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# The Kernel



## Our New Gymnasium

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## TO THE PARENTS

There comes a time when circumstances or the call of duty makes it necessary for parents and children to part. Sometimes parents find themselves at the other end of the country—or of the earth—from the children whose very lives once depended on their love and care and whose first lisping words and faltering steps were their pride and joy.

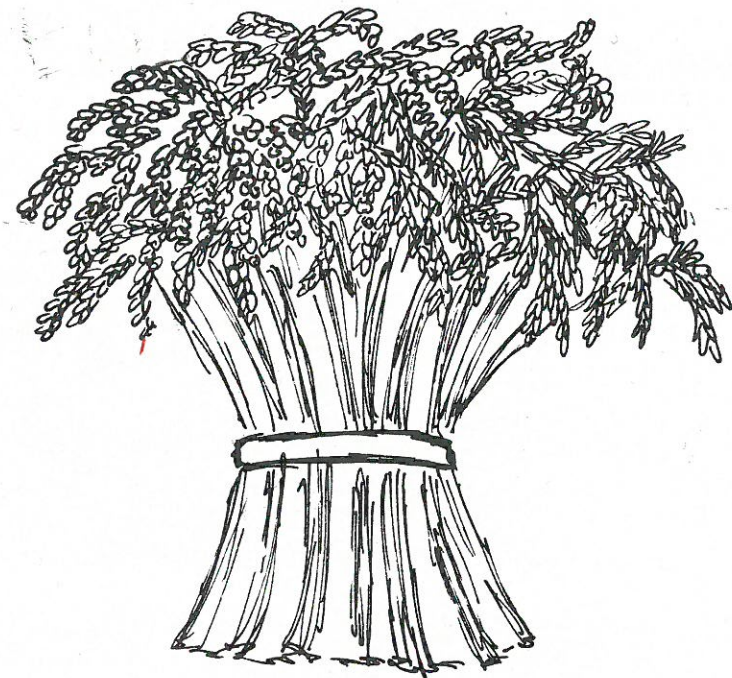
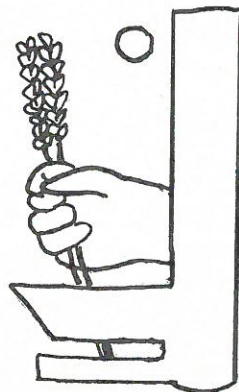
And so it will be with the parents and students of Ritzville High School. They will part, it is true; but despite years and distance and circumstances, never will they speak the goodbye of finality; never will the bond of love be severed between them until death itself intervenes and carries one or the other into the great beyond.

And so to you beloved parents of Ritzville High School, to you who gave our students birth, loved them, and sacrificed for them throughout the years, this annual is lovingly dedicated.

The members of the annual staff wish to thank you, the parents of the Ritzville schools, for the innumerable things you have done for your children, for your love and care of them, and for the hope and inspiration you have given them for the future.

The years the Ritzville students have spent under your guidance represent what will doubtless prove the sweetest and happiest years of their lives; so they will cherish and hold the memories of these years in their hearts forever.

VELMA McCLELLAN



## Foreword—

The KERNEL staff has worked hard on the 1955 Annual and takes a great deal of pleasure in presenting the contents to you. We have endeavored to incorporate into our Yearbook the worthwhile events of 1954-1955 and may you enjoy the remembrances it contains when looking through the pages years from now.

DARLENE HILLE  
Your Editor



## School Board



E. FRANK SAYRE

DON KEISON

MAYNARD GALBREATH

G. E. BENTZ

GEORGE FREESE

HARRY SCHWISOW

We the students of Ritzville High wish to express our gratitude for the wonderful work the School Board has done in bringing to Ritzville a new and wonderful gymnasium and for the fine cooperation they have given us throughout the entire year.

## Superintendent's Message



SUCCESS is not rare, it is common. Very few miss a measure of it. It is not a matter of luck, or of contesting—for certainly no success in life can come from one's preventing the success of another. It is a matter of adjusting one's abilities to a service needed by others. *There is no other success.* Most people think of it in terms of getting. Success, however, begins in terms of giving.

To every member of the class of 1955 we extend sincere wishes for a full and generous measure of success in the years to come. May your eyes be uplifted to far horizons, your hearts strong, and your ideals bright and shining.

E. FRANK SAYRE

## Principal's Message

If you were to write down the characteristics of a "responsible" person you could compile an endless list. Probably you'd say a responsible person:

\*Cares about and respects others.

\*Wants to carry his share of the load, to meet obligations, to be on his own and not cause anyone any unnecessary trouble.

\*Has a sense of personal worth. He holds himself accountable for his own thoughts, feelings, and actions.

\*Doesn't expect something for nothing out of life.

\*Is a good worker, will make a good parent, good mate, and good neighbor.

Responsibility, as you can see, includes many different characteristics. During your years at Ritzville High School you have had many opportunities to develop these characteristics that you might grow up to be a responsible person. Studies by leading psychologists and sociologists have shown that the happy, well-adjusted person is the one with a well-balanced sense of responsibility—toward himself and others. It is our wish that you may have a happy, full life as you take your place in the adult world.

RALPH LACKEY



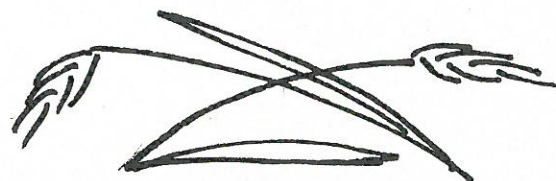


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MR. LEROY BUCKLEY  
Junior High Subjects

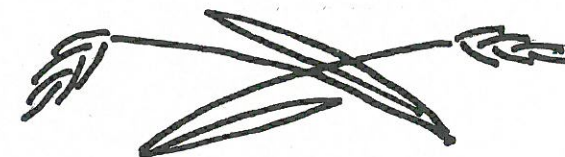
## Teachers



MR. CLYDE BUEHLER Boys' Athletics  
History

MISS VELMA McCLELLAN  
English, Speech  
Senior Class Advisor

## Teachers



MR. LLOYD OBERST  
Junior High Subjects  
Junior High Principal



MISS MARTHA BURNS  
Home Economics  
F.H.A. Advisor



MR. JACK EKEN  
Mathematics  
Junior Class Advisor



MRS. MARJORIE ELKJER  
Vocal Music

MRS. BERNICE OLIVER  
English  
Library Science



MR. WILFRED SIMMONDS  
Science  
Senior Class Play



MRS. VIRGINIA STARE  
Junior High Subjects  
Spanish



MR. CARROLL ELKJER  
Music  
Sophomore Class Advisor



MR. MELVIN HURST  
U. S. History, Art  
Junior Class Play



MR. LELAND IRWIN  
Mathematics  
Visual Aids

MR. JAMES WEBB  
Agriculture  
F.F.A. Advisor



MISS HELEN K. WILLIAMS  
Commercial Subjects  
Harvester, Kernel



MRS. GEORGIA ELLIOTT  
Girls' Athletics  
Junior High Subjects



## Teachers' Activities



1. Mr. Irwin looking at Grand Canyon.
2. Mrs. Elliott scoring volleyball.
3. Back to school night.
4. Coach Buehler our best helper.
5. Our most studious teacher, Miss McClellan.
6. Mr. Hurst always playing games.



## Junior High



"As the seeds of wheat are sown  
so are the seeds of knowledge."



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Sam Braun  
Gary Galbreath  
Arthur Greenwalt



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Judy Harder  
Dennis Hille

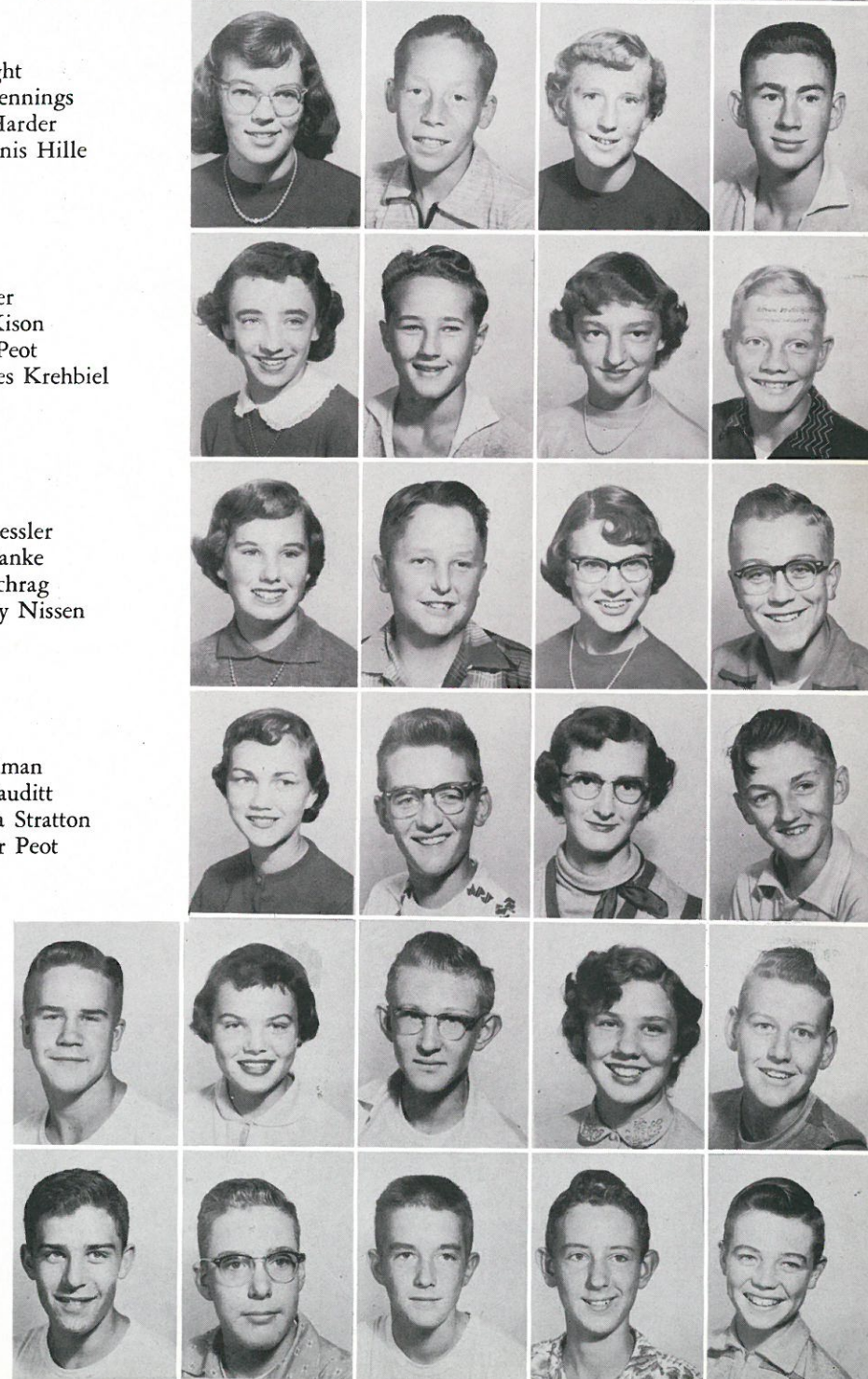
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James Krehbiel

Marva Schoessler  
David Manke  
Beth Schrag  
Barry Nissen

Sharon Shelman  
David Nauditt  
Alberta Stratton  
Peter Peot

Dennis Rieger  
Marlene Sumpter  
Jerry Schell  
Janice Weir  
Percy Schrag

Lonny Steinmetz  
Claude Sumpter  
Michael Telecky  
Gerald Thaut  
Dennis Wellsandt



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## Junior High Basketball Teams

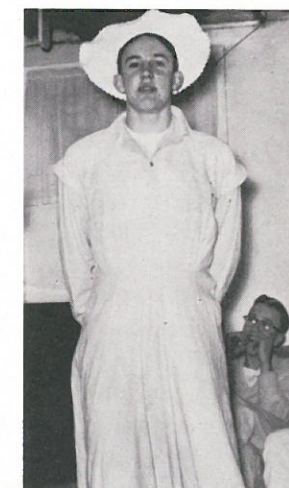
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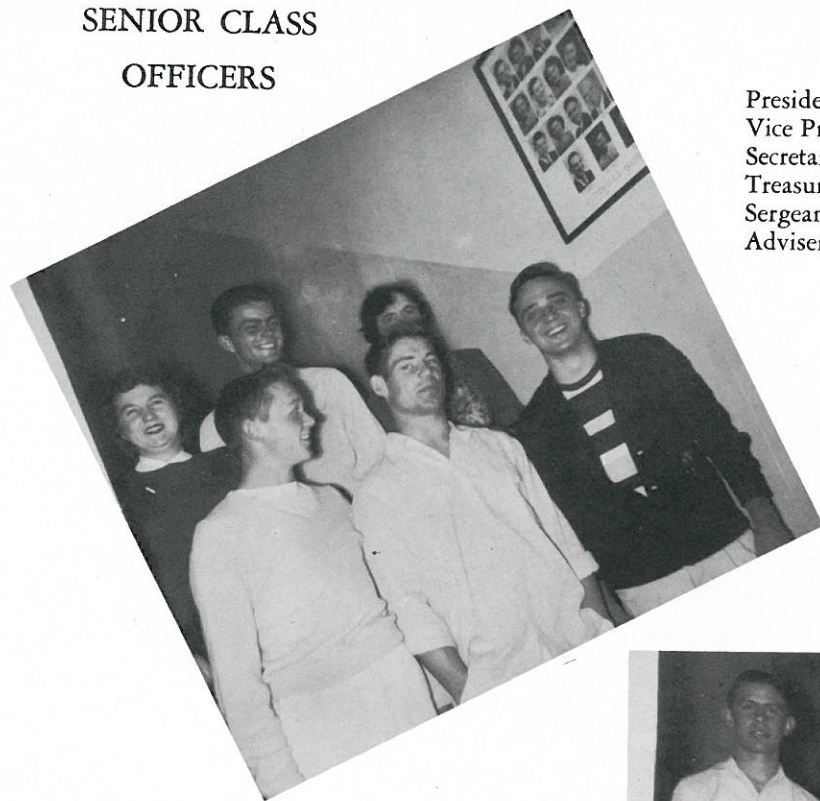
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## Snapshots "Junior High"



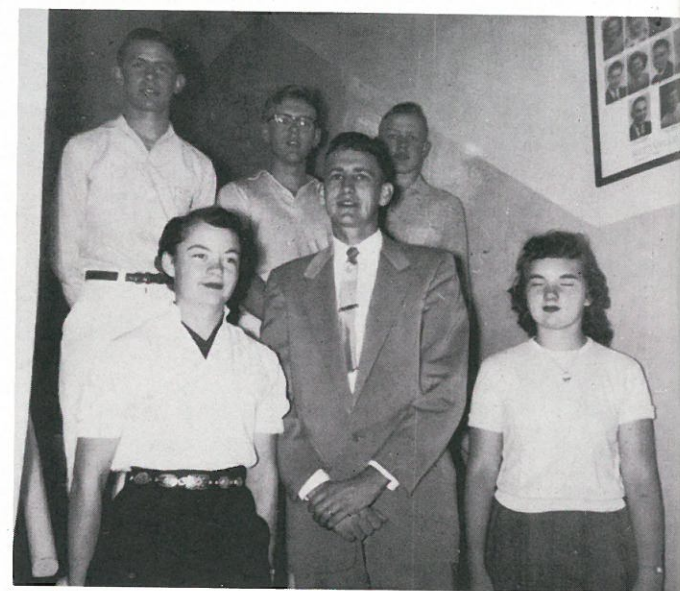


SENIOR CLASS  
OFFICERS



President, Lawrence Kramer  
Vice President, Danny Schwisow  
Secretary, Sidney Gering  
Treasurer, Juanita Grams  
Sergeant-at-Arms, Gary Danekas  
Adviser, Miss McClellan

JUNIOR CLASS



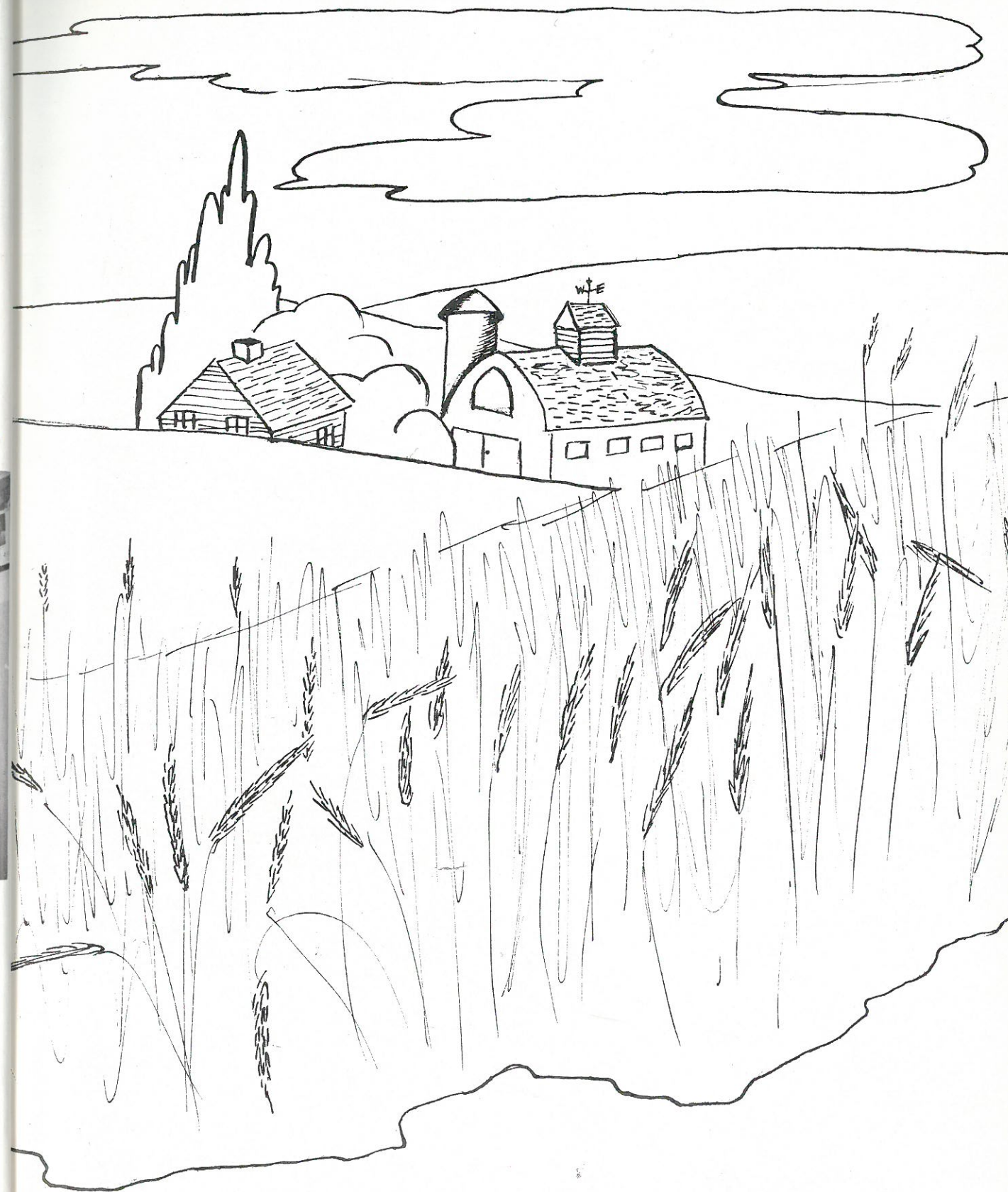
President, Patsy Smith  
Vice President, Billy Harder  
Secretary, Gaynel Wellsandt  
Treasurer, Roger Jantz  
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Adviser, Mr. Eken

OFFICERS



SOPHOMORE  
CLASS OFFICERS

President, Arnold Moeller  
Vice President, Bruce Howell  
Secretary, Ruth Webb  
Treasurer, Pat Bentz  
Sergeant-at-Arms, Mary Ann Wagner  
Adviser, Mr. Elkjer



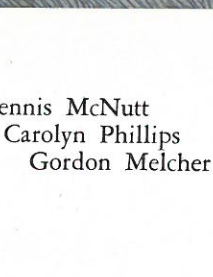
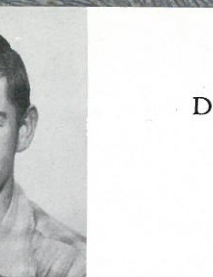
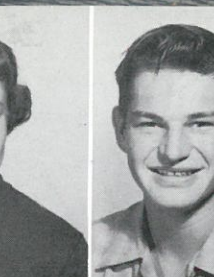
*Sophomores*

"As the wheat field progresses  
so we grow in our fields of learning."

