: Dick Barnard, Pat McGuirk, Bill Potter, Bob Foust, Grover Freeze, Ed Decess, Dave Bonnell, Pete Russell, Bill Chestnut, George Whitney, Tom Martin, Ron West, Jesse Gillette, Jack Hayward, Tom Grove, Bob Craven, Jack Davis, Lawrence Sheldon, LeRoy Kullman, Dick Reed, Joe Newton, Bill Atha, Ron Finch, Rodney Phillips, Harold Allen, Dick LeCronier, Terry Lynch, Charles Lamp, George Elias, Joe Varga, Joe Marchiando, Doug Loveday, and Harold Nichols.

Coaches Carlo Barberi and Bobb Wardrop will have 17 lettermen with which to mold next year's team.

## Basketball



The 1948-1949 edition of the Mt. Pleasant Oilers' basketball team did not make such an impressive record as some previous years, but it gave the fans many good ball games to witness.

The Oiler mentor, Bobb Wardrop, has big plans for the future as six lettermen are returning, many who are well over six feet tall. Considerable aid is expected from many promising Wildcats.

Letter winners on the squad were: Bill Atha, Dick Barnard, Dave Bonnell, Eugene DePuy, Ron Finch, Jack Hayward, Dick LeCronier, Joe Newton, Rodney Phillips and Harold Voisin.



## Baseball



The 1949 Mt. Pleasant Oiler squad had a very good schedule consisting of 12 regular games and the Mt. Pleasant Invitational Tournament. They played Remus, Shepherd, Midland, Clare, Cadillac, and Alma, both home and away.

The outfield consisted of Dick Barnard, Pat McGuirk, Terry Lynch, and Jerry Welch. Other capable reserves were Tom West and Jim O'Donnell. The infield saw Chuck Matthews at first base, George Elias at second, Rod Phillips at shortstop and Dick LeCronier and Delmer Matthews at third base.

The battery, Tom Grove and Harry Nelson, were the mainstays of the pitching staff, while Bill Shay and Frank Varga held up the receiving end in the catching department.

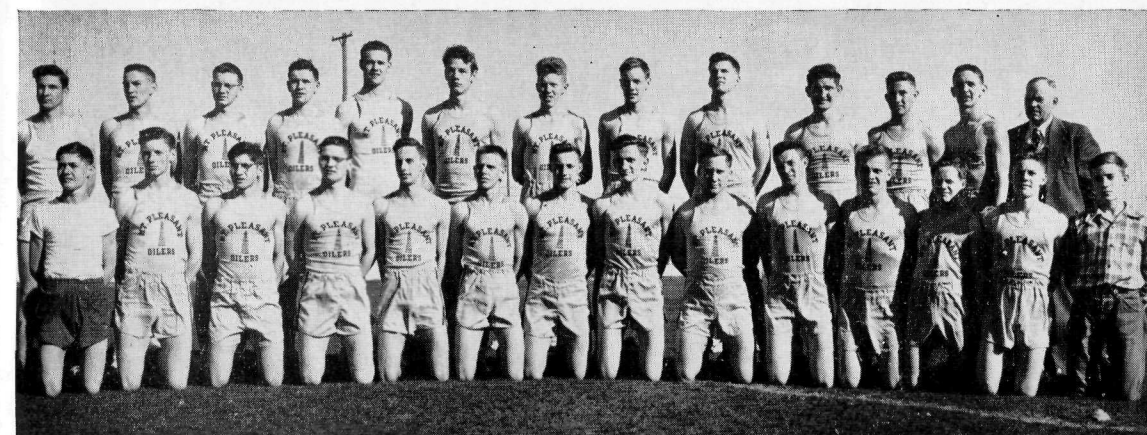
Coach Carlo Barberi will lose only six seniors from his squad this year.

## Cross Country



The Cross Country team had five letter winners. They were Hudson Keenan, Joe Moose, Don Durfee, Bill Coughlin and Emmett Van Aucher. Since all these boys are underclassmen, the team is looking forward to some good years.

