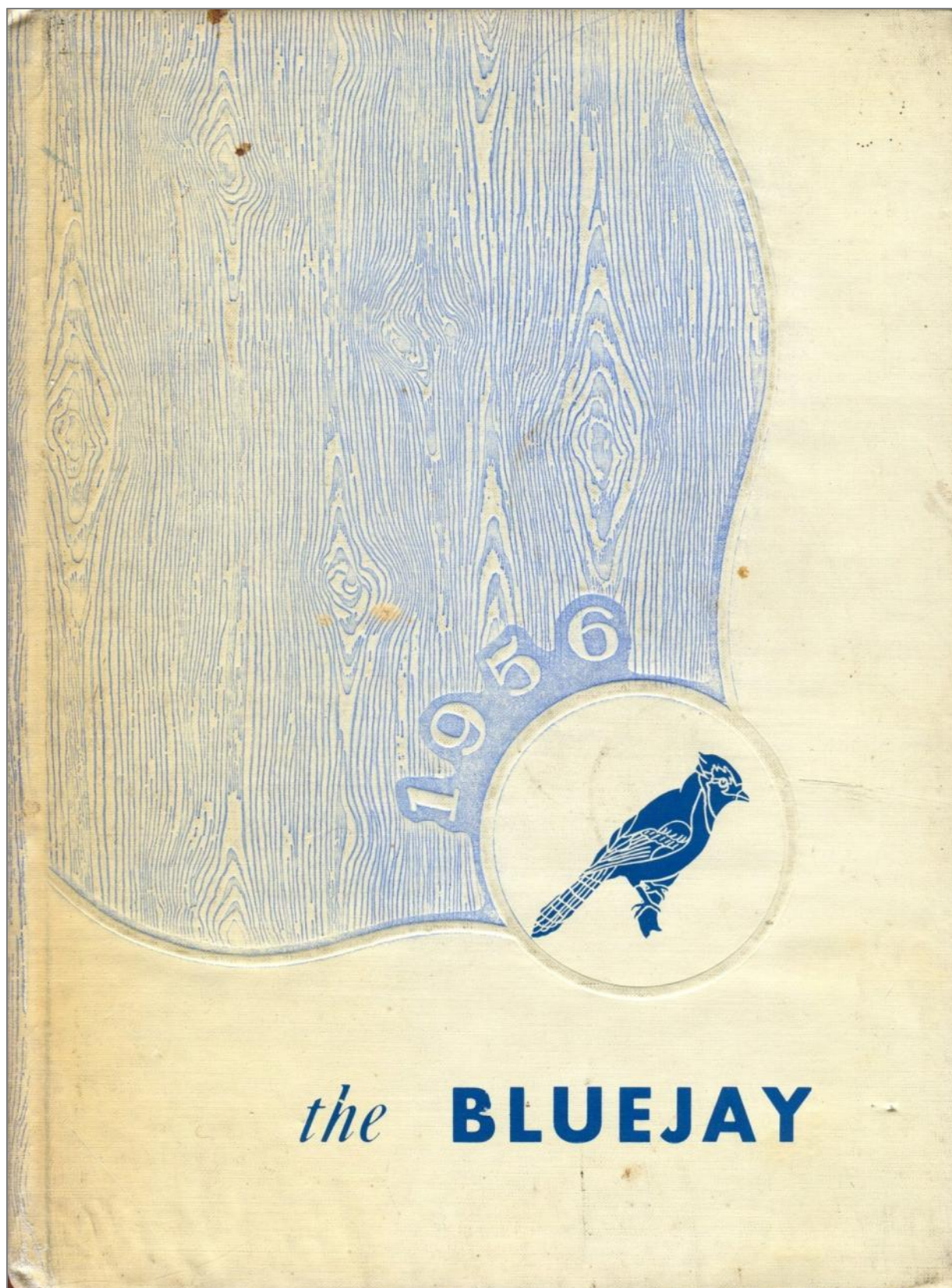


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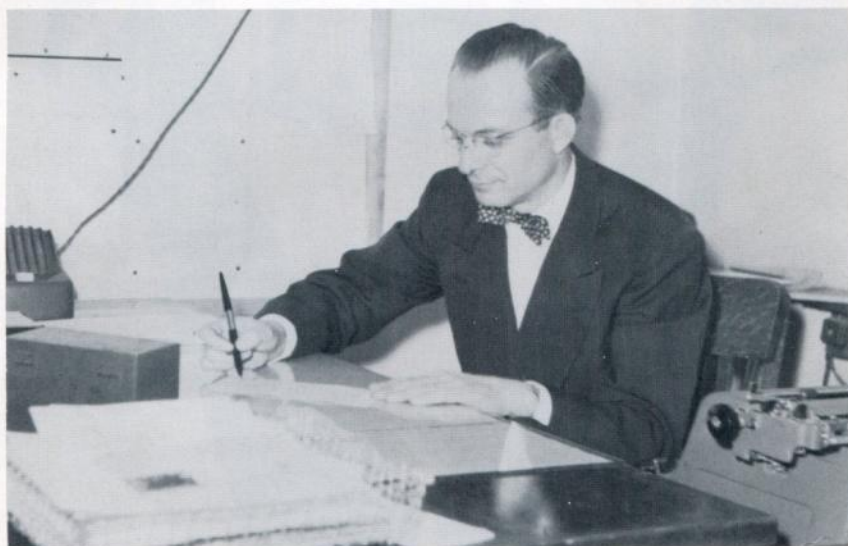
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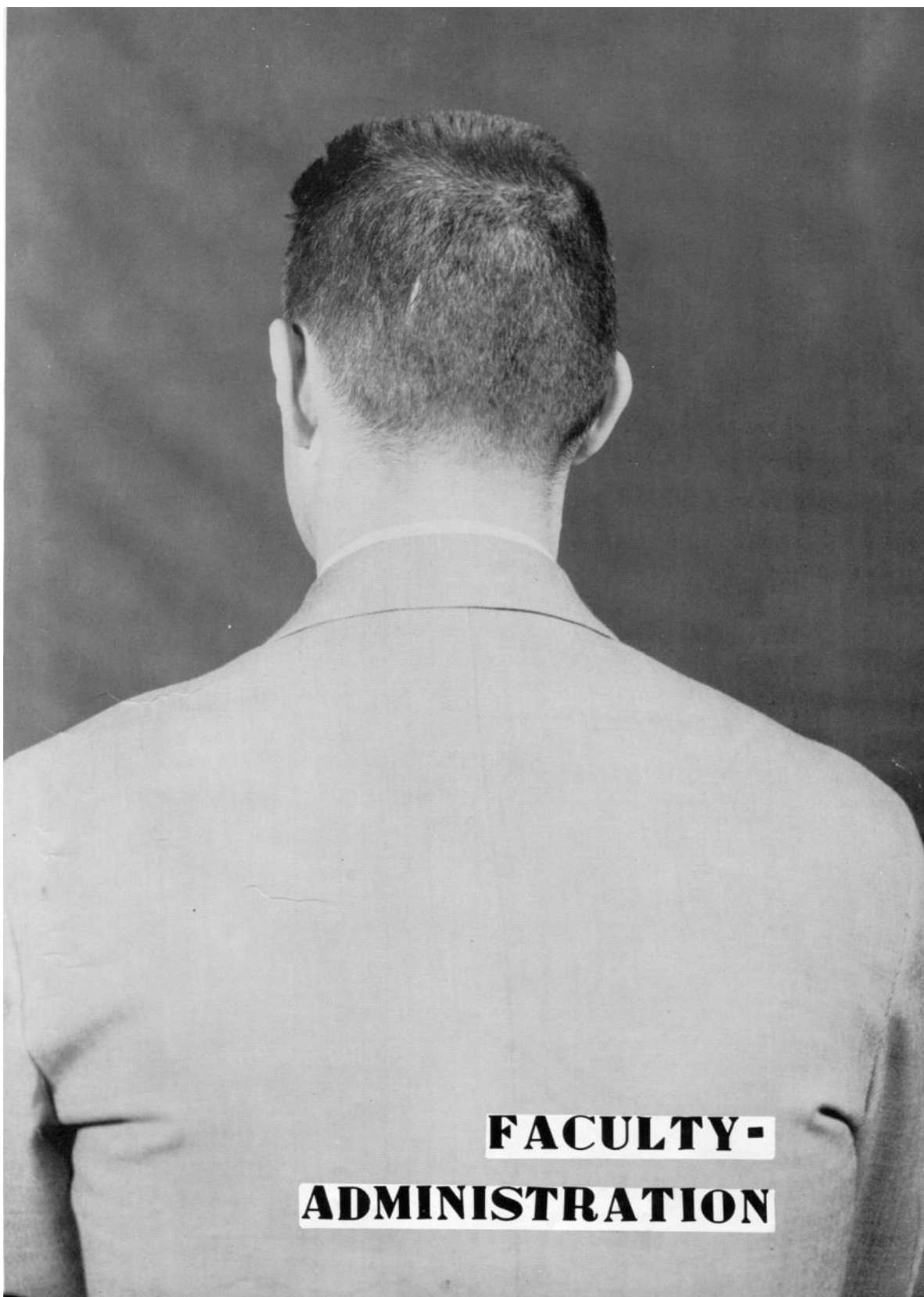




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The annual staff wishes to dedicate the 1956 edition of the Blue Jay to Mr. Aron Laipple. His stern judgment and good natured guidance have contributed a good deal to our three last years of high school. To him we can merely say "Thank You."



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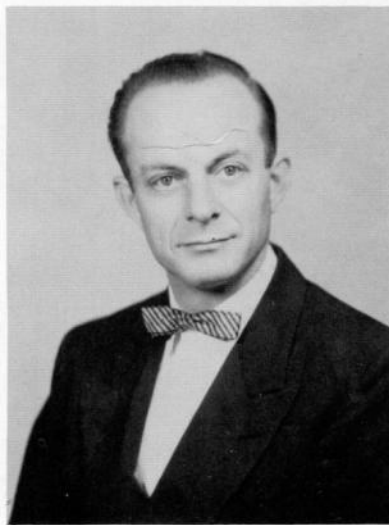
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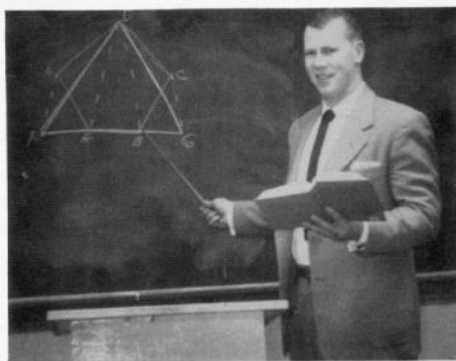
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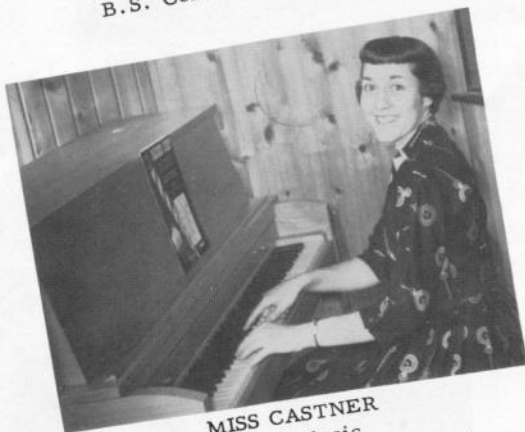
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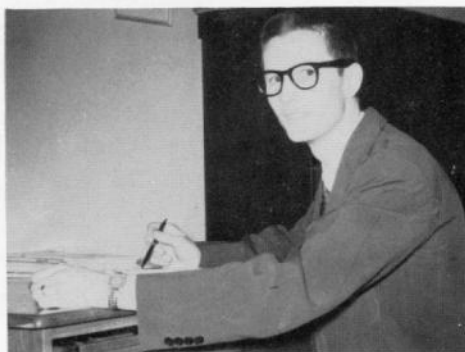
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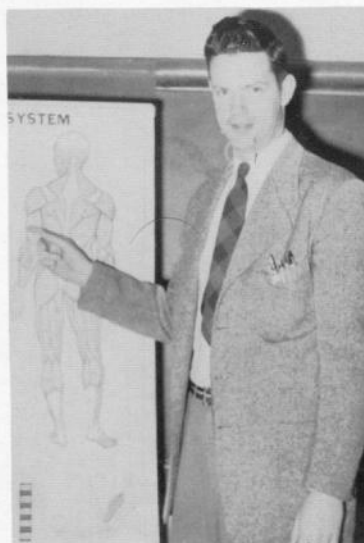
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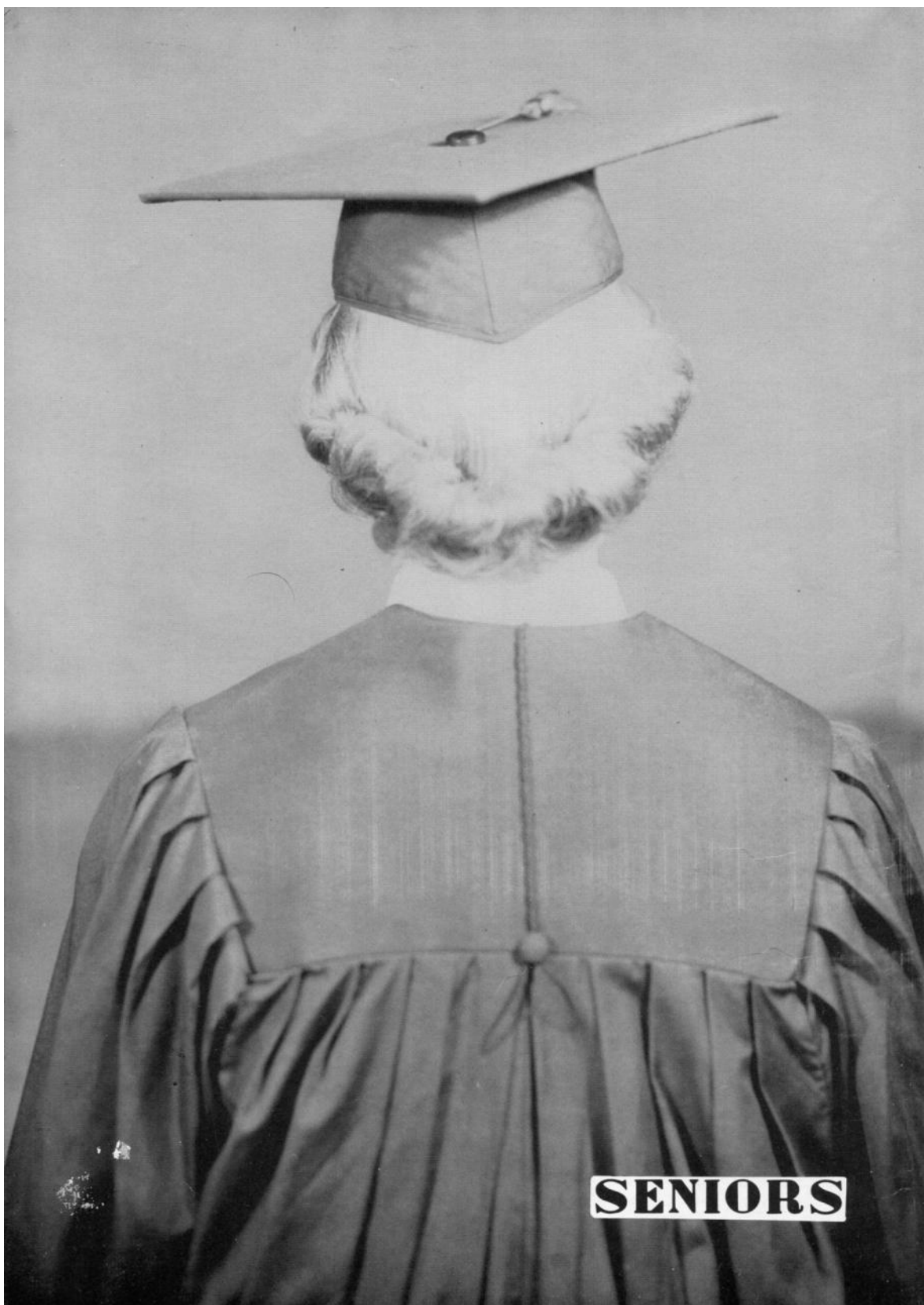