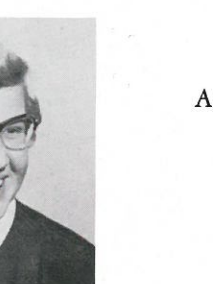
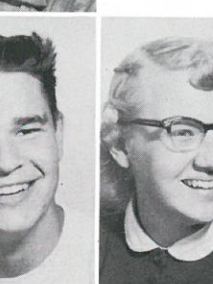


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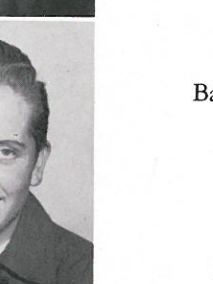
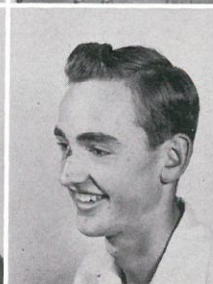
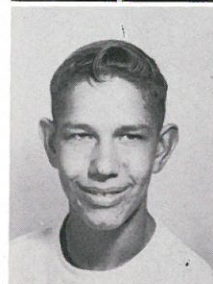
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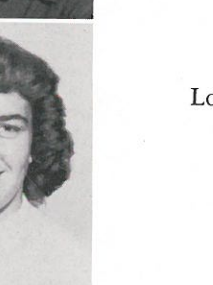
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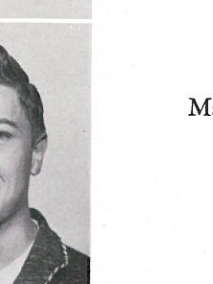
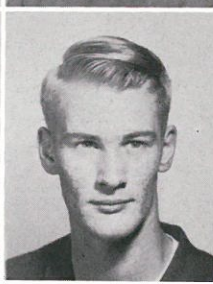
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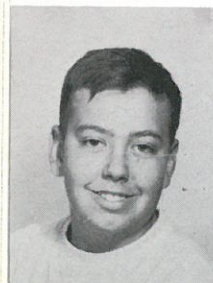
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Anise Nelson



Harvey Laib  
Gary Lightbody

## CLASS OF '57

Sally Newland  
Roger Marshall  
Mary Oestreich



## SOPHOMORES

Arnold Moeller  
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Ray Pittman  
Gail Ann Sauer

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Harry Schafer  
Sharon Selcho  
Terry Schmidt

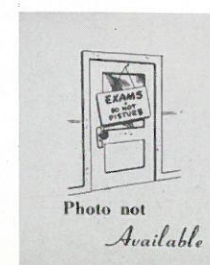
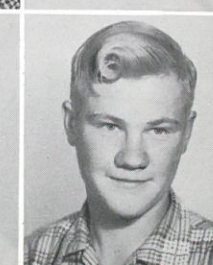
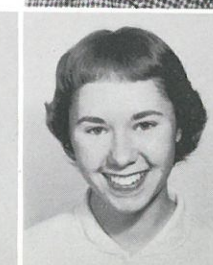
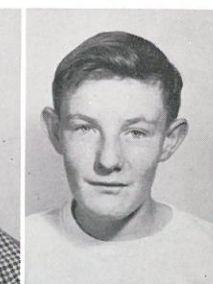
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Lamar Thiel  
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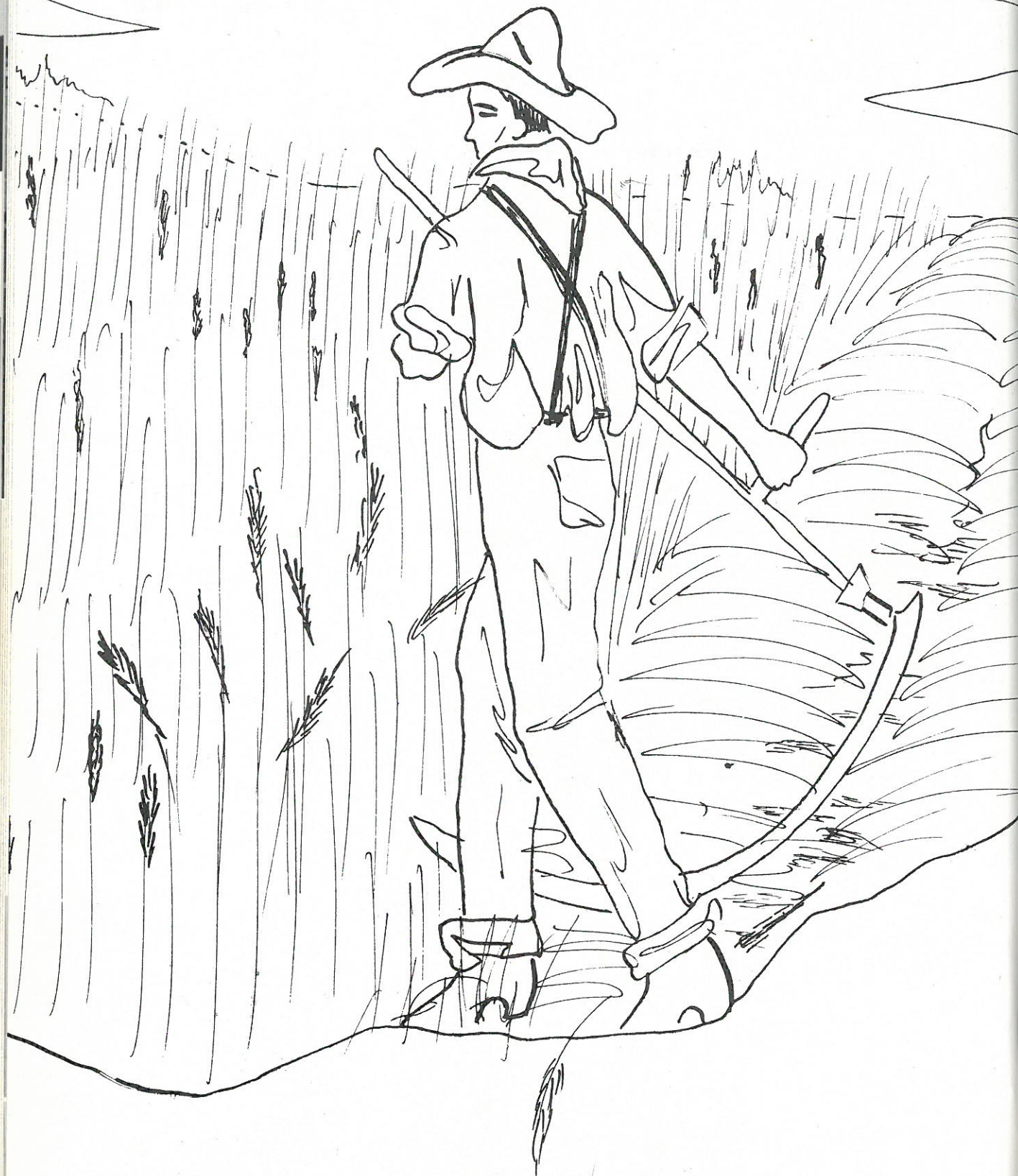
Dale Thompson  
Ruth Webb  
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# Juniors



"As the wheat is nearing readiness to serve its purpose so we are nearing time to take our places in life."

## JUNIORS

Vivian Allert



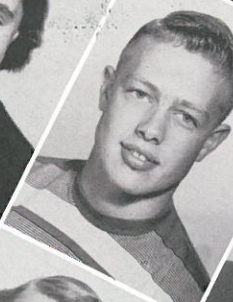
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Gordon Gering  
Jackie IIs



Arle Kechter  
Eugene Haase  
Carol Koeplin  
Bruce Hagerty



Billy Harder  
Annette Martin  
Donald Hoff  
Diane Musten

## CLASS OF '56



# JUNIORS

Merilee Oestreich  
Sharon Pitner

Carol Pfannekuchen  
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Torre Lesser  
Vivian Schell  
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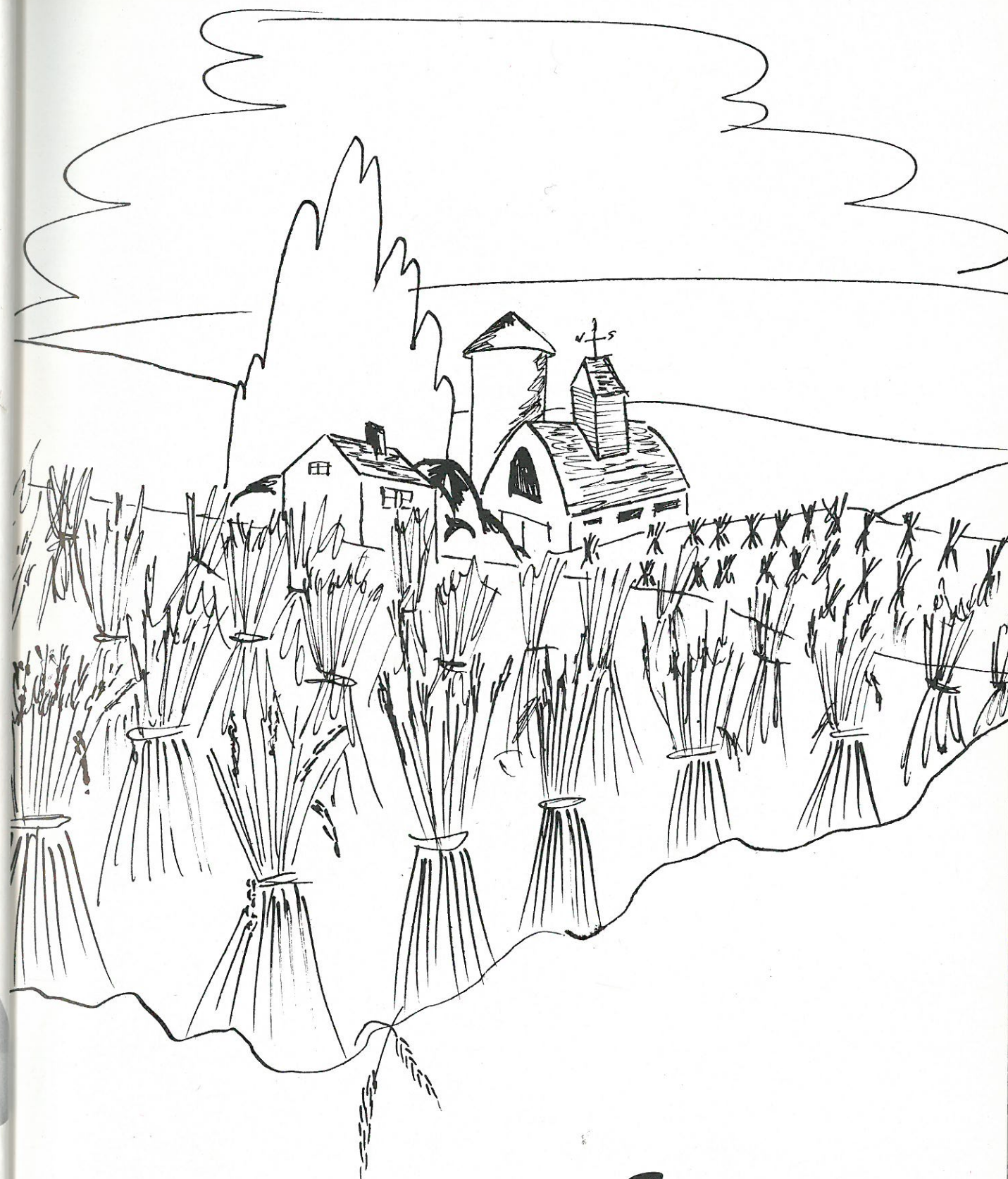
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Ross Pfann

Doug Thiel  
Dora Stratton  
Carl Williamson  
Donna Thoe

Janice Wagner  
Russell Williamson  
Gaynel Wellsandt  
Moreen Wolfe

CLASS OF '56



## Seniors

"Like the wheat harvest—we  
reap what we have sown through  
our years of learning."



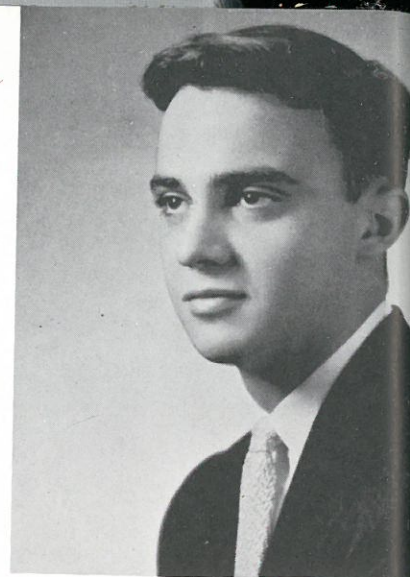
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JEAN OESTREICH  
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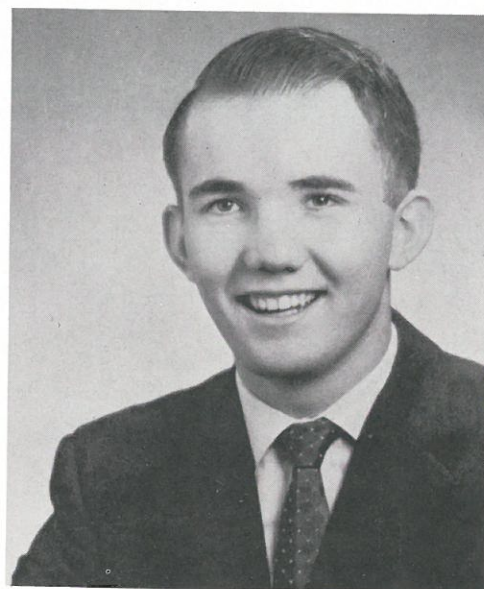


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FHA, Pep Club, Annual  
Staff.

STANNA LEE ADAMS  
FHA Officer, Pep Club,  
Annual Staff, Girls' Red  
"R," Choir, Cheerleaders.



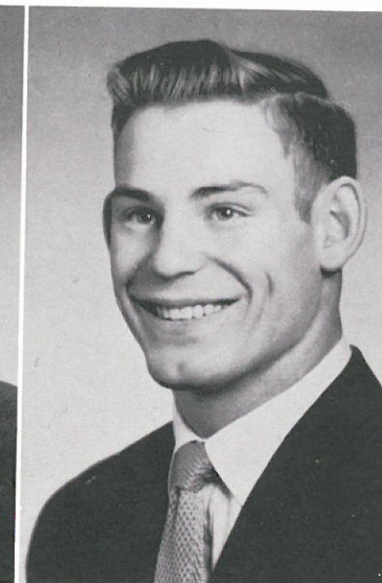
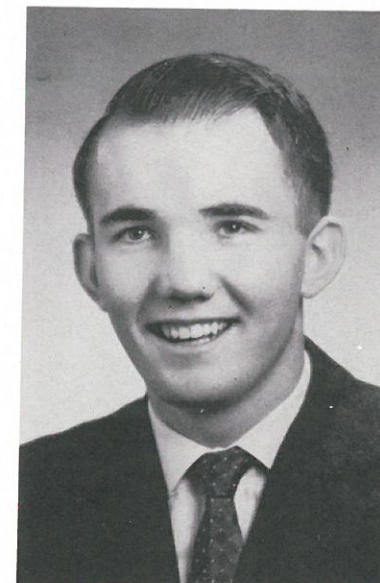
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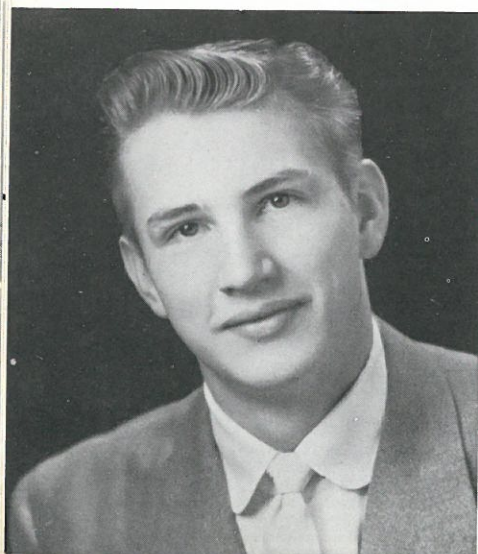
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TOM GERMAN  
ASB President, Boys' Red  
"R," Football, Basketball,  
Baseball, Harvester Staff,  
Dramatics.