## Track



Coach Fred Goodell expects sure points by Capt. Dave Bonnell in the sprints, Jack Hayward and Grover Freeze in the 440, Bud Brasington and Bill Coughlin in the 880, and in the mile, Don Durfee, Joe Moose, and the record-breaking Jack Davis. Dave Goodell and Bob Brasington are very promising freshman candidates.

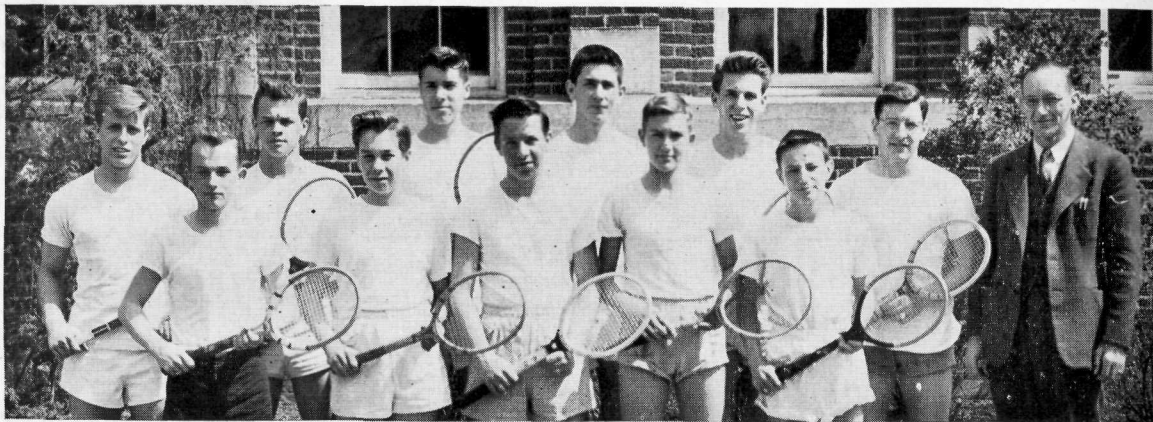


## Golf



Coach Bobb Wardrop in his first season of coaching Oiler golf, expects to improve upon last year's dismal record. With four lettermen back, namely Jack Cox, Kent Ward, Norm Kigar and John Chopard, the prospects are encouraging.

## Tennis



The Tennis squad for 1949 has high hopes of improving upon last year's record. With six lettermen returning, Coach Paul Grimm is optimistic about the future.

Playing in the singles are Joe Newton, Herb'e Prior Gordon Sharp and Harold Border

Holding down the number one doubles are Bob Benezette and Eugene Neier Help is also expected from experienced Doug Loveday and Pete Russell.



## SOCIAL ACTIVITIES



## Student Council



During the year of 1948-49 the Student Council was active in carrying on mixers, assemblies and other school activities.

In the fall the Council sponsored a magazine sale and made a profit of \$450.00. Although this project was sponsored by the Council, nearly all students in the school participated. A certain share of this money was set aside to purchase badly needed stage equipment.

During the Christmas vacation the Council sponsored an All School Party entitled "Winter Wonderland." Again, in the spring, another All School Party was held.

The officers were: President, Dave Koch; vice-president, Betty Smith, secretary, Mary Ann Chase; treasurer Pete Russell. The faculty advisers were Miss Constance Stegenga and Mr Lindsey Morris.

## Hi-Y



The Mt. Pleasant Hi-Y Club enjoyed another successful year—the twenty-eighth year of consecutive existence. Its officers were: Dave Koch, president; Duane Johnson, vice-president; Douglas Loveday, secretary; Joe Newton, treasurer, and Mr Muyskens, adviser

It enjoyed a variety of programs and activities. It joined with the Y-Teens in supplying Christmas gifts to an entire rural school at Cookeville, Tennessee. The school has an enrollment of thirty-two students.

The Club sent its officers and adviser to two District Conferences at Saginaw and Bay City. It also sent seven boys to the Older Boys' Conference at Jackson in April.