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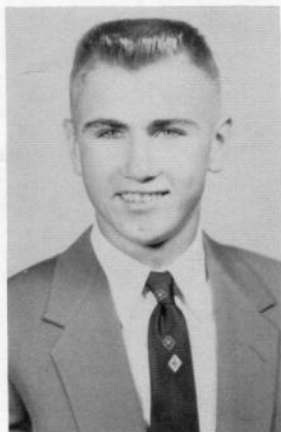
"Why aren't they all contented like me?"

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DICK BROWN

"A little friend of all the world."

FFA 1-2-3-4; Hi-Y 2-3-4; Football 2-3-4; Track 2-3-4; Letter Club 4; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Football Co-Captain 4.



DAVID SNOW

"Red, the peach of all the crops."

Hi-Y 1-4; Hi-Y Officer 2-3-4; Annual Staff 1-2-3-4; Annual Editor 4; Volcano Staff 1-2-3-4; Chorus 1-2-3-4; Boy's Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Octette 1; Boy's Quartette 4; Pep Band 1-3; Operetta 3; Concert Band 1-2-3-4; Marching Band 1-3; Basketball 1; Letter Club 3-4; Athletic Statistician 2-3-4; Projection Club 1-2; Student Council 4; Class Officer 3-4; Junior Class Play 3; Driver's Club 3; Madrigals 2-4.



BILL KERNEN

"A favorite guy with all the girls."

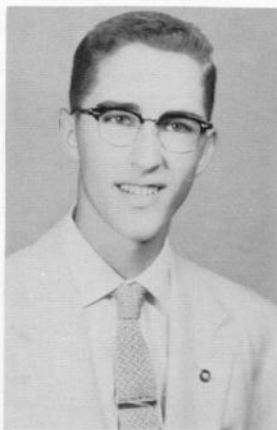
Glee Club 4; Hi-Y 2-4; Annual Staff 4; Class Officer 4; FFA 1-2-3-4; FFA State Convention 4; Football 2-3-4; Track 2-3; Letter Club 2-3-4; Basketball 1-2-3; Student Council 4.

VIRGINIA HEIN

"Love comes in the window and goes out the door."

Y-Teens 1-2-3-4; Y-Teen Cabinet 4; Dramatics Club 1-2-3-4; Librarian 4; Student Council 4; Student Council Officer 4; Homecoming Queen Attendant 4; Annual Staff 4; Pep Club 3; Driver's Club 3; Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Triple Trio 4; Chorus Officer 4; Volcano Staff 3-4; 2nd Team Cheerleader 1; Principals Secretary 4.





DAVID WINDOM

"His wisdom will give him fame."

FFA 1-2-3-4; FFA President 4; Boys Glee 1; Hi-Y 1-2-3; Hi-Y Officer 2; Volcano Staff 3; Annual Staff 4; FFA Judging Team 4.

KENT RICHEY

"Just a minute. I'll be right with you."

Basketball 1-2-4; Marching Band 1-2-3-4; Chorus 1-2-3-4; Volcano 3; Concert Band 1-2-3-4; Student Council 1; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Hi-Y 1-2-3-4; Class Officer 3; Boys Quartet 3; Track 3; Annual Staff 4; All State Choir 4; Madrigal 1-4; Octette 1; Class Play 3; Pep Club 3-4; Letter Club 3-4; Dramatics Club 2.



BONNIE McFARLAND

"She wears a smile that won't come off."

Dramatics 1; Y-Teens 2-3-4; Carnival Queen Attendant 3; Basketball 1-2.

JEAN DOAN

"She thinks the Irish can't be beat."

Librarians 4; Annual Staff 4; Y-Teens 1-2-3-4; Y-Teen Cabinet 4.



KENNY SIERP

"Chase me girls, I'm full of fun."

Chorus 1-2-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; All School Play 3; Class Officer 1-3-4; Hi-Y 1-2-3; Dramatics 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 3-4; Annual Staff 4; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Letter Club 3-4; Track 2-3; FFA 1-2-3-4; FFA Officer 4.



EVERETTE LEE

"All that I've learned,
I've forgotten; and all
that I know, I've
guessed."

Dramatics Club 4; Glee
Club 4; Projectors Club
2; Football 1-2-3-4;
Track 2-3-4; Baseball
2; Letter Club 2-3-4;
Football Co-Captain 4;
Basketball 2-3; Hi-Y 2-3.

**MARY HIMILLER**

"Secret and self-
contained."

Y-Teens 1-2-3-4; Glee
Club 1-2-3-4; Chorus
1-2-3-4; Librarians 3-
4; Pep Club 3; Annual
Staff 4; Marching Band
1-2-3-4; Concert Band
1-2-3-4; Drivers Club
3; Glee Club, Sextet,
Triple Trio Acc. 3.

**BONNIE ANKENY**

"Not too tall, not too
small, she's the gal
that's liked by all."

Y-Teens 1-2-3-4; Y-
Teen Cabinet 3; Mixed
Chorus 1-3-4; Glee Club
1-2-3-4; Homecoming
Attendant 3; Librarians
1-2-3-4; Dramatics 1-
2-4; Pep Club 3-4; Annual
Staff 4; Marching Band
1-2-3-4; Concert Band
1-2-3-4; Cheerleader 4;
Librarian Officer 3-4;
2d Team Cheerleader 1;
Carnival Queen Att. 1.

**PETER BEERY**

"Sometimes Red and
sometimes Pete, he's
a guy hard to beat."

Dramatics Club 3-4;
Class Play 3-4; Glee
Club 4; Pep Club 3-4;
Annual Staff 4; Concert
Band 1-2-3-4; Marching
Band 1-2-3-4; 2nd Team
Cheerleader 1; FFA 1-2;
Hi-Y 1-2-3-4; Football
4; Track 2-3-4; Letter
Club 3-4; Pep Club 2-3.



CHARLOTTE CROUSE

"Charley, the gal with all the gags."

Y-Teens 1-2-3-4; Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 3-4; Librarians 1-3; Dramatics Club 1-2; Annual Staff 4; Concert Band 2-3-4; Marching Band 2-3-4; Drivers Club 3; Class Officer 2.

ELDON HILL

"I'll only speak when spoken to."

Football 2-3; Track 2; FFA 2; Letter Club 1; Basketball 1; Hi-Y 2.



JOYCE NORCROSS

"The girl with the sparkle in her eye."

Y-Teens 1-2-3-4; Y-Teen Cabinet 4; Drama Club 1-2-3-4; Class Play 3; Librarians 2-4; Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 1-3-4; Sextette 2; Octette 1; Annual Staff 4; Volcano 3-4; Prin. Sec. 4; Girls Chorus & Glee Acc. 4; Drivers Club 3; Class Officer 4.



JANET SANDERS

"What I don't know won't hurt me!"

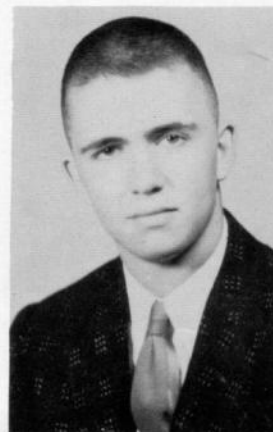
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BOB MEANS

"I agree with no man's opinion. I have my own."

Dramatics Club 4; Boys Glee 4; Mixed Chorus 4; Annual Staff 4; Concert Band 1-2-3-4; Marching Band 1-2-3-4; Student Council 3; Volcano 3-4; Drivers Club 3; Class Officer 2; Hi-Y 1-2-3; Football 2-3-4; Track 2-3; Letter Club 3-4; Projectors Club 1.





WAYNE SMITH
 "Always work, no play!"
 Football 1-2-3-4; Track
 2-3; Basketball 2-3;
 FFA 1-2-4; Letter Club
 2-3-4; Baseball 2.

JAMES OLENIUS
 "Women disturb me
 not."
 Dramatics 2; Mixed
 Chorus 2-4; Annual Staff
 4; Marching Band 1-2-
 3-4; Concert Band 1-2-
 3-4; Pep Band 2-3-4;
 Student Council 3; Hi-Y
 1-2-3; FFA 1-2-3-4;
 Pep Club 3; Track 2;
 Glee Club 2-4; 2nd Team
 Cheerleader 1; Carnival
 Attendant 3; Projectors
 Club 1; FFA Judging
 Team 4.



CARMEN SMITH

"If there's mischief brewing
 she's doing the stirring."
 All State 4; Annual Staff 4;
 Cheerleader 4; Chorus 1-2-
 3-4; Drama Club 1-2-3-4;
 Drama Club Officer 4; Girls
 Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Girls State
 Delegate 3; Drivers Club 3;
 Junior Class Play 3; Madrigal
 4; Librarians 3-4; Librarians
 Officer 3; Pep Club 3-4; Y-
 Teens 1-2-3-4; Y-Teen Officer
 4; Prin. Sec. 4; Volcano Staff
 3-4; Volcano Editor 4; Student
 Council Officer 4.



BERNARD BRENTON

"All work and no fun is
 no life for me."
 Glee Club 4; Projectors
 Club 1-2; Football 3-4;
 Track 2-3-4; Letter
 Club 3-4; Basketball 2;
 FFA 1-2-3-4; FFA
 Officer 4; Hi-Y 1-2-3.

JANICE OLENIUS

"Full of fun and mischief
 too; likes doing things
 she shouldn't do."
 Y-Teens 1-2-3-4; Y-
 Teen Cabinet 3-4; Pep
 Band 2-3-4; Marching
 Band 1-2-3-4; Concert
 Band 1-2-3-4; Band
 Officer 2; Carnival
 Queen Attendant 2; Pep
 Club 2-3; Chorus 2-3-4;
 Glee Club 2-3-4; Class
 Officer 3; Drivers Club
 3; Drama Club 1-2-3-4;
 Annual Staff 4; Home-
 coming Attendant 3.



LEONA JOHNSON

"A lot of pep in a small package."