DAN SCHWISOW  
Senior Class Officer, Boys'  
Red "R," Football, Band,  
Dance Band, Annual Staff,  
Harvester Staff.

DON SHELMAN



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LAWRENCE KRAMER



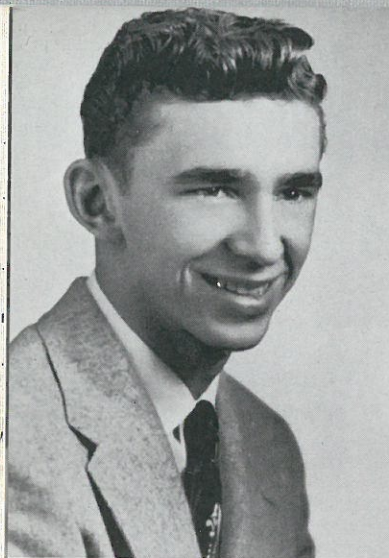
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Annual Editor, Harvester  
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Girls' Red "R," Cheer-  
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DONNA EVANS  
Annual Staff, Pep Club,  
Choir, Dance Band.



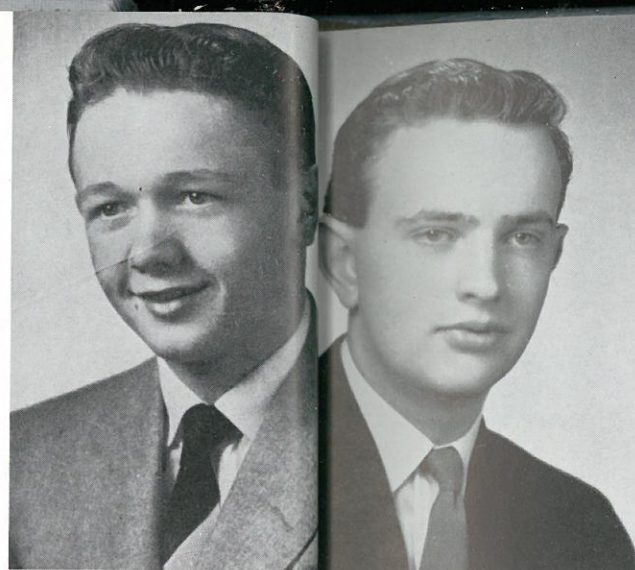


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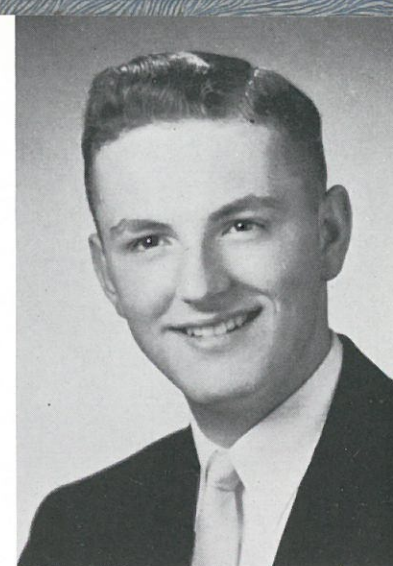
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Boys' Red "R," Annual  
Staff, Football, Baseball,  
Basketball.

SIDNEY GERING  
FFA Officer, Judging  
Team, Parliamentary Pro-  
cedure, Boys' Red "R,"  
Football, Boxing, Senior  
Class Officer.



JESS HARRIS  
Junior Class Officer, Jun-  
ior Red Cross Rep., Boys'  
Red "R." Baseball.

RONALD HEIMBIGNER  
Junior Class Officer, Har-  
vester Staff, Annual Staff,  
Boys' Red "R," Dance  
Band, Band, Choir, Dra-  
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JEAN OESTREICH  
FHA State Officer, Annual  
Staff, Harvester Assistant  
Editor, Pep Club.

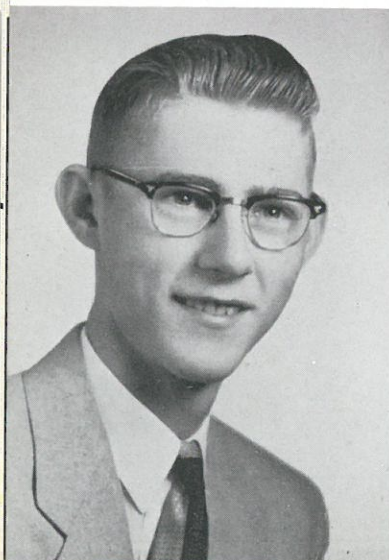


JEAN KINZEL  
FHA Officer, Annual Staff,  
GAA, Pep Club, Harvester  
Staff, Broncettes, Home-  
coming Staff, Pep Club,  
Queen.

JUANITA GRAMS  
Senior Class Officer, FHA  
Staff, Junior Red Cross  
Rep., Harvester Staff, An-  
nual Staff, Pep Club,  
Choir, Dramatics.



SANDRA KADLEC  
ASB Officer, FHA, GAA,  
Annual Staff, Harvester  
Staff, Pep Club, Broncettes,  
Dramatics.



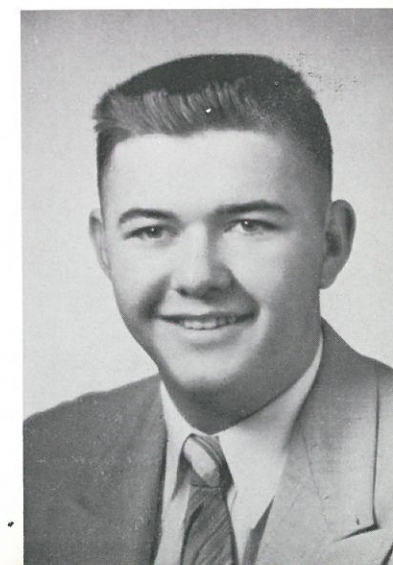
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Junior Class Officer,  
Dramatics.

GARY MARSHALL  
FFA.



LEONARD WEBB

ROBERT WILHELM







ALAN BENTZ  
FFA, Annual Staff, Har-  
vester Staff, Football, Bas-  
ketball, Band, Choir,  
Dance Band.



DON SHELMAN  
FFA President, Judging  
Team, Football, Dramatics,  
Parliamentary Procedure.



JANICE SCHROEDER  
FHA, GAA, Pep Club,  
Broncette, Majorette, Band,  
Choir, Annual Staff, Har-  
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KAY NELSON  
Harvester Editor, FHA,  
Annual Staff, Pep Club,  
Dramatics.



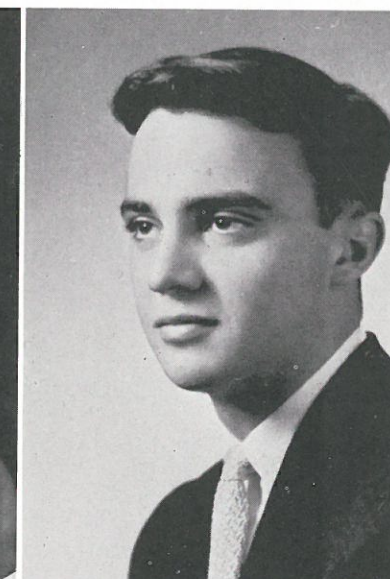
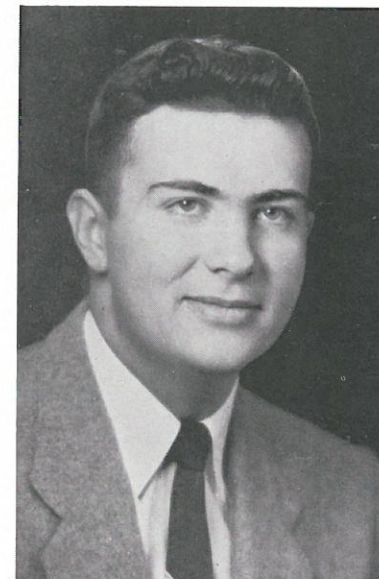
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ASB Officer, FHA Offi-  
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matics, Polio Queen.



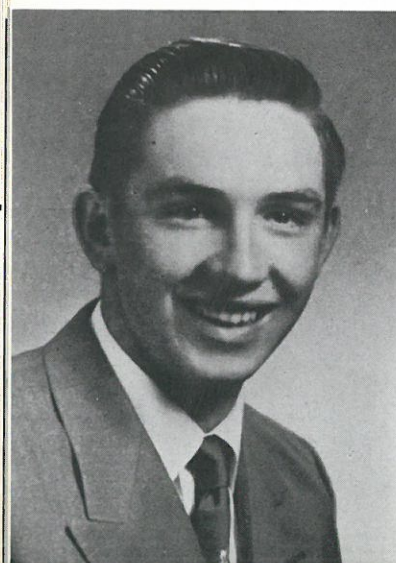
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FHA President, GAA, An-  
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Dramatics, Harvester Staff,  
Pep Club.

TOM RICHMOND

FFA Officer, Boys' Red  
"R," Football, Annual  
Staff.



GARY DANEKAS  
Senior Class Officer, Boys'  
Red "R," Tennis, Choir,  
Band, Dance Band, Har-  
vester Staff, Dramatics.



HARMON SCHELL  
FFA.



LAWRENCE KRAMER  
Senior Class President,  
FFA, Dramatics.

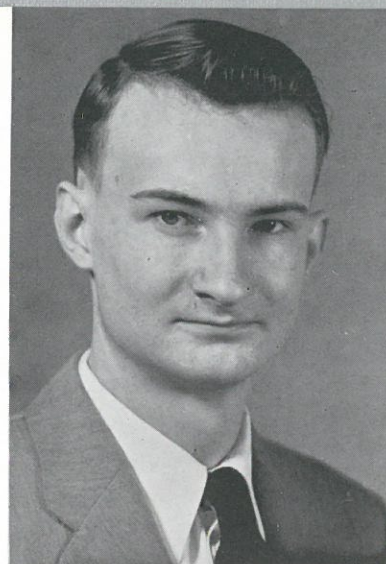


MAREN HOLDEN  
FHA Officer, Annual  
Staff, Harvester Staff, Pep  
Club, Dramatics.



JOAN HART  
FHA, GAA, Pep Club,  
Annual Staff, Harvester  
Staff.





JEAN BLANFORD  
FHA, Pep Club, Annual  
Staff, Dramatics.  
DEWAYNE SCHROEDER

HANS WUERTH

CHARLES WALKER

JERRY  
WERTTENBERGER  
Boys' Red "R."



OUR FRESHMAN YEAR



## SENIOR CLASS EVENTS

May 1, 1954, Junior Prom. (1)

August 31, The first day of school. (3)

September 18, Senior Float in the Fair Parade.

(8) before, ( ) finished, and (10) after.

October 8, Dance after the Othello Football Game

(5) food stand and (4) Chaperones.

October 23, Senior Ball (2)

November 11, Concession stand at Homecoming Game.

January 1, Tom Richmond's (6) and Gary Danekas' (7) birthday party.

January 21, Dance after the Lind Basketball Game.

April 1, Senior Play.

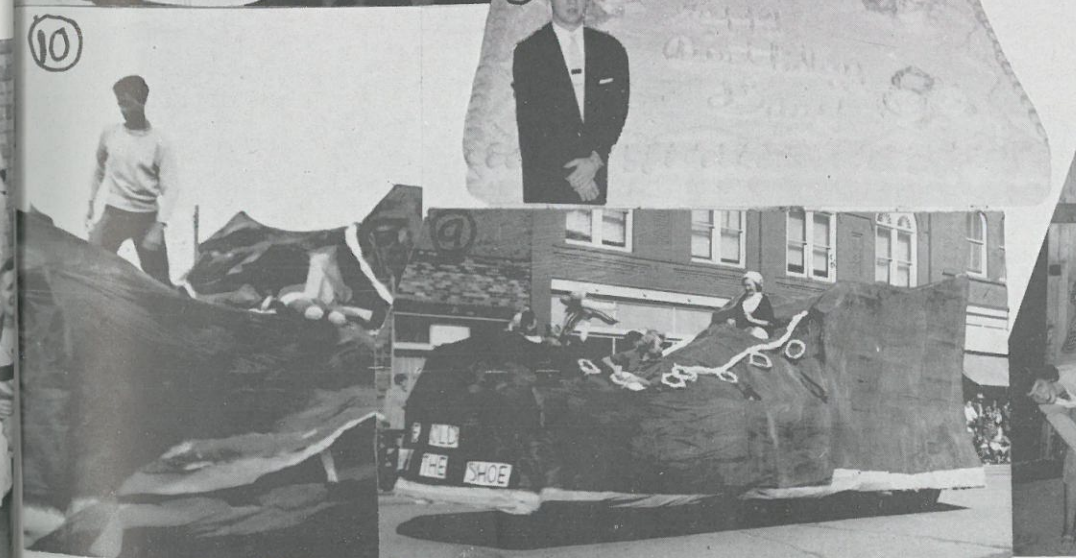
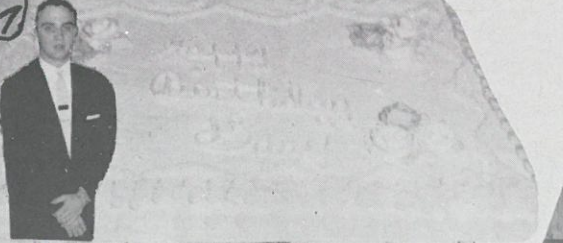
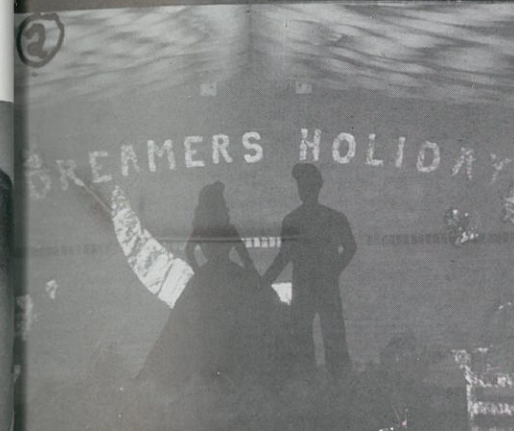
May 17, Senior Class Picnic.

May 20, Senior Class Day.

May 21, Alumni Banquet.

May 22, Baccalaureate.

May 25, Commencement.





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### Senior Baby Pictures

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|------------|---------------------|--------------|
| 1. Alan    | 5. Tom R.           | 15. Dolly    |
| 2. Juanita | 6. Stanna           | 16. Jean O.  |
| 3. Sandra  | 7. Jerry            | 17. Gary D.  |
| 4. Harmon  | 8. Janice           | 18. Joanne   |
|            | 9. Leonard          | 19. Jean K.  |
|            | 10. Grayson         | 20. Donna    |
|            | 11. Jesse           | 21. Beverly  |
|            | 12. Hans            | 22. Maren    |
|            | 13. Don             | 23. Sidney   |
|            | 14. D. S. and D. H. | 24. Ronald   |
|            |                     | 25. Dewayne  |
|            |                     | 26. Lawrence |
|            |                     | 27. Charles  |
|            |                     | 28. Gary M.  |
|            |                     | 29. Yvonne   |
|            |                     | 30. Kenneth  |
|            |                     | 31. Kay      |
|            |                     | 32. Robert   |
|            |                     | 33. Gerald   |
|            |                     | 34. Tom G.   |

## SNAP - SHOTS







H.B. D.S. L.W. G.D.  
Sandy and Stanna H.  
Seniors Many Years Ago

# Side Glances



1. Crazy Legs
2. Somebody Goofed
3. Let Her Have It
4. Going Somewhere?
5. In the cellars of R. H. S.
6. Oh Pain'.
7. Party Goers
8. The morning after the night before.
9. Bashful Boys?
10. Aren't We Sweet.
11. Till I Waltz again with you
12. A couple of Love Birds
13. Tired Jan? 14. Hot Lips.
15. Back to School night. 16. Ritzvilles new fad.