## Y-Teen



The Y-Teen Club has enjoyed a very successful year. The Club held the Y-Teen Prom and the annual "Sock Hop." Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets were given to needy families. The Hi-Y and Y-Teeners jointly sent a Christmas box to Tennessee.

Two conferences were attended by delegates from the Y-Teens, one in Flint, Michigan, and the other in Ludington, Michigan.

Officers for the past year have been: Nancy Pew, president; Harriet Horn, vice-president; Celia Cook, secretary; and Norma Woodin, treasurer. Mrs. Mary Russell has acted as the club advisor and will continue in this capacity next year.



## Future Farmers of America



The first major activity of the year for the Mt. Pleasant Chapter of Future Farmers of America was the Father and Son banquet. At the banquet, fifteen green hands were initiated into the F. F. A.

The newly elected officers for 1949-1950 are as follows: President, Gale Zingery; vice-president, Jim O'Brien; secretary, Elwyn Cluley; treasurer, Dale Zingery, reporter, Norman Emery. These officers attended the leadership training camp at Higgins Lake.

Many of the boys of the chapter attended the National Livestock Show at Chicago in December. Also one of our boys, Mike Salchert, placed in the B class at the Regional Public Speaking Contest held at Beaverton.

## Future Homemakers of America



The officers of 1949 were: President, Mary Bower; vice-president, Patty Fate; secretary, Lila Fate; treasurer, Elizabeth Hayward, song leader Celia Kirkconnell, historian, Marianne Schlemmer, and reporter, Mary Jean Roe.

The club has a total membership of forty with their motto being, "Toward New Horizons." Their club flower is the red rose and the club colors are red and white.

## Modern Dance



The Modern Dance Club has just completed one of its most successful and eventful years. In the fall they journeyed to Lansing to give their first performance for a Michigan Education Association group there. The club gave several performances of their annual Christmas program, including one for the student body in co-operation with the Y-Teen and Social Science clubs.

The remainder of the year was spent in preparation for the spring program, featuring original compositions by the club members, and for a performance for the A. A. U. W. in May. They are also planning to go to Flint this fall.

The officers this year have been: Diane Decker, president; Carol Wood, vice-president, and Mary Murphy, secretary-treasurer. Miss Marian "Mort" Haller as advisor, provided excellent and capable guidance.