Chorus & Glee Acc. 3-4; All School Play 3; Class Officer 1; Drivers Club 3; Student Council 2; Y-Teens 1-2-3-4; Y-Teen Cabinet 3-4; Drama Club 1-2-3; One Act Play 2; Homecoming Attendant 4; Girls Glee Club 1-2-3; Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 2-3; Annual Staff 4; Sextet 3; All State Chorus 4; Triple Trio 4; Volcano 3-4; Prin. Sec. 4; Mixed Quartet 4.

**MARY HOSSMAN**

"I always get the better when I argue alone."

Y-Teens 1-2-3-4; Y-Teen Cabinet 2-3-4; Librarian 2-3-4; Drama Club 1-2-3-4; Drama Club Officer 4; Class Play 3; One Act Play 3; Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Pep Club 1-3-4; Marching Band 1-2-3-4; Concert Band 1-2-3-4; Band Officer 3; Annual Staff 4; Volcano 4; Chorus & Glee Acc. 3; Pep Band 1-2-3-4; Girls Basketball 2; Speech Contestant 1-2-3-4; Speech Contestant Winner 3.

**ALAN MEIER**

"Let the world go as it may, I'll take it anyway."

Dramatics 4; Class Play 3; Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Football 2-3-4; Track 3-4; Letter Club 3-4; Octet 1; All-State Chorus 3; Carnival King Attendant 2; Student Council 2; Student Council Officer 2; FFA 1-2-3-4; FFA Officer 2-3; Basketball 2-3-4; Mixed Quartet 4; Hi-Y 1-2-3-4; Madrigal 4.

**CHARLES BURTON**

"Life is only what you make it, nothing more."

Marching Band 1-2-3-4; Concert Band 1-2-3-4; Pep Band 2-3-4; Basketball 1; Track 2-3; Hi-Y 1-2-3-4; Dramatics 1-4; Student Council 1-3-4; Chorus 1-2-4; Glee Club 1-4; Boys Quartet 4; Octet 1; Letter Club 3; Madrigal 1; Class Officer 1-3; Hi-Y Officer 2-3-4; Band Officer 3; Carnival King Attendant 1.



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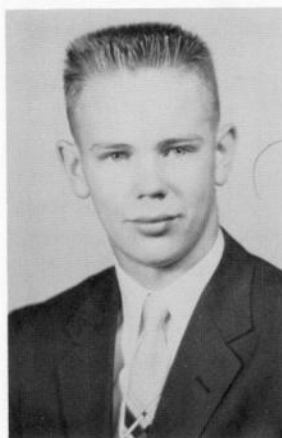
"Thinking is the hardest work there is."

Hi-Y 1-2; Projectors Club 2; Track 2-3; Basketball 2.

RUTH UNITS

"She fills her place in life as no one else can."

Octet 1; Y-Teens 1-2-3-4; Y-Teen Cabinet 4; Chorus 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Drama Club 2-3-4; Class Play 3; Volcano 4; Librarian 2-3-4.



JOHN BASHAW

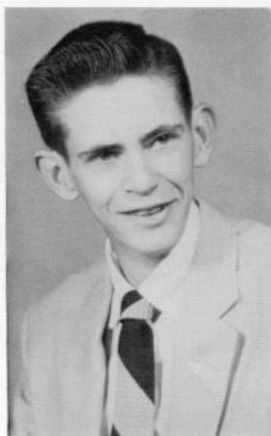
"To live without wits is never to live at all."

Hi-Y 1-2-3; Football 1-2-3-4; Basketball 2-3; Track 2-3; Student Council 3; One Act Play 2; Class Play 3-4; Dramatics Club 2-3-4; FFA Basketball 1; FFA 1; Annual Staff 4; Volcano Staff 3-4; Projectors Club 2.

NORMAN ANSON

"Lean, lanky, and likeable."

Chorus 1-2-4; Glee Club 1-2-4; Basketball 1-2-3-4; Football 1-2; Band 1-2; Hi-Y 1-2; Track 1-2-3; Letter Club 3-4; Annual Staff 4; Concert Band 1-2



MARY BARR

"The course of true love never did run smooth."

Y-Teens 1-2-3-4; Y-Teen Cabinet 3-4; Glee Club 1-2-3-4; Mixed Chorus 1-2-3-4; Class Officer 2; Dramatics Club 1-2.





MARY HOFFMAN

"She's always ready and willing for a good time."

Y-Teens 4; Class Play 3; Mixed Chorus 1-3; Glee Club 1-2-3; Pep Club 2; Girls Basketball 3-4; Class Officer 3.

VERNON ELSE

"What he wants to get most out of school is himself."

Glee Club 4; Pep Club 3; Projectors Club 3; Hi-Y 1-2-4; Letter Club 3-4; FFA 1-2-3-4; Track Manager 2-3; Basketball 3.



DARREL HENDRIX

"Life! What a struggle!"
Track 3-4.

SHIRLEY COZAD

"An innocent face but you can never tell!"

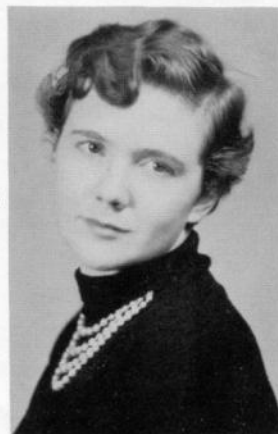
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JOYCE PETERSON

"A little shiny sunbeam, never makes much noise."

Y-Teens 1-2-3-4; Glee Club 1-4; Librarians 4; Drama Club 1-2-4.



NORMA FREEMAN

"A good girl is always quiet."

Y-Teens 1-4; Librarian 2-3-4; Annual Staff 4; Drivers Club 3-4; Pep Club 3.

**WILLIS BAKER**

"He doesn't get to do everything he wants to but he knows how."

Hi-Y 1-2; Basketball 1-2; Track 2; Baseball 2.

**LEO DAVIES**

"Kind of cute, kind of tall, he's a guy liked by all."

FFA 1-2-4; Hi-Y 1-2-4; Football 2-3-4; Letter Club 2-3-4; Track 2-3-4; Basketball 1-4.

**SAM CARMICHAEL**

"Why work longer? It's time to play."

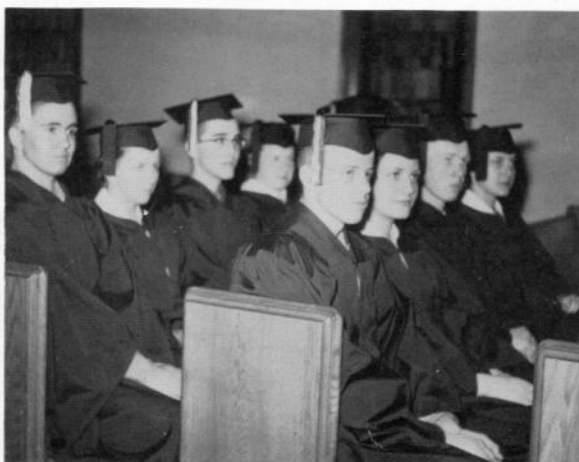
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COMMENCEMENT

The seventy-third annual graduation exercises were held in the Methodist Church on May 25, for the Villisca High School Class of 1956. The diplomas were handed out by Dr. Edward Croxdale, President of the School Board.



BACCALAUREATE



Professor Hew Roberts, Doctor of Education of the University of Iowa, gave the initial address, for the seventy-third annual graduation exercises. It was entitled 'Challenge of the Day' and was held in the Methodist Church on May 27, 1956, for the Villisca High School Class of 1956.

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19: Seniors History, Senior Class Ankeny, Bonnie Anson, Norman Archer, Dean Baker, Willis Beery, Peter Bloom, Marcia Burns, Elmer Burton, Charles Cahoon, Alma Cahoon, Sharon Carmichael, Sam Chambers, Patricia Currin, Betty Doan, Jean Doherty, Jimmy Draper, Sharon Dumbler, Bill Else, Vernon Emmons, Mary Evons, Mary Finkle, Donna Fisher, Sharon Forsythe, Bill Freeman, Joel Freeman, Joyce Freeman, Norma Hentsch, Ruth Himiller, Mary Hoffman, Mary Hossman, Mary Hoyt, Karen Johnson, Leona Kirby, Patricia Link, Bob Lowenburg, Lois Lowenburg, Mary McFarland, Bonnie Means, Bob Miller, Miss Miller, Norma Moriarty, Sharon O'Riley, Juanita Pattengill, Clifford Peterson, Mary Ellen Pfander, Virginia Pullen, Duane Raines, Leona Rambo, David Richey, Kent Ruckman, Ruth Sanders, Darlene Sanders, Janet Selby, Joyce Snow, David Stevenson, Roger Stevenson, Shirley Stinson, Vivian Strange, Ralph Strange, Mary Wagaman, Phillip Walker, Etta Watson, Howard Waymire, Mary Williams, Judy

CLASS HISTORY

On the morning of September 3, 1943, a group of eager young students were escorted into the Kindergarten room of the Lincoln School Building of Villisca, Iowa. Their teacher was Mrs. Vivian Stinson. The group consisted of twenty-eight runny-nosed delinquents, namely: Jimmy Doherty, Mary Evons, Mary Lowenburg, Lois Lowenburg, Sharon Moriarty, Jaunity O'Riley, Clifford Pettengill, Joyce Selby, Dean Archer, Joel Freeman, Joyce Freeman, Willis Baker, Duane Pullen, Bob Means, Donna Finkle, Sharon Draper, Karen Hoyt, Sharon Fisher, Mary Himiller, Elmer Burns, Bonnie Ankeny, Leona Johnson, David Snow, Darleen Sanders, Norma Freeman, Kent Richey, Bill Forsythe, and Norman Anson.

Though entirely unknown at the time, of these twenty-eight, during the next few years only ten were ever to endure through graduation. This year began the first of the many great adventures that were to follow and though we didn't do anything of really historic importance at the time, it was of great significance to each one of those of us who had our beginnings there. We had just begun when we had our first loss. It was Bonnie Ankeny; then Kent Richey dropped shortly after. But before we could lose any more, we were joined by Jean Doan from Corning and Charles Burton from Clarinda, who made up for our loss.

Then after nine months of toil we were on our way to the first grade. Our new teacher was Miss Virginia Pfander. Along with our new teacher, we also picked up several new additions who were: Shirley Stevenson, Alma Cahoon, Etta Walker, and Roger Stevenson. We also lost four: Roger Stevenson, Etta Walker, Mary Emmons, and Leona Johnson.

After a few months of dodging homework, paper wads, and tests, we were more than ready for the second grade. Here again we gained some new friends: Mary Hossman, Janet Sanders, Patricia Kirby, Bonnie McFarland, Phillip Wagaman, Peter Beery, and Kent Richey, who after having looked for something better in California was now ready to accept dear old V. L. G. S. as being best and try again. Our teacher was Mrs. Ruth Ruckman. This year we decided that we would all surprise our mothers on Mother's Day by stenciling on table cloths with crayon and, indeed, we did for our efforts were truly unique and quite unconventional.

A few of our members, namely: Elmer Burns, Phillip Wagaman, Dean Archer, Joel Freeman, Sharon Fisher, Alma Cahoon, and Lois Lowenburg, were marooned in the second grade and had to wait for the next class going through. But the rest of us proceeded on to the third grade to meet our new teacher, Miss Miller. We gained five new additions who were: Sam Carmichael, David Rambo, Patricia Chambers, Mary Ellen Peterson, Betty Currin, and Leona Johnson, whom we had known before.

Alma Cahoon was one of the people we lost that year and Mary Ellen Peterson was the other. Our main objectives were learning to read better and learning to write with ink. Miss Miller also read to us several books that year, which we enjoyed more than our school work.

From here we went on to the fourth grade, a great advancement because we were now upstairs with the fifth and sixth grades. We were really getting to be big stuff. Our teacher this year was Mrs. Ruth Hentsch. Our new classmates were: Norma Miller, Marcia Bloom, Judy Williams, and Bill Dumbler. Our fourth grade year went smoothly according to calculations or should we say multiplication tables? Our losses this year were: Bill Dumbler, Patricia Chambers, Judy Williams, Duane Pullen, Joyce Selby, Norma Miller, and Donna Finkle.

Next came fifth grade and while we were on our way, we stopped to pick up an old friend, Bonnie Ankeny. The new teacher directing our class this year was Miss Mary Waymire, now Mrs. Ralph Strange. We gained a few classmates this year which helped to make up for the heavy loss last year. The new students were Leona Raines, Howard Watson, Bob Link, Sharon Cahoon, and Vernon Else.

Our fifth grade year proved to be an interesting year indeed. In search for new experiences of obvious educational value, we decided to have a party whenever we could. We began with a surprise birthday party for Miss Waymire. This we followed with several birthday parties for class members; then topped it all off with a big surprise engagement party for our teacher. Then we found out she was getting married to "Doc" Strange. Wow! We did have fun that year! In fact, we all enjoyed it so much that we decided that parties should become a class tradition from then on. Our only losses this year were: Howard Watson, Juanita O'Riley and Sharon Cahoon.