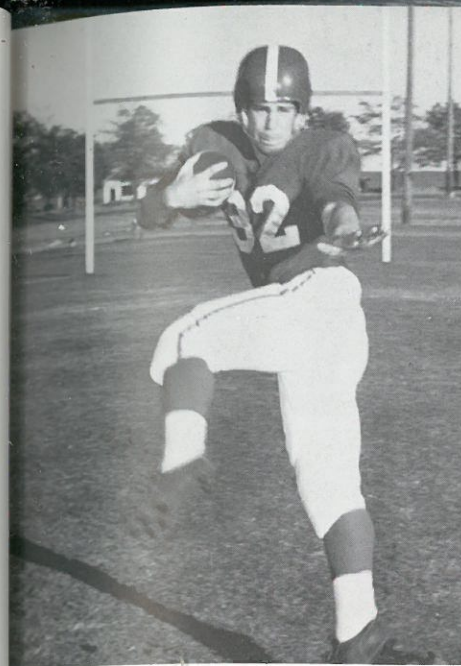
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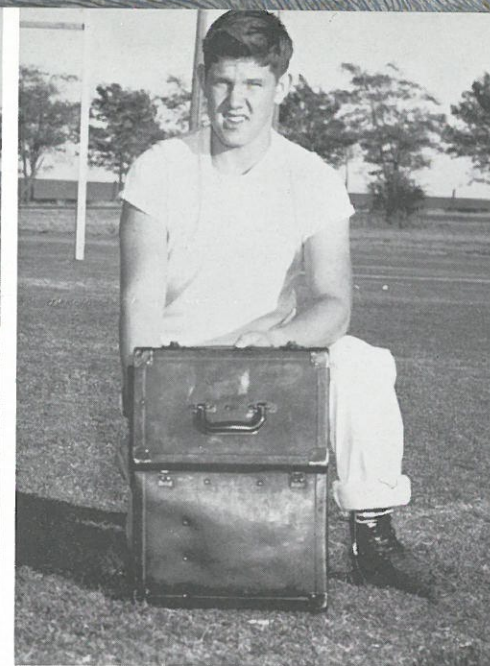


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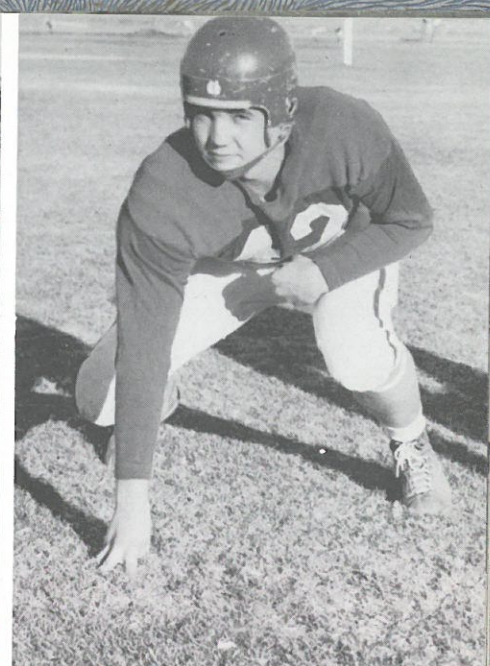
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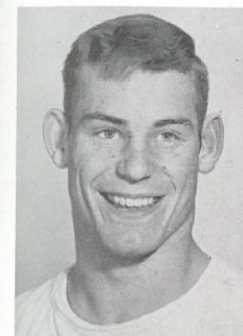


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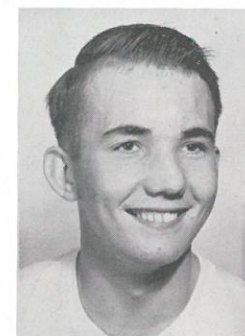


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Coaches



DANNY SCHWISOW  
Captains



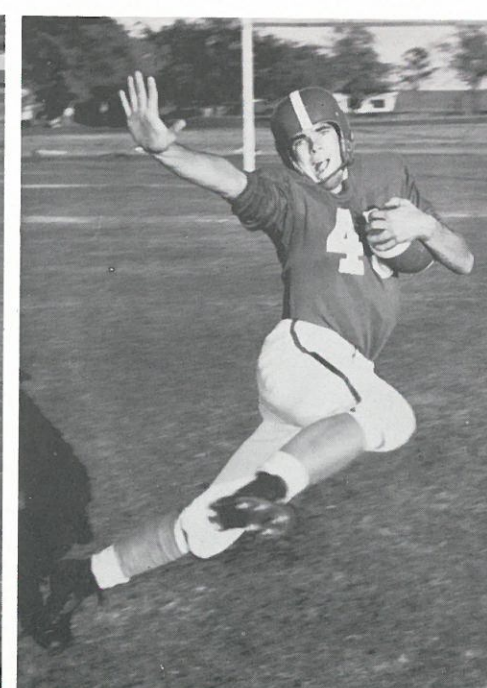
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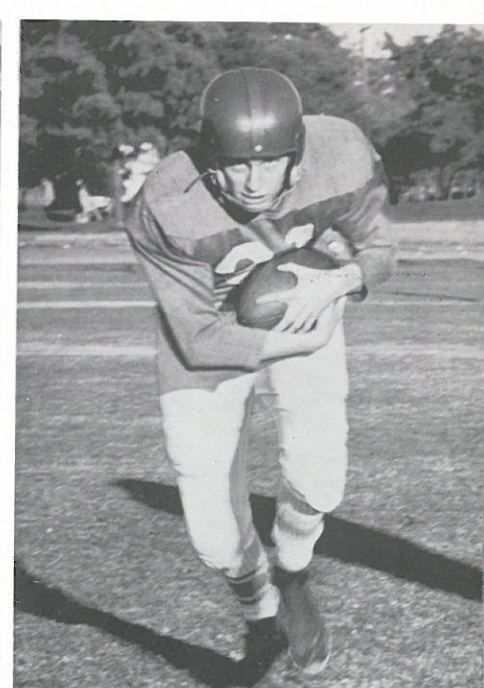
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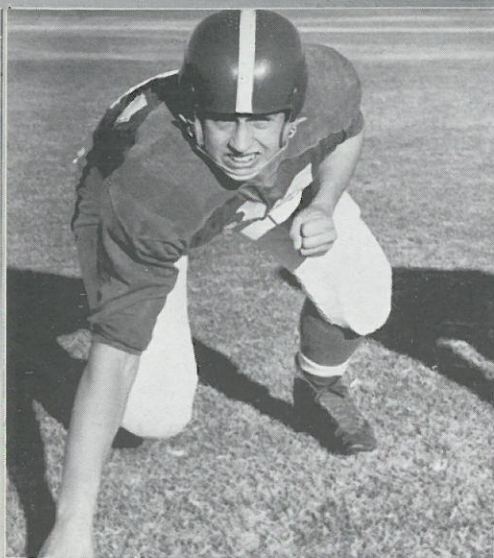


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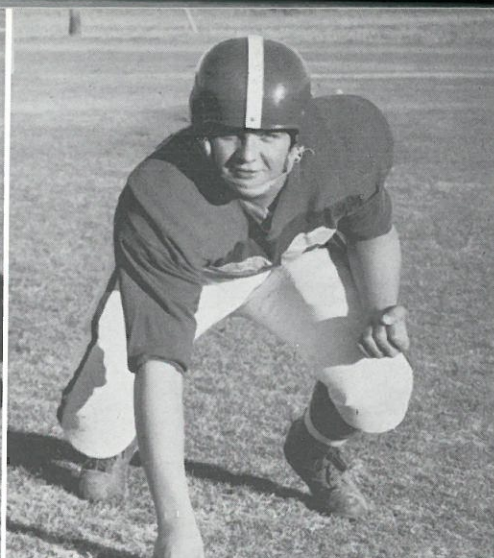


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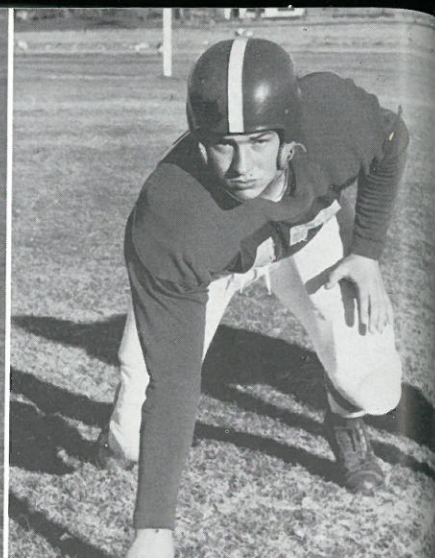




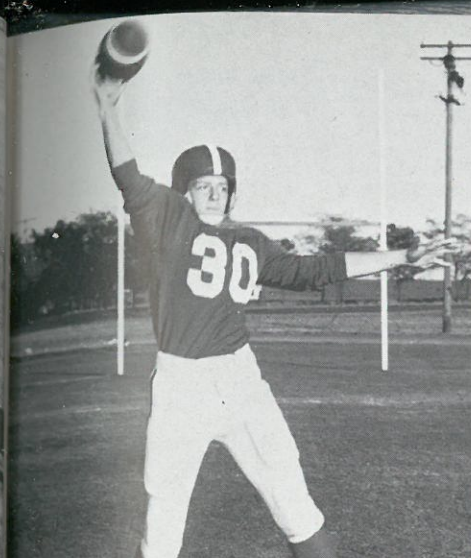
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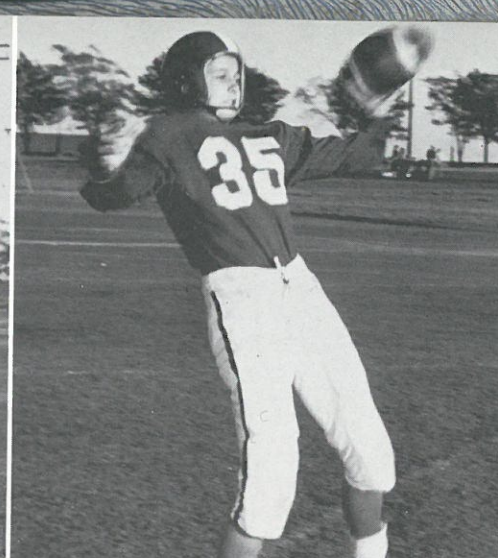
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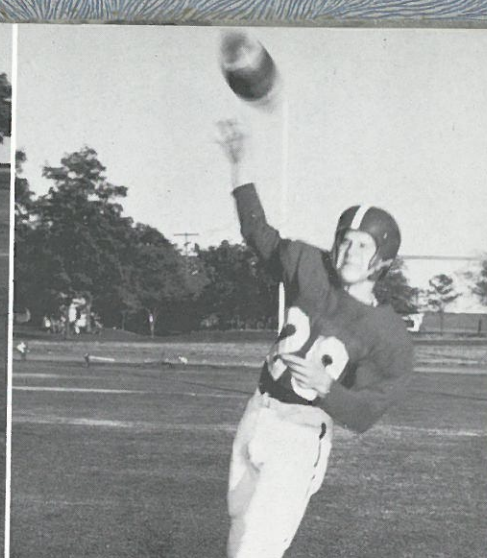
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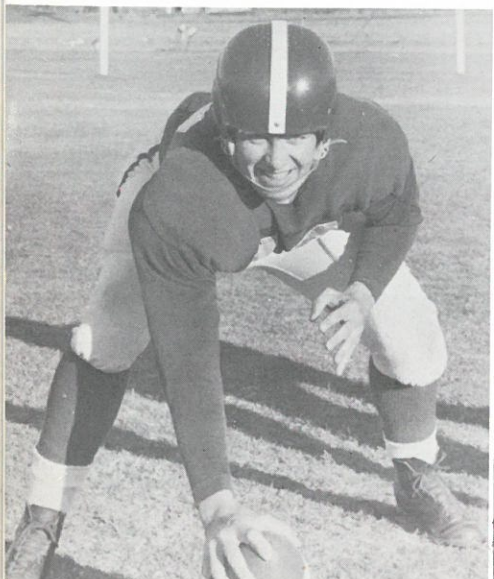
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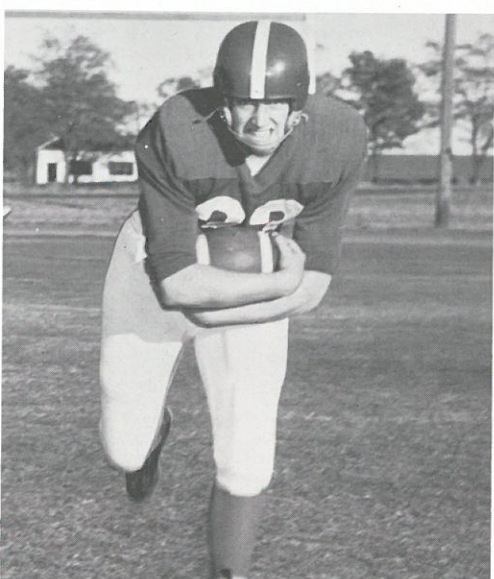
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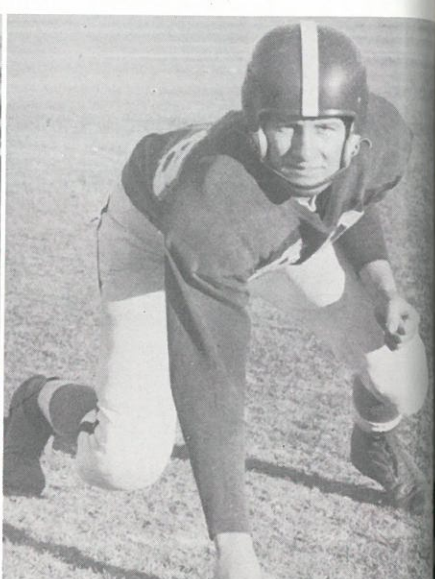
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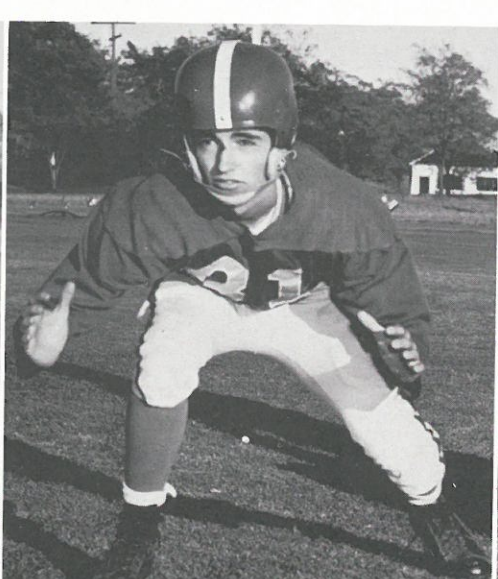
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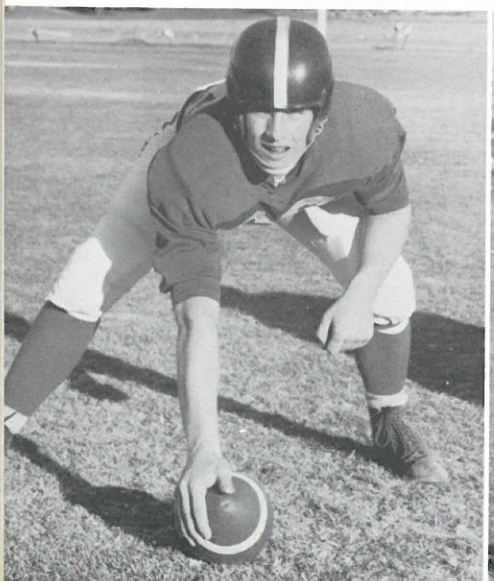
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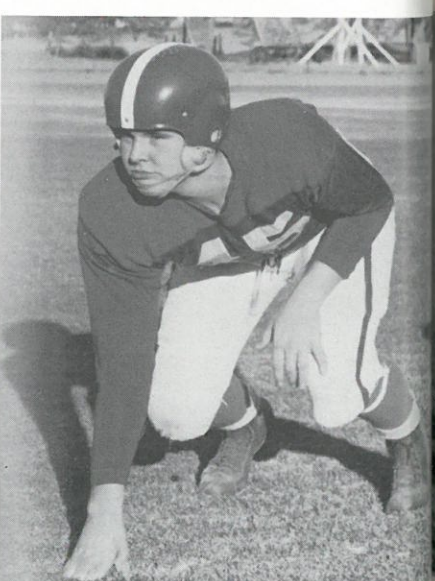
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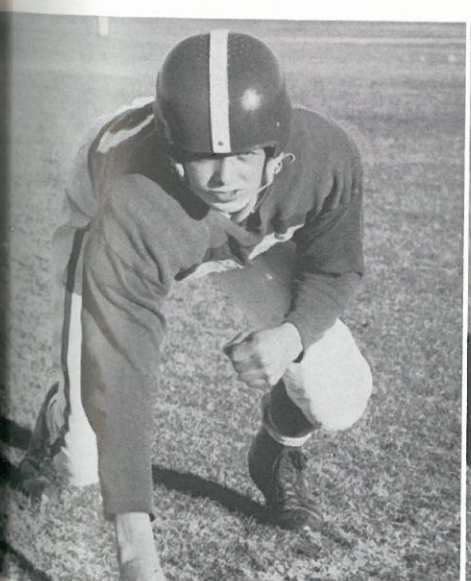
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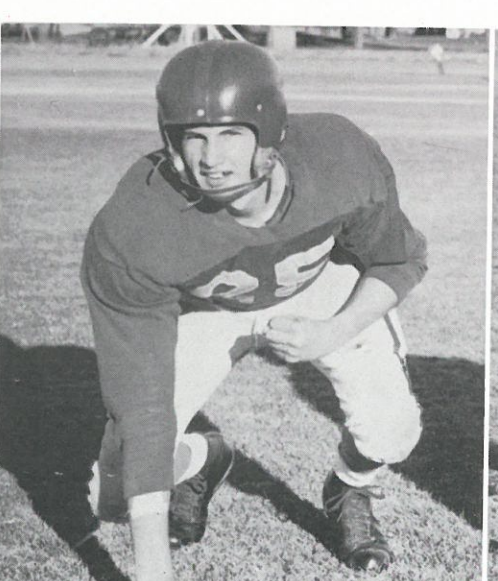
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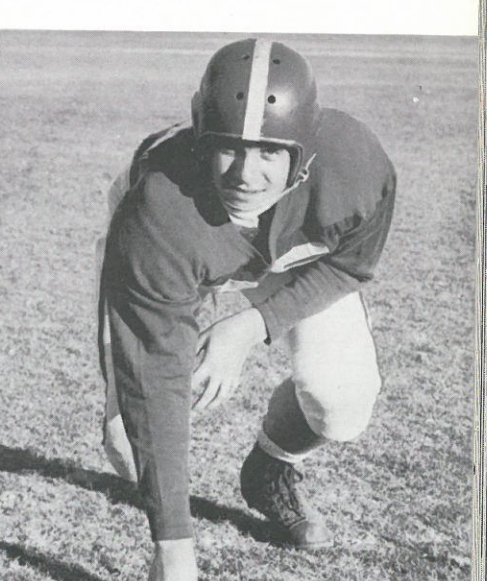
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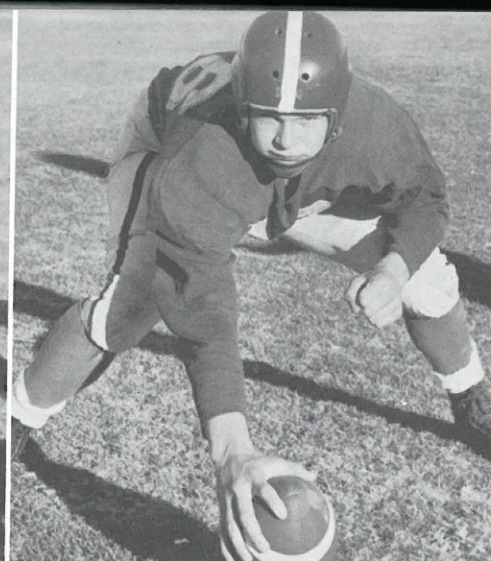