## Girls' Athletic Association

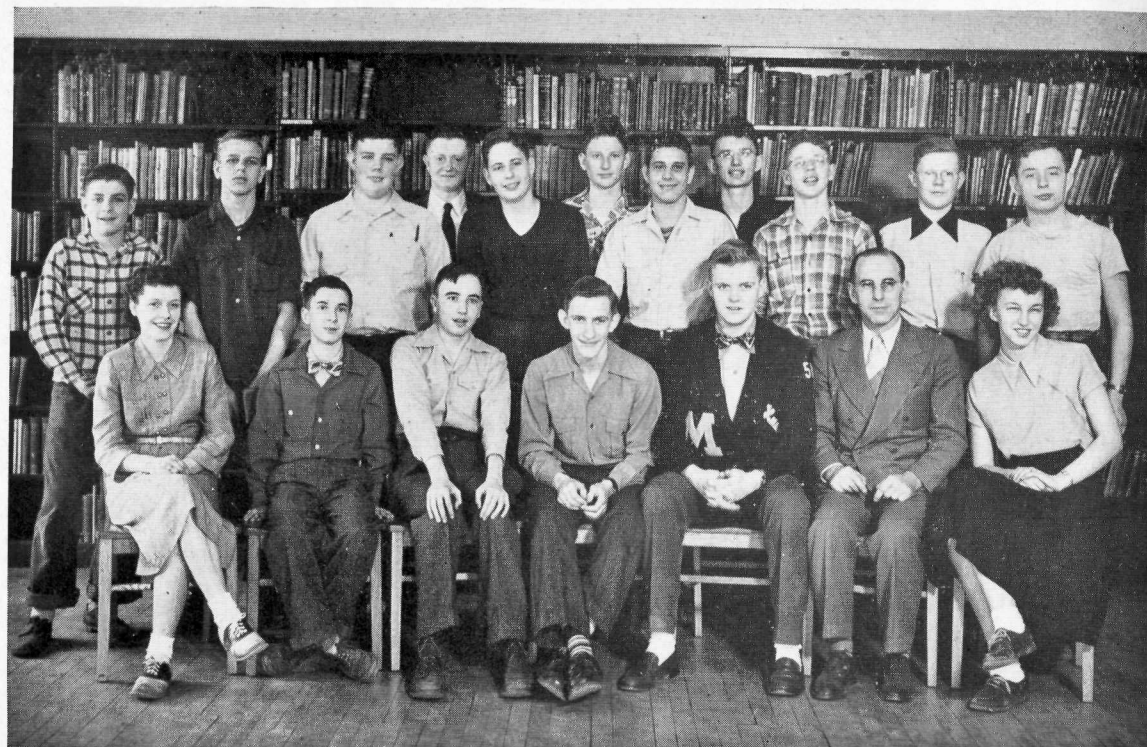


The members of G. A. A. were invited to the playday at Midland where they contested in games of basketball with other participating schools. The girls came back winning all their games. The club has sponsored after-school sales, mixers and scheduled a Parents-Daughter banquet to climax the year. At this banquet the girls who earned enough points by participating in the various sports received G. A. A. letters.

Officers for the year were: President, Celia Kirkconnell, vice-president, Lois Neier; secretary, Yvonne Schoen, and treasurer, Helen Kullman. The club advisor is Emma Makenin, with Marian Haller assisting.



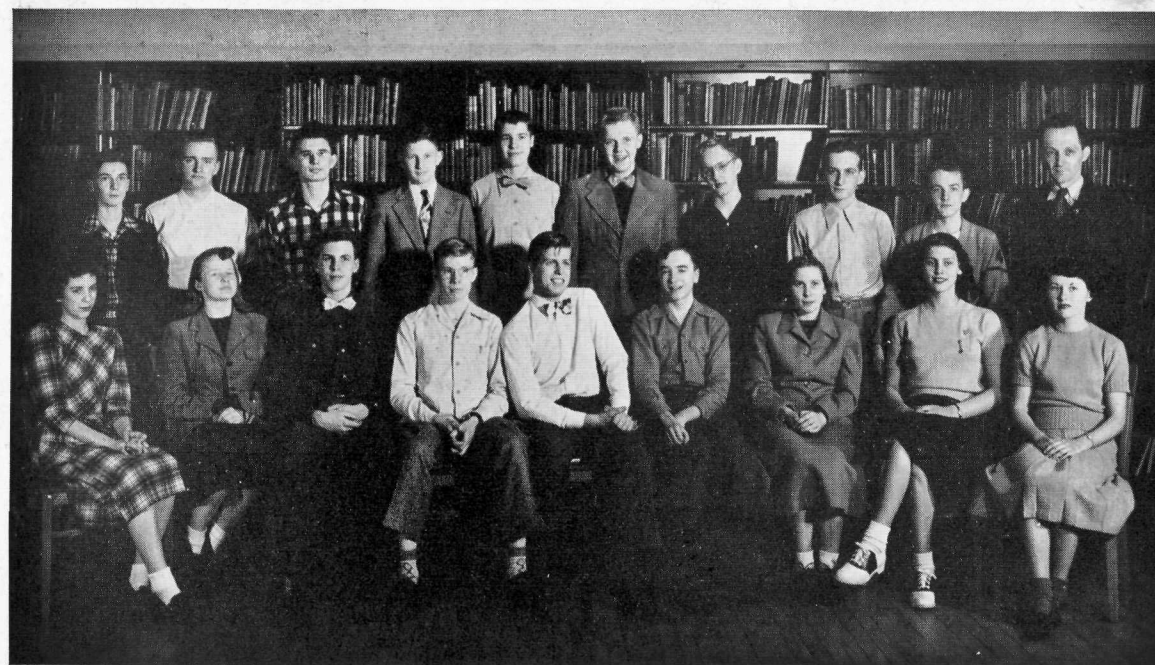
## Camera Club



The purpose of the camera club is to stimulate interest in the field of photography and to learn how to take and make better pictures.