20: Seniors History, Senior Class Adair, LaVon Baker, Willis Bolduan, Manfred Barr, Mary Bartz, Barbara Bashaw, John Beery, Peter Bloom, Marcia Brenton, Bernard Brown, Dick Buffon, Vera Burton, Charles Castner, Rose Mary Clark, Alfred Cozad, Shirley Crouse, Charlotte Currin, Betty Davies, Leo Draper, Sharon Enarson, Sylvia Freeman, Joyce Goodwin, Lois Graham, Charles Gray, Marlyn Hansen, Vance Hein, Virginia Heller, Don Hill, Eldon Hoffman, Mary Hossman, Mary Holstrom, Donald Hughes, Myrna Humphrey, Fred Hyink, Esther Johnson, Leona Johnson, Mrs. Bob Jones, Ken Jones, Shirley Kernen, Bill Laipple, Aron Langford, Elna Lee, Everette Link, Bob Littell, Roger Lowenburg, Mary McFarland, Bonnie Means, Bob Meier, Alan Miller, Joanne Milligan, Agnes Moriarty, Sharon Norcross, Joyce Olenius, Janice Peterson, Joyce Raines, Leona Richey, Kent Sanders, Janet Shipman, Jean Sierp, Kenny Smith, Carmen Smith, Wayne Snow, David Steinhauer, Lucille Stevenson, Shirley Strange, Mary Units, Ruth Vannausdle, Donna Waage, Norma Williams, Amelia Windom, David Yungschlager, Mrs.

Leaving the fifth grade, we made our way on up the ladder of education to the sixth grade. We found here a triple threat of teachers: Miss Sylvia Enarson, Mrs. Agnes Milligan, and Mrs. Vera Buffon, Inc. Our new classmates this year consisted of Kenneth Sierp and Roger Littell, who, as far as the girls were concerned, were a welcome addition.

This year was our big year for we were now the upperclassmen of the Lincoln building and we readily had good. Now we could use the basketball court or anything else whenever we wanted to and when we wanted to be Chuck Graham or Don Heller, there was no upperclassman to tell us that we couldn't. And, of course, true to our newly founded tradition, we had several parties which included a birthday party for Miss Enarson in which our whole class sneaked up the fire escape with refreshments and gave Miss Enarson, our principal, the surprise of her life. We lost this year Mary Lowenburg and Bob Link.

When we reached Junior High, we found a different situation entirely. What's this? A "man" teacher?!! Good heavens--two teachers at once! Miss Myrna Hughes, now Mrs. Bob Johnson, and Mr. Donald Holstrom. Our recess was replaced with P.T., with the boys playing softball and basketball under the direction of Mr. Holstrom. The girls played softball and basketball under the direction of Miss Hughes.

We gained eight other girls: Jean Shipman, Amelia Williams, Shirley Stevenson, Ruth Units, Lavon Adair, Barbara Bartz, Shirley Jones, Lois Goodwin, and Joyce Norcross. There were a few losses, however. We lost: Roger Littell, Sharon Moriarty, Willis Baker, Shirley Jones, and Betty Currin.

Finally, after eight years of blood, sweat, and toil--eighth grade. The teachers were Mr. Alfred Clark, Mrs. Mary Strange, Miss Sylvia Enarson, and Miss Elna Langford. Along with troubles there was fun to make up for everything else.

Beginning our freshman year, our numbers increased to include Bill Kernen, Eldon Hill, Wayne Smith, Leo Davies, Manfred Balduan, David Windom, Everette Lee, Bernard Brenton, Willis Baker, Marlyn Gray, Alan Meier, Mary Barr, Joyce Peterson, Charlotte Crouse, Virginia Hein, Richard Brown, Leona Raines, John Bashaw, Shirley Cozad, Donna Vannausdle, Norma Waage, Shirley Stevenson, and Joanne Miller. During this year we had the distinction of being the wealthiest class in school. For class parties we went skating, had a dance, and a scavenger hunt. Our class officers were: President Charles Burton, Vice-President Leona Johnson, Secretary Bonnie McFarland, and Treasurer Kenny Sierp. Our sponsors were Mrs. Hyink and Coach Fred Humphrey. We lost four members: Lois Goodwin, Marcia Bloom, Joanne Miller, and Amelia Williams.

As sophomores we had passed another milestone in our journey of education. This year we had two parties--a dance at the Country Club and another skating party. During the course of events we made some more money and it was applied toward our prom. The class officers were President Bob Means, Vice-President Charles Burton, Secretary Mary Barr, and Treasurer Charlotte Crouse. Because we had gotten along so well with our last year's sponsors, we asked Coach Humphrey back and because Mrs. Hyink had left, we chose Mrs. Yungschlager, who was later replaced by Coach Ken Jones.

Then came the junior year, our pinnacle of success, in which we staged one of the most economical and magnificent Jr.-Sr. proms ever recorded in the history of dear old V.H.S. Its theme was a Hawaiian Cruise. We gained Mary Hoffman this year and lost: Shirley Stevenson, Manfred Balduan, Marlyn Gray, Sharon Draper, Norma Waage, Donna Vannausdle, Joyce Freeman, Jean Shipman. Another high spot of this year was "Dear Ruth," our class play. Even though it was not extremely profitable, it will provide many memories in future time for the cast members: Kent Richey, John Bashaw, Pete Beery, Dave Snow, Janet Sanders, Mary Hossman, Carmen Smith, and Joyce Norcross. Class officers were President Charles Burton, Vice-President Kent Richey, Secretary David Snow, and Co-Treasurers Ken Sierp and Janice Olenius. Our junior sponsors were Miss Steinhauer and Miss Castner.

Then came that last, long-awaited destination; we were seniors. At last we had gained the top rung of the ladder and we knew it. As seniors we lacked very little. We enjoyed the best of parties which were far from lacking in number. Our Senior Class Play was entitled "Ghosts" with a cast of: Pete Beery, Mary Hossman, John Bashaw, Bob Means, and Virginia Hein. For class parties we attended the prom and went on Senior Skip Day. Our class officers were President David Snow, Vice-President Bill Kernen, Secretary Ken Sierp, and Treasurer Joyce Norcross. Our class sponsors were Mr. Laipple and Mr. Hansen. This year we lost only Ruth Units who missed us so that she soon returned.

SENIOR SNAPS



Down on the farm.



Just hanging around.



man's best friend.



A fine pose.



"Now if you ask me--."



Brr--it's cold!



Just thinking.



Talking as usual.



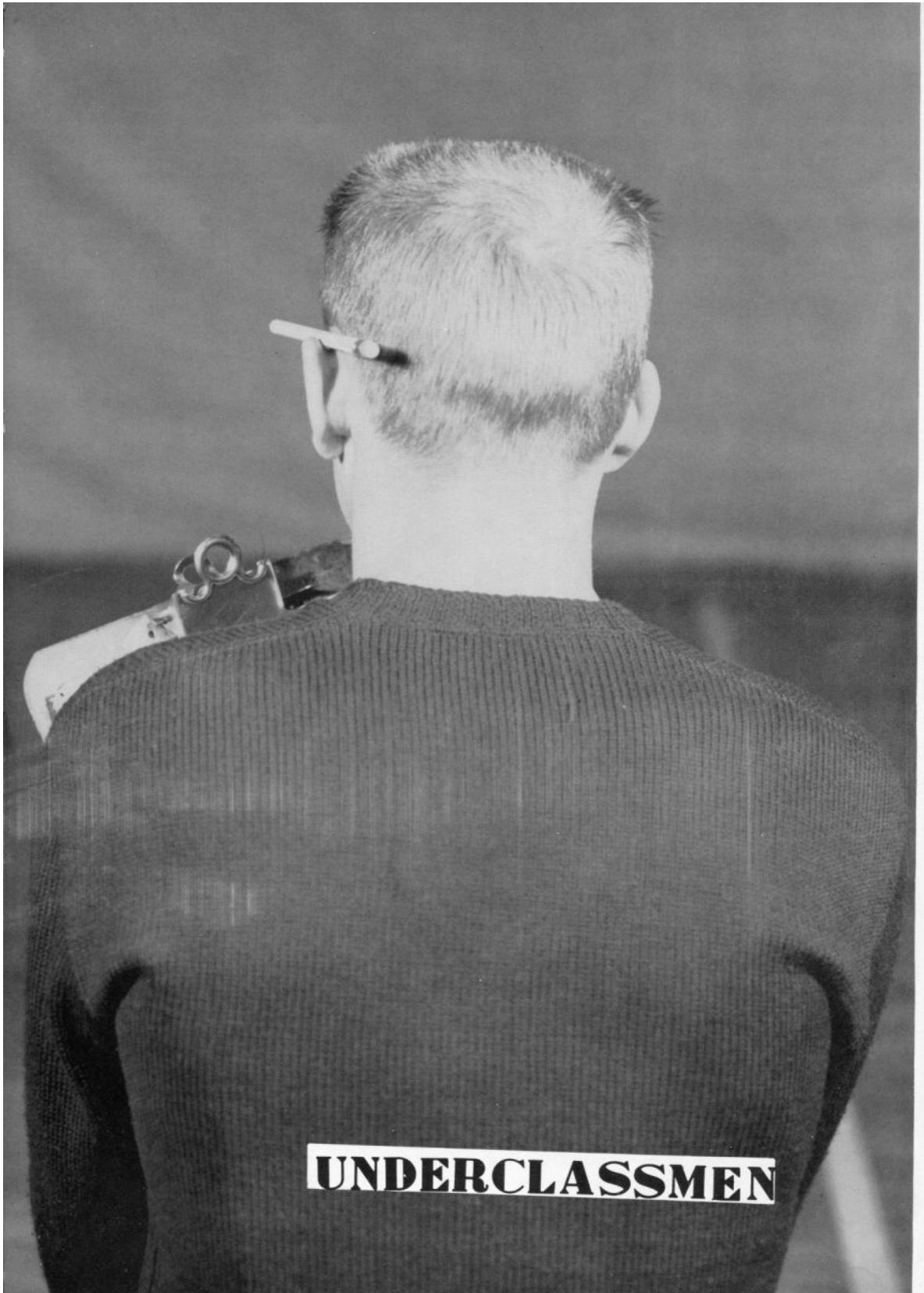
Ain't love grand?



Ginger



A little cutie.



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Row 2: Taylor, Lynn Penwell, Pat

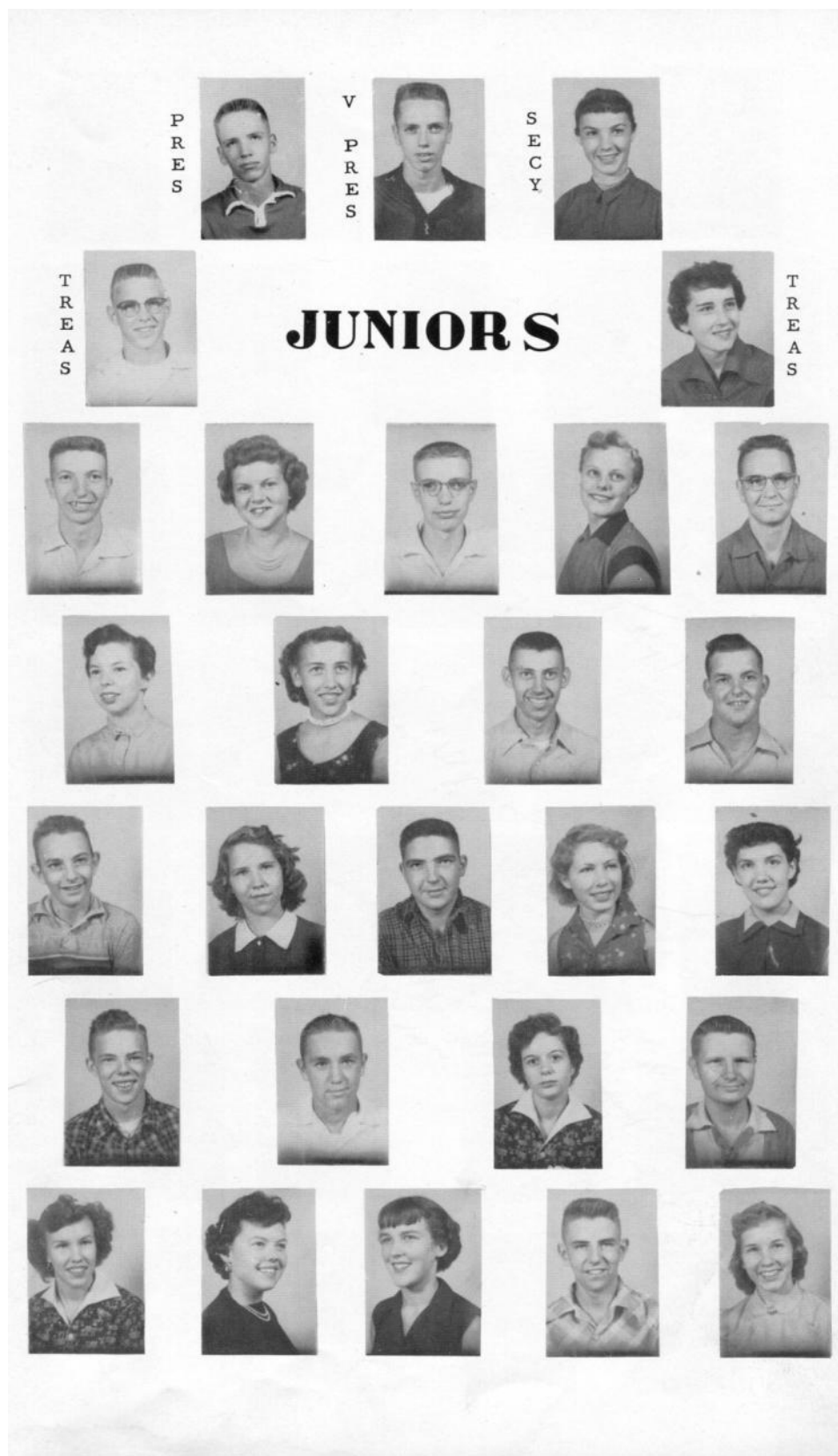
Row 3: Wilcoxon, Donald Waage, Helen Wilcoxon, Cecil Neal, BettyLou Reynolds, Larry

Row 4: Fisher, Sharon McFarland, Bernice Linn, Jack Davies, Ted

Row 5: Fisher, Gale Hoffman, Donna Archer, Dean Nippert, LaVera Wilhelm, Heather

Row 6: Webster, Bob Brown, Bob Eberly, Linda Forsythe, Darwin

Row 7: Hoyt, Karen Burden, Donna Hedstrom, Susie Walters, Ron Sprague, Jane



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Row 1: (L to R) Palmquist, Janet Buffon, LeRoy Smith, Joyce Lindell, Don

Row 2: Doggett, Pat Sprague, Roger Smith, Frances Olson, Jim Anson, Beverly

Row 3: Johnson, Wilma Lewis, Darwin Arterburn, Rosalene Lewis, Ron G.