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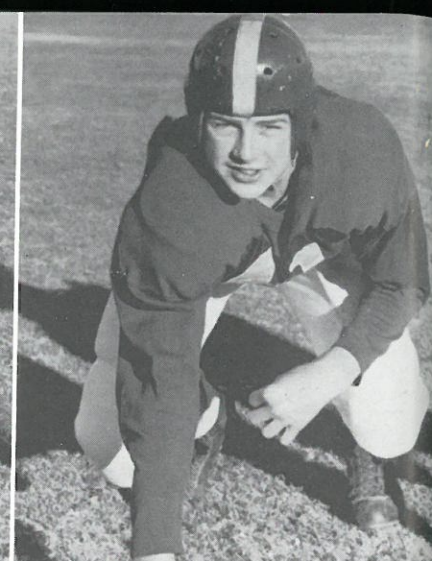




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LAMAR THIEL C



41 SAM BRAUN LT



40 CAROL HAYDEN LG



39 RONNY KISON RG



43 DENNIS HILLE LG



46 ROSS PFANN LE

### FOOTBALL SCORES

September 17—RITZVILLE.....	7	DAVENPORT .....	7
September 24—RITZVILLE.....	13	CASHMERE .....	19
October 1—RITZVILLE.....	41	GRAND COULEE .....	14
October 8—RITZVILLE.....	39	OTHELLO .....	25
October 15—RITZVILLE.....	19	POMEROY .....	17
October 22—RITZVILLE.....	14	QUINCY .....	0
October 29—RITZVILLE.....	26	DAYTON .....	6
November 11—RITZVILLE.....	14	ST. PATRICKS .....	25

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## "B" Squad

### GAMES

Ritzville  
Cheney

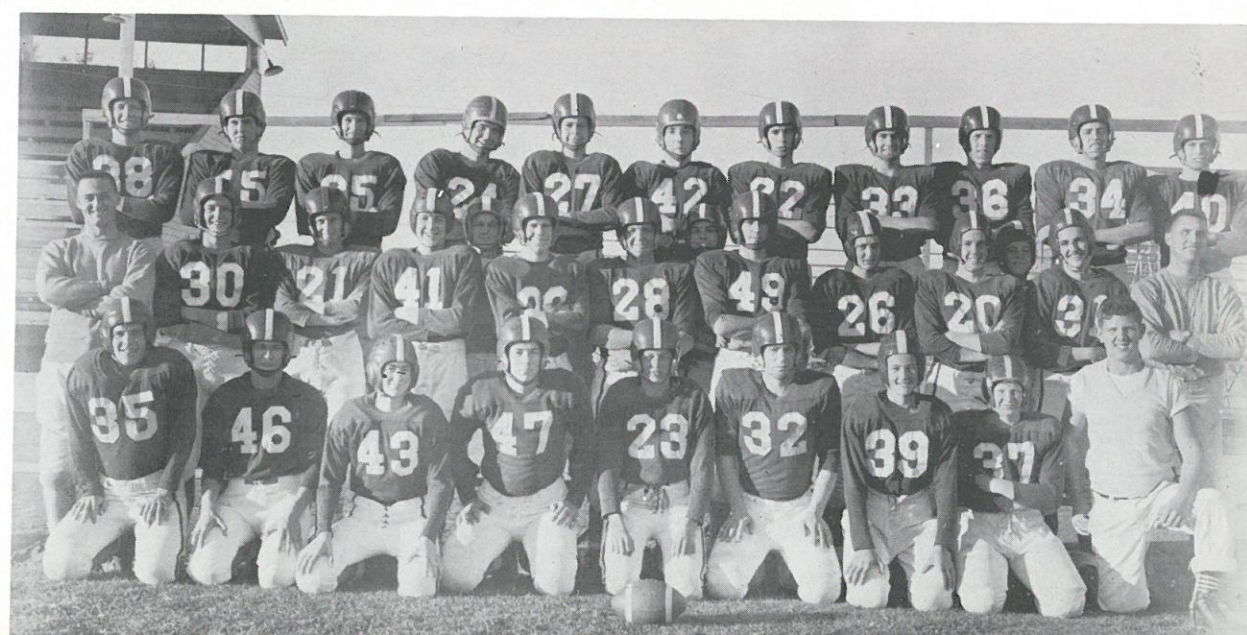
Ritzville  
Cheney



Presentation of  
J. C. TROPHY to  
Danny Schwisow

1954

Football  
Team





*Football*



1954  
FOOTBALL TEAM  
and  
CHEERLEADERS



LAMAR THIEL  
Winner of the '54 Football

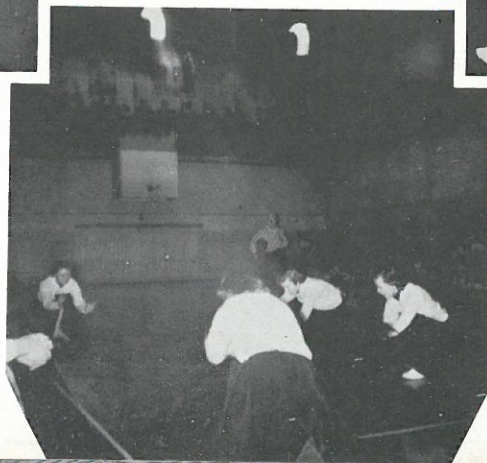
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FOOTBALL RAFFLE  
Conducted by BUNNY ADAMS



*Cheerleaders*

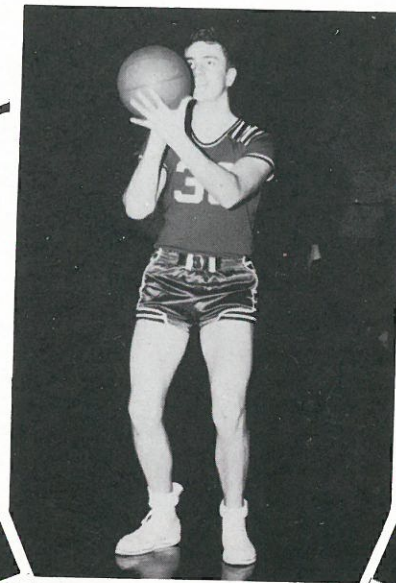
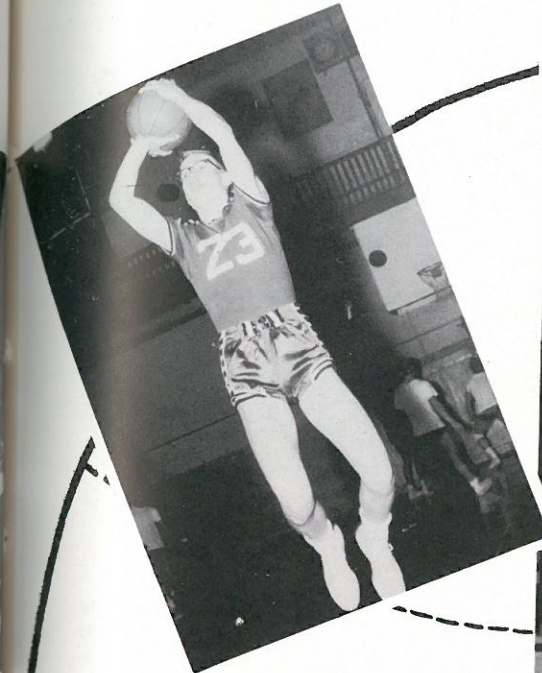


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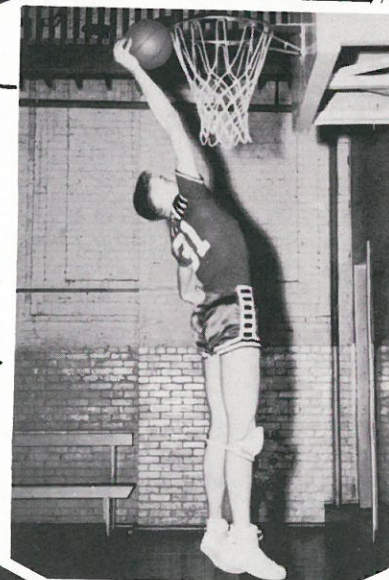


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'54 Basketball Big "7" '55



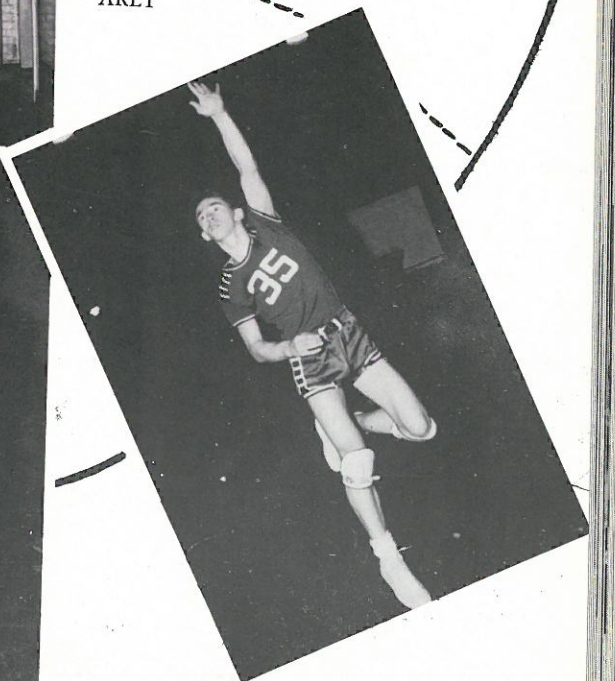
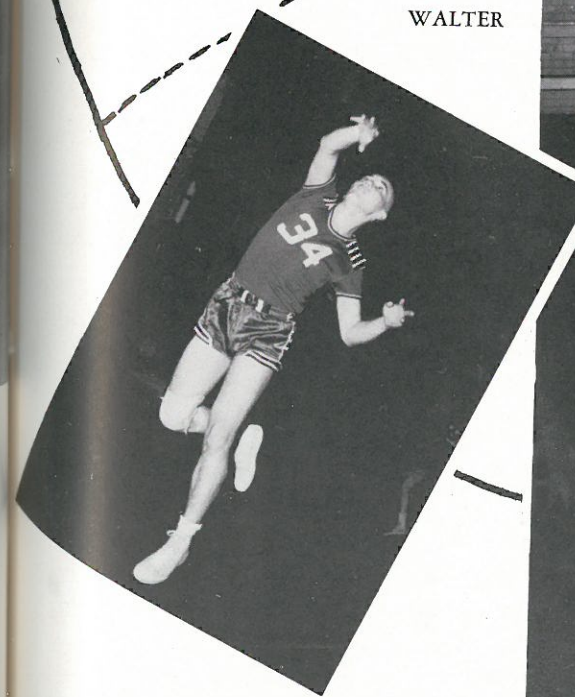
Top  
GORDON GERING  
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ARNOLD MOELLER



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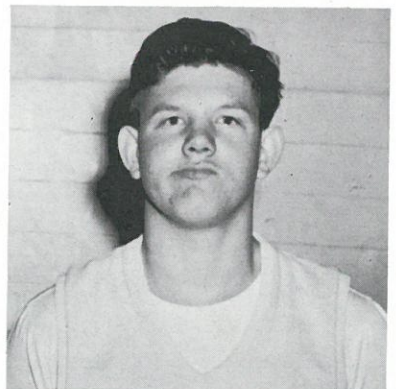
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## Scores

RITZVILLE	OPPONENT	OPPONENT
Scores		Scores
41	Davenport .....	46
60	Harrington .....	35
33	Connell .....	38
30	Lind .....	28
39	Odessa .....	47
46	Washtucna .....	36
39	Whitefish .....	38
58	Sprague .....	35
48	Connell .....	38
40	Harrington .....	42
55	Othello .....	31
36	Lind .....	30
43	Othello .....	34
42	Townies .....	36
39	Odessa .....	35
43	Sprague .....	44
41	Davenport .....	37
733	TOTAL .....	630



Coach  
CLYDE BUEHLER



Manager  
DENNIS McNUTT

# "A" "B" Squad Squad Basketball Basketball



Front row, left to right: S. Braun, D. Wellsandt, D. Schuler, D. Rieger. Back row: Coach Jack Eken, T. Kiehn, G. Galbreath, D. Bafus, D. Allert, Manager Ronnie Knight.

## Scores

RITZVILLE	OPPONENT	OPPONENT
Scores		Scores
46	Davenport .....	33
32	Harrington .....	19
46	Connell .....	30
28	Lind .....	22
34	Odessa .....	20
34	Washtucna .....	15
28	F.F.A. ....	26
30	Sprague .....	22
36	Connell .....	32
29	Harrington .....	20
29	Othello .....	28
46	Lind .....	28
38	Othello .....	27
28	Odessa .....	25
49	Sprague .....	16
34	Davenport .....	19
567	TOTAL .....	387



Coach  
JACK EKEN

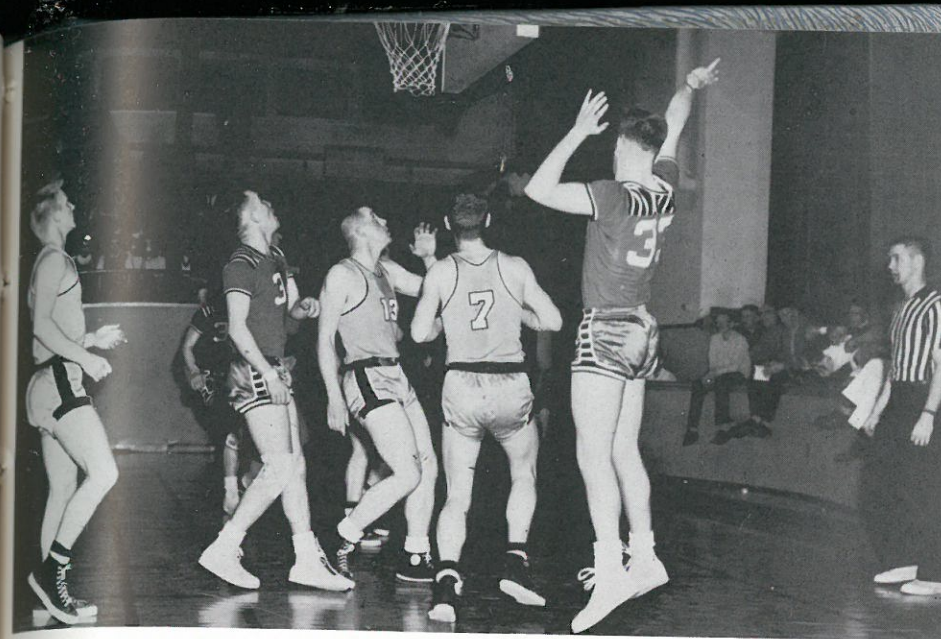


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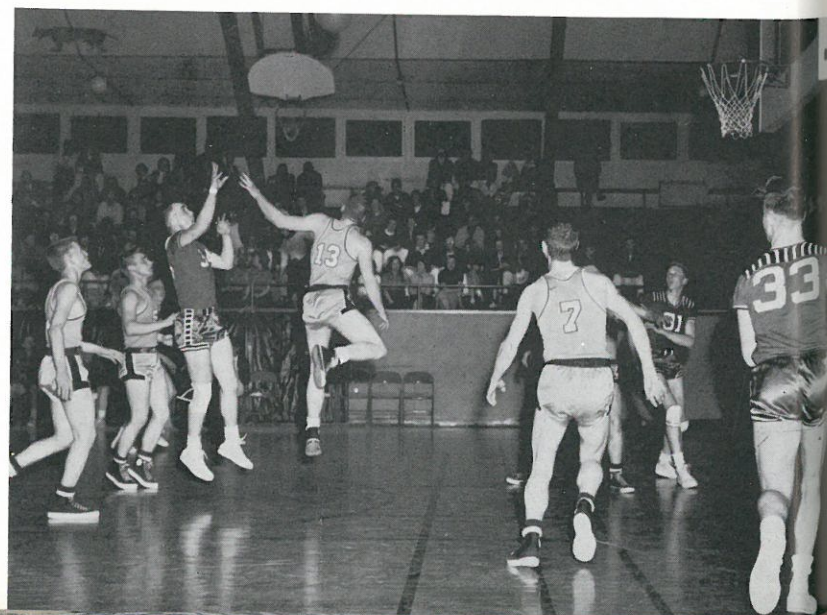
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## Tournament Games