The officers for the year 1948-49 were: President, Joe Moose; vice-president, Dick Pratt; secretary, Hud Keenan, and treasurer Mac Bentley. The advisor for the club is Mr. Koch.

## Social Science Club



The purpose of this organization is to develop and stimulate a fuller understanding of past and present history through the interchange of ideas and information.

The officers are as following: President, Doug Loveday, vice-president, Richard Pratt; secretary, Duane Johnson; treasurer, Peter Russell.

## Dramatics Club



Highlighting this year's Dramatics Clubs activities was a three-act play, "Years Ago." It also presented two one-act plays, "Make Room for Rodney" and "Super-Cupid." The group participated in a One-Act Play Festival at Central Michigan College of Education and sponsored a bake sale. They ended the year with an out-door wiener roast.

The officers for the year were: Nan Webster, president; Norma Woodin, vice-president; Nancy Pew, secretary; Harriet Horn, treasurer, and Miss Lorraine Dalzen, advisor.

## Usher Club



This year's Usher Club provided ushers at assemblies, plays, and other school and community functions.

A uniform consisting of usher bands across white blouses with black skirts were worn. By the collection of dues and money from frost-bite sales, club pins were purchased for old members.



## Pep Squad



The Pep Squad, under the direction of the amiable Miss "Mort" Haller, performed in capable fashion to build morale for the student body.

The squad was composed of eight cheer leaders: Nancy Chaffee, Pat Clare, Celia Cook, Martha Westbrook, Sally Haight, Gwen Loveday and Dana MacDowell.

Aided by the selling of concessions, etc., they were able to purchase new pep squad sweaters.

## Choir



Under the guidance of Victor Iams, the high school choir completed a successful and eventful year. A variety of programs was presented by the group. They included the Pops concert, the Christmas Vespers and the Spring concert. The highlight of the 1948-49 season was the presentation of the operetta, "Pickles," in March. The group also participated in the choral festivals in Owosso and East Lansing.

The Madrigal Singers, a group consisting of 13 choir members, presented several programs for local groups, as did the choir. The board for the year was: President, Jim Huggins; vice-president, Pete Russell, secretary, Harriet Horn, and treasurer Nan Webster.

## Chorus



The Chorus had fifty-six members representing members of all the grades. The group participated in the Christmas program, and several sopranos were selected to sing with the choir. Five student teachers assisted Mr. Iams in directing the group.

The officers are: President, Shirley Walker; vice-president, Nancy Hewitt; secretary and treasurer, Verna Jones.



## Band



Although our band was small it marched at the haltime of all our home games and made the trip to the Cadillac game in order to further school spirit.

Breaking tradition, the band gave a free concert for the student body in February. In May the band presented its annual Spring Concert and attended the Northwestern Michigan Band Festival in Big Rapids.

With other musical organizations of the city the band participated in the Music Foundation Festival. As is the custom the band played its final concert at the Senior Swing-out.

## Homecoming



Adding that necessary decorative touch to the festivities, the queen and her court were the reigning dignitaries of the seventh annual homecoming in Mt. Pleasant High School. It has been traditional to award this honor to the girl in the senior class, who by vote of her classmates, represents the ideal student.

Miss Jeanne Roethlisberger of the class of '49, who was this year's queen, exemplifies those qualities all students strive for: Personality, beauty, and general ability in school activities.

The various classes elected as their representatives to the queen's court the following: Mary Murphy from the Junior Class, Bonnie LeCronier from the Sophomore Class, Delores McLachin from the Freshman Class, and Bonnie Merrifield from the Eighth Grade.

These girls, chosen on the same basic standards as the queen, and elected by the vote of their respective classmates, will assist the queen during her reign over the various activities of the gala homecoming this year.