Row 4: Davis, Laurel Ann Williams, Darwin Johnson, Delores Moser, Jim Brown, Frances

Row 5: Wheeler, Wanda Greenfield, Joe Stevenson, Shirley Hanson, David

Row 6: Stuvick, Karen Means, Janet Frazee, Sharon Barr, Peggy



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Row 2: Welsh, Nancy Stille, Morris

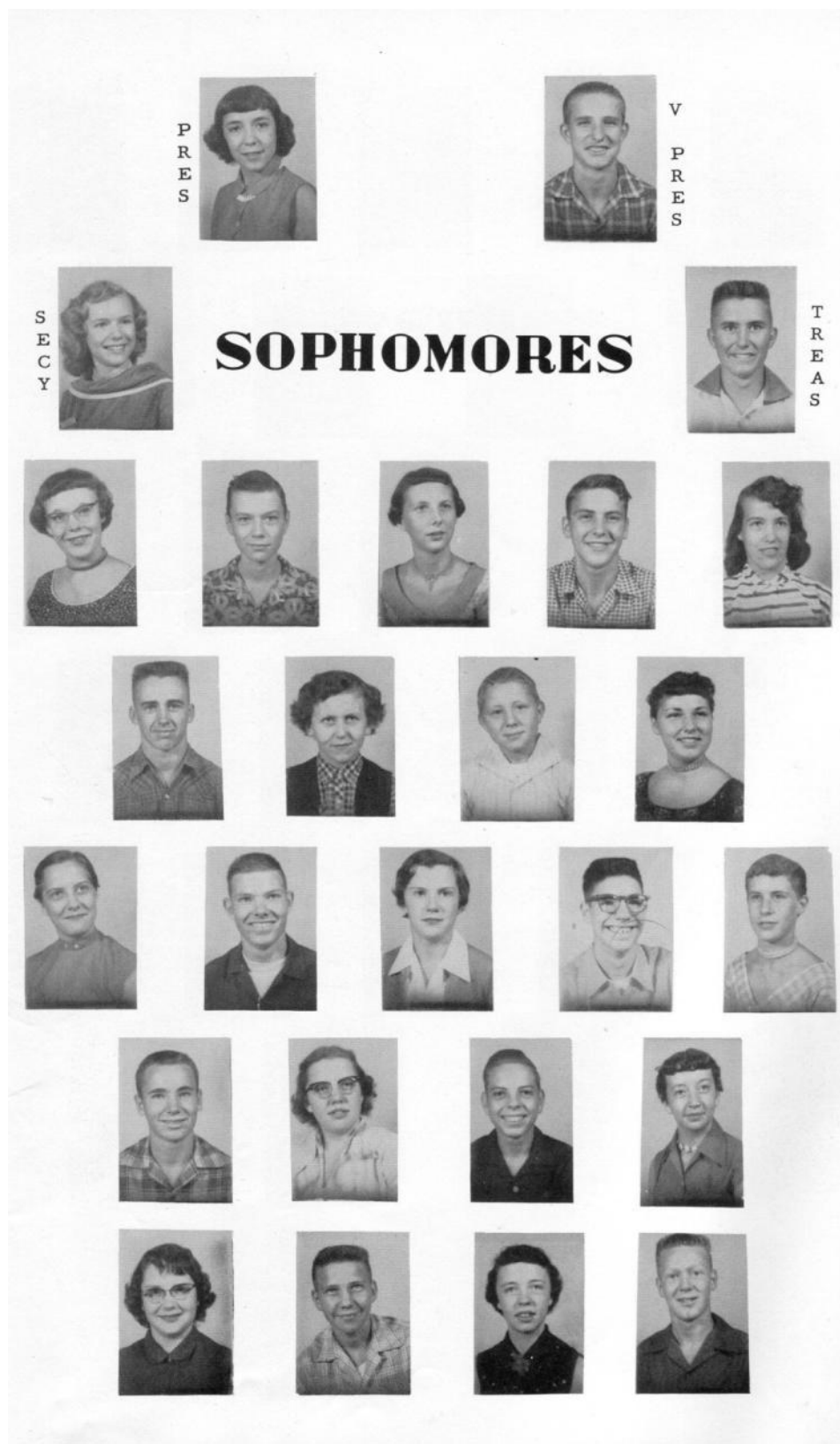
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Row 4: TenEyck, Tom Miller, Margaret McKinley, Merl Ackerman, Connie

Row 5: Weaver, Beverly Hardisty, Darrell Stackhouse, Ann Croxdale, Mike Guss, Sandy

Row 6: Hart, Ron Lee, Mary Weil, Rick Hess, Bernadine

Row 7: Findley, JoAnne Ankeny, Eddie Lindell, Betty Magnuson, Max



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Row 2: Christie, Nickie Garey, Darwin Mack, Carol Johnson, Richard

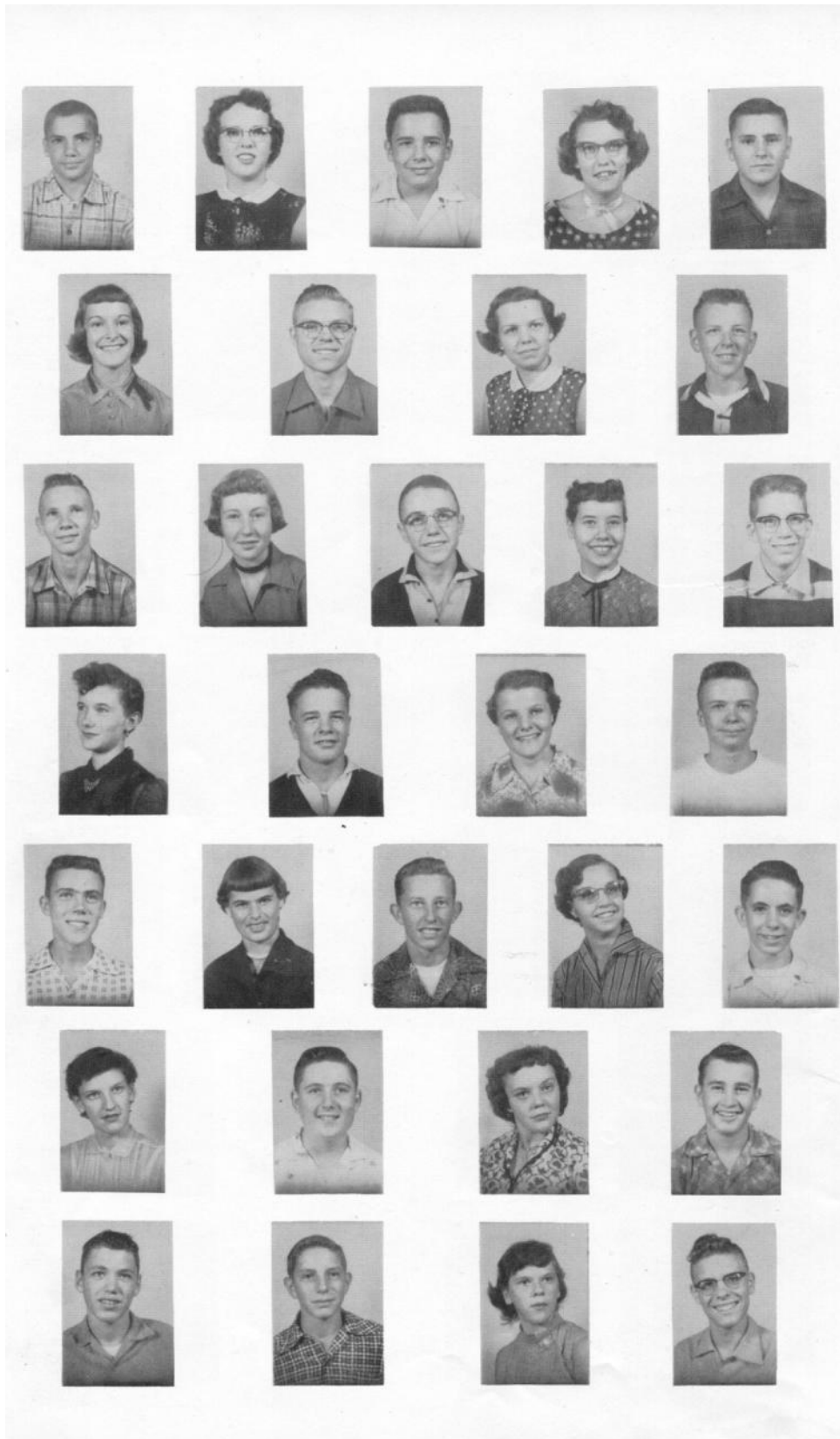
Row 3: Noble, David Hanson, Jeanette Peterson, Ted Brown, Nita Sidwell, John

Row 4: Cary, Doris Neal, Larry Lee Neal, Kathalene Scott, William

Row 5: Hays, Allen Richey, Jeannie Cooper, Ron Bauer, Pat Crowdy, Darrell

Row 6: Gray, Sharon Gidley, Allan Arterburn, Gail Hendrix, Martin

Row 7: Archer, Glenn White, Gary Erickson, Pat Garey, Arvid D.



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Row 1: (L to R) Selley, Roger Sierp, Bob

Row 2: Schaffer, Helen Shepherd, David

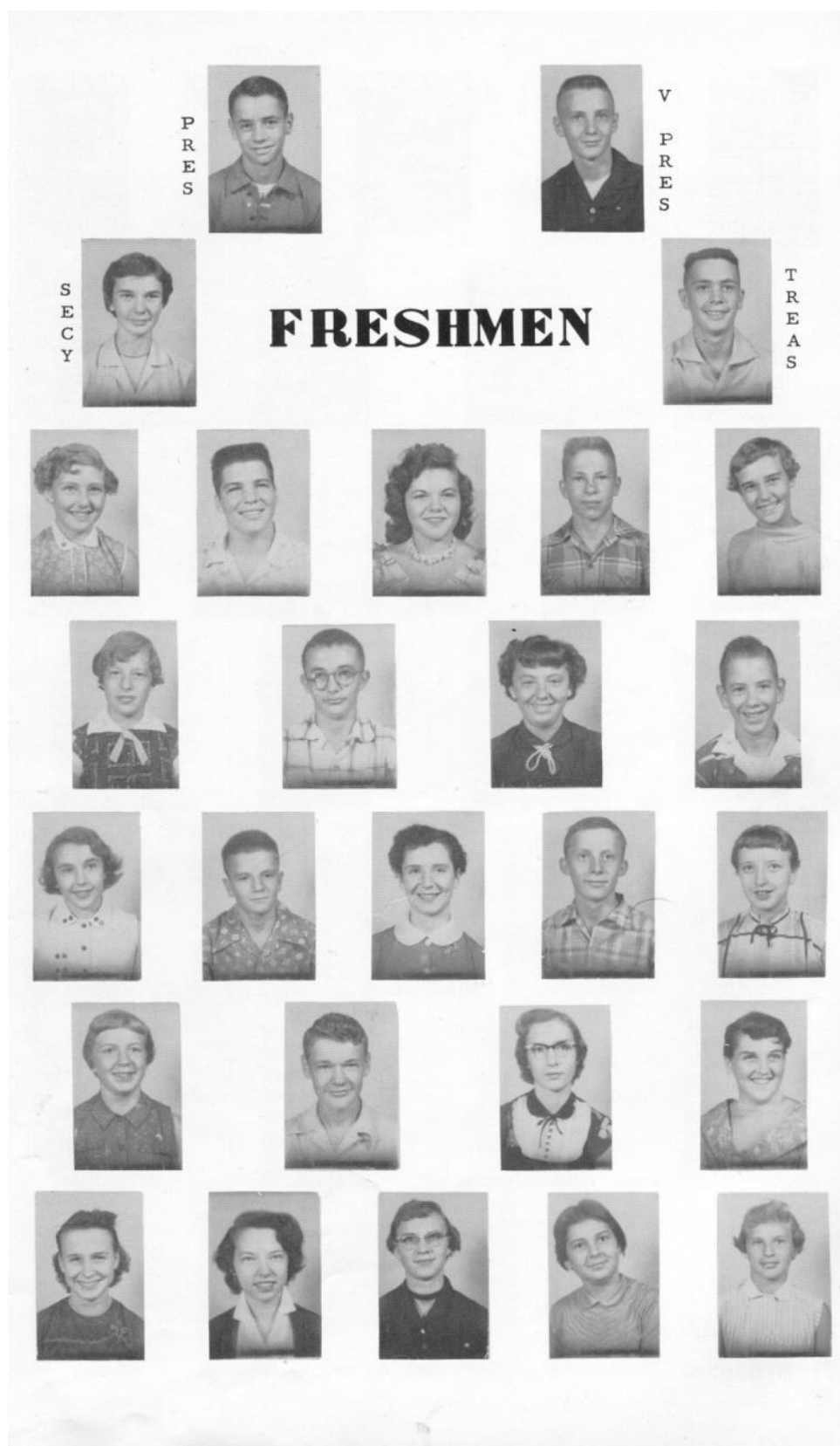
Row 3: Freshour, Gloria Burton, John Waage, Janice Taylor, Garry Hossman, Elinor