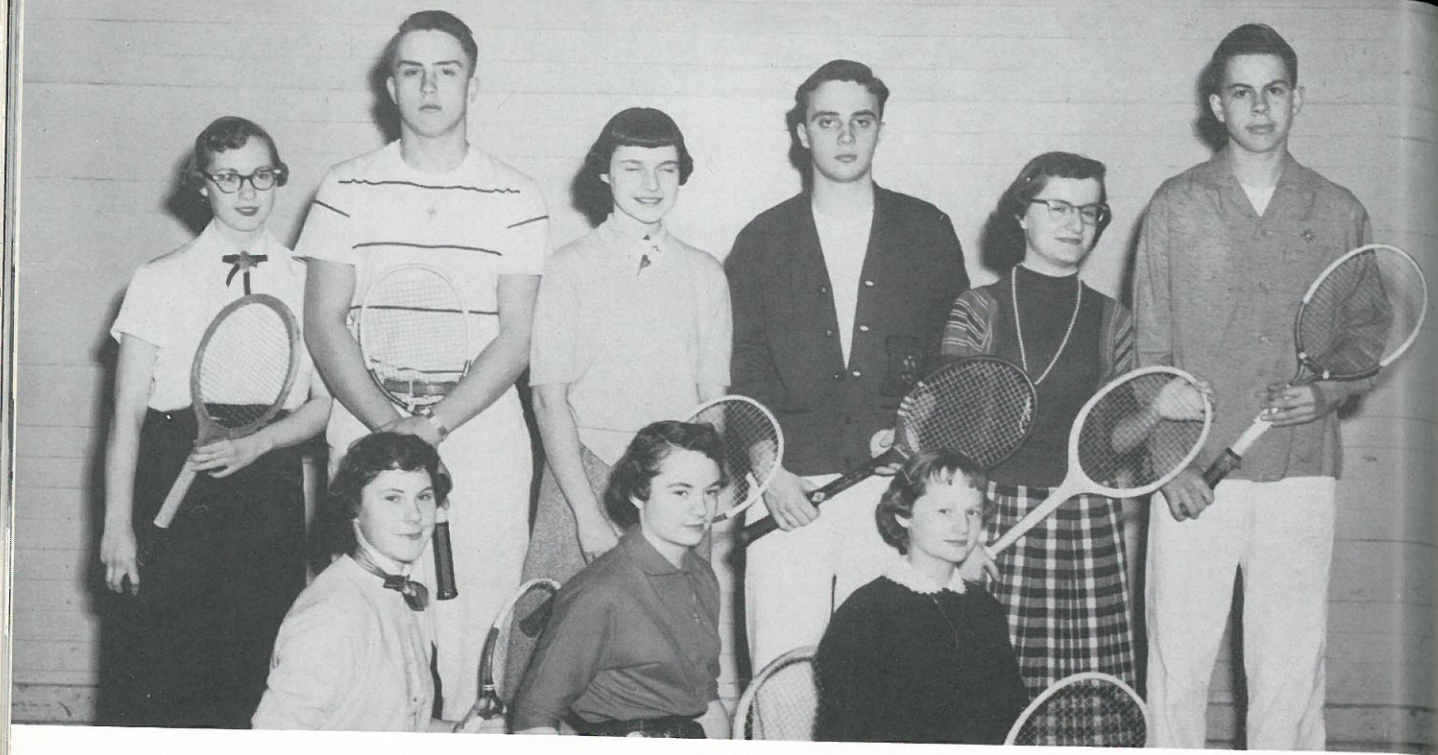
Ritzville.....58	Edwall .....37
Ritzville.....34	Davenport .....56
Ritzville.....45	Reardon .....39
Ritzville.....42	Harrington .....36
Ritzville.....53	Odessa .....59

## '54 Track Letter Winners

— DANNY SCHWISOW  
and  
WALTER ARLT

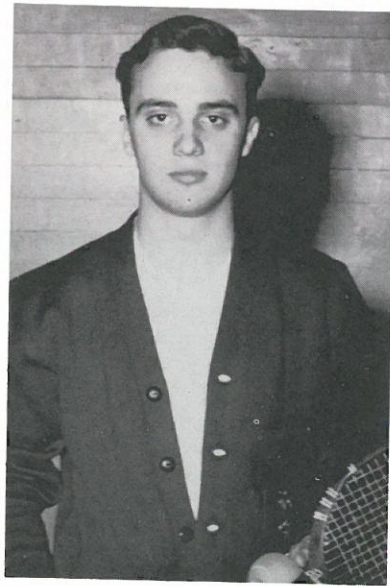




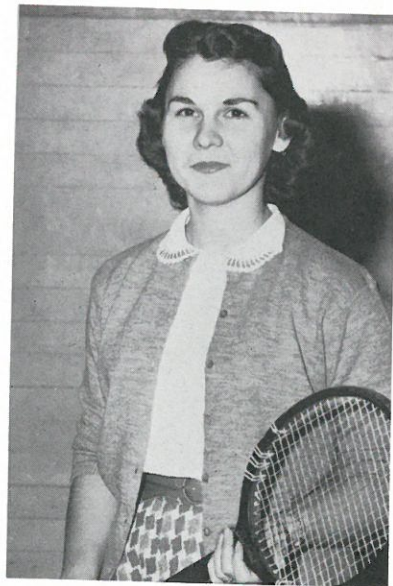


Seated: Marilyn Rogel, Gaynel Wellsandt, Connie Bauer. Standing: Karen Arlt, Douglas Thiel, Carolyn Phillips, Gary Danekas, Pat Bentz, Tim Kiehn.

## Tennis



GARY DANEKAS  
*Boys' Singles*

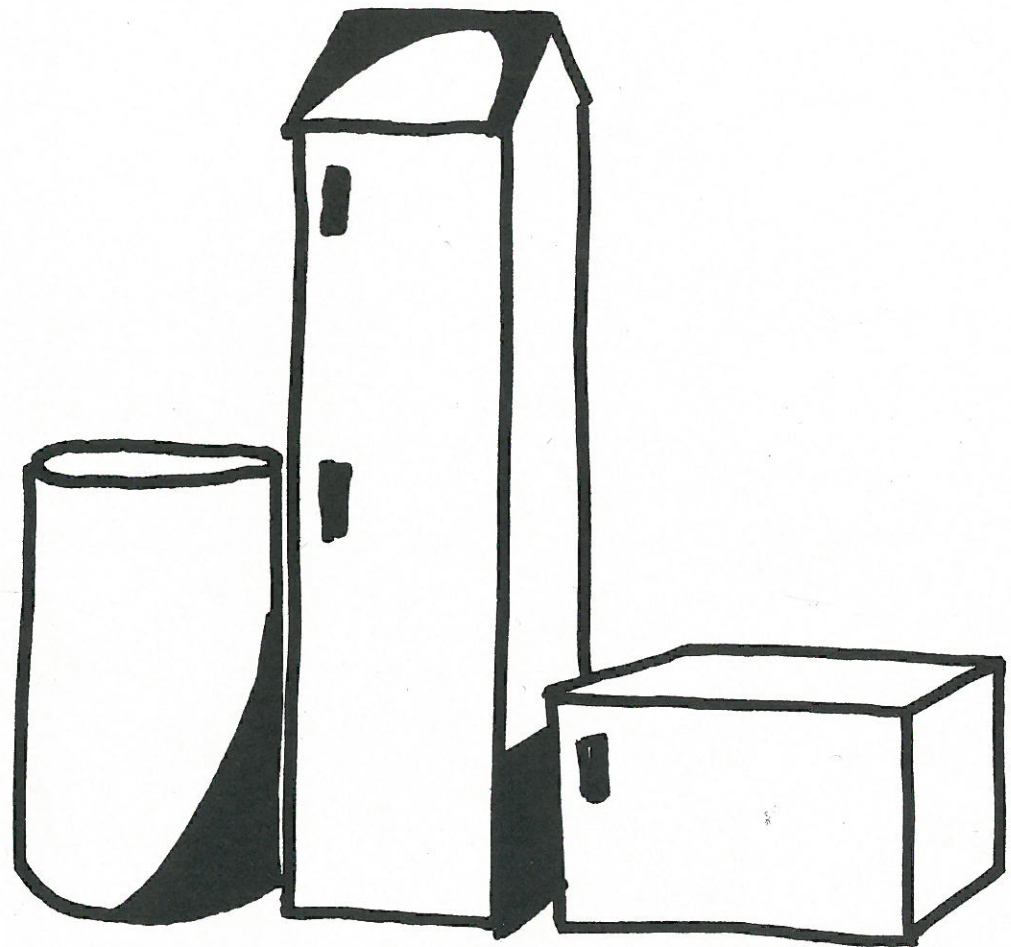


MRS. GEORGIA ELLIOTT  
*Coach*



CAROLYN PHILLIPS  
*Girls' Singles*

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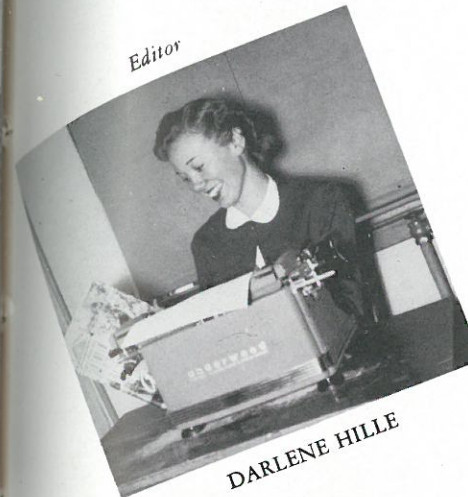
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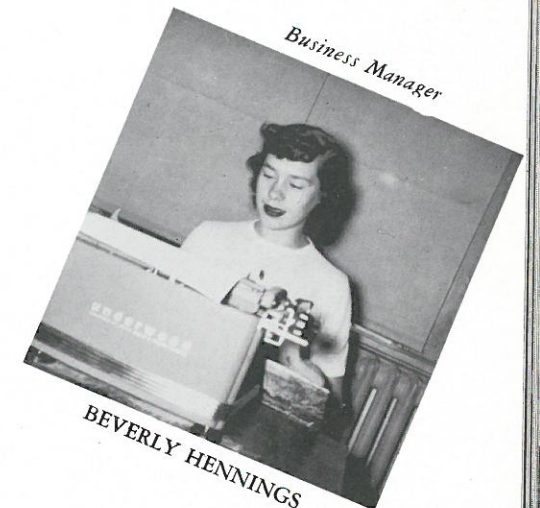
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### Jean Oestreich Writes Report on National 4-H Congress

the brass quartet. Ruth Webb  
sang "Beautiful Dreamer" and  
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Will  
Mr. the piano

### School Board Honored by FHA Girls January 26

# Harvester

quartet for the first time. The  
choir will hold its concert on  
ember 20.

The Ritzville band is  
entertaining large crowd.

**Class Sweaters**  
Here for Frosh

**Passion Pink' Is**  
**New Color Craze**

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**Broncos Emerge**  
**With 5 Wins**

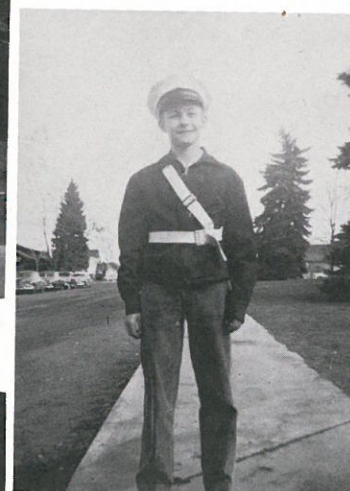
adult night class  
started November  
teen students enrolled.  
Helen K. Williams instructs  
roup. Classes are being held  
lay evenings from 7 to 9  
and will continue for 10 weeks



Front row, left to right: Bobby Derr, Wayne Koch, Leonard Reser, Gerald Braun, Curtis Gering, Harvey Koeplin, Kerwin Ziemer, Ronnie Knight, Miles Horch, Tippy Schroll. Second row: Mr. Lloyd Oberst, Advisor; Dennis Schafer, Jimmie Knodel, Sammy Thirtyacres, Floyd Gering, Winston Reimers, Chris Greenwalt, Richard Wilhelm, Gary Templin, Virgil Gering, Harley Tschritter. Third row: Steven Thiel, Graham Cross, Steven Rogel, James Doan, Duane Koch, Gene Schell, Arnold Trout, Dallas Hagg, Lee Roloff, Dick Leisle, John Kamel, Miles Athey, Mike Howell, Gary Jantz.



GERALD BRAUN



KERWIN KIEMER



LEONARD RESER

## Patrol



HARVEY KOEPLIN



RONNY KNIGHT



CURTIS GERING

## Boys





## F.H.A.



F.H.A. FAIR FLOAT

This past year the F.H.A. has done numerous things. In September we exhibited at the Adams County Fair and also had a booth which we received a red ribbon on. The Adams County Fair Queen was Jean Oestreich and the Ritzville Princess was Beverly Hennings.

In October the Eastern Regional Meeting was held here at Ritzville at which time many schools visited Ritzville High School.

In November we sold pom-poms at the Homecoming Game. December brought around the annual Christmas Caroling Party and this year we invited the F.F.A.

We entertained the School Board at a banquet in January and then in March we had our annual Sweetheart Ball sponsored by the Ritzville Lions Club.

The Dad-Daughter Banquet was held in April and we entertained our Mothers at a Tea in May.

Beverly Hennings, *President*

### OFFICERS



Jean Kinzel, Bev Hennings, Miss Burns, Jean Oestreich, and Maren Holden. Joanne Reiger, Stanna Lee Adams, Juanita Grams, Connie Bauer, and Janice Schroeder.



### SWEETHEART CANDIDATES

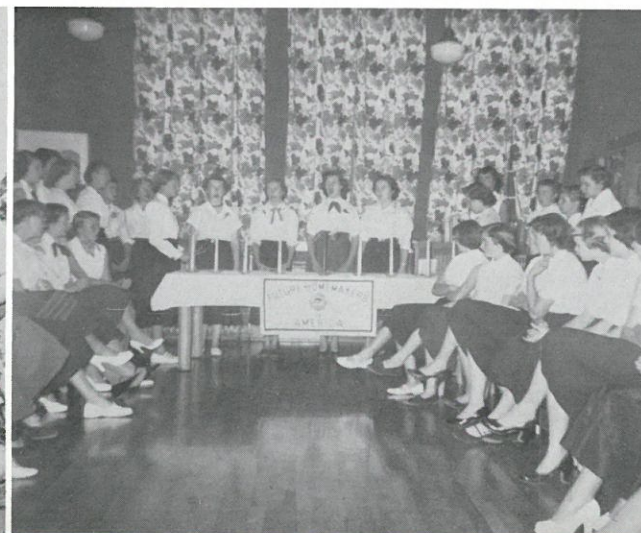
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## F.H.A. Activities

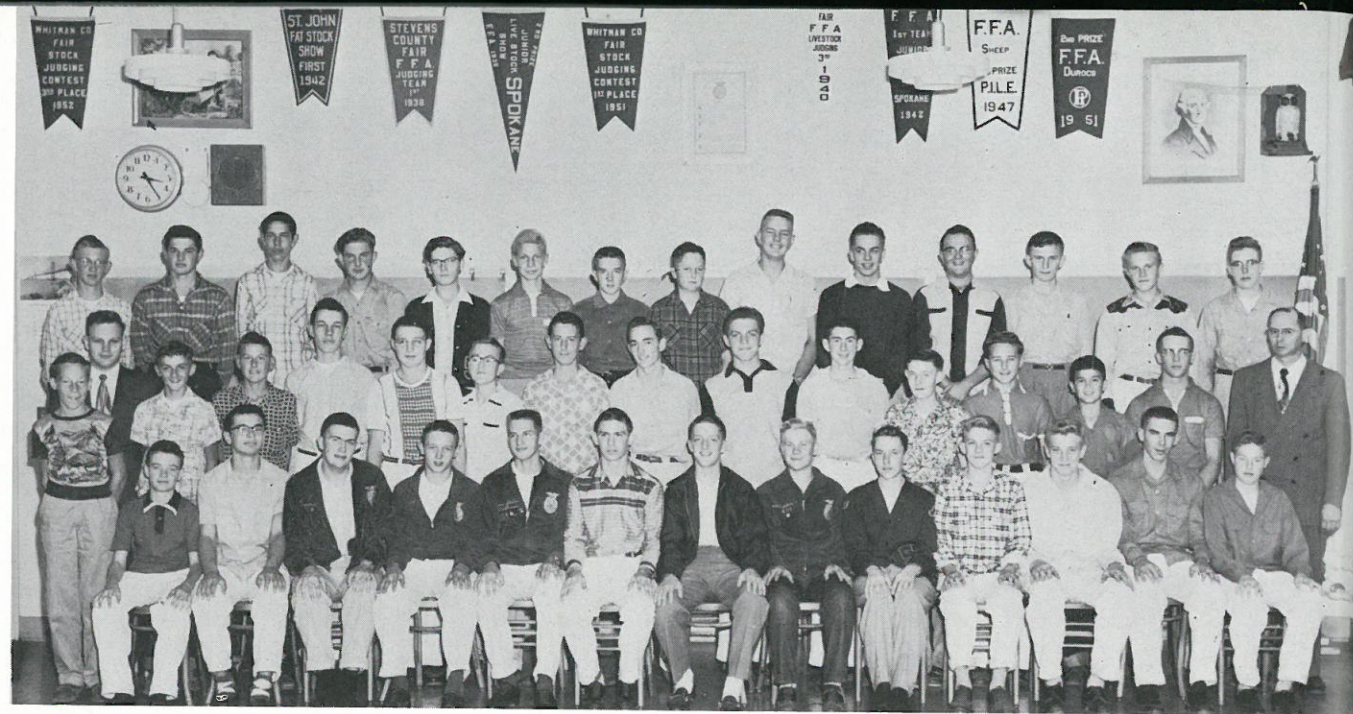
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F.H.A. INITIATION  
Ronna Lesser Judy Harder







OFFICERS

## F.F.A.

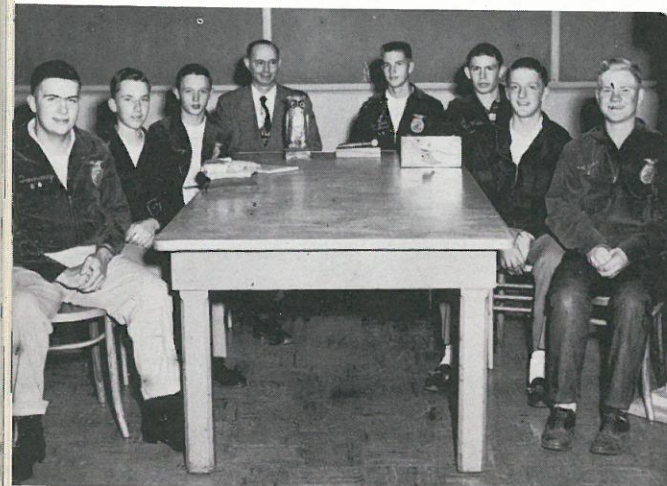
This past year the Ritzville chapter of the Future Farmers of America has done numerous things in which most of its members have taken an active part.

When we commenced last fall we immediately started to work on plans for the Adams County Fair. The F.F.A. took first on its float which consisted of a farm plot on the bed of a large truck. We also captured first on our booth.

The F.F.A. Judging Team judged at Spokane, St. John, Ritzville and Colfax. The Parliamentary Procedure Team placed second at the Sub-state contest.