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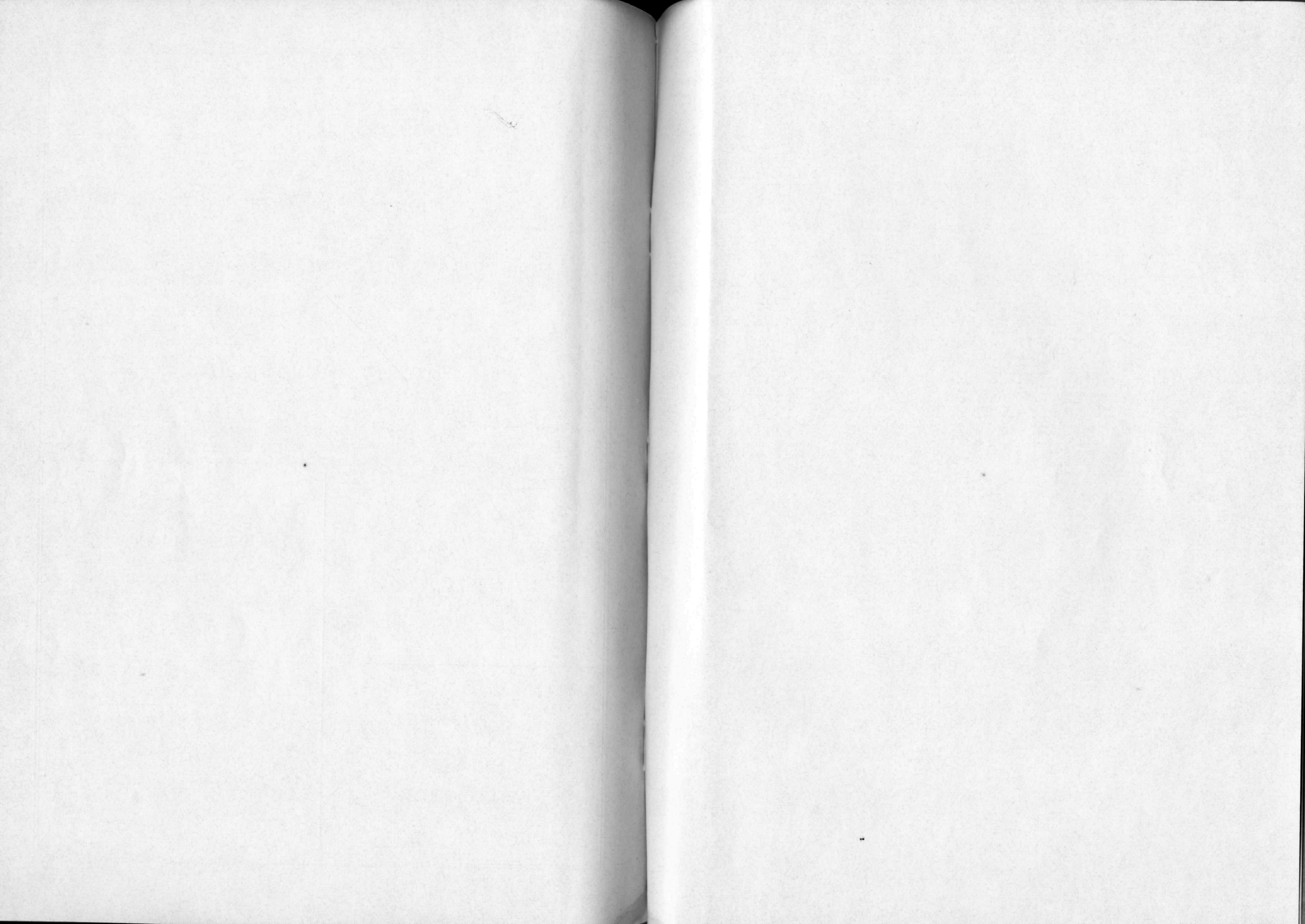
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