Row 4: Webster, Beverly Victor, Bill Hinkle, Donna Doan, Charles

Row 5: Felt, Nancy Core, Richard McClelland, MaryLou Baker, David Wilcoxon, Norma

Row 6: Jamison, Connie Poston, Roger Greenfield, Jean Guthrie, Sharon

Row 7: Currin, Ann Bean, Karen Gray, Jean Branan, Marie Carlson, Marcia



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Row 1: (L to R) Hoyt, Connie Anson, Duane Peterson, Deloris Johnson, Harland Olson, Sandra

Row 2: Core, Judy Burden, Duane Sprague, Lois Phillis, Richard

Row 3: Adair, Kay Gray, Richard Finkle, Sharon Farlin, Leo Guss, June

Row 4: Wilhelm, Connie Brannan, Maurice Asklof, Shirley King, Gary

Row 5: Lewis, Margaret Hendry, Donald Guss, Joan Haley, Charles Cartwright, Sandra

Row 6: Hein, Jeanne Smith, Gary Neal, Janice Doll, Lee

Row 7: Miller, Joyce McFarland, Bill McCullough, Carol Sperry, Harley French, Linda



SNAPSHOTS



Beat it!



Time out for a coke.



Taking life easy.



Watch the birdie!



Beautiful aren't they?



Oh! those good ole days!



31: Annual Bluejay Snow, David Richey, Kent Hein, Virginia Adair, LaVon Ankeny, Bonnie Means, Bob Olenius, James Sanders, Janet Beery, Peter Bashaw, John Olenius, Janice Smith, Carmen Johnson, Leona Norcross, Joyce Sierp, Kenny Anson, Norman Kernen, Bill Himiller, Mary Freeman, Norma Crouse, Charlotte Hossman, Mary Burton, Charles Windom, David

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This yearbook of the Class of 1956 is an attempt to capture and preserve the many memories of our school days. We have recorded on these pages some of the happenings of our past days of school, and the names and pictures of our teachers, classmates, and friends. When we review these pages in the years to come, may they bring back happy recollections of our high school days.

Now we are ready to leave, but first we would like to say to you teachers and fellow students--thanks for everything. We have both gained from and enjoyed your company. We hope that you have found it likewise.

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STUDENT COUNCIL



Left to Right: Don Williams, President; Carmen Smith, Vice-President; Virginia Hein, Secretary; Mike Croxdale, Treasurer; Mr. Laipple, Advisor.



The Student Council is an organization of those elected members who represent the students of VHS in a self-governing group. They suggest ways that our school can be a better one. This year, sections of the Constitution were rewritten, and the club sent delegates to Iowa Association Student Council Convention at which time our local President, Don Williams, was elected State Vice-President.

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33: FFA Fisher, Gale Olson, Jim Walters, Ron Davies, Ted Brown, Bob Reynolds, Larry McFarland, Bill Davies, Leo Wilcoxon, Cecil Forsythe, Darwin Williams, Darwin Hendrix, Martin King, Gary Crowdy, Darrell Linn, Jack Windom, David Wilson, John Victor, Bill Smith, Gary Sperry, Harley Archer, Glenn Cooper, Ron Stille, Morris Hart, Ron Smith, Wayne Kernan, Bill Brenton, Bernard Brown, Dick Olenius, James Buffon, LeRoy Haley, Charles Hays, Allen Taylor, Garry Neal, Larry Lee Penwell, Alvin Selley, Roger Lindell, Don Lewis, Darwin Johnson, Richard Hanson, David Meier, Alan Else, Vernon Brannan, Maurice Williams, Don Poston, Roger Taylor, Lynn Doll, Lee Johnson, Harland Smith, Reno Sierp, Kenny

FUTURE FARMERS of AMERICA



TOP ROW, Left to Right: G. Fisher, J. Olson, R. Walters, T. Davies, B. Brown, L. Reynolds, B. McFarland, L. Davies, C. Wilcoxon, D. Forsythe, D. Williams, M. Hendrix, G. King, D. Crowdy, J. Linn, D. Windom. SECOND ROW: J. Wilson, B. Victor, G. Smith, H. Sperry, G. Archer, R. Cooper, M. Stille, R. Hart, W. Smith, B. Kernan, B. Brenton, D. Brown, J. Olenius, L. Buffon, C. Haley, A. Hayes. BOTTOM ROW: G. Taylor, L. Neal, A. Penwell, R. Selley, D. Lindell, D. Lewis, R. Johnson, D. Hanson, A. Meier, V. Else, M. Brannan, D. Williams, R. Poston, L. Taylor, L. Doll, H. Johnson, Reno Smith. Advisor.



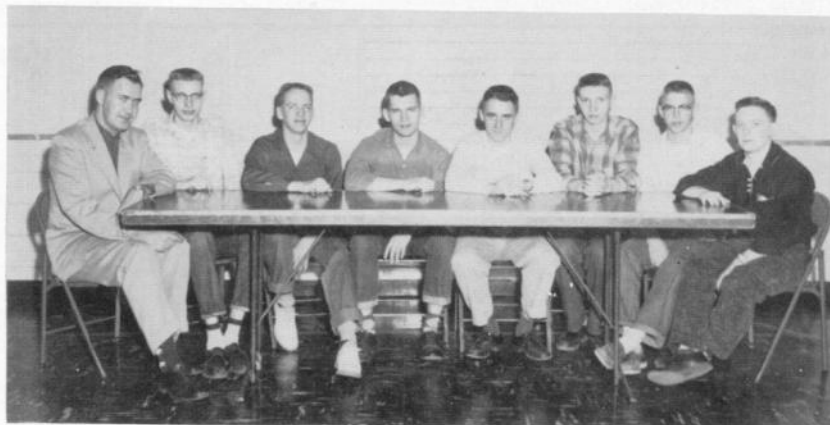
Left to Right: Kenneth Sierp, Don Lindell, Reno Smith, Lynn Taylor, David Windom, Ronald Hart, Don Williams, Bernard Brenton.

Sponsored by the FFA

HI-Y CLUB



Clean Sport, Clean Speech, Clean Living, is the platform of the Hi-Y Boys. They try to spread this throughout the school. They donated to the Red Cross, March of Dimes, and World Service. The club also had installation of officers and played Hi-Y Tournament basketball. They sponsored a dance after a basketball game. The Hi-Y Boys also sold boxes of candy at Christmas time which helped to raise funds for their organization.



Left to Right: Mr. Pierson, Advisor; Cecil Wilcoxon, District Rep.; Don Williams, Sec'y; Charles Burton, Pres.; Ron Lewis, V-Pres.; Don Wilcoxon, Chaplin; Lynn Taylor, District Rep.; and Dave Snow, Treasurer.

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35: Y-Teens Lindell, Betty Olenius, Janice Barr, Mary Fisher, Sharon Hein, Virginia Norcross, Joyce Smith, Frances Mack, Carol Sprague, Jane Christie, Nickie Vonnahme, Mrs. Hossman, Mary Doggett, Pat Crouse, Charlotte Johnson, Leona Hein, Peggy Neal, BettyLou Brown, Frances Smith, Carmen

Y-TEENS



STANDING, Left to Right; Betty Lindell; Janice Olenius; Mary Barr; Sharon Fisher; Virginia Hein; Joyce Norcross; Frances Smith; Carol Mack; Jane Sprague; Nickie Christie; SITTING: Mrs. Vonnahme, Sponsor; Mary Hossman; Patty Doggett; Charlotte Crouse, Vice-President; Leona Johnson, President; Peggy Hein, Secretary; Betty Neal, Treasurer; Frances Brown; Carmen Smith.



Activities of Club

Father - Daughter Banquet . . . Mother - Daughter Tea
 . . . Mexican Fiesta . . . Initiation . . . Christmas Kiddie
 Party . . . Leap Year Dance . . . Installment of Officers
 . . . Sell Peanuts . . . Basketball Pencils . . . Conces-
 sion Stand at Football Games . . . Prepared and Served
 FFA Banquet.

Sponsored by the Y-Teens

36: Newspaper Volcano Journalism Snow, David Bashaw, John Richey, Kent Means, Bob Smith, Carmen Johnson, Leona Hein, Virginia Norcross, Joyce Windom, David Burrish, Florence Hossman, Mary Williams, Don Wilcoxon, Donald Wilcoxon, Cecil Lewis, Ron G. Wilhelm, Heather Barr, Peggy Himiller, Mary Penwell, Pat Palmquist, Janet Frazee, Sharon Hein, Peggy Fisher, Sharon Hedstrom, Susie

NEWSPAPER STAFF



Left to Right: David Snow, John Bashaw, Kent Richey, Bob Means, Carmen Smith, Leona Johnson, Virginia Hein, Joyce Norcross. Not pictured: David Windom and Miss Burrish, Advisor.

JOURNALISM CLASS



TOP ROW, Left to Right: Mary Hossman, Don Williams, Don Wilcoxon, Cecil Wilcoxon, Ron Lewis, Heather Wilhelm. BOTTOM ROW, Left to Right: Peggy Barr, Mary Himiller, Pat Penwell, Janet Palmquist, Sharon Frazee, Peggy Hein, Sharon Fisher, and Janis Hedstrom.

Sponsored by the Villisca Review

DRAMATICS CLUB



The Dramatics Club, with Mr. Vance Hansen as advisor, had an active club this year. They held a preliminary speech contest in Villisca. The club has presented a one-act play and a contest play. Several members entered the speech contest and six contestants and the play advanced on to the District Contest.



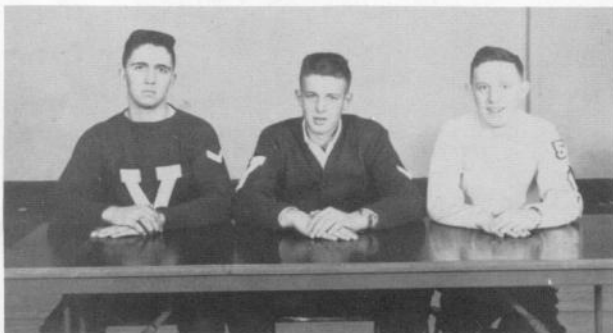
Left to Right: Lynn Taylor, Treasurer; Peggy Hein, Secretary; Carmen Smith, Vice-President; Mary Hossman, President.

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LETTER CLUB



This is the third year that the Letter Club has been in existence. A boy is required to have a letter in some sport to become a member of this organization. The advisors are Fred Humphrey and Chuck Graham.



Left to Right: Bob Means, Vice President; Bill Kernen, President; David Snow, Secretary and Treasurer.

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39: Librarians Freeman, Norma Peterson, Joyce Hess, Bernadine Hanson, Jeanette Himiller, Mary Stackhouse, Ann Sanders, Janet Neal, Kathalene Lindell, Betty Thorson, Judy Wheeler, Wanda Norcross, Joyce Means, Janet Smith, Frances Sprague, Jane Gardner, Lila Brown, Nita Neal, BettyLou Nippert, LaVera Ankeny, Bonnie Stuvick, Karen Hossman, Mary Smith, Carmen Hein, Virginia

LIBRARIANS



TOP ROW, Left to Right: N. Freeman, J. Peterson, B. Hess, J. Hanson, M. Himiller, A. Stackhouse, J. Sanders. SECOND ROW, Left to Right: K. Neal, B. Lindell, J. Thorson, W. Wheeler, J. Norcross, J. Means, F. Smith, J. Sprague. BOTTOM ROW: Miss Gardner, N. Brown, B. Neal, L. Nippert, B. Ankeny, K. Stuvick, M. Hossman, C. Smith, V. Hein.