Again we held our Annual Banquet at the Grade School Cafeteria and a wonderful turkey dinner was served.

Don Shelman, *President*



Left to right: Tom Richmond, Delroy Schwisow, Sid Gering, Mr. Webb, Don Shelman, Billy Harder, Arnold Moeller, and David Weber.

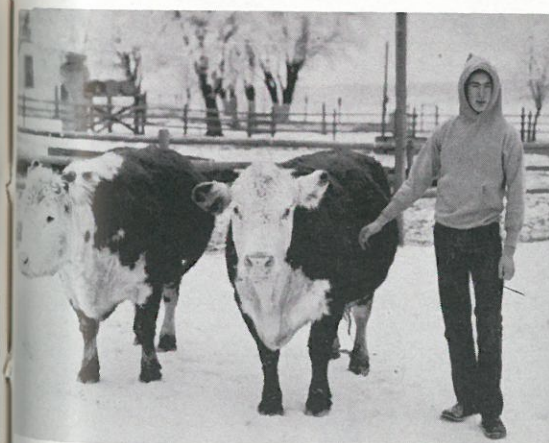
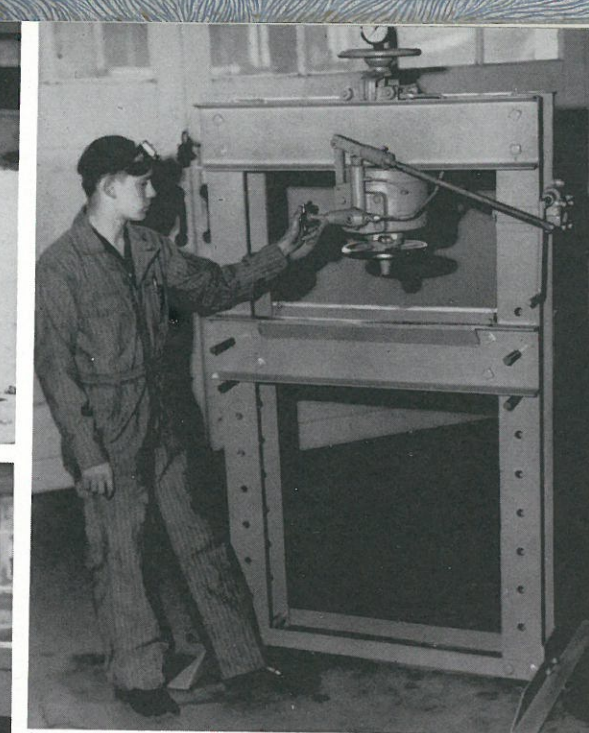
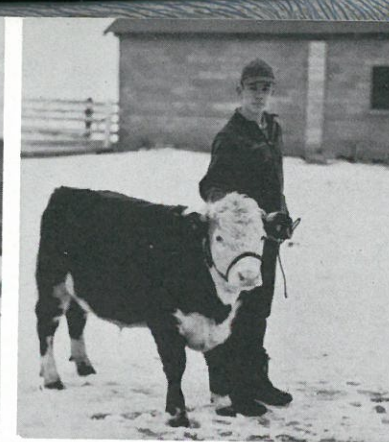
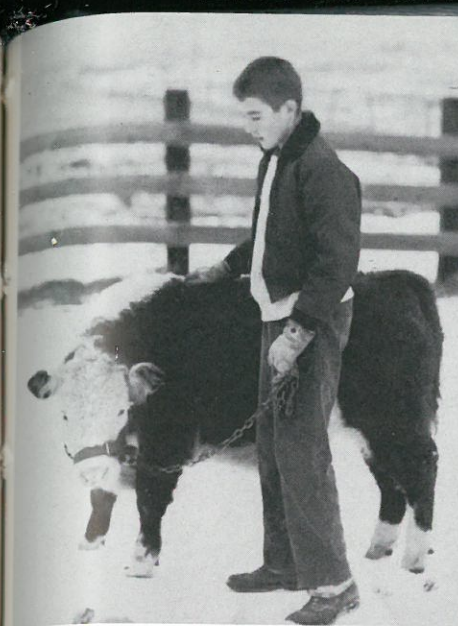
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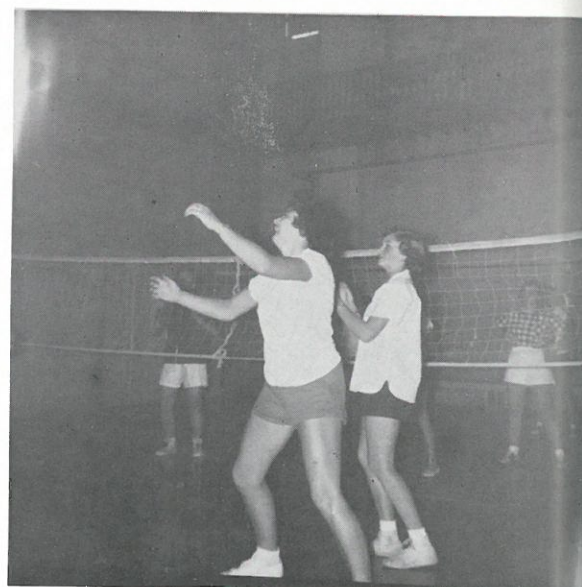
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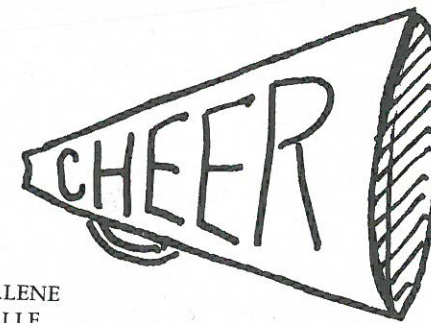
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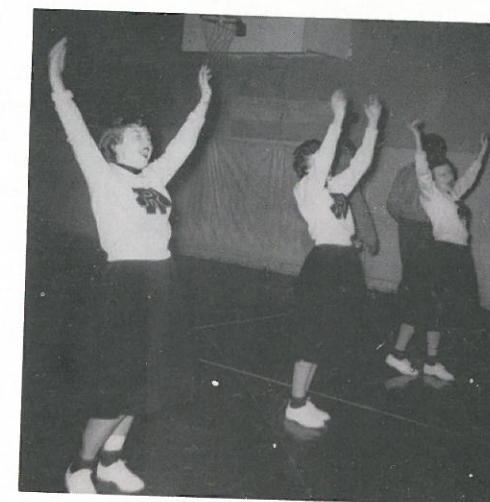
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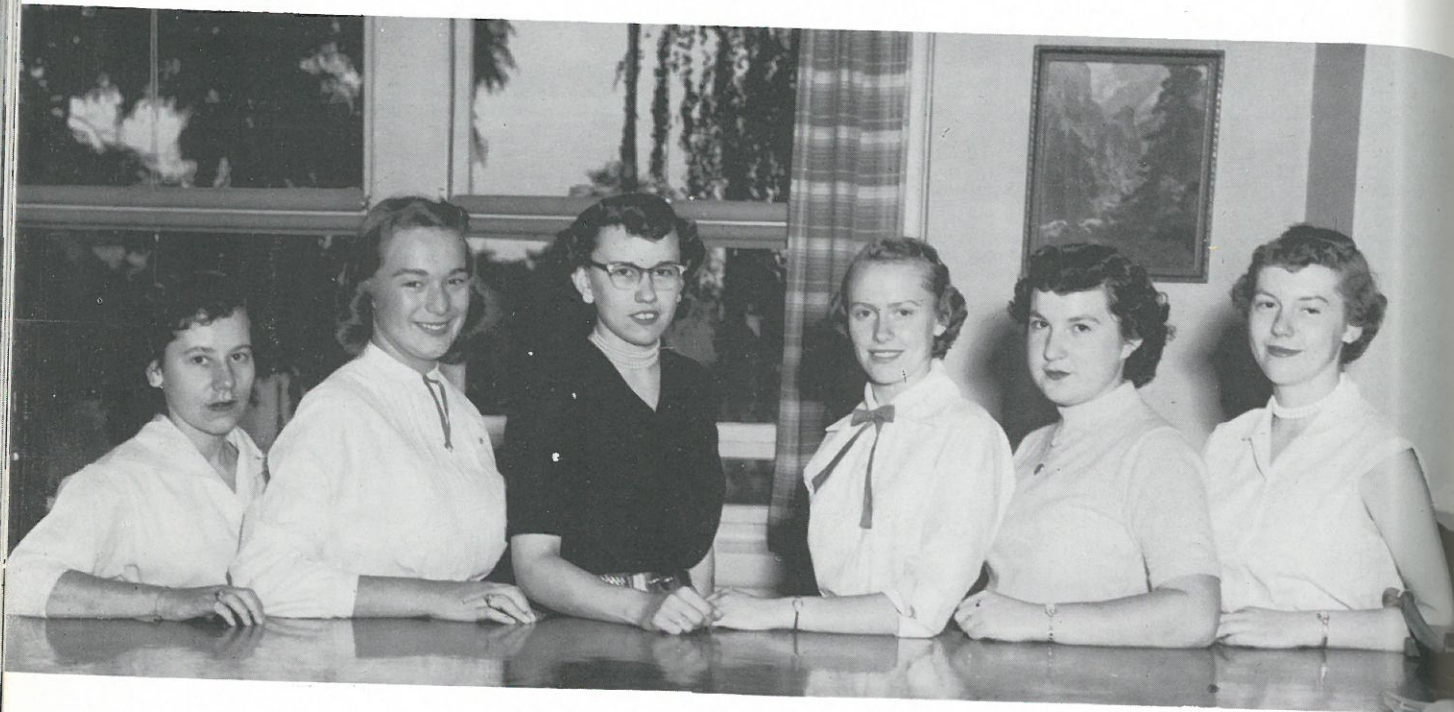
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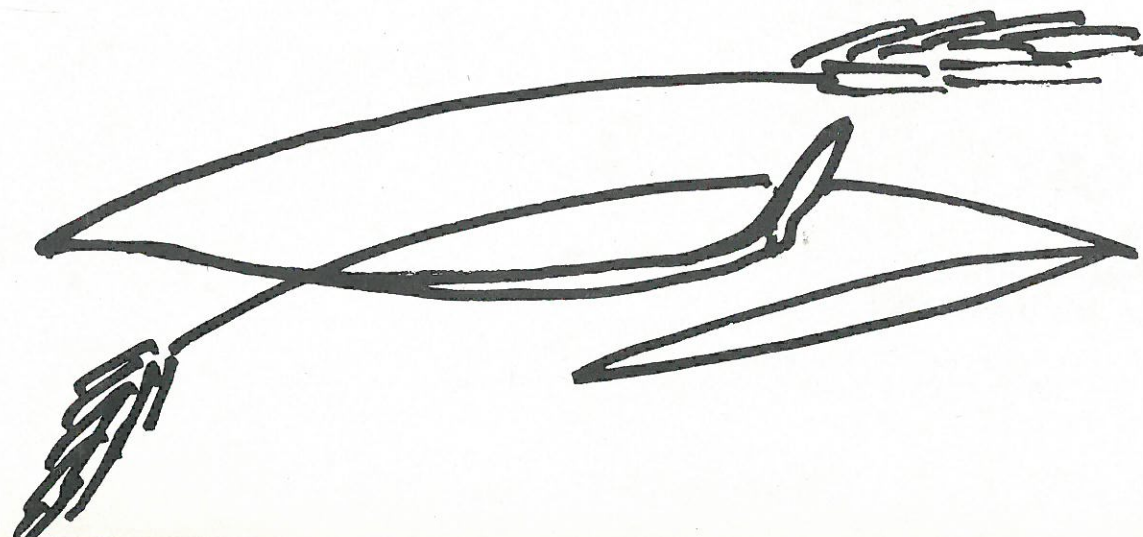


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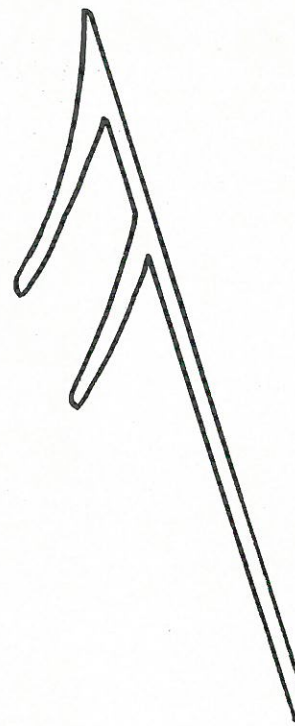


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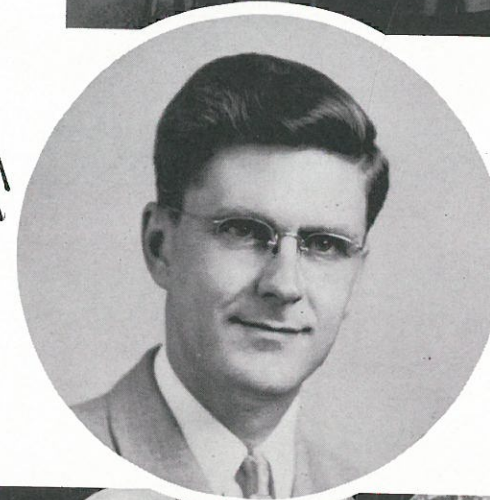
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### *Dance Band*



MR. CARROLL ELKJER



### *Senior High Choir*



### *Senior High Band*





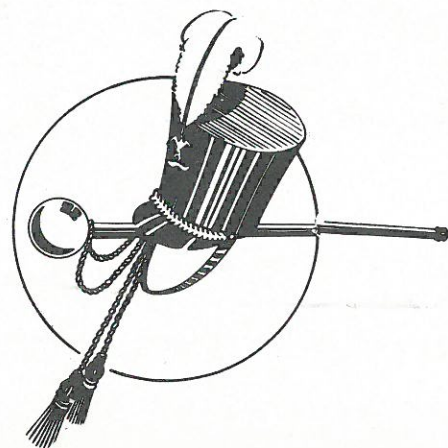
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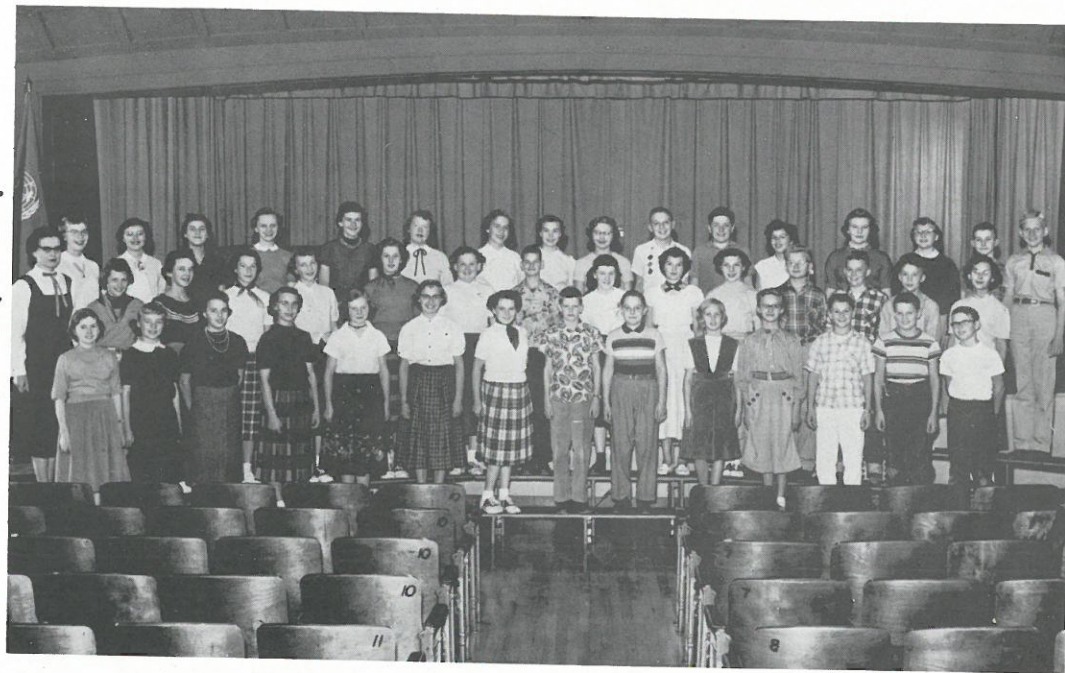
## Junior High Band



First row, left to right: Judy Roberts, Janet McNutt, Laura Iis, Sherryl Sielaff, Linda Wellsandt, Karen Schwisow, Charlene Miller, Carole Carter, Gail Telecky, Elanor Telecky, Judy Thaut, and Nadine Nelson. Second row: Kerwin Ziemer, Arnold Trout, Leland Heimbigner, Mike Howell, Bobby Derr, Gary Jantz, Graham Cross, Mildred Tanner, Kathy Schroeder, Kathy Hirning, Jeanette McRae, Klaus Wiebe, Dick Leisle, and Lee Roloff. Third row:

Floyd Gering, Harvey Koeplin, Gerald Braun, Nancy Artz, Cathy Baumann, Leonard Reser, Curtis Gering, Miles Athey, Vergil Gering, Jane Phillips, and Joanne Wagner. Fourth row: Joyce Sauer, Julie Elliott, Sharon Roloff, Steve Rogel, Bruce Telecky, Max Webb, Pat Rummer, Shirley Miller, Charlotte Haight, Rosanne Hull, John Kamel and Mr. Carroll Elkjer.

## Junior High Choir



First row, left to right: Georgine Thoe, Barbara Schroeder, Sharon Roloff, Karen Schwisow, Nadine Nelson, Jane Phillips, Colleen Lindsay, Graham Cross, Bobby Derr, Diana Erickson, Deanna Becker, Tippy Shroll, Klaus Wiebe, Gary Jantz. Second row: Mrs. Carroll Elkjer, Diane Cross, Julia Elliott, Janice Jaeger, Charlene Miller, Pat Rummer, Judith Deking, Roy Beirman, Mary Philp, Janet

McNutt, Gail Telecky, John Majors, Kathy Hirning. Third row: Cathy Schroeder, Rosann Hull, Judy Thaut, Nancy Artz, Linda Wellsandt, Joanne Wagner, Mildred Tanner, Carole Carter, Sharyl Sielaff, Miles Horck, Marvin Coleman, Rhea Miller, Kathern Baumann, Kerwin Ziemer, Leland Heimbigner.





## Junior Class Play



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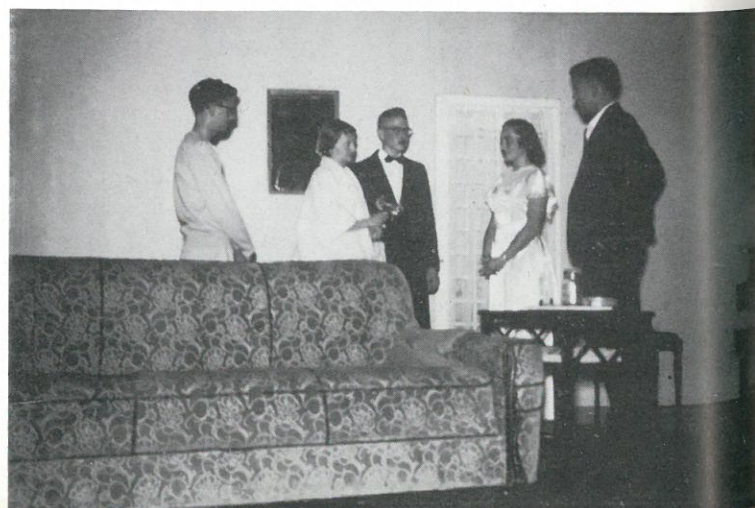
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Melvin Foster .....	DOUGLAS THIEL
Randolph Foster .....	DONALD HOFF
Hanna the maid .....	DORA STRATTON
Oogie Pringle .....	GORDAN GERING
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Barbara Winsocket .....	PATRICIA SMITH
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Mrs. Hotchkiss .....	CAROL PFANNEKUCHEN
Eloise Hotchkiss .....	DONNA THOE
Rex Merideth O'Conner .....	TORRE LESSER
Suzie O'Conner .....	GAIL DEVINE
Radio Announcer .....	ROSS PFANN

The play took place in the livingroom of the Foster home in a town in the Middle West during the spring.

This scene is early evening before the dance.

Merilee Oestreich sang "Count Your Blessings" between acts.



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Miss Finch.....	JEAN OESTREICH
Hugo Longacre.....	GARY DANEKAS
Mr. Wadsworth.....	RONALD HEIMBIGNER
Miss Audubon.....	JUANITA GRAMS
Mrs. Allen.....	JANICE SCHROEDER
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Elaine.....	JOANNE RIEGER
Jane.....	BEVERLY HENNINGS
Sylvia.....	KAY NELSON
Doris.....	JEAN KINZEL
Marge.....	MAREN HOLDEN
Faith.....	JEAN BLANFORD
Rhonda.....	STANNA LEE ADAMS
Ted.....	DON SHELMAN
Stanley.....	TOM GERMAN
Martin.....	LAWRENCE KRAMER



The play, a comedy in three acts, takes place in Miss Brooks' classroom in the spring.

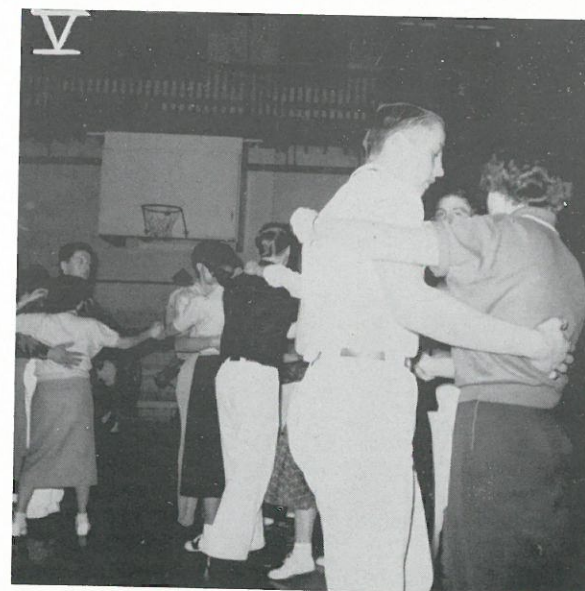
Rhonda, the daughter of Mrs. Allen who is the School Board President, wants the lead in the play "Lost Horizons" which Miss Brooks is to direct but she also wants Ted who is the boy friend of Jane.





*Sweetheart Queen*

*Joan Hart*



## *Dances*

1. Sock-Hop.
2. Dance Band.
3. Sock-Hop.
4. L. Thiel and B. Hennings.
5. D. Thiel and M. Rogel.





*King  
Dennis McNutt*

*Polio  
Dance*

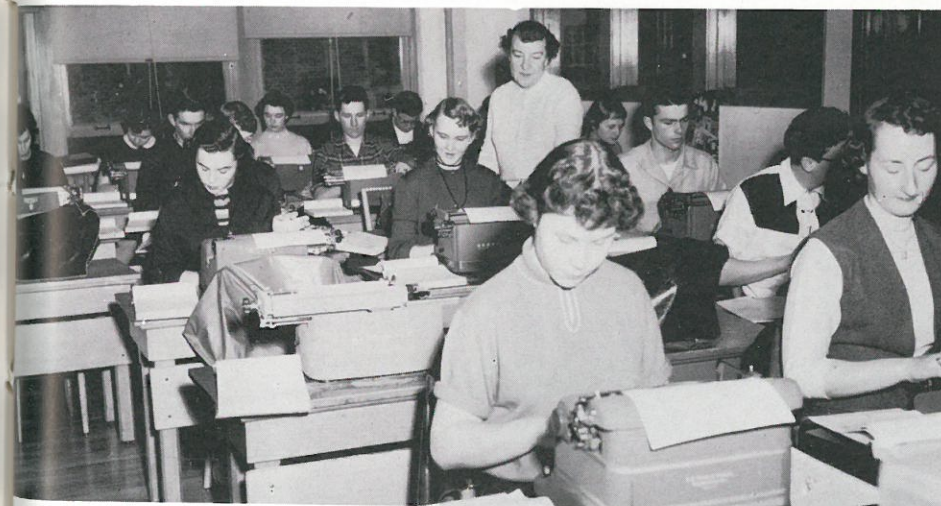
*Queen  
Joanne Rieger*



HOME ECONOMICS  
Miss Martha Burns



FARM SHOP  
Mr. James Webb



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Miss Helen Williams



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1. What a Pose
2. The Younger Set
3. Hold tight Arla
4. Don't Fence me in
5. Two young to Tango
6. Singing in the Rain
7. After a hard workout
8. Good to the last drop
9. Gone fishing
10. Smile Pretty, Jean
11. Bachelors Association
12. See any Improvement?
13. Young and Innocent
14. Must be Funny
15. New 1955 Hair Styles
16. Bottoms Up
17. No Cheating now
18. What's the Mystery?



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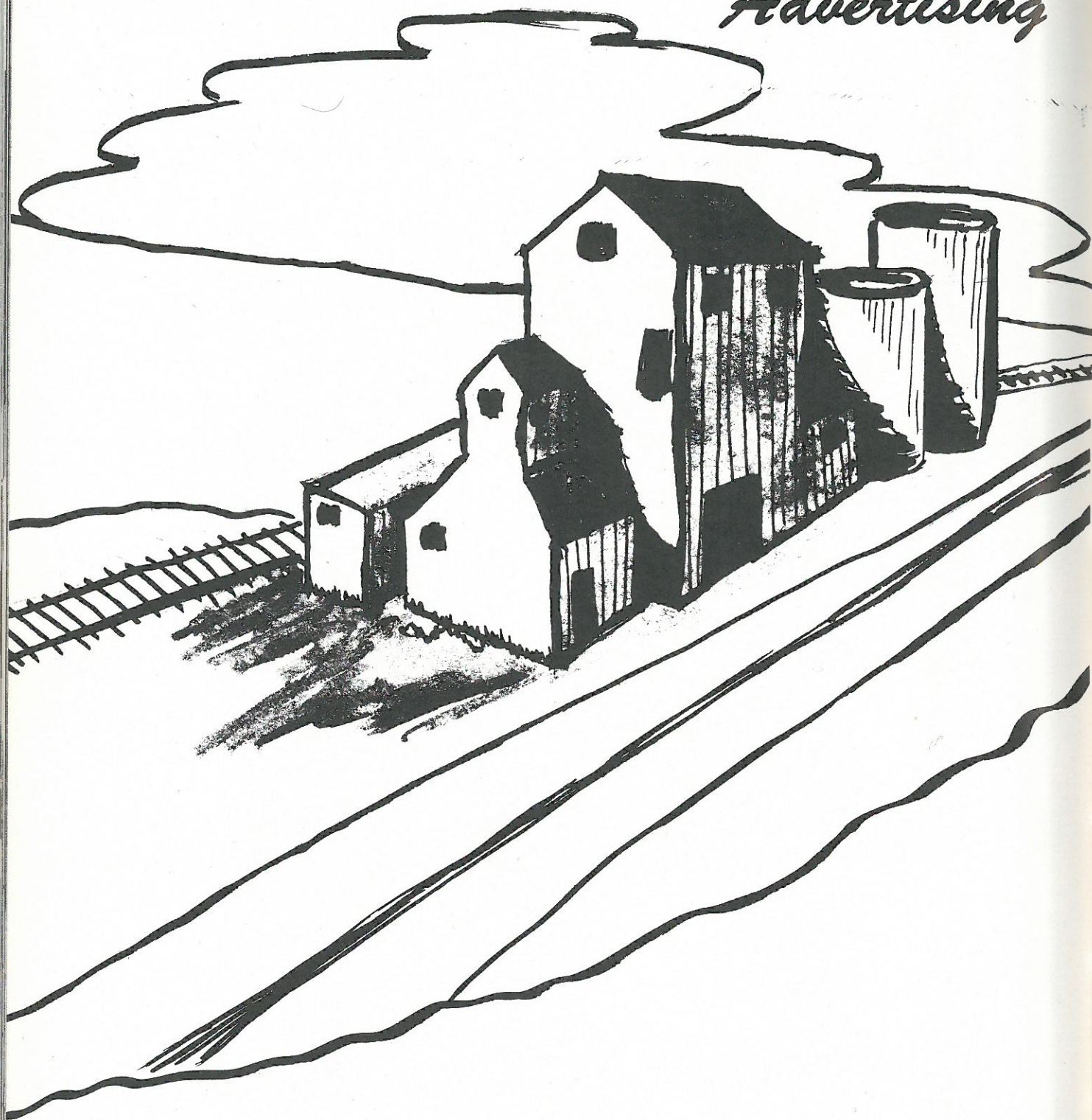
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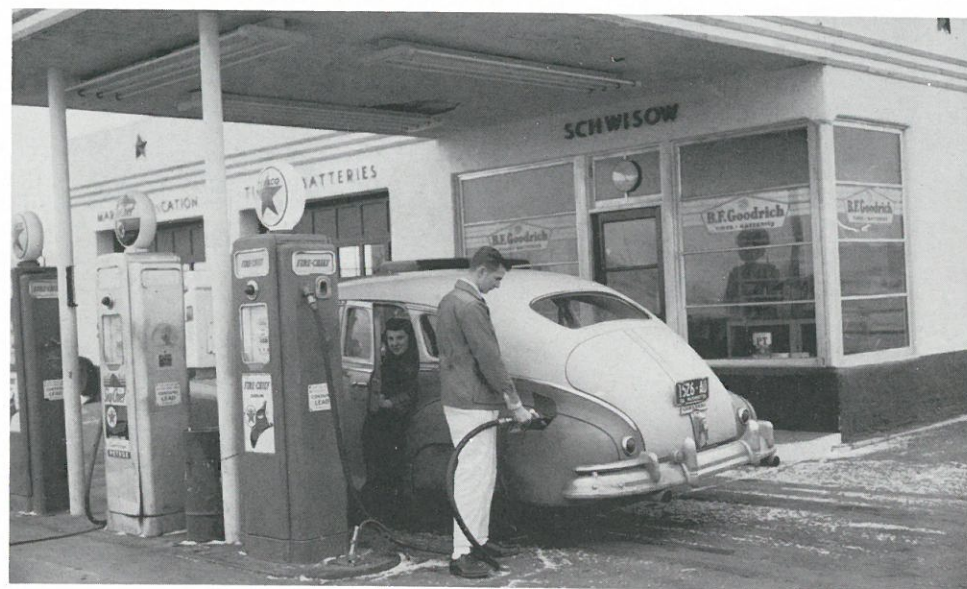
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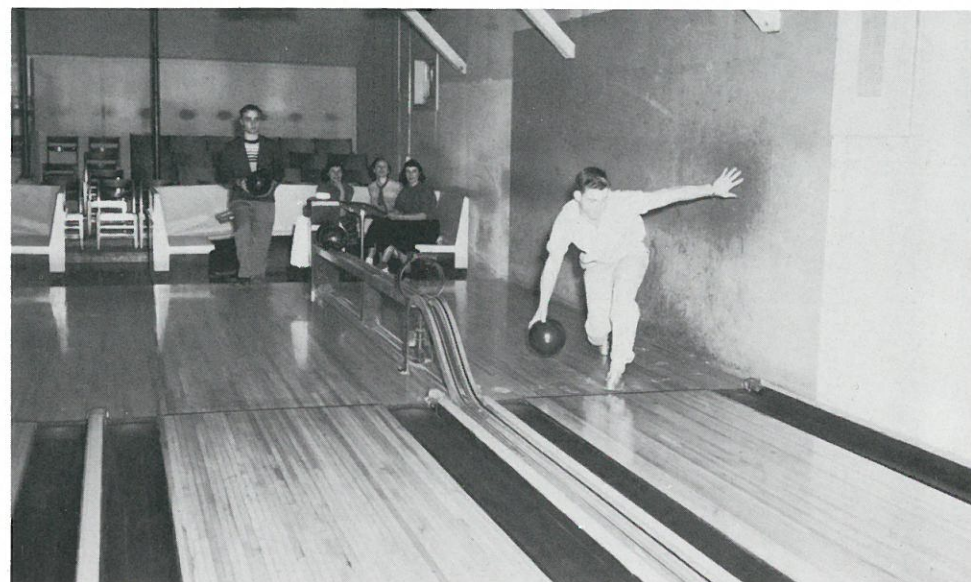


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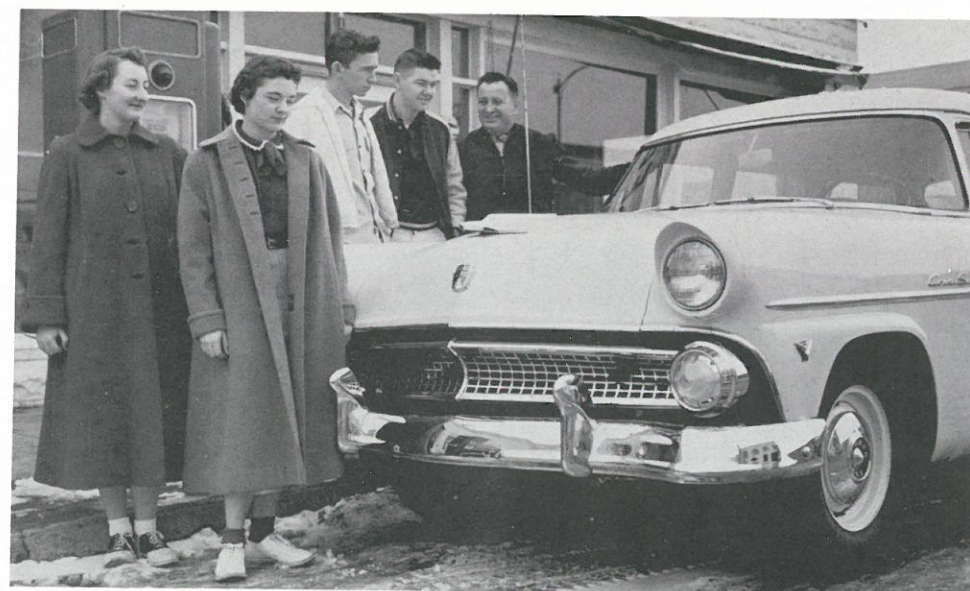




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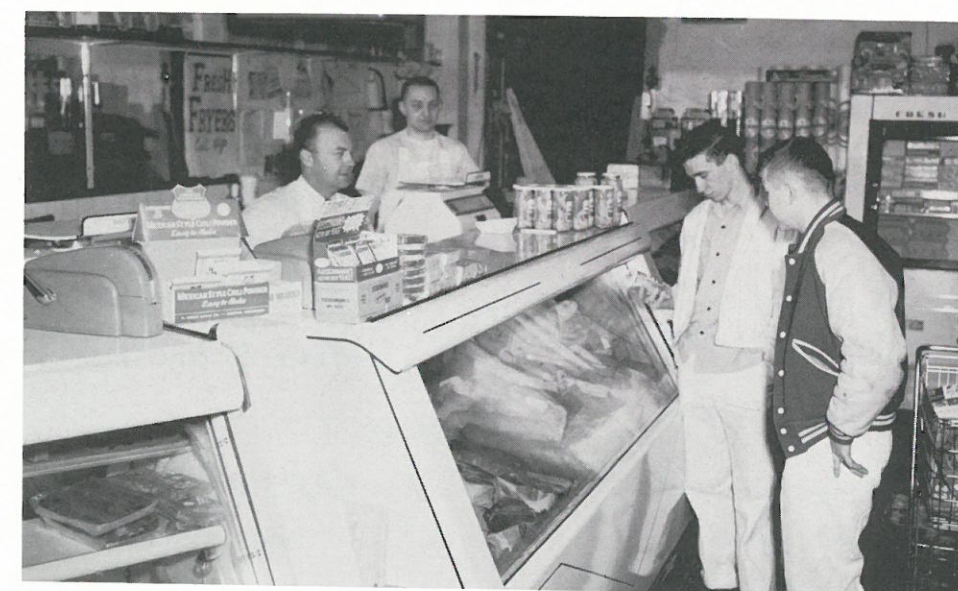
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