Left to Right: Social Chairman, Betty Neal; Secretary and Treasurer, Karen Stuvick; President, Bonnie Ankeny; Vice-President, LaVera Nippert.

The Librarian's Club is an important part of the school. They are in charge of books, papers, and magazines taken from the library. They meet twice a month and held a covered-dish supper for Christmas at the home of Miss Lila Gardner, Advisor.



BAND



The Band has performed in many ways this year. They marched at all home football games and entered local parades. They presented fall and spring concerts and concerts during the summer.

PEP BAND



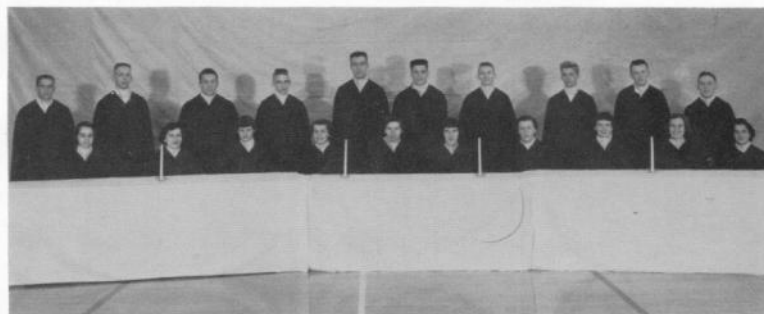
Drum Major is Darwin Williams and the Majorettes from left to right are Janis Hedstrom, Nancy Welch, Lavon Adair, and Jeanne Richey.

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CHORUS



The Chorus has acquired a new room, a new piano, and several new robes this year. They are to be commended on all of the work that they put into their TV show, radio program, concerts, and exchange program. They meet twice a week.



The Madrigal group consists of the five quartets from the music department who tried out for All State. They presented a musical review. The two quartets in the center went on to All-State Chorus in Des Moines.



SEATED: Vice-President Virginia Hein, Treasurer Nickie Christie.
STANDING: Secretary Lynn Taylor, and President Alan Meier.

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GLEE CLUBS



The Girls' and Boys' Glee Clubs were composed of 80 girls and 36 boys. The members of each club were chosen at the beginning of the school year by their director, Miss Rose Mary Castner.

The Girls' Glee Club was divided into the Freshman-Sophomore and Junior-Senior groups because of the large number of girls. Each group met at a different time during the week.

Accompanist for the Boys' Glee Club was Leona Johnson. A number of different girls were given the opportunity to accompany the Girls' Glee Club.

The Boys' Glee Club was recognized enthusiastically at both school and community functions.



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44: Music, Vocal Music Brass Ensemble Ensembles Snow, David Burton, Charles Johnson, Richard Richey, Kent Carmichael, Sam Noble, David Meier, Alan Penwell, Pat Croxdale, Mike Schaffer, Helen Christie, Nickie Richey, Jeannie Bauer, Pat Hoyt, Connie Penwell, Sandy Sprague, Lois McCullough, Carol Jamison, Connie Palmquist, Janet Hedstrom, Susie Fisher, Sharon Stuvick, Karen Hein, Peggy Hein, Virginia Doggett, Pat Johnson, Leona Wilhelm, Heather Buffon, LeRoy Richey, Kent Burton, Charles Gidley, Allan Hossman, Mary

MUSICAL ENSEMBLES



TOP ROW, Left to Right: Dave Snow, Charles Burton, Richard Johnson, Kent Richey.
BOTTOM ROW: Sam Carmichael, Dave Noble, Alan Meier, Pat Penwell, Mike Croxdale.



Left to Right: Helen Shaffer, Nickie Christie, Jean Richey, Pat Bauer, Connie Hoyt.
BOTTOM ROW: Sandra Penwell, Lois Sprague, Carol McCullough, Connie Jamison.



TOP ROW, Left to Right: Janet Palmquist, Janis Hedstrom, Sharon Fisher. SECOND ROW: Karen Stuvick, Peggy Hein, Virginia Hein. BOTTOM ROW: Pat Doggett, Leona Johnson, Heather Wilhelm.



Left to Right: Dave Snow, Leroy Buffon, Kent Richey, Charles Burton, Alan Gidley, Mary Hossman.



46: Homecoming, Queen Adair, LaVon Lee, Everette Brown, Dick Graham, Jerry (flowergirl) Graham, Tommy (crownbearer) Palmquist, Janet Hein, Virginia Johnson, Leona Penwell, Pat

HOMECOMING

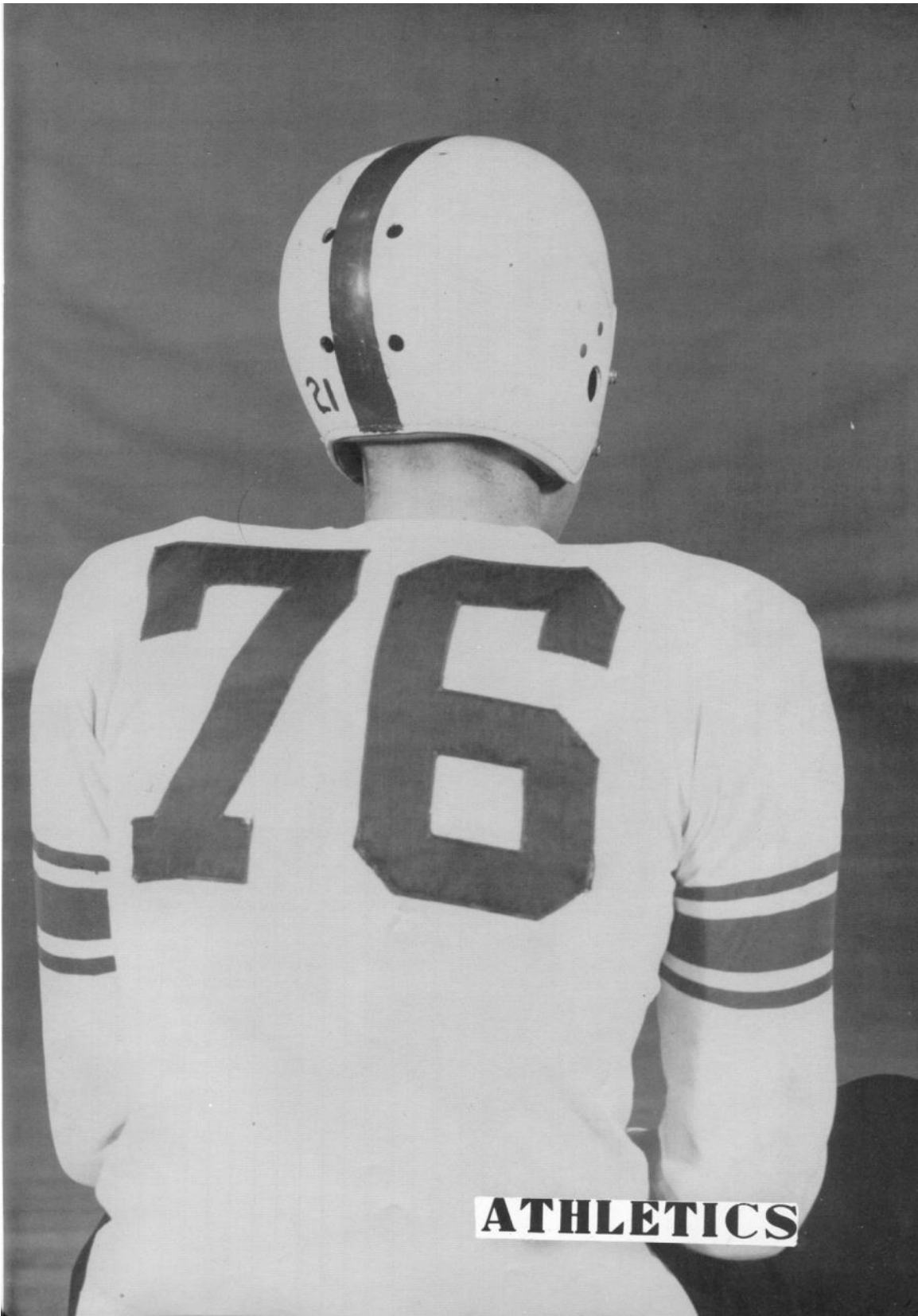


Left to Right: Janet Palmquist, Junior; Virginia Hein, Senior; Queen, LaVon Adair, Senior; Leona Johnson, Senior; Pat Penwell, Junior.

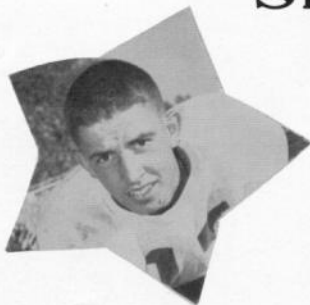
QUEEN



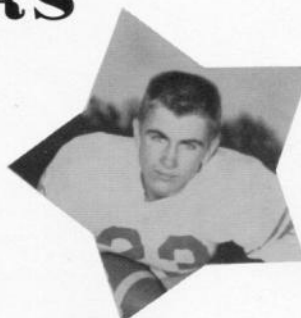
VHS Homecoming Queen for this year was LaVon Adair. The girls, three seniors and two juniors, were nominated by the football boys and the student body elected the queen. LaVon was crowned by Co-Captains Everette Lee and Dick Brown. Tommy and Jerry Graham carried the crown and a bouquet of flowers.



SENIORS



Everette Lee
Center
Co-Captain



Dick Brown
Quarterback
Co-Captain



John Bashaw
End



Leo Davies
Tackle



Bill Kern
Tackle



Al Meier
Line Backer



Wayne Smith
Halfback



Eldon Hill
End



Bernard Brenton
Guard

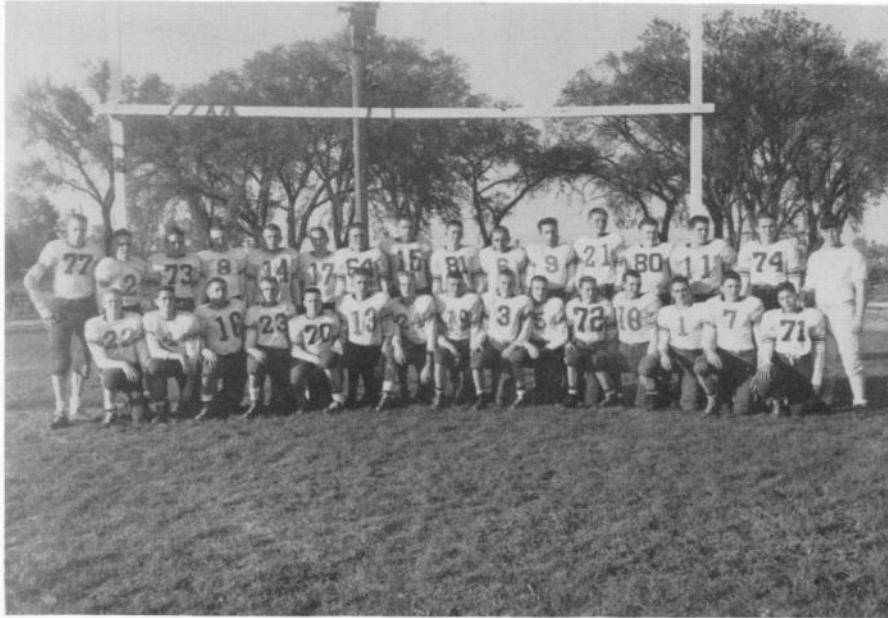


Pete Beery
Line Backer



Bob Means
Guard

FOOTBALL



| SCORES | |
|----------|---------------|
| VILLISCA | OPPONENT |
| 0 | Bedford 27 |
| 0 | Atlantic 33 |
| 0 | Shenandoah 32 |
| 7 | Glenwood 32 |
| 0 | Corning 28 |
| 0 | Creston 33 |
| 0 | Red Oak 36 |
| 6 | Clarinda 26 |

The Villisca Bluejays, although they dropped all eight games, showed steady improvement against tough opposition. Seniors, Bernard Brenton, Alan Meier, Bill Kernen, Everette Lee, Bob Means, and Wayne Smith, were among nine returning lettermen. Bill Woodward and Marv Peterson, regulars on last year's squad, were missing this season. Sophomore guard, Morris Stille, was a first team all-conference selection. Everette Lee, senior center, was picked on the second squad. Everette Lee and quarterback Dick Brown were selected as co-captains by the squad.

BASKETBALL TEAM



1955-56 BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

| VARSITY | | | RESERVES | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|--|
| Villisca | Opponent | | Villisca | Opponent | |
| 40 - - - 28 | Nov. 8 | College Springs | 36 - - - 24 | | |
| 40 - - - 37 | 15 | Bedford | 18 - - - 42 | | |
| | 18 | Northboro | 31 - - - 56 | | |
| 24 - - - 67 | 19 | Abraham Lincoln | 49 - - - 61 | | |
| | 29 | Stennett | 40 - - - 46 | | |
| 46 - - - 39 | Dec. 2 | Glenwood | 41 - - - 28 | | |
| 36 - - - 37 | 6 | Clarinda | 20 - - - 60 | | |
| 42 - - - 66 | 9 | Atlantic | 48 - - - 37 | | |
| 46 - - - 64 | 13 | Creston | 42 - - - 39 | | |
| 50 - - - 79 | 16 | Shenandoah | 43 - - - 37 | | |
| 53 - - - 56 | 20 | Corning | 47 - - - 50 | | |
| 51 - - - 57 | Jan. 3 | Bedford | 51 - - - 47 | | |
| 30 - - - 67 | 6 | Red Oak | 49 - - - 39 | | |
| 44 - - - 58 | 10 | Glenwood | 50 - - - 36 | | |
| 43 - - - 50 | 13 | Clarinda | 54 - - - 41 | | |
| 46 - - - 56 | 20 | Creston | 50 - - - 56 | | |
| | 24 | Northboro | 52 - - - 55 | | |
| 48 - - - 56 | 27 | Shenandoah | 42 - - - 34 | | |
| 24 - - - 73 | Feb. 3 | Red Oak | 54 - - - 59 | | |
| 38 - - - 64 | 10 | Atlantic | 39 - - - 37 | | |
| 56 - - - 39 | 14 | Braddyville | 63 - - - 23 | | |
| 70 - - - 49 | 17 | Corning | | | |
| 59 - - - 76 | 21 | Shenandoah (Sectional Tournament) | | | |
| Won 5 | | | Won 12 | | |
| Lost 15 | | | Lost 9 | | |
| Villisca 44.2 points per game | | | Villisca 43.8 points per game | | |
| Opponent 55.9 points per game | | | Opponent 43.2 points per game | | |

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Ron Lewis
Junior
Forward



Norm Anson
Senior
Forward



Jim Moser
Junior
Guard



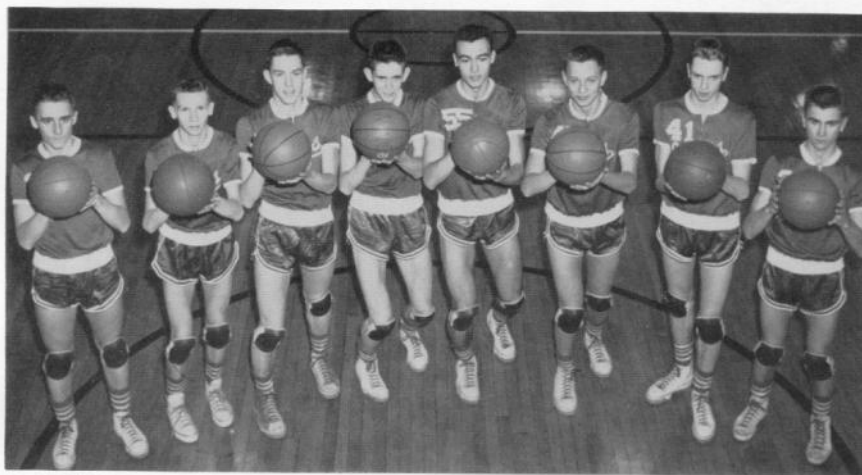
Kent Richey
Senior
Center



Dave Noble
Sophomore
Guard

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VARSITY



VARSITY, Left to Right: Ron Lewis, Dave Noble, Jim Moser, Norm Anson. Kent Richey, Ken Sierp, Vince Ashmore, Dick Brown.



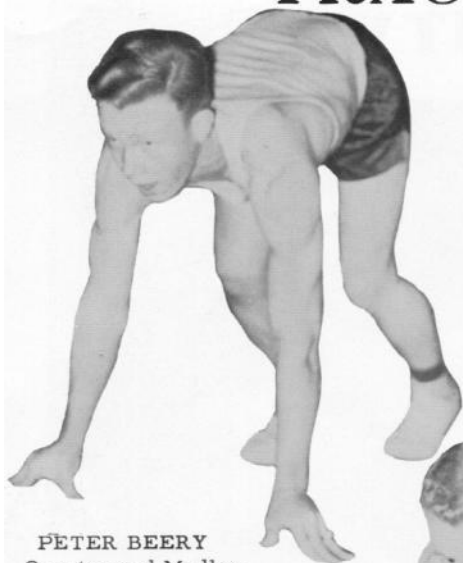
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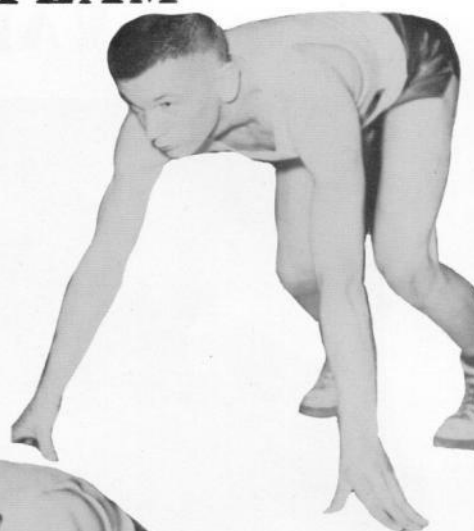
Vince Ashmore
Co-Captain
Junior
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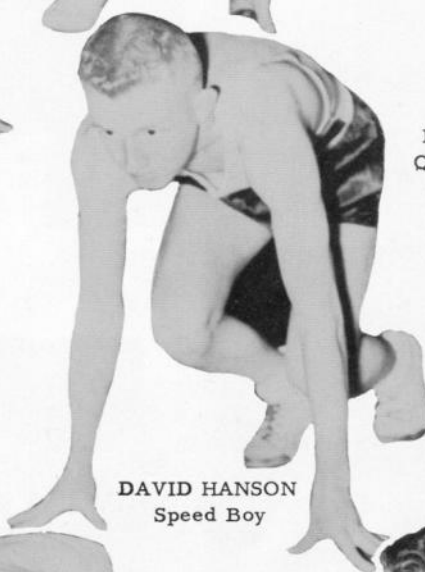
TRACK TEAM



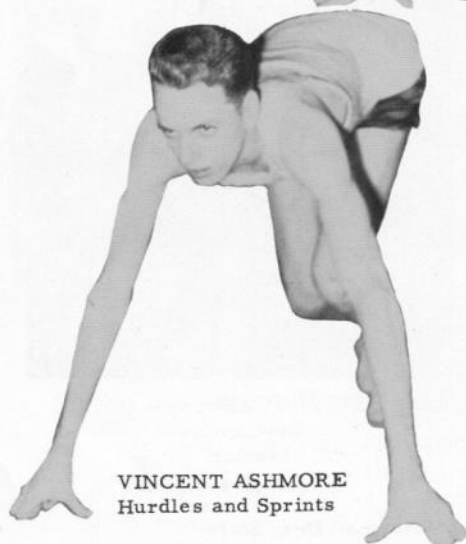
PETER BEERY
Quarter and Medley



BERNARD BRENTON
Quarter and Mile Relay



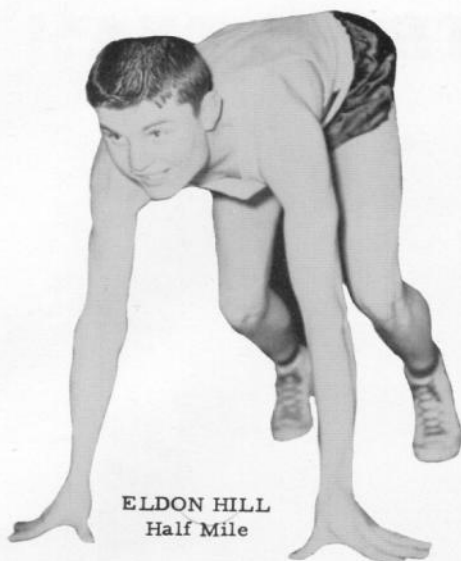
DAVID HANSON
Speed Boy



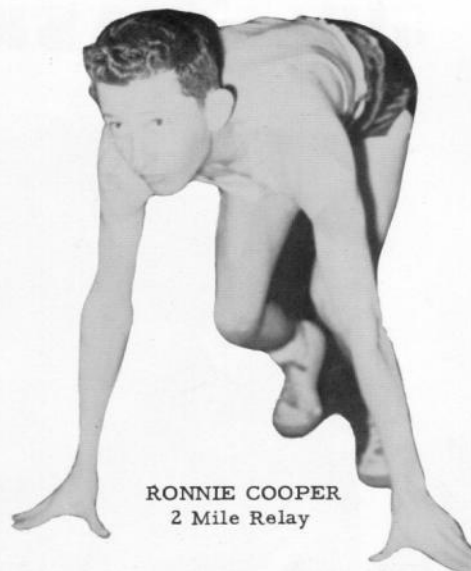
VINCENT ASHMORE
Hurdles and Sprints



DAVID NOBLE
880 Relay and Pole Vault



ELDON HILL
Half Mile



RONNIE COOPER
2 Mile Relay

RESERVE LETTERMEN



BACK ROW, Left to Right: Teddy Davies, Darwin Williams, Richard Johnson, Morris Stille. FRONT ROW: Ronnie Lewis, Dick Brown, Tom TenEyck.

The highlights of the '56 track season were the State Indoor Meet at Iowa City, the Tri-State Meet at Tarkio, and the Blue Jay Relays on the home track.

Marvin Peterson, one of the Blue Jays' best half milers, didn't run this year due to an injury suffered the previous summer. The track squad, as well as the football and basketball teams, suffered greatly from the loss of this all-around athlete.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM



BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

| | Opponents | Villisca |
|-----------------------------|------------------|----------|
| Nov. 8 - College Springs | 66 | 57 |
| 11 - Walnut | 69 | 49 |
| 18 - Northboro | 52 | 50 |
| 29 - Stennett | 56 | 55 |
| Dec. 2 - Elk Horn | 73 | 43 |
| 9 - Hamburg | 68 | 71 |
| 13 - Glenwood | 52 | 77 |
| 20 - Elk Horn | 66 | 42 |
| Jan. 6 - Lenox | 74 | 69 |
| 9 - Clarinda Junior College | 76 | 78 |
| 13 - College Springs | 82 | 62 |
| 19 - Stanton | 52 | 70 |
| 21 - Wales-Lincoln | 64 | 59 |
| 24 - Northboro | 74 | 64 |
| 27 - Lenox | 57 | 65 |
| Feb. 1 - Stanton | 59 | 64 |
| 2 - Richland Township | 70 | 77 |
| 4 - Cromwell | 71 | 76 |
| 7 - Glenwood | 76 | 72 |
| 13 - Tingley | 64 | 60 |
| Record: Won 8 | Team Totals 1321 | 1266 |
| Lost 11 | Average 69.5 | 66.7 |

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JAYETTES



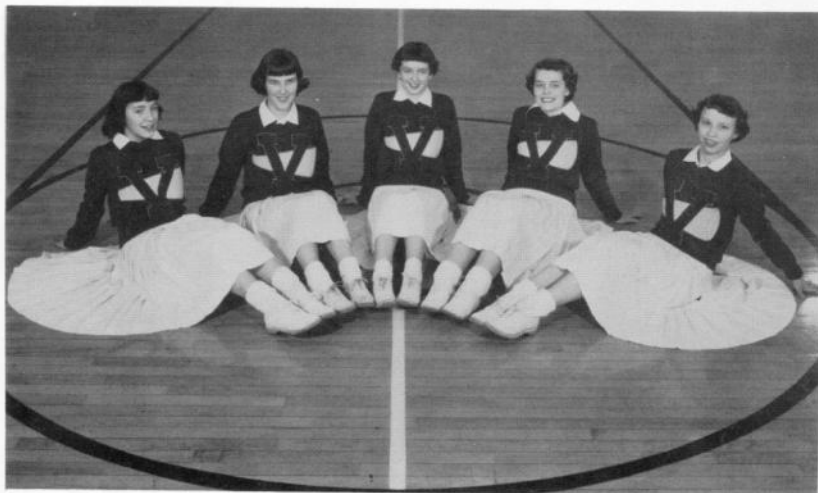
Left to Right: Bernice McFarland, Guard; Wanda Wheeler, Guard; Heather Wilhelm, Guard; Beverly Anson, Post Forward; Mary Hoffman, Guard; Jeanne Richey, Forward; and Patty Doggett, Forward.

The Jayettes started the 1955-56 season with a new lineup which lacked experience due to the graduation of four starters. This fact was responsible for a slow start by the cage team, but as the season progressed and the girls gained experience and self-confidence, they found the victories came easier. They reached their peak during the time of the County and Sectional Tournaments, being runner-up to Wales-Lincoln in the final play-off of the County Tourney. The Villisca gals then went on to win the three games of the Sectional Tournament at Prescott and become the first girls' team in Villisca High School history to win a Sectional Tourney, and an automatic District birth. A strong Tingley team ended their bid in the first game at Creston.

Much will be expected from this squad and their Coach Jack Argotsinger next year as only one girl will be lost by graduation.

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CHEERLEADERS VARSITY



Left to Right:

Sandra Penwell
Janis Hedstrom
Janet Palmquist
Carmen Smith
Bonnie Ankeny

"B" SQUAD

Left to Right:

Connie Jamison
Shirley Asklof
Jeanne Hein
Lois Sprague
Nancy Felt



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